

A Rich Heritage

The **Ironmaster's Mansion** was a central feature of the Pine Grove Furnace iron-making industry that operated during the era of the American Revolution. This industry made use of the areas rich deposits of ore and plentiful timber. Built in 1815 by Peter Ege, son of the first furnace operator Michael Ege, the Mansion stands today as a reminder of an industry that once thrived in the Cumberland Valley and the community of laborers and their families who fueled America's early Industrial Revolution.

Today the **Ironmaster's Mansion** is owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and managed by the Department of Conservation & Natural Resources as an historical asset of Pine Grove Furnace State Park. In 2010, the Central Pennsylvania Conservancy renovated the Mansion with the help of generous sponsors and volunteers. Beginning in 2020, the Appalachian Trail Museum took over operation of the Ironmaster's Mansion. In addition to serving as a hostel and prominent halfway rest stop for Appalachian Trail hikers, the Mansion provides both dormitory and private accommodations for individuals, families, and groups as well as meeting rooms for workshops, conferences, and special events.

The **Ironmaster's Mansion** is located in Pine Grove Furnace State Park, very near to the A. Museum, in south central Pennsylvania. Steeped in natural and historical features, the 696-acre park is located at the northern tip of the Blue Ridge Mountains, in an area known as South Mountain. Recreational opportunities include camping at seventy tent and trailer sites; swimming, boating and fishing in two mountain lakes (Laurel Lake and Fuller Lake); hiking the Appalachian Trail; biking the rail trail; visiting the Appalachian Trail Museum; and imagining when the park was a charcoal-fired iron furnace community. The park is surrounded by Michaux State Forest, which provides opportunities for exploring extensive public lands around South Mountain and accessing world-renowned streams such as the Yellow Breeches Creek and LeTort Spring Run.

In addition to providing visitors easy access to these recreational facilities, the **Ironmaster's Mansion** can serve as your home base to visit other attractions within easy driving distance. These include the Gettysburg National Military Park and the Army Heritage Education Center in Carlisle.

The Ironmaster's Mansion is operated by the Appalachian Trail Museum, managed by a part-time innkeeper, and maintained by volunteers.



Founded in 2010, the A.T. Museum tells the stories of the founding, construction, preservation, maintenance, protection, and enjoyment of the Trail since its creation. The A.T. Museum is a non-profit, 501c3 organization.

If you support the work of the Museum and the Ironmaster's Mansion, please consider making a contribution. Contact us or visit our website for more information.

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Ironmaster's MANSION

at

Pine Grove Furnace
State Park

Overnight Hostel

Special Events

Meetings & Workshops



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Overnight Hostel Accommodations

BUNK ROOMS Men's and women's large dormitory bedrooms provide twin bunk beds.

PRIVATE ROOM One private room provides sleeping accommodations for up to four.

RESTROOMS & SHOWERS are available to all overnight guests.

KITCHEN with range, refrigerator, and cooking equipment are available to overnight guests. Overnight fee includes a standard dinner and breakfast.

LAUNDRY Washer and dryer are available to all overnight guests.

WIFI available to all guests.

Special Events

The Ironmaster's Mansion can accommodate group events, including family reunions and celebrations; scout, school and church activities; and community-sponsored events.

The Mansion offers a commercial kitchen, dining and living areas, a stunning covered porch, and an outdoor reception area.

Contact us to plan your overnight stay, special event, meeting, retreat or workshop.

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Meetings Retreats Workshops

Our Board Room is the perfect venue for your next business meeting, retreat, workshop, or similar event.

Amenities include a digital projector and laptop computer for presentations and wifi.



A meeting, retreat or workshop at the Ironmaster's can be combined with nearby outdoor activities such as kayaking, hiking, fishing, or historical presentations on iron production.

