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Current version of activity list on web http://www.lehigh.edu/imi/docs/LocalActivities.doc

Our top 5 suggestions:

1. **Trip to New York City**
   Buses to NYC : Transbridge [www.transbridgebus.com](http://www.transbridgebus.com) for schedule

   Daily bus service direct into downtown Manhattan - NYC. This is a central area to explore many of NY’s famous sites.
   Takes ~ 2 hours. Cost ~ $18.75 each way. Tickets available from ticket office (few minute walk from Campus Square) at Adams/Mechanic Street.

2. **Lehigh Gorge – Whitewater Rafting / Cycling / Hiking**
   [http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/lehighgorge.aspx](http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/lehighgorge.aspx)

   A day trip to “Lehigh Gorge” : July 19 or 20, 2008
   Take a look at the different activities available at Pocono Whitewater Adventures [http://www.poconowhitewater.com/](http://www.poconowhitewater.com/)
   Whitewater rafting ~ $60 (incl. except food) / Biking ~ $38 (rental & shuttle)
   Combos ~ $91 / Hiking – free! .... So something to suit all levels of adventure and budget.
   Please contact Sarah Wing at srw208@lehigh.edu if you are interested.

3. **Dorney Park : Theme Park and Wildwater Kingdom**


   If you have a car – there is plenty of parking at the park. There is an additional parking fee (~$10/day).
   LANTA buses go to the Park.
   Take yellow G line from Lehigh University (E.4th Street/Broadway stops) to Allentown Transit Station and pick up the orange H line to Dorney Park.
   Check Lanta Buses for schedules at [http://lantabus-pa.gov/schedules](http://lantabus-pa.gov/schedules)
   Cost : $2.00 per ride (approx)

4. **Southside Film Festival** - June 17-21 (on Campus)
   Full schedule not on website yet.
   Opening night : June 17 5.30 - 7.00pm (free)
   Followed by film screenings in Whittaker Lab Auditorium ($5):7.30-10.30pm

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5. **Hiking on the Appalachian Trail**

Take a fabulous hike to Pinnacle and Pulpit Rock (~ 10 miles, although many possibilities to make it shorter) and experience some of the most spectacular views PA has to offer as well as wildlife!

http://pa.audubon.org/kittatinny/hawks_tpn.html

Date TBD
Please contact Bill Heffner at wrh304@lehigh.edu if you are interested

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**Useful Links / Information**

**Shopping**

Lehigh Valley Mall  [www.lehighvalleymall.com](http://www.lehighvalleymall.com)
Serviced by Lanta buses : Blue D line / Purple F line  [https://lantabus-pa.gov/schedules](https://lantabus-pa.gov/schedules)

The Promenade Shops at Saucon Valley
[www.ThePromenadeShopsatSauconValley.com](http://www.ThePromenadeShopsatSauconValley.com)
No bus service available (15 minute drive from Lehigh)

**Public Transport**

Local Services : Lanta buses : [https://lantabus-pa.gov/schedules](https://lantabus-pa.gov/schedules)
Service Lehigh Valley Mall / Dorney Park

NYC : Transbridge  [www.transbridgebus.com](http://www.transbridgebus.com) ($18.75 each way – buses leave from Adam/Mechanic St)
Also services New Hope which is worth a visit.


Statue of Liberty / Ellis Island July 26 $56
Ocean City June 22
Wildwood July 26
They also organize trips to other sporting events – Phillies Game


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Other Activities / Places of Interest

**Outdoor / Adventure**

Lake Nockamixen State Park  
http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/nockamixon.aspx

Lehigh Canal Towpath (see Hikes in PA)  
http://www.delawareandlehigh.org/site.asp?siteid=239

National Canal Museum  
http://www.canals.org/

Hawk Mountain  
www.hawkmountain.org

Delaware Water Gap  
http://www.nps.gov/dewa/planyourvisit/camping-all-kinds.htm

**Water Parks / Theme Parks**

Camel Beach (Poconos) – water park  
http://www.camelbeach.com/

Hershey Park – theme park  
http://www.hersheypark.com/index.php

Dorney Park – see our top 5

**Local Festivals / Events**

Shakespeare Festival – June 18 – August 2 (Center Valley)  
The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival at DeSales University is a professional theatre company and the Official Shakespeare Festival of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.  
http://pashakespeare.org/

Kutztown Festival : June 28 – July 6 (entrance fee)  
http://www.kutztownfestival.com/

23rd Annual Blueberry Festival – Bethlehem : July 18-20 (entrance fee)  
http://www.historicbethlehem.org/events/blueberry-festival/

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Pocono Blues Festival – July 25-7 (Big Boulder Ski Area – Poconos)
http://www.jfbb.com/summer-blues-festival.asp

Renaissance Fair - http://www.renfaire.com/

Music Fest – starts August 1) http://www.musikfest.org/

Music at Godfrey Daniels http://www.godfreydaniels.org/

Events at the State Theater in Easton - http://www.statetheatre.org/


Sporting Events / Activities

Velodrome
http://www.lvvelo.org/

Iron Pigs - local minor league baseball
http://www.ironpigsbaseball.com/

Phillies/Yankees/Mets - major league baseball
http://philadelphia.phillies.mlb.com/index.jsp?c_id=phi

Eagles training camp at Lehigh (from July 21, 2008)

Ironton/Nor-Bath rails-to-trails Bike Trail -

Ice skating rink - south side
Steel Ice Center
320 E. First Street
Bethlehem Pa 18015
Phone: 610.625.4774
http://www.steelicecenter.com/?home

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