Programs & Events

DEC

9 MEMBERS ONLY HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
PLEASE CALL 344-3841 TO LET US KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND
CATLIN HOUSE 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

1 O HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
CATLIN HOUSE 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

FEB TBA HISTORY OF THE WATRES ARMORY

16 MEMBERS-ONLY TOUR OF TEMPLE ISRAEL MONROE AVENUE AND GIBSON STREET 7 PM

MAR 5 WOMEN IN THE 1920'S SUSAN POULSON, PHD CATLIN HOUSE 2 PM

APR 2 CHRISTY MATTHEWSON NORMAN BRAUER CATLIN HOUSE 2PM

16 MEMBERS-ONLY BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF STEAMTOWN STEAMTOWN NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE 2 PM

MAY EVENTS: ANNUAL PLACES OF WORSHIP TOUR -MAY 13TH & THE SOCIETY'S ANNUAL DINNER - MAY 18TH.

THE LACKAWANNA HISTORICAL SOCIETY at THE GEORGE H. CATLIN HOUSE 232 MONROE AVENUE SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18510

NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT # 56
SCRANTON PA

The Lackawanna Historical Society Journal

Founded 1886

Volume 29, No. 1

ISSN 0895-1802

Winter 1999



Season's Greetings

Join the Lackawanna Historical Society on December 9th at 7:00 p.m. for a special 'Members Only' evening at the Catlin House. Sample your favorite holiday treats as you visit with fellow Society Members and learn the history of some popular Holiday traditions. Planned events include candlelight tours, musical performances, and a Holiday Reading of Dylan Thomas's "A Child's Christmas in Wales" by Janet Loewe at 7:30 p.m. Please call the Catlin House if you plan to attend. Election of Officers and a vote on By-Law changes will take place at 7:00 p.m. On the following evening, December 10th, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., an Open House will be held for the public featuring a performance at 7:00 p.m. by the Moscow United Methodist Church's Festival Ringers Concert Bell Choir.

4

1

RAFFLE TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE



The Catlin House Roof Restoration Windsor Chair raffle winner will be drawn on Friday, December 10th at the Open House. Tickets can be purchased for \$5.00 each and will be available right up until the time of the Drawing.

This is the second year that the Society has raffled a handmade cherry Windsor Chair crafted by the Frederick Duckloe Brothers Company of Portland, Pennsylvania. Truly a family heir-

loom, the chair will grace your home for generations. Stop by the Catlin House to see the chair, purchase a ticket and support this worthy cause!

our apologies...Quiet on the Set!!!

If you had trouble contacting the Catlin House on Friday, November 19th, we apologize for any inconvenience. On that day, the Catlin House was used as a production set for scenes in the upcoming television program, Stories From The Mines which documents and dramatizes the history of our region, climaxing with the great Anthracite Coal Strike of 1901. It is being produced by United Studios of America, a local film and television production company based in Fleetville, and Thomas Curra, USA's President and executive producer of this production hopes that the project will help to revive local civic and cultural self-esteem documenting the significant role Northeastern Pennsylvania played in our National history.

Stories From The Mines is being produced for national cable broadcast for a network like The History Channel and plans have been discussed with local educators who wish to use the film as part of local history curriculum.

Memorials

The Society receives memorial/honor donations in memory of loved ones or friends. Contributions can be made to the Lackawanna Historical Society Memorial Fund.

> In Memory of William Henkelman by Marie Smith Cope Linder Associates Mr. and Mrs. William Pentecost

In Memory of William Kearney by Marie Smith

In Memory of Lucie Belin Steele by Mr. and Mrs. William Pentecost

In Memory of Floyd D. Freeman by Mrs. Leola Collins

In Memory of Mrs. Lois Robinson by Mrs. Leola Collins

The Lackawanna Historical Society 1999-00

OFFICERS Alan Sweeney President Richard Bovard 1st Vice President 2nd Vice President Eileen Pocius Janice Patterson 3rd Vice President Douglas Forrer Treasurer Mark Cruciani Assistant Treasurer Arlene Devereaux O'Hara Board Secretary

TRUSTEES Richard Boyard Joseph F. Cimini, Esq. Leola Collins Mark Cruciani Josephine Dunn, Ph.D. **Douglas Forrer** Thomas Horlacher, AIA Kathleen Keating Richard Leonori, AIA Richard Matthews, Ph. D. Barbara Mears William Nasser, Sr. Arlene Devereaux O'Hara Rev. Dr. Brolin Parker Janice Patterson Eileen Pocius Paul H. Price, Esq. Ella Rayburn Marie S. Smith Alan Sweeney

EMERITUS George Broadbent George Houck, Esq. Joseph Levy Edward Miller William Pentecost

STAFF Mary Ann Moran. Mary Ann Gavern, Marian Yevics James Gavern.

