

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

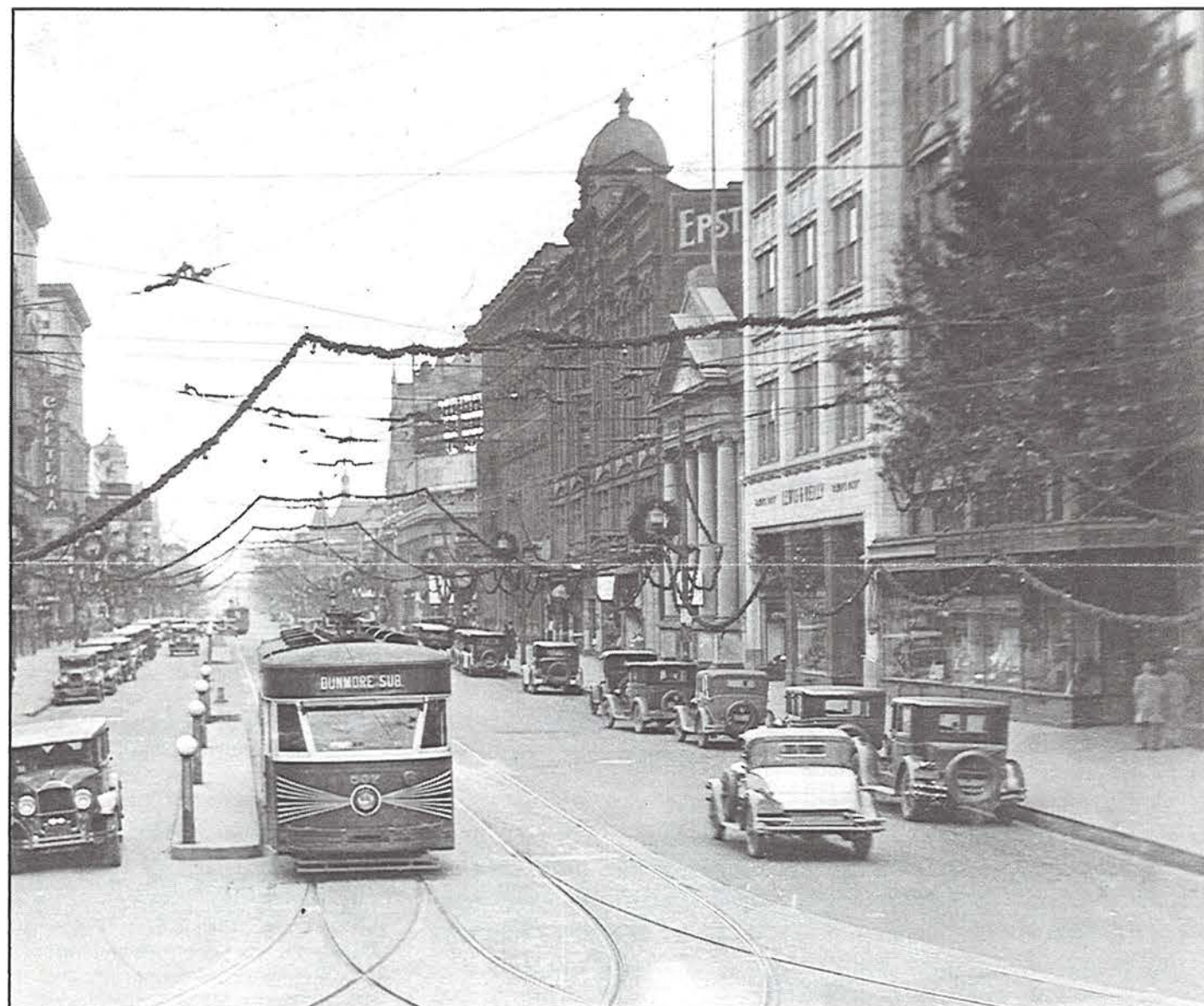
- DEC. 6** **Members-Only Holiday Open House**
Business Meeting for Election of Officers at 7:30 p.m.
Catlin House 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- 7** **Holiday Open House**
Windsor Chair Raffle 7:30 p.m.
Catlin House 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

- JAN. 21** **Folk Art Lecture Series**
This Spring, the Society will present a Folk Art Lecture Series scheduled to begin on January 21st, the series will consist of five hour-long lectures focusing on folk art themes of American landscapes, portraiture, patriotism, mourning rituals, and the education of women. Lectures will offered at 2 p.m. on January 27th, February 11th, March 11th, April 15th, and May 6th and examples from local collections will be shown as part of the series. Participants can register for the entire series or select specific lectures to attend. The series is made possible by funding from Scranton Area Foundation and the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. More information and fees will be announced when registration forms are mailed in mid-December.

