



Calendar

2010 Grey Towers Public Program Schedule



April



Sunday, April 25th
LIVING HISTORY PROGRAM:
PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT ON
HIS FRIEND, GIFFORD PINCHOT,
5:30 P.M.

President Theodore Roosevelt re-enactor Joe Weigand helps kick off our 2010 Visitor Season with a living history program, highlighting how the Rough Rider president and his friend Gifford Pinchot not only started the US Forest Service but changed how America practiced conservation of our natural resources. Tickets thru Grey Towers Heritage Association, 570-296-9625 or greytowersheritage@gmail.com
(Sponsored by the Grey Towers Heritage Association and the U.S. Forest Service at Grey Towers)



May

Weekends, May 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 23
(Note: We are closed on Saturday, May 22nd)

PRE-SEASON MANSION TOURS,
1:00 & 3:00 P.M.

See all three floors of the mansion on these special guided tours. Regular fees apply.



May - continued

Saturday, May 8th

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION WORKSHOP, 10:00 A.M.

A helpful informational workshop for anyone who is interested in volunteering at Grey Towers. Volunteer positions include: tour guides, landscape and museum curatorial. Participants are encouraged to attend Landscape Walk at 1:30 pm. Bring bagged lunch. Registration required: 570-296-9672.

EVOLUTION OF THE GREY TOWERS LANDSCAPE: SPRINGTIME IN CORNELIA'S GARDENS, 1:30 P.M.

Come see the gardens awaken from their winter slumber. Meet Horticulturist Elizabeth Hawke at the Visitor Pavilion for a guided tour of native flowering shrubs, the historic Sweet Cherry Tree, which should be in full bloom, the flowering bulbs in the landscape and a tour of the historic landscape. Regular tour fees apply.

Sunday, May 23rd

THE PINCHOT FAMILY AND MILFORD DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR, 11:00 A.M.

Join us on this guided walking tour and learn how the Pinchot family helped shape the community. Meet on the Community House lawn. Regular tour fees apply. Call 570-296-9630 to save a spot.

Saturday, May 29th
(Memorial Day weekend)

REGULAR TOUR SEASON RESUMES,
EVERY DAY, 11:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M., ON THE HOUR.

Guided tours of the mansion and grounds share the story of the Pinchot family and the role Grey Towers played as they advanced their social, political and conservation ideals. Special, three-floor tours on weekends **ONLY** at 10:00 am and 4:00 pm **ONLY**.

October

Saturday, October 2nd

ARTIFACT TOUR, 1:30 P.M.

Walk through the mansion with Grey Towers Museum Specialist Rebecca Philpot to learn more about the background of the historic Pinchot family furnishings and artwork on display. Meet on the front porch. Regular tour fees apply.

Thursday, October 7th

COME PAINT WITH ME

10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Landscape painting program. You can either join the artists or observe them at work in the fields and forests of Grey Towers for these outdoor painting and sketching sessions; this is the last session for 2010. Bring your own materials and a picnic lunch. Free. 570-775-6896 or www.joanpolishook-art.com.

Sunday, October 17th

ENVIROFEST

Free environmental films as part of the community Black Bear Film Festival. www.blackbearfilm.com for schedule and details. *(Sponsored by the Grey Towers Heritage Association and the U.S. Forest Service at Grey Towers)*

Saturday, October 23rd

EVOLUTION OF THE GREY TOWERS LANDSCAPE:
AUTUMN IN CORNELIA'S GARDENS, 1:30 P.M.

Brilliant red, yellow and orange leaves will be ablaze for this landscape tour. Meet Horticulturist Elizabeth Hawke at the Visitor Pavilion to view the fabulous foliage displays of the native shrubs, the Japanese maple display, the historic Sugar Maple planted by General William T. Sherman and the historic landscape. Regular tour fees apply.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29TH: REGULAR WEEKDAY TOURS END

Saturday, October 30th

DRAMATIC READING, 6:00 & 8:00 P.M.