Executive Director Museum Assistant Receptionist Caretaker

The Lackawanna Historical Society is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization which is dedicated to keeping vital the history of Lackawanna County. It is supported in part by the Catlin Memorial Trust, Lackawanna County, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and membership dues.

The Lackawanna Historical Society Journal is published by The Lackawanna Historical Society, 232 Monroe Avenue, Scranton, Pa. 18510 Tel. (570) 344-3841.

Members of the Society receive this publication. Membership contributions are \$22 and up for individuals, \$30 for families, and \$125 for organizations. Special Silver and Gold Corporate Memberships are available.

The Lackawanna Historical Society Journal is printed in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Entire contents copyrighted@1999 by The Lackawanna Historical Society. Questions or comments can be addressed in writing directly to the Society.

Trustees receive Emeritus Status

This year, former Lackawanna Historical Society Trustee, William Pentecost and three current Trustees, Marie Smith, Leola Collins and George Houck received Emeritus Status. The Society thanks them for their years of service and we hope that they will continue to share the knowledge and experience that they had so graciously contributed in the past. Congratulations!

Election of Officers

On Thursday, December 9, 1999 during the Members Only evening at 7 p.m. at the Catlin House, there will be a short business meeting so that members can elect the Society's officers for the 2000 term and vote on changes to the bylaws. Members are encouraged to be present for this election.

Nominations:

President: Alan Sweeney 1st Vice President: Eileen Pocius 2nd Vice President: Richard Boyard Treasurer: Douglas Forrer Secretary: Arlene Devereaux O'Hara

Silent Auction

Society member Jack Chipak has donated a 1929 Series Ten Dollar National Bank Note issued by the First National Bank of Scranton. This note is framed and is considered to be very rare. Mr. Chipak presented a program on local bank notes, Hometown Money, in September and thought the Society might be able to use his donation to raise funds for the Roof Restoration Project by holding a silent auction. Bids for the bank note listing amount, name, address, and telephone number on a 3X5 notecard can be sent to:

> National Bank Note Bid Lackawanna Historical Society 232 Monroe Avenue Scranton, PA 18510

The bidding will start at \$25 with bidding increments of \$1.00 accepted. In the event that two bids match as the highest offered, the one with the earliest post marked date will be accepted as the winner. The results will be announced in April.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS*

Student

Archbald Joni McDonald Barbara Shaffer Scranton Thomas J. Welsh Scranton

Individual

Scranton Thomas Bosak Ben Harper Dorothy M. Lynn Charles Maden Edward May Mary McDonald Robert McDonald Thomas Samuel Trieble

Clarks Summit Clarks Green Covina, CA Spain Archbald Archbald Thorofare, NJ

Family

Mr./Mrs. Gerald Burns Mr./Mrs. William Gardner Linda Lynett

Scranton Scranton Dunmore

Sustaining

Shirley B. Stucklen

Lake Ariel

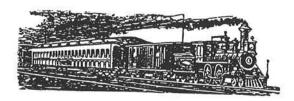
*REMINDER

2000 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE IN JANUARY

Thanks to Society members Robert and Virginia McGregor for hosting the Wine Tasting Dinner on October 23rd to promote new membership in the Society. Forty guests were treated to a scrumptious four course gourmet meal with accompanying wines selected by The Wine Merchants's Thomas Holton.

Once in a Lifetime Ride

The Society, with the cooperation of the Steamtown National Historic Site, will sponsor a scenic and memorable ride to Moscow on the Private Varish #353. The #353 was the luxury business car of the Lehigh Railroad. Now in private hands and recently restored, the Society can offer this ride to thirty lucky members complete with drinks and refreshments served by our own pullman porter.



Join us for this memorable afternoon on Saturday, April 22, 2000 for a ride on the pride of the Black Diamond Route #353. This is sure to sell out fast, so send your check for \$35 to reserve your tickets.