

# 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



PHAA is continuing to form a connection with like-minded organizations in order to further our goals of informing the public of the history and heritage which surrounds us.

Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) and Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and Washington Rochambeau Revolutionary Route (W3R) have responded favorably and will work with us.

The president and secretary of The Delaware Valley Finnish American Society visited in March, offering to join our efforts and presented us with a Finnish flag and a beautiful, informative map *The First Permanent Finnish Settlements on the Delaware*. The flag and map are on display in the Cooch Room. We invited the Society to hold their spring quarterly meeting at the museum.

Rev. David Carey of Word of Life Christian Center, our neighbor on Old Baltimore Pike, attended the March business meeting, offering the welcome news that his church would like to participate in the historic community and offering help to us. They plan a July 4 celebration and we offered to be open that day.

We have updated the PHAA Goals and Objectives for 2011-2012. The group was fortunate in being able to meet or exceed most of our goals of 2009-2010, so was encouraged to expand our horizons. Check the website [www.pencaderheritage.org](http://www.pencaderheritage.org) for an update

Our new informational signs, designed and produced by PHAA, for Glasgow Park are ready for installation by the county as soon as weather permits. Newly reprinted signs to replace faded ones at the museum are also ready for installation.

We're pleased to see more visitors are staying longer to enjoy all we offer, with some doing area and family research. More resources are being organized and will soon be posted on the website.

A new exhibit, loaned by Jan Churchill, honoring the women pilots of WW II will be opening in April.

Lowell Jacobs has organized and lead several successful banjo playing, building and repair workshops with additional ones scheduled for April 17, May 15 and June 19.

Our previous Ghost Tours were so successful that more are planned. See calendar of events at end of newsletter for dates and make reservations at: [delawareghosttours@comcast.net](mailto:delawareghosttours@comcast.net).

The brutal winter cut into our activities for the 1st quarter, causing loss of 2 openings and numerous hours of work at the museum. We still recorded 731 volunteer hours and 97 visitors for the period.

Work is progressing on 2 major programs for 2010. On June 12 we will host our 4th annual flag retirement ceremony. This one will be extra special as we have invited the Gold Star Association to participate. The name of all Delaware service members who have lost their lives in service to America from 1960 to the present will be read as Cub Pack 1777 properly retires faded and worn American flags. If you have lost a loved one in military service since 1960, please contact the website with details so that name can be included. The fallen prior to 1960 will be remembered and honored en mass.

On September 11, a tree-planting ceremony honoring German-American friendship will on the grounds of the Pencader Heritage Museum with, as honored guests, a delegation from the German embassy in Washington, DC. The Delaware Sangerbund is a co-sponsor with PHAA in this endeavor.

Have you renewed your membership? Please do so, as memberships and donations are our main source of income. It's now possible to sign-up or renew memberships on line with payment by credit card or thru PayPal. - Check [www.pencaderheritage.org](http://www.pencaderheritage.org) for more information.

Always check the website for new features. Look for us also on Facebook and Twitter.

Private rental of picnic grove with museum opening can be arranged. Contact website [www.pencaderheritage.org](http://www.pencaderheritage.org) or call 302-737-5792.

## Calendar of Events

Open every 1st and 3rd Saturday, 10 4. FREE

All events except Ghost Tours are Free

April 14th, Wednesday 7 PM Speakers Meeting Paul Baurenschmidt, *Little League Baseball in Delaware*.

April 17th, Saturday, Banjo Workshop

May 8th, Saturday, Ghost Tour at the Museum.

May 12th, Wednesday 7 PM Speakers Meeting Wade Catts *Recent Research on American War for Independence Battlegrounds and Camps, including new archeological work*.

May 15th, Saturday, Banjo Workshop

June 6, Sunday, Private opening and rental of picnic grove.

June 12, Saturday 12:00 noon, Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Museum.