PROGRAMS & EXHIBITIONS

SUMMER/FALL

JULY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2023
LancasterHistory’s next major exhibition, Thieves & Vagabonds, will explore the history of law and justice in Lancaster County. In this 1920s photograph, police raid an illegal brewery during Prohibition. From the Lancaster 250 Collection, LancasterHistory.
Greetings friends!

Looking to expand your knowledge of local, regional, or national history? Interested in the challenges of the American presidency? Or simply want to relax on the grounds of Wheatland and the Tanger Arboretum this summer? LancasterHistory has something to satisfy your intellect and maybe even your soul.

Look out for three new exhibits on the Campus of History. In July, *The Long Road to LGBTQ+ Equality in Pennsylvania* travels to LancasterHistory from the LGBT Center of Central PA. In September, we’ll showcase *Black Lancastrians in the Arts: A Lasting Legacy*, a photo exhibit that explores the wealth of African American artists in Lancaster County. Then, in November, check out a major new exhibition and acquaint yourself with *Thieves & Vagabonds: A History of Law & Justice in Lancaster County*. It’s chock-a-block full of stories from the underbelly of bucolic Lancaster County and its stately courthouse.

We’ll also offer a range of family-friendly events for each season. In July, join us for an evening of *Music on the Lawn* with the Big Sky Quartet, and every Thursday your youngest historians can join us for *Storytime*. In August and September, we’ll host two more editions of *Music on the Lawn*, and kids’ events return with “Past, Present, Pumpkins” and “Candy Canes & Cocoa at the Campus of History” in September and December.

The *Regional History Colloquium* is back for its 27th year, with Dr. Mark Schrad lecturing on “Prohibition: The Misunderstood Reform,” and a panel discussion exploring connections between the Underground Railroad and the Pennsylvania Railroad. We’ll also have two more in the *Presidential Lecture Series*, with first-rate scholar Dr. Louise Stevenson speaking on the foreign policy legacy President Buchanan left to Abraham Lincoln.

You can also take advantage of walking tours, *Collections Up Close Tours*, special events in the Tanger Arboretum, or any one of the more than *thirty programs* designed for your learning pleasure and offered by LancasterHistory between now and December 31, 2023.

So, come join your neighbors this summer and fall for an expansive and engaging dive into the history of the City, County, Commonwealth, and Country, right here in your backyard!

With warmest regards,

**THOMAS R. RYAN, Ph.D.**

**PRESIDENT & CEO**
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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JULY

Storytime
THURSDAYS IN JULY | 10AM
Family-Friendly Program at LancasterHistory
Gather ‘round for Storytime each Thursday in July! Storytime at LancasterHistory takes place among historic buildings, giving children an immersive history experience. Each week, we’ll read aloud from a book centered on a historical theme, and then lead a craft or activity inspired by the theme. July 6 will feature a special Storytime with father/daughter duo author Corey Fogelman and illustrator Piper Fogelman, presenting their book, Market Day: A Lancaster County Poem. Suggested for children 12 and under. Free.

The Long Road to LGBTQ+ Equality in Pennsylvania Exhibition Opening
THURSDAY, JULY 27 | 5 – 7PM
Special Program at LancasterHistory
Join us to celebrate the opening of The Long Road to LGBTQ+ Equality in Pennsylvania, a traveling exhibit developed by the LGBT Center of Central Pennsylvania. LancasterHistory will be...
open with extended hours for visitors to see the new exhibit and enjoy a pop-up, outdoor beer garden. *LancasterHistory Member Discount.*

**Creating Habitat for Butterflies**  
**SATURDAY, JULY 29 | 10AM**  
*Tanger Arboretum Program at LancasterHistory*  
Join the Friends of the Tanger Arboretum and presenter Debra Carman to learn about the habitat elements necessary for the survival of butterflies from egg to adult. Attendees will learn about the critical ecological role native plants and butterflies play in food webs. *Tanger Members Free.*

