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Exporting Scranton: Other Scrantons Across America

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This is the first article in a series. Stay tuned for more!

Scranton capitalists exported this area's natural resources and manufactured goods---its iron and steel, coal, nails and rails, lumber, textiles---putting the city on the national map. But another Scranton export was its place name. As Scranton industrialists, experts and investors expanded their reach outside this region, they took the Scranton name with them.

Most of this exportation occurred in the latter 19th and early 20th centuries when Scranton's national reputation and influence rose greatly. By 1900 Scranton's population had reached 102,000, ranking it #3 in Pennsylvania and in the top 40 nationally.)

Across the U.S. you can find other Scrantons with historic connections to the original city. In a few cases, places were named Scranton because the city was known for its enterprise and quick growth (representing some hope that the new Scranton would model the older one) while others attribute their name to Scranton investors or entrepreneurs active at new locations.

A check with the Geographic Names

Information System (GNIS) reveals 12 other Scrantons listed as "populated places," usually with legal boundaries and permanent populations and located on various maps. There are 5 other Scrantons classified as "historical," meaning they once had populations and some civil presence but no longer.

(In the American West we call these "ghost towns.") There are also two other communities today which had been called Scranton earlier in their histories. What follows is a review of each of these 19 other Scrantons with the stories of how they came to be called Scranton and what connections they had to the original city.



Scranton, Alabama

Created in 1900 as a stop on the Chattahoochee & Gulf Railroad as it built across south Alabama, Scranton still appears on state highway maps although there is no actual town or railroad today. Although designated by GNIS as a populated place, there is no census data indicating a population. The rail line was leased to the Central of Georgia Railway through northern Geneva County.

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A Word from the President...

Hello Everyone,

Well, March certainly was a lion this year! The historic snow storm was one for the record books, but now we can look to April with the anticipation of the blooming splendor of Spring!

With that in mind I am excited about the many, many activities that are planned at the LHS in the upcoming weeks. You will notice that some of the events are rescheduled programs that were delayed because of the March blizzard, and some others are part the Scranton Area Community Foundation's Match Day, an exciting fundraising initiative that benefits 25 local non-profits and encourages their collaboration. Lackawanna County is so fortunate to have so many excellent organizations that serve our community and I am very impressed with Scranton Area Community Foundation's dedication to supporting the important work that we all do. I encourage everyone to support these events and remind you to make your MATCH DAY donation in any amount on May 5th by visiting our website at www.lackawannahistory.org or by mailing a check to the Society at 232 Monroe Avenue, Scranton, PA 18510.

In closing, I want to invite everyone to join us for the inaugural History Makers program on April 27 at 5:30 pm at the Catlin House when we remember and pay tribute to the late Chief Justice Michael J. Eagen. Our committee has been working diligently to plan what promises to be an exciting new program celebrating the legacy of one of Lackawanna County's brightest lights!

Sincerely,
Michael Gilmartin

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In the Catlin House...

Vintage Clothing Sale

Looking to update your wardrobe with original throwback pieces?

Join us for a Vintage Clothing Sale on **Saturday, April 22** at the Catlin House from **11 am to 1 pm**.

Sale includes deaccessioned items of baby clothing, women's lingerie, shoes, capes and coats, and dresses from the late 1800s through the 1930s. Most clothing is in a wearable condition, although generally small sizes. Proceeds will support the preservation of LHS collections.



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Dinner by Design People's Choice Winner



Congratulations to Vie Interior Design & Life Events, this year's People's Choice winner for favorite design! Thanks to all the talented designers who participated this year and to all of those who came to the Society's annual fundraising event, *Dinner by Design*. The event raised more than \$2000 this year and was a great way to celebrate the coming of Spring. Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help make the event a success!

*Seated L-R Ella Rayburn, Michael Gilmartin, Don Frederickson,
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The Lackawanna Historical Society presents
HISTORY MAKERS



A new annual program to honor a Lackawanna County citizen who has made an impact on our history!

