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WPA Picnic cancelled

Due to a combination of factors, and in the best interest of William Penn Association, the Board of Directors, with heavy hearts, has decided to cancel this year's WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest, which was to be held on August 29.

There are many uncertainties that led to this decision. We are heartbroken, and we know that many of you are disappointed. It is also a disappointment to us.

We would like to thank the many picnic volunteers, both past and present. Your efforts have been invaluable and your fraternal spirit unquestionable. Know that we will put forth every effort toward bringing this fraternal event back to William Penn Association.

As you know, the picnic is an important fundraiser for the WPFA Scholarship Foundation. In the picnic's absence, the Board has committed to making a special donation to the Scholarship Foundation for the benefit of our youth. We hope that you will do the same.

Fraternally,
The Board of Directors

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Have you moved recently, or are you planning to move soon? If so, please complete this form and send it to the WPA Home Office. That way, we can keep our records up-to-date and keep you informed about important information regarding your life insurance and annuity certificates, your fraternal benefits and WPA events and activities. Please mail to: William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233.

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Let summer bring out the child in you

IF YOU ARE LUCKY ENOUGH to have school-aged children in your family or living on your block, your summer can be full of imagination, laughter and learning. Fortunately, we still have left about 30 days worth of opportunities to catch some exuberance from any rambunctious, rowdy, twinkle-in-their-eye kiddos.

Children's love of riding on swings, playing ball or catching frogs makes every day an adventure. Children help us to remember how to be--for lack of a better term--"child-like," a delightful attitude which more adults need to adopt.

Kids have an instinctual way of letting a banana popsicle light the way on a rainy day. Indulge yourself by living in their world and see with clarity how easy it is to be thrilled about a mud

puddle. Turn your living room into a camping experience complete with blanket tents and shadow puppets. If your kids are into gaming, let them show you how to play on the Wii. Take a seat and have your kids teach you about something that is new to you.

Then, switch roles and show them

something you do for fun. Let them help you in the garden, teach them how to put a night crawler on the hook, or introduce them to chess.

The relationship between grandchildren and grandparents is one of the most mutually beneficial partnerships to invest in. Even if your grandchildren are older, the rules still apply. Shadow them as they skim Facebook and Instagram. Ask them to take a selfie of the two of you and send it to family members. Interview each other about important view points and listen--really listen--to the sound of their voices. Kids of all ages have knowledge worth sharing; you just have to ask.

Put down the newspaper when they walk in the room and make a date for later in the week. Kids will keep you active and young because they have a completely different way of seeing the world than you do. Watch them jump in a pool a thousand times, patch their wounds with a band aid, and sneak in a hug and kiss at every corner.

Summer is fun and games for children, and it can be for you, too. Pick up the phone right now and make plans to catch fireflies in a mason jar with someone under the age of five--a guaranteed, out-of-the-park home run moment.

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Stoke the embers

At one time or another, most of us have had goals, focus and direction. As we transitioned eagerly into adulthood, we aspired, desired and felt compelled to achieve and persevere. We entered adulthood with purpose and conviction. We were "wide-eyed and bushy-tailed," as my father used to put it.

So, what occurs in the aging process that we settle for quiet embers where the fire in our bellies used to be? After the careers have been launched, the children raised or the travel completed, we find ourselves pale in comparison to our younger, more colorful selves. Do we really cease to have ambition simply because we are older and wiser? In most cases, the answer is yes. Yes, we do stop thinking of ourselves in the way we once did when the possibilities of what could be were endless.

But, the aging process does not take such a toll on us that we should no longer seek new adventures. We become settled, unimaginative, and a little stale because we no longer challenge ourselves. Aging isn't synonymous with a less meaningful life. Sure, priorities change, as do our circumstances, but not the fire; it is still there.

The promise of aging is that we view the world from the eagle's nest. We have a magnificent set of skills. We have more time to create, learn and wonder. All it takes is a little internal stoking of the smoldering coals.

Ask yourself, who am I today, and what is my purpose? Go where your intuition leads you and forge ahead with no regrets.



The importance of having a will

I READ WITH GREAT INTEREST Kathy Megyeri's article in the March 2015 *William Penn Life* where she recalled 11 lessons learned from the death of her parents. It reminded me of some important lessons learned when my mom passed away in 2012.

One lesson Kathy stressed is the importance of putting your affairs in order, putting all of your important papers in a safe place and making sure your beneficiaries are up to date. She also mentioned the importance of having a will.

The thought of writing a will makes many people uncomfortable, yet a properly written will is one of the most important factors in estate planning. A will is a formal legal document that will instruct your survivors in the settlement of your estate. Insurance policies and annuities pass by contract to the named beneficiary. But, a properly written will ensures that your other property will be distributed as you wish it to be.

Have you postponed the task of writing a will? If you already have a will, has it been updated recently? Does your will provide for your grandchildren should your children die before you? These are all difficult questions but ones that need to be addressed.

Taking the time to compose your will helps to ensure that *you* decide how your estate is divided, not the state. When someone dies without a will (known as dying "intestate"), your state of domicile will decide how your estate is to be divided and by whom.

Some people may feel that their estate is too small to need a will, but you should consider writing one anyway no matter the size. The reason is this: if you die without a will, you automatically forfeit your right to direct the dealings of your estate. In my experience I have seen families literally torn apart over \$500. Having a will helps avoid such conflict by not only allowing you to stipulate any special bequests (who gets what), but also giving you the opportunity to designate who handles your affairs (the executor), make plans for minor children and grandchildren and provide for any charitable bequests.

If you have decided that you'd like part of your estate

to pass to personal friends or even a charity, a will is the primary source of fulfilling your wishes. Without a will, the courts would have no way of knowing what your wishes were and will seek out relatives--no matter how distant--for distribution purposes.

If you are not married but have a "life partner," a will helps ensure that your partner is properly cared for. In addition, a properly written will provides for a secondary or alternate beneficiary in the event of a common disaster or in the event your primary beneficiaries die before you do.

Many people have shifted assets into trusts and use joint ownership as a means to bypass probate (the process that establishes the validity of a will). Even people in these situations should have a will because not all assets will be covered by the trust or ownership clauses. The will, however, has the potential to cover all of your assets, leaving no property unaccounted for and no stone unturned.

Like life insurance, a will is another means of providing security to you and your loved ones. Although the topic may be emotionally challenging, the advantages far outweigh any temporary discomfort you may feel. Give some thought to how you'd like your assets to be divided, who is to be named as executor (or executrix) and who (or what organizations) will receive benefits according to *your* wishes.

After gathering your thoughts and deciding on how you'd like to structure your affairs, you can find

many good sources for helping you to write your will. As always, consult a legal professional for any advice or guidance on legal matters, and consult your WPA representative to make sure your beneficiaries are up to date and follow your wishes for distribution.

Once you're done, as Kathy stated in her article, make sure your plan is communicated to your loved ones and all of your important papers are stored where somebody knows where they are. Then, you and your loved ones will have the peace of mind that comes with proper planning, knowing that your estate will be distributed based upon your wishes. □



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He was introduced to William Penn Association and its products three years ago and is proud to offer WPA annuities to his clients.

Tony was born and raised in Detroit and has been a lifelong Michigander. An active weight lifter since his teens, Tony recently competed in two Masters division (age 40+) bodybuilding events. He has also volunteered as a Prevention Education Specialist with HAVEN of Oakland County, an organization dedicated to eliminating domestic violence.

Tony and his wife Shie, who were married on June 6, are looking forward to starting a family together. □

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Four Years, Part I

FOUR YEARS IS A LONG TIME. It may seem short compared to a decade, but four Christmases, Easters and WPA picnics add up to many life experiences that are quickly dissolved into vague afterthoughts. Unless a circumstance of huge significance occurs, most events fade quickly from our memory. You probably remember the weather and minor details of your wedding or graduation, but recalling details of what transpired on Labor Day 2012 is difficult at best.

I can easily recall what I was doing when my mom pulled me out of school the morning of 9/11, or as a three-year-old, my grandmother passing unexpectedly. Sometimes, painful memories seem to be recalled more easily and in greater detail while recollections of happier times tend to be smaller and more trivial.

Recently, I reminisced with my siblings about how we enjoyed playing catch with my Grandfather Cseh and being pushed on the swings by my *nagyanya*¹ at the old Geauga Magyar Club. We smiled about how mom would pack special school lunches with cheese *pogácsa*² and apricot *kifli*³. With fondness did I think about how I tried to dance to a *csárdás* and *gólya tánc*⁴ with my sister.

Why is it that simple, unheralded events of the past come to prominence due to something that happened at the current moment? For example, I once came across a family photo of our Gettysburg vacation. As I shared the picture with my brother András, our sentiments migrated to an old Civil War board game we used to play called "Battle-Cry." We loved that game. But over the years, the abuse and neglect imposed upon it by the Cseh family reduced the game to a only a few chewed up playing pieces and a tattered box. For my most recent birthday, András presented me with a nearly new "Battle-Cry." I was shocked that he could not only find the game, but find one in near-pristine condition. This was the first time

we played in over 10 years. As a bonus, each succeeding game led to a recollection of other events from our childhood. The game was not as exciting as I remember, but playing it all those years later served as a catalyst for rekindling our fond memories of childhood.

In the past four years, many people, places and events once prominent in the American-Hungarian community either passed away or faded into memory. Hundreds of Hungarikum types passed on to Magyar heaven. The American-Hungarian Clubs in Youngstown and Pittsburgh were closed or sold. Magyar churches were shuttered. Many picnics and gatherings that were long-time events steeped in Hungarian culture, tradition and history were eliminated.

Just four years ago, I was about to enter law school, and my sister had just graduated high school. Since then, I earned my Juris Doctorate, was editor-in-chief of the Law Review and earned an LLM; Liz has earned a business degree and is just one semester shy of earning a master's degree. It is hard to believe that so much was earned and attained in 48 months.

