Mark these dates on your calendar!

JUNE
June 12  West Chester: A Ramble 'Round Mr. Ewell's Grow
June 19  Kennett Square Historic District: Kennett Quakers
June 26  Lionville Historic District: South Village Avenue

JULY
July 10  East Pikeland: Hill Churches & Cemeteries on Clover Mill Road
July 17  Modena: Modena's Mode Family
July 24  Malvern: Women of Malvern
July 31  Historic Marshallton Village

AUGUST
August 7  Historic Yellow Springs: Chester Springs Soldier's Orphan School Days
August 14  The Mill at Anselma, A National Historic Landmark
August 21  Lincoln Highway & Pottstown Pike: Crossroads of Chester County

FOR EXACT STARTING TIMES AND LOCATIONS, PLEASE CALL THE NUMBER LISTED WITH EACH WEEKLY TOUR.
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS FOLLOW EACH WALK.
DON'T FORGET TO WEAR COMFORTABLE SHOES.

Summer 2008

Town Tours & Village Walks
Celebrating its 14th Anniversary!

FREE TOURS Thursday Evenings June 12 through August 21, 2008
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June 12, 2008
WEST CHESTER: A RAMBLE 'ROUND MR. EVERHART'S GROVE
Sponsor: West Chester Historical and Architectural Review Board
Tour Registration & Information: 610-918-7348
Connel Explore with us the legacy that William Everhart so graciously left to West Chester. Discover the picturesque neighborhood nestled around West Chester's second oldest park. Ramble down memory lane as we revisit late 19th and early 20th Century West Chester. The Tours will start and end at the Rustic Shed in Everhart Park, Union and Brandywine Streets. Pick from eight tours that will wind their way among sites dated from 1830 to 1950.

June 19, 2008
KENNEDY SQUARE HISTORIC DISTRICT: KENNEDY CHARACTERS
Sponsor: Borough of Kennett Square
Tour Registration & Information: 610-446-6020
This year's tour of the borough will focus on Kennett Square's unique characters that played important roles in the borough's history. As we stroll along cool, tree-lined streets, we will pause to admire architecture and gardens and revel in the stories of the people who once called a particular house "home." A poet and diplomat, a Hall of Fame baseball player, a fugitive slave, a sculptor, and an inventor are but a few of the folks that have made this town such a unique and memorable place.

June 26, 2008
LIONVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT: SOUTH VILLAGE AVENUE
Sponsor: Uwchlan Township
Tour Registration & Information: 610-363-9450
Adaptive re-use is the main feature of the early residential and business areas of South Village Avenue. St. Paul's Lutheran Church with its 1813 belfry will be utilized for refreshments and displays. The walking tour will feature legends and stories of old-time residents of the area. Find out where the circus used to come to town!

July 10, 2008
EAST PIKELAND: HILL CHURCHES & CEMETERIES ON CLOVER MILL ROAD
Sponsor: East Pikeland Township
Tour Registration & Information: 610-933-1770
This scenic hillside has been the site of a church since 1772. 236 years! Tradition says the first church was built on an existing Native American burial ground. The earliest white person's grave is dated 1670. Many early area settlers built and attended church and, as shown by the gravestones, his buried here. Tours will feature the historic St. Peter's Lutheran Church and St. Peter's Pikeland United Church of Christ and the cemeteries associated with them.

July 17, 2008
MODENA: MODENA'S MODE FAMILY
Sponsor: Modena Borough Council
Tour Registration & Information: 610-384-6777/610-470-7162
Come see the historic borough of Modena located on the scenic West Branch of the Brandywine Creek. Named for the Mode family who settled here in the early 18th Century, Modena was once part of East Fallowfield Township. Our tour will focus on the history and personal stories of the Mode family, the area's tradition of milling and paper manufacturing and examples of the borough's Georgian to early 20th century style architecture. Come learn about this hidden treasure!

July 24, 2008
MALVERN: WOMEN OF MALVERN
Sponsor: Malvern Historical Commission & Malvern Public Library
Tour Registration & Information: 610-444-2602
Join our tour of this early unincorporated town, named for botanist Humphrey Marshall (1722). Marshallton Village was an important stop on the Stoopsburg Road; a freight road from Lancaster to Philadelphia. Being a free road it was heavily traveled since Lancaster Pike was a toll road. There were 2 hotels in the village and 1 outside dating to 1765. Among the outstanding features of the village is a Quaker Meeting dating to 1723 (present building built in 1765), a cradle factory, which made cradle and cots, and a blacksmith shop, pump maker, cigar factory, tannin shop, clothing store, bakery, and 1829 Methodist Church.

July 31, 2008
HISTORIC MARSHALTON VILLAGE
Sponsor: West Bradford Township
Tour Registration & Information: 610-486-0790

August 7, 2008
HISTORIC YELLOW SPRINGS: CHESTER SPRINGS SOLDIER'S ORPHAN SCHOOL DAYS
Sponsor: Historic Yellow Springs, Inc
Tour Registration & Information: 610-827-7414
Step back to a time just after the Civil War and learn how the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania established schools for orphaned and needy children due to the casualty of war. Meet Eleanor Moore, the first woman principal in Pennsylvania, several of her charges, a teacher, and a Union Army veteran and member of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR). The tour will include the grand opening of Historic Yellow Spring's new Orientation Exhibit. The Victorian Dance Ensemble will be on hand to demonstrate the clothing, manners and dances of the mid-late 19th century.

August 14, 2008
THE MILL AT ANSELM, A NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK
Sponsor: The Mill at Anselma Preservation and Education Trust
Tour Registration & Information: No reservations are required
Nested along the Pickle Creek in Chester Springs, the Mill at Anselma is an authentic water powered 250 years of Chester County's Industrial heritage. Constructed in c. 1747 by Samuel Lightfoot, the Mill and the village of Anselma demonstrate how 18th century technology was adapted to serve the prosperity of the Industrial Revolution and the challenges of the Great Depression. Today, the Mill at Anselma connects visitors with Chester County's rich industrial and agricultural past through tours, flour milling demonstrations and its stone ground four. A special milling demonstration will be offered the evening of the tour.

August 21, 2008
LINCOLN HIGHWAY & POTTS TOWN PIKE: CROSSROADS OF CHESTER COUNTY
Sponsor: West Whiteland Township
Tour Registration & Information: 610-363-9525
Tour three of West Whiteland's most prominent historical structures located on Lincoln Highway at the intersection of Pottstown Pike, the crossroads of Chester County. The resources, including 1790s pedestrian Walks, the Guernsey Cow Dairy Barn (now the Downingtown National Bank), and Sleepy Hollow Hall (aka the Mourey House (1707). Each property illustrates how effective adaptive reuse can be preserved and perpetuate historic structures in the face of significant development. Following the tour, guests will be treated to locally crafted ice cream in honor of the Guernsey Cow's legacy as well as light refreshments.