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The Anthony Lloyd House, located on Grocery Hill in Equinunk, Pa., is a distinctive example of Second Empire style architecture. Built in the 1890s, the residence is just one highlight of the proposed Equinunk Historic District vying for designation on the National Register of Historic Places. (Photos and article by Mary Curtis, National Park Service Historian)

## National Register to Review Valley's Largest Historic District

When the Equinunk Historic District is officially listed on the National Register of Historic Places (expected to occur later this year), it will mark an important milestone for those who care about the heritage of the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River Valley.

With more than 50 features, it will be, by far, the largest nationally recognized historic district in this river valley.

The Village of Equinunk (which straddles Buckingham and Manchester Townships along the Equinunk Creek in Wayne County, Pa.) is one of the valley's most historically significant communities.

Equinunk was a 19th and early 20th century center of the forest products industry. Like many other villages in the area, it also drew upon the nearby Erie Railroad to bring summer visitors to its hotels and boarding houses.

Today, the tanneries, saw mills, acid factory, and excelsior mill have all disappeared. The hotels have become private

homes. But the community that grew up around these industries remains.

The proposed district, including virtually the entire village, is characterized by architectural styles that were popular in the years between 1830 and 1930: Queen Anne, Italianate, Greek Revival, Gothic Revival, Second Empire, and Craftsman.

On Grocery Hill, the Lloyd Brothers built themselves Second Empire style homes, with distinctive mansard roofs, which are as stylish today as when they were completed in the 1890s.

The oldest buildings in the village (c. 1830), the Equinunk Historical Society's Calder House, now a museum, and the privately owned Richard Knight House, are fine examples of the popular Greek Revival Style.

Bleck's Hotel on Lordville Road at the eastern edge of Equinunk, a large brick building with bluestone decorative features, was constructed in the Craftsman

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# Representative Profile: Peter Melnyk

As the Town of Lumberland debated the potential pros and cons of joining the Upper Delaware Council (UDC) 11 years ago, Peter Melnyk never doubted the benefits of active membership.

Eleven years later, his faith in the UDC's positive impact remains constant.

"There was a lot of criticism then," Melnyk recalls. At that time, he was a member of the Lumberland Environmental Committee advising the Town Council on these types of matters.

His position in favoring the UDC was simply expressed.

"I thought that natural resources would be preserved in this corridor. A clean environment is what I was most interested in, and that's what we have today. The UDC has done a wonderful job for the river valley. They don't do any harm to the communities," Melnyk says.

He speaks from an insider's viewpoint. Melnyk, who had served as a UDC alternate since 1988, became the Town of Lumberland's UDC Representative in 1997 following the untimely death of Town Supervisor Tom Hill. He is a member of the Council's Operations and Project Review Committees.

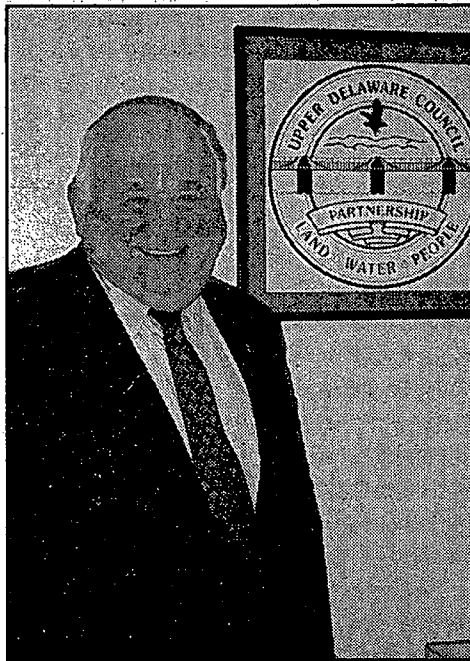
The 72-year-old Glen Spey resident takes a great deal of interest and pride in his local community as well.

A 40-year town resident, Melnyk sat on the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Environmental Committee before being elected to the Lumberland Town Board in 1990.

Melnyk chairs the town's Democratic Club, serves as vice-president of the Lumberland Senior Citizens Club, and is an active parishioner of the St. Volodymyr Ukrainian Catholic Church.

Especially dear to his heart is his role with the civic-minded Lumberland Lions Club, of which he has been president three times and is currently the vice-president.

