

Join us for the Historical Society of Frederick County's

BUS TRIP TO LANCASTER COUNTY, PA

Friday, September 26, 2008 • 7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Join us as we travel to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The first stop will be at the **EPHRATA CLOISTER**, a National Historic Landmark and AAM accredited museum covering over 28 acres. The Cloister is one of America's earliest religious communities, founded in 1732 by German settlers. It was home to a community of celibate "Brothers and Sisters" and a married congregation of families, hitting its peak in the 1740s and 1750s. Severe discipline and self-denial characterized the lifestyle of these German settlers who were known for their music, calligraphy, and printing. Participants will enjoy a guided tour of the Meetinghouse and Sisters' House, and can explore eight additional buildings and two community cemeteries on their own.

Lunch will be on your own at the Green Dragon Farmer's Market, featuring a number of sit-down restaurants and a dozen snack shops serving everything from traditional Pennsylvania Dutch favorites to Mexican food, and subs to salads. It also features a wide variety of shops for browsing that sell gift items, clothing, antiques, Pennsylvania Dutch novelties, and more.

Following lunch, participants will travel to the **LANCASTER HERITAGE CENTER MUSEUM** and the nearby **LANCASTER QUILT & TEXTILE MUSEUM**. New exhibits at the Heritage Center include *Patchwork Politics: From George to George W.*, *Psychic Photography: Lancaster's Spiritualist Connection*, *Amish Arts of Lancaster County*, and *The Print Shop*. The Quilt & Textile Museum's collection showcases quilts produced by Amish women in Lancaster County between the 1870s and the 1940s.

The bus trip fee includes deluxe motorcoach transportation, admissions, and snacks on the bus. The bus will depart from the Riverview Plaza Shopping Center on Urbana Pike/Rt. 355 promptly at 7:30 a.m. *sharp* and will return about 6:00 p.m. Participants should park between the Target and Sports Authority stores. All those who register will receive a confirmation with more information about one week prior to the trip. Contact Ellen Seagraves at 301-663-1188 or eseagraves@hsfcinfo.org with questions.

Registration deadline: September 22, 2008

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF FREDERICK COUNTY BUS TRIP TO LANCASTER COUNTY

Name(s) _____

Street Address _____

City, State & Zipcode _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ HSFC members @ **\$70.00** each = _____
_____ Non-members @ **\$80.00** each = _____



Return this portion of the form and payment by September 22 to:
Bus Trip, Historical Society of Frederick County
24 East Church St., Frederick, MD 21701

Registration confirmation will be sent by mail or e-mail about one week prior to trip.