

2012 Calendar of Events of Pennsylvania German Cultural Interest

Starred() events are listed through the courtesy of Russell Miller, Blandon, Pa., and Francis D. Kline, Robesonia, Pa.*

The reader is advised to use the contact information included for the various events to verify any changes in scheduling as a result of extenuating circumstances.

January

January 6, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

January 10, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

January 16, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

January 17, 7:00 p.m.

Show and Tell

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

January 18, 8:00 a.m.*

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Kultur Society

Risser's Restaurant, Stouchsburg, Pa.

January 19, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Conversation Group

Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center, Pennsburg, Pa.

Join members of the Pennsylvania German community to listen and talk about various subjects in Deutsch. Sing songs in the dialect and listen to music. Conversation group meetings are open to the public. The SLHC provides coffee and tea for all participants. Join the conversation! No RSVP required.

January 19, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deitsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.
Phone: (610) 264-2979

January 20, 6:43 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 17, Fersommling No. 31

Fire Company, Mount Zion, Pa.

January 21, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

January 25, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 15, Fersommling No. 46

Fire Company, Kutztown, Pa.

January 25, 7:30 p.m.

Annual Show and Tell.

Sponsored by Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley

Ephrata Public Library, 550 South Reading Road, Ephrata, Pa.

Phone: (717) 733-1616; e-mail cjmarquet@gmail.com

January 26, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 4, Fersommling No. 64

Center Hall, Quakertown, Pa.

January 26, 7:00 p.m.

Show and Tell

Gratz Historical Society Meeting,

Simeon's Lutheran Church, Gratz, Pa.

www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

January 30, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 9, Fersommling No. 58

Fire Company, Dublin, Pa.

February

February 2, 8:00 a.m.*

Will "Uni" See His Shadow?

Union Canal, Myerstown, Pa.

February 2, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 1, Fersommling No. 76

Fire Company, Germansville, Pa.

February 3, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

February 4, 7:00 p.m.

Annual Music Night

Singer-songwriter Chuck Neufeld, folk-musician Frances Miller, Men's Ensemble from Mennonite Heritage Chorale, Vietnamese Mennonite Choir (Philadelphia).

A Lancaster Roots 2012 event

Neffsville Mennonite Church, Neffsville, Pa. Tickets required.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

February 6, 2:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

February 8, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 2, Fersommling No. 75

Fire Company, Tylersport, Pa.

February 8, 7:00 p.m.

Anabaptist Lecture Series: Plain People, Rich Culture

Session I: Donald Kraybill, Ph.D.

Kutztown University, Alumni Auditorium. Free.

February 10, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 11, Fersommling No. 55

Smitty's Social Hall, Ashfield, Pa.

February 10, 6:30-8:30

Auction of Rare, Out-of-Print, and Used Books

Guidelines and catalogs available by subscription or at www.lmhs.org.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745

February 14, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

February 15, 8:00 a.m.*

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Kultur Society

Risser's Restaurant, Stouchsburg, Pa.

February 16, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Conversation Group

Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center, Pennsburg, Pa.

Join members of the Pennsylvania German community to listen and talk about various subjects in Deutsch. Reminisce about the old days and review William Rupp's column in *Town and Country*. Conversation group meetings are open to the public. The SLHC provides coffee and tea for all participants. Join the conversation! No RSVP required.

February 16, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deitsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.

Phone: (610) 264-2979

February 18, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

February 20, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

February 21, 7:00 p.m.

History of Dulcimers, Ray Holland, speaker

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

February 22, 5:00 p.m.

Anabaptist Lecture Series: Plain People, Rich Culture

Session II: Comparing the Old Orders, featuring Benueel Riehl and James Weaver.

Kutztown University, Rohrbach Library. Free.

February 22, 7:30 p.m.

My Adventures with Fraktur in Southeastern Pennsylvania

Dr. Robert N. Kline, speaker.

Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley

Ephrata Public Library, 550 South Reading Road, Ephrata, Pa.

