

OFF TO THE RACES!

Friday, December 20, 2019



\$110 Members/\$120 Non-Members

CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS IN STYLE THIS YEAR: ONE MANSION, ONE STABLE MUSEUM & ONE HORSE RACE TRACK WITH THE BERKS HISTORY CENTER

Belair Mansion offers a look at Maryland's earliest history. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, it was built in 1745 for Provincial Governor Samuel Ogle and his wife Anne. Ogle, along with his brother-in-law, Colonel Benjamin Tasker, imported a number of Thoroughbred horses in the hopes of introducing English stock to the colonies to strengthen local race horses. They succeeded. Their mare, Selima, still lives in history and in the bloodlines of many of today's famous racehorses.

Belair later became the home of William Woodward, noted American horseman of the 20th century. "Belair Stud Stables" became one of the country's premier stables from the 1920's through the 1950's. Today's Stable Museum highlights the accomplishments of Belair's bloodstock over its 200-year racing legacy. It also features a restored 1923 Stablemaster's living quarters.

Next, we're off to the races! Laurel Park is one of Maryland's premier destinations for horse racing and has been offering exciting Thoroughbred horse racing since 1911. Upon arrival we will enjoy a boxed lunch of either Roast Beef with Honey Mustard, Brie and Watercress on a Ciabatta Roll, Smoked Turkey with Cranberry Mayonnaise, Lettuce, Tomato and Cheddar Cheese on Brioche Bread or Grilled Chicken with Parmesan Cheese, Lettuce and Tomato in a Whole Wheat Wrap. Lunches include Herb Parmesan Cheese Salt Potato Chips, Brownies, Soda and Water. We will tour the Paddock and Winner's Circle before Race #3, which is being run in Berks History Center's honor, as well as a commemorative photo taken with the winning jockey of our race.

Price of the trip does not include bus driver tip. Elite Coach is our transportation provider.

Bus departs the Shilling Shopping Center parking lot BEHIND the PA Driver's License Photo Center at 6:45 am and will return at approximately 7:00 pm.



Contact Vicky Heffner at 610.375.4375 or education@berkshistory.org for more information.

Please detach and send along with your check payable to the Berks History Center, 940 Centre Avenue, Reading, PA 19601

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PLEASE CIRCLE MEAL CHOICE: ROAST BEEF TURKEY CHICKEN