



5 Haldeman Road

Schwenksville PA 19473

The Friends of Pennypacker Mills cordially invites you to participate in our Eighth Annual Craft Marketplace at Pennypacker Mills. The event is to be held on Saturday, September 21, 2019, on the grounds of the Mills located at 5 Haldeman Road in Schwenksville, PA from 9:30 AM to 3 PM.

There will be 2 exhibit areas from which you may choose. Availability is on a first-come, first-served basis.

1. We will provide 2 large tents which will accommodate 6 craftsmen each. You must provide your own table and chairs. We also have available 1 double tent and several single tents. Once these tents are filled, there will be no more, so reserve EARLY!
2. **You may provide your own 10'x10' canopy with stakes and your own table and chairs. (Encouraged)**
3. A small number of tables will be available on a first-come, first-served basis and will cost \$5.00. Also, reserve these early!
4. After long, hard thought it has been decided to raise our space fee. Since our inception in 2012 our following has grown considerably. Our attendance in 2012 was 350 whereas in the last two years we have had 1200 customers in spite of being in competition with 3-4 additional craft fairs on that same day. We have also increased our advertising costs to bring these customers in. This also brings us more in line with other craft shows in the area and is still considerably less than what many of them charge. **NOTE! We will hold last year's rate until January 1st, 2019, so SIGN UP EARLY!!!**
5. Spaces are \$60.00 under our tent or \$45.00 if you provide your own tent (or choose to not be under a tent) after January 1st. Before then, \$45.00 under our tent and \$35.00 under your own. **If you are a Friends Member, you may deduct \$5.00 from the space charge. ****
6. **Registration is non-refundable.**
7. There are to be no commercially produced items or any offensive material.
8. Coffee vouchers will be handed out at 2 per tent space.
9. We will be available to cover for you if you need a break. Bathrooms are located behind food vendor.

10. If you become a Friend of Pennypacker Mills you may deduct \$5.00 from your total cost of tent space in addition to the cost of membership (i.e. if under our tent, your total will be \$55.00 payable as \$25.00 membership fee and \$30.00 tent space fee; if providing your own tent your total will be \$40.00. Those of you who are Friends Members will have special signage. ** If you are already a Friends Member and you sign up for the show, your membership will automatically be renewed.

The profits from this sale will benefit Pennypacker Mills, a popular Montgomery County-owned historical site which is located four miles from Skippack Village and five miles from Colledgeville at the intersections of Routes 29 and 73 in Schwenksville. It is open to the public and visited annually by over 15,000 people. The Friends' sole purpose is to assist and support the mission and activities of Pennypacker Mills by working in cooperation with the site staff, Montgomery County, and other interested parties. Last year our goal was to raise funds to acquire additional informational signs to be placed at strategic locations around the property for the education of the visitors to the Mills. These signs were very costly, so we really appreciate your participation in our event!

Eight-and-a-half years old, our non-profit group has held numerous fund-raising activities which resulted in the building of the fence surrounding the Children's Heritage Garden, the purchase of a pump for the History Center, a donation toward the acquisition of Galusha Pennypacker memorabilia, payment for the paint analysis needed to restore the servant area, refurbishing and maintaining the new main parking lot garden beds, and the purchase of several informational signs.

This is our eighth Craft Marketplace. Our first featured 33 talented craftsmen and was attended by almost 350 people. Last year we had 87 craftsmen and over 1200 people in attendance! We are getting bigger every year, and we hope you will join us in this endeavor for 2019. We will continue with the food vendor and the flatter location. We will also purchase more signs to advertise on the highways and byways. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please let me know. We're always looking for improvement. We will be working on the handicapped parking situation. Our hope is to make your stay as comfortable and as profitable as possible. Please reserve your space now by mailing the enclosed registration form with your check made out to The Friends of Pennypacker Mills, Attn: Carol Custer, 5 Haldeman Drive, Schwenksville, PA 19473. Check the "become a Friend" box on the application and save a few dollars on your space fee! If you have any questions, please contact Carol at 610-489-9732 or grammyx5@verizon.net. We look forward to welcoming you to our Craft Marketplace at Pennypacker Mills.

Yours truly,

Carol Custer, Chairman Craft Marketplace at Pennypacker Mills

