

READY...SET...RETIRE!

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Mark your Calendar
for our **SUMMER**



WHERE: Gracious Meadows, Russ and Marie Reitz Farm, 2549 Lick Run Road, Williamsport.

WHEN: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 at 11:30 a.m.

PLEASE BRING: either a dessert OR a tossed salad (NO DRESSING, PLEASE)

RSVPs REQUIRED: Please call Marie by Tuesday, August 4th, at 435-2223 or 220-7875.

The following will be provided: Marinated London Broil, Corn-on-the-cob, baked potato, dressing for the tossed salads and beverage.

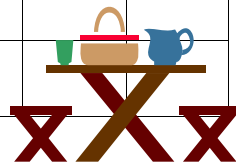
Directions: From 180, take the Faxon exit (25) onto Northway Road. Travel 5 miles to Lick Run Road (right turn). Gracious Meadows is the second farm on right. There will be signs directing you to the pond. A short business meeting will be conducted during the picnic.

THANKS TO OUR HOSTS, RUSS & MARIE, FOR THEIR HOSPITALITY!



AUGUST 2009

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Minutes of the February 12, 2009
LYCOMING COUNTY RETIREES MEETING
Held at Hoss's Steak and Sea House

Twenty-eight people were present at the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Alice Bair.

Secretary's Report: Secretary, Nancy Stugart, read the secretary's report. A motion to accept the report was made by Patty Fawber; seconded by Esther Crawford. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Ann Kilburn, reported that \$200.00 was donated to the Salvation Army, \$200.00 was donated to The Needle Work Guild Of America, and \$444.44 was spent on the Christmas party. There is \$256.76 in the bank and \$100.00 in dues was collected today. Ralph Lukens made a motion to accept the report; seconded by Nancy Toles. Passed.

- Alice discussed a few reasons why some people said they do not attend the meetings. (1) they do not approve how the treasury money is spent (2) they are not aware of what is happening. (1) Members of the Lycoming County Retirees who attend the meetings can make suggestions and vote as to how the treasury money is spent. (2) To make everyone aware of what is happening the minutes from the meetings will be published in the newsletter.
- Alice asked if anyone knew the results from the survey Joan Blank sent to everyone. No one was aware of the results. She will check on the results of the survey.
- There are still 12 seats available for the Sight and Sound bus trip.
- Patty Fawber reported that she spoke with someone from the Villa Restaurant about having the Christmas luncheon at the Villa. The price of the Italian Buffet is \$15.95 which includes tax and gratuity. The Italian Buffet includes: Italian Chicken, Lasagna, Meat Balls, Fettuccini Alfredo, Anti Pasta Salad, Bread and Peppers, Dessert, Coffee, Tea, Ice Tea or Soda. Connie Rupert made a motion to have the Christmas Party at the Villa; seconded by LaRue Danley. The motion was passed.
- The Christmas Party will be December 08, 2009 at 11:30AM at the Villa.
- A suggestion was made that everyone bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the food bank in lieu of having a gift exchange at the Christmas party. LaRue Danley made a motion to bring food in lieu of a gift exchange; seconded by Ray Holland. The motion was passed.
- A motion was made by LaRue Danley to pay \$1.00 from the treasury toward the Christmas meal, making the cost of the meal \$15.00; seconded by Ann Kilburn. The motion was passed.
- The next meeting will be April 14, 2009 at 11:30AM.
- Ray Holland made a motion the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Stugart

Nancy Stugart, Secretary

Minutes of the April 14, 2009
LYCOMING COUNTY RETIREES MEETING
Held at Sky View Restaurant

Forty people were present at the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Alice Bair.

Secretary's Report: Secretary, Nancy Stugart, read the secretary's report. A motion to accept the report was made by Rick Wehler; seconded by Ralph Lukens. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Ann Kilburn, reported an additional \$160.00 was collected for dues. There is a balance of \$516.76 in the bank. A motion to accept the report was made by Bob Coolidge; seconded by Marie Jacoby. Passed.

