‘HERITAGE TOURISM’ BIG PLUS FOR PENNSYLVANIA

Study Documents Significant Contribution to Overall Tourism

Visitors whose primary purpose for travel to Pennsylvania in 1997 was heritage tourism accounted for 12 percent of all state leisure travel and $2.99 billion in direct tourism spending, according to a study released by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

The Pennsylvania Heritage Tourism Study, released Aug. 2, also found that in 1997 “core” heritage travel or travel by those who indicated heritage tourism was a very important factor in their decision to visit the state helped support 69,752 jobs and generate $1.34 billion in earnings for Pennsylvania residents and $617 million in tax collections.

Heritage tourism was defined in the study as an overnight or 50-mile one-way trip taken primarily to visit historic, cultural, or natural/scenic attractions to learn about the past.

Even more encouraging, the study determined that Pennsylvania heritage tourism increased 23 percent over the previous year, or three times the growth rate of total Pennsylvania leisure travel. Heritage tourism spending rose 15 percent, or twice the rate of overall Pennsylvania travel expenditures. In comparison, U.S. leisure travel grew 8 percent and travelers’ direct spending increased 6 percent during the same time period.

“The study showed that there is a significant segment of travelers who are very interested in heritage tourism and who have the tendency to spend a lot of money during their heritage travel,” said Tim Keptner, chief of the Heritage Parks Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. “We all knew that intuitively, but this report brings out those facts. We are very pleased with the findings.”

The findings were contained in a study of more than 1,700 U.S. leisure travelers prepared by D.K. Shifflet & Associates Ltd. of McLean, Virginia.

On average, core heritage travelers shared many characteristics with average leisure travelers, in that most were married, middle-aged, middle-income, white-collar professionals who traveled with their children or in groups of multiple adults. Notable differences were that there was a slightly higher percentage of heritage travelers who were age 65 and older. Core heritage travelers spent $102 per person per day, in contrast to state leisure travelers, who averaged $73 per day. Typically, core heritage visitors traveled in the fall and stayed approximately 3.3 days.

Sixty-one percent of heritage travelers were not Pennsylvania residents; a majority of heritage travelers came from New York and New Jersey, followed by Maryland, Ohio and Virginia. The primary reason cited by heritage travelers who visited Pennsylvania were “proximity to home,” the state’s “wide variety of activities,” “beautiful landscape and scenery,” and available “family activities.” Visitors, both residents and non-residents, described Pennsylvania’s heritage sites as “educational,” “scenic,” and “fun.”

The study revealed that the most popular attractions among Pennsylvania’s heritage travelers were historic sites/districts and battlefields/forts, whereas packaged tours, such as walk/bike or motorcoach

—Photo by Lori Leopold

Allegheny Ridge State Heritage Park: Members of the Hollidaysburg Canal Park advisory committee go over exhibit design plans on site for the Reiser House Visitors Center with consultant Dan Ingram, left, of the Johnstown Area Heritage Association

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Historic Home & Neighborhood Assistance Act (HB 948)

In August, Representative Thomas A. Tangretti (D-Westmoreland) offered a technical amendment to the Historic Home & Neighborhood Assistance Act (HB948) to the House Finance Committee. The amendment added the 20% income tax credit that was left out of the original text due to a misinterpretation at the time of printing. The House Finance Committee approved the amendment and voted HB948 out of committee unanimously. The bill has now been reported to the House Appropriations Committee. Preservation Pennsylvania, Representative Tangretti, and co-sponsor Representative David G. Argall (R-Schuylkill) have already begun conversations with the chair of the Appropriations Committee. If passed HB948 will offer a comprehensive tax incentives package to owners of historic homes.

Heritage 21 Funding Alliance

As of the end of September there are a number of proposals in the House and Senate to fund environmental programs. Unfortunately, historic preservation and downtown revitalization are getting lost in the shuffle. Preservation Pennsylvania is currently working to mobilize a grass roots effort to bring preservation back to the forefront. We have heard from reliable sources that some version of environmental funding is going to move in the limited fall session. On October 5, Preservation Pennsylvania participated in Heritage 21’s Day on the Hill. Fact sheet in hand, we armed the more than 100 people in attendance with information on why it is imperative that historic preservation be included in whatever environmental funding passes this fall. We encourage you to contact your state legislators now!

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PRESERVATION PA AT WORK —

Boyce joins National Trust in D.C.

As she assumes her new position as director of statewide partnerships of the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Washington, D.C., Caroline E. Boyce may use the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson to remember her tenure as executive director of Preservation Pennsylvania: “The reward of a thing well done, is to have done it.”