Since the year 2011, many things within the American-Hungarian community remained status quo. I can still acquire *krémes* or *tortes* from Farkas Bakery, enjoy Debrecen kolbász from Dohar Meats, attend an old-fashioned Hungarian wedding or grape harvest picnic at the Hungarian Cultural Center of Northeastern Ohio in Hiram, Ohio, or order a "Kiss Me I'm Hungarian" sweatshirt from Magyar Marketing. WPA members receive every month *William Penn Life* via postal delivery or Internet. At least five times a year, our family members get a personal phone call from Alan "Attila" Szabo, the famed WPA insurance agent, wishing each of us a *boldog születésnapot*⁵. I hope each of these traditions continue for many years to come.

Four years has brought improvement to American

Point to Ponder....

The family and education system of Hungary seems to turn children into truly patriotic adults. I wish we, as Americans, could nurture our youngsters into becoming proud adult American citizens just as successfully.

I had the opportunity to visit two schools in Hungary. Magyar classrooms appear austere and mundane in comparison to the typical American classroom. I saw no Smart Boards, overhead projectors, televisions, computer tablets or glitzy bulletin boards. There was one technology lab that housed a dozen old computers. I was told that students visit the lab once a week for an hour.

What each classroom did have was a chalkboard the size of a sheet of plywood, a Magyar flag, posters of the alphabet and tables with chairs that were shared by two or three students. Instead of thick, hard-bound textbooks, students studied from disposable workbooks that are updated annually.

The Hungarian government controls all aspects of the curriculum and even requires each subject to be taught on a simultaneous nationwide timetable. There are private parochial schools, but they serve a specific purpose in preparing youngsters for future service in respect to their religious affiliation.

The basics are stressed at the village schools until the students reach about age 13. Then, each student is evaluated and delegated to a specific themed program where a more specialized education is offered. At that time the student usually continues their education in a larger city and either lives on campus or commutes daily by bus.

Does the education system in Hungary seem to be a better fit for students and parents compared to what is currently taking place here in America? Let me know your thoughts.

MAGYAR Website of Interest

<http://americanajournal.hu>

This site originates from the University of Szeged, an institution which runs a department of studies dedicated to American life, history and culture. *Americana - E-Journal of American Studies in Hungary* is the department's electronic magazine featuring a dozen or so stories written and researched by alumni, students and educators. The articles discuss specific aspects of American life, Hungarians who came to America and found success, American-Hungarian events or topics of interest to both Americans and Hungarians. Each volume offers an interesting perspective on just how Hungarians view America. All previous journals are archived and can be easily downloaded for viewing.

Hungarians in the form of better communications. *William Penn Life* has grown in size, color and quality, with a renewed commitment to preserving our precious American-Hungarian culture. Skype, email and texting has enabled my relatives in Csót, Hungary, and I to communicate instantly. I can obtain news about Hungary in English from several reliable sources. I can retrieve live camera and video shots of many areas of Hungary. Recently, I viewed on my computer a soccer match from Puskás Stadium in Budapest, a regatta on Lake Balaton and a church service in Máriapócs.

What will the next four years bring to the American-Hungarians and the membership of William Penn? October 2015 will be a pivotal time, as WPA's General Convention will take place. I hope the ship we call "WPA" will continue to be navigated on the right course in terms of our unique ethnicity.

In the last four years, I have visited Europe, specifically Hungary, several times and have come to the realization that the culture of Hungary will survive and adapt despite external influences.

Hundreds of years ago, Hungarians fought and died as they proved to be the wall that prevented the Ottoman Empire from overtaking most of Europe. As a people, we survived and eventually flourished, even though almost

half of the Magyar population was eliminated. Our numbers were so depleted that thousands of German, Austrian and Czech immigrants were invited to repopulate those areas ravaged by generations of war. It was not long until those uniquely different immigrant groups assimilated and became true Magyars. As the impending generations propagated, Germanic surnames remained as the only sign that many Hungarians came from other lands.

I can attest to this from a personal basis. My last name is Check. The original spelling before it was altered at Ellis Island was Cseh. Translated, it means "from the Czech area of Europe." Six generations before mine, my ancestors did in fact come to help fill the void left by over a century of hostile occupation. My great-great-grandmother had a last name of "Fritz," and her grandfather came to Csót from southern Germany.

I see no difference between Magyars with so-called pure bloodlines and those whose ancestors migrated to Hungary more than 200 years ago. I have yet to hear a Hungarian mention that my last name sounds and spells Germanic, thus I am a lesser Hungarian. Pál Schmitt, a former president of Hungary, could trace his early childhood memories as a young boy living in Csót. Never did anyone question whether his Germanic-sounding last name made him less of a true Magyar.

Four years ago, I offered the readers of *William Penn Life* my thoughts concerning the future of the Hungarian community here in America. It was an attempt to visualize what direction our delegates and the national leadership of William Penn Association could/would be encountering.

This August 2015 installment of *Tibor's Take* offers to you, the membership of WPA, my perception of what has transpired since the convention of 2011.

The next national gathering will be taking place in early October, so next month, I will offer my insights as to what we, as American-Hungarians of William Penn Association, will be facing as an ethnic group.

Coming next month: *Four Years, Part II*.

Éljen a Magyar! Tibor II

Translation notes: (1) grandmother; (2) biscuits; (3) cold dough pastry; (4) stork dance; (5) happy birthday.

Tibor Check, Jr., is a member of Branch 28.

Let's hear your take

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.

The Hungarian Kitchen



with Főszakács Béla

Old Country Favorites

FÁRADJON BE A MAGYAR KONYHÁBA!

This summer has been very pleasurable with cookouts, golf and gardening. In another two weeks, I should be harvesting an abundant crop of Leutschauer paprika heirloom peppers. They are super hot but so tasty when used in the perfect recipe. I also planted Round of Hungary peppers that are super sweet and great for stuffing and making relish or salsa. In any case, my neighbors are waiting to sample the final product at our neighborhood's end of summer BBQ. A great time was had by all last year, but this year will be much better as the guest list is longer.

Don't forget your local WPA branch activities and the upcoming General Convention. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the Home Office for all your answers and insurance needs.

I do a lot of research and reading about food, history and ethnic cuisines. While doing so, I often come across recipes that are not common in most Hungarian cookbooks. Hungarian cuisine has a long history in the culinary world. Magyars can prepare amazing entrees with poultry. They also excel at preparing freshwater fish; even though Hungary is landlocked, it has many streams, lakes and ponds that produce many species of freshwater fish. When it comes to vegetables, Magyars can take any item and make a meal of it. As for pastries and desserts, a Hungarian pastry chef can be worth his weight in gold and in the same class as a Viennese or French pastry chef.

Hungarian cooking is not a skill, but rather a fine art with expressive appeal. Hungarian cuisine is neither too spicy or too sweet, but rather a sophisticated blend of ingredients and techniques that produces incomparable entrées.

This month, I am excited to share with you some hard-to-find original Hungarian recipes that are easy to make and share with your family and friends. Since I did mention my pepper garden, I will include some lecsó recipes for your culinary enjoyment.

Enjoy the recipes and have a great month!

Jó étvágyat! Főszakács Béla

RECIPES

Borjűfelfűjt (Veal Soufflé)

1 pound ground veal
6 whole eggs, separated
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon white pepper
½ cup breadcrumbs
¼ cup butter

Mix together the veal and egg yolks. Stir in the salt, pepper, breadcrumbs and one tablespoon of the butter; combine well. Beat the egg whites until very stiff and fold into the meat mixture. Pile lightly into a buttered baking dish and bake at 300°F for one hour or until an inserted knife comes out clean. Melt and pour the rest of the butter over the soufflé and serve at once.

Debrecen Mazsolás Csirke (Chicken with Raisins ala Debrecen)

4 pounds chicken, disjointed
2 teaspoons salt
1 lemon, thinly sliced
½ cup vinegar
½ cup water
½ cup golden raisins
½ cup sugar
1 cup white wine
2 tablespoons flour
3 tablespoons lard

Wash the chicken well. Cover with salted water in a stockpot and bring to a boil. Cook slowly until tender, about two hours. Combine the lemon slices, vinegar and the ½ cup of water and cook 30 minutes. Drain. Combine the raisins, sugar and wine, then cook until the raisins are plump. When the chicken is done and most of the

liquid has cooked away, add the lemon slices. Blend the flour and fat over low heat. Stir in a cup of the chicken broth and continue cooking and stirring until mixture is smooth and thickened. Add the raisins in wine and blend. Arrange the chicken on a platter and pour the sauce over it.

Fokhagymás Rostélyos (Garlic Steak)

3 pounds beefsteak, thinly sliced
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon white pepper
3 tablespoons olive oil
3 tablespoons lard
3 cloves garlic, minced
2 tablespoons fresh parsley, chopped

Sprinkle the meat with salt and pepper; cut into eight serving pieces. Place ½ teaspoon olive oil on each piece, stack and let stand in refrigerator for three hours. Heat the fat and quickly brown the meat in it, on both sides. Remove to platter. Add the garlic and parsley to the meat juices, stir and pour over the meat. Serve with mashed potatoes and green vegetable of your choice.

Harcás Káposzta (Fish with Sauerkraut)

1 onion, chopped
2 tablespoons bacon fat
1 tablespoon paprika
2 cups fresh sauerkraut
2 pounds white fish fillets
½ cup sour cream

Brown the onions in bacon fat. Stir in the paprika and then the sauerkraut; cook slowly for one hour. Cut the fish into six serving-size pieces; stir the sauerkraut, then arrange the fish on top of it. Cover and cook slowly for 45 minutes longer. Before serving, spoon the sour cream onto the fish pieces and cover for two minutes to heat the cream.

If you wish, you can cook the sauerkraut separately. In this case, brown the fish in the fat and paprika and then carefully arrange over the sauerkraut. Also, a cup of heavy sweet cream may be used instead of the sour cream. It should be covered long enough to heat.

