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Coronavirus updates

For nearly a year and a half, the COVID-19 pandemic has brought a pause to many of our favorite activities, including our annual WPA events. While much progress has been made toward ending the pandemic, we all still need to be cautious in our daily lives and we must each do our part to prevent further outbreaks. We encourage all our members and friends to please get vaccinated and continue to follow any local, state and federal protocols. With each of us doing our part, we can hasten a return to our normal routines.

Fortunately, the situation has progressed to the point where we believe we can safely return to enjoying many of our favorite WPA activities. After much discussion, and based on the latest guidelines from the government and health experts, the WPA Board of Directors is pleased to announce the following:

- ***Branch meetings are now permissible***, according to local and state guidelines on holding gatherings; allow for social distancing and wear masks, if required.
- ***Branches are also permitted to host a branch family Christmas party in 2021***, again being sure to follow local and state guidelines on conducting such gatherings.
- ***Branch election of officers will not be held in 2021***. As you may be aware, elections were scheduled to be held in late 2020, but the Board postponed those elections and requested that the current branch officers remain in place until further notice. For the purpose of continuity and in accordance with the Association's By-Laws, which call on election of branch officers to be held in even-numbered years, the WPA Board has authorized that current officers remain in place until branch officer elections are held in November or December 2022. Both our Board and National Officers greatly appreciate the service and dedication of all our current branch officers. If, however, office vacancies need to be filled due to the death or resignation of an officer, your branch is permitted to conduct a special meeting to hold an election prior to 2022. In the case of a special election, the branch must notify the National Vice President-Secretary prior to scheduling such election and submit the minutes of the special branch election meeting afterwards.
- For the time being, this publication will continue to be published every other month.

We are seeing light at the end of this long, dark tunnel, and we look forward to gathering together again and resuming more of our fraternal events, but in a safe manner. We are committed to moving forward, and working together, we will emerge from this stronger than ever.

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NJ/NY fraternals to honor top youth volunteers

The New Jersey-New York Fraternal Alliance (NJNYFA) is seeking applicants for its annual Youth Volunteer Award Program.

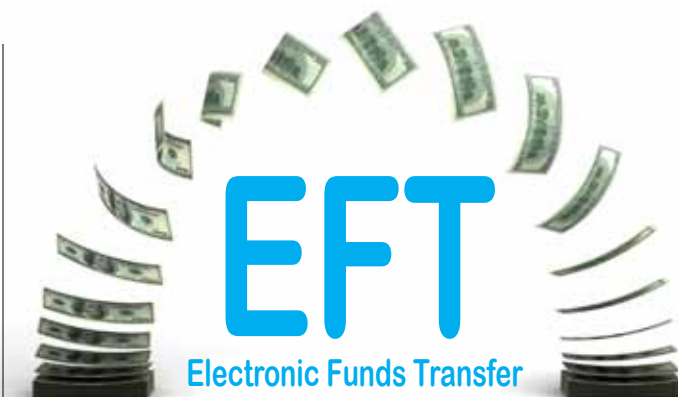
Each year, the NJNYFA chooses deserving students from its member societies, based on those students' volunteer achievements within their society and in the community at large.

Each winner receives \$500 and will be recognized at the NJNYFA Annual Convention this fall.

To be eligible, the student must be between the ages of 16 and 22 at the time of application and be a current member for at least one year of a member society of the NJNYFA, such as WPA.

Applicants must submit their completed application form, along with a letter of recommendation from their fraternal benefit society, postmarked no later than Sept. 1, 2021.

For more information and an application form, contact John Lovasz at 412-231-2979, ext. 135, or at jlovasz@wpalife.org.



A safe, easy way to pay your WPA premiums

Wouldn't it be nice if there was a way to pay your life insurance premium on time every time without even having to think about it? Well, there is!

William Penn Association is pleased to offer Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), a quick and safe alternative to sending your insurance premium payment via check or money order. The advantages of automatic electronic funds transfer of your premium include:

- **Time.** Save time by no longer having to write checks or obtain money orders.
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- **Safety.** Electronic payments offer more security than checks from a fraud perspective.

