

**SPOOM Mid-Atlantic Chapter Spring Meeting  
May 20-21, 2022 at Newlin Grist Mill Glenn Mills, PA**

Join us for a special behind the scenes weekend at Newlin Grist Mill! Pull back the curtain and go inside the restoration activities, archaeological discoveries, and methods NGM is deploying to protect the Mill and Water System from the never-ending threats to their preservation.

**Friday, May 20 Tours and Activities at Newlin Grist Mill**

- 8:30 – 9:30 **Registration** and Continental Breakfast  
9:30 **Welcome** and Introduction to Activities  
10:00 Divide into two groups for Tours
- 1) **Tour Newlin Grist Mill** to learn about recent research and restoration projects. The tour includes the working millwright shop where the new water wheel is being constructed using 18<sup>th</sup> century tools and techniques, water flume restoration, and flood repairs. Learn how the floods have led to discoveries.
  - 2) **Archaeology Tour** - Explore how archaeology has expanded the story of NGM. This tour will include a review of excavation sites, analyzing artifacts recovered, and ongoing excavation of the recently discovered 1704 wheel pit.
- 11:00 **Break**  
11:30 Groups switch tours  
12:30 **Lunch**  
1:30 - 4:00 Self-guided rotation through activities
- Mills of Delaware County Exhibit** - featuring images of regional mills, milling artifacts, and mill related archaeological artifacts. The exhibit also includes a collection of product label artwork from a local textile mill.
- Archaeological Excavations** – Visit active excavations in the mill and talk with archaeologist Keith Doms.
- Miniature Mill Machinery Collection** – SPOOM’s newest acquisition of miniature mill equipment made by Charles Derringer between 1880s-1920s.
- SPOOM Archives** – Visit the SPOOM Archives for an overview of the collections, how they are organized, and how you can use them.
- Millwright Shop** – Watch demonstrations of how the water wheel is being built and talk with NGM’s staff and volunteers working on the project.
- Bake Oven Demonstrations** – Learn how the bake oven works, how to fire it for baking, and talk with Program Manager Laura Adie about how NGM incorporates food into its programming.
- 3:00 **Break**  
4:00 **Hotel Check In**  
5:00 **Meet for tour and Dinner at Ivy Mills**
- Ivy Mills** was the home of an early paper mill that made paper for Benjamin Franklin when he printed the first US currency. The mill is now a ruin but the associated home has been renovated including the first catholic chapel in Pennsylvania outside Philadelphia. The mansion and its outbuildings have been converted into a special event venue and is a good example of how to improve a mill site’s financial security. Dates
- 5:00 Drinks**  
**5:30 Tour of Ivy Mills**  
**6:30 Dinner**

**Saturday May 21 at Newlin Grist Mill**

- Breakfast at Hotel
- 8:30 am Coffee at NGM
- 9:00 am **Tour of Water System** – Explore NGM’s “machine on the landscape” or water system and learn about how it works, exciting new discoveries, the kinds of threats that have impacted the water power, and plans for protecting the mill’s source of power into the future.
- 10:00 am **Protecting Our Mills and Their Power Sources** – Round Table Discussion led by Tony Shahan and Charles Yeske  
Bring your questions, concerns, and examples to share with everyone. Topics will include threats, methods of mitigation, emergency management, and your suggestions. If you have suggested topics send them to [info@newlingristmill.org](mailto:info@newlingristmill.org).
- 12:00 pm Lunch and Business Meeting

Hotel: Staybridge Suites Wilmington-Brandywine Valley  
400 Evergreen Drive, Glen Mills, PA 19342 610-358-2560

Staybridge Suites is near the intersection of Route 1 and Evergreen Drive (5 minutes from Newlin Grist Mill). To make reservations, call (610) 358-2560 and reference SPOOM-MA. Mention rate code is (NGM) to receive the meeting rate of \$189 per night. Rooms will be reserved until 4/28/22. The NGM will also allow people with campers to park in the mill parking lot. There are no hook up facilities but restrooms are available.

Registration Deadline is **May 6<sup>th</sup>**.

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Registration Fees Cost/person \$75.00 # Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you intend to stay Thursday? Y N (We will plan a dinner gathering if enough stay)

Will you be bringing a camper? Y N

Registration fee includes all tours, programs, breaks and the following meals:

Friday Continental Breakfast

Friday Box Lunch (Choose one option for each attendee): Turkey & Swiss on honey wheat \_\_\_\_\_  
Beef & Provolone on 13 grain roll \_\_\_\_\_ Ham, turkey, bacon, cheddar, lettuce on honey wheat \_\_\_\_\_  
Mushrooms, cucumbers, tomatoes, sprouts, roasted peppers on 13 grain roll \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Dinner and Drinks – BBQ, Beer, Wine, soda Y N

Saturday Lunch – Sandwich Buffet Y N

Mail completed registration form and check payable to Newlin Grist Mill to:  
Newlin Grist Mill, 219 Cheyney Road, Glen Mills, PA 19342

OR

Email form to [info@newlingristmill.org](mailto:info@newlingristmill.org) with credit card information or call 610-459-2359 to make payment.