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SENSORY EXPLOSIONS ABOUND AT LOCAL MUSEUM

York, PA, May 22, 2010: If the exhibits filling the Agricultural & Industrial Museum could talk, what stories would they share? As part of the Trust's 10th anniversary, the Agricultural & Industrial Museum will come alive May 22 beginning at 10:00 a.m. during the day-long program, *If Machines Could Talk*. With an explosion of stimulation to one's senses, the galleries will be filled with the sounds of machines roaring to life and stories being told.

Visitors will see how many of these machines worked, what types of products were produced, and how this affected life as York Countians once knew it. Learn why York County became a strong industrial and manufacturing hub. How did these resources impact the community in the past and that with which we are familiar today? How did these industries evolve over time and why? How did York, Pennsylvania influence the national slogan, "To do what we can with what we have," during World War II? Former employees from these industrial and manufacturing giants and Trust volunteers will provide a firsthand look into the past that's sure to impress and intrigue.

Many exhibits will feature a "Shared Memories Station," allowing past employees of these historic companies to record their name, job role and recollections of their past work experiences for future generations to learn from and enjoy as they listen to these oral histories. The popular Bradley Mill and 12-ton A-frame Ammonia Compressor will impress as they roar to life, while a slate splitting demonstration teaching about Delta's slate industry will intrigue.

To learn more about the day's activities or to plan your visit, visit the Trust at www.yorkheritage.org or call 717-848-1587.

The York County Heritage Trust is a not-for-profit educational institution that preserves and uses its collections, historic sites and museums to inspire people to explore the history and culture of York County, Pennsylvania.

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