**Music on the Lawn**  
feat. Big Sky Quartet  
**SATURDAY, JULY 29 | 5 – 7PM**  
*Family-Friendly Program at LancasterHistory*  
Music on the Lawn is back this summer with more fantastic local bands in James Buchanan’s backyard! This family (and dog) friendly event is an opportunity to relax and enjoy an evening outdoors at LancasterHistory. July’s concert features folk, roots, and blues music from Big Sky Quartet. *LancasterHistory Members Free.*

*Members of Queer Nation, an organization that had branches in many major cities, visit Lancaster to march with their banner in support of the local LGBTQ+ community, and in opposition to the KKK march. Courtesy of the Historical Society of Dauphin County, Harrisburg, PA.*
The Trans-Atlantic Cable
SATURDAY, AUGUST 5
TOURS 10AM – 3PM
Wheatland Special Subject Tour at LancasterHistory
On August 16, 1858, President James Buchanan received the first public message sent across the Trans-Atlantic Telegraph Cable. Queen Victoria’s 98-word message took 16.5 hours to travel from Ireland to Newfoundland. In this Special Subject Tour, attendees will learn how such a feat was achieved and the diplomatic impact it had on the UK and the USA. LancasterHistory Members Free.

Music on the Lawn
feat. Sonora Los Fantasticos
SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 | 5 – 7PM
Family-Friendly Program at LancasterHistory
Music on the Lawn is back this summer with more fantastic local bands in James Buchanan’s backyard! This family (and dog) friendly event is an opportunity to relax and enjoy an evening outdoors at LancasterHistory. August’s concert features salsa, Latin jazz, and cumbia music from Sonora Los Fantasticos. LancasterHistory Members Free.
SEPTEMBER

First to Rise & Last to Retire: Meet Wheatland’s Domestic Workers
SATURDAY, SEPT 2
TOURS 10AM – 3PM
Wheatland Living History Tour at LancasterHistory
Edward Bolger. Mary Smithgall. Rosanna Gordon. These are a few of the names of the many people employed at Wheatland during James Buchanan’s lifetime. Join us for a special living history tour that spotlights the people who worked to create the comfortable lifestyle that Buchanan and his family enjoyed. LancasterHistory Members Free.

Music on the Lawn
feat. All Weather Band
SATURDAY, SEPT 9 | 5 – 7PM
Family-Friendly Program at LancasterHistory
Music on the Lawn concludes its 2023 season with another fantastic local band taking the stage in James Buchanan’s backyard! Bring your family (and dog) to relax and enjoy an evening outdoors before school starts up again. September’s concert features classic rock hit covers from the All Weather Band. LancasterHistory Members Free.

The Pennsylvania Main Line of Public Works & The Underground Railroad
THURSDAY, SEPT 14
5PM RECEPTION | 5:30PM PANEL
Regional History Colloquium at LancasterHistory
The Philadelphia & Columbia Railroad began operations in 1834 and shortly thereafter, anti-slavery activists began using the 80-mile route to assist men and women fleeing slavery. This panel discussion will highlight the stories of William Whipper, Stephen Smith, Thaddeus Stevens, and others throughout southern Pennsylvania who used actual railroads to help formerly enslaved people escape to freedom. Free.

Winter Bird Feeding in the Susquehanna Valley
SATURDAY, SEPT 23 | 10AM
Tanger Arboretum Program at LancasterHistory
Join the Friends of the Tanger Arboretum and presenter Dan Hinnebusch to learn about the birds who spend their winter in the Susquehanna Valley and what backyard bird enthusiasts—or those new to backyard birding—can do to help their local birds thrive in the winter months. Tanger Members Free.

I Am Somebody: The Trailblazing Career of Madeline Anderson
SATURDAY, SEPT 23 | 2PM
Collections Up Close Program at LancasterHistory
Buchanan’s Legacy to Lincoln: Cuban Annexation, the African Slave Trade, and the Circulation of Chinese Labor
feat. Louise Stevenson, Ph.D.
THURSDAY, SEPT 28
5PM RECEPTION | 5:30 PM LECTURE
Presidential Lecture at LancasterHistory
James Buchanan is recognized for many things, but few know about his advocacy of humanitarian reform in Cuba before the Civil War. In this lecture, Dr. Louise Stevenson, Professor Emerita at Franklin and Marshall College, will join LancasterHistory to explore the intersection of the African slave trade, the circulation of Chinese labor, and American foreign policy in the 1850s. Free.

