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Ancestry in the Archives

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Several years ago, I had the privilege of working on the DL&W payroll project at the Lackawanna Historical Society, which analyzed and transcribed the Civil War era payrolls from the railroad's coal division. It was an at-times fun and frustrating project (some of those clerks really needed to take a handwriting course), and I lamented at the time that it was too bad these records weren't from twenty years or so later because, while my ancestors were in mining, none of them had come over until, at the earliest, the 1880s.

Or so I thought.

I'm ashamed to admit that I didn't realize until a couple months ago that Lackawanna County had posted so many of their records online.* It feels like something I should have been aware of from the first day they were posted, but alas, better late than never. I had never been much into genealogy prior to this, but for fun, I started looking up marriage licenses, first my parents, then my grandparents, and then my great-grandparents. Surprises were few and far between, but it wasn't until I looked up my paternal great-grandparents that I was actually thrown for a loop.

Owing to circumstance, we never knew much about my paternal grandmother's side. Her mother had died when she was about two or three, and she was raised by the neighbors, who

she came to consider her parents. Information was scarce, but we knew enough. Or we thought we did, at any rate. It had been assumed that



DL & W's Hampton Breaker in Taylor, Pennsylvania

my great-grandmother, had she even been born in this country (her surname was 'Hughes,' which would heavily imply Welsh lineage), was born in St. Clair. It was also assumed that was where the family had settled when they came over. However, much to my surprise, my great-grandmother, Ruth, did not list either St. Clair or Wales as her birthplace on her marriage license.

She listed Peckville.

What was more, she

listed her mother's birthplace as Scranton.

While this isn't in any way earth-shattering news, it did go against everything we'd assumed up to that point. Thinking perhaps she might have been mistaken, I looked up the licenses of her sisters.

Her older sisters' licenses weren't much help because they were older forms that didn't list the information I was looking for. However, her younger sister's license confirmed it. (Her younger sister, as it turned out, was born in St. Clair.) Their mother was born in Scranton. What's more, I had a maiden name that I could actually read (it was a bit scribbled on Ruth's license) of 'Gesford.'

Which, to my ear, did not sound Welsh.

Curious, both my dad and I began to search online, and he found an 1860 Scranton census

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A Word from the President...

Hello Everyone,

The Lackawanna Historical Society is a partner with Scranton Tomorrow's 150th Anniversary Committee of the City of Scranton. This volunteer-based group of citizens is involved in organizing activities and events to draw attention to this historic milestone with a year-long celebration that began on April 25, 2015 and will conclude on Charter Day in Scranton, April 23, 2016. Scranton, as the seat of Lackawanna County, has a lot to celebrate over the course of 150 years. Now midway through the year, planned community events, displays and performances connect to and acknowledge the history of Scranton for today's audience.

In support of this celebration, the Lackawanna Historical Society provided a wonderful evening this month at its annual dinner honoring Scranton's Mayors. A nod to history was provided by a PowerPoint presentation recognizing all of the city's mayors using former Mayor Dave Wenzel's book and created by Olivia Bernardi, along with an entertaining and enlightening panel discussion produced by Mary Ann Savakinus and emceed by Chamber of Commerce Ex. Director, Bob Durkin. The panel was comprised of three former mayors, the Honorable Gene Peters, James Connors and Dave Wenzel, along with our current mayor, William Courtright. Former Mayor Jim McNulty could not be with us but a greeting from he and his wife, Evie, was read by Mr. Durkin during the program. The next day, the event was featured on the front page of the newspaper. What great publicity!!

Additionally, I want to mention the work of Asst. Director for the LHS, Sarah Piccini, who has been curating an ongoing exhibit on display at the Catlin House during the 150th Anniversary. Entitled "150 Years, 150 Objects", Sarah has been doing a great job choosing and presenting varied selections from the LHS collection that provide insight into local history. Thank you Olivia, Mary Ann and Sarah. You all are a model for multi-tasking. I also want to commend our caretakers Jim and Gay Clifford who have provided extra TLC to keep the Catlin House presentable during the construction!

As you can see, I often will use this space to recognize the hard work and dedication of others in support of the Society. In keeping with that idea, I want to congratulate Joseph Cimini who was this year's recipient of the Alan Sweeney Award at Railfest, and John and Jennifer Ochman, our 2015 Volunteers of the Year. Thank you for all you do! The dinner this year, ably chaired by trustee Elaine Shepard on October 8th, was a really great time attended by many friends, partners and generous volunteers that support the Lackawanna Historical Society. Enjoy the fall season and stay well.