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Holiday decorations along Wyoming Avenue

Holiday Greetings...

from the Lackawanna Historical Society

Don't miss this year's Holiday Members-Only Night at the Catlin House scheduled for **Thursday, December 6th from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

Join the Trustees and Staff for an evening of candlelit tours, music, and seasonal refreshments. Always a popular tradition, don't miss this festive event and the chance to come meet your fellow LHS Members!

Windsor Chair Raffle Winner will be announced at Open House

Tickets are still available for the Society's annual Windsor Chair Raffle. The winning ticket will be pulled at this year's annual Open House scheduled for December 7th, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome so tell your friends and neighbors. Call the Society at 344-3841 if you would like to purchase additional tickets.



New Members

Students

Leandra Barbuti, Scranton

Individuals

Eugene Cusick, Scranton
 Mary T. Donahue, Scranton
 Thomas M. Fallon, Arlington, MA
 Bob Finnegan, Carbondale
 Rich Del Guercio, Dunmore
 Genevieve Hoinski, Mayfield
 Lois S. Hughes, Moscow
 Dorothy Rossi, Peckville
 Anna Tullar, Chapel Hill, NC
 Michele Wren, Scranton

Family

Mr./Mrs. William M. Davis, Jermyn

Contributing

Hon. James M. Munley, Archbald
 James B. McDonough, Moosic
 Lackawanna Neighbors Inc, Scranton

Reminder:
Membership renewals for 2002 will be due at the beginning of the year. Watch your mail for renewal cards.

About Membership...

Membership privileges include unlimited access to the Society library, 10% discount in our bookstore, advance notice and invitations to all Society activities, special members-only programs and the quarterly newsletter. Attached is a membership form you can use to renew your membership or give to a friend or neighbor who is interested in joining. Please return it to the Lackawanna Historical Society, 232 Monroe Avenue, Scranton, PA 18510

LACKAWANNA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FORM

Student \$10 NAME _____
 Individual \$22
 Family \$30 ADDRESS _____
 Contributing \$75
 Sustaining \$150
 Silver Corporate \$250 TELEPHONE _____
 Gold Corporate \$500

The Lackawanna Historical Society 2001-02

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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.

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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.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the December 6th Members-Only Night, there will be a short business meeting at 7:30 p.m. to elect the Society officers for the 2002 term. Mark your calendars and plan to use your membership privilege to vote. Nominations include:

Officers
 President: Alan Sweeney
 1st Vice President: Richard Bovard
 2nd Vice President: Eileen Pocius
 Treasurer: Douglas Forrer
 Secretary: Arlene Devereaux O'Hara
 Assistant Treasurer: Mark Cruciani

Class of 2004:
 Joseph F. Cimini, Esq.
 Mark Cruciani
 Josephine Dunn
 Robert Farrell, Esq.
 Douglas Forrer
 Barbara Mears

Tell us what you think

From time to time the Society asks its members for input to assist us in planning new programs. Please take a moment to fill out this survey and return it to the Catlin House to let us know how we are doing. Or you can also email your comments to lhs@albright.org.

Did you attend the Annual Dinner on October 11th: ___ yes ___ no

If yes, did you enjoy the venue? ___ very much ___ somewhat ___ not at all

Did you find the program enjoyable? ___ very much ___ somewhat ___ not at all

Please comment on what you liked/disliked about the evening: _____

What types of programs would you like to see at this event in the future: _____

Where would you like to see future programs held? _____

Please comment on future events and activities that you would like to see the Society present: _____

Holiday Shopping at the Catlin House

Looking for some interesting and unique gift ideas this season? Why not stop by the Catlin House and share your love of local history with your friends and family. Use this list of suggestions when compiling your gift list or consider a gift that keeps on giving all year long: an LHS Membership!! Objects marks with* are new this year!



