

# Elissa M. Garofalo

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Elissa's leadership at the Delaware & Lehigh brought about a merger with the National Canal Museum. During her tenure with the D&L, 132 miles of the 165-mile D&L Trail have been completed: the "Get Your Tail on the Trail" wellness initiative was launched in

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educational curriculum has been expanded to more than 70 elementary schools; 4000 students have participated in related field trips; and the Lehigh Valley Greenways Conservation Landscape program has become a model conservation landscape program in the Commonwealth.

Garofalo developed two regional revitalization programs and directed the update of the Corridor's Management Action Plan. She is a steering committee member of Philadelphia's Regional Bicycle Network - "The Circuit", a member of the Strategic Planning Committee of the Alliance of National Heritage Areas and is a Top™ Facilitator.

Before coming to the D&L, Elissa was a small business owner and one of America's first Main Street Managers. She pioneered efforts that led to Jim Thorpe's main street (Broadway) being named one of Great Places of America by the American Planning Association in 2013. She holds a B.S. in Urban & Regional Planning from the Pennsylvania State University and is the proud mother of Maggie and Jay Marsden.



#### H. Scott Everett

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H. Scott Everett, D&L Facilities Manager, joined the D&L staff in 2006 as the D&L Trail & Stewardship Manager. In his current role, Scott is responsible for the maintenance of the Josiah White II, Emrick Technology Center, Visitor's Center and the archives building in Easton. Scott is a longtime volunteer on the Ironton Rail Trail and was one of the

founders of SUN\*LV (Sustainable Urban Neighborhoods of the Lehigh Valley), a community gardening program. In his spare time, Scott enjoys woodcarving, playing guitar and piano, kayaking and biking. Scott and his wife Wendy have a son Corey, a student at Duquesne University and Erin, a student at the University of Pittsburgh. They also have two Springer Spaniels, Tucker and Lacey. Scott holds a B.S. in Organizational Leadership and an A.A.S. in Mechanical Engineering Technology from The Pennsylvania State University.



# **Dennis Scholl**

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Dennis Scholl is a resident of Hellertown, PA and a 1973 graduate of The Pennsylvania State University, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History. Dennis's professional experience includes a position as Tourism Director for the Bethlehem Area Chamber of Commerce from 1975-1979; reporter and columnist for the Bethlehem Globe-Times from

1980-1988; Associate Editor for Rodale Press magazines from 1988-1991; and Outreach Coordinator for the Rodale Institute from 1991-1995. Dennis also served as an environmental education consultant and instructor for Saucon Valley School District from 1996-2004. Dennis founded the Delaware River Shad Fishermen's Association in 1974 and served as President for 20 years. The organization was responsible for the acquisition of \$2.1 million in state funding for the construction of shad passageways on the Lehigh River. Dennis and his wife Josephine, a first-grade teacher, own Monarchs Alive! Butterfly service. Dennis enjoys writing, photography, fishing, hunting and gardening.



Claire Sadler

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Claire (Wildermuth) Sadler joined the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor as Conservation Coordinator in late September. Claire will be responsible for a variety of duties, primarily serving as lead of the Lehigh Valley Greenways, a Conservation Landscape in eastern Pennsylvania. The Greenways partnership is one of seven state sponsored, large scale landscape protection initiatives that bring together public and

private stakeholders in an organized effort to protect the landscape and implement locally-driven planning and revitalization efforts. This partnership strives to link communities with greenways, trails, and outdoor resources, to strengthen local economies and improve public health, green infrastructure and natural resources. She will manage the Lehigh Valley Greenways mini-grant program that is designed to help implement landscape priorities. In addition, Claire will support conservation and stewardship initiatives of the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor. Claire graduated from Dartmouth College in Hanover, NH with a degree in Environmental Studies and coursework in conservation, ArcGIS, environmental economic policy and regional planning. Prior to accepting this position, she was a Forestry and Land Management Analyst with Woodland Management Services, Tafton, PA and Director of Education at Fernbrook Farms Education Center, Bordentown, NJ. Claire and her husband moved to Bethlehem Township in 2013 and enjoy finding new places for hiking, biking and enjoying nature throughout the Valley. They can often be seen enjoying the D&L Trail with their dog, Ripley.



### Loretta Susen

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Loretta started at the D&L in 2009. She has over 30 years office administration experience, first in the corporate world, then several years running the office of a small Catholic school.

Working at the D&L, she says she has learned more about the area she lives in than she knew in the 20 years she has lived in the Lehigh Valley. Loretta enjoys getting out on

the trail, visiting corridor communities and looks forward to seeing more new places. Loretta assists with several projects and programs; but really enjoys various events, especially the Delaware & Lehigh Heritage Half Marathon and Haunted Hugh Moore Park.

Loretta and her husband are empty nesters living in Forks Township. Husband John has been known to help out on marathon day and at other events. In her spare time, Loretta enjoys gardening, cross stitch and baking.



## Sandra M. Duda

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Sandy joined the D&L in October 2005 as Administrative Assistant in the Corridor Market Towns Office in Slatington and later in Lehighton.

A native of McAdoo, she previously was in Banking for 25 years as a Customer Service Representative. Now as Development Assistant in the Easton Office, she manages the

Membership Program and database and assists with various D&L projects and events.

Sandy is a founding member of the Ukrainian American Heritage Foundation and KAZKA Ukrainian Folk Ensemble; both groups dedicated to preserving Ukrainian cultural heritage in the anthracite coal regions of Pennsylvania. Music, History and Genealogy are among her many interests. She enjoys reading, working on family history and especially spending time with her husband and daughter.

