

Pennsylvania Labor History Society & Battle of Homestead Foundation
“Annual Commemoration of the History of Working People”

Sat. April 1, 2023 — UMWA Strike for Union Recognition, 1922-23

Slovak Educational Club, 1300 Jackson Avenue, Windber, PA 15963

9:30 am. Coffee & Donuts

10:00 am. Pennsylvania Labor History Society Executive Board Meeting

10:30 am. Labor Songs by Tom Breiding, the Coal Miners’ Balladeer

11:00 am. Welcome: James Young, President PLHS & John Haer, President BHF

11:15 am. Panel Discussion: “Women in Coal and Steel” with Kipp Dawson (UMWA),
Steffi Domike (USW), Bonnie Boyer (UMWA)

12:00 pm. Lunch on site

1:00 pm. Presentation: “John Brophy and Labor Education” by Elizabeth Ricketts (APSCUF), Indiana, PA

2:00 pm. Open Discussion: “Eastern Europeans and American Labor History” with Charlie McCollester,
Ken Wolensky, Catherine Evens, Millie Beik, Nick Molnar

3:00 pm. Awards Presentations

- Mother Jones Award to Kipp Dawson (presenter Steffie Domike)
- Irwin Marcus Worker Education Award to John Lepley (presenter Elizabeth Ricketts)
- William Sylvis Labor Award to Amy Niehouse (presenter Nick Molnar)

4:00 pm. Re-dedication of marker at the Miners Park honoring the 1922-23 Coal Strike

All Day on the first floor: display of coal mining tools from the 1800’s to the present.

Presented by Carson Bruening, retired Secretary/Treasurer, UMWA District 2,
and Michelle Bruening ... Visit the Slovak Educational Club Museum

Need a place to stay overnight?

Comfort Inn (814) 472-6100
111 Cook Road, Ebensburg PA
25 minutes to Windber, 15 minutes to Lilly

Holiday Inn Express (814) 266-8789
1440 Scalp Avenue, Johnstown PA
10 minutes to Windber

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Sun. April 2, 2023 — The Lilly Anti-Klan Riot of 1924

FREE – Everyone is Welcome!!

Community Center/Library, 101 Memorial Drive, Lilly, PA 15938

Noon – Walking tour of the Miner’s Memorials and the Civil War Memorial

Snacks in the Community Room

Music – Jason Kendall, nationally known instrumentalist and vocalist

*The programs in Lilly remember the struggle of women, immigrants and African Americans
in their fight to get the vote and overcome discrimination.*

1:15 pm. Introduction: Thomas Mardula, President Local 1318 UMWA

Guest Speaker, Chuck Knisell, International Vice President, UMWA District 2

2:00 pm. Presentation: “‘A Vote is a Fire Escape’ – the Untold Story of How Women took the Vote”

Jacqui Cavalier, Professor of History CCAC, Vice President PFT-AFT

2:30 pm. Presentation: “The Struggle of Women and African Americans in the Workplace”

Kipp Dawson, UMWA Coal Miner, PFT-AFT Teacher, Activist

3:00 pm. Discussion: “The Attack by the KKK on the Community of Lilly”

Joe Szalanski, Battle of Homestead, author Millie Beik – audience encouraged to participate

4:00 pm. Tour of Three Monuments in Lilly portraying the History of Lilly —

The Nobility of Labor, The Nobility of Women, The Nobility of Public Service

4:30 pm. Visit the Memorial of the April 5, 1924 Anti-Klan Riot, site of former railroad station

*We hope you enjoy these presentations and will join the Pennsylvania Labor History Society
to learn about future events.*

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