Along with 600 other Lions representing 130 countries, Melnyk travels annually to the United Nations in New York City to dis-



*Peter Melnyk, Town of Lumberland, NY*

cuss international relief efforts and determine where the Lions' help is most critically needed.

The retiree's professional background was equally active.

Melnyk taught American History and literature in European high schools before embarking on a five-year stint as host of his own radio program in New York.

His eponymous talk show proved so popular that it led to a brief run on television. From the studio based in Newark, NJ, Melnyk introduced variety acts reminiscent of Ed Sullivan while simultaneously serving as director, producer, agent, and crew.

Capping off his diverse careers, Melnyk then became a successful restaurateur in the Newark area for 15 years.

Married for 48 years, Peter and his wife, Natalia, are the proud parents of two children, Larisa, a pediatrician, and Peter, a lawyer, both of whom reside in New Jersey and have given the Melnyks five grandchildren. ❖

## Upper Delaware CAC Term Expires

Legislation has been introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate to re-authorize the Upper Delaware Citizens Advisory Council for 10 more years following the expiration of the CAC's second 10-year term on February 6, 1999.

The CAC was established in 1978 to advise the U.S. Secretary of the Interior and the National Park Service on issues pertaining to the management of the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River. Members are appointed by the Secretary, the governors of New York and Pennsylvania, and the five river valley county governments.

"The prevailing feeling of the membership of the CAC is that until the Upper Delaware Council is complete, meaning that all of the non-participating Wayne County townships enjoy the benefits of Council membership, then our mission is not complete. The CAC fulfills a role in providing a public forum in the Upper Delaware and has several projects to which we need to lend our strong support, such as the [National Park Service] Visitor Center," said CAC Chair Bernard Kozykowski of Barryville, NY. ❖

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# Flowing Toward the Future: Delaware River Basin to Plan Direction for the 21st Century

The turn of the century is a time of looking back to see where we have been, and a time of looking forward to see where we need to go.

The key question is not whether the glass is half-empty or half-filled, but rather, why is it not full?

When it comes to the Delaware River and its watersheds, the vision of what constitutes a full glass varies depending on who answers the question.

"Flowing Toward the Future" is a multi-step process which will focus on developing directions and action items to sustain the life of the Delaware River basin for future generations.

A series of regional workshops being held this spring throughout the four basin states of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware will challenge stakeholders to share their components of a "full glass" vision for the Delaware River, and to discuss the conflicts, problems, and issues that must be resolved to attain this vision.

As a result of input received at the public workshops and a comprehensive review of the existing river and regional plans, a report containing this data and recommendations for the basin's future planning strategies will be produced.

The next step in the process is a Governor's Summit, to tentatively take place in late September 1999 at the New Jersey State Aquarium in Camden. This one-day event will bring together top officials to discuss the basin-wide findings while celebrating success stories of Delaware River resources protection, conservation, and enhancement efforts.

Later this fall, a Basinwide Conference will reunite all the interested parties and charge them to get to work on implementing the action items within their purviews.

"Flowing Toward the Future" is being coordinated by a consortium of government agencies, non-profit organizations, and public-private regional partnerships throughout the four-state basin.

Organizers include the Alliance for a Sustainable Future; Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control; Delaware Estuary Program; Delaware River Basin Commission; Heritage Conservancy; National Park Service; New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; New York State

Dept. of Environmental Conservation; Pennsylvania Dept. of Environmental Protection; Partnership for the Delaware Estuary; Upper Delaware Council; and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

## Workshop Format Set

The partners invite the public to participate in the regional workshops offered in five locations for proximity's sake:

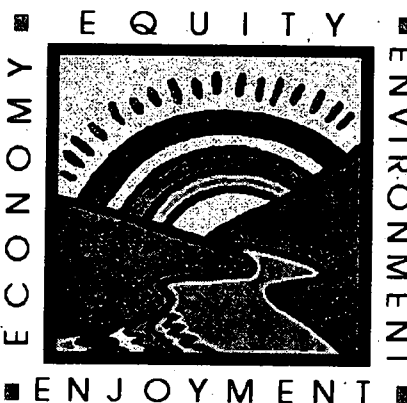
**Monday, April 19** - Dover, DE (Sheraton Dover Hotel)

**Wednesday, April 21** - Philadelphia, PA (Holiday Inn)

**Monday, April 26** - Bridgeton, NJ (Cohanzick Country Club, Fairton Twp.)

**Wednesday, May 5** - Narrowsburg, NY (Tusten Town Hall)

**Thursday, May 6** - Bethlehem, PA (Iacocca Hall, Mountain Top Campus of Lehigh University)



In order to accommodate as many people as possible, the same workshop will be given twice at each site. The afternoon session will run from 1-4:30 p.m., and an evening workshop will be repeated from 6-9:30 p.m.