Halloween Dramatic Reading by the American Readers Theatre Company. "A Night With Poe." Fee. greytowersheritage@gmail.com and 570-296-9625 *(Sponsored by the Grey Towers Heritage Association and the U.S. Forest Service at Grey Towers)*



Sunday, October 31st

CEMETERY WALK, 1:30 P.M.

Local historian Peter Osborne will share the history of the Laurel Hill Cemetery, Milford's original town graveyard, on the grounds of Grey Towers. Meet at the Visitor Pavilion in the parking lot. Wear sturdy shoes. Free.

November

Saturdays and Sundays,

Nov. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21

(Closed Thanksgiving weekend)

POST-SEASON MANSION TOURS, 1:00 P.M. & 3:00 P.M.

See all three floors of the mansion on these special guided tours. Regular tour fees apply.



December

December 4th through 29th

ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF THE SEASON

(CLOSED DEC 23 - 26, 30-31)

Enjoy the beautiful decorations with our Annual Celebration of the Season, with Holiday Open House and Guided Tours; "A Christmas Carol" dramatic reading; annual Audubon Holiday Tea and Program; holiday music and more.

2010 Tour Schedule

Guided, interpretive tours introduce visitors to the many contributions the Pinchot family made to shaping America's conservation, political and social values.

Saturday-Sunday May 1-2; 8-9; 15-16, 23 (closed Saturday, May 22)	Pre-Season Mansion Tours, 1 & 3 pm, all three floors
Saturday May 29- Sunday Oct. 31	Regular Tour Season, every day, 11 am - 4 pm on the hour
Saturdays-Sundays (May 29-Oct. 31)	Special Three-floor tours at 10 am and 4 pm only.
Sunday, July 4	Fee-Free Day
Saturday Sept. 25	Fee-Free Day
Saturdays-Sundays Nov. 6-7; 13-14; 20-21 (Closed Thanksgiving wknd)	Post-Season Mansion Tours, 1 & 3 pm, all three floors
December (Closed Dec. 23-26, 30-31)	Holiday Season Guided Mansion Tours, weekdays at 1 & 3 pm and weekends 1-4 pm (See Web site or call for specific dates and times)

June



Thursday, June 3rd
COME PAINT WITH ME
 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Kick off this year's landscape painting program with a special, behind-the-scenes session in the Grey Towers' walled garden. Bring your own materials and a picnic lunch. Free. 570-775-6896 or www.joanpolishook-art.com.



Saturday, June 5th

OUTDOOR CONCERT, 5:30 P.M.

Connect with nature through music at this free performance in our tented pavilion, featuring the Black Bear Conservatory of Music. (Sponsored by the Grey Towers Heritage Association and the U.S. Forest Service at Grey Towers)

Saturday, June 12th

ART OF LACEMAKING, 1:00-4:00 PM

Watch as the Lost Art Lacers of North New Jersey practice the art of lace-making. Learn about the Pinchot lace collection.

ART WORKSHOP AND DEMO: PLEIN AIR PAINTING

11:00 A.M.- 4:00 P.M.

Learn technique and then put it to work in the beautiful landscape. Bucks County PA artists George and Emily Thompson will share their expertise at this unique workshop. \$60 per person; pre-registration required. thompsonstudio@comcast.net for more info; greytowersheritage@gmail.com to register.

(Sponsored by the Grey Towers Heritage Association and the U.S. Forest Service at Grey Towers)

Saturday, June 26th

ARCHITECTURE TOUR, 1:30 P.M.

What does the base of the Statue of Liberty and Grey Towers have in common? Find out as you learn about the unique architectural details of the mansion. Regular tour fees apply.

July

Thursday, July 8th
COME PAINT WITH ME
 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Landscape painting program. You can either join the artists or observe them at work in the fields and forests of Grey Towers for these outdoor painting and sketching sessions. Bring your own materials and a picnic lunch. Free. 570-775-6896 or www.joanpolishook-art.com.

