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## **Luzerne County is the perfect getaway**

Luzerne County is the perfect getaway for your family and friends. You'll Find it All Right Here!!

Whitewater Challengers, in White Haven, has been guiding rafters down the Lehigh River for over thirty years. Halfway down the spectacular journey, pull over and enjoy a boxed lunch and enjoy the view. At day's end, Whitewater offers an outdoor bar-b-que for guests.

Like to bike, take a scenic ride along the Lehigh River. Kayaking, yes we have that too. Several outfitters in the area offer guided tours where you can see herons, beavers and maybe even a bald eagle.

Practice your rock climbing at the Wilkes-Barre Rock Climbing Gym and then they will point you in the right direction to try the many cliffs for outdoor climbing.

Springtime is tee time! Golf that is!! Northeast PA offers golfers challenging, uncrowded courses at a tremendous value. Call for our Golf and Stay brochure.

Shopping! Let's go to The Arena Hub Shopping Plaza in Wilkes-Barre offers outlet shopping including Eddie Bauer Outlet and Barnes and Noble for a great latte and reading material, and much more!

History abounds in this region, making it what it is today. Late in the 17<sup>th</sup> century Native American Indians settled in the meadows of the Wyoming Valley along the shores of the Susquehanna River. Innovations during the Industrial Revolution here set the standard for a growing nation and a foundation for American prosperity. **Eckley Miner's Village** depicts life among the coal families with an authentic patchtown village and was the film set for the movie "The Molly McGuires" starring Sean Connery. **Steamtown National Historic Site** presents the history of steam railroading and the people who made it possible. Go down in history at the **Lackawanna Coal Mine Tour** where a coal miner will take you 300 feet below the earth's surface to give you an overview of the dangerous life of miners. Take the kids to the **Houdini Museum** where they will have a great time as the eccentric John Bravo the Great makes rabbits appear and people disappear. **Knoebels Amusement Park**, the #1 family-owned amusement park in the US, is just minutes away from Wilkes-Barre.

Luzerne County is proud to host the **Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins**, the AHL affiliate of the Pittsburgh Penguins. Catch the action at their season opener at the state-

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of-the-art **Wachovia Arena**. If hockey isn't your game, catch the action at a **Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Yankees** game at PNC Field. **Mohegan Sun at Pocono Downs, PA's First Casino**, is now open for business with over 2,500 slots for your enjoyment. It also boasts a breath-taking view of the mountains, offers live harness racing, and several restaurants. Take a tour and have a taste at **The Lion Brewery**, a turn-of-the-century brewhouse, famous for brewing award-winning, premium beers and ales since 1901.

Fairs, parades and festivals, which represent the rich ethnic diversity and civic pride, abound here. Experience a unique art-deco style theatre at the **F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts**, which is host to great entertainment.

Visit the **Frederick Stegmaier Mansion** is a must see for Victoriana antiques. Awesome Chocolates has its home base there and offers a delectable sampling of wine and chocolates. The **Luzerne County Courthouse** is one of the most beautiful courthouses in Pennsylvania, built during the Victorian Era. Lastly, for another taste of Victoriana, visit **The Lands at Hillside Farms** where you can tour the dairy barns, bring plenty of carrots for the Clydesdales, goats, donkeys and whatnots, and finally treat yourself to their delicious homemade ice-cream. The farm store offers an array of country items, as well as organic milk, cheese, eggs and more.

Luzerne County – You'll Find it All Right Here!! Let our unparalleled hotels and resorts, with their well-informed, courteous staff cater to your every need. Call for our free Visitors Guide and Calendar of Events. [www.tournepa.com](http://www.tournepa.com). 1-888-905-2872.

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