Newsletter for the Retirees of Lycoming County



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11th Annual County Retiree Holiday Celebration

You and a guest are invited to our 11th Annual Holiday Buffet Luncheon for Lycoming County Retirees on **Tuesday**, **December 13**, **2016 @ 11:30 a.m.** at the Villa Restaurant, 2016 East Third Street, Williamsport. <u>Cost: \$10 per person</u>.

 Please mail your check and the completed reservation form (below) by: <u>Tuesday, December 6th</u>

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County Retiree Holiday Celebration - 12/13/16	
Mail to:	Lycoming County Human Resources - Retiree Holiday Party
 	48 West Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701
Your Name	
Guest's Name	
AMO	UNT ENCLOSED \$ (\$10 per person)
PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO: Lycoming County Retirees	

Congratulations Retirees!



READY ... SET ... RETIRE

Andrew Lutz Resident Supervisor Retired on 9/9/16 after 26 years with the County



Wayne Benson

Resource Recovery Assistant Manager—

RMS Retired on 10/28/16 after 22 years with the County Karen Schramm Clerk III—DA Will be retire on

Will be retire on 12/2/16 after 7 years with the County



Jerry Fink

Maintenance Manager—Prison

Will retire on 12/31/16 after 37 years with the County



Thomas Leonard Truck Driver-RMS Will retire on 01/27/17 after 20 years with the County

<u>Attention Retirees :</u> Are you interested in becoming a member of the Lycoming County Retiree Group? The cost to join is \$10. As a member you will receive postcard notices regarding retiree luncheons held every other month as well as special events held by the committee! This is a great way to net-work with fellow county retirees & enjoy an afternoon out! If you would like to join, please see the back page for member dues and details.

The 2016-2017 Lycoming County United Way Campaign

If you are interested in donating, but are not sure how to go about doing so, please contact Tim Mahoney at 570-326-0385 or email : mahoneyt2@comcast.net for infor-



mation & pledge forms!

Lycoming County United Way supports human service programs in five identified critical needs areas:

- Nurturing our Children
- Serving those with special needs
 - Caring for people in crisis
 - Supporting our seniors
 - Strengthening our families

Any pledge made can be specifically designated for one of the need areas listed above or they can all benefit by simply contributing to the Lycoming County community fund.

Great things happen when we Live United!

Lycoming County Retirees Picnic

Officers Present:

ALICE BAIR—Chair JEAN STUMP - Vice Chair BARB THOMAS—Treasurer ESTHER CRAWFORD COHICK—Secretary



The Annual Lycoming County Retirees Picnic was held again this year by invitation at Russ & Marie Reitz's "Gracious Meadows" farm on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 11:30 am with 33 members and guests present. Russ Reitz gave the invocation.

The weather was warm & sunny. We were at the pavilion and were protected from to much exposure to the elements.

A brief meeting was held. The secretary read the minutes from the previous meeting of April 14, 2016 & motion to accept made by Ray Holland and seconded by Jerry Walls. Members present were in agreement and they were approved as read.

A motion to pay the Reitz's for the meat provided was made by Jerry Walls and seconded by Ray Holland. The motion passed unanimously.

The treasurer report was given by Barb Thomas and we have a balance of \$969.97. Motion made to accept made by Russ Reitz and seconded by Marie Jacoby.

Russ Reitz offered Gracious Meadows for next years picnic and the retirees accepted the invitation.

A motion was made by Jean Stump and seconded by Larry Campbell for the same menu next year: London Broil, Corn-on-the-cob, Baked Potatoes, Salad, Beverage & Desserts. The group voted in favor.

The meal time has been changed to 1pm per motion by Barb Hall & Marie Jacoby to allow the Reitz's more time for unforeseen circumstances (4 cows got out today and had to be rounded up!) Everyone present, voted in favor.

Anyone planning to go on bus trip on September 28th must get their reservation in by August 22nd. If not enough reservation the trip will have to be cancelled.

Motion to adjourn made by Ray Holland and members seconded.

Esther Crawford Cohick, Secretary

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Minutes: Thursday, October 13, 2016

LYCOMING COUNTY RETIREES MEETING

Officers Present:

ALICE BAIR—Chair JEAN STUMP—Vice Chair ESTHER CRAWFORD-COHICK—Secretary



There were 28 members and guests present at Perkins for lunch & meeting.