Thursday, April 27
 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

at the Catlin House, 232 Monroe Avenue, Scranton

On **April 27th**, the Society will pay tribute to the late **Chief Justice Michael J. Eagen** as our first History Maker, with a special event to celebrate his life and accomplishments. Chief Justice Eagen was elected Lackawanna County District Attorney at the age of 25 in 1932 and became a County Judge in 1941. Eighteen years later he was successfully elected to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and the Chief Justice in February, 1977. He served as Chief Justice until 1980, and during his term, oversaw the reorganization of the appellate court, just one of many accomplishments from his time on the bench.

Please RSVP by April 20 by calling 570-344-3841.

DINE LACKAWANNA

**Want to take a night off from cooking,
 and support the Lackawanna Historical Society at the same time?**

Dine Lackawanna continues to be a popular success!

This fundraiser is hosted each month at a different local restaurant, and gives you the chance to enjoy a fabulous meal chosen from a great menu at one of the area's premiere dining locations, and a portion of night's proceeds benefit LHS.

Hope to see you there!

NEXT UP:

April 19: *Café Classico*

1416 Mulberry St., Scranton (570) 346-9306
(Please use voucher on page 15)

May 17: *Camelot Restaurant*

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One day. One donation. One big difference.

On **Friday, May 5**, the Lackawanna Historical Society will be part of the **NEPA Match Day** collective, sponsored by the Scranton Area Community Foundation. Any donations received on this day will be matched dollar-for-dollar. Please remember to donate to the Society online or mail a check for Match Day, and support some of the many scheduled Match Day events, like *Happy Hour at Lucchi Family Wine Cellars* (see pg. 12), the Abington Community Library's *Communities Matter Day* (see page 11) or *Pay It Forward Wednesday* with the RailRiders (see below).

Thank you for your support!



Other organizations in the NEPA Match Day Collective include: Abington Community Library, AFA Gallery, Alzheimer's Association, Boys & Girls Club of NEPA, Children's Advocacy Center of NEPA, Dress for Success Lackawanna, Greater Scranton YMCA, Greater Carbondale YMCA, Indraloka Animal Sanctuary, Jewish Family Services, Lacawac Sanctuary Field Station and Environmental Education Center, Make-A-Wish Greater PA & WV, Marley's Mission, Maternal & Family Health Services, Meals on Wheels NEPA, Northeast Regional Cancer Institute, Scranton Cultural Center, Scranton Fringe Festival, The Arc of Northeastern Pennsylvania, The Greenhouse Project, United Neighborhood Centers, Valley Community library, West Scranton Hyde Park Neighborhood Watch, Women's Resource Center

Batter Up! RailRiders Game

On **Wednesday, April 26**, at 6:30 pm the Society will be joining some of our Match Day partners for an exciting night of hometown baseball. Plan to meet us in the bleachers to root on the SWB RailRiders against the Louisville Bats and help us reach our Match Day goal!



Tickets can be purchased from any of the participating non-profits including LHS, Make A Wish Greater PA & WV, Marley's Mission, and Lacawac Sanctuary Field Station and Environmental Education Center. View our website for complete list.

Each organization will receive a portion of the tickets its sells plus, as part of the team's *Pay It Forward Wednesday*, all program partners will receive a portion of the tickets sold at the gate that evening. Advanced Tickets are \$10. Get yours by calling LHS at 570-344-3841 today!

"You Live Here, You Should Know This!"

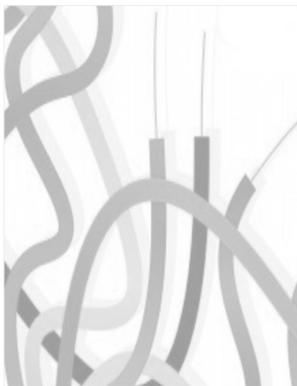
Join us **Saturday, May 6 at 5:30 pm** at the Slocum Hollow Bar at the Lodge at Montage Mountain for the return of the LHS local history game show!



