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Baskets, 'Challenge' help fight hunger

WHEN YOU COMBINE the holiday spirit with the fraternal spirit, you can create one powerful force for good. WPA proved that once again over the last several months of 2013 when our branches participated in our annual Holiday Basket program and our employees accepted the third "Home Office Challenge."

Our branches demonstrated their members' fraternal spirit by creating and distributing a total of 113 baskets of food and other necessities worth more than \$5,700 to families in need over the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

About 77 percent of our active branches participated in the latest Holiday Basket program. Our goal for this year is to achieve 100 percent participation.

Meanwhile, the Home Office Challenge pitted the office's major departments--the President's, Secretary's and Treasurer's departments--against each other to see which could donate the most non-perishable items for the local food bank.

The dry and canned goods donated by all three departments weighed a whopping 1,120.5 pounds



Employees of the WPA's Secretary's Department who won the third Home Office Challenge: (front, l-r) Mary A. Kelly-Lovasz, Antoinette M. Garofalo and Judith K. Chakey; (back, l-r) Alyssa Trunzo, Judit I. Borsay, Susan M. Robison, Debra S. Evans, Krista K. Broderick, Cassandra Holmes, Stephanie L. Martincsek and Kerri L. Kramer. (Photo by Alexander Patho Photography)

and were delivered to the food bank at Northside Common Ministries in mid-December. The Secretary's Department won the Challenge for the second time, but all three departments responded in the true fraternal spirit.

We thank all those who helped in these efforts to fight hunger.

Turn your scholarship donation into a special message or greeting

Looking for a different way to wish your child a happy birthday? Would you like to wish that special someone a happy Easter? Or, would you like to share memories of a deceased loved one?

Beginning with this issue, *William Penn Life* will publish your personal messages as part of our "Recent Donations" section. So, now you can express greetings, wishes or heartfelt memories while supporting our Scholarship Foundation.

The length and content of your message or greeting will be based on the amount of your donation as follows:

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Please remember the deadline for each issue is the 10th day of the previous month. (For example, the deadline for the March issue is Feb. 10.)

To place your personalized donation, send your check and message--along with your phone number and email address--to: WPFA Scholarship Foundation, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233. Please make your check payable to "William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc."

Correction

On page 26 of our January 2014 issue, we published a photo of children gathered around Santa Claus at a branch family Christmas party. We incorrectly identified the branch. That photo was actually from a party hosted by Branch 296 Springdale, Pa. We apologize for the error.

Want to go **green** with your magazine?

If you would prefer reading an electronic version of our magazine and wish to stop receiving a printed copy, please contact John E. Lovasz at our Home Office. Let us know whether you would prefer to receive a PDF copy sent to your email or to receive an email alert that the latest issue is available online at the WPA website. To go green with your magazine, call 1-800-848-7366, ext. 135, or send an email to jlovasz@williampennassociation.org.



Continuing our fraternal mission

IT IS SO UPLIFTING to report that on February 21, 2014, our Association will celebrate its 128th anniversary as the only Hungarian fraternal life insurance society in the United States. As we celebrate yet another milestone, we must always remember the dedicated founders of William Penn Association. We also remember and thank all of the past and present officers, directors, former auditors, employees, sales representatives and members who devoted so much time of their lives to building our Association that is shared by us today, with much pride and fond memories.

Our Association is still dedicated to the promotion of service to others. While our members always come first in our minds, we also make an effort to assist others outside of our membership. We have a history of dedicated individuals who, over the years, have labored long and hard to promote our Association and the fraternal spirit of volunteerism.

William Penn Association flourishes because we strive to preach and practice fraternalism, brotherhood and financial security. To sustain this tradition, we must grow with new members, products and services, in fraternal activities and benevolent acts of generosity towards others. Our foundation was built on caring, sharing and performing acts of loving kindness, and it is right that we continue this fraternal mission as we build our future.

It is inspiring to know that our Association realizes the importance of family and will continue to support the family and family values. We at WPA encourage parents and grandparents to continue stepping up, taking control and finding creative solutions that work for their families. On behalf of my wife, Dianne, and son, Steve, as a family and members, we salute William Penn Association.

There are essential considerations in this most competitive business world. Let us not forget, we are competing for our members' insurance and investment needs as well as their leisure and recreational time.

We are continuously working to develop new programs and products for growth. So remember, the next time one of our sales representatives asks to review your insurance, welcome him or her into your home. Our sales representatives, along with you our membership, represent our Association's future.



In our 128th year of service to our members, we have again renewed our commitment with steadfast faith to restore and support branch fraternal activities and continue the passion and commitment of our Home Office staff to render prompt and efficient service.

Our National Directors are prepared to meet the many new challenges which lie ahead. Our National Directors, along with your National Officers, have been planning for greater participation and attendance at our fraternal and branch activities.

There are still emerging signs of "new life" at William Penn Association. Our members are seeking information about language and cultural subjects, as well as assistance in locating relatives. They are searching for their roots, recommitting themselves to the traditions they have inherited and passing on those traditions to future generations.

We have begun to communicate, reassert and reestablish William Penn Association's pre-eminent position as a recognized leader in American-Hungarian life. We shall continue to do so.

Our National Directors and National Officers continue making the changes necessary for William Penn Association's future growth and long-term success.

As we move forward, our Association will continue to dedicate itself to you. Our fraternal spirit is still glowing like the spirit in the hearts of the founders of our Association more than 128 years ago.

We all have a voice, and when we come together and use that voice, we can make positive changes. Keep using that voice; keep standing up and demanding something better for tomorrow. □



'Isten Segítségével' 1886-2014

A William Penn Association Testvérségítő egyeslet fennállásának 128-ik évfordulója alkalmából az egyesület vezetői és tagjai a jól végzett munka boldogító tudatával tekinthetnek a nagy múltba, százhuszonnyolc esztendő hosszú idő az amerikai magyar életünkbe és hosszú idő egyesületünk, életében is.

Tagok, árvák, tanulók, egyházak, magyar testvéreink itt és az óhazában látja és tudja, hogy egyesületünk mindig csak adott és ad olyan mint egy jó anya. Jóban - rosszban az egyeslet szíve együttver tagjaival, adja az Isten, hogy a WPA tovább fejlődjék, erősödjék és hivatásának tovább tehessen eleget.

Levett kalappal gratulálok a 128. év fordulóján!

'In union with God' 1886-2014

WPA is celebrating its 128th anniversary, thanks to the efforts of the Association's leaders and members. What an accomplishment: 128 years is a long period of time in the lives of Hungarian Americans as well as American society.

Our members, our Hungarian brothers and sisters in the old country, orphans, students, churches and you, the reader, can attest that fraternal societies, like good parents, always give. In good times and bad, our heart beats to the rhythm of our members. Our current guaranteed issue life insurance program, which helps many people with their life insurance needs, is just one example.

And so it is that we hand over our future to our Almighty God as WPA continues to evolve, strengthen and further its mission to meet the demands of our members in this ever-changing world.

We tip our hats to you. Congratulations, WPA, on your 128th Anniversary!

Magyar Matters

Hungarian Room Committee offers taste of Magyar culture at open house

PITTSBURGH - The Hungarian Room Committee offered a taste of Magyar culture to guests attending a Holiday Open House hosted Dec. 8 by the Nationality Rooms at the University of Pittsburgh.

The theme of the Hungarian Room Committee table was "*Budai Cukrázda*" (Buda Sweet Shop). The committee raised \$544 from the sale of baked goods, coffee and other items.

Among the WPA members helping that day were National Vice President-Treasurer Diane M. Torma, National Director Katherine E. Novak, her father Steve Novak and J. Alan Gardocky.

The committee also received donations of cookies and money from: William Penn Association; WPA Vice Chair William J. Bero; WPA Vice Chair Nickolas M. and Shirley Kotik; WPA National Directors Katherine E. Novak and Roger G. Nagy; WPA members Kati Csoman, and Violet and Ernest Sarosi; and The Bethlen Communities.

Among those stopping by to visit

the table were WPA National Vice President-Fraternal Endre & Arlene Csoman, Joseph Csoman, Connie Shotton Shaffer, and Alex and Margaret Patho.

Many guests reminisced about their youth. They seemed delighted as they sampled the traditional baked goods. Several people said they sought out the Hungarian table just for the coffee. The committee sold every cake and pastry it had to offer.

Committee Chair Kati Csoman said the committee is looking forward to updating the Christmas decorations for the Hungarian Room next year. The WPA Board of Directors has already offered to buy a new tree for the room, she said. The committee will also be sending out information about donations of ornaments for the Christmas tree in memory or honor of a loved one.

Information about the 75th Anniversary Celebration for the Hungarian Room planned for April will be announced soon, Ms. Csoman said.

In Brief

□ The Hungarian Social Club of McKeesport, Pa., will host its annual Valentine's Day Dinner-Dance Saturday, Feb. 15, at 3004 Walnut St., McKeesport. Admission is \$10 per person. Food will be sold beginning at 6:00 p.m. with music for dancing starting at 8:00 p.m. The menu includes Venison Pörkölt with dumplings (\$10) and cabbage and noodles (\$5). There will be a cash bar. For more information and reservations, call Rose Gerzsenyi at 724-864-0042.

□ "Brilliance of Hungarian Minds" will be the theme of this year's Paprika Ball to be hosted by the Cleveland Hungarian Development Panel (CHDP) Saturday, March 1, at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Cleveland. Tickets for the black tie benefit range from \$200 to \$500 per person. Tables of eight start at \$2,500. For more information, call 440-256-2264 or log onto www.clevelandhdp.org. Deadline for reservations is Feb. 14.



Wintertime is soup time

MOTHER NATURE has left no doubt that we are in the thick of winter. We must have done something to upset her as this new year has been, for the most part, extraordinarily, bitterly cold. And it's not just us lucky folks in the north who have been the beneficiaries of Mother Nature's frigid favoritism; she has generously spread the Arctic experience to most of the nation.

It's times like these that make me even happier to be in the kitchen. I love when my kitchen windows get foggy; it's visual evidence of the warmth being generated by my oven. It makes me feel extra toasty...and even gladder to be indoors!

Of course, this is the time of year when everyone appreciates a big, steaming bowl of piping-hot homemade soup.

Now, I have a confession to make: my wife is the soup master in the family, and lately she's been "hitting it out of the park," as they say in baseball. I mean she has been on a serious roll with the ladle, making one fantastic soup after another. She also has made some hearty breads to go along with her soups. Believe you me, I have had no problem stepping aside and letting her take control of the kitchen. Besides, who has enjoyed the fruits of her labor? Let's just say I've had to loosen my belt a notch.

Soup and bread: a perfect combination to take some of the chill off of winter. Below are some recipes you can try to warm up your family. They come from *A Taste of Hungarian Heaven*, WPA's outstanding cookbook, available for a \$20 donation to our Scholarship Foundation.

String Bean Soup with Sour Cream

- 1 pound fresh string beans, snipped & cut into 1-inch pieces
- 6 cups vegetable stock
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt
- 3 whole cloves garlic on toothpick
- 1 teaspoon vinegar
- 3 pats butter
- 1 small onion, diced fine
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 2 tablespoons chopped parsley
- 4 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup sour cream

In a large saucepan, drop beans into vegetable stock and add salt, garlic and vinegar. Simmer until the beans are nearly tender. Remove from heat and set aside. In another saucepan, melt the butter and cook the onion until it turns translucent. Add the paprika, parsley and flour; stir until the roux is done, about 5 minutes. Dilute the roux with a cup of your vegetable stock and continue adding all the stock into the roux. Add the beans and continue cooking until the beans are tender. Take the soup off heat and let cool. Remove the garlic cloves on toothpick from the soup. Mix 3 tablespoons of the soup into the sour cream until you have a smooth liquid. Slowly pour the sour cream mixture back into the soup. Season to taste with salt and white pepper. Bring soup back to a simmer and serve.

