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Signature Series

PENNSYLVANIANS AND PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS: G. TERRY MADONNA



COURTESY G. TERRY MADONNA

Dr. G. Terry Madonna will present a talk at The State Museum of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, on October 27 at 5 p.m. Dr. Madonna is a professor and director of the Center for Politics and Public Affairs at Franklin and Marshall College, and director of the Franklin and Marshall College Poll, Lancaster. His recently published book, *Pivotal Pennsylvania: Presidential Politics from FDR to the Twenty-First Century* (see Bookshelf on page 46 of this issue), explores Pennsylvania's role in politics beginning in the 1930s and coincides with the PHMC's celebration of the 75th anniversary of the New Deal. The book is the latest volume in the Pennsylvania History Studies Series, which interprets current scholarship for general readers, including students and teachers. The event is free and open to the public but registration is required. To RSVP, visit www.pabookstore.com, or call (717) 787-2407. Visit www.pabookstore.com to purchase a copy of Dr. Madonna's book before the event.



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GETTYSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK AND VISITOR CENTER TOUR

Dr. Carol Reardon (above, center) wowed Heritage Society members and guests during the May 13 *Signature Series* bus tour to the Gettysburg National Military Park and new Visitor Center. Gettysburg Foundation Vice President Elliot Gruber met with the group to talk about the new Gettysburg Visitor Center, and Dr. Reardon shared her vast knowledge of military history to bring the battle to life.

NEW DEAL POST OFFICE MURALS TOUR

Don't forget to sign up for our upcoming bus tour of New Deal era artworks and the Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum in Scranton on October 7, 2008. *Seats are limited!* Call 1-866-823-6539.



COURTESY OF U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Steel Industry (1936), created by Howard Norton Cook for the U.S. Post Office and Courthouse, Pittsburgh, will be featured in the upcoming exhibit of New Deal murals at The State Museum of Pennsylvania listed on page 43.

Please note that special events may require fees in addition to PHS membership benefits or regular admission prices. Some historic sites and museums have modified hours during the winter season. Please contact desired destinations ahead to verify details.

SPECIAL EVENTS

BUSHY RUN BATTLEFIELD
Harrison City, (724) 527-5584
www.bushyrunbattlefield.com

October 25 **Haunted History Hayride** 6 p.m. – 11 p.m.

CONRAD WEISER HOMESTEAD
Womelsdorf, (610) 589-2934
www.conradweiserhomestead.org

October 18 **Terror in the Tulpehocken** 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
November 15 **Candlelight Tours** 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

CORNWALL IRON FURNACE
Cornwall, (717) 272-9711
www.cornwallironfurnace.org

October 14 **Tales of the Alden Family of Cornwall, John Feitig** 7:30 p.m.
November 15 **Dances and Customs of the Lenape Indians, Jeffrey Bosch** 7:30 p.m.
December 6 **13th Annual Christmas at Cornwall House Tour** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. *Admission.*

DANIEL BOONE HOMESTEAD
Birdsboro, (610) 582-4900
www.danielboonehomestead.org

October 19 **Heritage Day** 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
October 26 **Lecture Series: Pennsylvania German Graveyards, Michael Emery** 2 p.m.
November 2 **Daniel Boone Birthday Program** 2 p.m.
November 16 **Lecture Series: The Schuylkill Navigation Company and Its Impact on the Oley Valley, Glenn Wenrich** 2 p.m.
December 7 **A Homestead Christmas** noon – 5 p.m.

DRAKE WELL MUSEUM
Titusville, (814) 827-2797
www.drakewell.org

October 3–4 **Lantern Tour of Historic Pithole** 6:45 p.m.
October 25 **Oil Valley Blacksmith's Association Demonstrations** 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

ECKLEY MINERS' VILLAGE
Weatherly, (570) 636-2070
www.eckleyminers.org

October 17–19, 24–26 **Halloween Lantern Tour** Fridays and Saturdays 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m. Sunday 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. *Admission.*
November 16 **Abraham Lincoln and the Gettysburg Address, Tony Blatz** 2 p.m.
December 6 **Children's Christmas Program** 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

EPHRATA CLOISTER
Ephrata, (717) 733-6600
www.ephratacloister.org

October 11 **Apple Dumpling Day** 9:30 a.m.
December 8–9 **Christmas at the Cloister** 6:30, 7:45, and 9 p.m.
December 26–29 **Lantern Tours** 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

FORT PITT MUSEUM
Pittsburgh, (412) 281-9285
www.fortpittmuseum.com

October 11 **234th Anniversary of the Battle of Point Pleasant** 1 p.m.
November 21–23 **250th Anniversary of the British Seizure of the Point** 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

GRAEME PARK
Horsham, (215) 343-0965
www.ushistory.org/graeme

October 17–18 **Haunted Moonlight Tours** hourly 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. *Reservation required.*
October 23–25 **Ghostly Gatherings** Thursday 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. *Reservation required.*
November 30 **Christmas Potpourri** noon – 4 p.m.

HOPE LODGE
Fort Washington, (215) 646-1595
www.ushistory.org/hope

November 1–2 **Whitemarsh Encampment** Saturday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Sunday 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
December 5–7 **Holidays at Hope Lodge** Friday 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Saturday noon – 3 p.m.; Sunday noon – 3 p.m.

