

LOOP FEST 2010

Sunday, April 18th, 11 AM to 3 PM,
beginning at the Lock 60 boat launch, Mont Clare, PA

The Schuylkill Canal Association (SCA) invites you to be a part of the 4th annual Loop Fest. This will be a part of SCA's first annual Shad Festival. Events planned for the day include a guided five-mile paddle of the river and canal, food, music, boat demos, educational materials about the American Shad and a fishing derby for the kids. A lock opening with a chance to lock through and Locktender's House tours will happen through the afternoon.

Appropriate watercrafts for the Loop Fest include canoes and kayaks. If you do not have a boat available, a limited number of rentals will be available through the Fitzwater Station. Call ahead, 610-935-2750, to reserve a boat that will be available at Lock 60 when you arrive. All participants are reminded that all watercraft are subject to applicable PA Fish & Boat Comm. state laws concerning recreational boat use.

Schedule:

- 11:00 – Arrive and unload boats at the Lock 60 boat launch, put in river,
- 11:30 – Trip launches onto the river, the paddle begins,
- 12:15 – Trip begins to arrive at the portage and carries boats to the canal,
- 12:30 – Trip begins the paddle up the canal,
- 1:30 – Trip arrives at Lock 60, partake in all festivities / Locktender's House Tours,
- 3:00 – Lock opening for "lock through", all boats can participate!

Visitors of all ages are welcome to participate in all that is planned for the day. Admission is free however donations will gladly be accepted. SCA will be selling food and beverages at a minimal cost just to cover the expense.

The Loop Fest is sponsored by the Schuylkill Canal Association. All paddlers will be asked to sign a release waiver to participate and all children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Rain date is April 25, 2010, same times and place. For more information or directions, please contact SCA at 610-917-0021, via email at info@schuylkillcanal.com or by visiting SCA's website at www.schuylkillcanal.org.