RECIPES

Squash Soup

- 4 cups butternut or acorn squash cut into ½-inch cubes
- 1 quart milk
- 2-finger pinch nutmeg
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 8 slices white bread, crusts removed & lightly toasted.
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1 cup medium-dry sherry
- Salt & white pepper

In a large saucepan, combine the squash, milk, sugar and nutmeg. Simmer over medium heat until squash is soft, but don't let the milk boil over, about 20 to 30 minutes. Add bread to soup and simmer for another 5 minutes. Remove from heat and purée soup in a blender. If you want a finer grain soup, strain it through a fine-mesh strainer. Put back in saucepan on stove and add the cream and the sherry, bringing mixture back to a simmer. If soup is too thick, thin down with more milk. Adjust seasoning to taste, then serve your guests.

German Dark Rye Bread

- 3 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 2 envelopes active dry yeast
- ¼ cup cocoa powder
- 1 tablespoon caraway seed
- 2 cups water
- ⅓ cup molasses
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt
- 3 to 3½ cups rye flour

Preheat oven to 400°F. In a large mixing bowl, combine flour, yeast, cocoa powder and caraway seed until well blended. In a saucepan, put water, molasses, butter, sugar and salt. Heat until just warm, stirring all the while. Add contents of saucepan to mixing bowl and beat on low speed with an electric mixer. Scrape sides of bowl down while mixing for 45 seconds. Beat on high speed for 3 minutes. By hand, stir in enough rye flour to make a soft dough. Turn onto a floured surface and knead until very smooth. Cover with a damp towel and let set for 20 minutes. Punch down and divide dough in half. Shape each half into a round loaf and place on a greased pie plate. Brush surface with a little cooking oil and score the top of each loaf with a sharp knife. Let rise until double in size. Bake for 30 minutes or until done. Remove from plate and cool on rack. Makes 2 loaves.



Historical preservation

A STACK OF BOOKS lies in my apartment, collecting dust. I call it my “to-do” pile because it is composed of books that I have yet to read. This past winter break, I read one book from the pile, a book on anthropology entitled *Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed* by Jared Diamond, an author of several bestselling books on popular scientific topics for a general audience. In his book, Diamond surveys several currently existing and extinct civilizations, trying to determine why certain societies thrive while others go the way of the dodo. What I learned from that book inspired this month's Take.

To be sure, I am not going to make the same tired conclusions that have been made by many American-Hungarians (yours truly included) that the diasporic culture of the Magyars of North America is quickly dying off. Instead, Diamond's work made me think of a different issue. He describes how scientists have to postulate on many of the finer details and complexities of many extinct cultures because there are no written records about these cultures: no books, no writings, no alphabet. Thus, Diamond writes, it is left to modern scholars to take whatever meager physical evidence remains (in the form of clay pots, bones, etc.), draw whatever conclusions they can and just guess at the rest.

This observation made me wonder: If the American-Hungarian community continues to exist into the future, what will our descendants know in terms of what our heritage looked like? Felt like? Tasted like? Sounded like? I thought of some extinct societies and wondered if those peoples had thought, as we do now, that their various traditions, stories and other components of their civilization would

persevere throughout the ages, never thinking that their feeble attempts to memorialize their culture would be swept away by time and the elements? I thought that we, too, may be falling into such a cognitive trap.

After all, photographs, newspaper clippings, postcards, records and tapes do not last forever. Rather, some of these historical technologies persist for only a few years before decaying.

I realized I have no idea what a Hungarian wedding actually sounded like in 1912 or what a filled-to-capacity Sunday morning Hungarian church would look like. Instead, I only have a vague idea, some cloudy, hazy concept distilled from second-hand accounts of what people know about such events. This regrettable fact is the fault of no person or group: the technology was simply not widely available to preserve the complexities of these memories and timeless occasions. We are lucky to have what few photographs and written articles still survive.

But, today, there is no excuse for failing to preserve historical knowledge of our culture. Technology now exists to quickly and easily transfer physical documents (and even vinyl records) to electronic files that can be stored en masse on USB drives, external hard drives or small cards known as SD cards. From there, these files can be retained on those computer drives, or can be copied in a matter



Consider & Discuss

Do you think that historical preservation using electronic media is a good idea? Do you think it is too hard? If you are not “computer savvy,” would you be willing to learn in order to preserve your treasured documents, music and photographs? Is there a centralized repository for such records in your area, like the American Hungarian Foundation's Museum and Archives in New Brunswick, N.J., or the Cleveland Hungarian Heritage Museum? Would you be willing to donate funds and family artifacts in order to make such a local repository a reality? - Tibor



of minutes to another drive, or they can be uploaded to a server or other location and thus be stored "in the cloud." This last option holds the most promise: for better or worse, the Internet is here to stay, and information stored on the Internet can, if handled properly, exist for the rest of human civilization.

To be sure, observing the need for greater historical preservation does not mean that other people have not been doing the same thing. One Youngstown, Ohio, area resident, Kalman, videotaped many American-Hungarian events long before I was born. By giving copies of these tapes to my family, Kalman has allowed me to hear the voices and see the ceremonies of decades past. His tapes are a gift to not just historians or ethnographers but also all descendants of our culture.

Other individuals engage in this sort of historical preservation as well. I know of a man in Western Pennsylvania who records and catalogs live performances of Hungarian music.

Then, there's my father. My father takes photographs. Lots. Of. Photographs. Even though it may drive our family crazy at times, my father has deftly assembled a photographic record of every event that our family has attended over the past few years. Helpfully, these photographs are all on electronic storage devices, enabling easy sharing, editing and copying.

These three examples (and I am sure that there are more) indicate how the trappings of our culture may survive far into the future. But, how do *we* make historical preservation work into the future?

Now, the history of our heritage is like a shattered glass, fragmented into many little pieces. Some pieces are larger than others, like the archives of the Cleveland Hungarian Heritage Museum. Some are small, like the private collections of elderly immigrants, with only a few sacred photos, trinkets or records to memorialize each person's own private saga.

The more I ruminate on the nature of our culture, the more I realize that the true nature of our heritage is not in the broad, general historical narrative crafted by professors or authors, but in the hundreds and thousands of individual stories that burn bright for a brief period of time, like a spark in the night air.

Truth resides not in the mosaic, but the individual pieces of which it is composed. But, when the individual pieces crack, fall out or fade, the entire mosaic begins to wither.

This is what this month's column proposes: to save the little pieces.

Going forward, this would largely take a centralized effort of some sort. Sure, individuals could scan and burn music and photos to electronic media on their own terms. But beyond that, there is the secondary problem of ensuring that even the electronic media exists, to avoid the inevitable shoebox full of CDs thrown away upon a move or an estate sale.

In short, what the American-Hungarian community needs is a central repository for its historical information, that patchwork quilt of more than 150 years of baptisms, weddings, suppers, festivals and funerals--the guideposts of the rich lives of Magyars that need preservation, that *deserve* preservation. If such a repository exists, then the local clubs of our community need to work with that repository. If one does not exist, then it may be necessary to create one. Otherwise, the vast historical knowledge, the depth of the American-Hungarian experience, may be lost with the long passage of time.

Time is running out: photos decay; records get worn out; memories fade. The time to work to preserve our heritage is now. Without our own individual efforts, the collective history of our community could be lost for time immemorial. Unlike the many other factors that affect our heritage on a daily basis, this is one that we can control.

Éljen a Magyar!

Tibor II

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Let's hear your take

Let me know how you enjoy my thoughts and views on growing up Hungarian Style. If you have any questions or comments about me or my column, please email me at: silverking1937@yahoo.com, or drop me a letter in care of the William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233.

WPA Tour 2014

The Best of Hungary • September 13-26

by Endre Csoman

RESERVATIONS are now being accepted for the 2014 WPA tour of Hungary which will focus entirely inside the present day borders of Hungary. The WPA tour will depart from Pittsburgh on Saturday, Sept. 13, and include 13 days and 12 nights in and around Budapest and other towns inside of Hungary.

Here is an overview of the itinerary:

- Visit Budapest's shopping district near Váci Street and Vörösmarty Square.
- Dinner on a Danube River boat cruise.
- Free time to explore Budapest.
- Visit Esztergom's Basilica with wine tasting in its Primas wine cellar.
- Renaissance Knights tournament in Visegrad.
- Boat trip on Lake Balaton, visit Balatonfüred and Tihany, Bory Castle in Székesfehérvár, peasant wedding party in Lovas Csárda.
- Visit Veszprém and the Herend Porcelain factory, attend the Reformed Age Days Festival that has a 19th Century theme, cross the Danube, view a live horse show in Varga Tanya.
- Visit Kecskemét and its City Hall.
- Travel to northeastern Hungary to visit the Tokaj Wine growing region.
- Travel to Nyíregyháza and Máriapócs, pálinka distillery and farewell dinner in hotel.

We will stay in beautiful hotels, travel in an air-conditioned bus and have an English-speaking guide. Breakfast daily and one other meal daily is included in the land tour price. Some mornings are free for optional sightseeing tours and shopping for folk art.

For the second year in a row, we have adjusted the payment method to better meet the needs of our travelers, and so we require separate payments for the flights and land tour.

The land tour payments must be made payable to William Penn Association and must be paid in full by May 30. The land tour price for WPA life benefit members is \$1,740 for double occupancy and \$2,239 for single occupancy. Non-members must add \$500 to the land tour price. If you are interested in becoming a William Penn Association member for the trip discount (and other fraternal benefits), please contact Barbi Tew at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 120, for more information.

Roundtrip airfare from Pittsburgh is \$1,358.50 for both WPA members and non-members, and is payable by check only to Discover Africa, our travel agent for the tour, by May 30. Please make airfare checks payable to "Discover Africa" and write "WPA Hungary Tour" in the memo section along with your phone number.

Since the tickets and trip are non-refundable, we recommend all travelers purchase cancellation/medical insurance, just in case. Hadas Rudy at Discover Africa can help you choose the right policy for you.

Please note that the itinerary and applicable fuel surcharges are subject to change. Travelers must fly with Discover Africa to go on our land tour.

Again, the deadline for reservations and full payment is May 30, 2014. All airfare and land tour payments, your name as it appears on your passport, your date of birth, and your gender are due at that time.

Hadas at Discover Africa will need you to send her a copy of the first page of your passport as soon as you register for the trip. She suggests you scan it, then either email it to her at hadas@discover-africa.net; fax it to her at 314-454-5733 or mail it to her with your airfare payment at:

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Please make sure that your passport is valid for at least six months beyond your return date. If you are holding a foreign passport, please let us know right way to see if you will need an entry visa into Hungary.

For more information about the tour, please contact Endre Csoman at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 136. For questions about flight arrangements and fares, contact Hadas Rudy at Discover Africa at 866-495-7417 or 314-367-9180.



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Parliament at Dawn
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Land Tour Price: \$1,740.00 based on double occupancy. Single accommodations price is \$2,239.00. The land tour price shown is for WPA life benefit members. Non-members must add \$500 to the listed price. This price includes all hotel accommodations in Hungary, motorcoach transportation in Hungary, breakfast and one other meal daily, and all sightseeing tours and events listed in the final itinerary. **This price does not include airfare.** Airfare price is \$1,358.50 for both members and non-members, with departure from Pittsburgh only, and is to be paid separately. Itinerary and airfare taxes are subject to change. To reserve your place on the WPA Tour 2014, please complete the reservation form below and mail it--along with your land tour deposit of \$1,000.00--to the WPA Home Office.

