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TOP TEN THINGS TO DO IN THE ALLEGHENIES THIS SUMMER

ALTOONA, PA - <u>The Alleghenies</u>, a region located in Southcentral Pennsylvania, offers rich history and heritage, arts and culture and an abundance of outdoor activities. This summer, visitors will enjoy everything from ziplining to artisan trails to music festivals.

Here are a few ways to enjoy the summer sun (in no specific order):

- Screaming Hawk Zipline
 Experience the views of <u>Seven Springs Mountain Resort</u> while flying down nearly 2,000 feet of thrilling, high-speed ziplines.
- 2. heART of the Alleghenies
 Discover historical rural communities that were once part of the Main Line Canal on this 90-mile artisan trail.
- 3. 6th Annual Remington Ryde Bluegrass Festival (July 12-15, 2012) This <u>5-day camping and music festival</u> features 15 bluegrass bands.
- 4. 22nd Annual Strawberry Festival (June 8-9)
 Highlights of the <u>Fulton County Strawberry Festival</u> are an amateur talent show and strawberry recipe contests.
- Central PA Festival of the Arts (July 11-15)
 Celebrate the arts with activities such as the nationally recognized <u>Sidewalk Sale and Exhibition</u> while enjoying live performances in downtown State College. Visitors can also stay at the award-winning <u>Carnegie Inn and Spa</u>, a 21-room boutique hotel.
- Polka Fest (June 1-3)
 Take part in the annual three-day <u>Polkafest</u> in Johnstown with live bands and ethnic food.

- 7. 7th Annual Roar in the Mountains (July 19-20)
 Roar 2012 packs something for all motorcycle enthusiasts from vendors to live entertainment to bike runs and much more.
- 8. Coal Tubin' (Summer 2012)
 On a hot summer day, there is nothing better than floating down the scenic Stonycreek River. Visitors can enjoy tubin' or whitewater rafting.
- Gravity Hill
 Located on a road in a remote corner of Bedford County, <u>Gravity Hill</u> is literally a
 place where visitors can defy gravity with cars rolling uphill creating an optical
 illusion.
- 10. Fort Roberdeau's Revolutionary War Days (July 21-22)
 The Revolutionary War has never been closer than at <u>Fort Roberdeau</u>. This annual re-enactment features an 18th century field camp, fashion show, crafts and food.

The Alleghenies: The Alleghenies Tourism Council is a partnership of organizations interested in further developing the tourism industry and economic development opportunities in an eight county region in Southcentral Pennsylvania. The Council works under the umbrella of the Southern Alleghenies Planning & Development Commission, a non-profit economic development agency. For more information on The Alleghenies, call 1-800-458-3433 or visit www.TheAlleghenies.com.

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