The defending champion Riverside School District returns, along with old favorites, the Azzarelli family, Scranton City Council, the Scranton Times-Tribune, and Senator John Blake to name just a few.

The games will continue in a fast-and-furious Jeopardy! style, testing contestants' knowledge of local people, places, and events. Watch for surprise new categories with "action features!" Winners will have exclusive bragging rights for one whole year of holding the status of ..

***Local Lackawanna History
Legends of Lore!***



We got wired, now we need to wrap it up!!

LHS is still working hard to close the gap in our Campaign. We are chipping away at the remaining balance of \$40,000 and are very grateful to everyone who has contributed. Now we ask you to encourage your friends and neighbors to donate or consider adding to your pledge.

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The Scranton stop was on the line between the towns of Bellwood and Chancellor. The line passed through an area of longleaf yellow pine, described around 1900 as featuring "cross tie camps, saw mills, and turpentine stills." The railroad through Scranton was abandoned in 1940 and the track removed. (A road from Bellwood west to Scranton is still called Railroad Street.) Why the Scranton name was given to the stop is not clear. It could be it was suggested because of the railroad notoriety of the original Scranton, PA or named for a number of Scranton capitalists who were engaged in the lumber business in that area of Alabama, including Fenwick Peck, William H. Hollister, James W. Oakford and others, but no direct link has been confirmed.

Scranton, Arkansas

Today about 220 people live in Scranton. Founded in 1910, it was named for Scranton, PA because of its location in a coal mining area of northwest Logan County. Little Rock businessman Harmon Rimmel led a group of investors who purchased land for a city that they expected would be the center of a prosperous mining area of some 30,000 acres across the Arkansas River from well-established, valuable mines at Clarksville. Rimmel and associates set up the Arkansas Anthracite Coal Company in 1905 to sell leases to investors wanting to establish mines. To serve the anticipated population, they developed the town of Scranton, "a name that suggested to its promoters growth and coal-generated prosperity." The Scranton boosters said it was "destined to rapidly become one of the best towns in Western Arkansas," and "a strictly modern town" with only brick, stone or concrete buildings in its business district. Rimmel won a post office for the new town but the Scranton name was already in use. The story goes that he bribed the postmaster of the other Scranton, Arkansas with \$100 to sponsor a move to

select another name so that his town could claim the Scranton name.

Rimmel also arranged for a railroad connection to the new coal center. Streets were laid out and buildings constructed (the first being a bank founded by Rimmel). In 1909 - 1910 some 100 people moved to Scranton anticipating its development, and more arrived as the town added a hotel, a large general store, a railroad station, and several homes. The new town's newspaper, the *Scranton Independent*, celebrated, noting "Verily, the world do move...to think that only a few short months ago this beautiful town site was a farmer's home and under cultivation." As the *Independent* claimed, "There is not an empty building in Scranton except for the calaboose."

But Rimmel and his associates failed to sell many coal leases; it seems they asked too much (over \$1 million for most) and the coal was too deep to mine. Despite Rimmel's boosterism, potential investors saw it as too risky. The town remained a commercial center for the local agricultural area, including its bank, but its population sank, especially after 1920. By 1923 the coal company dissolved and the railroad collapsed.

Coincidentally, more coal development north of the new Scranton, across the Arkansas River near Clarksville, brought confirmed Scranton, PA investors. In 1905 the Scranton Anthracite Coal Company opened a new mine in Johnson County. The owner and operator was Fremont Stokes, who had been born in Hazelton in 1864, and brought together partners John Daley and G. K. Gearhart to help fund the new mine. All three men were experts from the coal fields of Pennsylvania and moved from Scranton, PA to Clarksville. In a few years the mine played out, but the investors, it appears, made money.