JOSEPH PRIESTLEY HOUSE
Northumberland, (570) 473-9474
www.josephpriestleyhouse.org

November 2 **Heritage Day at Priestley House** 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. *Admission.*

LANDIS VALLEY MUSEUM
Lancaster, (717) 569-0401
www.landisvalleymuseum.org

October 11–12 **49th Annual Harvest Days with the Pumpkin Patch** 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. *Admission.*
October 30, November 13 **Hands-On History Days** 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. *Admission.*
November 14–15 **Weathervane Holiday Open House** Friday noon – 8 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
December 5–7; 12–14 **Country Christmas Village** Weekdays and Saturdays 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sundays noon – 4 p.m. *Admission.*

OLD ECONOMY VILLAGE
Ambridge, (724) 266-4500
www.oldeconomyvillage.org

November 29 **Christmas with Belsnickel** 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. *Registration required.*
December 6 **Christmas at the Village** 2 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. *Admission.*
December 13 **Annual Christmas Fundraising Dinner** 6 p.m. *Registration required.*



EPHRATA CLOISTER

Lantern Tours at Ephrata Cloister.

PENNSBURY MANOR
Morrisville, (215) 946-0400
www.pennsburymanor.org
October 5 **Historic Trades** 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
October 12 **Living History Theater: The Sotcher Wedding** 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
October 19, November 16 **Open Hearth Cooking Demonstration** 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
October 26 **Beer Brewing & Cider Making** 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
December 6 **Wreaths and Greens Workshop** 10 a.m. – noon; 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. *Registration required.*
December 11–12 **Holly Nights** 5:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.

PENNSYLVANIA ANTHRACITE HERITAGE MUSEUM
Scranton, (570) 963-4804
www.anthracitemuseum.org
October 19 **Remember Johnny Mitchell Day** noon – 5 p.m.
October 26 **Mule Appreciation Day** noon – 5 p.m.
December 13 **Coal Cracker Holiday Workshop** 10 a.m. *Registration required.*
December 19 **Coal Miner's Day** 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

PENNSYLVANIA LUMBER MUSEUM
Galeton, (814) 435-2652
www.lumbermuseum.org
October 11–12 **Heritage Days** 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

PENNSYLVANIA MILITARY MUSEUM
Boalsburg, (814) 466-6263
www.pamilitarymuseum.org
October 27 **Lecture: Nurse Helen Fairchild: A Nurse at the Front in World War I** 7:30 p.m.

RAILROAD MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA
Strasburg, (717) 687-8628
www.rrmuseumpa.org
October 10–12 **Model Railroading Days** Friday, Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Sunday noon – 5 p.m.
October 12 **Garden Railway Tours** 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. *Registration required.*
November 8 **"Taking the Swing Train" 1940's Dance** 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. *Registration required.*
November 8–9 **Trains and Troops** 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
December 6, 13 **Home for the Holidays** 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA
Harrisburg, (717) 787-4980
www.statemuseumpa.org
October 26 **Halloween and Harvest—Treats, Tales, and Traditions** noon – 4 p.m.
December 30 **Noon Years Eve Parties** 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.; 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

WASHINGTON CROSSING HISTORIC PARK
Washington Crossing, (215) 493-4076
www.ushistory.org/washingtoncrossing
October 5 **Harvest Day** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Admission.
December 18 **Basket-Making with Tina Barrows** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. *Admission.*
December 25 **Christmas Crossing** 1 p.m. *Weather permitting.*



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EXHIBITS

PENNSYLVANIA MILITARY MUSEUM
Boalsburg, (814) 466-6263
www.pamilitarymuseum.org
November 30 – December 21 **"Santa's Draft Card"**

RAILROAD MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA
Strasburg, (717) 687-8628
www.rrmuseumpa.org
Through December 31, 2008 **"Railroads and the American Industrial Landscape: Ted Rose Paintings and Photographs"**

SOMERSET HISTORICAL CENTER
Somerset, (814) 445-6077
www.somersethistoricalcenter.org
Through October 12 **"Treats of the Trade: A History of the I.X.L. Creamery and Walker Dairy"**

THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA
Harrisburg, (717) 787-4980
www.statemuseumpa.org
Ongoing **Curiosity Connection and Planetarium Shows**
November 23 – May 17, 2009 **"A Common Canvas: Pennsylvania's New Deal Era Post Office Murals"**

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ARCHIVES
Harrisburg, (717) 783-3281
www.phmc.state.pa.us
October 7 **Archives and Records Management Seminar** Four Points by Sheraton, Harrisburg. *Call for more details.*

THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA
Harrisburg, (717) 787-4980
www.statemuseumpa.org
December 4 **Public History Symposium: Pennsylvania's New Deal Legacies,** *Call (717) 787-2407 for more details.*

TAH TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

A new class of secondary school teachers attended a week-long residency at The State Museum and State Archives in June as part of the PHS/PHMC Teaching American History (TAH) project with the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit. In combination with the *Signature Series* double program featuring Drs. Walter Licht and Thomas Dublin, the teachers and PHS guests gained insight into the rise and fall of industrialization in Pennsylvania. The teachers also embarked on field trips to Eckley Miners' Village, the Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum, Scranton, and historic Bethlehem, as well as the National Portrait Gallery, Smithsonian American Art Museum, and the National Archives in Washington, D.C.



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TAH teachers enjoy a special tour of the Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum, Scranton, with site administrator Chester Kulesa.

SUPPORT IN THE FIELD

Pennsbury Manor, the country home of William Penn near Morrisville, Bucks County, received a $10,000 discovery grant from Heritage Philadelphia to develop interpretations of Penn's relationship with Native Americans.

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