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## Steamtown National Historic Site News Release

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### Steamtown National Historic Site Honors U. S. Armed Forces with Excursion Train to East Stroudsburg

SCRANTON, PA – Armed Forces Day, a day reserved to celebrate and thank all branches of the U.S. military, will be honored locally with a special excursion, provided by Steamtown National Historic Site in Scranton, PA. The destination is the borough of East Stroudsburg, nestled in the valley of the Brodhead Creek in the Pocono Mountains. The excursion is scheduled to depart the Steamtown boarding platform at 9:00 A.M., with planned arrival in East Stroudsburg at approximately 11:15 AM, on Saturday, May 20, 2006.


Its arrival will be the keynote attraction of the 2006 Armed Forces Day Railroad Spectacular, produced by the East Stroudsburg Railroad Tower Society. The event takes place near the Dansbury Depot, a former train station of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad built in the 1850's. Along with the train, a day long festival will take place near the station, including performers and musicians, an antique auto display, model train layouts, arts and crafts, preserved military vehicles, railroad memorabilia and numerous other activities. Members of the tower society will offer tours of the building and it's preservation work completed so far.

After a three-hour layover in town, the train departs for Scranton, with an expected arrival at 5:00 P.M. Ticket prices are \$76.00 for adults 17 to 61 years old, \$66.00 age 62 and over and \$50.00 for children 6 to 16. Children under 5 require a ticket at no charge. Reservations can be made by calling 570-340-5204.

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President Harry S. Truman was the first to champion the cause for a single day thanking the U.S. military for their defense of the free world. The Steamtown National Historic Site has commemorated this day in several fashions since 1994. This is the first time a Steamtown train will run to the East Stroudsburg celebration.

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. Park admission for all adults, aged 16 and older, remains at \$6.00. Construction of the Lackawanna Ave. Bridge on the west end of downtown may delay traffic. Please plan ahead.

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).

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