



Lumber Heritage Region

CURWENSVILLE CANOE LAUNCH

- Curwensville, Clearfield County

THIS PROJECT AT A GLANCE

Type of Project— improve and upgrade the path to the river for easier access and safer entry. Highlight the history of the log booms that are still visible in the river at the canoe launch area.

Funding — The LHR contributed \$2.6K toward this Project and additional support from Federal Home Loan Bank-Pittsburgh \$2,600.00 match Curwensville Borough crew-labor Curwensville Regional Development Corporation and Curwensville Area Revitalization Entities-project management.

To ensure the safety of the canoers Curwensville Borough enlisted Curwensville Area Revitalization Entities and The EADS Group who developed the Master Site Development Plan to provide specific design recommendations for the canoe access area.

A new design for the canoe launch was provided. The recommendation was to construct a 6-foot wide x 5-inches deep crushed limestone path with contours and switchbacks in steeper slopes with a grade of 8% to the river. This new path makes access to the river safer and more user-friendly. Meetings with

Clearfield Co Conservation District and the DEP determined that there were not any permits needed for this project. The borough crew was tasked with the installation of the new path. They cleaned and excavated the area to prepare the path for the 2A stone base. An interpretive sign that details the history of the Curwensville log booms was installed at the beginning of the path. As canoers head downstream they can see up close what a log boom looks like, how it was constructed and how it helped hold back the logs in the river.



Lumber Heritage Region
Of Pennsylvania Inc.
Cameron County Courthouse
20 East 5th Street
Emporium, Pennsylvania 15834
Phone: 814.486.9376

info@lumberheritage.org





Lumber Heritage Region

DIGITAL HISTORY OF CURWENSVILLE

- Curwensville, Clearfield Counties

THIS PROJECT AT A GLANCE

Type of Project—

This was a project was a Mini-Grant project awarded to Curwensville Pike Township Historical Society.

Funding —

The LHR contributed \$275 toward this Project and the Historical society matched our contribution with \$275.



Lumber Heritage Region
Of Pennsylvania Inc.
Cameron County Courthouse
20 East 5th Street
Emporium, Pennsylvania 15834

Phone: 814.486.9376

info@lumberheritage.org



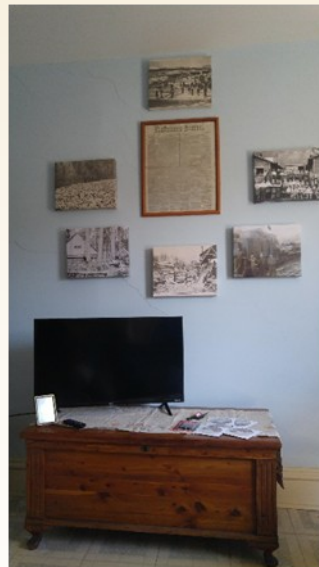
The society created a visual reminder of the history of lumber, the use of the river and the lumber industry in Curwensville. We created a movie, canvas posters and a working center for our museum so that people will be able to learn about the history of the industry in our area.

Many people today are much more drawn to using technology than to just look at a picture in a book.

This project to create a space where

people could come in and enjoy this part of Curwensville's History through modern technology.

The finished project is a movie that plays on a loop for the public when the museum is open. The video is also shown to the local history classes of the Curwensville High School when they visit the museum on the Walking Tour of Curwensville.





TREE RING DISPLAY

CURWENSVILLE SCHOOL

Curwensville, Clearfield County

THIS PROJECT

Type of Project—

Interpretive educational exhibit for use by the community and visitors to the region. A display of a cross-section of a tree ring from a red oak log from Irvin Park.

Funding —

The LHR contributed \$2K toward this Project. Donation of a segment of log timber along with location at borough owned community park provided by the borough of Curwensville. The environmental education project to be available to both Curwensville Area School District students and community members.



Lumber Heritage Region
Of Pennsylvania Inc.
Cameron County Courthouse
20 East 5th Street
Emporium, Pennsylvania 15834

Phone: 814.486.9376

info@lumberheritage.org



The project made a direct significant improvement to Irvin Park, located within the borough. Irvin Park is within walking distance of our grade K-12 school district complex. As such, it is used extensively by the school district for various educational activities. The “tree ring display” is an environmental education exhibit for the school district, the community and an attraction for visitors to the region. The exhibit will include historical information of the region relating directly to the lumber history of the region. By encouraging visitors to spend time in and enjoy Irvin Park, along with the West Branch of the Susquehanna River, the region benefits economically from this use from a tour-

ism standpoint. The display itself will be a direct educational exhibit to the lumber heritage of the region and provide additional insight to the nature based attractions of the area.

The building is staffed by volunteers through out the summer season to assist with the needs of travelers.

It has become a service project for our honor society students and it is embedded in our technology education, science and history courses. We plan to revisit the signage on the display each year to update and improve based on visitor input