For an enrollment form, contact Denise at 412-231-2979, ext. 146, or at dhurley@wpalife.org. Or, sign up online at <https://bit.ly/wpaeft>.

Notice of the Annual Meeting of the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

The next annual meeting of the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc., will be held Sunday, September 12, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh-Green Tree, 500 Mansfield Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15205. The meeting is open to all members. Any branch or individual donating a minimum of \$100 is eligible to vote at the annual meeting, but donations of any amount will be greatly appreciated. Please make your donations payable to WPFA Scholarship Foundation, Inc., 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233.

Letters & Email

Hungarians must preserve their legacy

There is a saying that Hungarians have extrasensory perception, intuition, and foreknowledge, and I experienced such today. Included in my mail was a letter from a fellow high school graduate. As I opened the letter and started reading its contents, the "Leaving Your Legacy" article by Kathy A. Megyeri in the last issue of *William Penn Life* came to mind.

[My friend] sent me a two-page letter, which included a biography of her family beginning with their immigration from Hungary to the USA....[There was also] a note from a Hungarian Reformed pastor that she found in her mother's belongings.

My point is that these treasured mementoes serve as a reminder of the heritage and past that WPA members share, so in keeping with the legacy article in your magazine, may I encourage all readers to share the values of our Hungarian heritage with other family members. Future generations will be so glad they did.

Sincerely,
Florence Deak
Fresno, CA



Your living legacy

What kind of legacy would you like to leave behind? Do you want people to feel your life mattered and had purpose? Did you know, while you are alive, you have a unique opportunity to help others in some way that is meaningful to you? You can leave your mark and create a profound and thoughtful legacy by making contributions to future generations like our WPFA Scholarship Foundation grant recipients.

This can be accomplished with no immediate cost to you by simply naming the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc. in your will or trust, or by designating the Scholarship Foundation as a beneficiary to your life insurance or annuity policy.

Americans donate \$1 billion each day to charity. While many individuals give during their lifetime, charitable donations after death are very common and can be very beneficial. Even a small portion of your total insurance claim can benefit many of our young students.

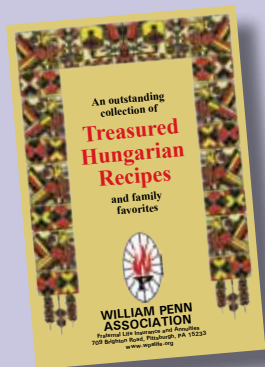
Also, there can be tax advantages for your estate. Your WPA annuity may be a perfect candidate for a charitable bequest. Retirement accounts are among the highest taxed assets in any estate. Naming the WPFA Scholarship Foundation as beneficiary on your WPA annuity has two distinct advantages:

- 1) The Scholarship Foundation would not have to pay taxes on your donation; and
- 2) Your estate would be eligible for a charitable tax deduction, which may lessen the estate tax burden for your family.

Please consider creating a living legacy now by contacting your estate planner or attorney to add the WPFA Scholarship Foundation to your will or trust.

To name the Scholarship Foundation as a beneficiary of your WPA policy, complete a change of beneficiary form today. Simply complete the top and bottom sections and name the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc. on line 3 of Form CIC and return to the Home Office by fax at 412-231-8535, by email at mail@wpalife.org or by mail to WPA, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233.

You will be recognized in *William Penn Life* for this kind and generous final gift, and your legacy will live on in the minds and hearts of our members, especially our scholarship recipients. In part, they will always have you to thank for contributing to their future success.



Get Your Official WPA Cookbooks

A Taste of Hungarian Heaven - \$20 per copy
A spiral-bound book with 500-plus delicious recipes

Treasured Hungarian Recipes - \$7 per copy
A collection of 160 classic Magyar recipes

Prices include shipping and handling.



Make your check payable to "WPFA Scholarship Foundation" and mail to:

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All proceeds benefit the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc.



Do you need an insurance agent?

