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The National Iron & Steel Heritage Museum in  
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### Events Through Your Eyes

We encourage everyone to send in your photos taken at our events — you may see them here!



The World Trade Center Trees return to Coatesville.  
Photo by Barbara Huston.



Decorated tree in Terracina.  
Photo by Rose Terriman.



Susannah Brody portraying Rebecca Lukens in Brandywine Mansion.  
Photo by Bob Taylor.



Lukens Band playing at the Holiday Open House in the Executive Building  
Photo by Eugene L. DiOrio.



Chip Huston with a New York City Fire Fighter  
Photo by John Gillen.



US flag at the September 11 Commemoration.  
Photo by Jay Byerly.

### Programs

#### 2011 Events in the Lukens National Historic District

- January 8, 1 to 3 pm — **Donation Requested**  
Inaugural Rebecca Lukens Birthday — Seed Planting
- February 3, 6:30 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
Inaugural Black History Month Lecture:  
*The African American Experience*
- March 17, 5 to 8 pm — **\$35**  
Fifth Annual Rebecca Lukens Award Presentation
- March 19, 5:30 to 7:30 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
Inaugural Women's History Month Lecture:  
*Women of Iron & Steel*
- April 7, 6:30 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
Travel Lecture: Eugene L. DiOrio:  
*Italian Journey*
- April 19, 8 am to 4:30 pm — **Cost to be Determined**  
Trip #1: Wheatland — Home of President Buchanan and the Rockford Plantation
- May 1, 2 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
*Skyscrapers & Lukens Steel: Chester County Parks & Recreation*
- May 5, 5:30 to 7:30 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
Spring Lecture #1:  
*Lukens and Leonardo's Horse*
- May 20, 10:30 am to 3:00 pm — **Free Event**  
Volunteer Day: Collections Management
- June 2, 5:30 to 7:30 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
Spring Lecture #2:  
*Life at Lukens*
- June 18, 6 pm — **\$125 per seat or \$1000 per table of 10**  
Inaugural Members Only Garden Party
- June 23, 6:30 pm — **Free Event**  
*Town Tours and Village Walks:*  
*Chester County Convention and Visitors Bureau*
- July 9, 11 am to 5 pm & 6 to 10:00 pm — **Free Events**  
City of Coatesville & Coatesville Rotary Club present  
*Celebrate Coatesville*
- July 25 to 29 — **\$175, Members \$25 Discount**  
Youth Science Camp: *Lukens Steel in the US Space Program - Constructing an Apollo Command Module Museum Exhibit*
- August 4, 11, 18 & 25 — **\$25/Class, \$75/Series, Members \$5 Discount**  
Inaugural Old Time Thursday at Terracina Seminars
- September 11, 7:30 to 10:30 am — **Free Event**  
10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary World Trade Center Commemoration  
*Donations will be accepted for the 9/11 Memorial*
- September 26 — **Cost to be determined**  
Inaugural Benefit Golf Outing: Merion Golf Club, West Course
- September 28, 6:30 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
Travel Lecture: Eugene L. DiOrio:  
*Touring Naples, Capri, Pompei & Sorrento*
- October 6, 5:30 to 7:30 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
Fall Lecture #1:  
*The Lukens Athletic League*
- October 8 — **\$15, Members \$5 Discount**  
Inaugural Fall Festival and Lukens Reunion
- October 19 — **Cost to be Determined**  
Trip #2: World Trade Center Memorial, New York, NY
- November 3, 5:30 to 7:30 pm — **\$5, Members Free**  
Fall Lecture #2:  
*A Victorian Thanksgiving*
- November 18, 10:30 am to 3:00 pm — **Free Event**  
Volunteer Day: Collections Management
- December 9, 4 to 7 pm — **Donation Requested**  
Holiday Open House: Santa, Food Drive

# Boilerplate



Winter 2011

The Graystone Society brings you the newsletter of the National Iron & Steel Heritage Museum in the Lukens National Historic District.

### Upcoming Events

#### The Graystone Society Announces Recipient of 2011 Rebecca Lukens Award

The Graystone Society will present the Fifth Annual Rebecca Lukens Award to Chester County icon **Nancy Penn Smith Hannum**. The award, established to honor individuals who exhibit the qualities of Rebecca Lukens, will be presented posthumously at a March 17<sup>th</sup> reception in the Lukens Executive Office Building in Coatesville.



Nancy Penn Smith Hannum

Mrs. Hannum, a force in Chester County conservation, passed away last March at the age of 90. She was born on Long Island, in 1919, and grew up in a life filled with horses, hounds and foxes, and was an accomplished equestrian. She understood the importance of preserving the beauty of the land for future generations, and was active in land conservation and open-space preservation. She did this through donating "conservation" easements on her own real estate holdings and encouraged friends and colleagues to do the same.

