

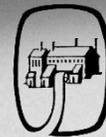
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World War II Living History Weekend

Saturday, June 23, 9am–5pm

Sunday, June 24, 9am–3pm

Jacobsburg Historical Society is excited to host our 3rd annual World War II living history event. Bring your fathers, bring your sons and daughters, or bring the whole family!

This special WWII reenactment weekend is designed to educate the local community, honor our veterans, and provide information on various non-profit veterans outreach organizations and the services they offer. Wreaths Across America, Tails of Valor-Paws of Honor, and Stars for our Heroes will be joining us again this year!

Tour Allied and German Camps, view period vehicle displays, meet and talk to WWII veterans, shop with WWII vendors, and more!

There will be special music, food, weapons demonstrations, and a battle reenactment each day.

The Pennsylvania Longrifle Museum and the J. Joseph Henry House and Summer Kitchen will be open for tours: Saturday, 10am–4pm and Sunday from 12pm–4pm.

See page 13 for more information.



The Jacobsburg Historical Society is a member supported non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and presenting the art and industry of Early America, and the character of the individuals and community that created and sustained that enterprise.

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The Jacobsburg Historical Society Board of Directors meets each month in the Early American Craft Center, 402 Henry Road, Nazareth, PA.



The Jacobsburg Record seeks to provide the members of the Jacobsburg Historical Society with information relevant to its mission while creating a sense of community and connection.

If you are interested in contributing to our newsletter, please contact the society office.

Sarah White, Editor
Scott Gordon, Editor
The Jacobsburg Record

Upcoming Events...

Step Outdoors Lehigh Valley at SteelStacks, Bethlehem PA

Saturday and Sunday, June 2–3, 2018
 Saturday 10am–5pm and Sunday 10am–4pm
 Come visit the JHS Educational Display including Early American Craft activities!

Basket Weaving Workshop

Early American Craft Center
 Saturday, June 16, 2018, 9:30am–4pm
 Pre-registration Required

World War II Living History Weekend

Saturday and Sunday, June 23–24, 2018
 Saturday 9am–5pm and Sunday 9am–3pm
 Tour Allied & German camps, see period vehicle displays, meet with WWII Veterans.
 Battle Reenactment–Vendors–Music–Food

Dixon’s Gunmakers Fair, Kempton PA

Friday-Sunday, July 27–29, 2018
 Come visit the JHS Educational Display!
 Friday and Saturday, 9am–5pm and Sunday 9am–3pm

Pennsylvania Longrifle Museum

Saturday & Sunday, July 21 & 22, 2018
 Open to the Public 12pm–4pm
 Saturday & Sunday, August 18 & 19, 2018
 Open to the Public 12pm–4pm
 Saturday & Sunday, September 15 & 16, 2018
 Open to the Public 12pm–4pm

1832 J. Joseph Henry House Museum, Summer Kitchen & Grounds

Sunday, July 22, 2018
 Open to the Public 12pm–4pm
 Sunday, August 19, 2018
 Open to the Public 12pm–4pm
 Sunday, September 16, 2018
 Open to the Public 12pm–4pm



Past Events

Looking Back on Spring 2018

Annual Spring Grounds Cleanup Day Saturday, April 21, 2018

The Board of Directors of Jacobsburg Historical Society wish to thank Boy Scout Troop 74, Cub Pack 44, Girl Scout Troop 8283, and Cub Pack 88 for participating in our Annual Spring Clean-up on Earth Day, May 21st. Our grounds require a great deal of time and manpower, which is all done by our volunteers. The hard work of the Scouts was a tremendous help towards getting the grounds ready for the season.

This winter was not kind to our property. We lost many large original hemlock trees and small branches fell over much of the property. The Scouts put a lot of effort into cleaning the site, which is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks to all of our volunteers for their help this year.



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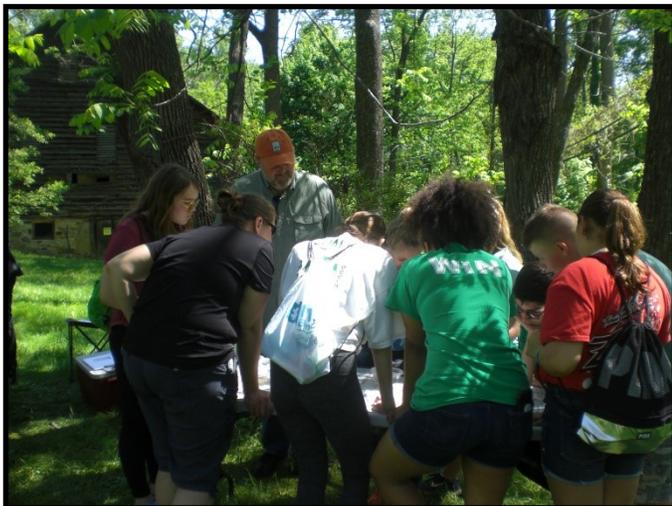
Looking Back on Spring 2018

