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SAMA PLANS VISIT TO PHILADELPHIA MUSEUMS

Altoona – As part of its 40th anniversary celebration, the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Altoona is offering a bus trip to visit two Philadelphia museums on April 6. The trip will include self-guided tours at The Philadelphia Museum of Art and The Barnes Foundation. Cost is \$125 per person, with a \$50 non-refundable deposit due with reservation. Seating is limited. Call the Museum at (814) 946-4464 by March 1 for reservations.

On view at The Philadelphia Museum of Art is *International Pop*, an exhibition chronicling Pop art's emergence as an international movement, migrating from the UK and the US to western and eastern Europe, Latin America and Japan. Focusing on work made from 1956 to 1972, *International Pop* presents Pop art as a movement that is at turns celebratory, critical, and probing in its message. American and British Pop is presented alongside lesser known but equally potent examples from Brazil, Germany, France, Japan and other creative centers.

At The Barnes Foundation, guests will view *Picasso: The Great War, Experimentation and Change*. The exhibition examines the dramatic fluctuations in Picasso's style during the period surrounding the First World War, from 1912 to 1924. The show brings together some 50 works by the artist from major American and European museums and private collections, including paintings, drawings, watercolors, and costumes designed for the avant-garde ballet, *Parade*.

Departure is scheduled for 6:45 a.m. on April 6 from the Lowe's parking lot in Altoona. There will be a stop on the return trip at King of Prussia Mall for dinner and shopping. The bus is expected to return to Altoona at 10:30 p.m.

For more information on the trip, please call the Altoona Museum at (814) 946-4464 or visit www.sama-art.org.