Scranton, Arkansas (historical)

Little is known of the original Scranton

located in eastern Benton County. It did have a post office called Scranton in 1903-1909 until the name was changed to Sedalia. The postmaster was John C. Evans, supposedly the taker of Remmel's bribe. His family had been long-term residents of the area. Any connection to Scranton PA remains undetermined. This Benton County area had been the home of early lumbering activity so it is possible Scranton, PA investors had looked to the possibility of further development there.

Scranton, Iowa

Incorporated in 1880, this community was named for Joseph H. Scranton of the Lackawanna Iron and Coal Company of Scranton, PA. Located in Greene County, it has a population of about 550 today. The community was plotted soon after the Cedar Rapids and Missouri Railroad was built through the area. J. H. Scranton's company had provided most of the rails for the building of the line so the Iowa Scranton honors a Scranton PA resident who aided its founding.

...Stay tuned for more Scrantons!

There Was a POLL TAX in Scranton?!?!

By Ella Rayburn

I discovered that Scranton had a poll tax when the historical society received a group of tax receipts dated from 1904 to 1941. Beginning in 1924 and carrying through each year until the last set of receipts in 1941 were receipts for poll taxes. Concurrently, while helping with an election exhibit, now on display at the Washington Avenue Post Office, I thumbed through a small, paper-covered booklet entitled "Lackawanna County Political Calendar" for 1930. It was a collection of reminders and deadlines, and noted that Saturday, October 4th was the "last day to pay tax to qualify for the November Election, City of Scranton and Carbondale and Boroughs and Townships." It was also the last day to register to vote for the General Election on Tuesday, November 4th.

Poll taxes have been around since the 14th century in England. It was considered a "head tax," a flat-rate tax based on census rather than percentage of income or property ownership. As a source of revenue, payment of the poll tax was a pre-requisite to voting; essentially, it was an annual fee to vote.

In the 21st century the word "poll tax" is anathema representing Jim Crow laws to prevent African-Americans and other minor-

ities from voting. After the Civil War the poll tax was used in the South to deny voting rights to African-Americans. Coupled with literacy tests and intimidation, their vote was suppressed, along with poor whites, until the January 24, 1964, passage of the 24th amendment to the U.S. Constitution making poll taxes illegal in federal elections. In Scranton and surrounding areas it was probably not used to disenfranchise minority votes, as there were very few racial minorities.

Running down the history of the local poll tax became more of a challenge than anticipated.

The tax receipts are from the Bryant family who lived at 219 N. Bromley in Scranton's West Side. David was an engineer on the DL& W railroad, his wife was Anna and the two daughters were students. After graduation, daughter Edith married and moved away. Pearl worked as a bookkeeper at several large firms until settling in with International Publishing Company, located at Ash Street and Wyoming Avenue. Pearl remained on North Bromley until her June 30, 1938, marriage.

The Bryants saved the tax receipts for 34

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years, from 1904 to 1941. David, Anna and Pearl have poll tax receipts beginning in 1924. The tax is one dollar with a two percent discount if paid by the deadline. The Bryants never missed the deadline and received the discount resulting in a payment of 98 cents per voter. Postcards served as the invoices for the poll tax. The revenue was sent to the Department of City Treasury.

Even though Anna and daughter Pearl were not employed and did not own property, each was assessed a one dollar occupation tax in 1920. Anna and Pearl paid their tax assessments before they could vote. They cast