**Museum Season Opening Weekend &
Annual Plant Sale**
Saturday & Sunday, May 19 & 20, 2018



Wind Gap Middle School

JHS Field Trip - Thursday, May 24, 2018



Early American Industries Association Group Tour - Friday, May 25, 2018



Serving Up History

Pickled Walnuts

This recipe is from Sara T. Paul's Cookery from Experience (1875), which was used faithfully by women in the Henry family.

VERSION 1.

Take the walnuts about midsummer, when a pin will go through them easily. Make a pickle strong enough to bear an egg; cover the walnuts with the pickle and tie them over with thick paper very closely. Let them lie a fortnight, changing the pickle twice in that time for fresh. Take them out and lay them in vinegar for a month; be careful to exclude the air. Take a gallon of good cider-vinegar and put into it one ounce of whole pepper, the same of cloves, half an ounce of mace and the same of nutmeg; bruise them a little, and when the vinegar is near boiling, throw the walnuts into it and let them stand until nearly cold, closely covered. Put the walnuts in jars, sprinkle a little mustard-seed over the top of them and over with the vinegar.

They will soon be fit for use, but age improves them.

English walnuts or butternuts are the best kinds for this purpose.

VERSION 2.

Make a brine of salt and water in the proportion of a quarter of a pound of salt to a quart of water; run a larding-needle through the walnuts in a half-a-dozen places; this allows the pickle to penetrate, and they will be ready for use much sooner.

Let them stand in the brine for one week; take them out, drain them.

Make a fresh brine of the same proportions, put the walnuts in it and set them over the fire; give them a gentle simmer. When hot all through, lay them on a sieve to drain, and let them stand in the air until they turn black. This will take a couple of days.

Then put them in stone or glass jars; fill them only three parts full of the walnuts and fill them up with the following pickle: To each quart of best cider-vinegar put two ounces of black pepper, one of ginger, same of salt, half an ounce of allspice and half a drachm of cayenne pepper. Put all in the vinegar and set over the fire, bring to a boil and pour boiling hot over the walnuts; cover them closely, tie down tightly, and they will keep for years and improve with age.

Item from the Collection: **The Chickering Piano** by Karen Whitehill

It may have happened like this: Matthew Krause, wanting the very best for his beloved daughter Mary Elizabeth, who was preparing to marry Granville Henry, sent his son Samuel to Philadelphia to the piano store of W.H. Dutton. There, on October 24, 1868, Samuel purchased a beautiful Chickering square grand piano for his sister. Upon Mary Elizabeth's marriage on November 16, 1869, this beautiful instrument assumed its place in the John Joseph Henry House.

While this may not be exactly how the piano purchase occurred, there is no doubt that the Krause family bought an exceptional instrument that graced their daughter's new home. The receipt, for \$900.00, survives in the Society archives. The piano came with a five-year warranty and a one-year exchange guarantee. The receipt for the purchase of the instrument was personally signed by William H. Dutton. A penciled notation altered the name of the purchaser on this receipt from Samuel Krause to Mary Elizabeth Krause. This may have been the family's method of transferring the ownership of the piano from son to daughter.

Today this beautiful instrument adorns the second parlor of the J. Joseph Henry House and is one of the true treasures of the Society. We are proud to celebrate the piano's 150th birthday this year.

Chickering pianos were among the most desired instruments during the 19th century and are known for their exceptional craftsmanship and quality. They offer deep rich tones with cabinetry that is considered a work of art due to the design and elaborate carving on the woodwork. "Chickering was among the most expensive, solidly built and most powerful of any square piano ever built with a bright treble and deep powerful bass tone" (Shafferpianos.com/squares). Chickering's were used by several great pianists of the 19th century, including Liszt and Gottschalk, who publicly endorsed the company and used only Chickering pianos on their concert tours.