Past, Present, Pumpkins!
SATURDAY, SEPT 30 | 10AM
Family-Friendly Program at LancasterHistory
Learn about the autumnal icon, the pumpkin, at this fun, family-friendly event! Discover the historical origins of the pumpkin and why we decorate our front porches each year with a vegetable we probably won’t eat. Plus, decorate a small jack-o-lantern in a spiffy style of your choice!

Chief Iron Whip Goes to Washington
SATURDAY, OCT 7
TOURS 10AM – 3PM
Wheatland Special Subject Tour at LancasterHistory
In 1857, Chief Iron Whip of the Ponca Tribe traveled 1,400 miles to negotiate a treaty with President James Buchanan. The act marked the first time a Native American Chief sat with the President of the United States. Learn about the Buchanan Administration’s treatment of the visiting Ponca, its relationship with the Native American tribes, and the message that Chief Iron Whip had for the 15th President. LancasterHistory Members Free.

Rural Cemetery to Urban Oasis
feat. Kate Benisek & Jennifer O’Donnell
WEDNESDAY, OCT 4
5PM RECEPTION | 5:30PM LECTURE
Regional History Colloquium at St. James Episcopal Church
Mount Moriah Cemetery in Philadelphia was established in 1855 and abandoned in 2011. Today, it has been reinvented as a historic site and arboretum whose “living legacy” combines ecological restoration with educational programming and community events. Join LancasterHistory and The Friends of the Tanger Arboretum in October to hear about these efforts from Kate Benisek, landscape architect and professor at Temple University, and Jennifer O’Donnell, President of the Friends of Mount Moriah Cemetery. Free.
Fall Seasonal Gathering Tour  
SATURDAY, OCT 14 | 11AM  
Tanger Arboretum Program at LancasterHistory  
Join the Friends of the Tanger Arboretum for their Fall Seasonal Gathering Tour. On this tour, attendees will take in the changing of the seasons through vibrant fall colors, ornamental trees, and pollinator gardens in the Arboretum. Tanger Members Free.

Seasonal Foods in the Garden Spot  
SATURDAY, OCT 21 | 2PM  
Collections Up Close Program at LancasterHistory  
Lancaster County is known as the “Garden Spot” because of its rich and fertile farmland. Local food traditions have been influenced by these natural resources as well as by Lancaster’s diverse communities like the German-speaking immigrants who arrived in the 18th century. In this Collections Up Close program, we’ll explore recipes, diaries, photographs, and business records to gain a deeper appreciation for the county’s delicious history. LancasterHistory Member Discount.

Rosina (spelled Rosana) Hubley’s Cookery Book from 1815. Collections of LancasterHistory.

LancasterHistory Fall Fest  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 | 4 – 7PM  
Family-Friendly Event at LancasterHistory  
Join us for a festive and family-friendly fall fundraiser to support educational programming at LancasterHistory. Gather ‘round cozy Breeo fire pits and enjoy the changing leaves on campus alongside delicious fall fare from Cracked Pepper Catering and two live musical acts. With all this and a pop-up exhibit on fall foodways, seasonal beer, and a kids’ area with crafts and yard games, there’s something for everyone! For more information and tickets, please visit lancasterhistory.org/fallfest.
NOVEMBER

Four Presidents & A Constitution feat. David Fischer
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2
5PM RECEPTION | 5:30PM LECTURE
Presidential Lecture at LancasterHistory
All American Presidents are sworn into office with an oath to “preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States,” but interpretations of that obligation have varied from one executive to another. Author David Fisher joins LancasterHistory to explore those interpretations in the context of the four presidents who served between 1850 and 1865, including James Buchanan.

