

Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum

Educational Tours & Programs: 2011-2012

Tours & in-school programs tied to standards in reading, writing, math, science, social studies.

- ☑ **Adaptable** to all grade levels.
- ☑ **Interactive** & inquiry-based.
- ☑ Cost just \$5/child/tour or in-school program. One adult **FREE** with every 10 students.
- ☑ Select schools can receive tours of in-school programs **FREE** of charge; call for details.
- ☑ Tours & in-school programs accommodate at least 2 classes unless otherwise listed.
- ☑ **Take history home.** Inexpensive items (\$10 or less) available at the Heritage Museum, Trout Hall, the Claussville School. Please arrange in advance to shop.
- ☑ **Call** 610-435-1074 X14 for details or to schedule. Please mention any special needs.

NEW at the Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum!



Energy Past & Present: Creating, Consuming, & Conserving

Hands-on discovery activities include generating electricity as well as the importance of electrical energy and how to conserve it. Programs sponsored by PPL Electric Utilities E-power Initiative.



Pennsylvania German Exhibit

Students **explore** the culture & contributions of Pennsylvania Germans as they tour galleries, try on clothes, and create their own folk art.



Lehigh County Bicentennial Exhibit, 1812-2012


Come discover how Lehigh County helped build our nation.





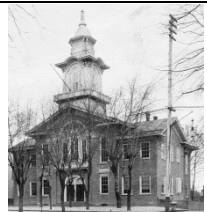

Riding the Rails: Trains in Pennsylvania

Students try their hand at Morse code, railroad signaling, and much more as they discover the role of railroads in local and national history.






Student Tours at the Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum in Allentown

TOUR	GRADES	LENGTH	AVAILABLE
My Community	K-3	1 Hr.	Year-Round
 <p>Learn about Native Americans, early settlers, and later city dwellers as you discover how people cooperated to meet their basic needs and wants using local resources. <i>Hands-on activities include grinding corn, trying on clothes, and more!</i></p>			
Coming to a New Land	3-8	1¼ Hr.	Year-Round
Role plays, crafts, & a tour introduce students to immigrants from different lands.			

NEW EXHIBITS AT THE MUSEUM!

TOUR	GRADES	LENGTH	AVAILABLE
Energy Past & Present: Creating, Consuming & Conserving	All	1 Hr.	Year-Round
 <p>This <i>hands-on history and science exhibit</i> introduces students to Pennsylvania's role in the development of energy while inspiring them to conserve electricity. Select schools can visit FREE of charge; call for details. Exhibit & free tours sponsored by PPL Electric Utilities E-power Initiative.</p>			
Pennsylvania German Life	All	1 Hr.	Year-Round
 <p>Explore the history, culture, and contributions of Pennsylvania Germans to the Lehigh Valley and America. Try <i>Pennsylvania German clothes, toys, and crafts.</i></p>			
Lehigh County Bicentennial: 1812-2012	All	1 Hr.	Year-Round
 <p>From the first Native American inhabitants to modern industry, Lehigh County has made tremendous contributions to American history. Join us in exploring this heritage as we explore the county's 200-year history through an exhibit, hands-on crafts, and other activities.</p>			
Riding the Rails: Trains in Pennsylvania	All	1 Hr.	Year-Round
 <p>Step back into the era of steam. Children learn how railroads helped build our nation as they explore Morse code, railroad signals, and much more.</p>			