Boyce left Preservation Pennsylvania Sept. 17, concluding five years of service to the organization. Assistant Executive Director Susan Shearer is serving as acting executive director.

Under Boyce, Preservation Pennsylvania moved in 1996 from Lancaster, where it had operated since its creation in 1982, to Harrisburg’s historic district. Being close by the state Capitol and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission “increased the organization’s visibility and accessibility,” Boyce said. “The move helped [Preservation Pennsylvania] to be a more effective voice for heritage issues in state government.”

Boyce originally came to Preservation Pennsylvania from Pittsburgh, where she served as historic preservation planner for the city and as administrator of a “Main Street” urban demonstration project on the city’s South Side.

Among the accomplishments of which Boyce said she was most proud at Preservation Pennsylvania was working with the state Department of Education to restructure its construction-reimbursement guidelines. This reform helps communities who want to rehabilitate old, historic school buildings. Boyce said Preservation Pennsylvania also had been successful in moving its agenda in the state legislature, citing involvement with legislation to encourage state agencies to locate facilities downtown and to provide tax incentives for historic properties.

Another project in which she was involved garnered national attention. Preservation Pennsylvania sponsored Save Our Land, Save Our Towns, a book authored by Pulitzer-Prize-winning journalist Thomas Hylton. The book made “sprawl a major topic of discussion for the public,” said Boyce. Hylton and Preservation Pennsylvania received an award from the National Trust for Historic Preservation in 1997 for the work, which has led to a Public Broadcasting Service video documentary currently in production.

Boyce also cited the pilot project cosponsored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and 10,000 Friends of Pennsylvania. The project set up a “systematized advocacy network” to deal with environmental and preservation land-use issues.

While the organization accomplished much during her watch, Boyce said, there is still a lot to be done. Controlling sprawl and providing more tax incentives for historic properties are on her wish list for preservation in the state.

Boyce, who holds a master’s degree in historic preservation from Cornell University, was quick to share the credit in her accomplishments at Preservation Pennsylvania. “I was able to accomplish a lot because of a really dedicated board of directors and a staff who, although very small, is very dedicated and very professional.”

“Caroline’s five years with Preservation Pennsylvania have seen major growth and maturity in the organization,” said David L. Taylor of Brookville, president of the Preservation Pennsylvania Board of Directors. “Her leadership has allowed Preservation Pennsylvania to position itself as a far more active statewide advocate for preservation-related issues across the Commonwealth. Our funding base, while never as secure as we might wish, has clearly been strengthened through Caroline’s leadership, and we have made significant strides in public policy areas.”
Since January 1999, the Historic Preservation Plan Advisory Committee appointed by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, the staffs of Preservation Pennsylvania and the Bureau for Historic Preservation, and Elizabeth Waters, the consultant and facilitator for the Preservation Plan, have been busily involved in the Historic Preservation Plan process.

The plan was launched with a press conference in the Capitol Rotunda attended by a William Penn actor, local school children, and members of the advisory committee, the Preservation Board, PHMC, and others. On March 25, 1999, PHMC and Preservation Pennsylvania sponsored a statewide convocation in Carlisle to help shape the focus and content of Pennsylvania’s Year 2000 Historic Preservation Plan. Approximately 175 people attended the convocation. They included preservation professionals and activists, elected officials, civic leaders and others from across the Commonwealth. The major themes that emerged were:

- Create attractive communities through the implementation of historic-preservation strategies.
- Emphasize the economic benefits of historic preservation.
- Tell Pennsylvania’s unique story.
- Make preservation a “mainstream” activity.
- Make the tools of preservation available to more people and communities.
- Time is of the essence; implement the above now.

To determine further what Pennsylvanians thought, the advisory committee recommended a concerted effort of public outreach. Some 2,800 questionnaires were mailed to planners, local government officials, preservationists, and affinity groups. The questionnaire was also made available on Preservation Pennsylvania’s web page. Thirteen public forums were organized throughout Pennsylvania in May and June. Preservation Pennsylvania’s Sheila Campbell has tabulated the results of more than 600 questionnaire responses. This data is being integrated in the Historic Preservation Plan Report due in mid-December.

In addition, several private interviews were held with state leaders.

The public’s responses essentially paralleled those of the convocation attendees. The public said that the consequence of sprawl was a continuing deterioration of the historic-built environment, loss of jobs, population, higher taxes, and many other ills. We were told that much more should be done to promote the value of historic resources; that historic preservationists simply do not “tost their own horn enough” and do not tell the success stories or convey the importance of the economics of historic preservation.