Historic Trees of Lancaster County: Part 2
feat. Len Eiserer
SATURDAY, NOV 4 | 11AM
Tanger Arboretum Program at LancasterHistory
Join the Friends of the Tanger Arboretum and presenter Len Eiserer to learn about local, still-living trees with intriguing, historical connections. Trees include those with connections to the 1787 Constitutional Convention, the 1876 Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, and Lancaster’s 18th & 19th-century silk industries. Free.

Prohibition: The Misunderstood Reform feat. Mark Schrad, Ph.D.
THURSDAY, NOV 9
5PM RECEPTION | 5:30PM LECTURE
Regional History Colloquium at LancasterHistory
National prohibition is typically attributed to a movement of conservative zealots intent on legislatting what Americans could and could not drink. In this lecture, Dr. Mark Schrad of Villanova University will discuss the reality of temperance as a broad-based progressive movement linked to fights for the abolition of slavery, suffrage for women, and public health. Free.

Urban Legend: The Life & Legacy of C. Emlen Urban Book Launch
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 | 5-7PM
Special Program at LancasterHistory
Join us to celebrate the release of Urban Legend: The Life & Legacy of C. Emlen Urban by Gregory Scott, local architect and historian. During the event, Scott will sign copies of his book and give brief remarks. Reception generously supported by the Richard C. von Hess Foundation.

The Invention of Childhood: Victorian Children’s Books
SATURDAY, NOV 18 | 2PM
Collections Up Close Program at LancasterHistory
Learn about children’s literature in the Victorian period while getting an up-close look at illustrated children’s books from LancasterHistory’s collection. This program will focus on the balance between play and education, how children’s literature reflected broader cultural values, and how technological developments impacted book design. LancasterHistory Member Discount.

Yuletide at Wheatland
NOV 20 – DEC 30
TOURS MON – SAT, 10AM – 3PM
Wheatland Special Subject Tour at LancasterHistory
See Yuletide through the eyes of James Buchanan’s niece and
nephew, Harriet Lane and James Buchanan Henry, at this year’s Yuletide at Wheatland. Guided tours will explore the expansion and development of Christmas in the years following Buchanan’s death in 1868. Discover Christmas in the early days of the Industrial Revolution and learn about its increasing commercialization with the arrival of mass-produced Christmas décor and electric tree lights. LancasterHistory Member Discount.

**DECEMBER**

**Campus of History Cheer**
SATURDAY, DEC 2 | 5 – 7PM
Family-Friendly Event at LancasterHistory
Enjoy Wheatland at night with the whole family! Take a self-guided tour of the first floor of James Buchanan’s beloved home, experience a stroll around campus with hundreds of luminaries lighting the pathways, and check out a pop-up exhibit of Lancaster County holiday traditions ranging from the religious to the secular. Plus, get festive with live music, festive lights, and a hot chocolate and cookie station. LancasterHistory Member Discount.

**Urban Metabolism: Greek Immigrants & The Progressive Era in Southeastern PA**
feat. Konstantinos Kourelis, Ph.D.
THURSDAY, DEC 7
5PM RECEPTION | 5:30PM LECTURE
Regional History Colloquium at LancasterHistory
Greek immigration to the United States was one of the most significant demographic movements for modern Greece. The migration also played an important role in shaping immigrant communities in southeastern Pennsylvania. In this lecture, Dr. Konstantinos Kourelis of Franklin and Marshall College will join LancasterHistory to share his research on Lancaster’s Greek community in the early twentieth century. Free.

**Candy Canes & Cocoa at the Campus of History**
SATURDAY, DEC 16 | 10AM
Family-Friendly Program at LancasterHistory
Help us on our hunt for candy canes across the Campus of History! After the hunt, children will learn about various Yuletide traditions and enjoy a hot cup of cocoa. Suggested for children 10 and under.
The Long Road to LGBTQ+ Equality in Pennsylvania chronicles the efforts activists have undertaken in Lancaster and throughout Pennsylvania to achieve full equality for LGBTQ+ people. Using photographs, video, and additional materials from the LancasterHistory collections, this special, traveling exhibition highlights not just the political struggles for civil rights, but the personal stories as well.

