

# EPCAMR



## Eastern PA Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation Program August 2008 Progress Report

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### **Capacity Building:**

- Gave presentation with two other OSM/VISTA members, Catherine Webster (Schuylkill Conservation District) and Savanna Lyons (ACCWT headquarters in Beckley, WV), on the ACCWT OSM/VISTA program to attendees of the 2008 EPCAMR/WPCAMR AMR Conference in State College; assisted with conference check-in and registration.
- Received \$1691 grant funding through Partnership for the Arts Grant, provided by Scranton Area Foundation and PA Council on the Arts, to be used for costume design and fabrication for elementary school skits based on EPCAMR's "AMD Avengers vs. the Pollution Posse" educational activity book; wrote and distributed explanatory press release.
- Generated content for new page on Orange Water Network website, with information for volunteers and OSM/VISTA applicants.
- Researched grant opportunities from Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority; 2008 Educational Mini-Grant details will be announced soon.

### **Watershed Projects & Monitoring:**

- Sent invitations to EPCAMR Board of Directors for semi-annual Appalachian Coal Country Watershed Team and Eastern Coal Regional Roundtable training to take place at Canaan Valley Resort, WV, in October.
- Checked in with Chris and Curtis Smith regarding acquisition of their monitoring data for flows and chemical levels at Grand Tunnel Discharge.
- Attended seminars on innovative treatment and reclamation techniques at AMR Conference.

### **Education & Outreach:**

- Wrote press release on acquisition of new laboratory convection oven for drying of iron oxide for use as pigment in tie-dye, stains, paints, glazes, and other art applications for EPCAMR and other watershed groups; distributed release to local media and ACCWT listserv.
- Assembled working copy of "What Is AMD?" PowerPoint presentation for Anthracite Coal Mining Heritage Week in October at Tri-Valley High School.
- Received training at AMR Conference on teaching coal heritage and history in the classroom.

### **Community Arts & Culture:**

- Intermediated between the Nanticoke Historical Society and Mike Hewitt to supply them with a desktop computer for archival work.
- Attended educational lectures on history of coal mining, mine reclamation, coke production, and railroads at AMR Conference.

### **Networking:**

- Compared resource recovery methods with Margaret Dunn of Stream Restoration, Inc.; provided Ms. Dunn with informational pamphlet on EPCAMR's mine drainage iron oxide recovery process.
- Participated in networking mixer as part of AMR Conference; exchanged contact information with other attendees.