Regards,
Michael Gilmartin

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In the Catlin House...

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

We are pleased to announce that the HVAC and electrical construction project at the Catlin House is almost completed! The contractors have been working since April, and the new HVAC system is up and running, much to the relief of our staff and visitors, and to the preservation of our collection. The electrical work is also progressing rapidly, and we are pleased to be working with restoration specialist David Hurst of *Charles N Mary* to refurbish all of the original lighting fixtures.

Thanks to everyone who has supported this project including Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority and Lackawanna County; and a very special thanks to LHS volunteers Greg and Matt Posly for installing a drop ceiling in the basement to cover the new wiring!

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DINE LACKAWANNA

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

Dine Lackawanna is 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:

November 18

JJ Bridges

925 Northern Blvd., Clarks Summit 570-586-8833

January 20

POSH @ The Scranton Club

404 N. Washington Ave., Scranton 570-955-5890

February 17

Café Colarusso

233 Bridge St., Jessup 570-489-2456

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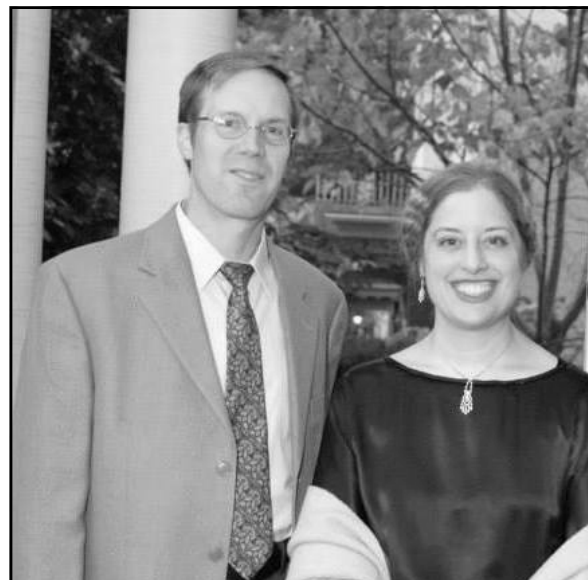
Joe Cimini, center, with Phoebe Keating and LHS Executive Director Mary Ann Moran Savakinus

The Alan Sweeney Award recognizes those who work to interpret local history and promote the heritage of the Lackawanna Valley. This year's recipient, LHS Trustee Joe Cimini, had long been fascinated by stories of "the good old days" and recalls trains and coal mining as an integral part of his surroundings growing up. Joe began photographing trains in high school and continued through college, capturing the Pennsylvania Railroad in Harrisburg and the Phoebe Snow in Scranton. While studying law at Catholic University, Cimini also wrote a biography of the school's first dean, William Callyhan Robinson, who read law in Scranton.

Cimini returned to Scranton to practice law and teach at the University of Scranton. A licensed lawyer in PA and in the District of Columbia he has been a member of the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States since 1978. A member of the Lackawanna Historical Society since 1968, Joe has been a Trustee for 34 years, serving as the Society's president from 1989-1997. He plays an active role in many programs, most recently as committee planner, moderator, and presenter at Steamtown's legal history seminars.

We congratulate Joe on this honor and look forward to working with him for many years to come!

Congratulations, Joe!



John & Jennifer Ochman

Each year, at the LHS annual dinner, we recognize a Volunteer of the Year for dedicated service. This year, the award was presented to John & Jennifer Ochman, who joined the Society in 2003, and soon became active in implementing the Grand Civil War Ball, an annual period-dress event that highlights the Civil War era and allows participants an opportunity to dance to timely music in a beautiful setting. Through their efforts, the Grand Civil War Ball has been a popular Society event for more than a decade.

Both share their love and knowledge of historic costume and are active members of several local history groups. Jennifer is a well known living historian, most recently with the Confederation of Union Generals under the persona of Louisa May Alcott. Further, John often lends a hand for computer support or advises us on antique silver!

The Ochmans always make time to attend many of our annual and special events. They are regulars at the monthly Dine Lackawanna fund raisers and often appear in their exquisite period dress for events like the August Speakeasy and the holiday open house events. Their dedication, time, and talent are unlimited and we are so grateful to them for all they do to promote local history and support the Society.

Congratulations, John & Jenn!

