

Christmas at Cornwall to be held on Saturday, December 2nd

The Friends of Cornwall Iron Furnace will host their annual "Christmas at Cornwall" event on Saturday, December 2nd, 2023 at the historic Cornwall Iron Furnace, 94 Rexmont Road. This family-friendly event will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will feature guided tours of the furnace, seasonal refreshments, and a model train displayed by Brian's Model Trains under the furnace's large, decorated tree. The museum store will be open for holiday shopping, and family crafts and visits from Santa will be offered in the 1860s Paymaster's Building.

New to this year's event will be walking tours of Minersvillage led by several local historians. Also, Lebanon Craft Brewery will be offering free tastings as well as sales of their products and merchandise in the Blacksmith Shop, which will be transformed into "Coleman's Tavern."

As in years past, Cornwall Manor will partner with the Friends in providing access to their wonderfully restored buildings. They will be hosting their "Cookies, Carols, Crafts & More" event from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm at Freeman Community Center. Here is a list of activities available on the campus of Cornwall Manor:

- Tours of the public areas of the 19-room Buckingham Mansion
- Sales of fresh holly sprigs, Chapel Choir carolers, homemade cookies sales, handcrafted items by Cornwall Manor woodworkers, and a holiday craft sale, all in Freeman Community Center. Gift-wrapping will be offered by donation, and the Manor Café will be offering a light lunch for visitors.
- Model railroad display of the Cornwall area complete with scale models of the major buildings, located in the stable

Tickets will be sold on the day of the event at the Cornwall Iron Furnace Visitor Center. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for youth (ages 3-17); ages 2 and under are free. The walking tour will cost an additional \$5 per person. Cornwall Iron Furnace is administered by the Pennsylvania Historic Museum Commission (PHMC) and is the most complete cold-blast furnace in North America. Please call the furnace at 717-272-9711 and check the website at www.cornwallironfurnace.org for updated information.