Lecsó

2 green peppers
2 red peppers
2 yellow peppers
1 onion, large, thinly sliced
3 garlic, cloves minced
3 tablespoons olive oil
2 tablespoons Hungarian paprika
4 tomatoes, skinned, seeded
& quartered

Kosher salt & black pepper, to taste

Wash all the vegetables and pat dry with paper towels. To prepare tomatoes, cut out the core and drop them in boiling water for a minute. Remove from water and let cool. Skin should easily peel away when scraped with a paring knife. Cut peppers into strips and onion into fine slices. In a skillet, heat the olive oil and sweat the garlic and onions. Add paprika and stir well. Add peppers and cook until they are limp. Add tomatoes and cook until they become soft. Adjust seasoning and serve hot.

Hot Lecsó

2 green peppers
2 red peppers
2 Hungarian banana peppers
2 onions, medium, thinly sliced
3 tablespoons canola oil
1 tablespoon white vinegar
1 tablespoon sugar
1 tablespoon Hungarian paprika
4 tomatoes, skinned, diced
Kosher salt & black pepper, to taste

Wash all the vegetables and pat dry with paper towels. To prepare tomatoes, cut out the core and drop them in boiling water for a minute. Remove from water and let cool. Skin should easily peel away when scraped with a paring knife. Dice tomatoes and set aside. Cut peppers into strips and onion into fine slices. In a skillet, heat the canola oil, add onions and cook until soft. Add paprika and stir well. Add all the peppers and cook until they are limp. Add tomatoes and cook another 10 minutes. Add sugar and vinegar. Adjust seasoning and serve hot.

Miskolc Lecsó

¼ cup butter, melted
2 onions, medium, sliced thin
4 green peppers, sliced thin
4 tomatoes, large, cut into big chunks
¼ teaspoon salt

¼ teaspoon paprika
¼ teaspoon white pepper

In a large skillet, melt the butter, then add the sliced onion and simmer for a few minutes. Add the sliced peppers and cook for a few more minutes. Add the tomato chunks, salt, pepper and paprika; cook for 20 minutes. Serve hot to your guests.

For *Lecsó Tojással*, add six whole eggs, slightly beaten, to the mixture in the skillet and cook over low heat for a few minutes until eggs are done.

Ron's Lecsó

3 pounds tomatoes
6 green peppers, medium
8 sweet banana peppers
6 yellow onions
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon white pepper
1 tablespoon sugar
12-ounce can Campbell's tomato juice

Core tomatoes and cut into quarters. Slice green peppers in half, remove seeds and white core, and then cut into one-inch chunks. Slice banana peppers in half lengthwise, remove seeds and white core. Cut each half again lengthwise, then cut all four pieces in half crosswise to get a total of eight pieces from each pepper. Slice the ends off each onion and remove outer skin. Cut onions in half from top to bottom and place flat side down, then cut into ¼-inch pieces. Put tomatoes in a large saucepan, cover and simmer for 25 minutes until they liquify. Stir constantly so tomatoes don't burn and stick to the bottom of the pan. When tomatoes are almost done, stir in the salt, pepper and sugar. If there is not enough liquid when tomatoes are cooked, add the canned tomato juice. Add all the peppers and onions; stir very well. Bring the mixture back to a boil, then turn off the heat and let set with cover on pot. The lecsó may be canned or stored in an airtight container in your refrigerator for up to five days.

Hideg Almaleves (Cold Apple Soup)

4 apples, pared & diced
½ cup sugar
1 teaspoon lemon peel, grated
3 cups hot water
½ cup white wine
2 tablespoons flour

2 tablespoons cold water
½ cup heavy cream

Combine the apples, sugar, lemon and hot water. Cook until apples are tender. Add the wine. Blend the flour and cold water until smooth. Thin with a few tablespoons of the hot soup, then pour back into saucepan and stir. Simmer for five minutes. Chill and add cream before serving.

Hideg Meggy-És Cseresznye Leves (Cold Sour-Sweet Cherry Soup)

2 pounds sour cherries, pitted
1 cup sugar
1 stick cinnamon
3 cups cold water
2 tablespoons flour
1 cup heavy cream
1 cup red wine

Simmer the cherries, sugar and cinnamon in the water until the cherries are tender. Remove the cinnamon. Blend the flour with three tablespoons of cold water until smooth. Thin with three more tablespoons of water and stir into the hot soup. Heat to boiling. Chill. Stir in the cream and wine, then serve.

Kirántott Sertéscsülök (Breaded Pig Knuckles)

4 pounds pig knuckles
2 teaspoons salt
1 whole egg, slightly beaten
1 cup breadcrumbs
½ cup lard

Clean the knuckles and cook 10 minutes in enough water to cover. Plunge into cold water and remove the skins. Add the salt to the hot water and return the meat to it. Simmer until meat comes off the bones. Roll chunks of the meat in the egg, then in the crumbs and brown quickly on each side in the hot fat.

Metéltek (Noodles)

1½ cups flour, sifted
½ teaspoon salt
1 whole egg
3 tablespoons cold water

Mix together the flour and the salt. Break the egg into the center of the

flour, add the water and mix all together. Knead thoroughly until the dough is smooth and velvety. Put flour on your hands and shape dough into a loaf. Cover and let stand 15 minutes to make rolling easier. On a floured board, roll out the dough tissue-thin. Divide in half if it becomes too large for the board. Slightly dry the sheets of dough on a cloth. Roll each into a tight scroll and slice thin. Scatter the noodles as they are cut to dry them further.

Instead of rolling up for cutting, the thin pastry may be stacked in strips and cut into one-inch squares; or, it may be rolled less thin and torn into *csipetke* (pinched noodles).

This noodle is good for soups, main dishes and desserts, such as...

Tejbenfőtt Laska (Noodles in Milk Dessert)

¼ cup butter
4 cups whole milk
¼ cup sugar
2 cups noodles
¼ cup golden raisins
1 teaspoon vanilla
¼ cup confectioners' sugar

Melt the butter in the top of a large double boiler over direct heat. Add the milk and heat to boiling. Stir in the granulated sugar and noodles and cook over hot water until the noodles are tender and the milk is absorbed. Occasional stirring may be necessary. Stir in the raisins and vanilla, then turn into a buttered baking dish. Bake in a 400°F oven until mixture is crisp on top and at the sides. Turn out on a platter and dust with confectioners' sugar. Cut and serve pie-fashion.

Palacsintatészta (Plain Pancakes)

2 cups flour, sifted
1 teaspoon salt
4 whole eggs, separated
3 cups whole milk

Combine the flour, salt, egg yolks and one cup of the milk, stirring until smooth. Gradually stir in the rest of the milk to make a batter the consistency

of heavy sweet cream. Beat egg whites until stiff--but not dry--and fold into the batter. Stir again before pouring each pancake. Bake full-size, thin cakes on an eight-inch skillet, tipping to spread the batter. Fill with meat, fish or vegetable filling for main dish or entrée. This batter may also be used for dessert pancakes served with sweet fillings or toppings.

You can alter this recipe, using two eggs instead of four. In this case, you would add the eggs unbeaten with the first cup of milk. The thin cakes from this batter will be less delicate to handle than those with more eggs and make a thriftier main dish.

Rákal Töltött Palacsinta (Lobster Filled Pancakes)

10 plain pancakes
½ cup mushrooms, finely chopped
1 tablespoon butter
1 cup lobster meat, cooked
1 tablespoon fresh parsley, chopped
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon white pepper
½ cup sour cream or heavy cream
2 slices white bread, crust removed
& softened in milk.

Brown mushrooms lightly in butter and allow to cool. Combine the mushrooms with the remaining ingredients (except the pancakes) in a mixing bowl. Put a heaping spoonful of this mixture on a pancake and roll up, then place on a platter.

Or, you can make a stack of pancakes. To make the stack, place a pancake on a buttered baking dish, then spread with one tablespoon of lobster filling. Place another pancake on top and spread another tablespoon of filling. Follow this process using all the pancakes. Butter the top pancake, then place in a 350°F oven until filling is set, about 20 minutes. Remove from oven, let stand for 10 minutes, then slice pie-fashion and serve hot.

Comic relief

Ron Fowler isn't clowning around in his efforts to aid the victims of this April's deadly earthquake in Nepal

by Richard E. Sarosi

On April 25, 2015, Ron Fowler was going to an ATM in Bhaktapur, Nepal, an ancient city of great cultural and historical importance, located about nine miles from the capital of Kathmandu. It was a normal activity on a day that would prove to be anything but normal.

Ron, his wife Stacy and their daughter Millie live in Bhaktapur for three months each year; the rest of the year they live in Wickliffe, Ohio. Ron is better known to Branch 14 members and those who attend the branch's annual Christmas party as "Flower Clown." While in Nepal, Ron purchases his custom clown costumes, bags (for the Flower Clown balloon bag), supplies and other related items from the local markets and factories in Kathmandu and outlying areas.

Unfortunately, at noon on April 25, a 7.8-magnitude earthquake struck Nepal and the surrounding countries. Many fragile homes and buildings—some up to 500 years old—were reduced to rubble within seconds. More recently built structures, many of which lacked proper reinforcements, could not stand the violent shaking and were destroyed as well. Ron said the area lies along a fault line which was responsible for the creation of the Himalayan Mountain range.

We are glad to report that Ron and his family are safe and were able to return to their home in the Cleveland suburb of Wickliffe three days after the earthquake struck.

After he returned home, Ron could not stop thinking and worrying about his friends and those individuals and businesses who were affected by the earthquake.

Today, some of the factories Ron deals with are back in operation. He said that people are trying to return to a state of normalcy. Recently, a group of 15 college students working with the Lions Club International's Leo Club were in Nepal to help build shelters before the arrival of the monsoon season.

Ron has started a venture called "Clevemandu.com," a non-profit fundraising organization to aid his friends, business associates and other survivors and victims of the earthquake in Nepal. Ron has also established an online outlet for the sale of Nepalese items with the proceeds from all sales going to aid those affected by the earthquake.

Ron said there is still a need for food, tents, medicines and basic supplies.

