

LHVA *Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority* Ambassadors Update

June 2006



A S O U R C E O F I N F O R M A T I O N F R O M T H E L H V A

Steam Season Heats Up in July at **STEAMTOWN**

Signs of summer are all around. As the region heats up, so does the steam excursion schedule at Steamtown National Historic Site in downtown Scranton, PA! Numerous trips are scheduled to depart the historic railroad yard for regional destinations.

Train Rides to Moscow **Saturdays July 1 and 22** **Sundays July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30**

The borough of Moscow will host train excursions from Steamtown NHS. The Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railway Historical Society plans different programs for each train excursion. Visitors will have about an hour to explore the Moscow train station buildings, photograph the train, or participate in railroad programs, lectures or walks.

Departure from Steamtown: 1 p.m.
Expected Return: 3:15 p.m.

- Tickets: \$21 for adults 17 to 61, \$19 for seniors 62 and older, and \$15 for children ages 6-16. Children 5 and under require a "no-charge" ticket.
- Limited First Class accommodations, \$36 per rider; all ages, are also available for these excursions.

Tobyhanna Excursion **Saturday, July 8**

The Pocono Mountains proved popular for tourists escaping the heat of the big city in the days of steam trains. The Coolbaugh Township Historical Association will conduct a brief walking tour of the quaint Village of Tobyhanna during the one hour layover.

Departure from Steamtown: 11 a.m.
Expected Return: 3 p.m.

- Tickets: \$31 for adults 17 to 61, \$26 for ages 62 and older, and \$20 for children ages 6-16. Children 5 and under require a "no-charge" ticket. Limited First Class accommodations, \$56 per rider; all ages, are also available for this excursion.

A Trip to the Moscow Fair **Saturday, July 29**

A steam-powered train excursion will transport guests to Moscow, PA for the "Moscow Country Fair." The fair features arts



A Steamtown train pulls away from the Park for another fun-filled summer excursion!

Photo courtesy of Ken Ganz, NPS.

and crafts, music, antiques and mouth-watering food. Shuttle bus service from the Moscow passenger station will transport guests to and from the fairgrounds, and fair admission is included in the train fare.

Departure from Steamtown: 2 p.m.
Expected Return: 8 p.m.

- Tickets: \$21 for adult 17 to 61, \$19 for ages 62 and older, and \$15 for children ages 6-16. Children 5 and under require a "no-charge" ticket. Limited First Class accommodations, \$36 per rider; all ages, are also available for this excursion.

The Scranton Limited Runs all Summer **Wednesdays through Sundays**

The 30-minute train ride goes around the rail yard, and up to University of Scranton and back. Depart from the Roundhouse boarding area: 10:30 & 11:30 a.m., 1:30 & 2:15 p.m.

- Tickets: \$3 per guest ages 6 and older; children under age 5 require a no-cost wristband.

Excursion reservations: (570) 340-5204
Information: (570) 340-5200, (888) 693-9391,
or www.nps.gov/stea

Highlighted Events throughout the Lackawanna Heritage Valley

Anthracite Heritage Museum & Scranton Iron Furnaces

Open Independence Day.
July 11-14: "Children's Anthracite Heritage Camp"
Info: (570) 963-4804 or www.anthracitemuseum.org



Electric City Trolley Station & Museum

Info: (570) 963-6590 or www.ectma.org

Everhart Museum

Pastel Workshop on June 24 and "Bag-A-Badge" program for scouts!
Info: (570) 346-7186 or www.everhart-museum.org

Lacawac Sanctuary

June 28: Nature Study Trunks for Educators (K-12).
No charge.
Info: (570) 689-9494 or www.lacawac.org

Lackawanna Coal Mine Tour

Open daily 10 to 4:30, with at least one tour per hour.
Info: (570) 963-MINE or www.thecoalminetour.com

Lackawanna College Environmental Institute

June 25 at 4 pm. Family nature walk at Nay Aug Park. Fee: \$2.
Info: (570) 961-7891

Scranton Cultural Center

Independent films, concerts, tours and more!
Info: (570) 344-1111 or www.scrantonculturalcenter.org



Steamtown National Historic Site

Excursions, tours & new programs for kids.
Info: (570) 340-5200 or www.nps.gov/stea

Visit www.visitnepa.org
for more regional events.

Did YOU KNOW?

Natalie G. Solfanelli, Executive Director of LHVA, was honored by the Scranton Area Foundation with the Margareta Belin Chamberlin Award on Monday, May 15, 2006 at Keystone College in LaPlume, PA. This annual award is presented to a woman whose vision, dedication, and courage illustrate the significant contributions and achievements of women in our community. The guest speaker for the event was Sally E. Bohlin, Chair of the ArtSpace Steering Committee for Scranton Tomorrow.

Ms. Solfanelli has been the Executive Director of LHVA since August of 2004. At LHVA, she is developing the Lackawanna River Heritage Trail and the Scranton Riverfront Heritage Greenway. She founded the Northeastern Pennsylvania Coalition on Donation, was Chair of First Night Scranton 2001, and was Co-Chair of First Night Scranton 2000. She has served as an officer of Scranton Tomorrow, Co-Chair of the Downtown Scranton Renaissance Initiative, and Co-Chair of the ArtSpace Steering Committee.

Featured Partnership:

Fun for Families at the Everhart Museum

Currently on Exhibit

Pathfinders: Forging Lives, Founding Home

Pathfinders is a three-year initiative by the Everhart Museum that seeks to showcase the families and histories of the Scranton community. Funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the program pairs Scranton School District students with a resident artist to explore the lives of the students' relatives, especially in terms of how they came to call Scranton "home," as well as to discover their place in the region's history, culture, and future.

"Bag-a-Badge Workshop Week"

Make your way through the world without leaving the museum as you earn your badge. Participants are welcome to bring a non-scout friend. Fee is \$15 per child. Pre-registration is required.

Girl Scout Juniors/On My Way Badge

Tuesday, June 27
10 am to 3 pm

Cub Scout Webelos/Traveler Badge

Wednesday, June 28
10 am to 3 pm

Girl Scout Brownies/Travel Right Badge

Thursday, June 29
10 am to 3 pm

Cub Scout Bears/Maps Badge

Friday, June 30
10 am to 3 pm

Family Gallery Tours

Sundays from 1 to 1:45 pm

Through funding from Sam's Club, the Everhart Museum is pleased to offer family-oriented tours of our collections every Sunday. Join us to explore dinosaurs, ancient Egypt, art, Africa, and more! Participation is free with paid admission to the museum.

The Everhart Museum is open Wednesday through Sunday. Museum hours are Noon-4:00 pm on Wednesday-Friday; 10:00 am-5:00 pm on Saturday; and Noon-5:00 pm on Sunday. Admission is \$5/adults, \$3/students & seniors; \$2/children 6-12, and free to Everhart Museum members. For more information or to register for events, contact the museum at (570) 346-7186 or email education@everhart-museum.org.



The Everhart Museum is an invaluable regional resource for educational and cultural opportunities.

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Online Resources:

National Trust for Historic Preservation

The National Trust for Historic Preservation facilitates preservation efforts by providing leadership, education, advocacy, and resources to people working to preserve, improve, and enjoy the places that matter to them. The website has great information for cultural & heritage travel, historic preservation work, and grants.

www.nationaltrust.org

