

**SPOOM: The Society for the Preservation of Old Mills  
Mid-Atlantic Chapter Fall Meeting  
September 8-10, 2016/Springfield Mill**

**Central Meeting Place/ Host  
Springfield Mills, Morris Arboretum**

**Host Hotel: Hampton Inn** (15-20 minutes to Morris Arboretum depending on traffic)  
2055 Chemical RD., Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462. Discounted Rate of \$119 + tax a night  
available. A block of 15 rooms has been set aside for members; five rooms are available  
Saturday night should you wish to stay over until Sunday. Phone: 610-567-0900 for reservations  
and mention our group code **SPO** or online at: [philadelphiaplymouthmeeting.hamptoninn.com](http://philadelphiaplymouthmeeting.hamptoninn.com).  
Scroll down, and enter the group code under the “Special Accounts” section. **Reservations  
must be made by August 8<sup>th</sup> to receive the discounted rate.**

**Additional Hotel Options:**

SpringHill Suites by Marriott, 430 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth Meeting, PA19462. Phone 610-940-  
0400 (20 minutes from Morris Arboretum)

Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 432 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Ft. Washington, PA 19034.  
Phone: 1-800-972-2796. (20 minutes from Morris Arboretum)

**Thursday, September 8, 2016—Evening Meet and Greet Dinner: 6 pm**

**Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant**, 8400 Germantown Avenue, Chestnut Hill, PA. (5.6 miles—  
about 20 minutes—from host hotel.) Metered parking on Germantown Avenue; three parking  
lots close by (\$1 an hour). Free parking behind restaurant but it is usually full.

**Friday, September 9, 2016—Touring Montgomery and Bucks County**

Price per person: \$50

**8:30 am.—Depart from the Hampton Inn in tour buses (Parking is available for those  
staying elsewhere and need to park their car at the Inn.)**

**Mather Mill**--Outside only; historical background and pictures provided by Bill Koons (20-30  
minute stop).

**Evans-Mumbower Mill**--View an introductory DVD about the history of milling on the  
Wissahickon Creek and/or take a guided tour to see the mill in operation. Afterward, browse in  
the museum and see artifacts from the Mill’s archaeological dig (1½ hour stop).

**Peter Wentz Farmstead**—The house, barn, farm buildings and garden reflect the German  
heritage of Peter Wentz, who also was a miller, and his wife Rosanna. They purchased the  
property in 1774; in 1777 it served as the temporary headquarters for George Washington. A  
guided tour of the house will be available; visits to other parts of the property are self-guided.  
We hope to have a brief talk from a local author who has identified various mills that were  
constructed along the nearby Zacharias Creek. A picnic lunch will be served (2 hour stop).

**Castle Valley Mill** —Located in nearby Bucks County, originally constructed in 1730 and  
restored in 1947 by the current owner’s grandfather, who saved many milling machines and  
examples of technology and ingenuity when older mills in Bucks County were being torn down  
or gutted. From this collection, Castle Valley Mill has restored several antique mill stones and  
processing machines and put them back into operation. Using antique burh stones, the mill  
continues to produce the finest ground flours, meals, cleaned whole berry grains and grain mixes,  
which are sold to leading restaurants in Philadelphia, New York City and elsewhere. No  
products are sold at the Mill (1½ hours).

**The Market at DelVal**—originally run by the students of Delaware Valley College, which began life as an agricultural school and in 2014 became a University, the Market has a deli, a creamery, plants, fresh farm produce and the grains/flours produced by Castle Valley Mill, as well as clean, modern restrooms. It is well worth a stop, even a brief one, and is on the way back to Hampton Inn (20-30 minutes).

**Saturday, September 10**  
**Springfield Mills, Morris Arboretum**

**9:00 am--Springfield Mills Tour**

Arrive and park at Bloomfield Farm, which is directly across from the main entrance to the Arboretum (both are off of Northwestern Avenue).

**9:10 am--Walking Tour of Farm** (on way to Grist Mill; will include the Horticultural Center, the Hog Wallow, Barn, Iron Pit, and Millers Cottage).

**10:00 am--Grist Mill;** will include a welcome and a comment on logistics, a group photo and a self-paced tour of the mill (stationary guides). Refreshments will be available.

**11:30 am--Relocate to Visitor Center across the street for SPOOM Mid-Atlantic Business Meeting, which will begin at 11:45 pm.** Light refreshments available.

After the meeting, lunch can be purchased at the Arboretum’s Café if desired. An optional free Arboretum Guided tour also will be available or, if you prefer, you can take a self-guided visit to the gardens.

*Extra: SPOOM members are eligible for Member Discount in Gift Shop*

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*Registration Deadline for Bus Tour is Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

|  | # Attending                    | Cost/Person | Total    |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| ➤ <b>Thursday Meet &amp; Greet 6:00pm</b>                              | _____                          |             |          |
| Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant <i>individuals pay at time of event</i> |                                |             |          |
| ➤ <b>Friday Bus Tour w/ Lunch (8:30am-5:00pm)</b>                      | _____                          | \$50/person | \$ _____ |
| ➤ <b>Saturday Tour &amp; Meeting</b>                                   | _____                          | \$2/person  | \$ _____ |
| Check # _____ Date _____   | Total Amount Included \$ _____ |             |          |

Mail registration form and check payable to SPOOM Mid-Atlantic to:  
 Event Registrar  
 613 Green Valley Road  
 York, PA 17403

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Register and pay online using the Online Ticket Sales tab at [www.spoommidatlantic.org](http://www.spoommidatlantic.org).

Prior to September 4<sup>th</sup>, address any questions to [Judvgrove@verizon.net](mailto:Judvgrove@verizon.net) or 717-741-4366.  
 From September 4<sup>th</sup> on, contact Bill and Linda Koons at 215-848-3185.