Saturday July 10th

THE PINCHOT TIMELINE TRAIL WALK, 1:30 P.M.

Take a walk through time on this gently sloping trail that follows the history of the Pinchot family from when they arrived in Milford in the 1820s to 1963, when Grey Towers was donated to the American public.

Saturday, July 24th

TREE ID AND TREE TRAIL WALK, 1:30 P.M.

Gifford and Cornelia Pinchot planted more than 100 trees on the estate. Learn about some of the more unique trees and why they chose these.

2010 Conservation and the Arts Programs

James Pinchot was one of the first Americans to recognize a connection between nature and the arts; we re-create that today

Sunday April 25	Living History program
Thursday June 3	Come Paint With Me landscape painting program
Saturday June 5	Outdoor Classical Concert
Saturday June 12	Plein Air Painting workshop and demo
Saturday June 12	The art of lacemaking demonstrations
Thursday July 8	Come Paint With Me landscape painting program
Saturday-Sunday Aug. 7-8	Festival of Wood: crafts, music, activities and more
Thursday Aug. 19	Come Paint With Me landscape painting program
Thursday Sept. 9	Come Paint With Me landscape painting program
Saturday Sept 11	Outdoor Classical Concert
Thursday Oct. 7	Come Paint With Me landscape painting program (final session of 2010)
Sunday Oct. 17	ENVIROFEST Film Festival
Saturday Oct. 30	Halloween Dramatic Reading: Edgar Allan Poe
December	Arts for the Holiday Season: Dramatic reading, seasonal music and more

August



Saturday & Sunday, August 7th-8th

SIXTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF WOOD

Handmade crafts, music, arts, programs, children's activities and more! (See separate story for details)

Thursday, August 19th

COME PAINT WITH ME, 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

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Saturday, August 21st

FOREST HISTORY WALK, 1:30 P.M.

Gain an appreciation for today's forest management challenges with this hands-on introduction to the history of forestry in America. Visit the campsite replica of the Yale School of Forestry students who studied at Grey Towers in the early 20th century. Regular tour fees apply. Registration suggested.



September

Saturday, September 4th

THE PINCHOT FAMILY AND MILFORD DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR, 11:00 A.M.

Join us on this guided walking tour and learn how the Pinchot family helped shape the community. Meet on the Community House lawn. Regular tour fees apply. Call 570-296-9630 to save a spot.

Thursday, September 9th

COME PAINT WITH ME, 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

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September - continued



Saturday, September 11th
OUTDOOR CONCERT, 5:30 PM

Connect with nature as you listen to classical music in our covered outdoor terrace. \$10 per person. Info:

www.portjervisarts.org

(Co-sponsored by the Grey Towers Heritage Association and the Port Jervis Council for the Arts and the U.S. Forest Service at Grey Towers)

Saturday, September 25th

ICE CREAM SOCIAL, 2:00-4:00 PM

AND

FEE FREE NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY

10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Celebrate the Pinchot gift of Grey Towers to the American public with a re-creation of Gov. Gifford Pinchot's popular ice cream social. Tour the mansion for free and join us for free ice cream; view the video of President John F. Kennedy's 1963 dedication of Grey Towers. (Sponsored by the Grey Towers Heritage Association and the U.S. Forest Service at Grey Towers)

2010 Weekend Walks and Tours

Walks, hikes and special tours focus on a unique aspect of Grey Towers or Pinchot family history

Saturday May 8	Springtime in Cornelia's Gardens landscape walk
Sunday May 23	The Pinchot family and Milford downtown walking tour
Saturday June 26	Architecture tour and walk
Saturday June 12	Pinchot Timeline Trail walk
Saturday July 24	Tree ID and Trail walk
Saturday August 21	Forest History walk
Saturday Sept. 4	The Pinchot family and Milford downtown walking tour
Saturday October 2	ArtiFACT tour
Saturday Oct. 23	Autumn in Cornelia's Gardens landscape walk
Sunday Oct. 31	Cemetery walk