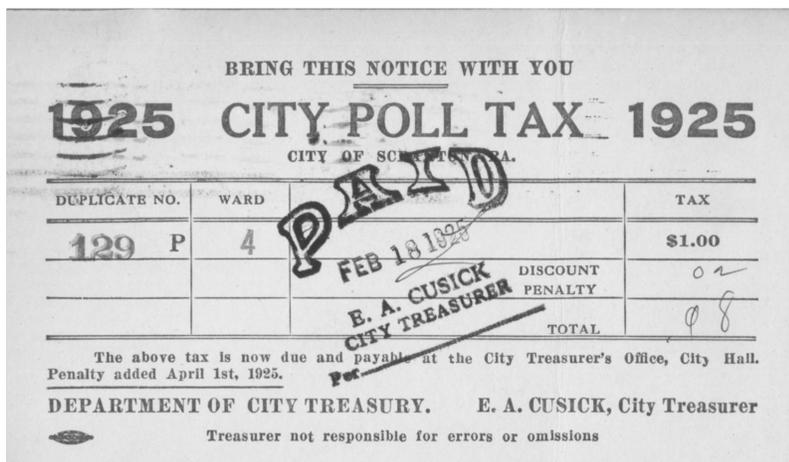
their first votes in 1920, just after the passage of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution guaranteed women's right to vote.

The first tax notice was addressed to "Mr" Anna Bryant and another was addressed to "Mr" Pearl Bryant. The pre-printed notice was pre-filled with "Mr" and a line for writing in the name. The poll tax was added to the occupation tax in 1924. Randomly selecting the year 1922, Scranton residents paid county and state taxes which covered, as applicable, lots, houses, occupation, horses, outhouses, and coal. Residents also paid city and school taxes, and a poor tax, as well as the poll tax. At this time the county sent out triannual real estate assessment notices. The Bryants' 1931 assessment for 219 N. Bromley valued the lot and house together at \$1,500. The last property assessment in Lackawanna County was in 1968.

David died February 11, 1929. His obituary said he would be buried in Dunmore Cemetery. Anna remained in the family home until her death at age 89 on September 18, 1953.

In 1935, Anna Bryant had been a widow for six years. Her taxes were: state and county including lot and house -- \$22.40; Scranton School District -- \$37.71; City of Scranton -- \$30.11; Poor Tax -- \$12.69; Poll tax -- \$1.00: totaling \$103.91. In simple inflation the comparison is \$1,815 in today's dollars.

Even though the Bryant' first poll tax receipts were for 1924, the Commonwealth Legislature had passed a law on May 22, 1878, authorizing one dollar poll tax with the tax paid directly into the treasury of the taxing city. Harrisburg restated the law in 1901 for "general revenue purposes, not exceeding



one dollar annually, on all male inhabitants above the age of twenty-one years." The state legislature did not repeal the poll tax collection until June 18, 1992. The on-the-books poll tax was not in violation of the U.S. Constitution's 24th amendment as it applied only to federal elections, not state or local.

The *Scranton Republican* commented on March 21, 1904, that the local tax affected mainly white voters without financial resources, which meant Democratic voters. There seemed to be no reaction to the voting impediment. Two years later, August 20, 1906, the *Republican* published a reminder for voters (male) to pay their poll tax. Not to pay the tax meant losing the right to vote. The March 10, 1914, *Republican* reported the tax raised \$32,204 with only male voters. With women's suffrage finally in place, on November 26, 1925, the newspaper reported that the city counted 65,551 "taxable" persons which more than doubled the revenue from ten years earlier. Although established by the state legislature, the tax benefited the

local governments; hence was protected by the local government.

The “City Ordinances” for Scranton in the 1920s, 1933, 1937, 1939, reflect fiscal concern about paying off loans. There is no mention of taxes levied except a general statement of what was taxed – real, personal and mixed property. The “Manual of the City Councils, Scranton, Pa.” (plural as there were two – common and select) from 1892 to 1907 noted that the collected property and occupation taxes were redistributed as a school tax and a poor tax. Included in this was a dog tax. The poll tax was not mentioned as it was legislated by the state.

One tax that stood out and caused a brief “shiny object” diversion was the dog tax at \$1 per year. Citing the 1909 – 1910 “City Council Manual” the budget for the city had an entry for the Dog Pound Account within the Department of Public Safety. The salary of Pound Master \$720; Compensation for Catchers \$500; Purchase of dog food \$25; Extermination \$25; Incidentals and care of Dog Wagon and Team \$400; total was \$1,670 for the year. According to Martina Soden, a librarian at the Albright Memorial Library, who remembered reading accounts in early 20th century newspapers, feral dogs were a city problem, were sometimes rabid, and were a public nuisance.

