



*Battle of Gettysburg: Pickett's Charge* by Peter Rothermel

THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA/PHOTO BY CHRISTY WHITE

## PA CIVIL WAR 150 EXHIBITS

### **OBJECTS OF VALOR: COMMEMORATING THE CIVIL WAR IN PENNSYLVANIA**

**Opening Saturday, April 20, 2013  
The State Museum of Pennsylvania**

The State Museum of Pennsylvania will open a newly refurbished gallery highlighting the Commonwealth's efforts to preserve Pennsylvania's Civil War legacy through original artifacts drawn from its permanent collections to coincide with the upcoming 150th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. The gallery will evoke the original settings in which its centerpiece, Peter F. Rothermel's epic painting, *Battle of Gettysburg: Pickett's Charge*, was displayed as it toured the United States in the late nineteenth century. Completed in 1870, it is regarded as the largest Civil War battle scene ever painted on a single canvas. The painting has been on nearly continuous exhibit since the present Museum building opened in 1965.

### **Researching Civil War Ancestors**

The Pennsylvania State Archives will host a workshop on April 20 on researching Civil War ancestors. Please see our calendar for details.

Read the April e-newsletter or follow us on Facebook for information on other events. If you don't receive PHF's e-newsletter, please share your email address with PHF staff by calling (717) 787-2407 or e-mailing Bonnie Inscore at [c-binscore@pa.gov](mailto:c-binscore@pa.gov).

### **THE CIVIL WAR IN PENNSYLVANIA**

#### **Ongoing at various locations**

This 500-square foot exhibit developed by the Senator John Heinz History Center is currently touring western Pennsylvania. Visit [www.pacivilwar150.com](http://www.pacivilwar150.com) to find an exhibit description. The tour schedule is located in "At the Gettysburg Battlefield with Traveling Photographers" by Rae Tyson on page 21.

### **RECENT GRANTS RECEIVED THROUGH THE PENNSYLVANIA HERITAGE FOUNDATION**

#### **National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC)**

The Pennsylvania State Archives received a grant from NHPRC to support the work of the Pennsylvania State Historical Records Advisory Board (SHRAB). Each state is required to have a SHRAB, made up of archivists and records management professionals from throughout the Commonwealth, who advise on historical records planning.

#### **John Crain Kunkel Foundation**

The State Archives also received a grant from the Kunkel Foundation to convert motion picture films and audio-tapes (which include Kunkel) in its collection to modern formats for preservation.

#### **Richard C. von Hess Foundation**

The State Museum received a grant from the Richard C. von Hess Foundation to create period drapery for the upgrading of the museum's Civil War Gallery. The reinstallation will highlight the colossal *Battle of Gettysburg: Pickett's Charge* by Peter Frederick Rothermel in the style of a Victorian "salon" to represent the late nineteenth century when the painting was exhibited extensively throughout the United States and Great Britain.

#### **Penn National Insurance**

Penn National Insurance has provided funding to The State Museum for a fourth year of programming with the Harrisburg School District. The museum will reprise a successful 2012 mentoring project, with six seniors from Harrisburg Sci-Tech High School working with museum educators from January to April to become museum docents and develop interpretation for natural history exhibits at the museum.

## CALENDAR FOR APRIL–JUNE 2013

\*Please note that special events may require fees in addition to PHF membership benefits or regular admission prices. Please visit the site's website or telephone in advance to verify details.

### LECTURES

#### **CORNWALL IRON FURNACE**

Cornwall (717) 272-9711  
[www.cornwallironfurnace.org](http://www.cornwallironfurnace.org)

**May 14** "From Horse Drawn to Horseless Carriages" by Bob Ladd. 7 p.m.

**June 18** Friends of Cornwall Iron Furnace Annual Dinner Meeting. 6:30 p.m.  
*Fee, reservations due by June 13.*

#### **DRAKE WELL MUSEUM**

Titusville, (814) 827-2797  
[www.drakewell.org](http://www.drakewell.org)

**June 15** Summer Heritage Lecture. 7 p.m.  
*Admission.*

#### **ECKLEY MINERS' VILLAGE**

Weatherly, (570) 636-2070  
[www.eckleyminersvillagemuseum.com](http://www.eckleyminersvillagemuseum.com)  
**April 21** Spring Lecture Series

#### **LANDIS VALLEY VILLAGE AND FARM MUSEUM**

Lancaster, (717) 569-0401  
[www.landisvalleymuseum.org](http://www.landisvalleymuseum.org)

**June 18–21** Summer Institute.  
*Pre-registration and fee.*

#### **PENNSYLVANIA MILITARY MUSEUM**

Boalsburg, (814) 466-6263  
[www.pamilmuseum.org](http://www.pamilmuseum.org)

**April 3, May 1, June 5** Lecture Series.  
7 p.m.

### SPECIAL EVENTS\*

#### **CONRAD WEISER HOMESTEAD**

Womelsdorf, (610) 589-2934  
[www.conradweiserhomestead.org](http://www.conradweiserhomestead.org)

