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LHU professor will discuss Civil War opposition in Pennsylvania  
Upcoming cable TV broadcast

While the Civil War raged, the Appalachian lumbering country of northern Pennsylvania was home to widespread resistance to the war. Lock Haven University historian Robert M. Sandow explores this little-known aspect of Civil War history in an upcoming television broadcast.

Cable network PCN-TV will premier “Deserter Country,” taped at The Union League in Philadelphia, on Friday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. The show will air again on Saturday, October 8 at 2:00 p.m. and Monday, October 10 at 10:00 a.m. The program was produced by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council as part of their “Humanities on the Road” series.

Professor Sandow is the author of “Deserter Country: Civil War Opposition in the Pennsylvania Appalachians.” The Amazon.com website says that Sandow’s book explores “the widespread, sometimes violent opposition in the Appalachian lumber country of Pennsylvania. Sparsely settled, these mountains were home to divided communities that provided safe-haven for opponents of the war. The dissent of mountain folk reflected their own marginality in the face of rapidly increasing exploitation of timber resources by big firms, as well as partisan debates over loyalty.”

A listing of local PCN cable channels is available at <http://www.pcntv.com/inyourarea.html>

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