Another issue that was brought out was state agencies should lead by example and model good behavior. Suggestions: Provide a streamlined process with “one-stop shopping”; build local capacity; require intergovernmental coordination; identify preservation goals; match up the necessary grant funding and state assistance; and strengthen code enforcement and plan regionally. Numerous archaeologists attending the forums called for the repeal of Act 70, which they say has both destroyed and placed at risk a great many archaeological sites.

The public was unequivocal about mandating regional planning and zoning, enforcing existing land-use laws, and amending the Municipalities Planning Code to provide more options to local government to protect communities’ historic resources. At the same time, people were wary of the heavy handedness of state agencies and bemoaned the effects of federal and state transportation policies. Above all, the public emphasized the importance of education—education in Pennsylvania history for students from kindergarten to grade 12 and historic preservation education and training for local government officials.

The Historic Preservation Plan Report will be mailed to all persons who attended the public forums, the convocation in Carlisle, and will be made available to state agencies, the state Legislature and the interested public.

The public forums were successful due to assistance of the local sponsoring organizations and State Reps. Thomas Tingrett and David Argall who sponsored two of the public forums. A special thank-you goes to Amy Rigglerman, the former PHMC press secretary who organized the news releases and press conferences.

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Guidelines for applicants and application packages

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Land-use legislation pending in General Assembly

In response to concerns raised by the Pennsylvania 21st Century Environment Commission in its 1998 report, two state legislators have introduced proposals to amend the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code and promote responsible land use.

House Bills 13, 14, and 15, introduced by Rep. David J. Steil (R-Bucks County) and Senate Bill 300, sponsored by Sen. James W. Gerlach (R-Berks, Chester, Lehigh, and Montgomery Counties) seek to control land use. In its report, the commission named land use as Pennsylvania’s “most pressing environmental issue.”

The commission was established by Gov. Tom Ridge through Executive Order 1997-4. Its charge was to establish Pennsylvania’s environmental priorities for the 21st century. It developed strategies to meet those environmental goals based on cost-effective approaches considering all levels of government, institutions, and the private sector. It comprised 40 members, including legislators; state cabinet secretaries; the physician general; representatives of industry and environmental organizations; the service sector; academia; mining; farming; and local government.

Here’s a summary of the legislation:
- **House Bill 13**, now before the House Local Government Committee, is a proposed omnibus amendment to the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code. It seeks to promote the preservation of natural resources, open space and valuable farmland; encourage local officials to prepare municipal and joint municipal comprehensive plans consistent with the county policy plan; encourage the preservation of agricultural land through easements, transfer of development rights and rezoning; and encourage the revitalization of established urban centers.

The measure would require municipal development to be consistent with existing and proposed development plans in contiguous municipalities and with regional, county, and state plans. It would provide for protection of natural and cultural resources, including historic sites, and would require preparation of a county policy plan with the active participation of the local municipalities within the county, subject to review and comment by the State Planning Board.

Among other things, the bill would allow municipal representatives to appear before the agencies of a neighboring municipality that is considering a proposed subdivision or a change of land use or land development that could have a negative impact. It would also allow zoning for preservation of historic resources and transfer of development rights on a regional basis in order to preserve farmland, environmentally sensitive areas, and other areas.

- **House Bill 14**, also before the Local Government Committee, would amend the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code to provide for intergovernmental cooperative planning and the adoption of implementation agreements. It would permit municipalities representing 25 percent of a county’s population to propose a county-wide comprehensive plan that, if approved by referendum, would be implemented by intergovernmental agreements and conforming ordinances and resolutions.

- **House Bill 15**, also before the Local Government Committee, would amend the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code by adding provisions relating to “common base zoning.” Under this proposal, any municipality could adopt a common base zone for all or any portion of nonsubdivided land by amendment of its comprehensive plan.

• Senate Bill 300, which was voted out of Senate Appropriations Committee in early October, would amend the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code to encourage regional efforts to deal with local land-use and growth-management issues through joint planning and zoning. It seeks to promote the preservation of natural resources, open space, and farmland; and to promote greater consistency and uniformity in land planning and zoning among local municipalities, counties, and the state.

Municipalities would be permitted to list uses deemed inappropriate. Municipal and county comprehensive plans would be required to include protection of natural and cultural resources and a statement explaining the plan’s relationship to existing and proposed development in contiguous municipalities. In addition, county comprehensive plans would be required to identify growth and limited growth areas as they pertain to infrastructure, regional impact, agricultural preservation, and cultural and historic preservation.