Scranton Iron Furnaces Receives ASM Historical Landmark Award

The Scranton Iron Furnaces were recently awarded the 2015 ASM Historical Landmark Award by the American Society of Metals. The award recognizes the furnaces' role in spurring the nation's industrial revolution in iron and coal through the use of anthracite, noting locally produced rails that contributed to the growth of America's railroads. Previous award recipients have included the Liberty Bell, the Statue of Liberty, the Eiffel Tower, and the USS Monitor. The landmark designation was established in 1969 to identify sites that had a prominent role in the discovery, development and growth of metals and metalworking.

The furnaces, begun in the 1840s by George and Selden Scranton, were the birthplace of industry in Scranton and helped make the City of Scranton a major force in the Industrial Revolution. Recently, the furnaces have been part of a revitalization, hosting popular community events including Arts on Fire, the Bonfire at the Furnaces, and a weekly farmers market. The site is managed by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission via the Anthracite Heritage Museum.



New Signage Celebrates Maccar Truck



Ron Moskalczak with Dave Lewis and David Lewis

LHS member Ron Moskalczak recently provided new signage to the Electric City Trolley Museum about Maccar Truck, manufactured in Scranton at the museum's Cliff Street building from 1914 to 1933. The company was founded in Allentown in 1913 by Jack Mack, of Mount Cobb, and Rolland Carr as Mac-Carr Truck before moving to Scranton. The signage was the result of years of research by Mr. Moskalczak to correct errors on previous signage that identifies the museum as the site of Mack Trucks, a company that was also founded by John Mack, but several years earlier with his brothers in Brooklyn NY. L.A. Lewis Moving & Stor-

age joined Ron at the Trolley Museum for the unveiling of the sign and displayed a model of an original 1928 Maccar truck that was produced in Scranton and is now owned by Dave Lewis.

Let's Get Wired!!!

Work continues to move forward at the Catlin House.

Total raised so far is \$368,317. We are still \$154,863 short of reaching our final goal of \$523,180. So please encourage your friends and neighbors to support this important project to keep our history preserved...**or consider adding to your pledge!**



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(on ancestry.com, now the bane of my existence) that listed a Mary Ann Gesford (the name listed on Ruth's marriage license) living with her parents, William and Eliza, in Providence.

I let this information stew a bit overnight, and it was when I was standing at the kitchen sink washing the dishes that it suddenly hit me:

I knew that name.

William Gesford, I was about 99.9% certain, had been on those DL&W payroll sheets. I could even picture where he was on the sheets, could picture the neat and somewhat swooping handwriting of the clerk that I still sometimes see in my sleep, and I was certain he was a contract miner most commonly at the Hampton Mine.

Hoping I hadn't cleared out my email box entirely, I went through my 'sent' items until I found the Excel file I was looking for, and sure enough, there he was, William Gesford, contract miner, number 12002 at the Hampton Mine (meaning he was the second miner listed on the first payroll sheet for the Hampton Mine I had ever looked at, dated January of 1860).

Wanting to make sure my 'I's were dotted and my 'T's were crossed, I went through every form of the name 'William Gesford' imaginable on ancestry.com (including every crazy spelling I could think of) to make sure that there was no other William Gesford this could possibly be. It wasn't exactly a common name, but it wasn't entirely uncommon either (there was one or two living in Maryland at this time). Luckily, there was only the one William Gesford living in the state, and so by process of elimination, I came to the conclusion that, yes, the William Gesford employed as a contract miner by the DL&W was indeed my great-

great-great-grandfather, which meant that not only was I wrong about how long my family had been in the country, but I had English ancestry I'd never even known about.

Sadly, there do not exist, so far as I'm aware, of any pictures of *Grandpa Gesford*, as my dad and I have taken to calling him. Per his death certifi-

cate, he was born in England in February of 1828 (later narrowed down to Trowbridge in Wiltshire) and emigrated to the US in the early 1850s (his wife, Eliza Phillips, purportedly emigrated in the mid-1840s, and though there is an Eliza Phillips living in Carbondale in the 1850 census, there's no way of knowing for sure if that's her or not). His parents were George and Eliza, and he was the second oldest of eight children (research suggests that two or three of his brothers joined him in the anthracite region; the sisters remained in the old country). He married, had two daughters (my great-great grandmother, Mary Ann, born in February of 1854, and Jennie, born in January of 1870), and from Mary Ann, had eleven grandchildren (Jennie, as far as I can tell, was childless).