WPA Trip to Hungary 2014 Reservation Form

Name (as it appears on your passport): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Passport No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Phone No.: () _____ Email: _____

Person to contact in case of emergency: _____ Phone: () _____

Hotel Room: ☐ Single Occupancy (\$2,239*) ☐ Double Occupancy (\$1,740 per person*) Roommate's name: _____

Flight Information: City of Departure - Pittsburgh • Airfare = \$1,358.50 • Seat Preference (check one): ☐ Window ☐ Center ☐ Aisle

Send this form--along with your deposit of \$1,000.00 per person made payable to "William Penn Association"--to:

WPA Tour 2014, William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

*** Land tour prices listed are for WPA life benefit members. Non-members must add \$500 to price listed.**

PLEASE NOTE: Airfare must be paid directly to "Discover Africa."

**Include a photocopy of your passport's photo page with your airfare payment to Discover Africa.
For more information on airfare, contact Hadas Rudy at 866-495-7417 or hadas@discoverafrica.net**

FOR HOME OFFICE USE ONLY: Date Deposit of \$1,000.00 Received: _____

31st Annual WPA Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days

Quicksilver Golf Club / Pittsburgh Airport Marriott

Friday-Saturday, July 18-19, 2014



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Come and join us for a weekend of fun for the entire family when WPA hosts our 31st Annual Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days, July 18 and 19.

This year, our tournament returns to the Quicksilver Golf Club in Midway, Pa. This magnificent course has played host to not only four previous WPA tournaments but also a number of tournaments sponsored by the Senior PGA Tour and the Nationwide Tour. Golf Digest has awarded it a 4-star rating. Golf Week Magazine calls it one of the top 15 courses in Pennsylvania and the best public course in the state.

While the adults enjoy this championship course, our younger members and guests are invited to join us for the Mini-Golf Open. All WPA members ages 6 to 15 are welcome to play a FREE round of miniature golf at Scally's Golf Center in Coraopolis, Pa., on Saturday, July 19, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Non-members can play for \$5 per child. There will also be special prizes awarded. (Mini-Golf Open registration form appears on page 19.)

The weekend's festivities begin Friday, July 18, with the annual Friday night golfers' reception at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott. The reception is free to golfers and their family members. Non-golfing guests can attend the reception for \$12. Those planning to attend MUST pre-register for the reception (see form opposite page). The evening will feature food, refreshments, the ever-popular Chinese auction, a Mini-Monte Carlo Night for adults and caricature drawings for children.

Our 18-hole tournament will begin the next morning with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Play will be a straight scramble. Along the course, golfers will have the chance to win prizes as part of our traditional skill shot contests, including longest drive, longest putt, closest to the pin and closest to the line. All golfers will also enjoy the use of GPS-equipped carts, and a hot dog and beverage at the turn.

Our weekend's official activities will conclude with the annual golf barbeque to be held at the Quicksilver Golf Club immediately following the tournament.

Accommodations will be at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott. Room rates are \$105 per night based on double occupancy. All rooms will be reserved on a first-come/first-served basis and are subject to availability. All golfers and guests must make their room reservations directly with the hotel by calling toll-free 1-800-328-9297. To receive our special room rate, use group code WNO for phone reservations and group code WNOWNOA for online reservations. Hotel reservations must be made by June 20 to get the WPA rate.

The tournament entry fee is \$112 for WPA members and \$122 for non-members. This fee includes green fees, bag service, locker room service, GPS-equipped golf carts, a sandwich and beverage at the turn AND admission to the golf barbeque. Tickets for the barbeque are \$42 for WPA adult members age 16 and older, \$52 for adult non-members, \$12 for teens ages 12 to 15, and free for children ages 11 and under.

An "Early Bird" discount will be offered to all golfers and non-golfing barbeque guests. Golfers and non-golfing barbeque guests can save \$10 off either their golf entry fee or their barbeque admission if they mail and postmark their entries and reservations by June 10, 2014.

Once again, the tournament will feature the fun and exciting hole-in-one contests. All eligible members who score a hole-in-one at the designated par-3 hole during tournament play will win a \$15,000 cash prize. Any non-member who scores an ace on the designated hole will win \$7,500. Plus, cash prizes will be awarded to golfers who score a hole-in-one on any of Quicksilver's other par-3 holes during tournament play. On those holes, eligible WPA members will win \$5,000, while non-members can take home \$2,500.

If a hole-in-one is not scored on the \$15,000 hole, a special \$500 cash prize will be awarded to the eligible member who gets his or her tee shot closest to the pin on that hole. By "eligible member" we mean a golfer who is an adult life benefit member of William Penn Association by June 24, 2014, with at least one year's premiums paid.

To enter the tournament and reserve your seats for the barbeque, complete the form found on the opposite page and send it to the Home Office by June 24. Be sure you include your check covering tournament fees, barbeque tickets and admission to the Friday night golfers' reception (if applicable).

Don't miss this great weekend of golf, good food and fraternalism which benefits our Scholarship Foundation.

31st Annual WPA Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days

REGISTRATION FORM

Golf Foursome Information

GOLFER 1

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____
 Birthdate _____ WPA Cert. # _____

GOLFER 2

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____
 Birthdate _____ WPA Cert. # _____

GOLFER 3

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____
 Birthdate _____ WPA Cert. # _____

GOLFER 4

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____
 Birthdate _____ WPA Cert. # _____

Non-Golfing Barbeque Guests

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____
 Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____

Hotel Accommodations

Pittsburgh Airport Marriott

777 Aten Road, Coraopolis, PA 15108

Phone: 1-800-328-9297

Use Group Code: WNOWNOA for online reservations

WNO for phone reservations

Room Rate (per night) = \$105.00 (plus tax)

Check-in - 3:00 p.m. / Check-out - 12:00 p.m.

All golfers and guests must make their own hotel reservations **by June 20** directly with the hotel. Reservations will be taken on a first-come/first-served basis and will be subject to availability.

Make checks payable to:
 William Penn Association

If paying by check, mail this form and check to:
 Golf Committee, William Penn Association
 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

If paying by credit card, mail this form to the
 address above and call 1-800-848-7366, ext. 149,
 to complete payment process.

**Golf Entries & Barbeque Reservations are due
 at the WPA Home Office by June 24, 2014**

Contact Person Information

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Branch _____
 E-mail _____

Fees & Costs

WPA LIFE BENEFIT MEMBERS AGES 16 & UP

Golf Fee & BBQ - \$112 (\$102 Early Bird*) X _____ = _____

Barbeque Only - \$42 (\$32 Early Bird*) X _____ = _____

NON-MEMBERS AGES 16 & UP

Golf Fee & BBQ - \$122 (\$112 Early Bird*) X _____ = _____

Barbeque Only - \$52 (\$42 Early Bird*) X _____ = _____

CHILDREN (Members & Non-members)

Barbeque: Children Ages 12 to 15 - \$10 X _____ = _____

Barbeque: Children up to Age 11 - FREE X _____ = FREE

FRIDAY NIGHT RECEPTION

Golfers & Their Family Members - FREE X _____ = FREE

Other Non-Golfing Guests - \$12 X _____ = _____

TOTAL FEES & COSTS = _____

***Early Bird rates will apply to all golf entries and barbeque reservations mailed and postmarked by June 10, 2014.**

NOTE: Annuity-only non-members will be charged member rates if they have a minimum of \$500 in their annuity. Non-members will pay member rates if they become a member by June 24, 2014.

WPA Annual Bowling Tournament

May 2-3, 2014 • Washington, PA

Members and friends of WPA are invited to join us for a weekend of family fun during our Annual Bowling Tournament, Friday and Saturday, May 2 and 3, at The Meadows Racetrack & Casino in Washington, Pa., just south of Pittsburgh.

Once again, as an incentive for older teens and young adults to participate, **all members and non-members ages 16 to 25 can bowl FREE!** That includes three games of bowling plus a continental breakfast...at no charge!

In addition, all children and teens up to age 15 can bowl for only \$5 and all adults ages 26 and above can bowl for just \$22. Again, that price includes three games and a continental breakfast.

After the adult and juvenile bowling events are concluded, all members and guests are welcome to share in a banquet, beginning at approximately 1:00 p.m. Saturday. The price of the buffet is as follows:

- \$32 for all adults ages 16 to 25;
- \$32 for adult life benefit members ages 26 and above;
- \$42 for non-members ages 26 and above;
- \$10 for all teens ages 12 to 15;
- Free for all children ages 11 and under.

Please note that annuity-only non-members will be charged member rates if they have a minimum of \$500 in their annuity. Also, non-members will pay the member rates if they become a member by April 11, 2014.

Accommodations will be at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh-Meadow Lands, which is within walking distance of the casino. WPA's special room rate for the weekend is \$129 per night (double occupancy). For room reservations, call the DoubleTree at 724-222-6200 or go online at www.pittsburghmeadowlands.doubletree.com. Use the group code "WPA" to ensure you receive our special rate. Deadline for hotel reservations is 3:00 p.m., Sunday, March 30.

As bowlers and guests arrive Friday, May 2, they are welcome to visit our reception room where they can enjoy soft drinks and

pastries. Everyone will be free to spend the evening enjoying all the exciting games and amenities of The Meadows or shopping at the nearby Tanger Outlets.

Bowling will be held Saturday, May 3, at Meadows Lanes, a state-of-the-art bowling facility located within The Meadows, beginning at approximately 9:00 a.m. Bowlers are welcome to arrive at the lanes at 8:00 a.m. to enjoy a continental breakfast. Once bowling starts, bowlers are also invited to enjoy an open bar.

Once again, this year's tournament will be a non-competitive event with all the focus to be placed on having FUN!

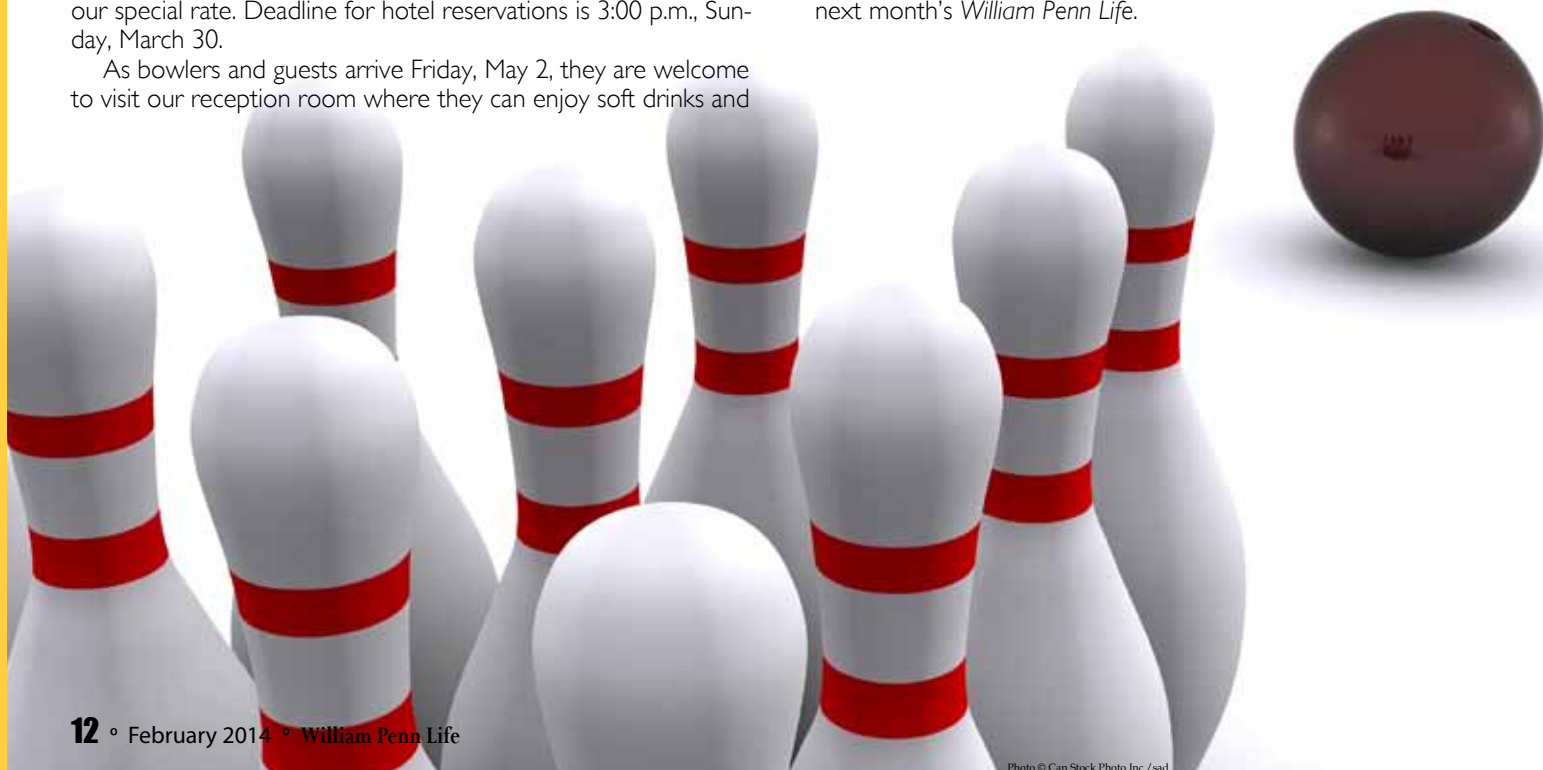
Members and guests ages 16 and above are invited to participate in the adult event. In this event, four bowlers will be assigned to each lane. Each bowler will bowl three (3) games. Prizes will be awarded to the top three bowlers among both men and women and to the top three teams.