Phone: (717) 733-1616; e-mail: cjmarquet@gmail.com

February 23, 7:00 p.m.

Ray Snyder film of 1955 Gratz Sesquicentennial Parade

Gratz Historical Society Meeting
Historical Society headquarters, Main Street, Gratz, Pa.
www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

February 24, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 6, Fersommling No. 62
Kresgeville Fire Company, Kresgeville, Pa.

February 27, 7:00 p.m.

A Brief History of the Victim-Offender and Restorative-Justice Movements,
Howard Zehr and Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz
A Lancaster Roots 2012 event. Free.
Strasburg Mennonite Church, Strasburg, Pa.
Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

March

March 2, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour
Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)
Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

March 2, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 16, Fersommling No. 41
Schnecksville Fire Company

March 5, 2:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club
Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.
Phone: (610) 641-0690

March 9, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 18, Om Gross Forelle Grick No. 21
Fire Company, Emerald, Pa.

March 10, 9:00-noon

Paint a Pennsylvania German Box
Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.
Reservation required. Fee.
Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

March 11, noon-5:00 p.m.

Charter Day, Landis Valley Farm Museum
Coincides with opening of exhibit "The Golden Age of an American Art Form: The Lancaster Long Rifle." Free.
2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 569-0401

March 13, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

March 15, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Conversation Group

Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center Pennsburg, Pa.

Join members of the Pennsylvania German community to listen and talk about various subjects in Deutsch. Conversation-group meetings are open to the public. The SLHC provides coffee and tea for all participants. Join the conversation! No RSVP required.

March 15, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 14, Fersommling No. 50

Lower Milford Fire Company

March 15, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deitsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.

Phone: (610) 264-2979

March 17, 9:00-noon

Fraktur Class

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Reservation required. Fee.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

March 17, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

March 19, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

March 20, 7:00 p.m.

How Northumberland County Townships Were Named, Scott Heintzelman, speaker

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

March 21, 8:00 a.m.*

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Kultur Society

Risser's Restaurant, Stouchsburg, Pa.

March 22-May 24, Thursday evenings, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Beginner Pennsylvania German Dialect Classes

Alice L. Spayd, instructor; advance registration required. Fee

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; dsiegrist@lmhs.org

March 22, 7:00 p.m.

Armstrong Valley Winery

Gratz Historical Society Meeting

Historical Society headquarters, Main Street, Gratz, Pa.

www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

March 24-25, Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Sunday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

9th Annual Reading-Berks Chapter, Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsman, Spring Fine Arts and Crafts Festival

80+ master traditional folk-art and contemporary craftsmen and fine artists showcase juried crafts and artwork; senior art and craft students from Kutztown University will display and sell their work; includes wood carving, scherenschnitte, metalwork, theorem and folk-art painting, redware pottery, fiber work, stained glass, rug hooking, jewelry, and more; live music, café. Adults, fee; children 12 and under, free; ample parking.

Hosted in partnership with the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center at Kutztown Keystone Hall.

Phone: (610) 678-6650; e-mail: spring_show@rbcrafts.org

March 26, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 13, Fersommling No 50

Fire Company, East Greenville, Pa.

March 28, 7:30 p.m.

Women of the Civil War: Clothing, Culture, and Contributions

Janice Grove and Lynette Miller, speakers.

Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley

Ephrata Public Library, 550 South Reading Road, Ephrata, Pa.

Phone: (717) 733-1616; e-mail: cjmarquet@gmail.com

March 30, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 10, Fersommling No. 57

Fire Company, Polk Township, Pa.

March 30, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 5, Fersommling No. 65

Masonic Lodge, Pine Grove, Pa.

March 31, 6:00 p.m.

Annual Banquet, Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society

“The Early Church on Killing,” by author Ron Sider

Weaver Banquet Facility, Adamstown, Pa. Reservations required.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; dsiegrist@lmhs.org

March 31, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Easter on the Farm

Program featuring Pennsylvania German Easter customs and traditions. Artisans will demonstrate in farmhouse. Activities for everyone. Free admission and parking.

Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, 13 Luckenbill Road, Kutztown, Pa.