In May 1931, the Commonwealth legislature reiterated the poll tax by confirming assessment and collection in 2nd and 3rd

class counties in lieu of an occupation tax. Earlier, in 1929, Harrisburg passed an act requiring federal government employees to pay a tax before voting.

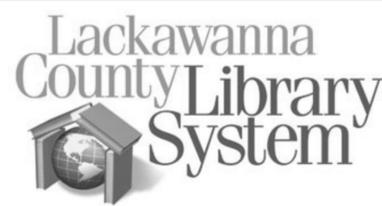
Because the tax receipts we have from the Bryant family seem complete, it is possible they did not pay the poll tax and did not vote until 1924. When the City of Scranton enacted the tax is unclear. 1941 is the last year for which we have tax notices for the Bryant family on North Bromley. By the early 1940s only the southern states had poll taxes still in place, and, apparently, Pennsylvania. I haven’t found any documentation that the poll tax was enforced in Scranton after the early 1940s. There were occasional, unsuccessful efforts advocating repeal of the tax, which drifted into unenforced obscurity until Harrisburg cleaned up its books by repealing the tax in 1992.

Postscript:

Every time I mentioned Scranton’s poll tax, the response was the same – pause, “oh,” pause. Due to the unanticipated difficulties of tracking down the topic, a number of people were asked and happily participated. Ann McGrath, Mary Ann Savakinus, Sarah Piccini, and Megan Hosie are with the historical society. In order of appearance, *The Librarians*: Martina Soden and Judi Keller of the Albright, Brian Fulton from the *Scranton Times*, and Donna Gower of the Law Library. LHS Trustee Don Fredrickson, Esq. contacted Marion Medalis, Director of Lackawanna’s Department of Elections.

Abington Community Library Programming

Stop by the Abington Community Library on **Saturday, April 8** from **10 am – 4 pm** for *Communities Matter Day*, an occasion to learn more about volunteer opportunities, upcoming events, and more with LHS and other Match Day organizations.



If you are interested in researching your family history, then come to the *Genealogy Connections* program at the library on **Wednesday, May 3** at **11 am** to learn more about genealogical resources available at the Lackawanna Historical Society, Albright Library, and online sources that can help you fill in your family tree.

NEPA Match Day 2017



Happy Hour

6-8 PM - Friday, April 21st

Please join Us and enjoy a glass of wine or craft beer and light fare.

\$15.00 donation

For additional beverages, enjoy the Cash Bar featuring 30 wine & 16 craft beer selections all under \$5.00. Each bottle of Invader wine sold, an additional \$5.00 will be donated.

Basket Raffle

Organized by:

West Scranton Hyde Park Neighborhood Watch

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On May 5, 2017, for every dollar you give to one of these 25 nonprofits, the Scranton Area Community Foundation will match your gift. Dollar for dollar. Up to \$1,000 each.

Other NEPA Match Day Partners: Abington Community Library - AFA Gallery - Alzheimer's Association - Boys & Girls Clubs of NEPA - Indraloka Animal Sanctuary - Jewish Family Service of NEPA - Lacawac Sanctuary Field Station and Environmental Education Center - Make-a-Wish Greater PA & WV - Marley's Mission - Maternal & Family Health Services - Meals on Wheels of NEPA - Northeast Regional Cancer Institute - Scranton Cultural Center - Scranton Fringe Festival - The Arc of Northeastern Pennsylvania - The Greenhouse Project - Valley Community Library