Student Tours at Historic Sites

TOUR	GRADES	LENGTH	AVAILABLE
 <u>Historic Trout Hall, 1770, Allentown 1770</u>	1 up	1 Hr.	April-Nov.
<p>Built in 1770, Trout Hall is a colonial stone mansion built by James Allen, son of Allentown's founder. <i>Step into the world of colonial America.</i> Grades 1-3 explore the family's daily life, while grades 4 and up learn about patriots and loyalists in <i>Revolutionary War-era Pennsylvania.</i> Students can practice writing with a quill pen or try on colonial-era clothing.</p>			
 <u>Claussville One-room School, 1893, Lowhill Twp.</u>	Gr. 1-2 Gr. 3-8	1¼ Hr. 1¾ Hr.	April-Oct. Closed Jul.-Aug.
<p>When the bell rings, students take the roles of 1927 pupils as they <i>relive a school day</i>, including lessons, a spelling bee, and recess games. Learn about education! (Normally accommodates only 1 class at a time; call for information about larger groups).</p>			
 <u>Troxell-Steckel Farm Museum, 1756, Whitehall</u>	All	1 Hr.	See below.
<p>•Regular Tour: Available April-October <i>Experience an 1842 Pennsylvania German farm</i> as you try a butter churn, explore folk remedies, or handle farm tools.</p> <p>•Holiday Tour: Available December 6-12, 9:30, 10:45, and 1:00 <i>Costumed guides portraying Steckel family members lead a journey through holiday preparations</i> in 1842. Join in songs and games, hear holiday tales, decorate a tree, and learn about period cooking.</p>			
 <u>Haines Mill, ca. 1850, Cetronia</u>	All	1 Hr.	April-Oct.
<p>•Students Preschool- Grade 3: The Little Red Hen Students practice language arts skills and develop their understanding of economics as they <i>experience the story of "The Little Red Hen"</i> first-hand, handling grain, using old-fashioned farm tools, seeing the mill in action, and even grinding their own grain.</p> <p>• Students Grades 3 & up: Miller's Math & Science Your tour takes you back to the 1920s, introducing you to the miller's son, Wilbur Haines. Includes math & science concepts as students experience <i>hands-on grinding & sifting plus a mill demonstration.</i></p>			
 <u>Lock Ridge Furnace, 1868, Alburdis</u>	All	1½ Hr.	April-Oct.
<p>Twelve-hour shifts, hot dangerous work, and company houses tell <i>the story of the Industrial Revolution.</i> Take on the role of a 1910 ironworker as you tour an iron furnace and company town from another era.</p>			

Make a Day of It!

Combine sites! Enjoy lots of hands-on activities. Site schedules & fees listed above apply.

Revolutionary War: Choose up to three sites: Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum (Introduction to various perspectives), Troxell-Steckel Farm Museum (Patriot farmers), and Trout Hall (Loyalist family).

Rural Pennsylvania German Life: Mix and match two out of three: Claussville School, Haines Mill, and the historic Troxell-Steckel Farm Museum.

Colonial Life in the Lehigh Valley: Explore diverse cultures that made up colonial Pennsylvania. Tour Trout Hall (British-Americans), Troxell-Steckel (PA Germans), & the Heritage Museum (Lenape).

In-School Programs

Let us do the driving! Your students can experience history right in your school with these innovative, exciting, and educational in-school programs. Presenters wear period clothing and bring lots of hands-on items. Programs are available year-round, last approximately 1 hour and cost \$5/student/program.



Living History Dramas

●**Pennsylvania German Immigrant:** A Pennsylvania German woman of the 1750s relates the *adventures of German immigrants to Pennsylvania during the Colonial period*, showcases their traditions and customs, and highlights chores done by each member of the farm family.



●**Revolutionary War Militiaman:** A Lehigh Valley militiaman discusses the local war effort during the *American Revolution*. Learn how the home front aided the war effort; hear the story of the Liberty Bell's travels; and see the effects of the war on the lives of military personnel.

Speakers



●**Lehigh Valley in the Civil War: Celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War:** A speaker in Civil War dress brings the era to life with primary sources from the time period, including songs, photographs, and letters from local Civil War soldiers. Students explore the primary sources, then work to create mini-dramas reenacting key wartime events and experiences. Can accommodate any group size. This program can be presented at select schools **FREE** of charge; call for details.



●**A Day in the Life of a Colonial Child:** A speaker wearing colonial-style clothing uses slides, activities, and artifacts to *compare a Pennsylvania German farm child's life at the Troxell-Steckel House with that of a wealthy child* of British descent at Trout Hall. Best for groups of 60 or fewer.



●**Professor Kilowatt:** The energy-saver Professor Kilowatt visits classrooms to get your students excited about energy. Discover the history of energy, the resources used to create electricity, how it is **generated**, and how we can **conserve** it in this electrifying interactive program. Can serve any size group. Professor Kilowatt can visit select schools **FREE** of charge; call for details. Program sponsored by PPL Electric Utilities E-power Initiative.

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"We Cannot Escape History"

—Abraham Lincoln