

# The Pencader Press

*Newsletter of the Pencader Heritage Area Association*

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## **Who are we?**

*Volunteers interested in promoting the Pencader Heritage through active participation.*

## **How do we do that?**

- Outreach Programs
- Pencader Family Fun Day
- Educational Sign Program
- Video Library
- Local Oral Histories
- Preservation of Pencader History



**PHAA Museum**  
2029 Sunset Lake Rd.  
Newark, DE  
Open: 1st & 3rd Sat.  
10:00am to 4:00pm



## **Want more information ?**

302-737-5792 or  
Visit our web site:  
www.  
PencaderHeritage.Org



As we round out the first year in our official Pencader Heritage Museum, PHAA is pleased with the activities we have been able to accomplish. The Speakers Series was re-instituted after several months with interesting and dynamic speakers. Great speakers have been lined up for the first few months of 2008. See the calendar at the end of the newsletter and be on the look-out for e-mail events notices.

We are pleased that many visitors arrive with gifts and loans of artifacts for display. Antique farm and household tools, and additions to our files of Pencader's earliest families and family mementos continue to be donated or loaned. Deeds of Gift or Loan are given to the donors.

President Glenn Pusey and Vice-President Bill Conley have been invited several times to make presentations to various interest groups. Contact the website if you would like a speaker for your group.

Tentative plans are underway to establish a co-ed Pencader Venture Unit for Scouts who could earn badges and perhaps learn to be re-enactors as they absorb the history of Pencader Heritage Area. We hope to establish a Brownie Scout History Day where the girls could do hands-on learning and earn badges.

Our three nights of Ghost Hunting on the battlefield and around the old mill were a rousing success. We hope to present them again next fall.

On December 13, our first Student Leadership Conference was held at the museum. Twenty-four high school leaders spent the day hearing informative speakers on County government, scouting, State court systems, and the Delaware National Guard. The Guard provided MRE (meals-ready-to-eat) for lunch. These are the exact meals furnished to our service people in the field today. It was a true learning experience for students and adults. Press coverage was provided by the Newark Post.

PHAA had a special visitor in November. Morfudd Jones of the Pencader area of Wales, UK was our guest. She told us about her Pencader and learned about ours. We hope to establish a pen-pal relationship between elementary schools in the two Pencaders. Her visit was in honor of the Welsh immigrants who settled Pencader Hundred.

Calendar-of-Events  
*No admission fee for any event*

Speaker Series

February 13 7:00 PM.

Lowell Jacobs will speak on Waterways of Delaware-Lifeblood of a Region from Pleistocene to Pencader. He will discuss the known and suspected mills along the Christina River. As a special treat at 6:00 PM Lowell will handcarve a Delaware Blue Hen and present it to a lucky visitor. Other handcarved items will be for sale.

Since a few of the writers for the new Histories of Newark book will be present, bring your copies for signing. Come and enjoy one or both sessions.

March 12, 2008 7:00 PM

Keith Doms will discuss The History of Iron Hill

April 9, 2008 7:00 PM

Jan Churchill will tell us about WW 2 New Castle Airbase Female Bomber Aviators from a first-hand viewpoint. She was one of the flyers!

May 15, 2008 7:00 PM

Flag Retirement Ceremony

(Do you have any flags which should be honorably retired?)

September 5, 2008 6:00 PM

Battlefield Memorial Service

September 27, 2008 10:00 - 2:00

Pencader Heritage Day

The Pencader Heritage Museum is open every 1st and 3rd Saturday, 10:00 - 4:00.  
Look for the OPEN flag on the sign!

To continue the vigorous program we envision for PHAA, major fundraising is of prime importance. We are looking for increased private memberships, corporate donations, grants, and public funding. Contact us: [www.pencaderheritage.org](http://www.pencaderheritage.org) or (302) 737-5792

PHAA is a non-profit organization. Contributions are tax deductible

To contribute: PHAA, 248 East Chestnut Hill Rd. Newark, DE 19713

Individual / family membership \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Other donation \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ for newsletter and coming events, ONLY.

Can we interest you in volunteering with PHAA to help during some of our activities? \_\_\_\_\_