Phone: (484) 646-4172; e-mail: heritage@kutztown.edu

April

April 2, 2:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden’s United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

April 6, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

April 9, 6:30 p.m.*

Baericks Kounty Fersommling No. 73

Market Hall, Leesport, Pa.

April 10, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

April 13, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 8, Fersommling No. 59

Smitty’s Social Hall, Ashfield, Pa.

April 13, 6:30-8:30

Auction of Rare, Out-of-Print, and Used Books

Guidelines and catalogs available by subscription or at www.lmhs.org.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745

April 16, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

April 17, 7:00 p.m.

The Zeigler/Ziegler Family of Northumberland County, Shirley Silvick, speaker

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

April 18, 8:00 a.m.*

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Kultur Society

Risser's Restaurant, Stouchsburg, Pa.

April 19, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Conversation Group

Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center Pennsburg, Pa.

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April 19, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deutsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.

Phone: (610) 264-2979

April 20, 5:00 p.m.*

Unner Mahanoy un Nochberschaft 68th Fersommling

Kevin's Place, Lykens, Pa.

Phone: (570) 648-4095

April 21, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Annual Lancaster Family History Conference

Deep Roots: Using DNA to Unlock Your Family's Ancient Past

Keynote speaker: Darwin L. Martin, scientist

Concurrent workshops and tours.

A Lancaster Roots 2012 event. Pre-registration required

Lancaster Host Resort and Conference Center.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: perb@lmhs.org

April 21, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

April 24, 6:30 p.m.*

Upper Perkiomen Ladies No. 7, Banquet No. 28

Fire Company, East Greenville, Pa.

April 25, 7:30 p.m.

Limekilns of Lancaster County

Kenneth G. Miller, speaker

Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley

Ephrata Public Library, 550 South Reading Road, Ephrata, Pa.

Phone: (717) 733-1616; e-mail: cjmarquet@gmail.com

April 26, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 7, Fersommling No. 61

Fire Company, East Greenville, Pa.

April 26, 7:00 p.m.

Beekeeping

Gratz Historical Society Meeting

Historical Society headquarters, Main Street, Gratz, Pa.

www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

April 27, 6:47 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 12, Fersommling No. 53

Haag's Hotel, Shartlesville, Pa.

May

May 4, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

May 5, 6:00 p.m.*

Huffa Karrich Fersommling No. 17

Fire Company, Seisholtzville, Pa.

May 7, 2:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

May 7, 7:00 p.m.

Music in Worship among Five Anabaptist Groups

Learn about five distinct musical traditions from members of Old Order Amish, Old Order River Brethren and Weaverland, Groffdale and Lancaster Mennonite Conferences
Sponsored by Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society. Free.
Martindale Mennonite Fellowship Center, Martindale, Pa.
Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

May 8, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.
Phone: (717) 933-5511

May 11, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Herb and Garden Faire, Heirloom Seed Project

Landis Valley Farm Museum, 2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa.
Phone: (717) 569-0401

May 12, 10:00 a.m.-noon

Telling Your Life Story Class

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.
Reservation required. Fee.
Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

May 12, 9:00 a.m.*

Nicholas Stoltzfus Home Benefit Auction

1700 Tulpehocken Road, Wyomissing, Pa.

May 15, 7:00 p.m.

Tour of Stone Valley (Zion) Cemetery, Hickory Corners, Northumberland County, Pa.

Judge William H. Wiest, guide
Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society
Stone Valley Church Cemetery, Hickory Corners, Pa.
Phone: (570) 758-8773

May 16, 8:00 a.m.*

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Kultur Society

Risser's Restaurant, Stouchsburg, Pa.

May 17, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deutsch Friend Group Versammlung

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.
Phone: (610) 264-2979

May 17, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Conversation Group

Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center Pennsburg, Pa.

Join members of the Pennsylvania German community to listen and talk about various subjects in Deutsch. The SLHC provides coffee and tea for all participants. Join the conversation! No R.S.V.P. required.