I'll never know what possessed him to leave Wiltshire and settle in Scranton, but if a profile by the Scranton Truth in 1906 is any indication, he was very happily employed as a coal miner, spending pretty much his entire career as a miner in the employ of the DL&W. In fact, even in 1906, at the age of 78, he was still employed as a miner, working at that point in the Storrs mine (where he quite possibly had been working since at least 1893). He lived another six years after that profile (entitled *William Gesford the Oldest Active Miner Hereabouts*) and died in November of 1912 in Peckville at the age of 84. He's purportedly buried in Prospect Hill Cemetery, but cemetery records from prior to 1922 were destroyed in a fire, and a

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January 1860 DL&W payroll sheet showing entry for William Gesford circled near the number 7.

visit to what we can only assume was the old family plot shows the old stones having been replaced by one communal stone listing only two surnames, neither of which is Gesford. Since this is the plot where his two daughters and a few of his grandchildren are definitely buried, it's safe to say this was probably the plot he purchased when his wife Eliza died in the summer of 1902.

It sounds crazy, but it feels different knowing I have a longer and deeper connection to the city of Scranton and the county than I had previously thought. It doesn't change anything, but it gives me a new or maybe a better appreciation for history of the area knowing I have a stronger connection to it. William Gesford might not have

amounted to much more than a simple miner, but he left quite the footprint not only in his own time but for generations to come, and I would be curious to know how many descendants there are of William Gesford alive today. Probably more than any of us realize.

**Wondering where to start searching for your own family history? Lackawanna County recently digitized birth and death records up to 1906 as well as marriage records and wills to the present. These records are available online at lackawannacounty.org. You will see a link for "Public Records," then "Genealogy Records." Records can be saved or printed for future reference. Happy researching!*

Book Signing at the Catlin House

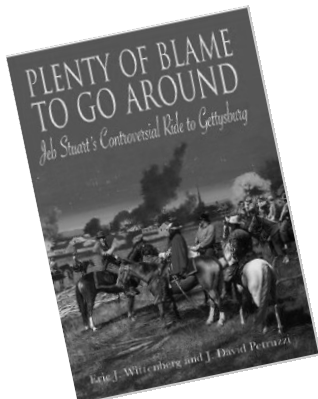
On **Tuesday, November 17** Cheryl Kashuba and Roger DuPuis will hold a book signing at the Catlin House for their new book, *Images of Modern America: Scranton* from Arcadia Publishing. This new book focuses on Scranton's recent history and features color photographs of recent events including the construction of Steamtown National Historic Site and The Commonwealth Medical College plus familiar landmarks like the Purple Cow and the Hotel Casey. The signing will be held at the Catlin House at **6 pm**. Come meet the authors and get your piece of recent Scranton history!



Civil War Roundtable

The Lackawanna Historical Society continues to host the Scranton Civil War Roundtable in partnership with the Confederation of Union Generals (COUG). The monthly Roundtable is open to anyone with an interest in the Civil War era. In September, COUG member Don Holdridge portrayed Captain Emory Upton and Roundtable member Barb Strangfeld gave a presentation on Charles Russell Lowell, Jr. in October. The group will host a book discussion of

Eric Wittenberg's *Plenty of Blame to Go Around* on **November 10**. Discussions in 2016 include a tour of a new exhibit at the Hope Horn Gallery on Ezra Ripple's experiences in Andersonville prison, a presentation on Civil War baseball, and a portrayal of Major General George Henry Thomas.



Yearly membership dues for the Roundtable are:

\$20 for an individual and \$25 for families.

For more information, to suggest a topic or to make reservations for the next Roundtable meeting, call the Society at 570-344-3841.

Society Happenings



Ros-Al Fall Antiques Expo

The Society will once again be working with Ros-Al Antiques and Florals for an antique expo at the Four Points Sheraton. A special "Dickens's Christmas"-themed **Preview**

Party with our friends from the Gouldsboro Methodist Choir will be held to benefit LHS on **Friday, November 6** from **6-8 pm**. Tickets are \$25 per person. Join us for a special sneak-peek of the antiques for sale and get a jump on the holiday spirit! The expo will continue through weekend and will be open Saturday, Nov. 7 from 10 am– 5 pm and Sunday, Nov. 8 from 10 am– 4pm. Call us at 570-344-3841 for tickets.

