



“America in the 1840’s” – This presentation by James Lewars will examine the decade of the 1840’s when America underwent major changes which fundamentally impacted the lives of people. This presentation will touch on changes to such things as transportation, communications, industry and even warfare. The presentation will draw upon some observations of a Pennsylvania volunteer in the Mexican War who hailed from central Pennsylvania.

James A. Lewars is a native of Berks County. He graduated from Penn State University, where he earned his B.A., majoring in journalism and history and his M.A. in American Studies.

He enjoyed 42 years of working at various historic sites administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, including the Daniel Boone Homestead, where he worked on the staff for several years and served as acting administrator from 1980-1981. In 1984 he was named administrator at Daniel Boone, after having served as site manager of the Conrad Weiser Homestead and acting administrator of the Ephrata Cloister for two years. During most of this time he also administered the Conrad Weiser Homestead. From December 2009 until his retirement in 2017 he was the director of the Landis Valley Village and Farm Museum.

Mike Emery (CIF Administrator) will moderate a brief discussion at the end of the presentation for the audience to ask questions.

Online lecture will utilize the Zoom platform.

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