### **Brian Greene**

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Brian is a new Lehigh Valley resident who enjoys the local trails and rivers. So his job as Trail Programs Manager is a great fit for his interests and background. He joined the D&L Staff in January 2017 and oversees the Trail Tenders and Trail Patrol volunteer programs along with the Trail Town program. As you can see from the ubiquitous use of trail, his position focuses on getting the general public and local municipalities to celebrate and steward the amazing D&L trail that forms the backbone of the corridor. Previously Brian worked with Wildlands Conservancy as their Bike and Boat Coordinator guiding guests on the D&L trail and Lehigh River. He moved to PA from Utah where he worked at Utah State University as the program coordinator for Utah Water Watch, a volunteer water quality program that monitored lakes and streams. His educational background is in environmental scientist with a B.S. in Biology from Wofford College and a M.S. in Natural Resources from Cornell University. He has conducted research on amphibians, invasive plants and water across the United States and abroad. When he is not on the D&L trail he prefers to be on another one running, biking, or paddling. Other quality time is spent with his wife, daughter, and dog.



#### Terri Monserrat

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Terri Monserrat serves as Communications & Outreach Coordinator for the D&L. A graduate of Millersville University, Terri earned her BA in History in 2010 and MA in U.S. History in 2012. She joined the D&L staff in 2014 as the D&L's Hugh Moore Park and National Canal Museum Welcome Center Host, and has previously worked as the D&L's Research & Development Assistant and Communications & Education

Coordinator. As Communications & Outreach Coordinator, Terri manages the D&L's marketing and volunteer recruitment efforts, outreach events, and internship program. She also provides assistance with fundraising events and marketing campaigns. When she's not creatively articulating the D&L's mission or getting people involved in the D&L's programs and projects, she can be found reading, paddle boarding the Lehigh Canal, and biking and running the D&L Trail -- exploring the Corridor and finding inspiration to do all of the above.



### Kathleen Hammerstone

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A lifetime resident of Easton, Kathleen has served the D&L for over 28 years. She adeptly handles all things financial and administrative for both the National Canal Museum and the D&L. The beauty of Easton's Hugh Moore Park and the D&L Trail keep her passionate about working at the D&L, and she looks forward to the

annual "Haunted Hugh Moore Park" event near Halloween. In her free time, she loves to spend time with her family, especially her grandchildren!



# Martha Capwell-Fox

**Historian & Archives Coordinator** 

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A native of Catasauqua, PA, Martha has served the D&L and National Canal Museum in various capacities since 1990. She is passionate about preserving our local history, especially because of its major national significance. She has been a professional writer and editor and has written a total of seven books, with historical topics ranging from swimming, auto-racing, Catasauqua, Whitehall, Coplay, the Lehigh Valley cement industry, and the Vatican. She is currently working on histories of the D&L Corridor and

her local church. She has been running the archives here at the D&L and National Canal Museum for five years, but she also has a hand in all things related to the museum and boat. She loves going out into the communities along the Corridor and meeting with people, speaking to groups, and showing some of our historical films.



### Lauren Golden

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Lauren joined the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor staff in December 2015. As the Trail & Stewardship Manager, she plans and oversees D&L Trail construction projects from start to finish and advises on maintenance issues and historic preservation matters as needed. She manages the Trail Alliance Ownership Council, which coordinates all the various owners of the D&L trail. Lauren graduated in 2012 with a M.S. in Historic Preservation from Clemson University/College of Charleston. She also holds a B.A. in Art History and a B.A. in Studio Art (Drawing)

from Sonoma State University. In addition to her role on the D&L staff, she is an Architectural Historian with the Golden Preservation Company, LLC in Allentown, PA, where she also sits on the Board of Directors for the Allentown Preservation League, a non-profit dedicated to preserving historic buildings. When Lauren isn't working on the trail or with old buildings, she can be found in a park somewhere with her dogs or in her wood shop upcycling furniture and antiques.



### Danielle Wolfrum

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Danielle's role as the Advancement Officer of the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor is to oversee the development office. Her responsibilities include building an annual fund and membership program, grants management, to ensure the database is accurate and current, and development reporting.

Prior to joining the D&L in February 2016, Danielle held development positions at several local non-profits. Most recently as the Development Associate at the Raritan Headwaters Association (RHA). She was the Development Assistant at The Center for Contemporary Art and Manager of Fundraising Events and Museum Membership at Morris Museum. She has also worked in retail and was an intern and a volunteer at the Independence National

Historic Park Library and Archives of the National Park Service.

She earned her BA in History from Rowan University in 2008 and her MA in Museum Management from Montclair State University in 2014. Danielle has also been involved with nonprofit associations in New Jersey. She currently

serves on the Board of the Young Nonprofit Professionals Network of NJ, a networking organization which engages young professionals within the nonprofit sector and was also part of the Conference Planning Committee for the NJ Center for Non-Profits.

She enjoys spending time outdoors hiking, camping, kayaking and gardening.

# **Patrick Stephens**

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Patrick Stephens (Pat) serves as GIS & Data Analyst for the D&L. A graduate of Geography with a concentration in GIS (Geographic Information Systems), Pat earned his degree from Penn State's Schreyers Honors College in 2016. In his position at the D&L, Pat collects and organizes geospatial data related to the D&L Trail. He then uses this data to create maps, reports, and graphics that aid in people's understanding and navigation of the trail and corridor. Pat also manages *Visually Speaking*, the D&L's signage program, and designs on the ground signs as well as many of the map-brochures found along the corridor. When not tinkering with maps, graphics, and data at the D&L, Pat can be found mountain biking on Jim Thorpe's old coal roads, trying to travel internationally on a budget, or at home tinkering with maps for his freelance cartography operation, *offthemaps*.