May 19-20 and 26-27, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Farm Animal Frolic

Quiet Valley Living Farm Museum, 347 Quiet Valley Road, Stroudsburg, Pa.

Phone: (570) 992-6161; e-mail: farm@quietvalley.org

May 19, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

May 21, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

May 23, 7:30 p.m.

Weavers and Their Trade

Alan S. Keyser, speaker

Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley

Ephrata Public Library, 550 South Reading Road, Ephrata, Pa.

Phone: (717) 733-1616; e-mail: cjmarquet@gmail.com

May 26-28, Memorial Day Weekend

Civil War Memorial Weekend to Honor Local Civil War Veterans

Gratz Historical Society

Historical Society headquarters, Main Street, Gratz, Pa.

www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

June

June 1, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

June 2

Pennsylvania German Society, 122nd Annual Meeting, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Frakturfest III, Huff's Church, Albutis, Pa.

Phone: (717) 597-7940; e-mail: pgs@innernet.net

June 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Auction of Rare, Out-of-Print, and Used Books

Guidelines and catalogs available by subscription or at www.lmhs.org.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745

June 9, 8:30 a.m-4:30 p.m.

Field Trip: Three Histories of Lancaster County

Tour leaves from Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society. Fee. Reservation required.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

June 12, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Mathews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

June 16, 8:00 a.m-3:00 p.m.

Field Trip: Amish Businesses without Electricity

Tour leaves from Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society. Fee. Reservation required.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

June 16, 9:00 a.m-4:00 p.m.

Blacksmithing Class

1719 Herr House, Willow Street, Pa.

Fee. Reservation required.

Phone: (717) 464-4438; e-mail: director@hansherr.org

June 16, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

June 19, 7:00 p.m.

Tour of Dalmatia Fire Company Building

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Dalmatia Firehouse, Middle Road, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

June 19-22, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Summer Institute, Landis Valley Farm Museum

Choose from a variety of traditional craft classes.

2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 569-0401

June 20, 10:30 a.m.*

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Kultur Society Picnic

Williamson Lodge, Womelsdorf, Pa.

June 21, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deitsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.

Phone: (610) 264-2979

June 23, 6:00 p.m.

Music in the Orchard

Folk trio Mandalele and local singer-songwriter Jessica Smucker

1719 Herr House, Willow Street, Pa.

Phone: (717) 464-4438; e-mail: director@hansherr.org

June 23, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.*

Cherry Fair

Historic Schaefferstown Farm, Schaefferstown, Pa.

June 28, 7:00

The One-Room Schoolhouse

Gratz Historical Society Meeting

Kessler's One-Room School, Erdman, Pa.

Fee. Reservation required.

www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

June 30-July 5, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Kutztown Folk Festival

Exhibits by about 200 of America's finest traditional craftsmen; food, music, and folk life; fun for all ages

Kutztown Fairgrounds, Kutztown, Pa.

<http://www.kutztownfestival.com>

July

July 6, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

July 10, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

July 14, 8:00 a.m.-noon.

Field Trip: 300th Anniversary of the Ferree-LeFevre Huguenot Settlement

Tour leaves from Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society. Fee. Reservation required.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

July 15, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Hessian Heritage Day

Find out how to document Hessian ancestors, and meet descendants of other Hessian soldiers

Johannes Schwalm Historical Association

Valley View Park, Valley View, Schuylkill County, Pa.

Phone: (570) 648-4095

July 17, 7:00 p.m.

Collecting Postcards, Catherine Keiffer, speaker

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

July 21, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

July 26, 7:00 p.m.

35th Anniversary of First Meeting of Gratz Historical Society, July 21 1977

Gratz Historical Society Meeting

Historical Society headquarters, Main Street, Gratz, Pa.

www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

July 28-29, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Civil War Days

Landis Valley Farm Museum, 2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 569-0401

August

August 3, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

August 10, 12:00-8:00 p.m., **August 11**, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Goschenhoppen Folk Festival

Family oriented day of old-fashioned (1750-1900) foods and Pennsylvania Dutch meals; 500+ skilled and apprentice craftsmen giving live demonstrations of more than 150 skills of the 18th and 19th centuries. Exhibitors are dressed in authentic period costumes of the periods and use authentic tools to recreate traditional home skills, trades, pastimes, foods, and folk music. Stage programs and lectures are scholarly and entertaining, serious and humorous, in the dialect and in English. Adults and children (6-12), fee. No pets.