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Group and historical organizations were the least popular. Ninety-six percent of core heritage travelers were aware of the historic towns and districts the state had to offer, while 92 percent of that group actually participated in activities in historic towns and districts.

While the study results showed that core heritage travelers were aware of the state’s historic towns and districts, it also brought to light that travelers were unaware of Pennsylvania’s heritage regions, with exception of the Lancaster/Dutch region. Most travelers to all heritage regions indicated they were highly satisfied with their experiences. The Rivers of Steel region earned the highest satisfaction rating, with 89 percent of its 16 percent of heritage traveler visitation indicating they were highly satisfied with their experiences.

Interestingly, the study found there was significant crossover between the state’s core heritage travelers and its outdoor recreation travelers. In fact, 58 percent of the core heritage travelers indicated they also participated in outdoor recreational activities on their most recent heritage trip to Pennsylvania.

The study was prepared for DCNR in partnership with Preservation Pennsylvania, the Department of Community and Economic Development, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and the Pennsylvania Federation of Museums and Historical Organizations.

For a copy of the study, write to Heritage Study, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Bureau of Recreation and Conservation, P.O. Box 8475, Harrisburg, Pa. 17105.
IN THE NEWS

A CALL TO ARMS

- The Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation issued a “call to arms” in its August 1999 newsletter in the hopes of rallying readers who share the nonprofit group’s concerns regarding the proposed redevelopment of downtown Pittsburgh (See also, Pennsylvania at Risk 1999). The foundation asked supporters to write in protest to Gov. Tom Ridge, city council and the city’s newspapers. At issue: The city’s proposed acquisition by eminent domain of almost all of the buildings within Fifth and Forbes avenues and the Wood Street and Market Square areas. The properties are to be sold to Chicago developer Urban Retail Properties to create the “Marketplace at Fifth and Forbes.”

The plan calls for a $440 million conglomeration of shops, restaurants, theaters and entertainment venues as part of a 24-hour downtown. Approximately $100 million in public dollars would be spent. Existing businesses would be dislocated to make way for national retailers.

While the city maintains that the facades of many of the buildings would be retained, Landmarks is calling for the preservation of entire buildings. Landmarks believes a better plan for revitalizing the downtown central retail area would be “to restore significant older buildings, permit the demolition of insignificant ones for new construction (though in some cases preserving the facades), and anchor the project with a combination of national and local tenants in unique Pittsburgh venues.”

INITIATIVES

- The Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia sponsored several events this summer to foster dialogue and cooperation between Philadelphia and suburban legislators in developing an anti-sprawl agenda that simultaneously manages suburban growth and rebuilds the city. Among the events were a luncheon co-sponsored by state Rep. David J. Steil, R-Bucks, for the Philadelphia legislative delegation. Legislators and staff members from eight legislative offices participated in a 90-minute conversation with members of the Alliance board, community representatives and affinity groups on “Smart Growth” legislation introduced by Rep. Steil and Sen. James W. Gerlach, R-Berks, Chester, Lehigh, Montgomery. The alliance also held a news conference that brought together state legislators working to identify strategies to support the revitalization of the city and to discourage sprawl. Philadelphia lawmakers on hand for the news conference were Rep. Steil and Democratic Sen. Allyson Y. Schwartz and Reps. Kathy Manderino, James R. Roebuck Jr. and W. Curtis Thomas.

PEOPLE

- The Washington County Historical Society has named Charleroi resident Leslie A. Yoder its new education coordinator. Yoder, a former middle school social studies teacher in Maryland, earned her bachelor’s degree at Seton Hill College and her teacher certification at the University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown. To schedule a Washington County Historical Society educational program, call Yoder at 724-225-6740.

- John C. Blanda is the new executive director of the Lebanon County Historical Society. He previously worked for the Department of Defense for 28 years at various military installations in central Pennsylvania.

PROGRAMS

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AWARDS

- The American Association for State and Local History has presented its Albert B. Corey Award to the Beaver Area Heritage Foundation for its development of the Beaver Area Historical Museum. Other Pennsylvania recipients of awards were the Lancaster County Heritage Partnership, which received an award of merit for its heritage tourism initiative; the Erie County Historical Society, which was given a certificate of commendation for its book Lighthouse’s Legacy: A Personal History of Presque Isle; the Heritage Center of Lancaster County Inc., which re-

For Sale: $575,000

Herdic House-Park Home, 800 W. Fourth St., Williamsport

The Park Home (listed in Pennsylvania at Risk in 1992) was built as a four-story brick hotel by Peter Herdic in 1865. The top two floors of the original building have been removed. The site is classified as commercial. For more information contact: Kimble Realty 570-327-1600.
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Hatch (R-UT) has made it clear that RLP is a priority for his committee. Preservation Pennsylvania will be working with Preservation Action to monitor this bill.