Mrs. Hannum was also active in many civic and community organizations. She was a founding board member of the Upland Country Day School, and was a motivating board member of Chester County Parks and Recreations, as well as the West Chester University Foundation.

The Rebecca Lukens Award will be presented to the family of Mrs. Hannum at a reception in the Lukens Executive Office Building, 50 South First Avenue, in Coatesville, Pa., on March 17, 2011 from 5 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35 and reservations are required. This event also is made possible through the kindness of the following sponsors: PECO Energy; Rainer & Company; Huston Properties, Inc; The Stewart Huston Charitable Trust; and Mr. & Mrs. Scott G. Huston.

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- Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

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### Property

#### World Trade Center Trees Update

On December 16, 2010 representatives from the Graystone Society boarded an Amtrak train at 30<sup>th</sup> Street Station in Philadelphia to visit the site of the *National 9/11 Museum* currently being built at Ground Zero in New York.

The museum is still under construction, and in fact is being built around two of the trees from the World Trade Center which have already been erected in place (they were still wrapped for protection).



Group standing in front of still-wrapped WTC Tree.

Scott G. Huston and Eugene L. DiOrio met with Adrian Grad, Director of the National 9/11 Museum, who took them to her office to view it from above, and afterward showed them around the site. The opening date for the museum is September 11, 2011, the tenth anniversary of the attack on the World Trade Center.

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### The Lukens Band

### History Corner

This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Lukens Band, believed to be the oldest community band in the country.

The Lukens Band was founded in 1911 as a Sunday School band by C. L. Huston as a way to keep the young



boys of Coatesville from playing ball on Sundays. The first director of the band was John Vanderslice, who

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## President's Message

Our 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary made for a challenging and exciting 2010, with a host of new programs and special events throughout the year. This year looks to be just as challenging and even more exciting with a wider range of programs and an expanded calendar of events.



Scott G. Huston

I would like to encourage everyone to visit us in the Historic District, tour the historic buildings, experience our displays and collections, and then spread the word about the terrific things going on here in Coatesville.

If you are already a fan join the Graystone Society and become part of the Lukens family. Our members are the real strength of our organization, and we show our appreciation with great discounts and other perks available only to them. When you become a member of the Graystone Society you are not just joining a historical society, you are becoming a part of a group of people who are succeeding at making positive changes in our community. So I encourage everyone to

**Come for a Visit — Bring a Friend — Spread the Word!**

## Collections

### Lukens Life

*Lukens Life*, the magazine of the Lukens Steel Company from 1934 to the late 1980s is being digitized in order to make it more accessible to historical scholars and the general public. We are making tremendous progress, and the project should be completed by the end of 2011.

### Looking for Hard Hats and Boots

The collections of the National Iron and Steel Heritage Museum will eventually contain many of the massive machines and products associated with a heavy industry like steel making. Equally important however, are the personal items that workers took into the mill with them. We are still seeking hard hats, boots, books and other personal items from current and former steelworkers or their families. If you would like to donate such an item to the Graystone Society please call at 610-384-9282.



First issue of *The Lukens Plate* (later renamed *Lukens Life*)

### Volunteer Day

The next volunteer day, on May 20<sup>th</sup>, will focus on processing and storing our collections. For more information on how to participate please call 610-384-9282.

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## Development

### Membership Drive

Our 2011 Membership Drive is underway. Benefits of membership in the Graystone Society include:

- Free admission to lectures
- Discounted admission to other events
- Exclusive invitation to Garden Party
- 15% discount in gift shop

You can become a member online by going to our website [www.steelmuseum.org](http://www.steelmuseum.org) and clicking on the membership tab, or watch your mail for your membership packet.

**Join Today!**

### Meet the Graystone Board

Featured Board Member: **Barbara Travaglini.**

Barbara Travaglini serves as Director of G. O. Carlson, Inc., and has served on numerous civic organizations and boards. She has been a cultural leader, author and journalist. She received the Rebecca Lukens Award for the year 2009.



### Interested in the Franklin Institute Leonardo da Vinci's Workshop Exhibit

The Franklin Institute has announced that its newest exhibition, *Leonardo da Vinci's Workshop* will open on February 5, 2011. Visitors to the exhibit may not realize it, but da Vinci's genius has a Lukens Steel connection.



da Vinci was commissioned in 1482 to create a massive pacing horse in bronze. After seventeen years perfecting his design he had managed to erect a full scale clay model of the horse, which unfortunately had to be abandoned when da Vinci fled his studio in 1499 and it slowly disintegrated.



Original drawings by da Vinci.

After more than 500 years the world's largest equine statue, cast in bronze and engineered to stand for hundreds of years to come, was unveiled as a gift to Italy from the American people. The interior armature of the horse is constructed of stainless steel produced by Washington Steel, part of Lukens Inc. at the time. This was made possible by a donation from the Bethlehem Foundation to the Milan Group (by this time Lukens had been purchased by Bethlehem Steel). The horse is on display in Milan. For more information about the Franklin Institute go to [www2.fi.edu](http://www2.fi.edu).