BOOKS member price/non-member price (tax included)

- A Box of Dreams: Gertrude Hawk \$ 5.73/6.36
 A Guide to Outdoor Sculpture \$ 2.85/3.18
 A History of Scranton Professional Baseball \$ 14.30/15.90
 A.H. Winton \$ 14.25/15.85
 An American Banker from Saris: Bosak \$ 14.30/15.90
 *As Seen through a Camera... \$ 12.30/13.70
 Brewed in Scranton \$ 14.30/15.90
 Catlin's North American Indians \$ 17.10/19.00
 Coal on the Lehigh \$ 17.15/19.08
 Dancing along the Deadline \$ 19.00/21.15
 Following the Connecticut Trail (Soft Cover) \$ 6.30/7.00
 Following the Connecticut Trail (Hard Cover) \$ 8.20/9.12
 Great American Railroad Stations \$ 28.55/31.75
 Henry Martyn Boies \$ 14.30/15.90
 Historical Sketches #1 \$ 8.20/9.12
 If You Can Play Scranton \$ 14.30/15.90
 Lackawanna County: An Illustrated History \$ 45.55/50.60
 Life on the Ohio Frontier \$ 28.60/31.80
 Lincoln: The Northeastern PA. Connection \$ 14.25/ 15.85
 Nine Bells at the Breaker \$ 22.90/25.45
 Northern Fried Chicken \$ 16.20/18.00
 Of Pulleys and Ropes and Gear \$ 15.25/16.95
 Old Trolley Cards \$ 4.70/5.25
 Pennsylvania's Second Year at War \$ 8.20/9.12
 Scranton Once Upon a Time \$ 14.30/15.90
 Scranton's Trolleys \$ 15.75/17.50
 The Flavor of Waverly Cook Book \$ 23.80/26.45
 The Life of Mary Jemison \$ 15.50/17.20
 The Myth of the Robber Barons \$ 9.55/10.60
 The Susquehanna Frontier \$ 7.60/8.45



- Tributes to William Penn, a Tercentenary Record \$ 10.90/12.20
 Urban Capitalists \$ 19.00/21.15
 Where Duty Calls: You Will Find Us \$ 9.55/10.60
 Whites Crossing \$ 19.10/21.20
 Wish You Were Here... \$ 21.90/24.30
 Wopaho \$ 12.40/13.75

POSTCARDS AND NOTE CARDS

- Box Cards note cards \$ 5.65/6.30
 Canal Bank notes \$.95/1.06
 James Archbald note cards \$.70/.80
 Scr. Transit Co. postcards \$.45/.53
 Waverly note cards \$.70/.80
 Waverly postcards \$.70/.80



PHOTOS and ARTWORK

- *Polaroid Transfer \$ 23.85/26.50
 Scranton Suburban Railway \$ 9.55/10.60
 PA Coal Co. Locomotive \$ 9.55/10.60



SOCIETY SOUVENIRS

LHS PHOTO NOTE CARDS:

- \$.70/.80 or set of ten for \$ 6.65/7.40
 Includes Locomotive # 149, Scranton
 Semi-Centennial, Garden Party,
 Breaker Boys, and Scranton Bicycle Club.

- Bicycle Boys note cards \$.70/.80
 Garden Party note cards \$.70/.80
 Mr./Mrs. George Catlin note cards \$.70/.80
 LHS pins \$.95/1.06 LHS pens \$ 2.85/3.18
 LHS t-shirts \$ 14.30/15.90

VIDEOS

- Anthracite Traction \$ 38.10/42.30
 Stories From The Mines \$ 19.00/21.15
 *The Perfect Hotel: Hotel Casey \$ 14.30/15.90

TAPES AND CDS

- A Pennsylvania Homecoming
 CD \$ 13.35/14.85 tape \$ 9.54/10.60
 An American Homecoming Vol. 1
 CD \$ 13.35/14.85 tape \$ 9.54/10.60
 Frogs In The Beer Pail Polka
 CD \$ 4.75/5.30 tape \$ 2.85/3.18