There is no cost to attend. Light refreshments will be served. Advance registration two weeks before each particular workshop date is necessary to receive pre-workshop materials, including directions.

## Form Interest Groups

Each workshop will begin with a short opening session to orient the whole group. Participants will then break out into four interest groups to identify visions, issues, programs, priorities, and measurable outcomes for the Delaware River Basin's future sustainability.

*Upper Delaware  
Regional Workshop:  
Wednesday, May 5, 1999  
1-4:30 p.m. or 6-9:30 p.m.  
at the Tusten Town Hall,  
Narrowsburg, New York, hosted  
by the Upper Delaware Council,  
National Park Service,  
NYS DEC, and DRBC.*

The four interest groups that will meet together with facilitators are:

- 1) Preservation and Advocacy
- 2) Recreation Providers and Users
- 3) Commerce and Utilities
- 4) Government

After each group has had the opportunity to state their objectives for the Delaware River Basin's future, participants will then cast votes to indicate their individual priorities for these goals.

The collective data from all five workshop locations will be gathered for compilation in the "Directions" report. Executive summaries from that report will be sent to all workshop participants as a follow-up.

## 10,000+ Invitations

In order to capture the largest audience possible to provide their ideas for optimal watershed planning, approximately 10,000 invitations for the workshops have already been mailed to stakeholders throughout the Delaware River Basin. A publicity campaign is underway to target all other interested persons.

The invitation brochure includes a registration form. Once it is returned to the provided addressee by mail, fax or e-mail, workshop attendees will receive a confirmation packet.

Information about "Flowing Toward the Future", including how to register for the workshops, can be found on the Delaware River Basin Commission's web site, at: [www.state.nj.us/drbc](http://www.state.nj.us/drbc), and on the Delaware Estuary Program's page, [www.delep.org](http://www.delep.org), or by calling toll-free (877) 675-8147.

To learn more about the May 5 Upper Delaware Regional Workshop, call the UDC at (914) 252-3022 or the National Park Service at (570) 729-8251. ❖



The Farley House, on Pine Mill Road in Equinunk, boasts long vertical windows and a low pitched roof characteristic of Italianate styling. (Mary Curtis Photo)

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style.

The best example of Gothic Revival, with deeply pitched roof lines and "gingerbread" vergeboard, is the Lafayette Lord House (c. 1875), at the corner of Route 191 and Pine Mill Road.

Many of the homes along Pine Mill Road, Lordville Road, and Grocery Hill Road are notable for Queen Anne style features such as decorative shingling and wrap-

around porches.

For more information about Equinunk's history and its historic architecture, contact the Equinunk Historical Society at (570) 224-6722. ❖

*(Editor's Note: Mary Curtis, the National Park Service Historian for the Upper Delaware Scenic & Recreational River, has been instrumental in preparing the region's applications to the National Register of Historic Places for nearly two decades.)*

## Upper Delaware Listings on the National Register of Historic Places

Riverside Cemetery Chapel (Long Eddy, NY)  
 St. Joseph's Seminary Historic District (Callicoon, NY)  
 Callicoon Methodist Church and Parsonage (NY)  
 St. James Church and Rectory (Callicoon, NY)  
 Old Cochection Cemetery (NY)  
 Curtis Drake House  
 Valleau Tavern (Old Cochection, NY)  
 Reilly's Store (Cochection, NY)  
 Parsonage Road Historic District (Cochection, NY)  
 Damascus Historic District (PA)  
 Cochection Presbyterian Church (NY)  
 Ellery Calkins House (Cochection, NY)  
 Page House (Pump Station)  
 Milanville Historic District (PA)  
 Kirk House (Narrowsburg, NY)  
 Arlington Hotel (Narrowsburg, NY)  
 Ten Mile River Baptist Church (NY)  
 Roebling's Delaware Aqueduct  
 Zane Grey House (Lackawaxen, PA)  
 D & H Canal Office (Lackawaxen, PA)  
 Minisink Battleground Historic District (Minisink Ford, NY)  
 Pond Eddy River Bridge  
 Mill Rift Community Hall (PA)