Henry Antes Plantation, 318 Colonial Road, Frederick, Pa.

Phone: (215) 679-9109 or (610) 754-9238; Web site:

<http://www.goschenhoppen.org/festival.htm>

August 11, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Storytelling Day

Landis Valley Farm Museum, 2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 569-0401

August 11, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

August 15-17, 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

August 18, 9:00-4:00 p.m.

Annual Bookworm Frolic

40,000+ categorized, used books for sale; rain or shine.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

August 18, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

August 18, 4:00-9:00 p.m.*

Deitsch Piknik, Walt Groller

Huff's Church, Berks County, Pa.

August 21, 7:00 p.m.

Historic Walking Tour of Dalmatia

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

August 22, 7:30 p.m.

Harry Franklin Stauffer, Printer and Tinker of Farmersville, West Earl Twp.,

Lancaster County, Pa., Clarence E. Spohn, speaker

Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley

Ephrata Public Library, 550 South Reading Road, Ephrata, Pa.
Phone: (717) 733-1616; e-mail: cjmarquet@gmail.com

August 23, 6:00 p.m.

Annual Society Picnic

Gratz Historical Society Meeting

Historical Society headquarters, Main Street, Gratz, Pa.

www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

August 27, 7:00 a.m.-noon

Heritage Trail Bike Ride and Walk

Bike from eastern edge of Lancaster County to Willow Street, or walk the length of the original Pequea settlement (from Strasburg to Willow Street); follow path that early settlers walked through Lancaster County, Pa.; enjoy refreshments at journey's end at 1719 Herr House, 1749 Hans Herr Drive, Willow Street, Pa.; fundraiser for reconstruction of Native American longhouse on 1719 Herr House grounds; a Lancaster Roots 2012 event. Fee.

Phone: (717) 464-4438; e-mail: director@hansherr.org

September

September 3, 2:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

September 7, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

September 8, Dinner, 1:00 and 5:00 p.m.; play, 2:15 and 6:15 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Dinner Theater

Huff's Church, Berks County, Pa.

September 8, 9:00 a.m-4:00 p.m.

Blacksmithing Class

1719 Herr House, Willow Street, Pa.

Fee. Reservation required.

Phone: (717) 464-4438; e-mail: director @hansherr.org

September 8, 5:00 p.m.

Community Hymn Sing

1719 Herr House, Willow Street, Pa. Free.

Phone: (717) 464-4438; e-mail: director @hansherr.org

September 9, 2:30 p.m.*

Dialect Service

Little Tulpehocken Church, Bernville, Pa.

September 10, 7:00 p.m.

Annual Storytelling Night

Quarterly educational meeting with Arli Klassen and Richard Showalter at James Street Mennonite Church, Lancaster, Pa.; a Lancaster Roots 2012 event.

Sponsored by Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa. Free.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs

September 11, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

September 13-October 18, Thursdays 7:00-9:00 p.m.*

Six-Week Pennsylvania German Dialect Class

N. Daniel Schwalm, teacher

Salem Church, Ridge Road, Rough-and-Ready (near Klingerstown), Pa.

Phone: (570) 648-4095

September 13-November 15, Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Beginner Pennsylvania German Dialect Classes

Keith Reigart, instructor; advance registration required; fee.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; lmhs@lmhs.org

September 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Auction of Rare, Out-of-Print, and Used Books

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Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745

September 15, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Pequea Settlement Historic Driving Tour

Starting at the 1719 Herr House in Willow Street, Pa., drive, ride, or walk between historic sites in Lancaster County's first settlement.

