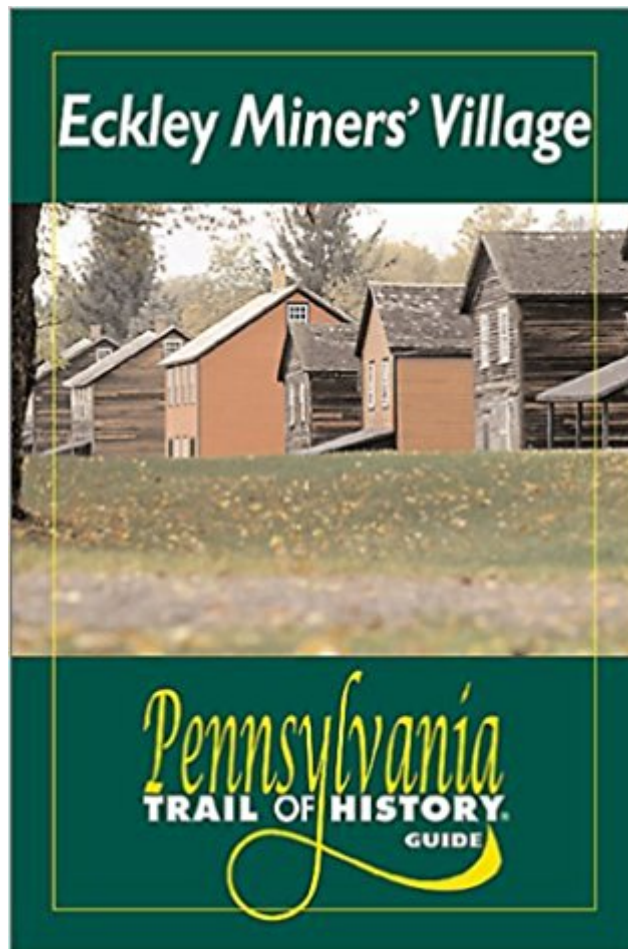




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Perry Blatz teaches history at Duquesne University and is the author of *Democratic Miners: Work and Labor Relations in the Anthracite Coal Industry, 1875-1925*.

This book is very informative on Eckley miner's Village. I bought this book since me great grandmother was born and raised and lived her whole life in eckley. I remembered going to see her in her home as a kid back in the 1970's and wanted to learn more about this town that I may not have known. There were alot of facts in this book that I did remember seeing and knowing about and some I didn't. Overall a good paperback about a small patch town in PA coal country.

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