

THE GREATER RENOVO AREA HERITAGE

PARK: 78 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD

HEADQUARTERS: 530 ERIE AVENUE

P O BOX 148, RENOVO, PA 17764

<http://www.renovoheritage.org>

Heritage:

Something that has been or may be inherited.

The Heritage Park committee is "*Dedicated to uniting, preserving, and promoting the history, heritage and community pride of the Greater Renovo Area*" for the edification and enjoyment of future generations. We realize, that for there to be people to maintain and use the park in the future, we must help improve the present situation and make plans to revitalize the area's economy, population and appearance.

The Greater Renovo Area Heritage Park is near the west entrance of the Renovo Industrial Park. Three acres surrounding the Coal & Sand Tipple has been designated to be developed as The Greater Renovo Area Heritage Park. This park will be a place to save and display artifacts from the area's past. As an introduction to the area history, the Park will act as a trail head from which visitors can explore the wild side of Pennsylvania.

With the opening of the Greater Renovo Area Heritage Headquarters, 530 Erie Avenue, we will have a storefront, office, and meeting room from which we can work to promote our area. Gene Summerson donated this small store and second floor apartment to The Greater Renovo Area Heritage Park. The Grand Opening, May 5th 2007, was part of the fifth Annual Heritage Days and attracted many local and county dignitaries and residents.

On Going Projects

With the help of Amidea Daniel, Clinton County Planning Commission and The Lumber Heritage Region we have applied for a DCNR Grant to fund a master plan for the PARK development. We will be working with the Borough of Renovo and Ms. Daniel to include the Heritage Headquarters in phase one of the beautification of Erie Avenue.

W.T.Storey donated 1.13 acres of additional land to The Park in exchange for deed to 16' right of way along the West Side of the Park property. The Economic Partnership is finalizing a new subdivision map of the Industrial Park which will show this addition to the Heritage Park acreage. It also shows the placement of a site for a switch and rail right of way, in a Renovo Rail spur line, on Renovo Rail property adjacent to the Heritage Park property.

Renovo Rail Industries: In appreciation for letting them put a spur track across thr southeast corner of our property, have promised to install 90' feet of track and reposition our rail cars on this new track.

Greg Stone will coordinate the Tipple Restoration Project. See attached.

DCED Grant for moving and renovating West End Maintenance Shed approved with help of Rep. Mike Hanna.

Rich Wykoff is coordinating the CCC Camp Commemorative installation.

More information on other side.

The public is always welcome

. Monthly meetings are held on the 4th Thursday, at 7pm.
November is the 3rd Thursday and there is no meeting in December.

The Annual Meeting will be Thursday, July 26, 2007, at 7pm,
Heritage Headquarters, 530 Erie Ave, Renovo PA

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Key Chain Back

The Civilian Conservation Corps began in 1933.

There were 113 CCC

Camps in Pennsylvania.

The CCC fought forest fires, planted trees, built roads, buildings, picnic

area, swimming areas, campgrounds and created

many state parks. The outbreak of World War II

caused the ending of the CCC on Jun 30, 1942.

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CCC Project

To pay tribute to the Civilian Conservation Corps contribution to the development of Clinton County.

To create a commemorative to the men of the Corps.

To provide information as to the location of the many camps in Clinton County.

To provide historical data and develop a display of artifacts to demonstrate the scope of the work done.

A trail head at The Heritage Park.

This would consist of a natural stone kiosk with 4 large plaques, surrounded by a sitting area. The plaques would give a brief history of the Corps, a map of the Camp locations, etc, and a web site where the historical information could be down loaded to I-pods for people to take on their self-guided tour of the campsites and still in-use projects. The Greater Renovo Area Heritage Park voted to provide a site, help coordinate the plans and be the non-profit agent on applying for grants to complete this project. This project will require the physical and financial support of many partners, including The Lumber Heritage Region, DCNR, The Clinton County Economic Partnership, BAHS Youth History Club and interested community individuals.

West End Yard Maintenance Shed Preservation

Reclamation of this small shed is a vital link in the continued enhancement of the park facility. Once returned to its former appearance and function, all who visit the structure may grow in appreciation of the men and women of generations past who lived and labored to build a future in Western Clinton County.

In the matter of relocation and renovation of a twelve foot by fifteen foot maintenance shed, formerly the property of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and having been moved from the rail yards to private property, we the member-volunteers, business and community partners of The Greater Renovo Area Heritage Park propose to return the structure, the last known surviving article from the west end yard, to a 12 X 15 foot slab foundation near its original location, on the grounds of the park; to renovate the structure for immediate use as a secure storage facility for large artifacts, both donated and purchased, as well as equipment owned and used by the Heritage Park personnel.

Tipple Restoration

Three distinct phases of Restoration are planned: Preservation, Cosmetic Restoration, and Operational Restoration.

The first phase is divided into tasks Planning, Financing and Implementation.

The latter two are broken down into Research, Planning, Financing, and Implementation tasks.

The Preservation phase will be the recoating of the roof, cleaning and restoring the rain spouts, patching cement in a few areas, sandblasting and painting the exposed hardware.

The Cosmetic Restoration phase will be in two parts. The first is to replace the coaling chutes and aprons and their counterweights. Also ladders and decking will be restored. The second part of this, which leads into the Operational phase, is to dig out the coaling bin and bucket which are buried under the center tower and to pump out the water where the bucket raises.

The Operational phase is the continuation of the Cosmetic phase part two, to dig out the bucket and its bin and to obtain and rebuild the winch mechanism and make it functional. None of these phases are completely distinct from the others as the cosmetic phase to be done on the chutes will be done in such a way as to make them operational.

The phases are labeled this way, because the steps done in these phases, once done, will determine the ultimate status of the tower. Once the Cosmetic Phase is done the coal chutes will be operational in that they can be opened and closed and the aprons raised and lowered. But to make the tower fully operational to its' original condition, it will have an actual winch mechanism which can move the skip hoist bucket up and down. For those looking at the tower, it will seem that nothing is being done for some time as the tough work is in the Research, Planning and Financing in order to make sure that the Implementation part comes out right.

Another aspect is Public Relations.