## Check the Facts

- ✓ Listing on the National Register *does not* regulate what an owner does with his or her private property.
- ✓ National Register listings are honors reserved for places that retain their historic integrity, and promote understanding of the community's story.
- ✓ Listing on the Register is designed to protect America's historic places from any destructive action by state and federal governments, (i.e. tearing down an historic building in order to widen a road).
- ✓ For the historically inclined, listing on the Register may make a property more attractive.
- ✓ Don't confuse the National Register with municipal landmarks or municipal historic districts in which review boards must be consulted before making alterations to historic buildings. There are no municipal landmark designations in the Upper Delaware Valley.

## Water Snapshot to Test Basin's Health April 16 - 25

Water Snapshot '99 will take a reading of the Delaware River Basin's pulse during a 10-day period in April.

For the second year, the Upper Delaware Council has signed on as a co-sponsor to promote regional participation in this educational outreach activity.

Water Snapshot '99 brings recognition to the people who voluntarily monitor water quality throughout the basin. This annual event, first held in 1996, has become an extended and proactive celebration of Earth Day (April 22).

Planning efforts are led by the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) with assistance from Environmental Protection Agency Regions II and III, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network, New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation, New Jersey Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP), Pennsylvania DEP, Delaware Dept. of Natural Resources and Environmental Control and New York City DEP.

Participants may obtain instructions and data sheets from the sponsors or via the DRBC web site at [www.state.nj.us/drbc](http://www.state.nj.us/drbc). Once the survey data is compiled and analyzed, basin-wide results will be published in a Water Snapshot '99 report. For information, call Snapshot Coordinator Robert Kausch at (609) 883-9500, ext. 252. ❖

# Western Novelist Zane Grey Remembered on His Birthday

By Paula S. Valentine, Interpretive Specialist  
Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River

The National Park Service opens the doors to the Zane Grey Museum in Lackawaxen, Pa. every year on Zane Grey's birthday, January 31. Due to the number of visitors we had in 1998 (which was double the number from 1997), we decided to open for two days in 1999 instead of one.

The local chapter of the Zane Grey's West Society got involved this year, and the whole event was promoted by Pike County. The weather cooperated by bestowing upon us cold but clear weather, although deiced parking spaces were at a premium. The result was a wonderful little celebration that exceeded anything we had provided before.

Prolific western author Zane Grey (1872-1939) began his career relating stories of his experiences fishing along the Upper Delaware River. He lived in Lackawaxen, Pa. from 1905 until 1918.

The Zane Grey's West Society (ZGWS) is a non-profit organization whose purpose " . . . is to promote interest in and knowledge of the eminent American author, Zane Grey, and his works; to revive interest in the writings of Zane Grey and preserve the sites of his writings so that future

generations may realize the contributions made by Zane Grey toward the development of the adventure story in American literature."

They certainly made progress toward meeting their own admirable goals while enhancing one of the National Park Service's programs.

The society's involvement in this year's Zane Grey Birthday Celebration in Lackawaxen came about as a result of our 150th Anniversary of Roebling's Delaware Aqueduct, commemorated last September.

One of our speakers at that event was local ZGWS member Henry Nardi, who resides in Milford, Pa., with his family and works in New York City with the United Nations.

A fellow speaker at the podium on

September 13 last year was Pike County Commissioner Sally Thomson, who was inspired by Henry's talk to seek the promotion of one of Pike County's former celebrities, Zane Grey.

That encounter sparked several events that drew attention to Zane Grey in north-eastern Pennsylvania.

Henry contacted several local members of the Society, and found a dedicated co-chair in Dutch Schwede, a retired businessman who became a ZGWS member while working as a seasonal park interpreter at Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River.

One of his favorite duties at that time was giving tours at the Zane Grey Museum, so Dutch was quickly excited about the ZGWS project.