Bowlers will also have the chance to win some special prizes during the event. Anyone bowling a perfect 300 game during the event will win a \$2,000 five-year WPA annuity.

There will also be a Lucky Strike Contest. During each of the three games, the names of one man and one woman bowler will be randomly selected. If either bowls a strike during the frame after their name is announced, he or she will win \$25. If neither wins, the prize will be added to the next game. Plus, there will be a special 50/50 raffle.

Children and teens ages 15 and under are invited to participate in their own special Juvenile Fun Event. Our young bowlers will bowl on lanes separate from the adults and will enjoy pizza and soft drinks.

The number of adult bowlers will be limited to 80, so please register as soon as possible. And watch for more information in next month's *William Penn Life*.





2014 WPA Annual Bowling Tournament

May 2-3, 2014, Washington, PA



BOWLING REGISTRATION & BANQUET RESERVATIONS

CONTACT INFORMATION

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: () _____ EMAIL: _____

ADULT BOWLERS (AGES 16 & ABOVE)

NAME	WPA MEMBER?
1. _____	YES NO
2. _____	YES NO
3. _____	YES NO
4. _____	YES NO
5. _____	YES NO
6. _____	YES NO
7. _____	YES NO
8. _____	YES NO

NON-BOWLING BANQUET GUESTS

NAME	(CIRCLE ADULT OR JUVENILE)
1. _____	ADULT / JUVENILE
2. _____	ADULT / JUVENILE
3. _____	ADULT / JUVENILE
4. _____	ADULT / JUVENILE

JUVENILE BOWLERS (AGES 15 & UNDER)

NAME	AGE	WPA MEMBER?
1. _____		YES NO
2. _____		YES NO
3. _____		YES NO
4. _____		YES NO

FEES & COSTS

PLEASE NOTE: Prices for bowling do NOT include banquet.

Adult Bowlers
Ages 26 & Above\$22.00 x ____ = \$ _____

Adult Bowlers
Ages 16 - 25.....FREE x ____ = ____ N/A

Juvenile Bowlers
Ages 15 and Under\$5.00 x ____ = \$ _____

Banquet Guests
Ages 16 - 25\$32.00 x ____ = \$ _____

Banquet Guests
WPA Adult Life Benefit
Members Ages 26 & Above\$32.00 x ____ = \$ _____

Banquet Guests
Non-members
Ages 26 & Above\$42.00 x ____ = \$ _____

Juvenile Banquet Guests
Ages 12 - 15\$10.00 x ____ = \$ _____

Juvenile Banquet Guests
Ages 11 and Under.....FREE x ____ = ____ N/A

TOTAL FEES & COSTS\$ _____

NOTE: Annuity-only non-members will be charged member rates if they have a minimum of \$500 in their annuity. Non-members will pay member rates if they become a member by April 11, 2014.

Make check payable to "William Penn Association"

If paying by check, mail completed form & check to:
Bowling Committee, William Penn Association
709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

If paying by credit card, mail completed form to the address above and call 1-800-848-7366, ext. 149, to complete payment process.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS INFORMATION

Hotel accommodations will be at the **DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh-Meadow Lands**. All bowlers and guests are responsible for making their own hotel reservations. To reserve your room(s), call the hotel at 724-222-6200, or go online at www.pittsburghmeadowlands.doubletree.com. Use the group code "WPA" to receive our special rate of \$129 per night (double occupancy). **DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS IS 3:00 P.M., SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2014.**

All bowling & banquet reservations must be received at the Home Office by April 11, 2014

Eligibility Rules for Year 2014 Scholarship Grants

The Board of Directors has established the following rules governing eligibility for scholarship recipients:

a) The student applying for a scholarship grant must be an individual life benefit member of William Penn Association in good standing for four (4) years.

b) For both new and renewal applicants, the students must be the child or grandchild of a life benefit member of William Penn Association in good standing. For the 2014 school year, the parent/grandparent must be a life benefit member for at least four (4) years as of January 1, 2014.

c) Scholarship grants are awarded to full-time undergraduate students only if they have been accepted by or are currently attending an accredited college, university or school of nursing.

d) Grants are awarded for a two- or four-year period.

e) **New applicants** must submit the following:

1. WPFA Scholarship Foundation, Inc., Application for Scholarship Grant, which can be found in this issue of *William Penn Life*. An application also may be obtained by writing to: President, William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc., 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233, or may be downloaded from the Association's website at www.williampennassociation.org.

2. An Essay of 100 words or fewer answering the question: **"Who do you most admire and why?"** Essays exceeding 100 words will NOT be accepted.

The Scholarship Application and Essay must be mailed and postmarked by Saturday, May 31, 2014. We recommend the student submit these materials via Certified Mail to ascertain proof of mailing date.

3. A transcript of the student's latest high school scholastic record.

4. A copy of the student's SAT/ACT scores or waiver letter from the school in which enrolled.

5. Proof of enrollment for the Fall 2014 school term.

Items 3, 4 and 5 must be mailed and postmarked by **Tuesday, September 30, 2014.**

f) **Renewal applicants** must submit the following:

1. A letter requesting a renewal grant.

2. An Essay of 100 words or fewer answering the questions: **"Who do you most admire and why?"** Essays exceeding 100 words will NOT be accepted.

The Renewal Letter and Essay must be mailed and postmarked by Saturday, May 31, 2014. We recommend the student submit these materials via Certified Mail to ascertain proof of mailing date.

3. A copy of the student's latest scholastic record. All renewal applicants **must maintain a cumulative Grade Point Average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale to qualify.**

4. Proof of enrollment for the Fall 2014 school term.

Items 3 and 4 must be mailed and postmarked by **Tuesday, September 30, 2014.**

g) All applications, renewal letters and essays must be submitted and signed by the student requesting the grant and mailed to the attention of the President. Eligibility rules for renewal grants will be in accordance with the eligibility rules in effect for the initial grant. Materials submitted by anyone other than the student will not be considered. **E-mailed submissions will NOT be accepted.**

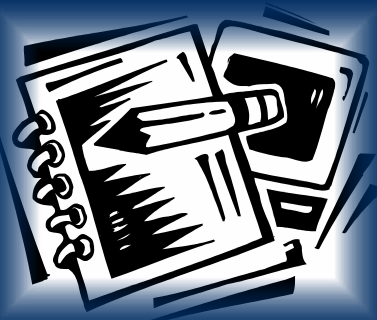
h) Scholarship grants will be awarded by the Executive Committee of the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc., once each year. Grants will be paid directly to the applicant provided the student is a life benefit member in good standing on the date the check is issued and all of the eligibility requirements stated herein have been met.

i) If for any reason the recipient does not attend college after receiving the grant, it must be returned to the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

j) In compliance with current privacy laws, all information in regards to the scholarship status will be divulged only to the applicant/student.

k) All applications, renewal letters and essays must be mailed and postmarked by **Saturday, May 31, 2014.** Any applications, renewal letters and essays postmarked after that date will not be considered.

If unsure of eligibility rules, the student may call Mary Ann Kelly-Lovasz at the Home Office at 1-800-848-7366, Ext. 128, or e-mail us at scholarship@williampennassociation.org.



WILLIAM PENN FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC.

Application for Scholarship Grant for the Academic Year of 2014-2015

709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233-1821
Phone: (412) 231-2979 · Fax: (412) 231-8535
Email: scholarship@williampennassociation.org



STUDENT APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. NAME: _____ **2. DATE OF BIRTH:** ____/____/____
Last First Middle Initial

3. ADDRESS: _____
No. Street

City State Zip Code

4. STUDENT APPLICANT'S PHONE: () _____ **5. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.:** _____

6. E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

7. SCHOOLS ATTENDED (LIST IN REVERSE CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, STARTING WITH HIGH SCHOOL):

School	Location	Years Attended

8. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (i.e., ATHLETICS, THE ARTS, SCHOOL CLUBS, COMMUNITY SERVICE, ETC.):

9. ACCREDITED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY WHERE ACCEPTED:

School Name: _____ **Year Will Be Attending in School:** ☐ Freshman ☐ Junior ☐ Sophomore ☐ Senior

Street Address or P. O. Box: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

10. MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY (e.g., ENGINEERING, PRE-MEDICAL, BUSINESS, ETC.):

Completed application must be mailed and postmarked by May 31, 2014

William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP GRANT (Continued)

11. LIST THREE PERSONAL REFERENCES, EXCLUDING RELATIVES, WHO HAVE KNOWN YOU FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS (e.g., TEACHERS, CLERGYMEN, COACHES, ETC.):

Name

Address

Occupation

12. PLEASE EXPLAIN ANY SPECIAL FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES THE FOUNDATION SHOULD KNOW ABOUT (e.g., MARITAL STATUS, DEPENDENCIES, ILLNESS, SPECIAL HOUSING PROBLEMS, ETC.):

13. WILLIAM PENN ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP/BENEFIT INFORMATION:

Student Applicant

Parent or Grandparent of Applicant

Name: _____

Life Insurance Certificate Number: _____

Branch Number: _____

PLEASE NOTE: For new applicants, you must submit your essay along with this completed application form to be considered for a grant. The application and essay must be mailed and postmarked by May 31, 2014. Also, you must submit: (1) a transcript of your high school scholastic record or college grades; (2) your SAT/ACT scores; and (3) proof of enrollment for the coming fall term. Failure to submit these items by the date specified in the Eligibility Rules will result in the forfeiture of your grant.