- Alice reported there was a misunderstanding about the Christmas luncheon. It is a buffet and the menu is Baked Ziti, Tuna Salad, Cold Cuts, Cake, Coffee, Tea or Iced Tea. The price of the luncheon is \$10.95 per person which includes tax and gratuity. A motion was made and passed at the February 12th meeting to pay a portion of the cost from the treasury. The cost of the luncheon will be \$10.00 per person. The Christmas luncheon will be December 08, 2009 at 11:30AM at the Villa Restaurant. A motion to have the Christmas luncheon at the Villa Restaurant with the revised menu was made by Scott Thomas; seconded by Ann Kilburn. Passed.
- Alice will have the results from the survey Joan Blank sent to everyone at the next meeting.
- Alice is looking into a luncheon cruise at Raystown Lake and a September bus trip to Gettysburg.
- Russ and Marie Reitz have invited our group to their farm again this year for the August picnic. The picnic will be August 11th at 11:30AM. Everyone is to bring a dessert or tossed salad with no dressing.
- Guest speaker, James Dinsmore, from Liberty Mutual Insurance gave a presentation.
- Ralph Lukens made a motion the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Rick Wehler.
- The meeting was then adjourned.

The next meeting will be June 11, 2009 at 11:30AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Stugart

Nancy Stugart, Secretary

Congratulations to our Latest Retirees!



*Left to right: Commissioner Wheeland, Rebecca Mutchler,
Commissioner Burke, Judge Sortman*

Rebecca Mutchler Courts

Retired September 5, 2008
after more than 20 years
with the county

Doreen Eachus Treasurer's Office

Retired September 26, 2008
after more than 6 years
with the county



Left to right: Doreen Eachus and Commissioner Wheeland

Congratulations to our Latest Retirees!

Donald Warner
Adult Probation

Retired November 29, 2008
after more than 11 years
with the county



Bill Kilpatrick
Prison

Retired November 12, 2008
after more than 21 years
with the county

*Left to right: Commissioner Larson, Bill Kilpatrick,
Commissioner Burke, Commissioner Wheeland*

Congratulations to our Latest Retirees!

Joann Glunk
Resource Management
Services

Retired December 19, 2008
after almost 19 years
with the county



*Left to right: Commissioner Larson, Paul and Joann Glunk,
Commissioner Burke, Commissioner Wheeland*



Dave Lorson

Pre-Release Center

Retired December 29, 2008
after more than 19 years
with the county

Left to right: Fred Marty and Dave Lorson

Congratulations to our Latest Retirees!



Gary Hutchinson

Public Safety

Retired May 1, 2009

(on his birthday)

after more than 25
years with the county

Beverly Bennett

Planning &
Comm. Development

Will retire May 15, 2009

after almost 20 years
with the county



Abbey Tales



~ submitted by Nancy Stugart

During the holidays Abbey was busy getting “dressed up” and doing her Christmas and New Year visits. I get a lot of comments about the way she enjoys being “dressed up” and doesn’t mind wearing a holiday headdress. When she sees me getting her things out she gets so excited she starts going in circles. She knows that it is time for her to go and visit. She is always excited to go anywhere but her reaction is totally different when she knows she is going visiting. When we get to wherever we are going to visit she is so proud she walks down the hall strutting her stuff enjoying all the attention. But when she is visiting the patients she knows it is her job to cheer them up and put a smile on their faces. After each and every one of her visits I am awed by the way she handles herself during her visit and the way she always gives 100%.

For everyone that did not like the snow and ice this winter.....
 someone enjoyed it!