Ranger Connie Lloyd guides visitors through the Zane Grey Museum in Lackawaxen, Pa. "The Father of the Western Novel" lived in Lackawaxen from 1905 until 1918. The National Park Service acquired the museum in 1989. (Digital Photos Contributed)

Together, Henry and Dutch brainstormed and developed a companion program to our museum tours.

They searched through Lackawaxen to find a site for a reception and their activities. A new business in the community, the RiverView Cafe, graciously offered to host their part of this special event.

Henry and I prepared posters via e-mail with the help of Zane Grey's West Society officers, who arranged for our use of their logos and photos.

Zane Grey's son Loren, now in his 80s, and Zane's granddaughter Susan, both living in California, sent their best wishes for the event. Loren shared with us that his dad, however, seldom celebrated his own birthday.

Roy Given, our Chief of Interpretation, prepared press releases and was in attendance with Henry and Dutch when the Pike County Commissioners formally proclaimed January 30 and 31, 1999 as "Zane Grey Days" and issued an official, framed proclamation for display in the Zane Grey Museum.

We all worked with Bill Kiger, chair of the Pike County Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee, to cross-promote a special activity he scheduled that same weekend at The Columns, which is the Museum of the Pike County Historical Society in Milford, Pa.

Connie Lloyd, who manages our Eastern National book sales and prepares many of our in-house exhibits, provided some materials for a display at The Columns.

Pre-event press coverage further piqued

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New flowers adorn the gravesite of Zane and Lina Elise ("Dolly") Grey. Zane Grey died October 23, 1939 at the age of 67. When Dolly died in 1957, the ashes of both were interred in a cemetery near their home in Lackawaxen, fulfilling their wish to rest together beside the Delaware River.

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Web Site:  
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# Delaware River Sojourn Afloat June 19-26

The 5th Annual Delaware River Sojourn will target children's stewardship of the river resources while also opening up daily participation to greater numbers.

"Discover the Delaware '99!" is the call to action as organizers finalize the June 19-26 itinerary. June is annually celebrated as American Rivers Month.

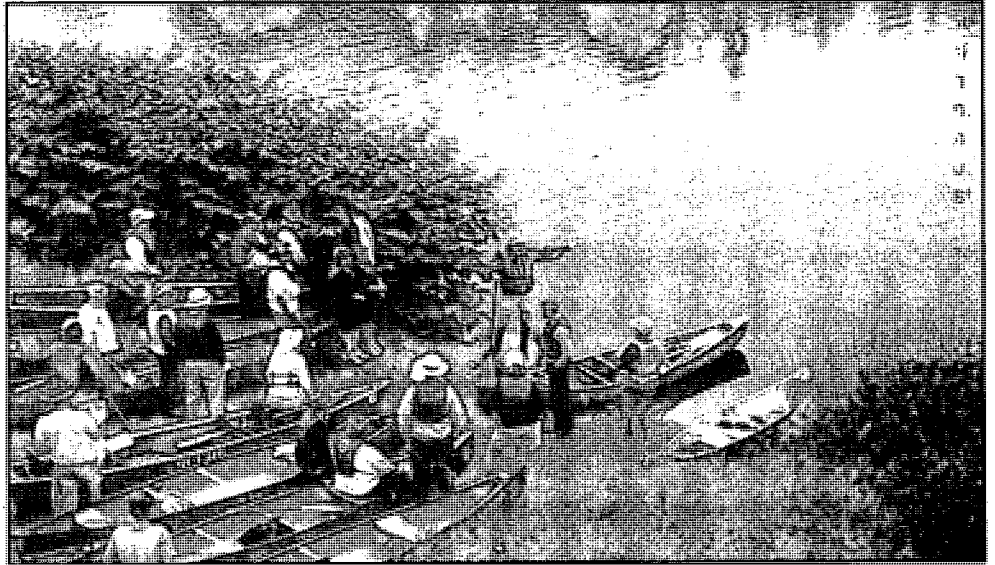
First launched in 1995, the Sojourn is an eight-day canoeing and camping celebration of the Delaware River, the longest free flowing river in the eastern United States.

Sojourners enjoy the opportunity to learn about the river and its associated ecology, history, culture, and resources, as they paddle along for one or more days. Shuttle transportation, lunches, educational programs, overnight campsites, insurance, and a souvenir keepsake are provided.