Visiting Nurse Association Celebrates 120 Years

On **Sunday, November 22** the Visiting Nurse Association will present a program at **2 pm** at the Catlin House to mark their 120-year history in Lackawanna County. The program will provide an overview of the agency's history and years of service, and a look forward to the future. A display of historical photos of the Visiting Nurses Association as well as vintage uniforms will also be on exhibit. This program is free and open to the public. We hope to see you there to help celebrate this landmark anniversary!



ICS Exhibit and Lecture at Weinberg Memorial Library

When Thomas Foster founded the International Correspondence Schools (ICS) in Scranton in 1895, he was providing courses to help coal miners with limited English pass required safety exams. By 1930, more than four million students had enrolled in the school's various technical courses. As educational opportunities increased, the school changed hands a number of times, and is currently operated by Penn Foster. In 2002, the University of Scranton's Weinberg Memorial Library received a donation of ICS materials. A new exhibit, using ICS marketing materials, will highlight the history of the school. On **Tuesday, November 3** at **6 pm**, LHS Trustee Bill Conlogue will give a presentation about the history of ICS at a reception for the new exhibit. The exhibit will be on display in the **Weinberg Library's fifth floor Heritage Room** through Friday, December 11.

Christmas is Coming to the Catlin House!

Join us on **Sunday, November 29** at **Noon** for a Victorian ornament-making workshop led by Arlene O'Malley to get a jump on your holiday decorating!

Be sure to come see the Catlin House decorated for Christmas at our Members-Only Holiday Open House on **Thursday, December 10** at **7 pm**. Enjoy food, wine and live music by Doug Smith Trio, as well as horse-drawn carriage rides around the Downtown offered by our friends at Brook Valley Farms. We will also elect the Society's Trustee Class of 2018.

On **Friday, December 11**, the Catlin House will be open to the public at **7 pm** for more Christmas festivities. Wassail and sweet treats, stories and games will be part of this old-fashioned Christmas celebration. Come join us!



"Let's Get Wired!"

Commit now to keep the Catlin House wired! The cost of the Catlin House Electrical and HVAC upgrades is \$523,180. Please join us in taking care of one of the area's architectural treasures and make your commitment today.

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Sesquicentennial Archive

LHS has partnered with the Albright Memorial Library, the Weinberg Library, and other community partners to create a digital archive for Scranton's upcoming Sesquicentennial. We will be working with students from the University of Scranton and digital services librarians from both libraries to scan some of our archives



and documents that tell the story of Scranton's early days. We will begin scanning George Scranton's letter books from 1850-1852, which relate to the foundation of the DL&W Railroad and the purchase of the railroad's first locomotive, the *Spitfire*. The scanned letters will later be available to the public through the Lackawanna Valley Digital Archives.

Watch for more records to be added!

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- TUES., NOV., 3, 6 PM** *ICS* exhibit & lecture by Bill Conlogue (see pg. 10)
at the Heritage Room, Weinberg Library, 5th floor
- FRI., NOV. 6, 6 PM** *ROS-AL ANTIQUE EXPO* preview cocktail party (see pg. 10)
at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, Meadow Ave., Scranton \$25 donation
- SAT. & SUN., NOV. 7-8** *ROS-AL ANTIQUE EXPO* (see pg. 10)
at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, Meadow Ave., Scranton
- TUES., NOV. 17, 6 PM** *SCRANTON* book signing by Cheryl Kashuba & Roger DuPuis (see pg. 9)
at the Catlin House
- WED., NOV. 18** *DINE LACKAWANNA* at J.J. Bridges (see pg. 3)
- SUN., NOV. 22, 2 PM** *VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION* lecture & display (see pg. 10)
at the Catlin House
- SUN., NOV. 29, NOON** *ORNAMENT WORKSHOP* at the Catlin House (see pg. 10)
- THURS., DEC. 10, 7 PM** *MEMBERS-ONLY HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE* at the Catlin House (see pg. 10)
- FRI., DEC. 11, 7 PM** *HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE* at the Catlin House (see pg. 10)
- SUN., DEC 20, 6 PM** *HOLIDAY PARTY AT THE ROSSETTI HOME* at 1005 Vine St. in Scranton
Donations benefit the Society & Tours of the house will offered all day starting at noon
- FRI., JAN. 15, TBA** *SHEPPTON MINE DISASTER* Mining History Week presentation by Kate Gibbons
at the Catlin House
- WED., JAN. 20** *DINE LACKAWANNA* at POSH @ the Scranton Club (see pg. 3)

See page 9 for upcoming Civil War Roundtable topics.

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