Phone: (717) 464-4438; e-mail: director@hansherr.org

September 15, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

September 15-16, 10:00 a.m-5:00 p.m.*

Fall Harvest Fair

Historic Schaefferstown Farm, Schaefferstown, Pa.

September 17, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

September 18, 7:00 p.m.

Program To Be Announced

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

September 19, 8:00 a.m.*

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Kultur Society

Risser's Restaurant, Stouchsburg, Pa.

September 20, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deitsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.

Phone: (610) 264-2979

September 21, 6:43 p.m.

Heidelberg Fersommling No. 30

Fire Company, Mount Zion, Pa.

September 22, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Heritage Harvest Fescht

Experience Pennsylvania German music, food, crafts, and farm activities at a family-friendly event. Local artisans will demonstrate crafts and display their art.

Demonstrations will occur daily in the farmhouse museum and at different locations on the complex. Historical farmhouse will be open for tours as well as other buildings, such as the summer house, the bank barn, and one of the log houses. Inside the log home will be a carpenter's tool exhibit.

Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, 13 Luckenbill Road, Kutztown, Pa.

Phone: (610) 683-1330

September 26, 6:30 p.m.*

Die Grossdaadi Grundsow Lodge No. 26

Kutztown Grange Hall, Kutztown, Pa.

September 27, 7:00

Old Mill at Specktown

Gratz Historical Society Meeting

Historical Society headquarters, Main Street, Gratz, Pa.
www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

September 29, Service, 2:30 p.m., Supper, 4:00-7:30 p.m.*

Dialect Service / Turkey and Waffle Supper

Salem (Belleman's) Church, Mohrsville, Pa.

October

October 1, 2:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

October 5, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

October 6*

German American Day

October 6, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Snitz Fest

Lancaster County's beloved festival of Pennsylvania German foods and crafts. Celebrate the cultural heritage of the Pennsylvania Germans in this community event featuring costumed interpreters demonstrating colonial-era arts, crafts, and farming; includes hands-on activities and traditional foods; a Lancaster Roots 2012 event.

1719 Herr House, Willow Street, Pa.

Phone: (717) 464-4438; e-mail: director @hansherr.org

October 6, 5:00 p.m.*

West Berks County Fersommling No. 33

Saint Paul's United Church of Christ, Robesonia, Pa.

October 6-7, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Harvest Festival

Quiet Valley Living Farm Museum, 347 Quiet Valley Road, Stroudsburg, Pa.

Phone: (570) 992-6161; e-mail: farm@quietvalley.org

October 7, 12:00-4:00 p.m.*

Berks County Heritage Days, Pennsylvania German Day

Berks County Heritage Center, 1102 Red Bridge Road, Reading, Pa.

Phone: (610) 374-8839

October 9, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

October 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Auction of Rare, Out-of-Print, and Used Books

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Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745

October 13, 9:00 a.m.-noon

Featherstitching Class

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Reservation required; fee.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

October 13-14, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Harvest Days Festival

Landis Valley Farm Museum, 2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 569-0401

October 13, 6:00 p.m.*

Ono Deitsch Fersommling No. 60

Fire Company, Ono, Pa.

October 14, 2:30 p.m.*

Dialect Service

Altalaha Lutheran Church, Rehrersburg, Pa.

October 15, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

October 16, 7:00 p.m.

Program To Be Announced

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society

Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

October 18, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deitsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.

Phone: (610) 264-2979

October 20, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

October 20, 6:30 p.m.*

Grund Sau No. 15, Monsleit un Weibslleit No. 27

Kutztown, Pa.

October 25, 7:00

Topic To Be Announced

Gratz Historical Society Meeting

Historical Society headquarters, Main Street, Gratz, Pa.

www.gratzpa.org; e-mail: society@gratzpa.org

November

November 2, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

November 4, 2:30 p.m.*

Dialect Service

Weisenberg Lutheran Church, New Tripoli, Pa.

November 5, 2:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

November 12, 7:00 p.m.

Christianity and the Native American Religious Experience

Linford Fisher, assistant professor of history at Brown University

Landisville Mennonite Church, 3320 Bowman Road, Landisville, Pa.