**April 15, May 6** Weiser Interpretive Sunday. Noon–4 p.m.

**June 3** Colonial Craft and Demonstration Day. 11 a.m.–4 p.m.

#### **DANIEL BOONE HOMESTEAD**

Birdsboro, (610) 582-4900  
[www.danielboonehomestead.org](http://www.danielboonehomestead.org)

**May 5** Children's Day Sheep and Wool Program. Noon–4 p.m. *Admission.*

**May 25** Daniel Boon Dash! 5K and 1-Mile Fun Walk. 8:30 a.m.  
*Pre-registration required.*

#### **DRAKE WELL MUSEUM**

Titusville, (814) 827-2797  
[www.drakewell.org](http://www.drakewell.org)

**April 13** Family Craft Day.

**April 27, May 25, June 29** Oil Valley Blacksmiths. 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

**June 1** Historic Pithole City Open.  
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

#### **ECKLEY MINERS' VILLAGE**

Weatherly, (570) 636-2070  
[www.eckleyminersvillagemuseum.com](http://www.eckleyminersvillagemuseum.com)

**May 25** Victorian Fashion Show. 1–4 p.m.

**June 15–16** Patch Town Days.  
10 a.m.–5 p.m. *Admission.*

#### **EPHRATA CLOISTER**

Ephrata, (717) 733-6600  
[www.ephratacloister.org](http://www.ephratacloister.org)

**April 20** Spring Search. 1–4 p.m.

**April 26, May 17** Community Days School Program. 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.  
*Reservations encouraged. Admission.*

**May 12** Mother's Day 10 a.m.–4 p.m.  
*Mothers receive free admission.*

**May 19** Ephrata Cloister Chorus Spring Concert. 4 p.m.

**June 16** Father's Day 10 a.m.–4 p.m.  
*Fathers receive free admission.*

#### **ERIE MARITIME MUSEUM AND**

#### **U.S. BRIG NIAGARA**

Erie, (814) 452-2744  
[www.flagshipniagara.org](http://www.flagshipniagara.org)  
[www.eriemaritimemuseum.org](http://www.eriemaritimemuseum.org)

Visit the websites for the current sailing schedule for the Brig *Niagara*.

#### **GRAEME PARK**

Horsham, (215) 343-0965  
[www.graemepark.org](http://www.graemepark.org)

**April 20–21** World War II Encampment.

**May 11** Open Hearth Cooking Class.  
10:30 a.m.–3 p.m. *Registration required by May 9. Admission.*

#### **LANDIS VALLEY VILLAGE AND FARM MUSEUM**

Lancaster, (717) 569-0401  
[www.landisvalleymuseum.org](http://www.landisvalleymuseum.org)

**April 6** Scherenschnitte (paper-cutting) Workshop at the Weathervane. 1 p.m.  
*Pre-registration required.*

**April 13** Apron Strings program at the Weathervane. 1 p.m.  
*Free but pre-registration required.*

**April 20** Spring Benefit Auction. Preview and Silent Auction 4:30–5:30 p.m. Live auction begins at 5:30 p.m.

**May 10–11** Herb and Garden Faire.  
9 a.m.–5 p.m.

**June 25** Hands-On History Day  
9 a.m.–5 p.m.

#### **OLD ECONOMY VILLAGE**

Ambridge, (724) 266-4500  
[www.oldeconomyvillage.org](http://www.oldeconomyvillage.org)

**April 27** Spring Garden Workshop.  
9 a.m.–3 p.m. *Registration and admission.*

**May 18** Garden Mart. 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

**June 8–9** Lee Threatens Pittsburgh Civil War event. 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

#### **PENNSYLVANIA ANTHRACITE HERITAGE MUSEUM**

Scranton, (570) 963-4804  
[www.anthracitemuseum.org](http://www.anthracitemuseum.org)

**June 7** Fire at the Furnace, Scranton Iron Furnaces. 8–11 p.m. *Admission.*

**June 8–9** Arts on Fire, Scranton Iron Furnaces. Saturday 11 a.m.–7 p.m.  
Sunday 11 a.m.–5 p.m.

#### **PENNSBURY MANOR**

Morrisville, (215) 946-0400  
[www.pennsburymanor.org](http://www.pennsburymanor.org)

**April 7, May 5, June 2** Historic Trades.  
1–4 p.m.

**April 14, May 12, June 9** Living History Theater. 1–4 p.m.

**April 21, May 19, June 16** Open-Hearth Cooking. 1–4 p.m.

**April 28, May 26, June 23** Garden Highlights. 1–4 p.m.

**May 5** Sheep shearing. 1–4 p.m.

**June 30** Animals at Pennsbury. 1–4 p.m.

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Boalsburg, (814) 466–6263

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**A Celebration of Service: Honoring Pennsylvania's Veterans at the Pennsylvania Military Museum.**

