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**NEWS RELEASE** *for Immediate Release*

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**St. Mary's County Museum Division to Host 4-Day Outdoor “Junior Historian” Program this Spring & Summer at Piney Point Lighthouse**

**LEONARDTOWN, MD** – The **Junior Historian Program** at the Piney Point Lighthouse Museum invites children **ages 7–12** to discover local history and the outdoors through fun, hands-on activities. This program runs during **spring and summer breaks for four days per session**, with **three hours of activities each day**, blending outdoor exploration with interactive history lessons.

The 2026 Junior Historian Program will be offered in **two different program tracks**, each available on multiple dates. The *Classic* program track will cover the same topics as last year, while the *New Adventures* track is packed with all-new activities.

**Parents are encouraged to reserve their child's spot soon**, as each program is **limited to 12** participants to provide the best hands-on experience possible. **The cost is \$100 per child for the entire 4-day program.**

**Junior Historian: *New Adventures***

*Features all-new 2026 activities. Returning participants are encouraged to try this track, but it is open to all children ages 7–12.*

*Offered:*

- March 31 – April 3: [Registration Required](#)
- June 15 – June 18: [Registration Required](#)

*Activities* will include, but are not limited to:

- Learning about bees and bats by building an insect hotel and decorating a bat box.
- Helping construct the new Piney Point Lighthouse Museum pollinator garden.
- Learning about Southern Maryland's ecosystems and the role different animals play within them.

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### **Junior Historian: Classic**

*Featuring favorite activities from past years. Ideal for first time participants.*

#### *Offered:*

- July 27 – 30: [Registration Required](#)
- August 3 – 6: [Registration Required](#)

*Activities* will include, but are not limited to:

- Participating in a hands-on archaeological dig.
- Creating and racing boats.
- Crafting bird boxes and bird feeders.

Upon completion of the program, each participant will receive a “Junior Historian” certificate to commemorate their achievements.

“Because Piney Point has so many interesting things for kids to explore, we thought it would be great to continue offering this fun yet educational multi-day Junior Historian program for children during summer break,” said Karen Stone, Manager of the St. Mary’s County Museum Division. “With such a broad range of topics, participants are sure to find lots of fun things to do while enjoying the outdoors at the lighthouse.”

For more information about the program, other educational activities at the museums, please email Olivia Flack with the Museum Division at [Olivia.Flack@stmaryscountymd.gov](mailto:Olivia.Flack@stmaryscountymd.gov).

For more information on Piney Point Lighthouse Museum, call (301) 994-1471.

### **About the St. Mary’s County Museum Division**

The St. Mary’s County Museum Division was established by the Commissioners of St. Mary’s County to collect, preserve, research, and interpret the historic sites and artifacts which illustrate the natural and cultural histories of St. Mary’s County and the Potomac River. These sites include St. Clement’s Island Museum, Piney Point Lighthouse Museum, the Old Jail Museum, and the Drayden African American Schoolhouse. With this as its charter, the Museum Division serves as a resource, liaison, and community advocate for all St. Mary’s County public and private cultural assets. For more information, please visit: [museums.stmarysmd.com](http://museums.stmarysmd.com).

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