Sponsored by Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society; free.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

November 13, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

Phone: (717) 933-5511

November 15, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deitsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.

Phone: (610) 264-2979

November 17, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.

Phone: (717) 764-0960

November 17-December 29, Tuesdays-Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Annual Pennsylvania German Folk Art Exhibit and Sale

Show and sale of reproduction Pennsylvania German folk art, including hooked rugs, wood-carving, traditional fiber arts, scherenschnitte, trade signs, painted boxes, quilts, Sunday rugs, braided rugs, saffron boxes, fraktur, theorem painting, redware, and blue stoneware. Free admission. **Opening reception: Friday, November 16, 6:00-8:30 p.m.** Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

November 18, 2:30 p.m.*

Dialect Service

Saint Paul's Lutheran (Smoke) Church, Hamburg, Pa.

November 19, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

November 22, 7:00 p.m.

Bird Migrations, Bill Baker, speaker

Mahanoy and Mahantongo Historical Preservation Society
Trinity United Church of Christ, Pa. Route 147, Dalmatia, Pa.

Phone: (570) 758-8773

November 21, 8:00 a.m.*

Pennsylvania German Dialect and Kultur Society

Risser's Restaurant, Stouchsburg, Pa.

December

December 1, 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Field Trip: Winterthur and Longwood Gardens

Tour leaves from Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society. Fee. Reservation required.

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Phone: (717) 393-9745; e-mail: lmhs@lmhs.org

December 1, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

December 2, noon-4:00 p.m.

Country Christmas Village

Landis Valley Farm Museum, 2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Phone: (717) 569-0401

December 1-2 and 8-9, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Old Time Christmas

Quiet Valley Living Farm Museum, 347 Quiet Valley Road, Stroudsburg, Pa.

Phone: (570) 992-6161; e-mail: farm@quietvalley.org

December 3, 2:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.

Phone: (610) 641-0690

December 6-7, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

December 8, 5:00-8:30 p.m.

Christmas Candlelight Tours

1719 Herr House Museum, 1749 Hans Herr Drive, Willow Street, Pa. Tickets required.

Phone: (717) 464-4438; e-mail: director@hansherr.org

December 7, 10:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania German Hour

Comcast Cable, BCTV (can be viewed at www.BCTV.org)

Replays Saturday at 9:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

December 8, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Christmas on the Farm

Share holiday traditions of the Pennsylvania Germans. The Belsnickel will visit, and carolers will roam the farm singing Christmas carols in the dialect. For the kids, farm animals and farm equipment demonstrations will be in the barn. The Old-Time Plow Boys will have their kitchen open for a warm bite to eat. Craftsmen from the Reading-Berks Guild of Craftsmen will sell their wares and demonstrate. Free admission.

Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, 13 Luckenbill Road, Kutztown, Pa.

Phone: (484) 646-4172; e-mail: heritage@kutztown.edu

December 11, 6:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Pennsylvania German Dialect Conversation Group

Matthews Library, Main Street at the Square, Fredericksburg, Pa.

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December 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

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December 14, 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Holiday Bonfire at Landis Valley

Landis Valley Farm Museum, 2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa. Free.
Phone: (717) 569-0401

December 15, 1:00 p.m.*

Pennsylvania Dutch Heritage Group

Providence Place, 3377 Fox Run Road, Dover, Pa.
Phone: (717) 764-0960

December 17, 7:00 p.m.

Oley Valley Pennsylvania Dutch Club

Frieden's United Church of Christ, Main Street, Oley, Pa.
Phone: (610) 641-0690

December 19, 8:00 a.m.*

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Risser's Restaurant, Stouchsburg, Pa.

December 20, 7:00 p.m.*

Pennsilfaanisch Deitsch Friend Group

Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1933 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, Pa.
Phone: (610) 264-2979

December 22, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Old-Fashioned Children's Christmas

Landis Valley Farm Museum, 2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster, Pa. Free.
Phone: (717) 569-0401