

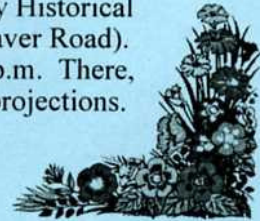
Allegheny City Society To Visit the Gardens at Newington

On Sunday, May 23rd the Allegheny City Society will join with the Sewickley Valley Historical Society at the Shields Presbyterian Church in Edgeworth (corner of Church Lane and Beaver Road).

ACS folks should arrive at the lovely 1868 Gothic Revival Church promptly at 2:30 p.m. There, a discussion will be held, where each organization will share their mission and program projections. The two groups have much in common, in the long-standing relationship between Allegheny City and Sewickley that dates back to mid 19th century.

Following the program in the Church, all participants will be treated to a walk through the gardens of Newington. Late May is the perfect time for seeing the Rhododendrons at their peak. The walk will be led by Mr. Judson Brooks, a decedent of the Shields family and present owner of the estate. Newington was built by the Shields family between 1816 and 1823 and is one of the finest 19th century village estates intact in Western Pennsylvania. Jamie Van Trump remarked, "It is the grounds and gardens of Newington that contribute to its large and ample air of elegance." Those grounds were designed by landscape architect Samuel Parsons in the 1870's. In 1910 a more formal garden was established within the estate.

ACS has arranged for a mini-bus to take any members who wish to participate in this exciting program. The cost for the van is \$15 per person. If you plan on taking this bus you must respond by May 17, 1999. Whether you are taking the mini-bus or traveling to the program on your own, please R.S.V.P. to Allegheny City Society by calling (412) 322-8807. Directions: Route 65 North to Edgeworth (beyond Sewickley - just past the Eat-n-Park) Right on Edgeworth Lane. Follow the lane to Oliver Road. Left on Oliver Road. The road ends at the Shields Church on Church Lane.



Civil War Soldier's Fair to Be Held on June 6, 1999.

The Allegheny City Society is sponsoring a recreation of the Soldier's Fair of 1864 on the grounds of West Park on June 6, 1999 from 10:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m. Reenactors from Civil War units will be on hand to demonstrate basic training and military drills. You will see a photographic image display of the original 1864 Sanitary Fair held in Allegheny City, Pa. The National Aviary will present Homing Pigeons "When the Message Must Get Through - *the use of the carrier pigeon in battlefield communication.*" and Eagles where you will learn about our nation's symbol "Raptors, Birds of Prey." Ladies will portray the typical woman of 1864 in booths - decorated as they were 135 years ago. Strolling Dulcimer players will entertain throughout the day and there will be weaving and spinning demonstrations. Also featured will be information booths where you can learn about area Civil War roundtables, genealogical societies, and historical societies. At 4:30 p.m. you can help unfurl the largest flag in Allegheny County (30 ft. x 60 ft). In addition to the events on the Commons, speakers will discuss various aspects of the Civil War under the National Aviary's Rose Garden Tent. Don't miss this exciting all-day event.



Union Dale Cemetery Tour

Join the Allegheny City Society and Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation for a tour of one of the landscaped treasures of Pittsburgh, on Sunday June 27, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. Incorporated in 1846, Union Dale has always been a family cemetery, with successive generations resting together around a common obelisk. The tour will explore the winding hillside monuments of Division I. This division is the oldest, originally founded as Mount Union Cemetery by the Presbyterian Church. Prominent Alleghenians interred include Francis Torrance, of American Standard Corporation; Rev. John T. Pressly, cleric and educator; Philotus Dean, principal of Pittsburgh Central High School; Robert Bruce Mowry, a founder a Allegheny General Hospital; the Lindsay and McCutcheon families that were involved with the iron and steel business, and seven former mayors of Allegheny, to name only a few.

Starting location for the tour will be the Administration building of the cemetery on Brighton Rd. Cost for the event will be \$ 3.00 for PHLF members and \$ 5.00 for non-members. Reservations are through Mary Lu Denny of PHLF, One Station Square, Suite 450, Pittsburgh., Pa.15219-1134. (412) 471-5808. Paid reservations must be received by Wednesday, June 23, 1999. Learn the ancestry of the notable families buried here, it is the Story of Old Allegheny City.

Upcoming Events

May 23, 1999

Join the Society in a visit to Sewickley and tour of The Gardens of Newington

June 6, 1999

The Civil War Soldier's Fair
West Park in front of
The National Aviary in Pittsburgh
10:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m

June 6, 1999

*An Evening of Remembrance
in the Rose Garden*
A special event to benefit
The Allegheny City Society
Monument Fund
to restore the
Soldier's and Hampton Battery
Monuments
Donation \$15.00 per person

June 27, 1999

Tour of Union Dale Cemetery - Division 1
Join the Society and Pittsburgh History and
Landmarks Foundation on a walking tour of the
resting place of many of Allegheny City's
founding citizens
Tours begin at 2:00 p.m
PHLF members \$3.00 - non members \$5.00

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to restore the
Soldier's and Hampton Battery Monuments

Music by
The Acoustic Shadows
of the Blue and Gray
and a
Presentation by Jean Kanouff:
Fashions Through the Years

6:00 p.m till 9:00 p.m

Donation \$15.00 per person

Light refreshments will be served

All proceeds from this event will benefit the
Allegheny City Society's
Monument Preservation Fund

**For reservations or information call
(412) 321-4502**

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