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. Scroll down, and enter the group code under the “Special Accounts” section. Reservations must be made by August 8th 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
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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 19th

Name(s): ____________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ State: ____________ Zip: ______
Phone: ___________________________ E-Mail: ____________________________

# Attending  Cost/Person  Total
➢ Thursday Meet & Greet 6:00pm  ______
Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant individuals pay at time of event

➢ Friday Bus Tour w/ Lunch (8:30am-5:00pm)  _____  $50/person  $_____
➢ Saturday Tour & Meeting  _____  $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.

Prior to September 4th, address any questions to Judygrove@verizon.net or 717-741-4366. From September 4th on, contact Bill and Linda Koons at 215-848-3185.