Historic Cemetery Tour and Moon Watch

August 30-31, 2023

Enjoy a guided walking tour of Historic Montgomery Cemetery with Historical Society Executive Director Barry Rauhauser. Historic Montgomery Cemetery is located at One Hartranft Avenue off West Main Street, Norristown, PA.

The August 30-31 supermoon will be the closest, biggest, and brightest full supermoon of 2023. It's exceptionally close in Moon miles from Earth (222,043 miles). The next time we'll have a closer full supermoon is November 5, 2025, when the moon lies 221,817 miles from Earth. The walking tour begins at 6:30 p.m., with moon rise at 7:35 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 per person. To purchase tickets and/or RSVP call the Historical Society of Montgomery County at 610.272.0297 or email: <u>contact@hsmcpa.org</u>.

With almost 6,000 known burials, Montgomery Cemetery holds the remains of some of the most prominent citizens, veterans and reformers in the county and nation. From five Civil War generals to many captains of industry, it tells the story of the nation through the lives it represents. Over 400 veterans are buried in Montgomery Cemetery from the War of 1812 through the Korean War. The cemetery is no longer an active burial ground but is preserved as a link to the past.

After the tour watch the rising of the Blue Moon. A Blue Moon occurs when there are two full moons in a single month.

Parking will be available within the Cemetery Gates.