



# NEWSLETTER

1010 East Main Street

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Waynesboro, PA

WE ARE OPEN and ready for another season. Plan to spend a few relaxing hours in the park strolling on one of the marked trails. Visit the museum and see over 100 pieces of pottery made in Waynesboro during the 19th century.

WHAT'S NEW at Renfrew? Ask just about anyone in Waynesboro if he has visited Renfrew Museum. The typical response is, "Yes, about five years ago." Then ask why so long between visits and the reply will be, "Well, I've seen it once and nothing ever changes in a museum." THE MUSEUM CHANGES EVERY YEAR! You could easily visit Renfrew four times a year and still not see or attend all the special exhibits and programs offered throughout the year.

WHAT'S NEW...the kitchen is now furnished and ready for your inspection. We conducted an extensive research program to determine what objects would be appropriate for an early 19th century kitchen. The installation is full of surprises! We purchased\*, begged, and borrowed\*\* most of the objects needed for the room. Come out for a visit and see a lot of old new stuff in the kitchen.

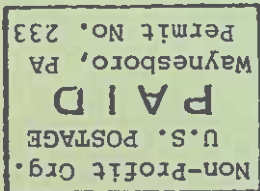
WHAT'S NEW..."Glimpses of Childhood, 1800 to 1850" is the title of a year long exhibit featuring objects associated with or depicting children in early 19th century America. On display are fracturs, textiles, chalkware, watercolors, and furniture. Ask your museum tour guide about the particularly rare textile on display, one of only three known to exist.

WHAT'S NEW..."Butter Prints", a special loan exhibit of butter prints from The Washington County Historical Society, Hagerstown, MD. This exhibit features over 80 butter prints never before exhibited as a group. Butter prints were used to decorate butter and are now considered to be important examples of folk art.

WHAT'S NEW...lots more and you can read about the many exciting things going on at the museum in future newsletters.

PARK NEWS Did you know that Renfrew Park is 107 acres big? That the park is open sunup to sundown seven days a week? That there is no admission fee to use the park? That there are picnic tables and grills for you to use? That there are three hiking trails? Now that you know this information, it's time for a visit.

PARK NEWS...BIRD WALKS will again be conducted this year every Saturday morning from 7am to 11am in April and May by Mr. Willard Rahn. On these delightful and refreshing walks you will see many of the over 65 different species of birds that are counted in the park every Spring. Beginning bird watchers are welcome. Bring binoculars if you have them and wear waterproof shoes or boots.



Renfrew Museum & Park  
1010 East Main Street  
Waynesboro, PA 17268

LIKE ANTIQUES? Why not become a volunteer tour guide at the museum? We have one of the finest collections of American decorative arts of any small museum in the country. We will provide all the necessary training and you'll be doing something good for yourself and the community. For more details, call 762-4723 and get involved with your local museum.

\* Renfrew received an anonymous gift of \$1,000 to be used for purchasing objects for the kitchen. The gift was in honor of a 50th wedding anniversary.

\*\* Special thanks to Mr. David Thomas, Fairfield, PA, for lending the museum many kitchen objects for the 1984 season. Mr. Thomas was also most helpful in organizing the exhibit on butter prints.

Museum Hours: Open Thurs., Sat., and Sun. from 1-4pm and at all other times by special appointment. Please note that the museum will not be open Easter Sunday, April 22.