I hereby certify that this application contains no misstatements or omissions of material fact and that the statements herein are to the best of my knowledge complete and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Completed application must be mailed and postmarked by May 31, 2014

WILLIAM PENN ASSOCIATION

invites you to join us for our annual



Hungarian Heritage Experience

August 3-9, 2014

Scenic View • Rockwood, PA

\$300 for WPA Members • \$375 for non-members
Includes lodging, all meals, instruction and activities

*Learn Hungarian - Enjoy Hungarian food
Learn about Hungarian history, culture & traditions
Make friends from around the country
Relax in the beauty of the Laurel Highlands*

For more information, contact Endre Csoman

Toll-free: 1-800-848-7366, Ext. 136

Email: ecsoman@williampennassociation.org

Hungarian Heritage Experience Reservation Form

Name: _____ WPA Certificate Number: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Send this form along with your full payment made payable to "William Penn Association" to:

Hungarian Heritage Experience, William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

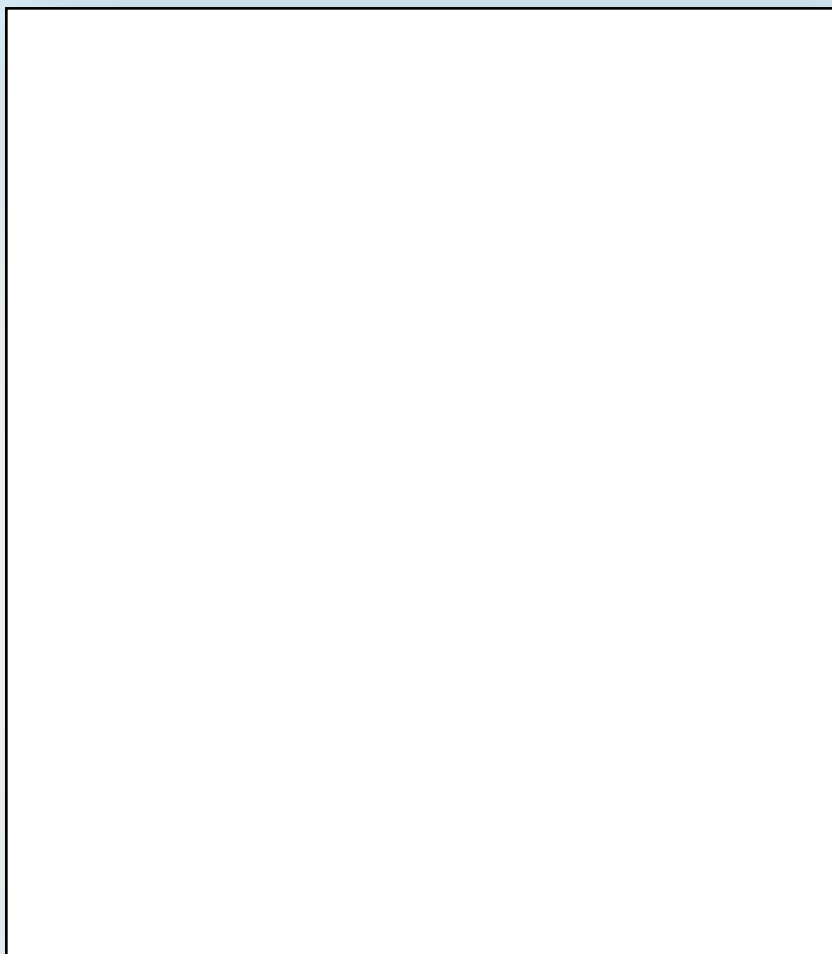


Just 4 Kidz

with Gerry D. Clown

Hi, Friends!

I hope you are having a great winter. Do you like to play in the snow? I do. Making snowmen is one of my favorite things to do. My friends Alex and Harley are outside right now building a snowman. I am going outside as soon as my mom finds a clown hat and nose for the snowman. Can you make a snowman look like a clown? Draw a snow clown in the space to the right. Take your time and don't forget the red nose!



Calling All Kidz!

WPA Mini-Golf Open

for children ages 6-15

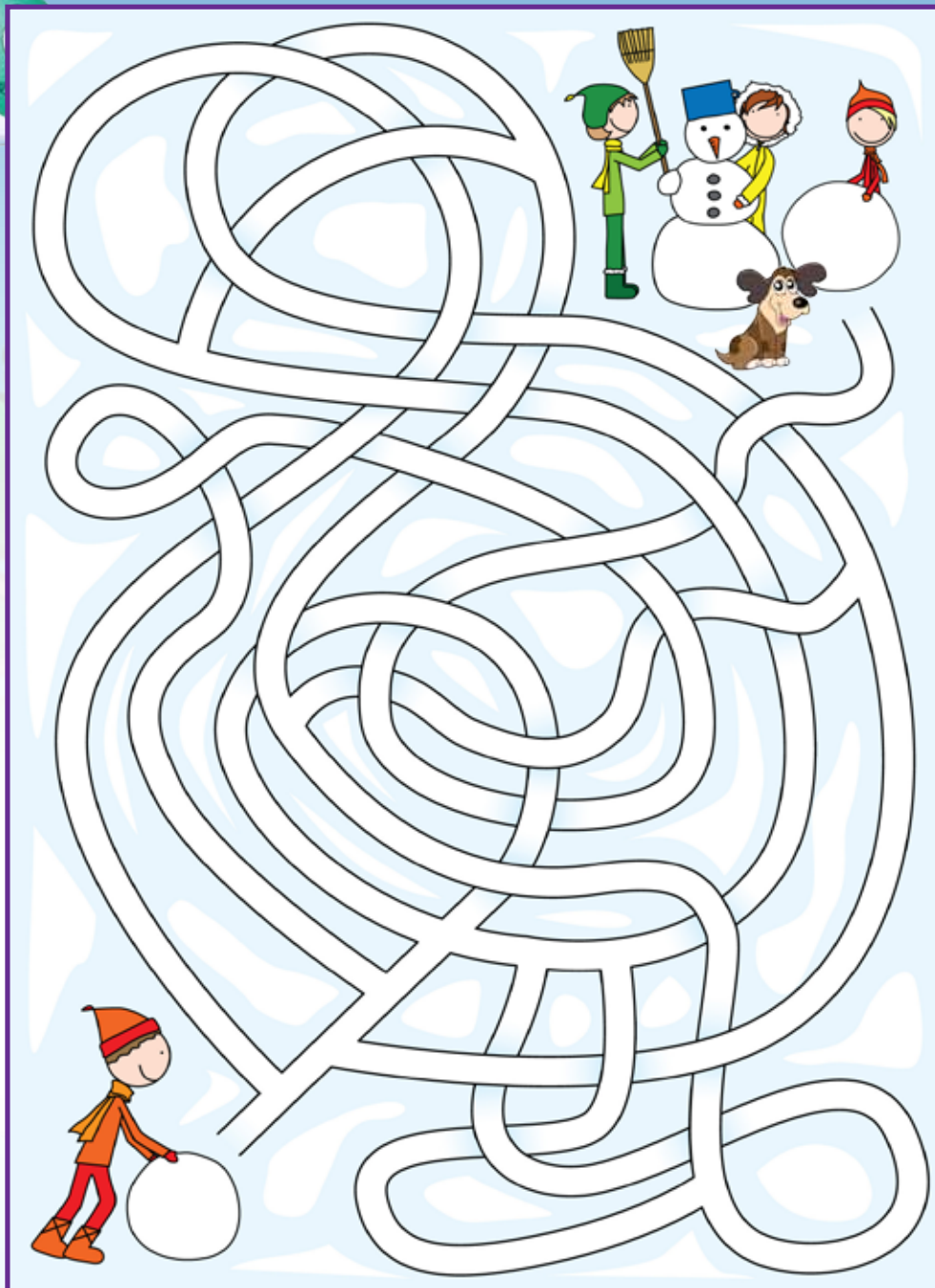
Saturday, July 19 • 10:00 AM • Scally's Golf Center, Coraopolis, PA

Fun • Prizes • **FREE!** for WPA members ages 6-15

\$5 for non-members ages 6-15 • \$6 for adults



Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.
Meet at Scally's Golf Center no later than 9:45 a.m. so that the Open can begin on time.
Transportation to Scally's is on your own. Directions will be provided upon request.
Registration for the Mini-Golf Open is free for WPA members ages 6 to 15.
Non-members ages 6 to 15 will be charged a fee of \$5.00.
Member and non-member adults may play for a fee of \$6.00. Adults are not eligible for prizes.



Find your way through the winter maze!

My friends need your help to finish building their snowmen. Can you help Alex find his way through the maze to reach Mumford and the rest of my friends?



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2014 WPA Mini-Golf Open Reservation Form

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

WPA Member age 6-15? ☐ Yes ☐ No (If no, please enclose appropriate fee, payable to "William Penn Association")

Person to contact in case of emergency: _____ Phone: _____

DEADLINE FOR MINI-GOLF RESERVATIONS - June 24, 2014 • Mail this form to:
Mini-Golf, William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

Branch 10

Barton, OH

Branch 40

Martins Ferry, OH

Branch 248

Monaville, WV

Branch 349

Weirton, WV

Branch 8164

Steubenville, OH

by Joyce Nicholson

Our branches held an open house-style Christmas party on Nov. 24 at the Pizza Hut party room in St. Clairsville, Ohio. Santa saw many good girls and boys this year.

Despite the cold temperatures and snow, we had a good turnout. Parents and children dropped by throughout the afternoon to talk, eat from the buffet, visit Santa to confirm their wish list, play games for prizes and receive their WPA gift bags. All in all, it was a great afternoon of fun, goodwill and holiday harmony.

On Dec. 3, we donated a prize to the Clara Barton Holiday Auction to benefit area Red Cross chapters. We donated a Red Flyer wagon filled with board games and toys for children ages 3 to 7.

We congratulate Branch 40 member Andy Satak on 28 years of coaching Pony League baseball. For more than a dozen years, he has been running the East Ohio Pony League. He really enjoys giving back to his community and working with kids. His love of baseball began when he was a kid listening to Indians and Pirates games on the radio. Not only does he coach, but he also keeps the fields groomed. It won't be long until warm weather arrives and it's time to play ball again. Andy Satak is the Belmont County auditor.

Stay warm; bring the pets in. Spring will be around the corner before you know it.

Check the next issue for upcoming events. We'll soon be planning for our Join Hands Day event. Our next meeting is Sunday, Feb. 23, at 6:00 p.m. at 63 Meadow Lane, Win-



Santa paid a visit to the Christmas party hosted by Branches 10, 40, 248, 349 and 8164,

tersville. For information about our branch activities, please call Joyce Nicholson at 740-264-6238.

Branch 13

Trenton, NJ

by Marguerite Beke

Branch 13 would like to wish everyone a blessed and healthy New Year. Hope all had a wonderful Christmas with good new memories.

Our family Christmas party on Dec. 8 turned out to be very enjoyable in spite of a snow storm. Although the storm kept most from coming out, we had about a dozen happy, friendly partygoers.

The afternoon began at 2:00 p.m. with Branch President Anthony Beke welcoming all who braved the weather to attend. We began by remembering all our deceased members from the past year with a moment of silent prayer. Later, we enjoyed a delicious buffet of stuffed cabbage, kolbasz and sauerkraut, salads and roast beef and turkey cold cuts with all the trimmings.

As we enjoyed the food, we also enjoyed our guests, including the recipient of our holiday baskets, whom we had invited but did not tell why until the party. One of the recipients is blind and is in need of any help she can receive. The other two baskets were given to elderly people who truly appreciated the help. Everyone had a very good time, and the attitude of our basket recipients made us realize how

blessed we are. They told us stories of so many funny things and had us laughing.

After everyone ate, we gave out cans of cookies and candy. The goodie bags also were appreciated. We thank the Home Office for helping to support our party and holiday baskets. The children especially enjoyed the McDonald's coupons.

For any of your life insurance needs, please call Anthony Beke at 609-617-0036.

Branch 14 **Cleveland, OH**

by Richard E. Sarosi

I hope everyone is keeping warm and staying inside this winter. The awful cold spell that most of us experienced in early January was one for the weather records.

Happy Valentine's Day to all our members and friends.