Even in the midst of death and disaster, Ron and Flower Clown were able to provide assistance and entertain people both young and old with balloon creations, a positive outlook and an upbeat personality. Ron was able to make a difference in so many lives and lifted the spirits, even if for a brief moment, to those who were suffering.



A 7.8-magnitude earthquake killed more than 9,000 people and turned many homes and buildings in Nepal into piles of rubble. Ron Fowler (aka Flower Clown) did his best to bring smiles, laughter and a few moments of normalcy to the survivors. (Photos courtesy of Ron Fowler)

Touched, by Ron's fraternal spirit, Branch 14 will be making a donation to help Ron in his efforts to aid the victims of the Nepal earthquake.

I, for one, look forward to seeing Flower Clown again at the Branch 14 Christmas party in November. I hope he will be able to update us on the progress of his friends and contacts in Nepal as they rebuild their lives since that unforgettable day in April when so many lives were changed forever.



Supporting Magyar culture in Hiram

WPA Chair of the Board Barbara A. House and National Director Richard E. Sarosi were among the WPA members who ignored the rainy weather June 21 to attend the Buckeye Road Reunion Picnic at the Hungarian Cultural Center of Northeastern Ohio in Hiram, Ohio. The event is one of many Magyar cultural events the HCCNEO hosts each year. The next event will be a *falusi lakodalom* (a mock village wedding) on Sunday, Aug. 16, from noon to 7:00 p.m. For more information about the HCCNEO, visit their website at www.hungarianclub.org.



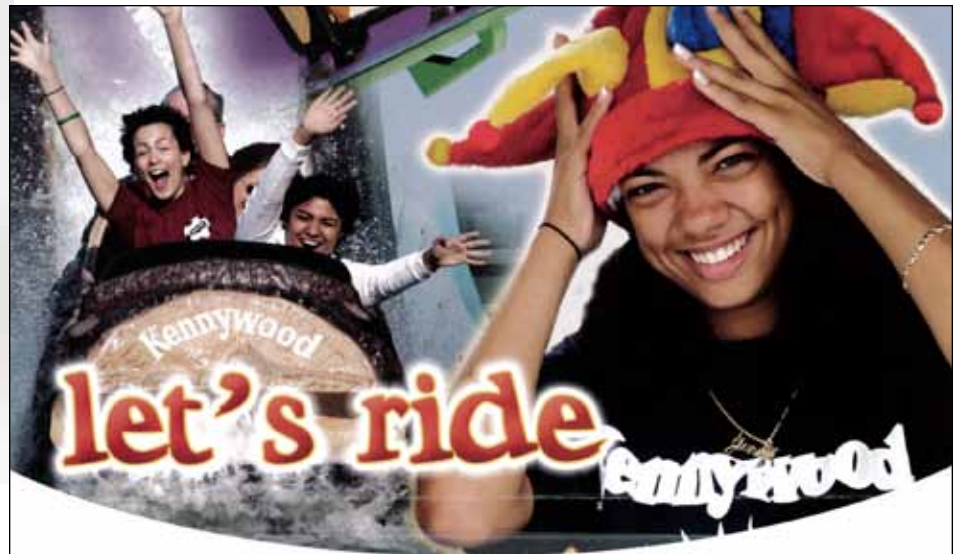
Exhibit marks brain teaser's 40th anniversary

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ -- Lovers of puzzles and brain teasers will want to head to the Museum of the American Hungarian Foundation this month to see a special tribute to the best selling toy in history and its inventor.

"Rubik's Cube: 40 Years" celebrates the life and most famous invention of Ernő Rubik, a Hungarian sculptor and professor of architecture. The exhibit comes from the vast Rubik's cube collection of Andre Farkas of Connecticut.

The exhibit can be viewed during normal museum hours: 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesdays to Saturdays; and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Sundays.

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Celebrating in New Jersey

On June 6, everyone in New Brunswick, N.J., was Hungarian. Thousands passed through the mall area along Somerset Street that day to celebrate their rich Hungarian heritage with food, music and dance at the city's 40th Annual Hungarian Festival. In addition to traditional cuisine, the event featured exhibits, folk art, crafts, vendors and more. Greeting visitors to the William Penn Association booth at the festival were (l-r) Vice Chair of the Board William J. Bero, Steve Novak (seated), Sandy Stasko, National Director Katherine E. Novak, WPA Sales Representative Ed Straka and his daughter Susan.

Share information about your Hungarian events with us

Help WPA preserve and promote our Hungarian cultural heritage by sharing information about upcoming Hungarian events and programs in your area. We will publish this information in *William Penn Life* to help spread the word and attract greater participation. By working together, we can be more successful in preserving our heritage.

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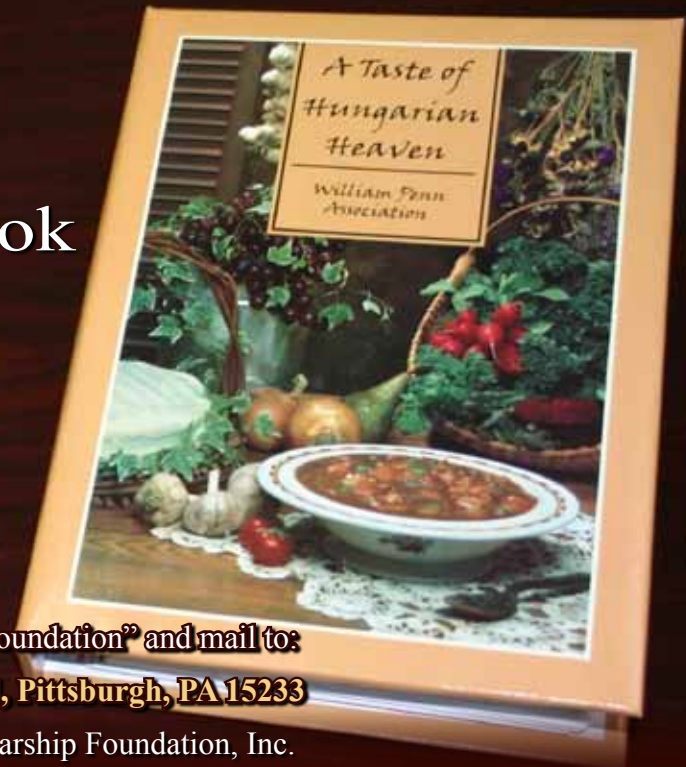
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Just 4 Kidz

with Gerry D. Clown

Hi, Friends!

Is it August already?! WOW! We better get a move on and make some memorable crafts before school starts up again! My cousins gave me a super idea. Every year, they each make a stepping stone of their footprints and put it in their backyard. By the time they graduate from junior high, they will have made enough stones to create an entire path. Isn't that a great idea? Let's start a path of our own by making our first stepping stone.



What you need:

- An adult clown to help
- Powdered cement
- Water
- A container for mixing the cement, like an old bucket or bin
- A mold, like a plastic tray, thrift store baking tin or foil pie tin
- Rubber gloves to wear while mixing cement
- WD40 or vegetable oil
- An old ruler or small piece of wood
- OPTIONAL: mosaic tiles, fancy pebbles or other items to decorate the stepping stone

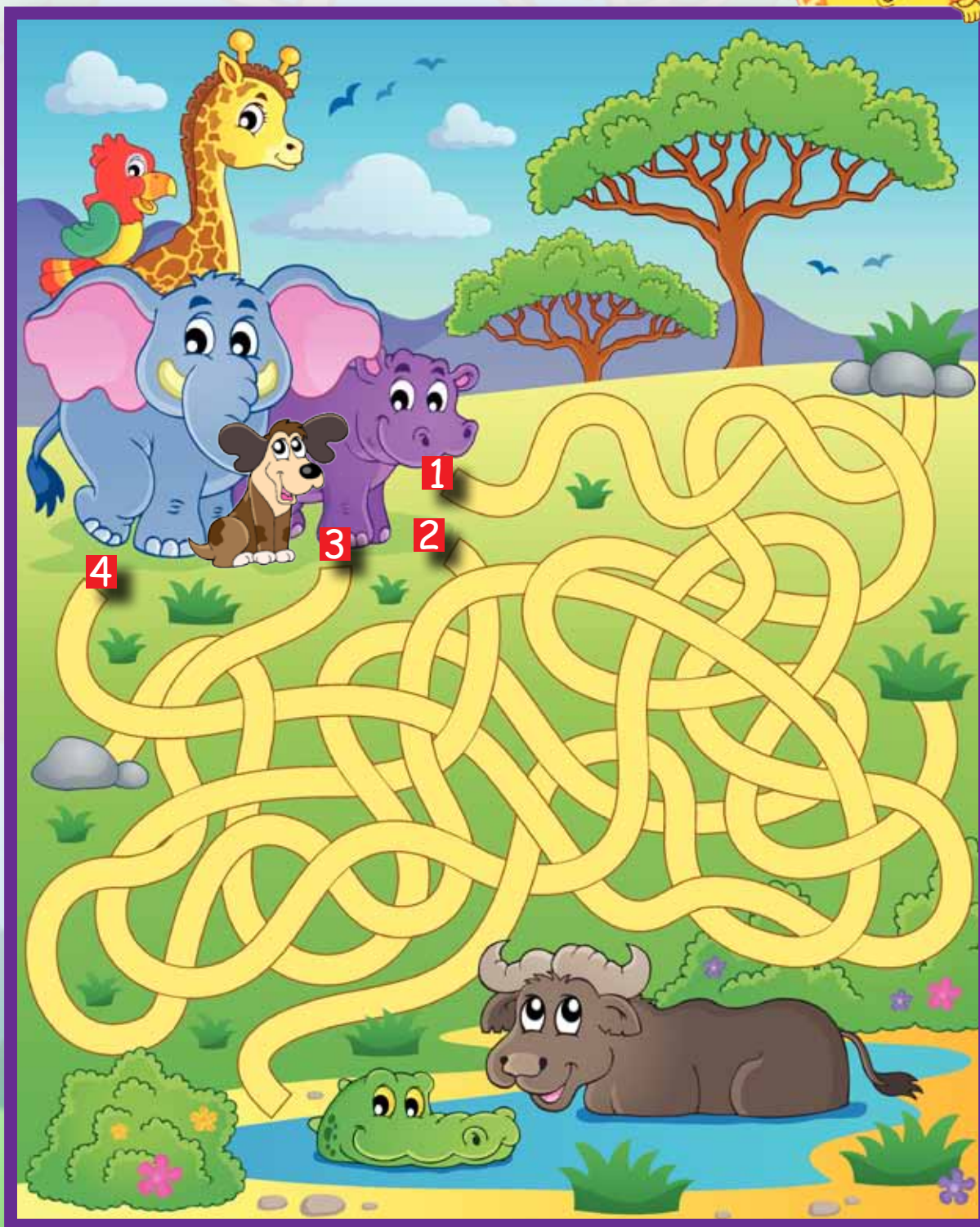
What you do:

- Prepare the cement in the container, according to the instructions on the package.
- Spray the mold with WD40 or coat with vegetable oil.
- Pour the cement into the mold.
- Quickly smooth the surface of the cement with the old ruler or piece of wood.
- Cover your hand (or foot) with vegetable oil & gently press into the wet cement, just deep enough to leave an impression, then slowly remove.
- Press any optional decorations into the wet cement and leave them in the cement. You can also use a stick to write your name and the date in the cement.
- Let the cement dry for three days, then remove from mold.



