



Historic Insights



by Gene Pisasale

American Revolution to Fine Art: Brandywine Valley Reflections



The Brandywine Valley has been home to three signers of the Declaration of Independence, great artists and musicians as well as the scene of the largest land battle of the American Revolution. Its rolling hills and rustic splendor have captivated millions of visitors over the centuries. This presentation delves into more than 300 years of regional history and highlights fascinating people, places and events which shaped our heritage.

Lecture Outline:

- Founding Faith – The Quaker Meetinghouses
- Colonial Gristmills – Cornerstones in the Foundation of America
- The Brandywine River Museum – Art in a Magical Landscape
- Historic Inns and Taverns
- Valley Forge, George Washington and the Founding of Our Country
- Industrial Building Blocks – The Mines and Minerals of Chester County
- A du Pont Legacy – The Splendor of Longwood Gardens
- The Rolling Hills of Horse Country
- Sanctuaries in a Crowded Landscape – The Parks of Chester County
- Kennett Square – “The Mushroom Capital of the World”
- The Great Pumpkin Carve

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