

# 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 Heritage 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



*T*here's always something new going on at Pencader Heritage Museum. Right now we're proud to have 2 new exhibits: Vietnam Mailbag, through March 31st, and a February Black History month display. Vietnam Mailbag, on loan from the DE Archives, is a collection of letters from military personnel in Vietnam and artifacts from the era. It was originally compiled by Nancy Lynch of the New-Journal. As always, there are numerous new small artifacts to see.

*M*embership sign-ups and renewals are now possible through our website [www.PencaderHeritage.org](http://www.PencaderHeritage.org). Have you signed-up or renewed? We depend on membership for much of our financial support.

*S*everal new interpretative signs donated by Pencader Heritage Area Association are ready to be installed by New Castle County in Glasgow Park, as soon as the weather permits. In the meantime be sure to stop at our flag pavilion on Old Baltimore Pike at Dayett Mill Road and read the signs there.

*P*HAA monthly Speaker Series has resumed. Speaker for March 10th is Nancy Lynch, who compiled Vietnam Mailbag. See Calendar of Events at the end of the newsletter for coming months' speakers.

*I*n November the museum hosted students from the Alethia School. We're always pleased to have school groups visit the museum. Contact the website to arrange a field trip, for a school or any organization.

*I*n a December election the current slate of officers was re-elected.

*A* donation from the Reynolds-Rencourt Foundation has formed the base of an endowment fund, to which we would appreciate gifts over and above membership. Please keep us in mind, as we operate on donations and memberships. Our goal is to never have to charge an admission fee.

*T*he time of our monthly business meetings has been changed to the 4th Tuesday evening 7:00 PM, in order to accommodate those who can't make a daytime meeting. All are welcome.

*O*ur Ghost Tours the last 2 years have been such a success we will hold 3 more this fall. See Calendar of Events at end of newsletter for dates.

*A* spectacular program is being planned for our annual Flag Retirement Ceremony June 12, at noon. The Gold Star Association and Cub Pack 1777 will honor those who gave their lives in all wars.

*P*encader has formed a working partnership with the local chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution to further enhance our joint goal of protecting this historic area. Cooch's Bridge Battlefield is one of a very few Revolutionary War battlegrounds which is still relatively undeveloped.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Pencader Heritage Museum is open 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month 10 - 4

February 10th - Wednesday - 7:00 PM - Ken Baumgardt on the History of Delaware Park Race Track

February 23 - Tuesday 7:00 PM - Monthly Business Meeting

March 10th - Wednesday 7:00 PM - Nancy Lynch will speak on how her collection of Vietnam letters and artifacts came about.

March 23rd - Tuesday 7:00 PM - Monthly Business Meeting

April 14th - Wednesday 7:00 PM - Paul Baurenschmidt will speak on the History of Little League Baseball in Delaware

April 27th - Tuesday 7:00 PM - Monthly Business Meeting

May 12th - Wednesday - 7:00 PM - Wade Catts will speak on Archeology of the New Gore Building Site on Rt. 896

May 25th - Tuesday - 7:00 PM - Monthly Business Meeting

June 12th Saturday 12:00 noon - Annual Flag Retirement Ceremony with Gold Star Association participation, honoring those who have sacrificed their lives to protect America in all wars.

June 22nd - Tuesday - 7:00 PM - Monthly Business Meeting