Winter activities are minimal. The Cleveland Hungarian Veterans Ball took place Jan. 25, and I am to travel to Dearborn, Mich., for the White Rose Ball on Feb. 1.

Please remember your local food banks and donate canned goods, non-perishable items or simple personal items (e.g., toothpaste, soap, tea, pancake syrup, peanut butter, jelly and even feminine products). Hunger is experienced throughout the year, not just at the holidays. Please remember those who are less fortunate or those who are experiencing hard times.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the WPA events taking place in 2014:

- May 2-3, WPA Annual Bowling Tournament at the Meadows;
- May 10, Branch 14 Join Hands Day project;
- June 7, Hungarian Heritage Night with the Lake Erie Captains in Eastlake, Ohio;
- July 18-19, WPA Annual Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days at Quicksilver G.C.;
- Aug. 3-9, WPA Hungarian Heritage Experience at Scenic View;
- Sept. 6, WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest at Scenic View;
- September 2014, WPA Trip to Hungary; and
- Nov. 22, Branch 14 family Christmas party.

Be sure to check *William Penn Life* each month for updates and registration information for all activities.

We would like to send a big "thank you" to the WPA Home Office for its continuing support of our branch activities. The gift items we distribute are always unique and enjoyed by the membership. We also thank the Home Office staff for preparing the mailings of the magazine, brochures, gift items, calendars and other goodies we receive. Your actions are appreciated.

The officers of Branch 14 welcome all our new members.

We wish our Branch 14 student members continued success in their studies this school year.

The officers of Branch 14 extend our sympathy to those WPA members who have recently lost a loved one. May they rest in peace.

Get well wishes are being sent to all Branch 14 and WPA members who might be feeling under the weather. We send get well wishes to the Rev. Peter Toth and Arlene Csoman as they continue to heal. Please keep all of our members in your prayers. We look forward to seeing everyone at our 2014 activities.

Happy birthday and happy anniversary wishes are being sent to all of our branch members and Home Office staff celebrating a birthday and/or anniversary in February or March. Happy belated birthday to Elizabeth Molnar of Painesville, Ohio, who celebrated her 90th birthday on Dec. 23, 2013.

Winter is now upon us on the North Coast, and our next Branch 14 meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at The First Hungarian Reformed Church, 14530 Alexander Road, Walton Hills, Ohio. Adult Branch 14 members are welcome to attend.

Branch 14 members having news to share about themselves or family members can reach me at RichSaro@att.net or at 440-248-9012.

Branch 18 Lincoln Park, MI

by Barbara A. House

Happy Valentine's Day. I hope you celebrate with those you love. Happy Valentine's Day, Tommy. Gabby and I love you lots.

Tommy, Gabby and I are in Florida breaking many records with some pretty warm temperatures. If we could send some to you, we would. The only thing we can send are very warm wishes and loads of love. As usual, we wish our lives away by saying "think spring." That's the best we can do.

Spring brings our annual bowling event in May. It's not too early to get your teams together. I promise you a great time and lots of wonderful surprises.

Welcome back, Chef Vilmos. Remember, Chef Vilmos is asking for our help. Please send your treasured family recipes so we can showcase them in our magazine.

Many thanks to Chef Béla for all the years he dedicated to us. We wish you lots of luck and happiness in the future.

Get well wishes to all of you, especially Doug Truesdell, Mary

Pedrys, Arlene Csoman and Annie Kopicko. We wish you good health and love.

Happy February birthday to Vice Chair of the Board Bill Bero, Jamie Wolfe, National Vice President-Treasurer Diane Torma and Home Office employee Sarah Scherer. May you all have many more.

Congratulations to Caroline Lanzara and Albert Frate, the newly-elected chief elder and vice chief elder of the First Hungarian Reformed Church of Cleveland. We know you will do a wonderful job.

Remember our deceased members and their families in your prayers, especially Gust Zouyras, Robert Edmundson and Arpad Antal. May they rest in peace.

Special shout out to some great people: the Deri family, Annie Kopicko, Kathy Megyeri and the Rev. Imre Bertalan. Nice to hear from you.

A great big "thank you" to all who participate in making our monthly publication, *William Penn Life*, so successful. Every month, I see it grow and get better and better. I know it takes work and a lot of time, but you are so appreciated. Thank you so much.

Lorraine Randall won our Charity-of-the-Month again. She again chose the Brownstown Animal Shelter. Branch 18 supports the animal shelter all year long. We are always accepting donations. This winter is particularly hard on our animal friends. Please help.

We also thank Lorraine for becoming our official Branch 18 photographer. You do a wonderful job. We appreciate your hard work.

We are still on winter break from branch meetings. We will resume on April 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hungarian American Cultural Center on Goddard Road, Taylor. Hope to see you there.

Congratulations to Ursula and Tamas Markovits, the guests of honor at this year's White Rose Ball. Thank you for all you do to keep our Hungarian heritage alive and well. We appreciate all your hard work.

Remember, God has blessed us all with unique talents that can serve our branches. Please do all you can to keep your branch active. We must think of our youth and our Hungarian heritage.



A date to remember

Deadline for submissions to our magazine is the 10th day of each month. If you have any questions, please contact John E. Lovasz toll-free at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 135. jlovasz@williampennassociation.org.

Branch 19 New Brunswick, NJ

by Evelyn B. Bodnar

Our Christmas party was held Dec. 8 at the Bayard Street Presbyterian Church. We served a luncheon of chicken, twice-baked potatoes, steamed vegetables, salad, rolls and butter, soda, coffee and desserts. Good fellowship was enjoyed by all. We sang carols and other songs, accompanied by Evelyn Bodnar. Santa came and gave gifts to every child and asked each what they wanted for Christmas.

On Dec. 28, we gave out food at the Bayard Street Presbyterian Church and gave gifts to children in need. The Rev. Joseph Bodnar acquired Christmas decorations and craft items which were given to the adults that day. Many coats and other items were donated as well. We average between 100 and 150 people, including children, each week.

During the summer, we give out produce and bread every Wednesday. Our grandson, Joseph, age 9, helped one week. He said: "Grandpa, I didn't know children were poor."

Branch 28 Youngstown, OH

by Kathy Novak

Happy Valentine's Day to all our readers. We hope all of you are enduring the winter weather we have been experiencing.

Once again, we thank the Home Office and Board of Directors for supporting the branches and allowing them to host family Christmas parties.

Branch 28 held its party on Dec. 14. In spite of snow, our members attended this annual event and, an enjoyable time was had by all. Entertainment was provided by the Aut Mori Clowns, a volunteer group that performs for donations to help handicapped children. Andrew Check II provided music on the cimbalom.

To a chorus of "Jingle Bells," Santa and Mrs. Claus (John Tollas Sr. and Amanda Ference) arrived at the party. They mingled among the



Young members of Branch 28 welcome Santa and Mrs. Claus to the branch's annual family Christmas party in December. (Photo by Frank Schauer)

crowd, then sat for a group photo with all the children, taken by Frank Schauer. Santa and Mrs. Claus then had the children visit them individually to receive their gifts.

As always, plenty of food and refreshments were available. We thank everyone who helped make this event run so smoothly.

During the party, special raffles were held with 15 children receiving prizes. The lucky winners of the split-the-pot raffle were Sarah Mason and Mamie Tollas.

We also held our scholarship/holiday raffle during the party. The winners were:

- 1st - Micah Saunders
- 2nd - Delores Lane
- 3rd - Becky Cene
- 4th - Pete Charles
- 5th - Maria Schauer
- 6th - Olivia Hutchinson
- 7th - John Dankovich
- 8th - Andy McNelis
- 9th - Christine McCalpin
- 10th - Devan Palomaki
- 11th - Richard Sarosi

We thank those who supported this fundraiser and those who donated prizes for the drawing.

Items left over from the party were donated to Akron Children's Hospital Mahoning Valley-Beeghly Campus in Youngstown. The items were distributed to patients during the holiday season.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Check on receiving her bachelor's degree in business administration with dual minors in marketing



Santa gives a present to a young guest attending the family Christmas party hosted by Branch 19.

operations and supply chain management. Best of luck to her in all her future endeavors.

Best of luck also to National Vice President-Secretary Jerry Hauser as he begins his duties with WPA.

Happy birthday to all those celebrating their special day and special wishes to all those celebrating an anniversary. We also extend anniversary wishes to WPA on 128 years of dedicated service to our members.

Get well wishes to all those not feeling up to par, especially Leslie Polgar and Susan Willis.

Special congratulations to National Vice President-Fraternal Endre Csoman and Mary Jane Molnar, president of the Hungarian Cultural



The members of Branch 88 welcome Santa to the branch's annual family Christmas party.



A magician entertains young guests attending the annual family Christmas party hosted by Branch 129.

Center of Northeastern Ohio, on receiving the Árpád Szövetség medal. What a wonderful honor for each of them as they continue to promote their beloved Hungarian heritage.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to all those who have experienced the loss of a loved one recently.

For your life insurance and annuity needs, call Kathy at 330-746-7704 or Alan at 330-482-9994.

Branch 88 Rural Valley, PA

by Joe Chobody

Members and guests of Branch 88 braved the cold, snowy weather to gather on Sunday, Dec. 15, for our family Christmas party. Christmas carols played as the children lined up to tell Santa their Christmas wishes. Treat bags were distributed, and refreshments were served. Thanks to all who attended the party.

Special thanks to the Home Office for its generous financial help and the items for the treat bags. Also, thanks to Kathy and Dennis Chobody, Sandy and Sam Mikita and Joe Chobody for making the party a success.

Branch 88 will mark its 100th anniversary in 2014. We plan on having many activities during the year to commemorate this event, starting with the annual Founders' Day party in February.

We hope all had a very merry Christmas. Best wishes for a happy new year.

Branch 129 Columbus, OH

by Debbie Lewis

Hello from Columbus, Ohio. Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. May you be blessed with good health and happiness throughout 2014.

Our Christmas party was held Dec. 7 at the Grove City Elks Club. We had about 175 members and guests in attendance. The party started off with a great magic show. It was followed by an excellent meal catered by the Hungarian Cultural Association of Columbus, consisting of cabbage rolls, sausage and kraut, fried chicken, scalloped potatoes, a veggie tray and kiflis for dessert.

After the meal, Santa visited with all the children. The children were given gifts bags provided by the Home Office, a wrapped present and a monetary gift provided by our branch. Several door prizes were given out to adults in attendance. A great time was had by all.

Many thanks to the Home Office for the monetary assistance to help make this another great fraternal event. Mark your calendars for Saturday, Dec. 6, for this year's Christmas party.

Our branch again participated in the WPA Holiday Basket program, and we were able to help provide assistance to three families.

There will be another Soup & Learn session Sunday, Feb. 9, at the

Hungarian Reformed Church, 365 Woodrow Ave., Columbus. Soup will be served at 11:15 a.m. followed by a program presented by the Hungarian Culture Club. The program will feature the 2012 Hungarian TV documentary "Louis Kossuth in America," which discusses Kossuth's 1851-1852 tour of the U.S. and his legacy. Parts of this 2½ hour film were made in Columbus, Cleveland and Kossuth, Ohio.

Our next meeting will be held at the Hungarian Reformed Church on Tuesday, March 4, at 5:00 p.m. Hope to see more members in attendance. We need your input.

Several of our members are already planning to attend the WPA Annual Bowling Tournament May 2 and 3. It is a great time. Please join us.

We congratulate all those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries and additions to their families in the month of February.

Get well wishes to all who have been ill or hospitalized. We hope all have a speedy recovery.

We also extend our sincere sympathy to all who have recently lost a loved one.

For all your life insurance and annuity needs, please contact Arpad Sibrik at 614-231-8024 or Debbie Lewis at 614-875-9968.