13th Annual Grand Civil War Ball

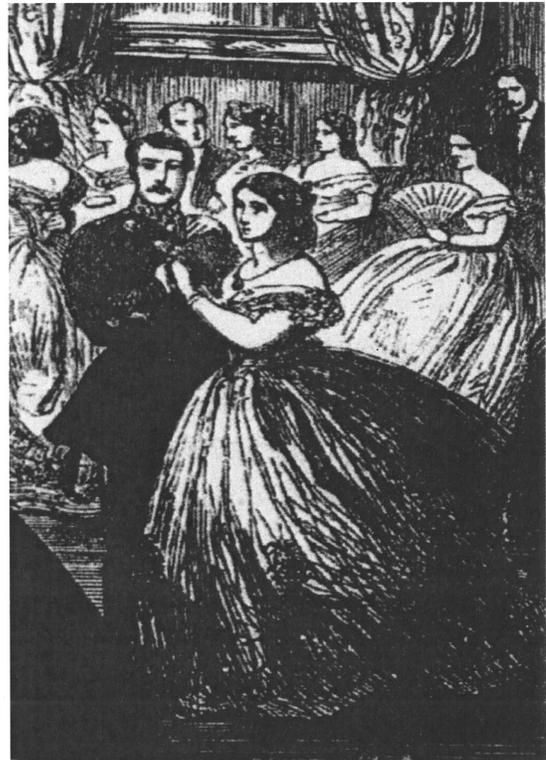
In downtown Historic Scranton, Pennsylvania

Saturday April 22, 2017

The Century Club
612 Jefferson Ave., Scranton, Pa.

Music by Spare Parts & prompting by Martha Griffin.
Doors open at 7, dancing begins at 8pm.

Cost of Ball is \$35 per person or \$60 per couple.
Light refreshments will be provided.



Period dress and dress blues or greys greatly admired, but not required. Modern formalwear acceptable.

Ragtime Brunch & Tea Dance Sunday April 23, 2017

The Radisson Lackawanna Station Hotel
Purchase Ragtime Brunch tickets on website.

Full weekend of events!
Purchase tickets online or use form.
www.ScrantonCivilWarDay.com
or phone (570) 344-3841

I would like to order _____ ball tickets.

Please note, all ticket prices are non-refundable.

Enclosed is my check in the total amount of \$_____.

**Send checks made payable to Lackawanna Historical Society Civil War Ball
232 Monroe Ave., Scranton, PA 18510.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Scranton Civil War Roundtable

The **Scranton Civil War Roundtable** meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. Yearly membership is \$20 for an individual and \$25 for families and is open to anyone with an interest in the Civil War era 1860-1865. The schedule of upcoming speakers is as follows:

April 11: Robert Hanrahan, "Naval History of the Civil War"

May 9: Barb Strangfeld, "Lt. Charles Read"

June 13: "Draft Riots" Roundtable

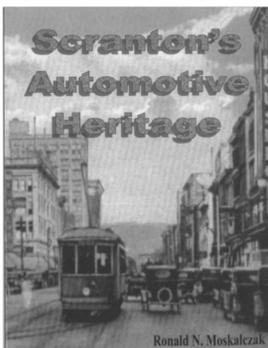
July 11: "Reconstruction" Roundtable

August 8: "Copperheads" Roundtable

September 12: Joann & Pat Dunigan, "Civil War Era Etiquette"

October 10: Laurel Lipshutz as Dr. Mary Walker

November 14: Book Discussion, "Hour of Peril"



Scranton's Automotive Heritage Book Signing

Join author Ron Moskalczak on **Sunday, April 30 at 2 pm** for a presentation and book signing for his book, *Scranton's Automotive Heritage*.

Learn more about everyday transportation in Scranton, from local car dealers to Maccar Truck, and even Hudson miniatures.

Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

April Programs

Louisa May Alcott

Lecture – RESCHEDULED

Join us on **Sunday, April 9 at 2 pm** for a presentation by Louisa May Alcott as portrayed by Jennifer Ochman.

Learn about Alcott's writings and her activities during and after the Civil War.