**EXHIBITIONS**

Explore three centuries of history through a series of changing interpretive exhibitions featuring historic art, artifacts, and archival materials. Between July and December 2023, the following exhibitions will be on display at LancasterHistory.

- **THE LONG ROAD TO LGBTQ+ EQUALITY IN PENNSYLVANIA**
  - **On Display July 24 – September 2, 2023**

  *The Long Road to LGBTQ+ Equality in Pennsylvania* chronicles the efforts activists have undertaken in Lancaster and throughout Pennsylvania to achieve full equality for LGBTQ+ people. Using photographs, video, and additional materials from the LancasterHistory collections, this special, traveling exhibition highlights not just the political struggles for civil rights, but the personal stories as well.

- **BLACK LANCASTRIANS IN THE ARTS: A LASTING LEGACY**
  - **On Display September 8 – December 30, 2023**

  *Black Lancastrians in the Arts: A Lasting Legacy* explores the enduring work of African American artists in Lancaster County. The photo exhibit highlights the music, films, and performances of artists like Madeline Anderson and The Tranells through historical images in LancasterHistory’s archives. Examine how these individuals navigated Lancaster from the Fulton Opera House to J.P. McCaskey High School and the impact they left on local, national, and international institutions.

Exhibition admission is included with the purchase of a General Admission or Exhibitions-Only ticket. Members visit for free!
LancasterHistory’s newest, major exhibition, *Thieves & Vagabonds*, chronicles key moments in the history of law and justice in Lancaster County from the 18th century to the 20th century. From prisons to prohibition, *Thieves & Vagabonds* explores the making, breaking, and remaking of laws over 300 years of Lancaster County’s history. Visit LancasterHistory’s newest exhibition for a deep dive into crime and punishment as well as reform and repair in the Lancaster community.

**OPENING NOVEMBER 13, 2023**

See the exhibit on display in the Groff Gallery, then join us for special events to hear even more stories of Lancaster County’s lawmakers and lawbreakers. Look for “Lancaster Vice” walking tours, History Happy Hours, and our November lecture “Prohibition: The Misunderstood Reform” in the months ahead!
We’re so grateful for Members, like you, that support LancasterHistory! Your support helps make all the programs and exhibitions that appear in this booklet possible. We hope there was a program or two (or an exhibition or two!) that piqued your interest and that we’ll see you on Campus this season!

Most of the events each season feature discounts or complimentary admission for Members. From free tickets to Music on the Lawn to discounted tours, your membership is the key to uncovering more history and more fun that will spark your mind and refresh your spirit.

For Members at the Benefactor level and above, your LancasterHistory membership is also a key to hundreds of other museums, galleries, and gardens throughout North America! LancasterHistory participates in the North American Reciprocal Museum Association (NARM), which allows our Members at the Benefactor level and above to receive reciprocal admission benefits to over 1,300 participating museums stretching from Canada to Mexico and everywhere in between in North America. To learn more about the program and which organizations participate, please visit narmassociation.org.

If you wish to make a gift above and beyond membership, we’ve enclosed a donation envelope for your convenience. Your gift will help LancasterHistory continue to provide exciting, educational programming and exhibitions. It will also help us to further develop partnerships and collaborations with other Lancaster County organizations that are sharing and preserving our community’s history. Thank you for your support and consideration, and we hope to see you on the Campus of History soon!

For questions related to membership and events, please contact Annie Weeks, Development & Events Manager, at annie.weeks@lancasterhistory.org or 717.392.4633 ext. 134. If you’d like to renew or upgrade your membership, we’re happy to assist you over the phone.

Photos from the 2022 Campus of History Cheer event.
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Show me the way!

Help Harpo find his way back to the Lancaster History Museum.

spot the difference
Find the 8 differences between the two pictures below of Harpo & Wheatland.

Connect the dots
Reveal President Buchanan’s piece of clothing.