In 1850, P.T. Barnum, the circus showman, arranged an American concert tour for the famous opera singer, Jenny Lind. He commissioned a special Chickering for this grand tour which was to include 93 performances across the country. When the tour opened in New York City, Henry Steinway was in the audience on opening night. Mr. Steinway had not yet formed Steinway and Sons, which would open in 1853, but he reportedly ran up onto the stage to obtain a closer look at the Chickering. He was so captivated that he had to be pulled off the stage so the concert could begin.

A Brief History of the Chickering & Sons Company

Jonas Chickering (1798-1853) was the first manufacturer of pianos in America and one of the most successful. Chickering lived in Boston and was apprenticed in 1815 to Benjamin Crehore to learn instrument making. After completing his apprenticeship and acquiring experience, he partnered with James Stewart to begin his own piano business in 1823. *Stewart & Chickering* was the first piano manufacturer in America.

From 1830 to 1839 the company was known as *Chickering & Mackay* and then operated as *Chickering & Mackay's* from 1839 to 1841. The association with Mackay was fortuitous because Mackay was a sea captain. The company exported pianos to South America and Captain Mackay returned from the piano deliveries with supplies of rosewood and mahogany for the business. The partnership ended in 1841 when Captain Mackay was lost at sea. As a result, pianos with the label *Chickering and Mackay*('s) are exceedingly rare.

The company name became *Chickering & Sons* in 1852 when Jonas brought his sons, Thomas, Frank and George into the business. Jonas died in 1853 and Thomas assumed leadership of the company. When Thomas died in 1871, the company fell to Frank's guidance.

Chickering & Sons was sold in 1908 to The American Piano Company, which merged with Aeolian Piano Company in 1932. This company continued to build pianos under the Chickering name. The last Chickering was manufactured in 1981. The name was then sold to the Baldwin Piano Company.

But what it is that makes a Chickering Piano different?

The tone of a Chickering piano is unique, frequently described as having a “round, warm, dark tone.” Square Chickering pianos are rectangular with closed lids and at quick glance could be mistaken for a dining table. The corners are rounded and the keys are indented into the cabinet.

The Chickering company was considered to be very innovative and sought continual improvement with the goal of making the finest instrument possible. The larger pianos featured a one-piece cast iron plate invented by Jonas Chickering. This iron plate supported the strings which were arranged in a new deflection. Instead of side by side, they were placed in two banks—one over the other. This string configuration saved space and increased the richness of the piano’s tone by placing the bass strings over the most resonant part of the sound board. (This stringing method and the cast iron plate were adopted by other piano manufacturers and are still in use today.) The treble keys were strung with three strings per note. In addition, the “cheek block” on the left side of the piano cabinet was larger. This allowed for a longer sound board and thus a deeper richer tone. The Chickering also featured smaller hammers, which helped create the unique tone. The sound produced was lighter and softer than modern pianos and the Chickering was less fatiguing for the pianist to play.

The Chickering company received over 200 awards. In 1851, the company won top awards at the First International Exposition at the Crystal Palace in London. In 1867 (the year before Mr. Krause purchased our

piano), the company received the Imperial Cross of the Legion of Honor. This award, one of the world’s most prestigious non-military awards, was presented to Chickering and Sons by Napoleon III in recognition of the company’s outstanding contribution to the art of music.

This year, our Chickering celebrates its 150th birthday. We invite you to visit the J. Joseph Henry House Museum during 2018 to admire this great American piano.

