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Pennypacker Mills Presents Cooking in a Victorian Kitchen: Pies and Tarts

Schwenksville, PA (February 26, 2013) – Ever wondered what it would be like to cook on a cast iron stove that used wood? Today, with the turn of a knob, the stove surface glows with heat at a specified temperature. People don't give a moment's thought to all those critical details that a cook of one-hundred years ago would have considered: hauling in cut wood, stoking the tinder box throughout the day, adjusting the air flow to assure proper heat circulation throughout the oven, and the delft hand required for "feeling" just the right temperature at which to cook. These were all signs of an experienced cook.

At Pennypacker Mills, participants can enjoy the best parts of cooking in a historically designed kitchen setting and enjoy tasting the fruits of their labor! Join the staff at Pennypacker Mills on Saturday, March 2, 2013 at 10:00am for a day of hands-on baking and eating in the Victorian kitchen. Guests will learn the art of making pies and tarts, both sweet and savory, with Pennypacker Mills' cooks. Along the way, participants will learn how cooks used a variety of cast iron flat-bottomed pots and pans on the stovetop and in the oven to create culinary masterpieces for family dinners and special occasions. Copies of all recipes will be provided to each participant.

Registration is limited, so contact the office at 610-287-9349 to reserve a place at the table! The fee is \$30 per person, ages 12 and up, by pre-registration and pre-payment only.

Pennypacker Mills Historic Site is operated by the Montgomery County Department of Assets and Infrastructure, Division of Parks and Heritage Services. Located at 5 Haldeman Road in Schwenksville, Montgomery County, PA, Pennypacker Mills offers guided tours, changing exhibits, seasonal events, and educational programs. For more information, call 610-287-9349 or visit the Pennypacker Mills page at <http://historicsites.montcopa.org/>.

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Sheila Walter, cooking instructor, demonstrates how to cook on a cast iron stove at Pennypacker Mills.