

## Lackawanna County Meeting Schedule for December 2005



Please note that all meetings will be held at the Commissioners' Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, and 200 Adams Ave, Scranton, PA.

### **Board, Authority & Council Meetings:**

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| December 5, 2005  | Performing Arts Authority - 10:30 a.m.                                    |
| December 5, 2005  | Prison Board Meeting - 4:15 p.m.  |
| December 6, 2005  | Commissioners' Meeting- 10:00 a.m.  |
| December 8, 2005  | Planning Commission – 10:30 a.m.  |
| December 13, 2005 | Council on Transportation - 4:00 p.m.                                     |
| December 15, 2005 | Airport Board Meeting- <b><u>Airport Conference Room</u></b> – 10:30 a.m. |
| December 15, 2005 | Council on Historic Preservation and Attractions– 4:00 p.m.               |
| December 15, 2005 | Solid Waste Authority- 5:00 p.m.  |
| December 20, 2005 | Commissioners' Meeting- 11:00 a.m.  |
| December 20, 2005 | Council on Diversity – 11:30 a.m.   |

**\*Meetings are subject to change.**

**Stadium Authority to be Announced**

**Electric City Trolley Station and Museum**



**December 2, 2005-** Festival of Trees Reception 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$25.00. The Festival of Trees will run till January 3, 2006 during regular museum hours.

**December 3, 2005-**The Trolley Museum will host a Children's Day from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Santa will be present, story telling, arts and crafts and refreshments will be served.

**December 10, 2005** – The Lackawanna County Commissioners' Gift to the Community "International Day", Noon to 3:00 p.m. Trolley rides will be operating all day- Adults \$4.50 and Children \$3.00. Entertainment will be provided by the Ballet Theatre of Scranton performing excerpts from The Nutcracker from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The Lackawanna Country Children's Library will provide stories of the season by librarian Lorie Maloney. There will be no charge for admission to the museum. The children's gift area will be open all day.

**December 11, 2005-**The Lackawanna County Trolley Museum will host a book signing, trolley ride and luncheon to reintroduce "Laurel Line-An Anthracite Region Railway," a novel that has been out of print for nearly two decades. The cost of this event is \$100.00 per person. Seating is limited to 50. Checks should be made payable to the Lackawanna County Trolley Museum.



**Santa's Workshop**

## **Now through Christmas**

**Electric City Trolley Museum  
300 Cliff Street  
Scranton, PA**

**Santa's Workshop is here for everyone's holiday needs. Since prices are \$5.00 and under both children and adults can come and stock up on gifts for the whole family. Sponsored by Lackawanna County and Toys for Tots.**

**Make it a Lackawanna Wonderful Holiday by shopping for your Christmas gifts at [www. Shoplackawanna.com](http://www.Shoplackawanna.com).**

## **Santa Train 2005**

"Christmas in a Small Town"

SCRANTON, PA -- Lackawanna Valley communities will be alive with the laughter of children, music playing, cheerleaders, carolers and a hearty "ho, ho, ho" as Santa and Mrs. Claus take to the rails for the annual program, "Christmas in a Small Town," on Saturday, December 3, 2005. The Santa Train, provided by Steamtown National Historic Site, in Scranton, is the key feature to these celebrations taking place at the Heritage Valley Station Stops in Carbondale, Archbald, Jessup, Olyphant and Dickson City.

The "Santa Train" will breeze in from the North Pole, carrying special guests, including Mr. and Mrs. Claus, to each station stop where they meet the gathered groups of people waiting to show Santa the best their town has to offer. Each town produces its own Christmas program, showing the unique nature of the community. Entertainment usually lasts 15- 20 minutes before the crowd takes Santa to a celebration, and the train heads to the next stop. By the time the train arrives in the next town, Santa is ready to be greeted again by another group of holiday well-wishers.

- Scheduled time for arrival at each community is:
- 10:30 a.m. Carbondale's Pioneer City Station, Mill Street
- 11:35 a.m. Archbald Station, Pike Street
- 12:20 p.m. Jessup's Station Park, Church Street
- 1:00 p.m. Olyphant's Queen City Station, Lackawanna Avenue

- 2:00 p.m. Dickson City's Eagle Hose Company, Eagle Lane

The "Christmas in a Small Town" train is not an excursion and no passengers will board. "Christmas in a Small Town" began eight years ago in a partnership with the Lackawanna County Commissioners, Steamtown National Historic Site, The Delaware Lackawanna Railroad, the Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority, the Lackawanna County Rail Authority and the Lackawanna County Historical Society. It is a tradition anticipated by young and old each December. Photographs of past events are available upon request.

Located in Scranton, Pennsylvania, Steamtown is open daily from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. From I-81, follow exit 185 (Central Scranton Expressway); then, follow the signs to the main entrance at Lackawanna and Cliff Avenues.

Additional details regarding interpretive and educational programs and activities may be obtained by calling (570) 340-5200 or toll free (888) 693-9391, or by visiting the Steamtown web site at [www.nps.gov/stea](http://www.nps.gov/stea). Christmas in a small town. Meet Santa he is visiting your town. Saturday December 3, 2005.

## **2005-2006 Montage Ski Season is here!**

Lackawanna County Majority Commissioners', A.J. Munchak and Robert Cordaro announced the implementation of a new Resident Discount Program for the Montage Mountain Ski Resort's 2005-2006 Ski Season. All County residents will receive an automatic 20 percent off regular retail priced ski services including lift tickets, equipment rentals, ski lessons and season passes. The 20 percent discount goes into effect on the first day of the 2005-2006 ski season. The discount is not applicable on the pre-sale of season passes or school programs. Regular package rates still apply. A valid proof of photo identification is required to receive the discount upon purchase. The purchaser's primary residence must be located in Lackawanna County. Resident under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult with a valid identification.

### **Upcoming events at Montage Mountain**

December 8 Slopes open (Weather Permitting)  
December 17 Saturday night special begins  
December 24 Christmas Eve Close at 5:00 p.m.

For additional information visit **[www.skimontage.com](http://www.skimontage.com)** for upcoming events.