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Pottsgrove Manor to Host Tape Loom Weaving Workshop
Saturday, April 18, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Pottstown, PA (March 23, 2015) – On Saturday, April 18, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Pottsgrove Manor will host a workshop on the basics of weaving linen tape on a box loom.

The class will be taught by Eleanor Bittle, who has been active in preserving local history for many years and continues to participate in the Goschenhopp Folk Festival each year. She has researched colonial-era tape making for nearly four decades, earning her the nickname of “The Tape Lady.” In this hands-on workshop, Ms. Bittle will explain the history and uses of woven tape and teach the fundamentals of the tape loom: pattern design, warping the loom, and weaving.

This workshop is open to adults and children ages 12 and up. There is a materials fee of \$30 per person for the workshop that includes threads, instructions, and lunch. Participants may bring their own (unwarped) tape loom or purchase a cardboard loom for an additional \$15 per person.

Class size is limited to 10 to ensure individual instruction. Registration and payment are required by March 27, 2015. Please note: Cancellations given before March 27, 2015 will receive a full refund. Cancellations given after March 27, 2015 will not be refunded.

Pottsgrove Manor is located at 100 West King Street near the intersection of King Street and Route 100, just off Route 422, in Pottstown, Pennsylvania. Pottsgrove Manor is operated by Montgomery County under the direction of the Parks, Trails, and Historic Sites Division of the Assets and Infrastructure Department. Regular museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tours begin on the hour. The last tour of the day begins at 3:00 p.m. For more information, please call 610-326-4014, or visit the website at

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