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Lacawac Sanctuary: A Natural and Historic Gem

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Founded in 1966, Lacawac Sanctuary Foundation owns and protects 510 acres of land including Lake Lacawac, one of the southernmost unpolluted glacial lakes in the eastern United States, and the former Connell Park, a 1903 Adirondack-style summer retreat of coal and manufacturing magnate William Connell. Located on Lake Wallenpaupack, Lacawac Sanctuary is a National Natural Landmark and historic site with a three-fold mission of research, education, and preservation.



The Sanctuary's extensive public education program for adults, children, and educators features walks, lectures, workshops, art classes, teacher training, and concerts. Upcoming events include Animal Tracking on Saturday, February 25, Spring Equinox Night Hike on Monday, March 20, and a Bluebird Nest Box Workshop on Saturday, March 25.

Lacawac Sanctuary is currently undertaking a feasibility study to explore ways to maximize the use of the Sanctuary including ecotourism activities, conferences and meetings, and school programs. Potential partners will be identified for scientific research, ecotourism, and environmental education. The Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority is pleased to support this important study with a Community Challenge Grant of \$5,000 funded by the National Park Service.

Lacawac Sanctuary welcomes new members and volunteers. Free tours of the Sanctuary, historic buildings, and glacial lake are offered on a regular basis from May through September. For more information, call (570) 689-9494 or visit www.lacawac.org.

A lovely winter view of Lake Lackawac. Photo courtesy of Lacawac Sanctuary.

Highlighted Events throughout the Lackawanna Heritage Valley

Winter Lecture Series

Saturdays & Sundays in February
Steamtown National Historic Site
Info: (570) 340-5200, (888) 693-9391
or www.nps.gov/stea

Student Art at the Everhart

Feb. 2 - Apr. 16
A juried exhibition of art from area schools.
Everhart Museum
Info: (570) 348-7186 or
www.everhart-museum.org

Independent Film Series

Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays
Scranton Cultural Center
Info: (570) 344-1111 or
www.scrantonculturalcenter.org



NEPA Philharmonic: "The Beatles"

Sat. Feb. 11 at 7:30 pm
Scranton Cultural Center
Info: (570) 344-1111 or
www.scrantonculturalcenter.org

Elvis-Love Me Tender

Sat. Feb. 18 at 7 pm
Scranton Cultural Center
Info: (570) 344-1111 or
www.scrantonculturalcenter.org

Audubon Society Meeting: "Wildflowers 2005"

Sun. Feb. 19 at 2:30 pm
Free and open to the public.
PA Anthracite Heritage Museum
Info: (570) 963-4804 or
www.anthracitemuseum.org



Night Carry Us North

Fri. Feb. 24 at 10 am, Sat. Feb. 25 at 7 pm, Sun. Feb. 26 at 2 pm
A collage of NEPA Underground Railroad stories.
Scranton Cultural Center
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www.scrantonculturalcenter.org

Will Rogers Follies

Fri. Feb. 24 at 8 pm, Sat. Feb. 25 at 2 & 8 pm, Sun. Feb. 26 at 2 & 7:30 pm
A dazzling all-singing, all-dancing Broadway extravaganza.
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Did YOU KNOW?

LHVA Featured at ANHA Meeting

The Alliance of National Heritage Areas will hold its Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, on February 6-8, 2006. In addition to its regular business meeting, the Alliance will offer its 8th annual Congressional Reception on Monday evening. On Tuesday, LHVA Executive Director Natalie Gelb Solfanelli and Chief Operations Officer Jesse Ergott will lead a roundtable session on the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail and Scranton Riverfront Greenway Development to members of 27 National Heritage Areas. The session will focus on LHVA's effective development of public-private partnerships, and is one of only three being offered at the Annual Meeting.

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Featured Partnership:

Lackawanna Historical Society & the Delaney Delacy Guard

The second annual Scranton Civil War Remembrance Day is set for Saturday April 22, 2006, in historic downtown Scranton. Sponsored by the Lackawanna Historical Society and the Delaney Delacy Guard, Sons of Veterans Reserve, the day will include an ecumenical service of remembrance in honor of the Armed Forces, the Appomattox Day Luncheon featuring a one act play, "Witness at Appomattox," and an afternoon concert by the 28th Pennsylvania Regimental Brass Band of Philadelphia.

The day will end in style with a formal Grand Civil War Ball at the beautiful Century Club in Scranton. Using authentic instruments, the 28th Regimental Brass Band will play Civil War era music featuring polkas, waltzes, schottische, and reels. In preparation for the Ball, weekly dance lessons will be offered in March and April. Period dress or dress blues are admired at the Ball, but not required.

The Grand Civil War Ball was a sold-out success last year. Tickets are \$35 for individual or \$60 for couples. Space is limited and reservations are strongly encouraged. For more information about the Scranton Civil War Remembrance Day, call LHS at (570) 344-3841 or visit www.scrantoncivilwarday.com.



Scranton Civil War Remembrance Day 2005 participants.

Online Resources: *Historic Preservation*

PA Historical and Museum Commission: Grants are available for general operating support for museums and county historical societies. Deadline: April 1, 2006. Bricks-and-mortar projects can apply for the Keystone Historic Preservation Grant. Deadline: May 1, 2006. www.artsnet.org/phmc.

Save America's Treasures Grants: Available for preservation and/or conservation work on nationally significant intellectual and cultural artifacts and collections and on nationally significant historic properties. Grants are awarded through a competitive process and require a dollar-for-dollar, non-Federal match, which can be cash, donated services, or use of equipment. Deadline: April 18, 2006.

www.cr.nps.gov/hps/treasures/index.htm.

Save Our History: Historic organizations that are interested in funding for preservation projects developed with local schools or youth groups are encouraged to apply for a 2007 Save Our History Grant. Deadline: June 2, 2006. www.saveourhistory.com.



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