Which way to the water?

August is usually quite hot where I live. All my animal friends would love to cool off in the local pond. Can you help them choose the correct path to some watery relief from the heat?



Branch 8 Johnstown, PA

by Alexis Kozak

Get on your mark, get set, GO! The summer is exploding with WPA activities and events.

In July, WPA hosted its golf tournament and scholarship days, a great event for all fellow golfers and non-golfers to enjoy two days of fellowship.

In August, there's the Hungarian Heritage Experience, where Hungarian culture is reborn. David is still telling us stories from last year after spending the week with the great students and staff at Scenic View.

Speaking of sharing stories, may I please reminisce on the wonderful neighbors I grew up with? I had a second opportunity to live next door to them when David and I were first married. I'm referring to Steve and Vera Petruska, whose last name should be very familiar to everyone in our WPA family. Steve was branch coordinator and an agent for years.

No two people were more Hungarian than that lovely couple. Some of you will remember well when Steve would come to homes for insurance calls. He took the time to have coffee and talk to the people and really listen. I am sure folks looked forward to these visits, when someone would come into their home & speak Hungarian.

After Steve passed away, Vera suggested that my brother, Sandor Yuhas, take Steve's place. Sandor was a perfect fit. Sandor, like Steve, cared truly for the Hungarian culture and the people. Unfortunately, Sandor left this earth in 2007 way too young at 42 due to a brain tumor.

I then stepped up to the plate as branch coordinator. I will never be able to fill the shoes of Steve or Sandor, but I feel truly blessed being part of this great fraternity.

Looking back, if it were not for the Petruskas, I would not be writing this. Let's all ask ourselves: how did we get to be active with William Penn Association? How many wonderful people were in your story?

It is my honor to send out a great big birthday wish to Vera from



Vera and the late Steve Petruska dance the csárdás at a Branch 8 event.

everyone at Branch 8. Happy 90th, Vera! Can't believe your milestone. Your family is blessed to have you in their lives. I still say, "my friend and second mother Vera told me...." Your wisdom has been used throughout my life. Thank you, Vera, for always being there, for your lessons about life, and most of all, for introducing us to William Penn Association--a gift that keeps on giving.

Mark your calendars: Branch 8 will host a bacon roast in September. Please call David Kozak, branch president, for details at 814-242-1111. Looking forward to seeing you all!

Branch 13 Trenton, NJ

Branch 13 was happy to participate in this spring's effort to join hands to fight hunger. Our branch made a donation to the Mercy House of Divine Mercy Parish in Trenton, which provides food and household items to families and individuals of our parish and its surrounding community. Mercy House also works with other organizations to provide access to social services, immigration support and many other needs.

Branch 14 Cleveland, OH

by Richard E. Sarosi

Summer is in full swing, and we hope the rains are finally behind us. In Ohio, we celebrated July 4 with warm temperatures and sunny skies. It was a special day to keep all of our active military personnel and veterans in our thoughts and prayers.

On July 1, the small town of Fairport Harbor, Ohio, right on Lake Erie, was the scene of a Mardi Gras parade. Each year, this small community hosts a two-hour parade which showcases many groups. It was a pleasure to wave the flag as the many participants and groups paraded by. Thank you for your service.

"Rain, rain, go away; come again some other day." Once again, this was the song we had to sing June 27 for the Cleveland Hungarian Cultural Garden's "Concert in the Garden." Mother Nature was not in the mood for listening to music in the garden, so the concert was moved to Breezy Bluff, the Bratenahl home of Richard Fleischman. This home was built in 1905 and was the perfect venue for the Cleveland Orchestra's string quartet.

The second part of the program included traditional Hungarian folk pieces, with Emma Shook on violin and Steve Hegedeos accompanying. We learned that Emma is part Hungarian. This was the first time this classically-trained violinist released the Hungarian in her soul and played the traditional pieces in true Hungarian fashion. The beautiful Hungarian music filled the foyer, library and dining room and delighted the nearly 100 people who attended the performance.

Be sure to visit the Hungarian Cultural Garden in Cleveland as there are some changes to discover.

It was a coincidence that I was scheduled to be on the WCSB Hungarian Radio Program with Bob Kita the morning of June 27. I was able to get the word out about the venue change for the "Concert in the Garden." Thank you again, Bob. Bob is a lifelong friend and a friend of William Penn Association. His



These wonderful volunteers participated in a Join Hands Day project sponsored by Branch 18.

program reaches a lot of Cleveland Hungarians and serves as a source of information about things happening in the Greater Cleveland Hungarian community.

Branch 14 will have a raffle to benefit branch activities. The "Red, White and Green Raffle" will have four prizes. The drawing will take place during the Branch 14 Christmas party on Saturday, Nov. 21, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. at the First Hungarian Reformed Church in Walton Hills. We plan on selling all 400 tickets before the party. Winners need not be present. Please contact Branch Coordinator Violet Sarosi at 440-248-9012 for more information.

Branch 14 meetings will take place on the following Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.: Sept. 2, Nov. 4 and Dec. 2. Our meetings are held at The First Hungarian Reformed Church, 14530 Alexander Road, Walton Hills. All Branch 14 adult members are welcome to attend.

Branch 14 thanks WPA scholarship grant recipients Halle Uveges, McKenna Klodnick and Spencer Klodnick for sharing their stories and activities with us. Thanks also to Otto Nagengast of Branch 352, who always has the most interesting stories of his many trips to Africa. Travel safe.

Congratulations and best wishes to all of our students on their studies and achieving their goals. You make

us proud. Please remember the WPFA Scholarship Foundation accepts donations throughout the year.

In addition, as your children grow into young adults, their juvenile insurance certificates can be converted into adult life certificates when your student reaches the age of 25. Just because they are becoming young adults doesn't mean that their insurance needs end. Converting their juvenile certificates will ensure them of continued WPA insurance coverage into their adult years and allow them to continue enjoying fraternal benefits such as receiving *William Penn Life* and full eligibility in our fraternal functions.

The officers of Branch 14 extend our sympathy to those Branch 14 and WPA members who have recently lost a loved one.

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 Marge Molnar and to WPA National Director Roger G. Nagy. Please keep all of our members in your prayers.

Happy birthday and happy anniversary wishes are being sent to all of our branch members and Home Office staff who are celebrating a July/August birthday and/or anniversary.

Remember, Branch 14 members having news to share about themselves or family members can reach



These lovely flowers were planted by volunteers from Branch 18 during the branch's Join Hands Day project.

me at RichSaro@att.net or at 1-440-248-9012.

As always, please remember to keep in touch with someone you haven't seen or talked with in a long time. Pick up the phone and plan a visit.

We wish everyone a safe and fun-filled summer.

Branch 18 Lincoln Park, MI

by Barbara A. House

Happy August. Summer is more than half over. I hope you have done all the wonderful warm weather activities you had planned. You still have a few weeks left, so you better get going before Old Man Winter returns.

I hope some of those activities include attending our Hungarian Heritage Experience. We have so many new things planned for you, and, yes, some of last year's fun things will return. Special thank you to David Valentine for making the wonderful hurka and kolbász that you will be enjoying. I already have tried it, and it's wonderful.

We had another wonderful Join Hands Day. Thirty-four Branch 18 members dug in the dirt and had a great time. We started at the Hungarian American Cultural Center, then went to St. Michael's Church to plant more and have lunch. After lunch, some of us went to Paragon, a school for disabled citizens. Paragon is new to us but will be added to our list for next year. Thank you all.

Congratulations to Joseph Gall on the birth of his new grandson, Oakley. Another new member to the Gall family and William Penn Association.

Special congratulations to Christina Marchelletta, who was named to the dean's list of Madonna University for the winter 2015 semester. We are so very proud of you and wish you much success as you continue your education.

Holy Cross Hungarian Catholic Church celebrated first Holy Communion on June 7. Congratulations to Daniel Attila Kulcsar, Anna E. Hussey, Breanne Marie Dandy and Eva Ilona Fazekas. May they grow in love of Christ and His church. The Rev. Barnabas Kiss had a wonderful service. So glad we could attend. Afterwards, a lovely meal and dessert were served. Thank you, Elizabeth Krajcz, Mary Balaythy and your crew.

Congratulations to Father Barnabas on adopting a gorgeous, white furry friend named Roxie. She would never have a better home. Welcome, Roxie.

Remember to attend the wonderful 100th anniversary celebration for Holy Cross Hungarian Parish on Sept. 13. Please call 313-842-1133 for information.