**April 13–14** Battery B Drill Weekend. Noon–4 p.m.

**May 19** A Celebration of Service: Honoring Pennsylvania's Veterans. 12:30–3 p.m.

**May 25–26** World War II Revisited: Living History Bivouac. 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

**June 14** Flag Day Celebration. 6 p.m.

**June 22** Buzz Cut Day. 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

### **PENNSYLVANIA STATE ARCHIVES**

Harrisburg, (717) 783-3281

[www.pastatearchives.com](http://www.pastatearchives.com)

**April 20** Finding Your Civil War Ancestors Workshop. Contact Josh Stahlman, [jostahlman@pa.gov](mailto:jostahlman@pa.gov), or visit the website for more details. *Pre-registration.*

### **RAILROAD MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Strasburg, (717) 687-8628

[www.rrmuseumpa.org](http://www.rrmuseumpa.org)

**May 16–19** Pennsy Days. Thursday through Saturday 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Sunday Noon–5 p.m.

**June 7–9** Conrail Days. Friday and Saturday 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Sunday Noon–5 p.m.

### **THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Harrisburg, (717) 787-4980

[www.statemuseumpa.org](http://www.statemuseumpa.org)

**April 19, May 17, June 21** 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Burg. Visit the website for events and times.

### **WASHINGTON CROSSING**

Washington Crossing, (215) 493-4076

[www.ushistory.org/washingtoncrossing](http://www.ushistory.org/washingtoncrossing)

**April 26** Sheep Shearing. 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

**May 11** Spring Brewfest. 12:30–4:30 p.m. Admission.

**May 27** Memorial Day Observance. 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

**June 29** Historic Foodways. 10 a.m.–noon.

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### **OLD ECONOMY VILLAGE**

Ambridge, (724) 266-4500

[www.oldeconomyvillage.org](http://www.oldeconomyvillage.org)

**Through Summer 2013** *Faces & Places: Photographs of Economy.*

### **LANDIS VALLEY VILLAGE AND FARM MUSEUM**

Lancaster, (717) 569-0401

[www.landisvalleymuseum.org](http://www.landisvalleymuseum.org)

**Through June 10** *The Golden Age of an American Art Form: The Lancaster Long Rifle.*

### **THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Harrisburg, (717) 787-4980

[www.statemuseumpa.org](http://www.statemuseumpa.org)

**Through April 28** *A Tribute to Nick Ruggieri.*

**Through April 29** *South Central Pennsylvania Scholastic Art Exhibit.*

**Through June 23** National History Day in Pennsylvania 2012 Winners' Projects.

**Opening April 19** *Objects of Valor: Commemorating the Civil War in Pennsylvania.*

**June 23–September 8** *Art of the State*, a statewide juried competition for Pennsylvania artists, cosponsored by Jump Street.



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Project Archivist Heather Heckman reviews one of nearly 250 films in the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission's collection at the State Archives. She reviewed all the films for content, relevance and condition to determine which were appropriate for the collection. Her work with the films, engineering drawings, and other media is funded by a grant from the National Historic Publications and Records Commission to the State Archives, through the Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation. For more information on the films visit [www.pastatearchives.com](http://www.pastatearchives.com) and search for Record Group 29, Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission.



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PHMC began a pilot inventory project in 2012 to determine how long it would take to document more than 500,000 artifacts in its collections, not including archaeological material. Staff began by inventorying the fine arts collection at The State Museum and collections at Cornwall Iron Furnace. The State Museum has multiple tracking systems from a one-hundred-year collecting history. Staff discovered that the fine arts collection contained nearly 10,000 items instead of the original estimate of 5,500. PHMC has requested funds to continue the project through state budgeting and will need additional support from PHF members and an interested public to sustain this important project.

## WELCOME, CALEB SISAK!

The Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation welcomed Caleb Sisak in January as its new Membership Assistant. Caleb was employed with the Gettysburg Foundation where he worked with its leadership institute on fundraising. Originally from the Harrisburg area, he has returned to begin studies for an M.A. in public administration through Shippensburg University at Harrisburg's Dixon University Center.



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## LECTURE BY HAROLD HOLZER

PHF and PHMC co-sponsored a lecture and book signing with Harold Holzer, author of *Emancipating Lincoln: The Proclamation in Text, Context and Meaning*, on January 11, 2013, in conjunction with The State Museum exhibit commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation. The exhibit featured a copy of the Proclamation loaned by the Union League of Philadelphia, one of only twenty-six known copies from a special 1864 printing which Lincoln signed as part of a fundraiser for the Great Sanitary Fair in Philadelphia.



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## WELCOME NEW PENNSYLVANIA HERITAGE FOUNDATION MEMBERS October–December 2012

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## WELCOME NEW STATE MUSEUM AFFILIATE MEMBERS October–December 2012

We are pleased to announce that with 286 new members joining the State Museum of Pennsylvania Affiliate program we are unable to include their names here. (Please find the list at [www.paheritage.org](http://www.paheritage.org) on the web.)



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