This year, a special emphasis will be placed on activities for young people in each of the three river sections: Upper, June 19 (evening registration for early arrivals), 20, and 21; Middle, June 22 and 23; and Lower, June 24, 25, and 26.

Sojourn planners have expanded the maximum number of paddlers per day from 50 to 100 to accommodate the high level of interest. Costs for a daily trip have been reduced to \$40 (add \$10 for canoe rental). "Thru-trippers" with their own canoes pay \$50 the first day, and \$25 additional days.

Among the exciting plans awaiting



Participants in the first Delaware River Sojourn, held in 1995, listen to safety instructions.

Sojourners are an Upper Delaware theme of "D & H Canal Days", participation in the Middle Delaware by the Delaware River Basin Commissioners, a personal escort by George Washington himself in the Lower Delaware, along with interpretation of local flora and fauna, on-foot explorations, entertainment, and community celebrations throughout the eight-day adventure.

The Upper Delaware Council and National Park Service are among the lead agencies serving on the Delaware River Sojourn Steering Committee. Co-chairs for the 1999 Sojourn are Ted Evans and Susan Taylor, representing the Lower Delaware. The Pocono Environmental Education Center (PEEC) has registration brochures with full details, itineraries, and prices available by writing to PEEC, RR 2, Box 1010, Dingmans Ferry, PA 18328; phone (570) 828-2319; fax (570) 828-9695; e-mail [peec@ptd.net](mailto:peec@ptd.net), or click on the Sojourn's updated web page located at: [www.nps.gov/upde/sojourn](http://www.nps.gov/upde/sojourn). ❖

## When Does the New Millennium Begin?

*Opinion by Charles Wieland, A.A.S.,  
Narrowsburg, N.Y.*

A controversy over the beginning of the third millennium has existed since the formation of the present calendar.

The January 1, 2001 supporters say that the calendar started at 1 so the 2000 years will not be completed until 2001.

It is not conceivable that the calendar makers would have considered 1 the start because, throughout time, the year's designation is always done after the completion of the calendar year.

A year which is considered the first year of any decade or century would be similar to a child born on that January first. The child is one year old on the following January 1 and continues to be one for the entire second year.

This accepted fact leads to the conclusion that the millenniums, centuries, and decades all started at "0".

It is accepted by society that a decade like the '70s started on January 1, 1970 and yielded to the '80s on January 1, 1980, ten years later.

This leads to the conclusion that 1999 is

# Y2K

actually the 2000th year and its completion is the beginning of the 21st century and the third millennium.

To better understand the beginning of the present calendar, you have to realize that it was developed long after the fact.

The calendar originated in Europe, which is 40 to 50 degrees north latitude. The beginning of a new year was determined to be at the point when the sunrise reverses and mornings start to gain daylight, which happens on January 1 at that latitude. This then is also the point in time when BC ended and AD began for our calendar.

The progression of years at that time was not numbered so the description of the time is: the third year BC was followed by the second year BC, which was followed by the first year BC, which ended at the AD beginning point.

Then AD started with the first year AD followed by the second year AD and the third

year, and so on.

The accepted fact, like the determination of a person's age, is that a year is not given a number until it is completed.

For this reason, the first year AD is not 1 AD until a year after the AD beginning point and any reference to things which occurred in 1 AD actually happened in the second year AD. For the same reason, the first year AD is like the first year of a decade and is referred to as "0" for reference purposes in time.

Keeping in mind that the years of this time were only given numbers centuries later, there could be writing which do not reference the "0" year.

This is a miscalculation on the part of any historian who may have failed to realize it. Even if there were some kind of indication that the BC/AD was not in the right place, the error would be in the BC time and not affect the accepted way we figure time and cycles.

I hope that the conclusions reached in this explanation will have everyone celebrating the new millennium on January 1, 2000. ❖

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interest in Zane Grey. Several local reporters interviewed our Museum Curator Dorothy Moon and Supervisory Park Ranger Ingrid Peterec (who provides guidance to the volunteers and seasonal employees who present most of the museum tours each summer.) All the advance publicity and some particularly nice winter days ensured a good attendance this year.

When the big weekend finally arrived, visitors driving through Milford were greeted by a large banner across the front of The Columns: "Happy Birthday, Zane Grey." Outside The Columns, Bill Kiger offered readings from Zane Grey's works.