On June 21, Tom and I drove to Hiram, Ohio, for their wonderful picnic. Despite torrential rain, the likes of which I have never seen before, we had a marvelous time. The food and friends are the best ever. Thank you to Mary Jane Molnar and her wonderful crew for keeping everything Hungarian alive. You are Superwoman.

Another thank you to two special people, the Rev. John McKinsey and Kathy Megyeri, who help keep William Penn alive and well with your wonderful way with words. You always know what to say, how to say it, and most importantly, when to say it. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Get well wishes to Mark Schmidt, Roger Nagy, Debbie Wolfe, George Santa Schvarckopf, Joe Csereklye, Anne Diedrichs and Emma Borsa. That list is way too long. Hope you're all better soon. Every one of you is very special.

Make sure you have the Birmingham Ethnic Festival in your plans. This event, to be held in Toledo Aug. 15 and 16, gets bigger and better every year. WPA has been a participant for many years, and we will



Among the officers and members of Branch 18 who enjoyed the Fehér Rózsa Bál (White Rose Ball) hosted this February by the Hungarian Arts Club were: (front, l-r) Helen Molnar, vice president; Barbara A. House, president; Rose Antal, secretary; (back, l-r) Joe Gall; Ursula Markovits, audit committee chair; Carol Truesdell, treasurer; and Tamas Markovits, auditor.

continue to for years to come. Please remember, without your help all these events will end. Hope to see you there.

Just read former New York Gov. George Pataki has thrown his hat into the 2016 presidential pool. I think he is the first Hungarian. We really are everywhere.

Happy August birthday to Dianne Charles, Susan Robison and Carol Marsh. May you celebrate many more.

Happy anniversary to Carol and Doug Truesdell. You are reaching the magic number very soon. Love you lots, and have a great day.

Please remember our deceased members and their families in your prayers, especially Diane Bono, Bernard Eyles and Andrew Gaydos. *Nyugodjon Békében.* May they rest in peace.

We have all held our Delegate District election meetings. Congratulations to all the delegates and their alternates. We know you will all take this job very seriously but have fun together at our Convention. I can't wait to see you all.

Thought for the month: One day, you will be just a memory. Do your

very best to be a good one.

Have a wonderful summer. I hope to see you at all these wonderful events. I can always be reached at 313-418-5572.

Branch 28 Youngstown, OH

by Kathy Novak

Hoping everyone has been enjoying all the summer activities. There is always a festival, fair or picnic taking place somewhere nearby.

What a great day we had at the New Brunswick, N.J., Hungarian Festival. The weather was perfect, and there were plenty of vendors and people. Lots of WPA balloons and blue WPA bags were seen along the streets. It was so nice to meet so many people, but it was such a great surprise to visit with Rick and Leslie (Tomcsak) Naples. It was great to see them both and get caught up on things.

By now, everyone should be rested from the golf event, which I will write about next month.

Remember, the annual Magyar Nap (Hungarian Day) will take

place Aug. 9 at the Aut Mori Grotto Hall. This event is hosted by the Youngstown American Hungarian Federation. They have a wonderful day planned with plenty of good food, pastries, music and fun to be shared.

Get well wishes to all those not feeling up to par these days. Better days are wished for you.

Happy anniversary and birthday wishes to all those celebrating their special day, especially Branch 28 President Steve Novak. May you enjoy many more.

Hope the Schauer family enjoyed the pre-50th anniversary celebration over the 4th of July weekend.

Sincere sympathy to all those who recently lost a loved one.

Wishing all happy and safe summer fun.

For your questions about life insurance or annuities, please call either Kathy at 330-746-7704 or Alan at 330-482-9994.

Branch 40 Martins Ferry, OH Branch 349 Weirton, WV

by Joyce Nicholson

I have some interesting news from our branch members, the Skociks. Anna Eversole, granddaughter of Ed and Caroline Skocik and niece of Joe Skocik, spent the month of May in Hungary. She traveled there as a student through The Ohio State University's Maymester study abroad program.

Her project for her history and culture studies class was a short video about Margit Island, which lies in the middle of the Danube River in central Budapest. Since vehicles are prohibited on the island, it serves as an escape from the bustle of the big city. It's a great place to work out, swim a few laps, go for a run or just

have a picnic. During the summer months, bicycles, inline skates and *bringóhintó* (a four-wheeled bike for four) are popular items to rent.

You can view Anna's video about Margit Island at Youtube.com. Just search for "An Island of Fitness."

Anna is majoring in education and will be entering her sophomore year at Ohio State this fall.

While Anna was in Hungary, she was thrilled to receive a visit from her grandparents, Ed and Caroline.

We extend our best wishes to all members celebrating a birthday or anniversary this month. May you enjoy many more happy days in good health.

For information about all WPA and branch activities, please call Joyce Nicholson at 740-264-6238.

Branch 89 Homestead, PA

by Lisa S. Toth-Maskariniec

It's here--summertime, and with it the national pastime (Let's go Bucs!), sunshine, some rain and, yes, golf. Our members are preparing to golf in not only the WPA tournament, but also the Bethlen Communities' and our branch's annual outings.

Please make sure to sign up for the Branch 89 event, to be held Sunday, Aug. 9. We hope to see you there. If you don't golf but would like to volunteer, we can use you. It's a nice relaxing day outdoors.

We would like to thank those members who took time from their busy schedules to attend our Delegate District election meeting on June 20. The results of the election will appear in the September issue of *William Penn Life*. We thank all who participated and look forward to an enjoyable and productive convention.

We still need your help determining who is the oldest male member of our branch. We wish to honor him at our golf outing.

Michael Tobias, please call Branch President John Toth at 412-462-1057. We have been trying to reach you. We believe you are one of the oldest members of Branch 89.

If anyone else believes they are the oldest member of Branch 89, please let President Toth know or contact Lisa Toth-Maskariniec.

As mentioned previously, our Fourth Annual Golf Outing will be held Sunday, Aug. 9. Please join us at Butler's Country Club in Elizabeth, Pa. We will be joining forces with the Steel Valley Rotary Club in the hope of enlarging our golf outing and seeking potential members for our branch. The price for the outing is \$80 per person. For those non-golfers wanting to come to the banquet, the price will be \$30.

We will have a tremendous Chinese auction and various raffles. One of the top prizes of the Chinese auction is an "Everything Yuengling" golf package, complete with a Yuengling golf bag. All proceeds are split between the Steel Valley Rotary and our branch. Branch 89's



Anna Eversole (pictured in front) spent this May in Hungary through a study abroad program. Pictured with her are her proud grandparents Caroline and Ed Skocik (front) and her uncle, Joe Skocik. Both Ed and Joe are members of WPA Branch 40.

proceeds will go to the Hungarian Reformed Church of Homestead for the upkeep of the church.

We still have extra kolbász for sale. Please contact Mark S. Maskarinec or Lisa Toth-Maskarinec at 412-872-5022 should you like to purchase any. Price is \$5.50 per pound and can be purchased in either rings or patties. Shipping is also available, although once the temperature gets into the 90s, shipping becomes more difficult and quite expensive.

Among the branch activities in the planning stages are two outings to the ballpark. The first will be on Wednesday, Aug. 19, and will feature a wine tasting before the game. Cost for this game is \$70 per person.

The second outing will be on Wednesday, Sept. 30, and will include a pre-game beer tasting. This game will cost \$60 per person.

The price for each game includes your game ticket, the beer or wine tasting and \$10 towards concession purchases. Seating is limited, so please call Branch Coordinator Lisa Toth-Maskarinec as soon as possible to reserve your seats. While we may not be as big as some of the other branches, we are still strong and we look forward to meeting a lot of our members in the upcoming year at some of these events.

Branch 89 continues to collect codes from Coke products. These codes will be turned into points which can then be redeemed for various merchandise and prizes to be used at our outings. We have collected and redeemed over 8,000 Coke Rewards points. We will be able to give away higher valued merchandise for next to no cost for the branch. Thanks to all who have helped us. Anyone with any codes can email them to me at maskarinac1836@comcast.net or send them to 1836 Timothy Drive, West Mifflin, PA 15122.

We are also collecting Kellogg's Family Rewards Points. The codes are found inside the box of Kellogg's, Keebler, Sunshine and Morningstar Farms products featuring the Family Reward Points insignia. Just cut out the code, mail it to us and we'll do the rest.

Special thank you to all who have contributed the codes. So far we have "purchased" a collapsible



Among the Branch 89 members preparing for this year's various golf outings are (far left) Justin Toth; (upper right) Janet Phillips and Branch Vice President Mark Maskarinec; and (lower right) Michelle and Debra Zamberry.

ottoman, a beach blanket/tote, a beach blanket/lounge cover and a NASCAR Cheez-It snuggie. We are closing in on several more items, including golf balls and USB/Bluetooth bracelets.

To our special contributor from Ohio, we have your hat. We will be shipping it out to you within the next few weeks. We promise!

And to the contributor of the massive amount of Coke bottle caps, we haven't forgotten you. We have a little something to show our appreciation.

We hope everyone enjoyed the 4th of July. What wonderful celebrations were seen on television. We truly are very fortunate to live in this great nation.

Belated anniversary wishes go out to our branch vice president, who also happens to be my husband, Mark Maskarinec, on our ninth wedding anniversary on July 14. How fast the time flies. I still think the church is trying to get over so many people dressed in kilts, a bride carrying golf clubs in her bouquet and a groom carrying a golf club with a Notre Dame headcover on it. And let's not forget the huge cherry red hummer that transported dad and the bridal party to the church and

then to the reception. You just had to be there to appreciate the entire day. Time sure does fly!

Please contact me if you'd like to see other activities, and we'll do our best to accommodate those requests.

For any of your insurance needs, please continue to call Ruth Toth at 412-872-5022.

Branch 129 Columbus, OH

by Debbie Lewis

Greetings from Columbus, Ohio. The weather here hasn't been very good so far this summer. We have had many days of rain, but at least it hasn't been too hot. We did have great weather on July 4th for picnics, parades and fireworks. Hopefully we will have less rain throughout the rest of the summer.

