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Seasonal Life on the Farm at the Historic Wentz Farmstead
Saturday, October 11, 2014 from 10:00am-3:00pm

Worcester, PA (October 6, 2014) – Cold weather is fast approaching and it's time to prepare for winter. Visit the historic Peter Wentz Farmstead in Worcester on Saturday, October 11, 2014 from 10:00am-3:00pm to learn about seasonal changes on this 18th century farm, which served as General George Washington's temporary headquarters in October 1777.

Experience autumnal activities on a Pennsylvania German farm of the late 18th through early 19th centuries. Help process flax fibers for spinning and weaving into linen and visit the summer kitchen to see how fruits and vegetables were preserved by drying or pickling them. There will also be apple butter cooking, pressing apples into cider, and corn shelling using the tools and machinery of earlier centuries. Visit the kitchen garden to view the last harvest before it is made ready for winter.

Guided tours of the historic house will show how the Wentz family prepared for the colder months ahead while also hosting General Washington and his staff. On public display for the first time since 1979 is a letter penned by the General while he was headquartered at the Farmstead. Don't miss the opportunity to visit with Captain Caleb Gibbs of Washington's Life Guard from 1:00pm-3:00pm to learn about the important role he and his men played in protecting the Commander.

A donation of \$2.00 per person is greatly appreciated.

For more information about this program and others, please call the Peter Wentz Farmstead at 610-584-5104 or visit <http://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 regularly 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.