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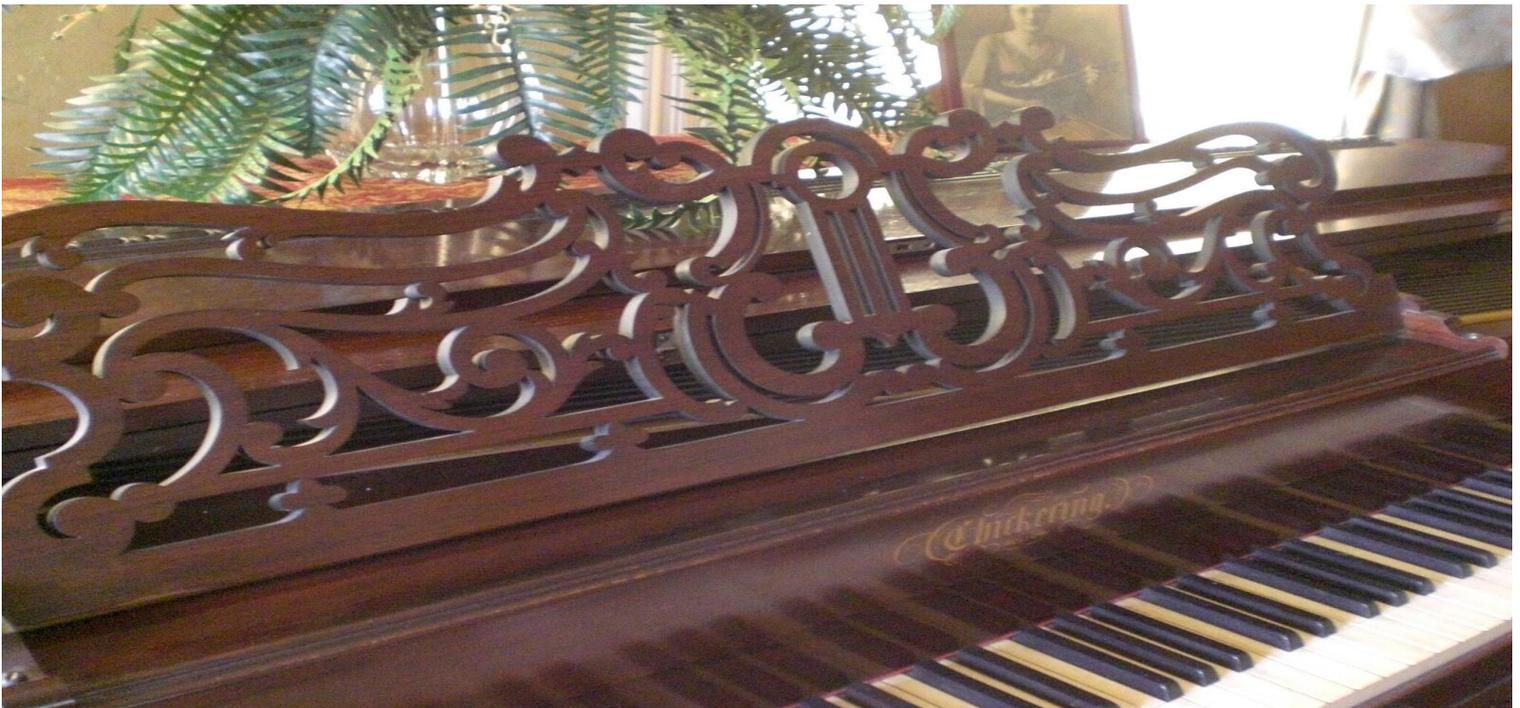
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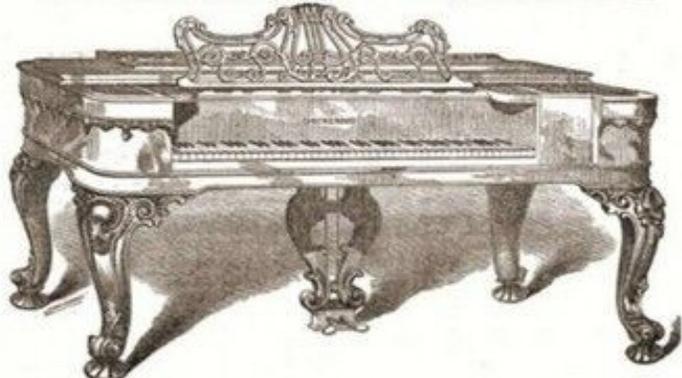


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We are an all-volunteer organization and we would love to have YOU take part in our programs and volunteer your time with us.

All of our events, activities, educational programs, and outreach efforts are provided by volunteers giving generously of their precious time and resources. We provide programs for churches, schools, community groups, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, and we participate in many other types of outreach events.

Annual Member Benefits

Our members enjoy free admission to our Pennsylvania Longrifle Museum, the John Joseph Henry House, Summer Kitchen and Grounds including the Nicholas Hawk Gun Shop.

Members also enjoy free admission to our Summer **Community Picnic**; our annual Living History Event, **Market Faire & Rendezvous** in October; and our end of year Open House, **Christmas at Boulton** in December.

Annual subscription to our newsletter, **The Jacobsburg Record**

Members receive regular communications about our special events, programs, and craft classes.