In Lackawaxen, 305 curious and interested visitors, including a good number of children attending with their parents, toured the Zane Grey Museum and talked with park staff.

About half that number continued on to the RiverView Cafe for cake and coffee, to see videos of Zane Grey and his Westerns, and to talk with ZGWS members.

Fellow ZGWS members Bill and Colette Fulton joined Henry and Dutch on Saturday and shared their video of last year's Zane Grey's West Society Convention.

Door prizes were drawn each day, with more than 10 lucky winners receiving Zane Grey books or movies.

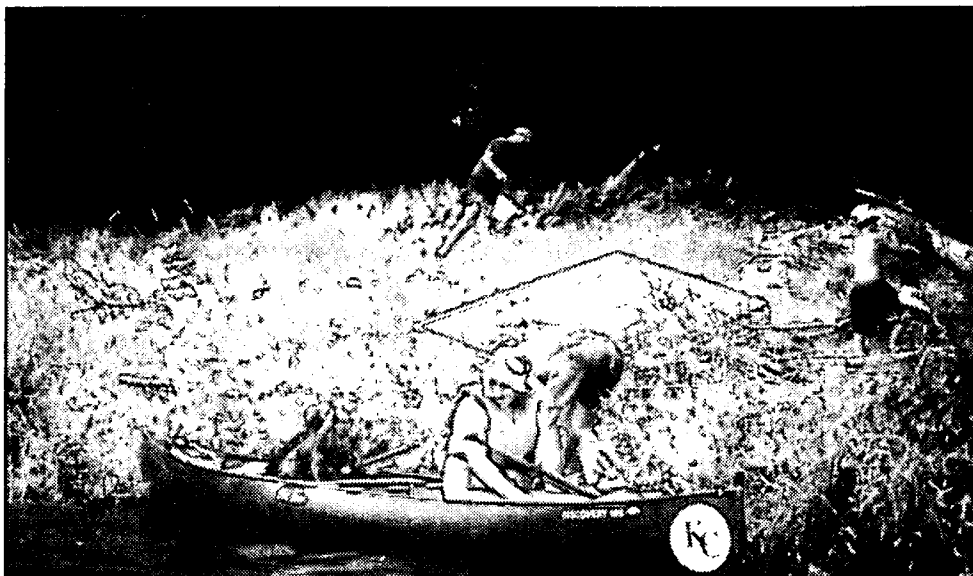
Quite a few people reportedly visited the Greys' gravesite, where Henry and Dutch placed new flowers courtesy of the Society.

While a lot of extra effort went into this year's Zane Grey Birthday Celebration, everyone involved felt rewarded by the positive outcome. Such a cooperative spirit almost always has long-lasting benefits.

For additional information or to provide your suggestions and feedback, please feel free to contact the Zane Grey Museum via the information provided on Page 5 of this article.

The Zane Grey's West Society may be contacted at:

Zane Grey's West Society  
708 Warwick Avenue  
Fort Wayne, IN 46825  
web site: [www.zanegreysws.org](http://www.zanegreysws.org) ❖



Even a trio of dogs (riding shotgun in the canoe) pitched in with their family members at last year's "On and Under the Delaware River Cleanup" sponsored by Kittatinny Canoes. The dates for the 10th Annual Cleanup are July 13-16, 1999. (File photo)

## **Kittatinny Canoes Marks Decade Of Cleaning 'On and Under' River**

The national award-winning "On and Under the Delaware River Cleanup" program sponsored by Kittatinny Canoes will return for its tenth year on July 13-16.

Since the annual cleanups began in 1990, Kittatinny volunteers and staff have been responsible for ridding the river of an accumulated total of 150.41 tons of trash, including 5,103 lbs. of cans; 4,680 tires; and 20.25 tons of scrap metal.

"This cleanup is successful each year in large part to our faithful volunteers who come back year after year," says Kittatinny Canoes President Ruth M. Jones.

"Hundreds of volunteers give their time on each day to help preserve and protect the ecology of the river and its inhabitants. Kittatinny, in return for their time and loyalty, provides canoes, campsites, breakfast, and a barbecue dinner each day to all the volunteers, free of charge. We get back a squeaky clean river for our customers to enjoy, but more importantly, we come away with the knowledge that there are so many people who care just as much about the environment and ecology of the river as we do," Jones adds.

