

# PENNSYLVANIA CANAL SOCIETY

2024 Spring Tour – April 11 - 14

## Erie Extension Canal

### BUS TOUR: Saturday, April 13, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

- 27 Passenger Coachette
- Lock 10 in Sharpsville, towpath at New Hamburg, Hartstown, & Ernst Nature Trail, plus Greenville Canal Museum, Conneaut Lake, Summit Cut, Market Village Canal Park
- PRICE \$110/person, includes box lunch and museum admission

### BANQUET: Saturday, April 13, 6:00 PM

- At our headquarters hotel – Quality Inn Meeting Room
- Buffet – Slow-roasted Succulent Chicken, Smokehouse Sliced Ham, Red Parsley Potatoes, Buttered Green Beans, Salad, Rolls, Buns & Butter, Assorted Frosted Cupcakes, Tea & Coffee
- Julia Catalano will speak on the Erie Extension & the role of the French Creek Feeder
- PRICE \$40/person

### INDUSTRIAL HISTORY MINI-TOUR: Thursday, April 11, 6:00 PM & Friday, April 12, 8:30 AM

- Thursday evening historical society presentation & Friday morning tour - See page 2

### FRIDAY EARLYBIRD TOUR: Friday, April 12, 2:00-5:00 PM

- Caravan Tour of the Feeder Canal & Shenango Lake Dam - meet at Quality Inn lobby at 2 PM

### SUNDAY TOUR: Greenville RR Park & Museum: Sunday, April 14, 9:00-11:00 AM

- Caravan from Quality Inn at 9:00 AM – Meet in Quality Inn lobby

Thursday-Friday April 11-12	Industrial History Mini-Tour (see page 2)
Friday April 12, 2-5 PM	Earlybird Tour – Caravan Meet-up at Quality Inn lobby
Friday April 12, 5:30 PM	Informal meet-up for buy-your-own dinner (details will be sent if you make a reservation, but please don't reserve unless you definitely plan to attend)
Friday April 12, 7:30-9 PM	Information Session in the Quality Inn Meeting Room
Saturday April 13, 7:00 AM	Breakfast available if staying at the Quality Inn
Saturday April 13, 8:30-4:30	Bus tour departing from Quality Inn Parking Lot
Saturday April 13, 6-8:30 PM	Banquet & Speaker, Quality Inn Meeting Room
Sunday April 14, 9:00 AM	Caravan to Greenville RR Park & Museum – Meet in Quality Inn lobby

**COMPLETE AND MAIL** registration form and check payable to *Pennsylvania Canal Society* by March 25<sup>th</sup> if you can, using envelope provided, or send to: PCS Fall Tour Registrar, 78 John Glenn Dr, Phoenixville PA 19460-1908.

### **PLEASE MAKE YOUR OWN HOTEL RESERVATION**

Headquarters hotel is Quality Inn, 3200 South Hermitage Road, Hermitage, PA 16148, [724-981-1530](tel:724-981-1530). Reserve your room by phone By MARCH 31<sup>st</sup> to receive a special rate of \$70 per night, which includes breakfast. Be sure to mention that you're with the Pennsylvania Canal Society and would like the group rate.

**QUESTIONS?** Call Dave Wright, Home Phone 724-746-2517

# Industrial History Mini-Tour in Mercer County

Consider arriving a day early for this great opportunity to visit historic industrial sites and make the most of your visit.

1) **Thursday April 11, 2024, 6:00-7:30 PM**

Sharon Historical Society presentation and book launch: **The Magic City: The Mills, Men (and Women), Homes of a Company Town Forged in Steel**. The city of Farrell, PA was once referred to as 'The Magic City' because of its rapid development. Registration is not required and there is no charge.

**Presentation Location:** Sharon Municipal Building, City Council Chambers 155 West Connelly Boulevard Sharon, PA, 16146. For more, look up this link - <https://sharonhistoricalsociety.com/events/the-magic-city-the-mills-men-homes-of-a-company-town-forged-in-steel-lecture-and-book-release>

2) **Friday April 12, 2024, 8:30 AM** - Gathering place TBA (to be announced)

- a. Car pool to the **Sippy Historic Machine Shop** – see a recreated 1906 working line shaft machine shop with vintage machines – <https://sippyhistoricmachineshop.com/>
- b. Continue car pool to **Former Westinghouse Factory** to hear about how the history of the place and how the space is now being used by various industries, including WestWinn Urban Ag – an urban farm that combines aquaculture and hydroponics to grow healthy, sustainable crops of lettuce and other vegetables as well as fresh fish (tilapia) year-round in Sharon, PA.
- c. Depending upon time, we hope to invite author **Roland Barksdale-Hall**, author of the Arcadia Press book "Farrell" to join us for an informal lunch. Mr. Barksdale-Hall partnered with the Shenango Valley Urban League, Mercer County Historical Society, and Stey-Nevant Public Library to compile photographs and information for Images of America: "Farrell" – his second book in the series, the first being "African Americans in Mercer County." A local historian and newspaper correspondent, he is recipient of the prestigious 2003 Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society National History Award. Farrell, PA was originally called South Sharon.

Mini-Tour Program Fee: \$10.00 per person, to be collected at tour time (lunch is on-your-own)

<b>QUESTIONS?      Email Mary Starbuck, <a href="mailto:starbuckmary375@gmail.com">starbuckmary375@gmail.com</a></b>
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# Registration Form

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership:** I'm a member, we're members of PCS  (current memberships only)

**-OR-** I'm/we're not PCS member(s) but would like to attend by joining PCS.

To join PCS: Individual is \$20, dual is \$25 (2 adults - same address):	# _____ @ \$ 20/25 = \$ _____
Friday, April 12 Industrial History Mini-Tour at 8:30 AM (count is needed):	# _____ (\$10 collected at tour time)
Friday, April 12 Earlybird Caravan of Feeder at 2:00 PM (count is needed):	# _____ (no charge)
Friday, April 12 Informal Pre-tour Meet-up, buy-your-own-dinner:	# _____ (no charge)
Saturday, April 13 <u>Tour</u> by coach, <u>includes a box lunch</u> :	# _____ @ \$110.00 = \$ _____
Saturday, April 13 Banquet	# _____ @ \$ 40.00 = \$ _____
Sunday, April 14 (count is needed):	# _____ (no charge)

**Total of Check Enclosed:** (make out to *Pennsylvania Canal Society*)

\$

Any Special Dietary Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Release:** The undersigned hereby releases Pennsylvania Canal Society (PCS), their officers and agents, including their parties who furnish transportation or access to their land for sight-seeing, from any and all claims, whether personal injury or property damage, arising out of or connected in any way with the meetings and tours on April 11 - 14, 2024. This release is freely executed on behalf of the undersigned and the following minors over whom he or she has guardianship.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If you didn't receive a return envelope, please print the registration form, and mail with your check to:

PCS Fall Tour Registrar  
78 John Glenn Dr  
Phoenixville PA 19460-1908

**Remember to make your hotel reservations separately by March 31<sup>st</sup>. Mail this form with your check by March 25<sup>th</sup>.**