10% discount in the museum gift shop

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** By providing your email address you are authorizing Jacobsburg Historical Society to add your email to our electronic distribution list for future newsletters, upcoming events, special programs and craft classes.*

Additional Members' Names:

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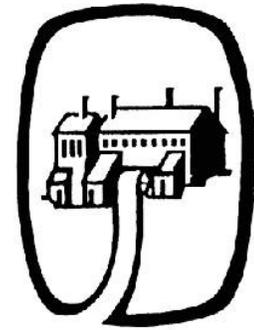
Please consider becoming a volunteer. We have many areas of interest including Genealogy, Henry History, Local History, Gardening, Docents for the John Joseph Henry House and the PA Longrifle Museum, Early American Craft Education and more!

Please indicate your area of interest below:

Basket Weaving Workshop Saturday, June 16, 2018

9:30am - 4pm

Come enjoy a fun and relaxing day weaving your own beautiful, useful work of art at our Early American Craft Center!



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This year's workshop is \$50 per person which includes everything you need to make your own "Wine for Two" basket.

Light refreshments will be served. Please bring along a pair of scissors and pack a lunch.



Class size is limited with pre-registration required.

For more information about this workshop or to pre-register, please email ***amy.gular@verizon.net*** or call Amy @ 267-772-1665

Located at 402 Henry Road, Nazareth PA just off the Belfast exit of Route 33
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Jacobsburg Historical Society Presents

WORLD WAR II LIVING HISTORY WEEKEND

Saturday, June 23, 2018

9:00am - 5:00pm

Rain or Shine

Sunday, June 24, 2018

9:00am - 3:00pm

Music **WWII** **Food**
Vendors

Tour Allied & German Camps

Battle **Meet & Talk to**
Reenactment **WWII Veterans**

Period Military & Non-Military
Vehicle Displays

ADULTS \$7.00 CHILDREN 12 & UNDER FREE
JHS MEMBERS, ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY,
AND SCOUTS IN UNIFORM FREE

PA LONGRIFLE MUSEUM & J. JOSEPH HENRY HOUSE
OPEN SAT 10AM-4PM & SUN 12-4PM

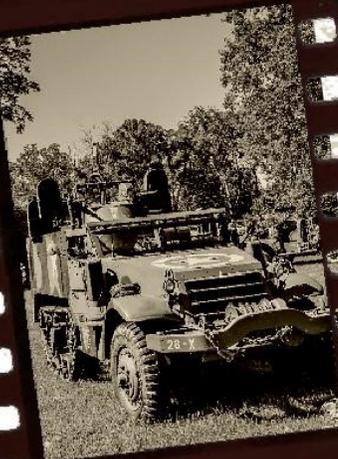
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DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN - MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER

**Raffle tickets will be available in the PLRM Gift Shop
throughout the season until the drawing on October 28, 2018**

Early American Craft Center



Build a Pennsylvania Longrifle



Gunsmith Apprentice Program



Craft a Powder Horn

Beginner & Advanced



Create a Leather Hunting Bag

From Pattern to Stain



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Gunsmith Apprentice Program

Build a fine representation of an historic
PA Longrifle from parts:
lock, stock, & barrel.

*Classes available in the spring and fall.
Sundays, 12 - 5 pm for 9 classes
Pre-registration is required*

Instructor: Rocky Shreck: 610-533-9064.

Craft a Powder Horn

Create an Early American style powder
horn, a storage container in which our
forefathers carried gunpowder.

*Beginners: 4 classes in January
on Saturdays, from 12-5 pm.
Advanced: 2 classes in June
Saturday & Sunday, 9am-5pm.
Pre-registration is required.*

Instructor: Frank Willis: 908-246-8935.
Sponsored by the Honorable Co. of Horners.

Create a Leather Hunting Bag

From making the pattern to staining the
final piece!

*Classes available in the fall,
Wednesdays from 6-9 pm for 4 classes.
Pre-registration is required.*

Instructor: Frank Willis: 908-246-8935.

**For more information, please contact
Program Coordinator Frank Willis, or
visit our website, www.jacobsburghistory.com**

The Early American Craft Center at the Jacobsburg Historical Society

Request for Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Email: _____

Classes I am interested in: _____

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MUSEUM HOURS

Pennsylvania Longrifle Museum

Noon—4:00 pm Saturday and Sunday on the third weekend of each month in July, August, September 2018.

Open for special events in May, June, October, and December; Saturday 10 am - 4 pm and Sunday Noon—4:00 pm.

John Joseph Henry House Museum, Summer Kitchen, and Grounds

Noon—4:00 pm on the third Sunday of each month
In July, August, September 2018.

Open for special events in May, June, October, and December; Saturday 10 am - 4 pm and Sunday Noon—4:00 pm.

Group tours are available.

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