'Welcome Back' Connie Dewald—after heart surgery and therapy. 'Happy 80th Birthday' (today) to Russ Reitz.

Barb Thomas, Treasurer was unable to attend as her husband Phil was having cancer surgery at Geisinger today. Scott Thomas (Phil's brother) and his spouse Janice were at Geisinger too. Our thoughts & prayers go out to the entire family.

Per Alice 'No more bus trips' as even the one scheduled for September 28th was cancelled for lack of interest.

Minutes read by Esther Crawford-Cohick. Motion to accept made by Ralph Lukens and LuAnn Yohn seconded. Members present approved.

There is approximately \$800 in the treasury per Barb Thomas' notification after recent bills for the Lycoming County Picnic was paid.

Our organization recently received a letter of request from the Food Bank for another donation again this year. That will be brought up at the Christmas Party along with any suggestions from the members and decided upon. Money donations will be collected at that time.

The Christmas Party will be held at the Villa on the second Tuesday in December (12/13/16). Patty Faber has been working on the reservation and commented approximately 80 can be accommodated—so get your reservation in ASAP. The form will be coming out soon.

NEW BUSINESS: LuAnn Yohn said Order of Eastern Star is having 'Basket Bingo' in Jersey Shore on November 6, 2016. And a dedication in Avis at Veteran Monument/Tank is on 11/12/16 @ 10Am—meal afterwards.

Motion to adjourn made by Maggie Emerick and Seconded by Nancy Toles.

Ballot/Suggestion for New Officers was handed out and collected for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

Nestle Toll House Chocolate Chip Pan Cookie

Recipe submitted by Esther Crawford Cohick

INGREDIENTS:

2 1/4 cups all purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
2 sticks butter, softened
3/4 cup granulated sugar
3/4 cup brown sugar, packed
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 large eggs
2 cups (12 oz package) nestle toll house semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 cup nuts (if desired)

DIRECTIONS:

Pre-heat oven to 375. Grease a 15x10 inch jello roll pan or a 9x13 inch baking pan. Either one works.

Combine flour, baking soda & salt in a small bowl. Beat butter, both sugars, and vanilla in large mixer bowl. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Gradually beat in flour mixture. Stir in chocolate chips & nuts, if using. Spread into prepared pan.

A note from the Controller's Office...



In September, Wilmington Trust (M&T Bank) became our new paying agent for all pension payments. Basically, this means that the Retirement Fund has switched banks (from Bank of America).

You may also notice a slight difference in your pension deposit. This is because Wilmington Trust uses the "Annualized Percentage" method for taxing pensions; the County used the "Monthly Percentage"

method. If you would like to add an additional withholding amount to your Federal Income tax, please contact the Controller's Office to complete a new W-4P.

In January of 2017, each retiree will receive two separate 1099Rs. One will come from the Lycoming County Controller's Office and one will come from Wilmington Trust. You will need both of the 1099Rs to add together for your income tax filing.

Reminder: If you have a change of address, please call the Controller's Office to update us. Thanks!

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Nicki or Krista in the Controller's office (570-327-2295).

We hope you have a great Holiday Season and a Happy 2017!

LYCOMING **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

R. Jack McKernan Tony R. Mussare **Richard Mirabito**

Retiree Group Officers

CHAIR—Alice Bair 570 322-6052 CO-CHAIR—Jean Stump 570 220-8389 **S**ECRETARY—Esther Cohick 570 323-6405 **TREASURER**—Barb Thomas

570 322-6460

SEE YOUR NEWSLETTER IN COLOR!!!

qo to: www.lyco.org & click on the link for "Human Resources"

At the bottom of the page you will find a link to the Retiree Page & Newsletters



Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

Tuesday, December 13th, 11:30 a.m.

HOLIDAY PARTY \$10 per person

Please RSVP (see front page of newsletter) by December 6th.

MEMBER DUES FOR 2017 : \$10

Make check payable to "Lycoming County Retirees" – Mail directly to:

Barb Thomas

1045 Rural Avenue

Williamsport, PA 17701