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by

FRIENDS OF THE ALLENTOWN PARKS



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The **Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor** is a joint effort of private groups and interested citizens, county and municipal governments, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the federal government to conserve cultural and natural resources in the five-county region of Pennsylvania that traverses the historic Delaware and Lehigh Canals.

Upcoming Events

March 17—10:00 a.m.—noon Kitemaking & Kiteflying presented by Master Kitemaker Clifford Quinn. Location: Bucky Boyle Park. Registration required. Free

April 21 —10:00 a.m.—noon Flyfishing for Beginners presented by members of the Hokendauqua Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Location: Trout Creek Parkway West. Registration requested. Free.

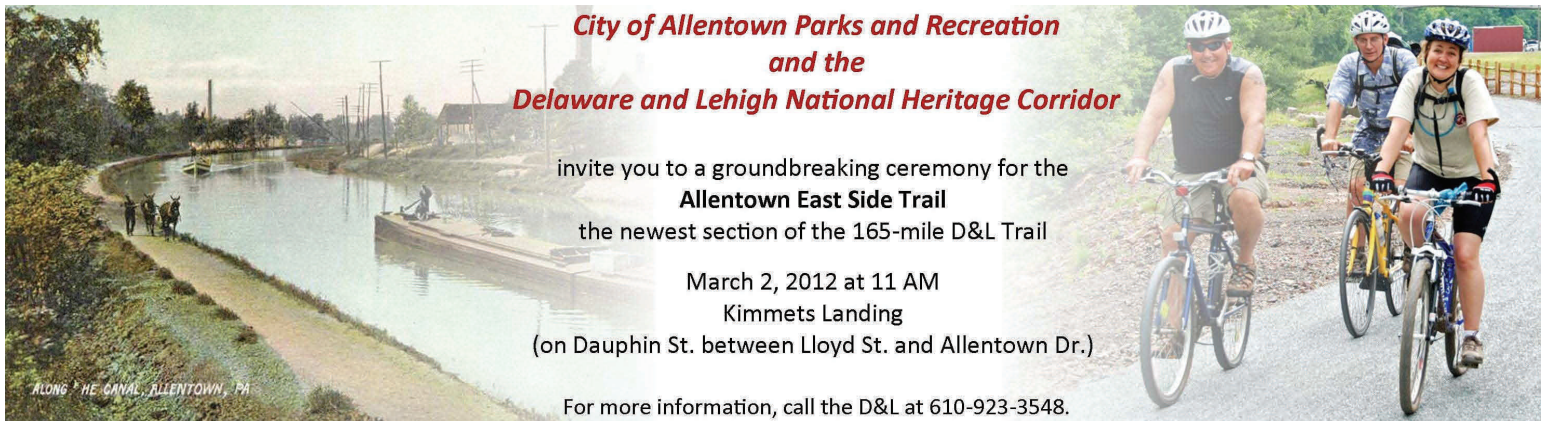
City of Allentown Parks and Recreation and the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor

invite you to a groundbreaking ceremony for the **Allentown East Side Trail** the newest section of the 165-mile D&L Trail

March 2, 2012 at 11 AM
Kimmets Landing

(on Dauphin St. between Lloyd St. and Allentown Dr.)

For more information, call the D&L at 610-923-3548.



Did you know...

- There used to be a turtlearium at the Malcolm Gross Rose Garden?
- A “fountain house” existed at Fountain Park?
- There were wooden beds for raising fish at the Lil-Le-Hi Trout Nursery?
- The house located next to Daddona Terrace was a small neighborhood grocery store, and, there used to be a duck farm in that area?
- Trexler Park once contained a waterwheel?



Lee and Joseph Gackenbach



In November 2011 **Friends of the Allentown Parks** received an amazing donation from Lee and Joseph Gackenbach—notebooks containing newspaper clippings and more reporting numerous events which occurred during the tenure of their father, former Parks Superintendent Joseph Gackenbach (1938-1971). Lee visits **Friends** regularly to elaborate on the articles and provide historical information as well as anecdotes of days spent in Allentown parks. These oral history sessions have now expanded to include several former parks employees. With such a treasure trove...coming soon... a Parks History page on our website!

Lee Gackenbach and former Allentown Parks Department employee Kenneth Steidel

Have a story? Let us know!

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