

## May is Lyme Disease Awareness Month

By State Rep Joe Emrick

BANGOR - Did you know not all ticks carry Lyme disease? How do you know for sure?? East Stroudsburg University offers free tick testing to analyze the type of tick, whether it's carrying Lyme or other tickborne diseases, and even an estimate of how long the tick has been attached.

It's easy to take advantage of free testing. Simply remove the tick by carefully pulling it straight out with tweezers and then placing it in a bag; order the tick test online; and then mail the tick and your receipt to the lab for free testing. Once the university receives the tick, you'll have your test results within three business days.

To learn more or to order a tick test, visit [ticklab.org](http://ticklab.org) or click PA Tick Research Lab.



## Ride the Josiah White II Canal Boat

By Michael Ortoski

EASTON - The 48-ton Josiah White II canal boat plies the waters of old Section 8 of the Lehigh Canal in Hugh Moore Park. Our trained and authentically-dressed crew interprets the story of the anthracite canals and the people who worked and lived on them. Our two mules – Hank and George – tow the boat on a leisurely trip from the National Canal Museum to the Locktender's House and back.

Canal boat tours are 45 minutes long and leave the dock at 12 noon, 1, 2 and 3 pm. Tours run rain or shine, except during thunderstorms or high winds. The canal boat is limited to 25 passengers and is wheelchair accessible.

### General Admission

(Includes canal boat ride and National Canal Museum admission):

Adults: \$12.00

Seniors: \$11.00

Children (3-15): \$9.00

Children under 3: Free

D&L Members: Free

Blue Star Museums: Free admission for active military families (with ID)

Museums for All: Free admission for SNAP benefit recipients (with EBT card)

Reserve seats here with a \$2.00 deposit per person. The balance is due at our Welcome Center upon arrival. Deposits will be refunded for D&L members (and others who receive free admission) and if a boat ride is cancelled due to inclement weather. Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your reserved ride to allow time to check-in. If you are a group of 15 or more, please contact Loretta at 610-923-3548 x221.



## WE NEED YOUR INPUT

### 2 Ways to get involved:

#### 1 Take the Survey

Obtaining feedback from the community is vital to the planning process. In the survey, please share how you currently use and experience this area. Your responses will help create a vision for the future of this highly valued open space. The survey should only take 10-15 minutes

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/MinsiLake](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MinsiLake)

#### 2 Comment on WikiMapping

Place comments directly on an easy to use digital map of the project area. Within the map, please comment on the following as they relate the Minsi Lake Corridor. Highlight areas that you have been to, provide ideas for improvements, share photos, and contribute any relevant information to assist the County and planners in providing recreational opportunities while protecting important natural resources within the site.

[wikimapping.com/Minsi-Lake-Greenway.html](http://wikimapping.com/Minsi-Lake-Greenway.html)



### Stewardship Plan Purpose & Intent

The plan will address the compatibility of outdoor recreation with the conservation of sensitive environmental habitats. It will include recommendations for an interconnected system of passive recreation infrastructure and conservation initiatives, linked by a system of trails that allows access throughout the corridor.

Any questions or comments, please feel free to contact us:



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