This year's itinerary follows. Participants must register by calling 1-800-FLOAT-KC.

**July 13** - Meet at Kittatinny Canoes' Barryville Base at 9 a.m., and travel up river to Ten Mile River, where the cleanup begins. This first day will cover 19 miles.

**July 14** - Meet at Kittatinny Canoes' Matamoras Base at 9 a.m., and travel up river to Pond Eddy. This segment leading to Milford Beach spans 16 miles.

**July 15** - Meet at Kittatinny Canoes' Dingmans Ferry Base at 9 a.m., travel up river to Milford Beach, and work all the way down to the Delaware Water Gap, 36 miles.

**July 16** - Trash Sorting Day at the Matamoras Base for recycling and disposal.

Last year, a record number of 614 volunteers scoured 70 river miles for garbage. Some of the trickier items found in or near the water over the years include 18 sticks of dynamite, a 1962 pick-up truck, a set of false teeth, and a brass bed. ❖

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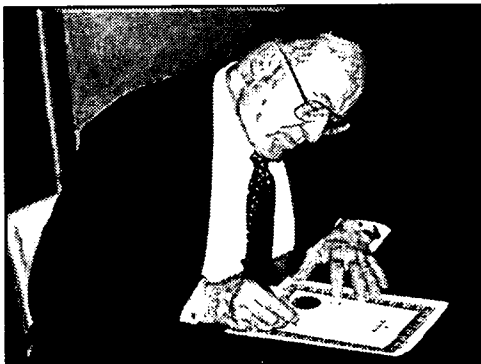
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**READY FOR BUSINESS:** The Upper Delaware Council held its Annual Meeting January 7. Town of Deerpark Supervisor Robert Cunningham swore in the 1999 officers, pictured above seated from the left: Vice-Chairperson John McKay (Lackawaxen Township), Chairperson Phil Chase (Town of Deerpark), and Secretary/Treasurer Jack Niflot (Town of Fremont). Standing behind them, from left to right, are UDC Representatives or Alternates Peter Melnyk (Lumberland), Cal Hite (National Park Service Upper Delaware Scenic & Recreational River), Bernie Kozykowski (Upper Delaware Citizens Advisory Council), Charlie Wieland (Tusten), Fred Gerty and Bruce MacMillan (New York State Department of Environmental Conservation), Marian Hrubovcak (Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources), Al Bowers (Westfall), Bruce Selneck (Shohola), David Everett (Delaware River Basin Commission), Larry Richardson (Cochecton), George Frosch (Hancock), Harold Roeder, Jr. (Delaware), and Lew Schmalzle (Highland). Pictured below left, 1999 Chairperson Phil Chase signs his oath. (Ramie/Soete photos)



## Mark Your Calendars. . .

**April 16-25** - *Water Snapshot '99*. Basin-wide. Contact Robert Kausch at the Delaware River Basin Commission, (609) 883-9500, ext. 252. See details in this issue, Page 4.

**April 23 & 24** - *Canal Clean-up Days at the Roebling Bridge*, Minisink Ford, NY. Contact Sandra Schultz at the National Park Service, (570) 729-8251.

**April 25** - Upper Delaware Council's *11th Annual Awards Banquet* at Woodloch Pines Resort, Hawley, Pa., 2:30 p.m. reception, 3:30 p.m. dinner, awards, and keynote address by U.S. Congressman Don Sherwood (PA 10th District). Reservations: (914) 252-3022.

**May 5** - "Flowing Towards the Future" *Upper Delaware Regional Basin Workshop*, 1-4:30 p.m. or 6-9:30 p.m. at the Tusten Town Hall, Narrowsburg, NY. See Page 3.

**June 19-26** - 5th Annual *Delaware River Sojourn*. Contact Pocono Environmental Education Center, (570) 828-2319, or e-mail to peec@ptd.net. See Page 6. ❖

The Upper Delaware Council, Inc. meets on the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Tusten Town Hall, Narrowsburg, NY. Three standing committees, Water Use/Resource Management, Operations, and Project Review, meet on the third and fourth Tuesdays of every month at the UDC office, 211 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, across from the Town Hall. All meetings are open to the public. Call (914) 252-3022 for specific meeting dates and agendas.

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