Takings Returns

On May 13, 1999, Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT) introduced the Citizens Access to Justice Act of 1999 (S. 1028). S. 1028 would allow developers and property owners to bypass the local appeals process and proceed directly to federal courts for resolution of land use disputes. There is the fear that local governments will not have the money to defend land use decisions and may be forced to allow inappropriate developments into their communities.

Post office Partnerships Act

HR 670

In February, Representative Blumenauer (D-OR) introduced HR 670, which was modeled after the Community and Postal Participation Act of 1999 that was passed in the Senate during its last session. This bill requires the Postal Service to examine all reasonable alternatives to closing or relocation of a postal facility as well as the effect of such a closing or relocation on the community. These effects include the extent to which the post office is part of the core downtown business area and whether the community opposes the closing.

The above report was prepared with information provided by Preservation Action.

Awards 2000 Program

Preservation Pennsylvania, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, is sponsoring the Year 2000 Preservation Awards Program. Nomination brochures are available from Preservation Pennsylvania. Begun in 1979, the awards continue a tradition of recognizing significant contributions in the field of historic preservation by both individuals and organizations. Recognition is given in the categories of preservation initiatives, and construction and archaeology projects. Pennsylvania’s highest honor, the F. Otto Haas Award, is given in recognition of outstanding contributions to preservation by an individual or a group.

Nominations are evaluated by a committee composed of members of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, Preservation Pennsylvania, and independent historic preservationists who have no role or interest in the nominated projects.

Recipients of the preservation awards are announced prior to the awards presentation, which is scheduled for a dinner to be held April 12, 2000, at the Lincoln Plaza Hotel in Reading. Nominations are due at Preservation Pennsylvania’s office by November 1, 1999.

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seum Commission is inviting applications for its 2000-2001 Scholars in Residence Program and its recently inaugurated Collaborative Residency Program. The deadline is January 17, 2000. For details, call the commission at (717) 787-3034 or visit its web site at

• The Lower Merion Conservancy has compiled a top-10 list of threatened structures in Lower Merion and Narberth. Topping the list are the Gerhard Building at Bryn Mawr Hospital and the Hamper Shop at Lankenau Hospital. Others, in descending order, are: the Beechwood House in Bryn Mawr, the Lukens House in Bala Cynwyd, the General Wayne Inn in Merion Station, two private homes in Villanova, the Cynwyd Train Station in Bala Cynwyd, several private homes in Haverford, the Edward A. Carroll Granite Works in Bala Cynwyd, and Bellwood in Merion Station.

PROJECTS

• Butler County’s Harmony Bridge, which is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, is being replaced by the state Department of Transportation and is available for removal. Built in 1916, the single-span, steel Parker pony truss bridge carries Mercer Street over the Connoquenessing Creek in Harmony borough. Federal financial assistance may be available, not to exceed the estimated cost of demolition. Contact Rebecca Fike of the Butler County Planning Commission at (724) 284-5302.
CALENDAR

1999

November 7-9 1999 Restoration & Renovation. Charleston, SC. Conference and exhibits of renovation/restoration products and services. Contact: EGI Exhibitions, 129 Park Street, Reading, MA 01864; 978-664-6455 or 800-982-6247; email show@egiexhib.com; www.egiexhib.com


November 9 Rehabilitation Tax Credit Workshop, Philadelphia. Contact: Bonnie Wilkinson, PA Historical & Museum Commission, 717-787-0772; email bwilkinson@phmc.state.pa.us


December 11 Historic Holiday House Tour of Warminster Township, Bucks County. Contact: Craven Hall Historical Society, 215-675-4698.

December 11-12 Holiday Tours, Historic RittenhouseTown, Philadelphia. 12-4 p.m. Admission charge. Contact: 215-438-3711.


December 27-30 Archaeological Institute of America annual meeting. Dallas, Texas. Contact: 617-353-9361; fax 617-353-6550.

February Certification course in Professional Downtown Management. Contact: National Main Street Center, National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1785 Mass. Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036; 202-588-6219; william_mcleod@ntlp.org


April 5-8 Pennsylvania Federation of Museums and Historical Organizations annual conference. State College. Contact: PFMO, 717-787-3253.


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