If you have any news you would like to share, please contact Debbie Lewis, at 614-875-9968 or by e-mail at DAL9968@aol.com.

Branch 132 South Bend, IN

by the Branch Officers

It's been a snowy and cold January. Hope everyone survived our Midwest weather.

For Christmas, one of our officers received a book called "Culinaria Hungary" by Anikó Gergely. Anyone with a Hungarian background would enjoy it. It includes step-by-step instructions with pictures for making lard, cracklings, sausage (with rice and pork), *pogácsa*, Dobos torta, sauerkraut and many other dishes. The book brings back memories of years ago.

On Sunday, Dec. 8, our branch held its annual children's Christmas party. Twenty children and 30 adults attended. The children received gift cards and candy. Pizza and soft drinks were served to all. We hope to see even more members at our next party. All are welcome.

Our next meeting will be held March 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Martin's Cafe on Ireland Road. On March 6, we will celebrate our fifth year of reorganization. Thanks to all who help keep our branch active.

Our condolences to the families of Freda Hornyak-Laiber and William Ross. May they rest in peace.

Branch 189 Alliance, OH

by Sherry Moore

Hope everyone had a great Christmas. Now that the holidays are over, we can look forward to spring.

We had a great Christmas party. Santa (Steve Bayler) arrived at the party in a sleigh pulled by two beautiful horses. The sleigh's owners travel from Cleveland every year to do this for us, and all the children love it. Sixty children and their parents attended the party.

Barb booked a group of clowns who kept the kids entertained until Santa arrived. Everyone enjoyed food and cookies, and Santa had a gift for each child.

Tracy brought baskets to hold food donations, which were taken after the party to the local women's shelter. She also put up a tree deco-



Santa Claus arrives by horse-drawn sleigh to the annual family Christmas party hosted by Branch 189.

rated with the names of 26 children in need. Our members each take a name and buy the child a gift.

We had a great year with lots of parties, including a Thanksgiving dinner. The steak and fish fries are doing great. Everyone seems to like them. We're looking forward to another good year.

Margie is still not feeling well. If you get the chance, send her a card.

I'd like to thank everyone who helped us out last year. Without a lot of people helping, we would not get things done.

Until next time, stay happy and healthy and take time to share a smile with someone.

Branch 226 McKeesport, PA

by Judit Borsay

Happy birthday and happy anniversary to all our members celebrating their special day in February. Happy belated birthday wishes go to long-time member Julia Genes, who turned 98 in January.

By the time this is printed, we'll have held our January meeting, but all members are welcome to join us at the next meeting on Feb. 18 at 6:00 p.m. at Malvene's home. Please call 412-751-1898 for directions.

Stay warm and stay safe. Please check on your elderly family mem-

bers and neighbors.

Do you have news you'd like to share here? Please call. We won't know your news until you tell us.

I'll leave you with this encouraging note: The pain you feel today is the strength you feel tomorrow. For every challenge encountered, there is opportunity for growth. Keep up the good work.

Branch 249 Dayton, OH

by Mark Schmidt

The cold weather is here, and I fear we are in for a long winter. Brutal temperatures and heavy snows make it difficult to get to fraternal activities, but we try not to miss any.

Thank goodness the branch Christmas party was held before the really nasty weather. Fifty people attended, with 20 children making crafts and waiting for St. Nicholas to come. And arrive he did to a rousing chorus of "Jingle Bells." The kids all waited patiently for their turn with St. Nick. He listened to their wish lists and gave each a goody bag supplied by the Home Office and other gifts from our local branch. The food was good, as usual, and we all had a great time with old and new friends.

We are busy preparing the year end reports from our branch for the Home Office. To show how active



Top tree trimmers

Several members of Branch 226 were among members of the Free Hungarian Reformed Church of McKeesport's Embroidery Group which in December won first place in the Handmade Adult category at the City of McKeesport's Festival of Trees Contest. Pictured are (l-r) Gerry Nelson (Br. 226), Malvene Heyz (Br. 226), Sandy Ghrist, Vilma Pavuk and Wendy Dorman (Br. 226).



Young members of Branch 249 welcome Santa to their branch's annual family Christmas party in December.

Branch 249 is, here's a brief summary of our activities and donations from 2013.

We started in April with a Dayton Dragons baseball game, and many danced the night away at the annual Magyar Club of Dayton's Spring Dinner Dance. Then members attended the Annual Bowling Tournament and participated in Join Hands Day in May. The WPA Golf Tournament in July saw members hacking away, and August brought the

annual chicken paprikas dinner and the St. Stephens Church pig roast. Yum! September brought many members to the WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest. We also had our annual cabbage roll sale in September. We ended the year with the branch Christmas party.

Our branch donated to a local food bank for Join Hands for Hunger, and we donated to the WPFA Scholarship Foundation through sponsorships and Chinese auction

baskets at the WPA bowling, golf and picnic events. Donations also were made to local Hungarian churches and organizations. Lastly, we donated to Big Brothers/Big Sisters through sponsorship of a local member, Karen Kuritar, rappelling down the 27-story Key Bank Tower in downtown Dayton.

For 2014, please see your *William Penn Life* for information on national events and great Hungarian fraternal fun that should not be missed. We are continuing to plan activities at the local level for this year. If you have any ideas, please do not hesitate to contact me at 937-667-1211 or amschmidt@msn.com. We continue to add new members to the branch and welcome any member to participate in your branch activities

Also, remember we are here to help you with address and beneficiary changes and any insurance or annuity problems or questions.

Congratulations to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. We hope you have many more. Our condolences to those who have lost a loved one. We also extend get well wishes to those members and loved ones who have been sick or hospitalized.

Don't forget St. Valentine's Day, or you could be in trouble. See you next month.

Branch 296 Springdale, PA

by Mary A. Kelly-Lovasz

Welcome to February, the month for Groundhog Day weather forecasting, Valentine's Day greetings, President's Day celebrating and the founding of William Penn Association, which is 128 years strong. We admire and honor that small group of hardworking coalminers who had the foresight to think of a way to form a common bond, and pool their resources, with the goal of taking care of their own. Whether or not they knew it at the time, this was fraternalism in action. Their humble dream lives on, and we take great pride in their efforts.

Birthday wishes to our Branch President, Diane Torma, and to all of our 296-ers who will be celebrating their special day. Our positive

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thoughts and get well wishes go out to our members who are recovering from illness or injury. And special thoughts to those who have lost dear ones recently.

Weather permitting, our next branch meeting will be held Thursday, March 13, at 7:00 p.m. at King's Family Restaurant in New Kensington. Come join us for a fun and brief meeting, followed by dessert!

Contact me at makelly367@verizon.net or at 724-274-5318 if you have any news you would like to share.

Remember, Noreen Fritz has the answers to all your life insurance and annuities questions. She can be reached at 412-821-1837 or at noreen-bunny.fritz@verizon.net.

Branch 336 Harrisburg, PA

by Barbara Kreiser

Where's that darn groundhog? Did he see his shadow? Will we have six more weeks of winter? Yep, February is here. With Groundhog Day, Super Bowl Sunday and Valentine's Day, boy, it is going to be a busy month.

Since we did not have a branch report last month, let me back up a little bit with some of the previous month's activities. In December, we did a lot of celebrating. The children's Christmas party was a success thanks to Zita Prowse and her helpers. The adult Christmas party was also a lot of fun. We had a great band and great food. Thanks to all the members who came out to make it such a great time. And one last get together for the year, the New Year's Eve party, was a blast. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make all of these celebrations so wonderful.

In January, all we did was try to stay warm in the below-zero weather. Gotta love Pennsylvania winters.

Welcome to new members Debbie Mariano and Tammy Paulsen. We are happy to have you join the William Penn family.

A big "happy birthday" to everybody celebrating a birthday in February, and congratulations to those celebrating anniversaries.

Our meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Monday of every month



Santa arrives at the family Christmas party hosted in December by Branch 525.

at the Verhovay Home Association on 29th Street in Harrisburg. Please come out and help make the decisions that affect your club.

I would love to hear about any special days or people in your lives: birthdays, graduations, home from serving in the military, special awards received or a shut-in who would appreciate a card every now and then. Anything that you would like to share, I would be happy to include it in *William Penn Life*. Please contact me, Barbara Kreiser, at 717-418-3369 or email me at Barbara_Kreiser@yahoo.com.

Keep in mind, if you have any life insurance or annuity needs, whether you just need a policy tune up, are looking for a new policy or know someone who is, call Charles Johns at 717-439-8620.

Branch 352 Coraropolis, PA

by Dora S. McKinsey

Happy Valentine's Day! May you and your loved ones be blessed this day and every day.

This month marks the 128th anniversary of William Penn Association. Congratulations to the Association and to all the past and present members who have made it possible for the Association to continue to provide its members with the best possible insurance plans and annu-

ity rates and be able to offer all the different fraternal activities over the years. *William Penn Life* lists just a few of the upcoming events scheduled for the year 2014. Please try to attend as many of them as you can, for only with your support can the Association continue to provide its members with the best possible fraternal service.

Our next scheduled event is the Annual Bowling Tournament. Everyone had a great time last year, and this year promises to be even better. Make sure to check out all the information in this issue of *William Penn Life*. Also keep in mind our 31st Annual Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days will be held July 18 and 19 at Quicksilver Golf Course in Midway, Pa. Several changes are being planned for the Friday night golfers reception at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott, and it should be a fun time.

If you, your child or your grandchild is or will be attending an institution of higher learning in 2014, remember to check the scholarship eligibility rules to obtain a scholarship. Every little bit of money available to help with your education is well worth the effort to apply for.

Get well wishes go out to Arlene Croman and all those who are feeling under the weather. Arlene, know that God is at work in your life. We love you and hope you feel better.

Happy birthday to all of our branch members who are celebrat-



Myron Yeager, 94, Branch 800's oldest active member and branch auditor, attended the branch's annual Christmas party.

ing a birthday this month. May you have many more, and may all of them be healthy.

We would like to welcome all new members of Branch 352. Remember, if you have any news you would like to share, or if you have any life insurance questions, please contact me at 412-319-7116 or by email at dmckinsey@hotmail.com.

Branch 525 Los Angeles, CA

by Sárka Gotz

Our Christmas party was held at the Southern California Hungarian Club. We were happy to co-host this party with the club, allowing the members of both organizations to celebrate the holidays together.

The children attending were so excited at the sight of Santa and his helpers. I don't know who was happier, the children or their parents and grandparents.

Our program chair, Jo Ann, asked the children if they knew what the meaning of Christmas is. Many said "toys," but one special child said "the birth of baby Jesus."

A special thank you to the WPA Home Office for both financially supporting our Christmas party and the McDonald's gift cards.

We hope the new year 2014 brings peace in the world, along with good health and happiness for all. Pray for our troops. May they return home safely.

Please contact me at 909-350-1620 if you would like me to put your news in our next branch report.

Branch 800 Altoona, PA

by Dave Greiner

Branch 800 hopes all members had a wonderful Christmas and a good beginning to the new year.

Our branch sends out congratulations to our Association as it celebrates its 128th anniversary as the only Hungarian fraternal benefit society in the United States. WPA flourishes because it preaches and practices fraternalism, brotherhood and financial security.

February is the month that puts Punxsutawney, Pa., in the local, state and national spotlight. On Feb. 2, Groundhog Day, everyone wonders whether or not Punxsutawney Phil will see his shadow.

Feb. 14 is also a special day. Don't forget to make that day special for your favorite Valentine. Cards, flowers, candy and a romantic night out usually head the list of things to make it a memorable day.

President's Day is also celebrated this month, on the third Monday, Feb. 17. We celebrate this national holiday to honor all presidents, but especially George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Our branch lost one of its members, Jo Ann Brynes. She always looked forward to our summer picnic and Christmas party. We extend our sympathy to her family.

