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Extended hours take effect at the Johnstown Flood Museum & Heritage Discovery Center

Every summer, the Johnstown Area Heritage Association (JAHA) keeps two of its museums open a bit longer on Fridays and Saturdays to allow visitors to take advantage of more relaxed work, school and vacation schedules.

The summer hours of the Johnstown Flood Museum and Frank & Sylvia Pasquerilla Heritage Discovery Center are as follows: **Daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with extended opening hours of 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.** This schedule took effect over the Memorial Day weekend and will continue until Labor Day (September 4), when the museums will return to the regular schedule of 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. seven days a week. Hours for JAHA's newest museum, the Wagner-Ritter House & Garden, are 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., seven days a week.

Tickets are \$6.00 for adults, \$5.00 for seniors and \$4.00 for students, and are good for admission to all three museums. This combination ticket structure, which was first implemented in January 2003, provides visitors admission to JAHA's other museums anytime within 30 days after their ticket purchase and visit to the first museum. Ticket prices did not increase when the Wagner-Ritter House & Garden opened earlier this month.

Discounted rates are available for groups of 10 or more with prior arrangements. Call (814) 539-1889 ext. 310. For more information, please contact the Johnstown Area Heritage Association at 814-539-1889 or visit www.jaha.org.

The Johnstown Area Heritage Association is a non-profit, membership-based organization dedicated to preserving and showcasing Johnstown's unique history to the nation through high-quality educational, cultural and recreational experiences. JAHA owns and operates the Johnstown Flood Museum and the Frank & Sylvia Pasquerilla Heritage Discovery Center, and produces the AmeriServ Johnstown FolkFest, a 3-day free music festival held annually over Labor Day weekend; events commemorating the 1889 Johnstown flood; and a wide variety of additional cultural programming. For more information on JAHA programs, museums and events, visit www.jaha.org.