We would like to wish a warm welcome to our newest branch members, Chi Le and Jeremy Lester.

On Sunday, Aug. 9, after the 10:00 a.m. service, there will be a program at the Hungarian Reformed Church, located at 365 E. Woodrow Ave. in Columbus. Soup will be served at 11:15 a.m. followed by a presentation by two Columbus youths, Ava

and Zachary Crank, who were selected to participate in the Reconnect Hungary program this summer.

Our next branch meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 1, at 4:30 p.m. at the Hungarian Reformed Church located at 365 Woodrow Ave. in Columbus. Hope to see you there.

We congratulate all those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries and additions to their families.

Get well wishes to all who have been ill or hospitalized. 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, or if you have any news about yourself or a loved one that you would like to share with your fellow members, please contact Debbie Lewis, at 614-875-9968 or e-mail DAL9968@aol.com.

Branch 132 South Bend, IN

by the Branch Officers

We thank everyone who participated in the Delegate District election meeting. The results of the election will be published in the next issue of *William Penn Life*.

Remember: Aug. 9 is the date for our annual Branch 132 picnic. Festivities start at 1:00 p.m. Sausage, chicken, hot dogs, paper plates, utensils and soft drinks will be provided by the branch. Members are asked to bring a dish to share. We



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.

look forward to seeing you and your family Aug. 9 at Potawatomi Park Pavilion 1.

Our next regular branch meeting will be on Sept. 1 at 6:00 p.m. at Martin's Cafe on Ireland Road.

Congratulations to Rita and Jim Berta who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Rita and Jim come to many of our events.

Our condolences to the families of Anna Suth, Martha Csatos and Elizabeth Martin. May they rest in peace.

Branch 226 McKeesport, PA

by Judit Ganchuk

I keep catching myself singing, "Summer breeze, makes me feel fine/ Blowing through the jasmine in my mind." Still one month left of summer vacation; make it special!

Happy birthday wishes to all our members celebrating their special day in August. Also happy wedding anniversary to all those celebrating this month. Keep our military, here and abroad, in your thoughts and prayers.

Hungarian Day at Pittsburgh's Kennywood amusement park will be Wednesday, Aug. 5. The entertainment will include three great performance groups, including the William Penn Association Magyar Folk Dancers.

The Free Hungarian Reformed Church of McKeesport will again be participating in the International Village ethnic food and music fest. They've been volunteering at this event for more than 50 years. Their volunteers spend three days straight baking, cooking, serving, selling and cleaning. This year, the fest will be held Aug. 11 to 13 from 3:00 to 10:00 p.m. each day in Renzie Park in McKeesport, just south of Pittsburgh. Admission is \$2. Bring the family to enjoy Hungarian and other ethnic foods and ethnic music groups. The William Penn Association Magyar Folk Dancers will perform Tuesday night on the main stage.

There will be no branch meeting in August. The date for our September meeting is to be determined. All members are welcomed to join us. Please call 412-751-1898 for direc-

tions and more information.

Do you have good news you'd like us to share? Call the phone number above to get your news published.

Branch 249 Dayton, OH

by Mark Schmidt

July is over, and we are neck-deep in summer. We had lots of fun at the WPA Golf Tournament. We had a great time meeting all the people at the Friday scholarship meeting, where lots of money was raised for the next generation's higher education. Best of all, we enjoyed the WPA casino night, where everyone seemed to be a big winner. Can't say as much for my golfing on Saturday, but I'm sticking to my knee as an excuse. July started with a bang (the 4th) and ended with a whimper (my golf scores), but now we have to look forward to the lazy, hazy dog days of August.

August is when all the sales start for the upcoming school year, and usually later in the month is when schools start. Family vacation mode is winding down, baseball is in full swing, football practice has started, soccer is kicking in gear and band practice is marching along.

At William Penn, the Hungarian Heritage Experience starts August 2 at Scenic View. Are you going?

Locally, Branch 249 is hosting our annual Chicken Paprikas Dinner on Aug. 23, at 1:00 p.m. at Queen of Martyrs Church, located at 4128 Cedar Ridge Road, just off North Dixie Drive near the old traffic circle. WPA members are free and guests are \$10.

We're looking forward to other local events, including the Magyar Club of Dayton bacon fry for members and their families on Sept. 13 at 1:00 p.m. at Sinclair Park, and the Guylás Fest in honor of the '56ers Oct. 23 from 5:00 p.m. to when the fun and food runs out at the Eintracht Club. More info next issue.

On a personal note, I want to thank everyone who sent me cards and well wishes during my recent knee surgery. They meant a lot to me. It seems that Dayton branch members took advantage of BOGO knee surgery coupons this month.

Branch News

Get well wishes to Linda and Al Kertesz and Frank Murin, all of whom had knee operations. Speedy recoveries. Maybe I'll see you at rehab!

We are happy to hear the good news that Don Dugan is back at home after a very lengthy hospital stay. We ask for your continued prayers for Don, John Demeter, Elizabeth Hewitt and all of our branch members and loved ones who are ill. See you soon.

Branch 296 Springdale, PA

by Mary Ann Kelly-Lovasz

Branch 296's bacon roast returns. Please join us on Sunday, Sept. 20, at 1:00 p.m. at Riverside Park in Oakmont, located directly behind Riverview High School at the end of the Hulton Bridge. If you're using a GPS, the address is 200 Hulton Road, Oakmont.

We're not certain yet, but the Hulton Bridge may be closed during that time. If so, you can take the Highland Park Bridge detour if you are coming north on Route 28. Please don't let the detour deter you!

Parking is available in the high school parking lot and is within a short walking distance to our pavilion. Look for the red, white and green balloons and signs. We'll be waiting for you with smiles and great food.

Our branch will provide the bacon, hotdogs and fixings. We ask that you bring a side dish or dessert to share. I'll bring a crock of my homemade baked beans.

Call me at 724-274-5318 or email me at mkelly@williampennassociation.com.



Volunteers from Branch 352 participated in a Join Hands Day project, planting flowers at the Western Pennsylvania Humane Society, located on Pittsburgh's North Side.

org to RSVP by Friday, Sept. 11, so we'll know how many to plan for.

Riverside Park is a relaxing setting along the Allegheny, with a track for you to walk off your meal and a nice playground on the premises for our younger members. Bring a basketball or tennis balls and rackets if you'd care to. There are plenty of trees and lots of friendly squirrels scampering around.

Last year, we had a wonderful time, and we'll have an even better time when we see YOU!

Branch 296 continues its summer break. Our next regular meeting will be held Thursday, Sept. 10, at 6:30 p.m., at King's Family Restaurant in New Kensington.

Remember: Noreen Fritz, FIC, LUTCF, can always answer your life insurance and annuity questions for WPA products at 412-821-1837 or by email at noreenbunny.fritz@verizon.net.

Stay cool everyone!

Branch 352 Coraopolis, PA

by Dora S. McKinsey

It's hard to believe that it's August already and that the kids will soon be going back to school. Shopping for school clothes and supplies keeps families busy this month. Some schools even start classes in



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You're Invited

Branch 296 Springdale, PA BACON ROAST

Sunday, Sept. 20, 1:00PM • Riverside Park
200 Hulton Road (off 3rd St.). Oakmont, PA
For more information, call Diane Torma at 724-339-2445



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Branch 8036 held a bake sale to raise funds for the family of Ligonier Township Police Lt. Eric Eslary (pictured above), who was killed in a car accident while on duty. His K-9 partner, Blek, survived the crash.

August. Remember to watch out for those little ones who will be walking either to school or to their bus stop.

August is also the month that college students start back. Best of luck to all of the recipients of a William Penn scholarship for a successful year.

Once again, Branch 352 members planted flowers at the Western Pennsylvania Humane Society on the North Side of Pittsburgh as part of the annual Join Hands Day event. The weather was overcast, but we all had a great time enjoying fraternalism at its finest.

Remember to let me know if you participate in any type of charity event or volunteer anywhere so that we can report it in *William Penn Life* and can all applaud your willingness to give of yourself to help others.

Happy birthday to all those celebrating a birthday this month! May you have many more, and may all of them be healthy.

Our condolences to those who have lost a loved one. May your memories sustain you through this difficult time.

If you have any questions or need assistance with any of your insurance needs, please contact me at 412-932-3170 or e-mail at dmckinsey@hotmail.com.

Branch 800 Altoona, PA

by Dave Greiner

The dog days of August are upon us. It's hot, humid and just plain summerlike.

We are getting ready for our annual summer picnic, which will be held Wednesday, Aug. 5, at Highland Park starting at 6:00 p.m. It's not too late to make that last minute reservation. Please call Vince at 814-695-0213. This is a catered event featuring lots of great picnic favorites. All in attendance will go home with a prize. You can't beat those odds! Let's show our support of Branch 800 and enjoy an evening of relaxation and fraternalism.

August is a month for all of us to enjoy outdoor activities. Locally, you can attend an Altoona Curve Double AA baseball game at a beautiful stadium. Or, you can travel to Pittsburgh's PNC Park to see the Pirates as they chase down a playoff berth.

If you like amusement parks, we have two close by: Delgrosso's and Lakemont. The Pittsburgh area features Kennywood. Visiting any of these three parks would be a wonderful way to spend family time before getting your children ready for the new school year.

We can't forget that Steelers training camp is in full swing with exhibition games starting soon.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the 38th General Convention, Oct. 10 to 12, in Washington, Pa.

Our branch is enjoying a summer recess, but you can still call Bob Jones anytime for answers to your questions about WPA life insurance and annuities. Call Bob at 814-942-2661.

We wish nothing but the best to all members celebrating a birthday or anniversary this month.

One final note: Let's not forget to take a moment to remember the feast of King St. Stephen of Hungary, who led his country to embrace the Christian faith. His feast can be celebrated twice: on Aug. 16 when the Catholic church celebrates his day; and on Aug. 20 when Hungarians celebrate St. Stephen's Day.

Until next month, let's go Bucs!