Our branch completed a successful internal audit of our branch records for 2013 in January. We look forward to a prosperous 2014.

Winter sports are going strong this month. We wish all District 6 high school girls and boys basketball teams good luck, especially the teams at Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School.

We also wish the Pittsburgh Penguins success in their drive for the Stanley Cup.

Branch 800 wishes a happy birthday to all members celebrating during the month of February.

Don't forget to contact Bob Jones for all your life insurance and annuity needs at 814-942-2661.



Are your beneficiaries up to date?

That's a question you may not have asked yourself very often, if ever. But, it's one you should ask yourself at least once a year.

We can't stress enough the importance of regularly checking the beneficiaries listed on your life insurance certificates. It is the only way to ensure that the people you want to receive the benefits of your life insurance are the ones who will receive it.

Think about the changes that have occurred in your life since you purchased your life insurance. Getting married, having children, losing a loved one, getting remarried--all these life changes affect your responsibilities. In some states, divorce may make your beneficiaries null and void. Do the beneficiaries currently listed on your life insurance certificates reflect such changes?

If you think you need to update the beneficiaries listed on your certificates--either primary or secondary beneficiaries--contact your WPA representative. Or, call our Home Office toll-free at 1-800-848-7366.

In Memoriam

We ask you to pray for the eternal rest of all our recently departed members listed below:

DECEMBER 2013

- 0001 BRIDGEPORT, CT
Elizabeth Bernath
Louis Borona
Michael J. Buda
0008 JOHNSTOWN, PA
James Charnesky
Sharlet Chasar
Margaret Romagna
0013 TRENTON, NJ
Jeanne M. Baker
0014 CLEVELAND, OH
Wanda M. Bodak
Helen Jenny Bogardy
Frances Kozma

- Robin G. Kramer
William S. Skultety
Evelyn A. Ybl
0016 PERTH AMBOY, NJ
Alexander F. Szabo
0018 LINCOLN PARK, MI
Arpad Antal
Robert W. Edmundson
Gust Zouyras
0019 NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ
Francis A. King
Alex Meszaros, Sr.
0024 CHICAGO, IL
Mary M. Gradisher
0026 SHARON, PA
John Baumgartner, Jr.
Ernest Ellis
Anna Nagy
0034 PITTSBURGH, PA
Alexander Biro, Jr.

- Harry Stackawitz
0040 MARTINS FERRY, WV
Theodore M. Yonak
0044 AKRON, OH
Virginia Six
0051 PASSAIC, NJ
Anna Papa
0071 DUQUESNE, PA
Francis E. Stumpf
0076 PHILADELPHIA, PA
Kenneth Pickens
0089 HOMESTEAD, PA
Harry C. Fry III
0132 SOUTH BEND, IN
Freda Laiber
0159 PHOENIXVILLE, PA
Charles T. Fodor
0226 McKESSPORT, PA
Mary Elizabeth Burik
0249 DAYTON, OH
Esther Sopronyi

- 0336 HARRISBURG, PA
Frank J. Kempf
0525 LOS ANGELES, CA
Esther Garrigan
Leland C. Salberg
0590 CAPE CORAL, FL
Steve Vajda
0720 DEDHAM, MA
Louis Malatesta
0723 WORCESTER, MA
Ethel M. McNamara
0800 ALTOONA, PA
Frederick O. Miller
8036 SCOTTDAL, PA
Charles R. Noel
Leona Racz
Pearl Elizabeth Teper
8114 CLARION, PA
Ethel I. Walter
8340 BALTIMORE, MD
Catherine E. Wolf

Recent Donations

WPFA Scholarship Foundation

Donations Through Premium Payments DECEMBER 2013

- Branch - Donor - Amount**
1 - Maria E. Bryon - \$3.00
13 - John P. Cook Jr. - \$10.00
14 - Stanley L. Adams - \$3.00
18 - Cynthia A. Raymond - \$3.81
18 - Marianne T. Orsargos - \$10.00
19 - Mary Jane Nagy - \$2.00
26 - Marie S. Logue - \$1.00
28 - Wesley A. Spencer - \$2.50
28 - Rebecca A. Spencer - \$2.50
28 - Corrie L. Crump - \$5.00
28 - Frank Schauer - \$5.60
28 - Kristen M. Taylor - \$20.00
34 - Patricia A. Lenski - \$25.00
44 - Alexander J. Darago - \$25.00
44 - Rosemary V. Benson - \$10.00
76 - Stephen M. Skrzat - \$25.00
88 - Jeanne M. Henry - \$7.90
129 - David A. Dobos - \$50.00
129 - Joseph M. Fuleki - \$50.00
129 - Virginia Abahazie - \$5.00
129 - Julie Westcamp - \$5.46
129 - Thomas A. Shepard Jr. - \$2.45
159 - David G. Mayberry - \$1.85
226 - Timothy R. Holtzman - \$1.40
226 - Carol S. Burlikowski - \$5.00
226 - Robert W. Serena - \$5.00
296 - Geraldine M. Heade - \$10.00
296 - James D. Charles - \$25.00
336 - Zita F. Prowse - \$2.21
336 - James W. Robertson - \$100.00
352 - John P. McKinsey Jr. - \$1.32
352 - Dora S. McKinsey - \$1.02
352 - Alexander E. Spagina - \$13.55
525 - Tibor T. Marton - \$5.42
590 - John Gardi Jr. - \$5.00
8286 - Joseph Schaefer - \$10.00

- 8340 Francis J. Conrad - \$100.00
TOTAL for Month = \$560.99

Additional Donations DECEMBER 2013

- Donor - Amount**
T & R Club - \$16.00
Catherine M. Klarr - \$50.00
Frank Petohazi - \$25.00
Verhovay Home Assn. - \$100.00
WPA Cookbook Sales - \$300.00
TOTAL for Month = \$491.00

Donations In Memoriam DECEMBER 2013

- Donor - Amount
(In Memory of)**
Kevin Ames - \$20.00
(Arthur E. Antal)
George Cassar - \$10.00
(Arthur E. Antal)
Beata Csaszar - \$10.00
(Arthur E. Antal)
Gina DiCarlo - \$9.00
(Arthur E. Antal)
Karl J. Geiger - \$100.00
(Joshua Geiger)
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A tribute to my parents, Estelle and Joseph Kelly, deceased members of Branch 296 Springdale, Pa. Married for 65 years and parents of four children, they endured the Great Depression and embodied the spirit of the Greatest Generation. Estelle was raised by immigrant parents who harbored a great love for their adopted homeland. Joe, orphaned at a young age, was

raised by his widowed grandmother, a bachelor uncle and the neighborhood where he grew up. After returning from service at a CCC camp in New Mexico, Joe met his lovely Estelle at a dance hall and they soon married. Together, while Joe served in the U.S. Navy, he and Estelle traveled America and spoke of their adventures throughout their lifetimes. Both highly valued education and, always wanting the best for their children, made certain that each attended college. They valued the ideals of fraternalism. Here's to you, Mom and Dad!

For more information about how you can make a personalized donation and express greetings, wishes or heartfelt memories while supporting our Scholarship Foundation, please turn to page 2 of this issue.

Puzzle Contest #101 WINNERS

The winners of our Puzzle Contest #101 were drawn Jan. 8, 2013, at the Home Office. Congratulations to:

Natalie J. Bojt, Br. 590 Cape Coral, FL
Anna Mariskanish, Br. 8 Johnstown, PA
Irene Szilagyi, Br. 18 Lincoln Park, MI
Joan M. Vayda, Br. 19 New Brunswick, NJ

Each won \$50 for their correct entry.



The Darlington House

As we celebrate WPA's 128th anniversary, I thought it would be interesting to learn a little more about the center of operations of our beloved fraternal insurance organization, a historic building known as the Darlington House.

Ornately carved woodworking adorns the building that sits upon about a half acre in the former city of Allegheny, now known as the Allegheny West section of Pittsburgh. The focal point of this spacious home is an elaborate hardwood staircase that wraps around from the lobby to the second floor. The Darlington House was one of the first homes in the area to have an elevator. (See the July 2010 issue of William Penn Life for a photographic tour.)

Often times, the story of a particular home is overshadowed by the personal lives and inappropriate behaviors of the family that lived there. Such is the case with the beautiful 31-room brick home with slate roof and adjacent garage that serves as WPA's Home Office.

The property was formed from three lots, originally owned by James and Margaret Graham and James McCutcheon. The house and two-story garage were built in 1909 for \$60,000 and \$9,000, respectively. The buildings were designed by noted Pittsburgh architect George S. Orth and constructed by W. F. Trimble and Sons. The home was a wedding gift from Mr. and Mrs. Harry Darlington Sr. to their son and daughter-in-law, Harry and Lefreda (Weir) Darlington.

The Darlington family fortune was built mostly from the wise business and investment dealings of Harry Sr. Their fortune centered around steel, natural gas, a brewery and several other industries. The wives of both Harry Sr. and Harry Jr. came from families of social and monetary prominence in the Pittsburgh area. Both father and son were involved in several clubs and high society organizations not only in Western Pennsylvania but also in New York City.

Harry Jr. seemed to live in the shadows and within the vigilant eye of his father. Harry Sr. even lived on the same street, Irwin Avenue (which later became Brighton Road). Harry Jr. married his first wife in London in 1908. Although his family was of high society in Pittsburgh, Harry Jr.'s wedding merited only a brief article in a New York newspaper. The marriage, according to court documents and news accounts, was filled with scandal, lies and deception.

Every summer Harry Jr., his wife and their only child would summer in a posh resort area north of New York City. In 1913, Harry Jr., according to court documents, returned to Pittsburgh, leaving his wife and son at the resort. He ordered the locks to be changed at the 709 Brighton Road location. Servants were ordered to never admit his wife and child in the home again. In 1915, his wife filed for and was granted a divorce based on abandonment.

Mired in embarrassment from his failed first marriage, Harry Jr. married again in 1917, this time to Ethel Shields. A few months later, he joined the U.S. Army in the engineering corps and was shipped to France. He remained a soldier throughout World War I and was discharged in early 1919. He returned to Pittsburgh and lived a short time longer in his home before selling it to Robert and Marguerite (Singer) Milligan and moving back to the residence of his now deceased mother and father. In 1925, he sold his parents' home and moved to several other locations in the area. He continued to work from the same office that he occupied with his father until his passing in 1931 at the age of 43. He had one son from his second marriage.

The Milligans sold the home in 1940 to Carl and Grace Traubert, who converted the home into a furnished rooming house. Two years later, the home was purchased by The Catholic Knights of St. George (CKSG), a fraternal benefit society, and became the organization's home office. The Darlington House became WPA's Home Office in 1982 when the CKSG joined the WPA family. The home was extensively renovated to restore much of its original beauty.

This month, our wordsearch Puzzle Contest features 21 clues reflecting the history of the William Penn Association's Home Office. Since this column was a bit longer than usual, the list of winners from Puzzle Contest #101 appears on page 28. Good luck, and see you in March!

Eljen a Magyar,
Lizzy Check

WPA PUZZLE CONTEST #104 OFFICIAL ENTRY

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"The Darlington House" Word List

Allegheny West
Brick
Brighton Road
Darlington House
Desertion
Divorce
Garage

Graham
Harry Darlington
Irwin Avenue
McCutcheon
Milligan
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Shields
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1. ALL WPA Life Benefit Members are eligible to enter.
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3. Mail your completed puzzle, along with your name, address, phone number, email address, and WPA Certificate Number, to:

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Pittsburgh, PA 15233

4. Entries must be received at the Home Office by **March 31, 2014**.
5. Four winners will be drawn from all correct entries on or about April 4, 2014, at the Home Office. Each winner will receive \$50.

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