## Book Nook

### Remarkable Past, Promising Future

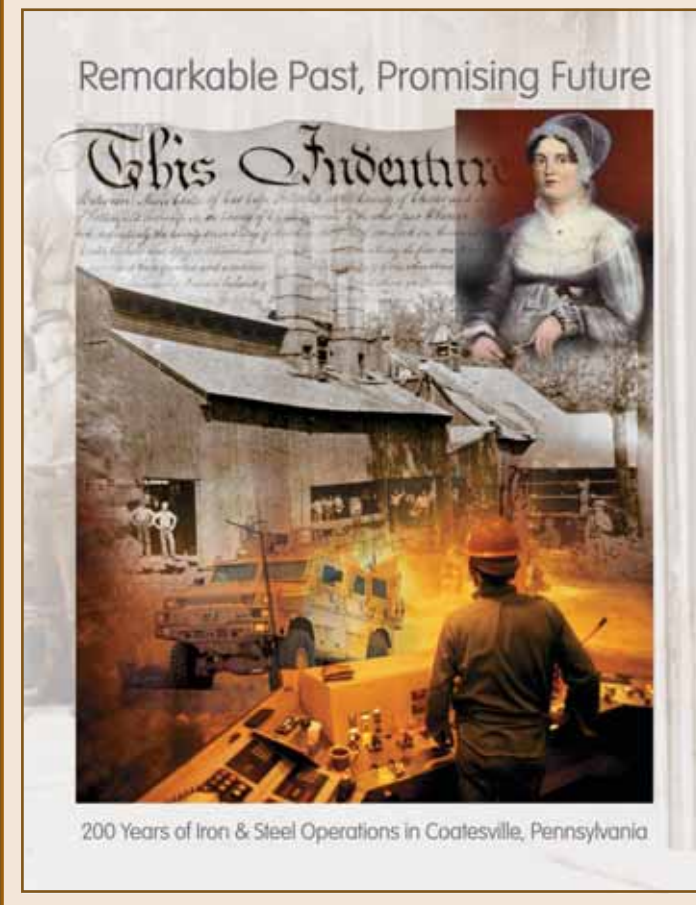
*Remarkable Past, Promising Future* is a pictorial history of the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the present day ArcelorMittal's Coatesville Operations, the oldest continuously operating steel mill in the North America.

Founded on July 2, 1810 as the Brandywine Iron Works & Nail Factory and later known as Lukens Steel, the book, written by the Graystone Society and ArcelorMittal, features over 300 photographs and illustrations dating from the 1800s to the present of the people, process and products that made the mill.

Also available is a DVD featuring a video version of the history as well as videos taken at the Graystone Society's June 26<sup>th</sup> Garden Party & Historic Marker Dedication, and the Rose Garden Dedication at Brandywine Mansion on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Also included are videos taken at ArcelorMittal's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary Celebration and Workers Reunion held on July 5<sup>th</sup>.

The book sells for \$40, the DVD for \$5, and both are available through The Graystone Society.

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## Property

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Also on the trip were Engineer Al Gainantonio and Architect Peter Saylor. They went to observe how the trees were structurally engineered and installed — information that will prove invaluable when the Graystone Society installs their own ten trees at the National Iron And Steel Heritage Museum, seven in the memorial and the three others on display in the museum.



National 9/11 Museum under construction.

The National 9/11 Museum is partnering with and working with the Graystone Society. Mr. Huston noted that the visit was a very moving experience, and that they learned a great deal from their trip.

## History

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was superintendent of the Lukens Steel Company's flanging department at the time. At first the band's engagements were centered on religious activities and church events. They also played at local church picnics, Christmas programs, and revival functions.

By 1915 the band had grown to twenty-five members and, outfitted with new uniforms, they performed their first concert at the nearby Lenape Park band shell. That performance opened up other opportunities for public concerts and as a result greatly expanded the band's repertoire. The band also, began attracting experienced musicians. Through the years that followed, the Lukens Band became a regular part of Coatesville's parades and festivities.

The Lukens Band's association with the Lukens Steel Company was not firmly established until 1951. C. L. Huston began providing the funds to purchase music, repair instruments and cover other various expenses. It was at that time that the word *Steel* was added to the name and it became Lukens Steel Band.

The band still performs at many public functions in the area, including the Coatesville Christmas parade and the Celebrate Coatesville event held in the summer.

The Lukens Band also performs at many of the functions hosted by the Graystone Society, such as the Holiday Open House and The Garden Party. This year we will be honoring the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Lukens Band with a special *Fall Festival Event*. We encourage everyone to attend and bring a friend.