



*"Not to live in the past, but to have the past live through us"*

# West Pittston Historical Society Newsletter

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## Sesquicentennial Fundraiser *Wine and Cheese Tasting*

The public is invited to enjoy the early Fall splendor of the Garden Village and to support the town's upcoming Sesquicentennial celebration by attending a Wine and Cheese Tasting Event to be held on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2006 from 2:30-5:00PM under a tented area on the riverbank at Susquehanna and Montgomery Avenues.

West Pittston business [igourmet.com](http://igourmet.com), purveyor of fine foods

and cheeses, will supply the latter for tasting and will offer many for sale.

In addition, the Society, for the first time, will display many photo enlargements of West Pittston, circa 1900.

These are reproduced from originals taken by photographer William J.

Sunday, October 1, 2006

2:30 - 5:00 PM

On the riverbank at  
Montgomery Ave.

Harris at the turn of the century. The photos show incredible detail and are an amazing view of life in the borough 100 years ago. Orders will be taken on that day for reprints of these borough scenes.

Savor a time gone by while supporting the 2007 West Pittston Sesquicentennial by sending a donation of \$25.00 per ticket (payable to the West Pittston Historical Society) to: Sandra Panzitta, 914 Susquehanna Ave., West Pittston, PA 18643.

For more information - email: [info@westpittstonhistory.org](mailto:info@westpittstonhistory.org) or call Sandra Panzitta at 603-0615.

*Please detach and return this form with payment to: West Pittston Historical Society c/o Sandra Panzitta  
914 Susquehanna Ave. West Pittston, PA 18643*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of tickets requested @ \$25.00 donation per ticket (**all tickets will be reserved in your name at the door**)

\_\_\_\_\_ My check for \$25.00 donation per ticket is enclosed. Checks should be made payable to the *West Pittston Historical Society*.

\_\_\_\_\_ Sorry I cannot attend but please accept my donation to the West Pittston Historical Society for the Sesquicentennial celebration.

# Our Next Program

## Four Generations of Patiences From West Pittston: Slave, Breaker Boy, Sculptor, Author”

Featuring author, Juanita Patience Moss



Sunday October 8, 2006 2:00 PM  
West Pittston Presbyterian Church Exeter Ave.



We are pleased to feature at our upcoming program, West Pittston native, author Juanita Patience Moss whose family is part of the rich history of our community.

Juanita Patience Moss is a product of the West Pittston Public School system. She attended Bennett College, Greensboro, N.C.; received a BS degree from Wilkes University, and a MA degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University, Rutherford, New Jersey.

Her interest in genealogy and writing did not develop until her retirement after



thirty-three years of teaching high school biology at Bloomfield High School,

Bloomfield, New Jersey. After moving to Virginia, easy access to the Library of Congress and the National Archives in Washington, D.C., made her research possible.

Ms. Moss recently published her fourth book, *Anthracite Coal Art by Charles Edgar Patience*. It discusses the unique work of her father from the 30s to the early 70s when he died.

Join us for an enjoyable afternoon with Juanita Patience Moss. As always, our programs are free and open to the public.



### Sesquicentennial Update Meeting

Sunday October 8, 2006 - 1:15 PM  
West Pittston Presbyterian Church

The meeting will be held just prior to the above program.

A scene from the West Pittston Golden Jubilee Parade in 1907.