

# LHV Lackawanna Heritage Valley Ambassadors update



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## A Ukrainian Christmas: St. Nicholas Visits the Children

By Ruth Cummings, Museum Educator, PH AHM

On Sunday, November 27, children of all ages will welcome St. Nicholas as he arrives for the annual Ukrainian Christmas celebration at the Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum. The program is set for 2 to 4 pm, and features Ukrainian Christmas customs, a traditional gift bag for the little ones, and refreshments for everyone. Sponsored in partnership with Ukrainian Heritage Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania, activities will be interactive and include an opportunity for parents to photograph their child with St. Nicholas. A new collectible Spider Legend ornament will be available for purchase in the museum store.

Tickets are \$5.00 each by advance purchase only, and are available from Ukrainian Heritage Council members or at the



*Greeting Card: Print from original glasspainting by Yaroslava Summach Mills. St Nicholas Center Collection © Surma Book and Music Co, NY.*

Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum. Recent years have been sell-out events, so to avoid disappointment, please purchase tickets early.

The museum is located in McDade Park on Bald Mountain Road in Scranton. It tells the story of the people who came from Europe to work in the anthracite mining and textiles industries. The diverse collection highlights life in the mines, mills and factories, and represents all facets of work, life, and values of the region's ethnic communities.

The museum is open Monday to Saturday from 9 am to 5 pm, and Sunday from 12 noon to 5 pm. It is administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission with support of the Anthracite Heritage Museum and Iron Furnaces Associates in partnership with the Lackawanna Heritage Valley. For more information, please contact Ruth Cummings at (570) 963-4845.

## Highlighted Events throughout the Lackawanna Heritage Valley:

### Trolley Rides for Veterans' Weekend

Nov 11-13  
Electric City Trolley Station & Museum  
Cliff Street, Scranton  
Info: (570) 963-6590

### "Scranton" Book Signing

Sat, Nov 12 at 1 pm  
Tudor Book Shop, Clarks Summit  
Info: (570) 344-3841

### Regional Book Fair

Sun, Nov 13 from 11 am to 3 pm  
Co-sponsored by the Lackawanna and Luzerne City Historical Societies. Nineteen local authors.  
Luzerne County Courthouse  
N. River St, Wilkes Barre  
Info: (570) 344-3841 or 823-6244



### Tour of the Scranton Estate

Wed, Nov 16 from 7 to 8 pm  
By Dr. Darlene Miller-Lanning  
University of Scranton  
Linden St & Jefferson Ave, Scranton  
Info: (570) 941-4214



### The Lackawanna Coal Mine Tour

Open every day until Nov 30 (closed Thanksgiving Day).  
Lackawanna Coal Mine  
McDade Park, Scranton  
Info: (570) 963-MINE

### Anthracite Heritage Museum & Iron Furnaces Annual Membership Meeting

Sun, Nov 13 at 1 pm  
Membership meeting, election of officers, program & refreshments.  
Anthracite Heritage Museum  
McDade Park, Scranton  
Info: (570) 963-4804

### Toys for Tots Weekend

Nov 25-27  
Electric City Trolley Station & Museum  
Cliff Street, Scranton  
Info: (570) 963-6590

### Holiday Train in Scranton

Wed, Nov 30 from 5:30 to 6 pm  
Decorated Canadian Pacific 13-car train makes stop in Scranton to collect food for local food banks. Live entertainment.  
Steamtown National Historic Site  
Cliff St, Scranton  
Info: 340-5244



### Santa Train 2005

Sat, Dec 3 from 10:30 am to 3 pm  
Santa's coming to town riding a steam train!  
Meet him in Carbondale (10:30 am), Archbald (11:35 am), Jessup (12:20 pm), Olyphant (1 pm) and Dickson City (2 pm).  
Info: (570) 963-6730

Visit [www.visitnepa.org](http://www.visitnepa.org) for a complete listing of regional events.

# Did YOU KNOW?

## Great New Titles on Local History

*Around Hazleton* by Richard W. Funk. Post card views of towns around Hazleton during King Coal times. \$19.99

*Scranton* by Cheryl A. Kashuba, Darlene Miller-Lanning, & Alan Sweeney. Traces Slocum Hollow's growth from industrialization to the bustling Electric City with 200 historical images. \$19.99

*Railroads of Pennsylvania* by Loretta Treese. Part history, part travel guide, this book places railroad artifacts in historical context both then and now. \$19.95

*Duty Is Our Pride* by William Boock. Documents the history of firefighting as a profession in Scranton since the early 1900's. \$25.00

Find these new titles at the Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum at McDade Park in Scranton. Call (570) 963-4804 for hours.

## Feature Partner:

# The Lackawanna Historical Society

The Lackawanna Historical Society has chronicled the struggles and triumphs of Scranton for 120 years.

During that time, the organization has collected thousands of photographs, books, maps and newspapers, as well as antique furnishings, art, tools and fashions. In conjunction with the Hope Horn Gallery at the University of Scranton, the society presents a new exhibit, "A History of Scranton: Selections from the Lackawanna Historical



George Clough. *View of the Lackawanna Coal and Iron Company Furnaces, Oil, 1859.* Courtesy of the Lackawanna Historical Society

Society Collection." The exhibit highlights Scranton's early settlement, industrial development, and community life including a remarkable 70 inch map by early city planner, Joel Amsden, published in 1857. The exhibit is accompanied by the newly released book, "Scranton," by Cheryl A. Kashuba, Darlene Miller-Lanning, and Alan Sweeney (Arcadia Publishing, 2005). The exhibit is on display from October 30 through December 16, 2005 at the Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall, Fourth Floor; at the corner of Linden Street and Jefferson Avenue in Scranton. Gallery hours are Sunday through Friday, noon to 4 pm; Wednesdays from 6 to 8 pm.

Other events planned around the exhibit include a book signing of "Scranton" at the Lackawanna Historical Society (Nov. 6), a tour of the Scranton estate (Nov. 16), the Lackawanna Historical Society's Christmas Open House (Dec. 2), and a tour of the University of Scranton's Weinberg Library Heritage Room and Southey Mural (Dec. 7).

For more information about the exhibit or the events, please call (570) 941-4214 or 344-3841.

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## Getting Grants

### Lackawanna Heritage Valley Grant Program

LHVA announces its 2006 grant round for Major Partnership Requests. These grant requests range between \$5,000 and \$50,000 for major projects or programs. New this year, **all potential partners must submit an Intent-to-Apply form to LHVA by December 30, 2005.** Projects that best fulfill LHVA's mission and goals, and demonstrate the strongest partnerships will be asked to meet with an LHVA staff member. Approved projects will be invited to submit a full Request for Partnership application due by March 17, 2006. Organizations are strongly encouraged to contact LHVA at any time to discuss projects. A full description of LHVA's grant program is available online at [www.LHVA.org](http://www.LHVA.org). Forms and guidelines can be requested by mail by calling LHVA at (570) 963-6730 extension 8200.