

## Specialized Volunteer Groups

These groups generally meet once or twice a month. Beginners to experts are very welcome!

### Herb & Garden Group

Our yard features an historically configured herb garden. Help us care for and learn the uses of these valuable plants for cooking, dyeing, and medicinal purposes. This is a favorite spot for visiting groups.

### Quilting Committee

Hand piecing, applique, and even some more modern techniques of quilting are accomplished here.

### Docent Group

Learn Elizabethtown's history, help us research the past, and share it with the community!

### Open Hearth Cooks

Cook meals in our open hearth using authentic techniques. An on-going learning experience that's exciting and fun!

### Textile Group

Study the historic way to process wool and flax from spinning to weaving. We also crochet, knit, felt and dye!

### Traditional Arts

A new co-op of folk and traditional artists, currently forming. Demonstrate your art at special events, and participate in art shows and sales in our museum and store.

## Museum Support Staff

These people are invaluable behind the scenes, keeping our historic preservation effort alive. Museum staff helpers generally come in once or twice a week.

### Front Desk

Greet visitors, answer the phone, and direct people to the places that they want to see.

### Office Assistant

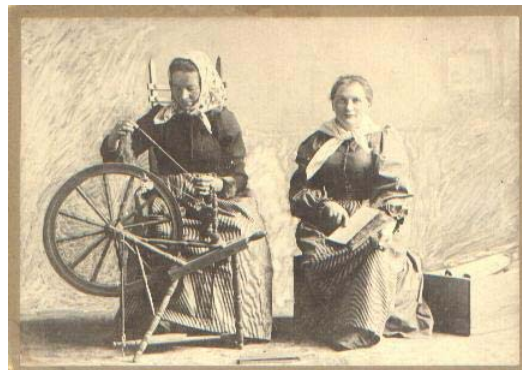
These folks are handy with data entry, keeping track of event schedules and memberships, and the hundred other tiny things that help us run efficiently.

### The Nogging Shop Museum Store

Help us order, stock, inventory and sell museum related items in our small but rustic store.

### Seibert Genealogy Library

One of the busiest places in the museum. Learn how and help others to research family and local history using our well-stocked genealogy library.



## How Can I Help?

There's something here for everyone.

- ◆ Learn new skills
  - ◆ Share your talents
  - ◆ Living History Events
  - ◆ Genealogy Research
  - ◆ Museum Store
  - ◆ Preserve our past
  - ◆ We Need You!
- Be a part of it all!

Winters Heritage House



Volunteer Information

# Meet Winters Heritage House Museum:

Slated for destruction in the late 1980s, a group of Elizabethtown citizens realized it to be one of the oldest houses in town, stepped up, purchased, and saved the building.

Now an all-volunteer run Museum, Living History Center, and Genealogy Library, Winters Heritage House sets its goal to preserve Elizabethtown History.

Our programs and events include pre-school story hours, summer camps, antiques appraisal show, craft show, museum store, genealogy research library, house and garden tours, lectures and classes and much more.

Volunteers are always needed to help us in our mission to understand and preserve the past. From behind the scenes support to living history demonstrations, there is something here for everyone.

# Winters Heritage House

## Log Room

The 3 log walls possibly date as early as the 1760s, which was when Elizabethtown was founded. Tax records indicate that this building has been at this location since 1790.

Spinning, chopping wood, farming, and making candles (flax, food, fuel and flame) were the major time consumers in the 1700s.

## 1847 Parlor

This room was rebuilt after a fire destroyed the home's original kitchen area. (Charring on the beams is visible.)

This parlor appears as it did from 1847 on. Note the original red milk paint beside the fireplace and doorway. All woodwork is also original, though the paint and plaster are modern.

## 1847 Kitchen

This kitchen appears now as it did after it was built in 1847. When restored in 1990, the open hearth fireplace was rebuilt using the original foundation as a guide.

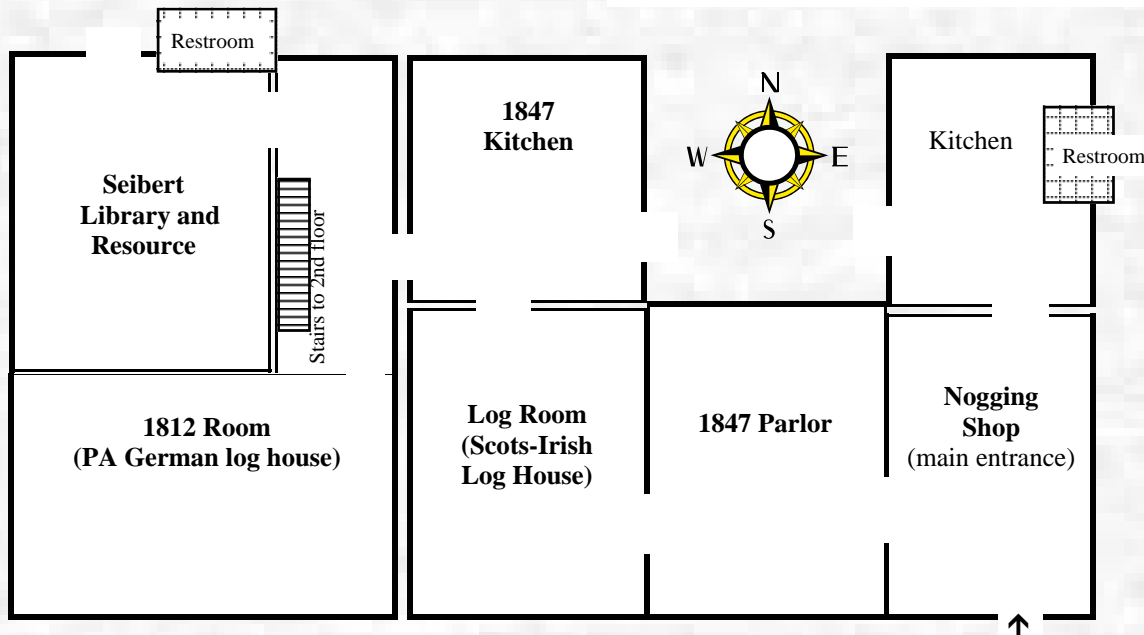
## 1812 Room

This house, separate from the Scots-Irish home, was built here in 1812, and is an example of PA German log construction. (Compare these walls to our Scots-Irish Home!) It was built from used logs, which weathering between the buildings indicates may date to the 1760s.

Sections of walls have been left uncovered so you can see how the chinking was created. Note the bits of bone and trash used to fill the space between the logs!

## Seibert Library and Resource Center

Research your ancestors using the numerous resources and knowledgeable staff in our genealogy Library. Resources include ship lists, cemetery records, birth, tax, marriage, and obituary records. We also house a great deal of local history, from photos and articles to books and artifacts.



## Winters Heritage House Museum

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