Branch 8036 Scottdale, PA

by Jerry Hauser

Branch 8036 held a "Bakeless Bake Sale" fundraiser in order to raise funds for the family of Lt. Eric Eslary. Lt. Eslary, a local police officer from Ligonier, Pa., was tragically killed in a car accident while on duty.

He founded Ligonier's K-9 unit in 2000. His partner, Blek, was also injured in the crash but survived.

Lt. Eslary, 40, was on routine patrol, when a van heading in the wrong direction slammed head-on into his patrol vehicle.

He had served 17 years on the police force, and was an avid outdoorsman who loved to bow hunt and fish.

This heartbreaking incident has left a great void in the lives of all who knew him. Our sympathies to his wife, six children, family and friends.

We thank all contributors to our fundraising efforts. Because of you, we were able to donate \$500 to this worthy cause. With limited resources, our branch can still make a difference, no matter how small, in the lives of those in need.

**All articles and photographs
for the September issue
of William Penn Life
are due in our office
by August 10, 2015.**

In Memoriam

ROSE M. GERZSENYI
In the June edition of *William Penn Life*, there was one name in the "In Memoriam" section that moved me to shed more than one tear.



Rose Gerzsenyi of Branch 226 McKeesport, Pa., who passed away

March 25, 2015, was an incredible cheerleader for WPA and Hungarian-Americans.

She organized the yearly Hungarian picnic at Kennywood Park outside Pittsburgh for half a century, where state representatives gave the keynote address, Hungarian foods and pastries were served, and Hungarian poems were recited following the enthusiastic singing of the Hungarian National Anthem.

She kept her vast collection of Hungarian dresses in pristine condition to show on mannequins at that event and at branch meetings.

The funds she raised at the Kennywood picnic

supported the Hungarian Ethnic Group of Western Pa., which she served as president.

She also brought back Hungarian beauty pageant winners from as long ago as 1939 for the picnic crowds to admire as she herself was Mrs. Magyar of Western Pennsylvania in 1986.

Rose was predeceased by her husband, Frank. She is survived by her sons, Dennis of Maryland, Kenneth (Peggy) of Minnesota, and Gene (Vicky) of Maryland; grandsons, Jason and Brian and granddaughter, Kelly; sisters, Margaret Pellis and Julia Scrima; and many nieces and nephews.

WPA members and I will miss her total dedication to promoting Hungarian Day at Kennywood and all things Hungarian.

- Kathy Megyeri

We ask you to pray for the eternal rest of Mrs. Gerzsenyi and all our recently departed members listed here:

JUNE 2015

0001 BRIDGEPORT, CT
Justine Bagley

Phillip P. Grabowski
Charles Nagy
0008 JOHNSTOWN, PA
Alex J. Bedois
Margaret Bedois
0013 TRENTON, NJ
Georgine A. Nemeth
Peter J. Szazvay
0014 CLEVELAND, OH
Platon Burda
Katalin Papp
Thomas C. Ryan
David M. Wardick
0018 LINCOLN PARK, MI
Diane M. Bono
Andrew Gaydos
Bernard Eyles
0019 NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ
George J. Subiel
0024 CHICAGO, IL
Fred A. Kish
0028 YOUNGSTOWN, OH
Frank Senary
0044 AKRON, OH
Nancy R. Chula
0051 PASSAIC, NJ
Steve Papa
Earl Wheeler
0059 WINDBER, PA
Chester Perkosky
Olga Popp
0071 DUQUESNE, PA
William R. Bornyek
Joseph Toth
0076 PHILADELPHIA, PA
Joseph A. Amon
Stephen J. Pokorny, Jr.
0089 HOMESTEAD, PA
Mary Beth McFarland
0132 SOUTH BEND, IN

Priscilla Kluszczynski
0189 ALLIANCE, OH
Katharina Cibulas
Freddie D. Scott
0216 NORTHAMPTON, PA
Mary Bakos
Emma Updegrave
0226 MCKEESPORT, PA
Vincent Feltz
Elsie Movic
Joyce W. Sipos
0278 OMAHA, NE
Richard J. Nebbia
Laverne F. Wonka
0296 SPRINGDALE, PA
Pauline T. Becsi
Bonnie M. Scholl
Bernard J. Wagner
0353 CORAOPOLIS, PA
Eleanor Coleman
0383 BUFFALO, NY
Karen McMillan
0705 MAYVILLE, WI
Evelyn J. Burrie
Lajune L. Hein
0720 DEDHAM, MA
Chester R. Harris
Veronica P. Tumas
0723 WORCESTER, MA
Elsie M. Sacramento
0725 SPRINGFIELD, MA
Danforth H. Blanchard
Claire E. Fournier
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Ronald F. Carnicella
8114 CLARION, PA
Donald J. Schill
8121 ST. MARYS, PA
Anthony C. Distler

Recent Donations

WPFA Scholarship Foundation

Donations Through Premium Payments JUNE 2015

Branch - Donor - Amount

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89 - John M. Recktoth - \$25.00
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352 - Dora S. McKinsey - \$1.02
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8020 - Karen M. Dansak - \$2.00
8036 - Leah Yantko - \$4.00
8036 - Zachary J. Kaider - \$4.00
8075 - Diane Fala Klingner - \$4.20
8114 - Richard J. Petrotte - \$10.00

TOTAL for Month = \$286.81

Additional Donations JUNE 2015

Donor - Amount

Gabriel C. & Louise C. Amato - \$8.00
WPA Cookbook Sales - \$160.00

TOTAL for Month = \$168.00

Donations In Memoriam JUNE 2015

Donor - Amount (In Memory of)

Irma O. Nyiri & Hank Dewey - \$100.00 (Robert Kantor)

Br. 18 Lincoln Park, MI - \$125.00
(Deceased Members Helen M. Vadasz, Anna T. Steiner, Karon Cross & Rose Smigiel)
William Penn Association - \$50.00
(Rose Gerzsenyi)

TOTAL for Month = \$275.00

From 2015 WPA Annual Bowling Tournament

Received as of June 30, 2015

Donor - Amount

(In memory of, if applicable)

Katherine E. Novak - \$100.00
Ralph E. Manning, Esq. - \$50.00
James W. Robertson - \$100.00

TOTAL = \$250.00



Puzzle Contest #122 with Lizzy Cseh

Ede Reményi

Last month, I wrote about the life and times of Johannes Brahms. The gent who launched Brahms into worldwide notoriety was Hungarian violin virtuoso Ede Reményi. As young men, the two performed in taverns and hotels across Germany. That is when Reményi introduced the younger Brahms to countless numbers of Hungarian folk tunes and gypsy songs. Brahms wrote down the music and later made them into adaptations titled: "21 Hungarian Dances."

Today, Reményi is regarded as an obscure historical footnote, but 135 years ago, he was a musical star and world celebrity. Reményi and Franz Liszt were the most popular musicians of the mid-19th century. Both are Hungarian. Reményi was admired not only as a violinist but also as a sincere person.

He was a gypsy at heart, performing on every continent except for the Antarctic. Liszt said of Reményi: "He is not Romany, but Romany in spirit."

He was also a patriot in the Hungarian Revolution of 1848 and was forced into exile following the revolution. He traveled on a ship with Kossuth in 1850 to America. Reményi was, for a time, the personal musician to Queen Victoria of England, and performed for President Rutherford B. Hayes at the White House.

Born in Miskolc in 1828, his original name was Eduard Hoffman. He married Gizella de Faj, the daughter of another famous Magyar violinist, and they had twin children named Adrienne and Tibor.

The final years of his life were spent along the coastal region of California. He died performing with his Stradivarius in San Francisco in 1898.

Over the years, I have read the biographies of many interesting people, but the story of Ede Reményi is one of my favorites. If you would like to know more about this Hungarian free spirit, read: "Edouard Reményi: Musician, Litterateur and Man, An Appreciation" by Gwendolyn Dunlevy Kelley and George P. Upton. This book is available to read free at <https://books.google.com>. Go to the website and enter "Reményi" in the "Search Books" box.

There are 17 clues in this month's puzzle, each related to the life of Reményi. Good Luck!

Éljen a Magyar,
Cseh Lizzy, Branch 28

Puzzle Contest #119 WINNERS

The winners of our Puzzle Contest #119 were drawn July 6, 2015, at the Home Office. Congratulations to:

Regis V. Fowler, Br. 34 Pittsburgh, PA
Jean Gilkeson, Br. 352 Coraopolis, PA
Theresa A. Quella, Br. 705 Mayville, WI
Margaret M. Strom, Br. 132 South Bend, IN

Each won \$50 for their correct entry.

WPA PUZZLE CONTEST #122 OFFICIAL ENTRY

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O	D	O	I	C	Z	F	J	N	Y	E	C	O	N	R
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S	S	I	K	B	N	A	E	N	I	E	B	A	R	V
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M	J	A	F	E	D	I	E	R	Q	S	U	Y	L	D
T	O	C	S	I	C	N	A	R	F	N	A	S	G	A
P	Z	D	E	T	H	G	B	R	A	H	M	S	O	R
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L	S	R	I	L	Y	Y	N	C	O	Z	W	P	G	S
J	I	T	B	L	G	Q	K	J	U	F	F	R	E	O
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"Ede Reményi" Word List

Adrienne	Kossuth	San Francisco
Brahms	Liszt	Stradivarius
de Faj	Miskolc	Tibor
General Görgey	New York	Victor Hugo
Hoffman	Queen Victoria	Vienna
Joachim	Romany	

Name: _____

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RULES

1. ALL WPA Life Benefit Members are eligible to enter.
2. Complete the word search puzzle correctly.
3. Mail your completed puzzle, along with your name, address, phone number, email address, and WPA Certificate Number, to:

WPA PUZZLE #122
709 Brighton Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15233

4. Entries must be received at the Home Office by **Sept. 30, 2015**.
5. Four winners will be drawn from all correct entries on or about Oct. 5, 2015, at the Home Office. Each winner will receive \$50.

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