



Pennsylvania Lumber Museum

History Camp - 2025

Looking for a unique experience for your child this summer? The Pennsylvania Lumber Museum is excited to present its hands-on History Camp on August 1 & 2. Children ages 10-18 will be able to spend two full-days immersing themselves in the rough and tumble lifestyle of a 19-century woodhick. On day one, campers will try their hand at activities like using a crosscut saw, rolling a log, peeling bark, and throwing axes. They'll play games like horseshoes, seed spitting, and model log raft racing. On the second day, participants will demonstrate their new-found skills at the Cherry Springs S.P. Woodsmen Show.

The program will be administered by the staff and volunteers of the PA Lumber Museum. Pre-registration is required for participation. The registration deadline is July 12, 2025. Please call (814-435-2652) or email palumbermuseum@gmail.com to register for this event.

Scholarships covering the full admission cost are available for a limited number of campers. Interested campers must submit a 200-250 word essay about "Why I want to go to History Camp," to be judged by the museum Events Committee for content. Essays must be submitted by June 27, 2025, to palumbermuseum@gmail.com or mailed to the PA Lumber Museum.

Get the Facts about History Camp:

Where?	The PA Lumber Museum/ Cherry Springs State Park
When?	August 1 & 2, 2025
What Time?	Starting at 9 AM each day
How Much?	\$50 non-member/\$45 museum member
Ages?	Ages 10-18
What's Included?	2 days of camp, breakfast and lunch on 8/1 (provided by PA Lumber Museum Association—PALMA), admission to the Cherry Springs Woodsmen Show on 8/2
What's Not Included?	Meals on 8/2; other souvenirs and necessities; lodging

Preliminary Schedule (subject to change)

Friday, August 1 (Day 1)

- 9:00 AM Registration at the PA Lumber Museum admissions desk and introductory activity.
- 9:30 AM Help camp cooks prepare a breakfast fit for a woodhick then dine on pancakes, stewed apples, and sausage in our Mess Hall.
- 10:00 AM Overview of the forest history of Pennsylvania with a guided tour of the museum.
- 11:00 AM Learn about the use of horses in the lumber industry with demonstration by museum volunteer
- 12:00 PM Lunch in the mess hall.
- 1:00 PM Start of woodhick skills demonstrations, training and contests, hands-on activities.
- 3:30 PM Woodhick games- fun competitions for program participants that relate to wood hick culture (horseshoes, seed spitting, log raft races, birling, etc.)- *bring a bathing suit and towel*
- 5:00 PM End of the first day's activities.

Saturday, August 2 (Day 2)

- 9:00 AM First activities begin at the Woodsmen Show at Cherry Springs State Park. Participants meet at the Wood Hick Grove. *Admission for campers is included in camp registration. Parents can purchase tickets separately to attend Woodsmen Show or just drop of camper at admission area and return for them at 2pm when camp day ends.*
- 10:00 AM Campers conduct periodic demonstrations of woodhick skills in the Wood Hick Grove at the Woodsmen Show, interacting with visiting public.
- 12:00 PM Lunch at the Woodsmen Show- *bring money to purchase food from the vendors at the event or pack a lunch.*
- 2:00 PM Campers conclude their demonstrations in the Wood Hick Grove. *Parents can pick them up there or arrange with museum staff to pick up their child at the front admission area. The Woodsmen Show concludes at 5pm so families deciding to attend will have several hours after the camp program ends to explore the rest of the Woodsmen Show.*