TOYS and COLLECTIBLES

- 150th Anniversary of Scranton's Industrial
 Founding hat or mug \$ 4.75/5.30
 Bi-planes \$ 1.45/1.60
 Dragon (Taffy) \$ 19.10/21.20
 Jack sets \$.45/.53
 Junior League wrapping paper \$ 2.85/3.18
 Lack. Co. Trolley Station & Museum model
 train \$ 19.00/21.15
 Micro Brew glass \$ 1.90/2.12
 Spin-tops (wooden) \$.70/.80
 Town & Country (Miner) \$ 19.10/21.20
 Tram Car wind-up toy \$ 6.30/7.00
 Trolley Museum bookmarks \$.95/1.06
 Trolley Station tins \$.95/1.06
 Wind up cable car \$ 2.70/3.00
 Wooden nickel \$.15/.25



Marker Dedication Commemorates Civil War Medal of Honor Recipient

On October 27, 2001, the Lackawanna Historical Society, with assistance from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Camp #8 dedicated a Medal of Honor marker to Irwin C. Payne.

Our involvement in this project began when Society Member and former Dunmore Cemetery caretaker, Charles Moffat

received a telephone call from J. Donald Morfe, whose hobby was photographing the gravesites of all Civil War medal of Honor recipients, asking if Irwin Payne was buried in Dunmore Cemetery. After Mr. Moffat verified that Payne was indeed buried in the Dunmore Cemetery, he contacted the Society to find out if any additional information could be found on the Civil War

Medal of Honor winner. It was at this time, that he also suggested that the Society try to secure an official marker to designate the gravesite.

President Alan Sweeney contacted the county veteran's office and obtained the necessary paperwork from Jane Wichel who informed him that a copy of Irwin Payne's dis-

charge papers would also be required with the marker application. Mr. Sweeney completed the necessary form to acquire Payne discharge papers and waited nine months to receive them. Once the marker application was completed, plans were begun for an appropriate marker dedication ceremony. Thanks to Committee members Alan Sweeney, Joseph Long, Jr., John Hart, Jr., and Julie Esty.

IRWIN C. PAYNE CITATION:

Rank & Organization: Corporal Co. M, 2d NY Cavalry.

Place and Date: At Sailors Creek, Va., 6 April 1865.

Birth: Wayne County, Pa.

Date of Issue: 3 May 1865

Citation: Capture of Virginia State colors

CATALOGING THE COLLECTION: VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The Society is soliciting volunteers to help gain control of the treasures within the Catlin House. If you are interested please call the office at 344-3841 and leave your name, telephone number(s), and days available to help. Ella Rayburn will lead this effort with assistance from the Collections Committee members. The project is tentatively slated to begin January 2002. A couple of approaches can be developed in reaction to the availability and interest of the volunteers. A massive blitz over several days could produce a great number of handwritten, draft catalog records ready for entry into the Past Perfect program. From this group, persons wishing to continue the project could learn the Past Perfect program, and/or continue with the cataloging effort. However, the initial group would accomplish a lot in a few days. This may be a good project for those who would like to assist the Historical Society but prefer to work on projects with specific end-dates.

A long and complex task facing any site with artifact and archive collections is the full and careful documentation of the collection. Established in 1886, the Lackawanna Historical Society is the oldest cultural institution in Lackawanna County and probably Northeast Pennsylvania. What does this mean? It means we have collections stretching back over 100 years. We have some "really cool" objects but we do not have professional documentation advocated by good museum management. Cataloging, the written record of an artifact's physical description, past history, and present location, allows an organization to gain control of the collection. Once we know what we have then the items can be found for exhibits, research tools, or any number of other goals.

Based on the Past Perfect program, the Society has developed guidelines and worksheets for cataloging three-dimensional objects. To date, 122 catalog records have been entered. This is a very small percentage of the total collection.

Cataloging is not especially difficult, but is multi-stepped and requires organized thinking processes and attention to detail. The ability to write short, telegraphic style descriptions is helpful. This is a brief and narrow description of a massive undertaking. If we stay focused on only one object at a time, then this is a doable project.