

**SPOOM (Society for the Preservation of Old Mills)  
Mid-Atlantic Chapter Fall Meeting  
September 6, 7 & 8, 2018  
Host: Union Mills Homestead  
3311 Littlestown Pike, Westminster, MD 21158**

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**Host Hotel: Best Western, 451 WMC Drive, Westminster, MD 21157** Phone: (410) 857-1900 Thursday night \$97.00 Friday night \$113.00 (plus tax) w/ full breakfast included. Mention Union Mills Homestead when you register to get the preferred rate. **To obtain this preferred rate, rooms must be booked by July 23 due to high demand for this time frame.**

**SCHEDULE:**

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**Thursday, September 6, 2018 - Evening Meet and Greet Dinner: 6 pm at Maggie's Restaurant, 310 East Green Street, Westminster, MD.** Leave from hotel at 5:45 pm to carpool or meet at the restaurant by 6 pm. Preregistration is requested. Attendees will order and self-pay from the restaurant menu.

**Friday, September 7, 2018 Bus Tour to Baltimore Mills and Museums**

Special thanks to Meagan Baco and Preservation MD <http://www.preservationmaryland.org> for assisting with planning Friday's tour.

Breakfast in hotel or at a restaurant of your choice in the area.

**8:15 am Board tour bus at the Best Western, for 8:30 departure.** Enjoy a 1-hour ride from Westminster into downtown Baltimore. Early milling history in the Baltimore area will be discussed enroute.

**Baltimore Museum of Industry and Box Lunch:** 9:50 to Noon. One-hour guided tour with museum educators, **Auni Gelles** [agelles@thebmi.org](mailto:agelles@thebmi.org) and **Jessica Celmer** [jcelmer@thebmi.org](mailto:jcelmer@thebmi.org), including an overview of Baltimore industries such as canning, printing, garment making, and the mills that powered the port city. Explore more on your own & enjoy a boxed lunch overlooking the Baltimore Harbor.

**The Industrial Valley – A Guided Tour of Mills along the Jones Falls** 12:00 to 2:30 PM. Board the bus and travel up the Jones Falls, learning more about the many mills built along the banks during the past 200 years. Our guide will be **Nathan Dennies** [ndennies@gmail.com](mailto:ndennies@gmail.com), a Baltimore historian who is researching the history of Jones Falls Mills District in preparation for a walking tour with interpretive signs in that area. This tour will describe how the Jones Falls Valley was transformed from a loose collection of flouring mills into the world's center for the manufacturing of cotton duck, and the recent adaptive reuse of the mills into offices, restaurants, and residences. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

**Historic Almshouse in Cockeyville -- Mill Presentation and Tour.** 3:00-4:30. Visit the historic Almshouse, built in the 1800s to serve the poor, sick, elderly, and mentally ill who had no family to support them. Local historian **Sally Riley** [sarah.riley1@verizon.net](mailto:sarah.riley1@verizon.net) will provide a 45-minute presentation on the mills above Baltimore, including the Warren mill and village on the Gunpowder River (deliberately flooded by a dam built to divert water to the city of Baltimore). **Patricia Routson** will lead a guided tour of the Almshouse (rumored to be haunted) and outbuildings. Re-board the bus at 4:30 pm.

**4:30 – 5:30 pm Return to Best Western** by way of Maryland's scenic horse country.

**\*\*\*Friday Tour Cost of \$60 includes coach bus, driver gratuity, tour and admission fees, and lunch. Register for bus tour by August 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Dinner** on your own in Westminster; select from restaurants in the area.

**Saturday, September 8:**

Breakfast in hotel or restaurant of your choice. Check Out of the Best Western.

Drive on your own to **Union Mills Homestead**, 3311 Littlestown Road, Westminster, MD 21158

**Directions:** From hotel parking lot, turn right onto Route 140 for a short distance to Route 97 North. Turn left and follow Route 97 North to the Union Mills Homestead which is on your right.

**9:00 am Tour and Milling Demonstration at Union Mills Homestead** The Shriver Mill at the Union Mills Homestead began its life as a very modern, fully-equipped merchant mill, shipping flour to Baltimore for local consumption and export to Europe and the West Indies. It ceased operation in 1942 and stayed idle until Carroll County officials recognized its historic value and began restoration in the 1970s. The restored mill was opened to the public in 1984 and continues to provide the community with educational tours and stone ground products.

**Chapter Meeting and Lunch** will follow.

**\*\*\*Saturday Cost of \$15 includes tour, meeting, and lunch.**

**Saturday Afternoon:** Tour nearby Mills on your own. List will be provided.

For questions before September 1, contact [judygrove@verizon.net](mailto:judygrove@verizon.net) or 717-741-4366.  
After September 1, contact Ivan and Marlene Lufriu at 717-359-4363.

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**Registrations for Bus Tour must be received by August 29, 2018 (no exceptions).**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Mill Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

	# Attending	Cost/Person	Total
➤ Thursday Meet & Greet 6:00pm	_____	<i>Individuals pay at time of event</i>	
➤ Friday Bus Tour w/ Lunch	_____	\$60/person	\$ _____
➤ Saturday Tour, Meeting & Lunch	_____	\$15/person	\$ _____

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Included \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Register/pay online after July 1 using Fall Meeting tab under Events at [www.spoommidatlantic.org](http://www.spoommidatlantic.org)