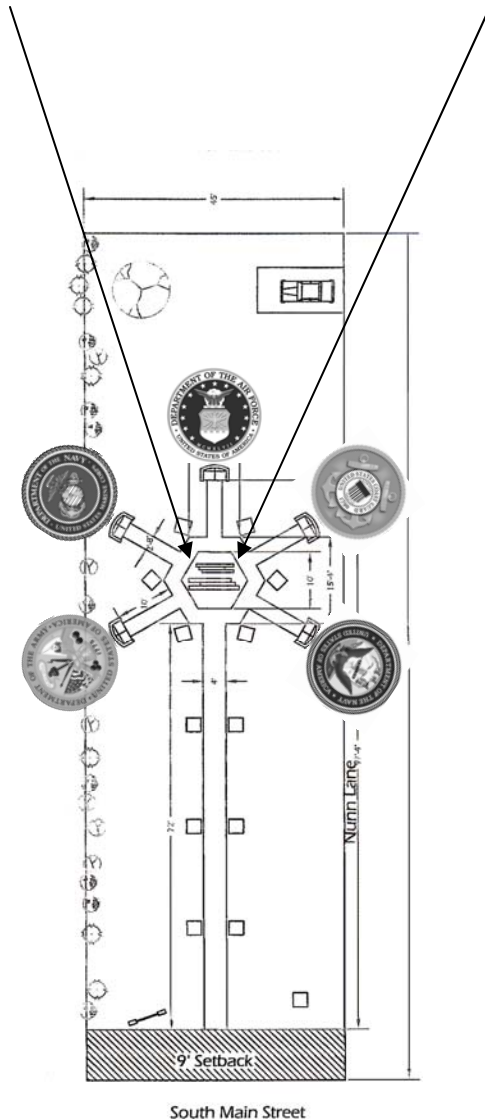


Picture Rocks to Become New Home for Veterans Memorial Park

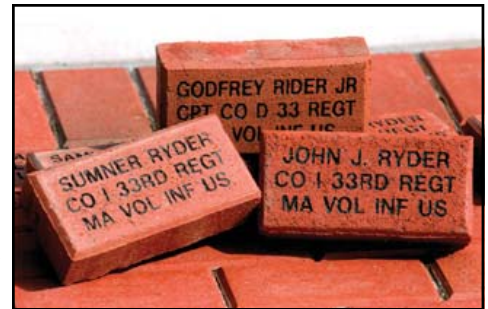


The existing war memorial in Hughesville at Main and Academy streets has been maintained by the Veterans of the Vietnam War Post PA-51 since 1989. Later this year, it will be dismantled and transported about three miles north to a site under development to be known as Picture Rocks Veterans Memorial Park at Nunn Lane and Route 220.

According to a preliminary plan, the monument (see photo, top left) will be positioned in the center of the park with plaques surrounding it that represent the five branches of the armed forces. A brick walkway will be installed leading up to and around the Veterans Memorial (see drawing, bottom left).



To raise funds, bricks are being sold for \$50 each, which will be used to create the walkway. The contributor can choose to have information about a veteran engraved on the brick (see samples at right). The inscription may include his or her name, branch of service, rank, conflict served, and dates of services. The engraving will be limited to three lines of type, fifteen characters per line (including punctuation and spaces). Additional funds will be raised through corporate and business donations.



Sample paver bricks

For more information or to place your order for a brick, please contact any of the following Veterans Memorial Committee members:

Gene Otterbein 584-5465
 Susan Earl 584-3369
 Sherry Gardner 371-8590
 Randy Sayman 547-6527

Chris Smith 584-3339
 Carl Miller 584-5428
 Bruce Little 584-3096
 Martin Payne 458-4490

Order forms are also available at the Office of Veterans Affairs for Lycoming County, 330 Pine Street, Williamsport (phone 320-8157).

Recipe Corner



Peanut Butter Easter Eggs (a little late for Easter but still a yummy treat to make!)

Ingredients

- ½ cup butter (no substitutes), softened
- 1 cup Jiff peanut butter (reduced-fat or generic brands of peanut butter are not recommended)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 cups confectioners' sugar
- 2 cups (12 ounces) semisweet chocolate chips
- ¼ cup shortening

Preparation

In a small mixing bowl, cream the butter, peanut butter and vanilla; mix well. Gradually beat in confectioners' sugar. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.

With a rounded tablespoon of peanut butter mixture form into an egg shape.

In a microwave, melt chocolate chips and shortening; stir until smooth. Dip peanut butter eggs in chocolate; place on waxed paper.

Refrigerate for at least 1 hour. Makes about 2 dozen.

Submitted by Nancy Stugart

Rachael's Cheesy Scalloped Potatoes

Ingredients

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| 5 or 6 red potatoes, washed and unpeeled | 3 tablespoons butter or margarine |
| 1/3 cup sliced green onions | 1/3 cup chopped red bell pepper |
| 1 clove garlic, minced | 1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper |
| 2 cups light cream | 3/4 cup milk |
| 3/4 teaspoon salt | 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper |
| 1 cup (4 oz.) shredded Swiss cheese | 1/4 cup grated or shredded parmesan cheese |

Preparation

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Cut potatoes into 1/8-inch slices, set aside. Melt butter in large saucepan or Dutch oven over medium-high heat, add green onions, red bell pepper, garlic, and ground red pepper. Cook, stirring constantly, for 2 minutes. Add cream, milk, salt and pepper, stirring well.

Add potato slices; bring to boil over medium heat, then cook, stirring gently, for 15 minutes or until potato slice are tender. Spoon into lightly greased 11 x 7-inch baking dish. Sprinkle top with cheeses. Bake in preheated oven for 45 minutes or until bubbly and top is golden brown.

Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

Submitted by Joan Blank

BUS TRIP TO GETTYSBURG

Join us for a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

The next bus trip will be on **Wednesday, September 9**, to Gettysburg.



We will:

- Tour the Battlefield
- Visit the new Visitors Center to see the Civil War Museum, a film, and the new Panorama.
- Have lunch at Dobbins House, a home used on the Underground Railway.

COST: \$65.00 per person which includes bus fare, the tour, entrance fee to the Visitors Center, the film, the museum, the Panorama, and the buffet lunch.

We will have time for a stop at the Gettysburg Outlets in the afternoon. There will be a fast food stop on the way down, and again on the way home.

For more information or reservations, contact Alice Bair at 322-6052.



ARE YOU A U.S. NAVY SUBMARINE VETERAN?

If you have served aboard a submarine, qualified and earned your highly coveted dolphins, we are looking for you.

We are trying to determine if there is enough interest in starting a Chapter of United States Submarine Veterans, Inc., in the Greater Lycoming County area.

If you're a member of U.S.S.V.I currently, but a member at a distant chapter, let's get one started here.

If you're a member of World War II Submarine Veterans, Inc., you can become a member also, as that organization will shortly be folded into U.S.S.V.I.

Central Pennsylvania has sent a substantial number of young men to the Silent Service, some never to return. If you are interested, please call Bill Reasner, 570-326-1848 or e-mail me at, BillReasner1@aol.com

FORMER COMMISSIONER CROWNED MARDI GRAS KING!

Our former commissioner and fellow retiree, Paul Bloom, has recently returned home after a three-month stay at Sycamore Manor in Montoursville. While he was a resident there, he was crowned Mardi Gras King during their celebration in February. Mae Kressly of Trout Run, was crowned Mardi Gras Queen. If you would like to drop him a note, you may write to him at:

Paul Bloom
73 Parkwood Place
Williamsport, PA 17701

Pictured below is King Paul with Queen Mae.



WE WISH A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR FRIENDS WHO ARE CELEBRATING IN MAY, JUNE & JULY:

May 1 Gary Hutchinson
May 1 Sherry Neenan
May 2 Marie Jacoby
May 3 Connie Dewald
May 3 Patty Fawber
May 6 Phyllis Feese/Guyette
May 12 Thelma Breidinger
May 14 Barb Hall
May 17 Alvena Tupper
May 21 Brett Feese
May 25 John Scott Thomas
May 29 Mary Wyles
May 31 Eunice Stover



June 1 Doris Hursh
June 4 Tom Corbett
June 7 John Monahan
June 9 Stephen Schlesing
June 17 Susan Morris
June 18 Josephine Coleman
June 18 Lois Wertman
June 18 Cheryl Stiber
June 20 Charlene Koletar
June 20 Pauline Montgomery
June 22 Jerry Walls
June 22 Carolyn Wither
June 27 Marge Thompson
June 28 Harry Bryson

July 1 Gary Little
July 7 Joann Bixler
July 11 Ralph Lukens
July 11 Dave Lorson
July 16 Florence Burns
July 16 Glenn Shaw
July 17 Elizabeth Gipe
July 19 Rebecca Mutchler
July 20 Allen Kaplan
July 21 Esther Reese
July 21 Bob Coolidge
July 21 Jim Reed
July 25 Chrystie Engle
July 30 Dudley Anderson
July 31 Frank Metzger
July 31 William Kelly
July 31 Ev Kreger

**LYCOMING COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS**

REBECCA A. BURKE
ERNEST P. LARSON
JEFF C. WHEELAND

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322-6052

CO-CHAIR—Ralph Lukens
323-4006

SECRETARY—Nancy Stugart
435-0923

TREASURER—Ann Kilburn
435-2769

Meeting Schedule

- **Thursday, June 11, 11:30 a.m.**
Hoss's Steak & Sea House, 3rd St.
- **Tuesday, August 11, 11:30 a.m.**
Summer Picnic at the Reitz Farm
- **Thursday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.**
Location to be announced
- **Tuesday, December 8 11:30 a.m.**
Holiday Celebration at the
Villa Restaurant \$10 per person

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

2009 membership dues of \$10
may be mailed directly to:

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Cogan Station, PA 17728**

Please make your check out to
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