

Join us at
PHS Meadowbrook Farm
&
**The Highlands Mansion
and Gardens**

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Day Trip: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

\$40.00/Member
\$65.00/Guest

(includes lunch)



This trip is rain or shine.

*Wear comfortable
walking shoes.*

For information:
Mary Ellen Kaye
610 207-5501

**The Highlands Mansion
and Gardens**

The Highlands Mansion and Gardens is a 44-acre historic site with a late 18th century Georgian mansion and 2-acre formal garden.

Surrounded by massive stone walls, the gardens offer a beautiful example of early 20th century estate gardening with an unusual blend of horticulture and architecture.

The site features 9 outbuildings, including a bank barn, springhouse, greenhouse, smokehouse and Gothic Revival gardener's cottage.

The Highlands Historical Society began to restore the 2-acre formal garden to its appearance c.1925 - 1935 in October 2001, with a project at the screening wall on the east side of the garden.

Educational Bus Tour
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**Sponsored by the
Berks County
Horticulture Club**

PHS Meadowbrook Farm

The house at Meadowbrook Farm is a place where you can step back to a time of post-war charm of this thriving floral family. Originally the home of J. Liddon Pennock and Alice Herkness Pennock, Meadowbrook Farm is a 25-acre property where visitors can enjoy formal and informal gardens, seasonal plantings, and an extremely diverse plant palette.

The Pennock's were one of Philadelphia's High Society families and an integral part of the area's social life. The decades of Mr. Pennock's horticultural innovation can be seen throughout the gardens from his special cloud pruning to his southern magnolias, a tree rarely seen in the north in the 1950's.

Planning on these remarkable gardens began in 1936 after the completion of the Pennock's home. Many of the focal points and accents in the garden are gazebos, structures, and statues repurposed from the years Pennock spent exhibiting at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

In addition to formal garden beds around the house, the gardens include a large display garden, pollinator garden, cutting garden, xeric garden, cacti and succulent garden, rain garden, rock garden, and woodland path.

Schedule for the Day

- 8:00 Departure from the Berks County Agricultural Center
- 9:30 Arrive at PHS Meadowbrook Farm
- 10:00-12:00 Guided Tour
- 12:00-1:30 Lunch, time to explore, and shop.
- 1:30 Departure
- 2:00 Arrival at The Highlands Mansion and Gardens
- 2:15-3:15 Guided Tour
- 3:30 Departure for Home
- 5:00 Return to Berks County Agricultural Center

Bottled water will be provided.

REGISTRATION

Registrations accepted until the bus is full.

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Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Number of Tickets: Member ____ @ \$40

Guest ____ @ \$65

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Select (1) option from all (3) for lunch:
(bottled water and a brownie included)

#1 - Sandwich:

roast beef turkey vegetarian

#2 - Bread:

baguette rye multigrain

#3 - Side:

coleslaw pasta salad

macaroni salad

Make check payable to:

Berks County Horticulture Club

Mail this portion of form and payment to:

Michele Emerson

143 Fox Hill Drive, Wernersville, PA 19565

DEADLINE APRIL 1, 2020