Catlin House Spring Cleanup

Do you have a green thumb? Join us on **Saturday, April 22 at 9 am** to clean up the grounds around the Catlin House and help us get ready for spring! Please bring your own gloves and small garden tools.

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Carlynn Gano

Ella Rayburn

Robert & Mary Ann Savakinus

In Memory of Stanley Perydan

Leni Piasky

In Memory of Larry Sherman

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In Memory of Mari Byron

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“Let’s Get Wired!”

Commit now to keep the Catlin House wired! The cost of the Catlin House Electrical and HVAC upgrades is \$463,180. Please join us in taking care of one of the area’s architectural treasures and make your commitment today.

Use this form to make your pledge. Make check payable to the LHS Restoration Fund and return to:

Lackawanna Historical Society
232 Monroe Avenue
Scranton, PA 18510

LACKAWANNA HISTORICAL SOCIETY Capital Campaign Pledge Form

I am pleased to support the Lackawanna Historical Society with my contribution indicated below to upgrade the Catlin House electrical and HVAC systems:

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Phone (day) Phone (evening)

The Lackawanna Historical Society is a 501 (C) 3 organization. All contributions are tax deductible in accordance with Pennsylvania state law. Your check is your receipt.

Email

Save the Date – Historic Hill House Tour Returns!

Join us on Sunday, June 25 for the biannual Historic Hill House Tour! Learn about residential architecture, stories of Scranton’s founding families, and the history of the Hill Section neighborhood. Stay tuned for more details!

Dine Lackawanna

To Benefit:
The Lackawanna Historical Society



Dine out on
Wednesday, April 19
Café Classico
1416 Mulberry Street
Scranton, PA

Call ahead to make a reservation
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Please call 570-344-3841 or
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- SUN., APR. 9, 2 PM** *LOUISA MAY ALCOTT* (rescheduled from March 19) (see pg. 14)
Living History Presentation by Jennifer Ochman at the Catlin House
- WED., APR. 19** *DINE LACKAWANNA* at Café Classico *VOUCHER REQUIRED* (see pg. 4/15)
- FRI., APR. 21, 6 PM - 9 PM** *MATCH DAY HAPPY HOUR* at Lucchi Family Wine Cellars (see pg. 12)
- SAT., APR. 22, 9 AM** *CATLIN HOUSE SPRING CLEANUP* (see pg. 14)
- SAT., APR. 22, 11 AM - 1 PM** *VINTAGE CLOTHING SALE* at the Catlin House (see pg. 3)
- SAT., APR. 22, 7 PM** *13TH ANNUAL GRAND CIVIL WAR BALL* at the Century Club (see pg. 13)
- SUN., APR. 23, 11 AM** *RAGTIME BRUNCH* at the Radisson Lackawanna Station (see pg. 13)
Brunch is \$27 per person. Call LHS or visit www.ScrantonCivilWarDay.com.
- WED., APR. 26, 6:30 PM** *PAY IT FORWARD NIGHT AT THE RAILRIDERS* (see pg. 5)
- THURS., APR. 27, 6 PM** *HISTORY MAKERS* Honoring Judge Michael Eagen (see pg. 4)
- SUN., APR. 30, 2 PM** *SCRANTON'S AUTOMOTIVE HERITAGE* (see pg. 14)
Book Signing and Presentation by Ron Moskalczak
- WED., MAY 3, 11 AM** *GENEALOGY CONNECTIONS* Abington Community Library (see pg. 11)
- FRI., MAY 5** *NEPA MATCH DAY DON'T FORGET TO DONATE!* (see pg. 5)
- SAT., MAY 6, 5:30 PM** *"YOU LIVE HERE, YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS!"* (see pg. 5)
Local history game show at the Slocum Hollow Bar at Montage Mountain
- WED., MAY 17** *DINE LACKAWANNA* at Camelot Restaurant (see pg. 4)

See page 14 for upcoming Civil War Roundtable topics!

Visit www.lackawannahistory.org and like us on Facebook for up-to-date listings of all activities!