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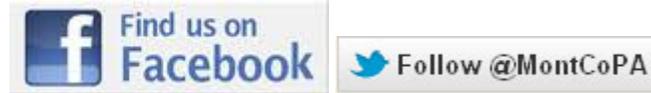
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“Airing the Quilts” at the Peter Wentz Farmstead
Saturday, September 13, 2014 from 10:00am-3:00pm

Worcester, PA (September 11, 2014) – Lone Star, Strippy, Log Cabin – what do words these mean? They are patchwork patterns that represent some of the quilts to be seen during the month of September in the historic house at the Peter Wentz Farmstead. The quilts on display date from 1800 to the early 20th century.

These vintage quilts, from the collections of the Peter Wentz Farmstead and the Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center (SLHC), are normally kept in museum storage at both sites and are being “aired” in this special exhibit. This is a great opportunity to view the artistry and sewing skills of women from families who once lived in Worcester Township, Montgomery County.

Head to Peter Wentz Farmstead on Saturday, September 13, 2014 from 10:00am until 3:00pm for a variety of demonstrations and how-to discussions related to quilting. Lynn Symborski, Museum Educator at Pottsgrove Manor, will showcase her quilting skills with examples of the many uses of quilting during the 18th century. Dianne Cram, Site Administrator at the Peter Wentz Farmstead, will show how tattered and abandoned quilts can be rescued and given new life. Candace Perry, Curator at SLHC, will conduct a special tour at 10:00am and 1:00pm that highlights the history of the Worcester quilts. Space for these tours is very limited and reservations are required. Visitors will also have a chance to try their hand at piecing variations of the nine-patch pattern with textile historian Ruth Konrad.

Regular tours of the historic house and the quilt exhibit are offered on the hour from 10:00am to 3:00pm, Tuesday through Saturday, and from 1:00pm to 3:00pm on Sundays. Groups of more than ten should call ahead for reservations.

For more information about this program and others, please call Kimberly D. Boice, Museum Educator at the Peter Wentz Farmstead, at 610-584-5104, or email her at kboice@montcopa.org. Visit the Peter Wentz Farmstead online at www.montcopa.org/peterwentzfarmstead. The restored 18th century Pennsylvania German historic site is owned and operated by the County of Montgomery and receives support from the Peter Wentz Farmstead Society. The site is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm and Sunday from 1:00pm to 4:00pm with guided tours every forty-five minutes. The Peter Wentz Farmstead is located at 2030 Shearer Road in Lansdale (Worcester Township), PA.