Welcome to the dog days of summer! Studies have shown that while the awareness of the need for life insurance has increased during the COVID-19 pandemic, new sales of life insurance actually have *decreased* dramatically during the pandemic for companies that are not using a digital platform, electronic applications, remote signatures or self-enrollment options. This is largely due to the fact that face-to-face client meetings came to a grinding halt. Most state insurance departments issued strict guidelines prohibiting agents from visiting clients in their homes. Many consumers are still wary about having outsiders come into their homes, even after being fully vaccinated.

WPA has spent a great deal of time these last few months researching various options for electronic applications, remote signatures and even self-completion of life insurance applications and service forms directly with the carrier and without agent intervention. While there are some good reasons to consider the “self-service” option for many businesses, I’m not sure that is the wisest decision when it comes to purchasing life insurance. For this installment of *Moneywise*, I’d like to focus on the value of having a professional insurance agent or broker working for you.

Why consider using an agent?

Professional insurance agents and brokers are an essential link between the company and their insured members. Our agents help our members by providing options and servicing their products, by educating our members on how to manage risk and by helping you to make informed decisions regarding your insurance and annuity purchases. Small businesses and individuals also rely on the advice of professional agents for financial and retirement planning. Surveys continue to show that our members want personal, one-on-one service that can only be provided by a professional agent or broker.

Industry statistics

According to a recent study by the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA), the life insurance industry accounts for \$5.2 trillion invested in the U.S. economy, making it one of the largest sources of investment capital in the nation. The industry generates approximately 2.5 million jobs in the U.S., including direct and independent sales agents and those in non-insurance support related positions.

Here are some other facts from the 2020 LIMRA study:

- In 2020, 54% of Americans were covered by some type of life insurance. This number has trended downward over the past decade.
- 27% of those who have life insurance have only group insurance through their employer.
- 50% of consumers overestimate the cost of life insurance. Millennials, in particular, overestimate this cost by as much as 213%.
- The average premium for a male rises 258% between ages 25 and 50, and males pay an average of 12% more than females of the same age.
- 21% of Baby Boomers and 36% of Generation X consumers believe their partner needs more life insurance.
- Average life expectancy in the U.S. in 2020 was 77.8 years, down a full year from the 2018 study.
- Life insurance companies paid out an average of \$2.1



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billion per day in 2020 in the form of death claims, annuity, disability and retirement benefit payments.

- While 60% of the Baby-Boomer households stated that they prefer to buy insurance “face-to-face” from a professional agent, only 20% said they currently have a personal life insurance agent or broker relationship.

More reasons for using an agent

Professional insurance agents are licensed and regulated by their state’s insurance department. Many agents and advisors are regulated and licensed at the federal level as well. All new agents receive extensive pre-license training prior to taking a written exam to obtain their license, and continuing education is typically required for the professional agent to maintain their license. You can be sure that your agents’ training and industry knowledge is current.

Many of our agents have taken college-level courses to further their knowledge in the insurance industry. Some of the more prevalent professional designations you may see held by our agents include **FIC** (Fraternal Insurance Counselor), **LUTCF** (Life Underwriters Training Council Fellow), **CLU** (Chartered Life Underwriter), **ChFC** (Chartered Financial Consultant) and **CSA** (Certified Senior Advisor) among others. Agents that hold one or more of these professional designations must adhere to strict ethical standards and submit to additional continuing education to maintain their professional designation.

What services can I expect from my agent?

- **Needs assessment.** A professional agent will work with you to evaluate your needs for insurance, estate, business and retirement planning. This process usually involves the gathering of information and

assessing your current position and specific goals. As circumstances change, additional assessments and adjustments to your plan may be necessary.

- **Education.** Your agent can explain the various options available to you and help you compare products and services from not only WPA, but other carriers as well.

- **Planning.** Your agent can recommend plans that fulfill your needs and stay within your budget.

- **Follow up and execution.** Your agent will work with you to execute your plan so your coverage is placed in force at the lowest available cost.

- **Change management.** Your agent will meet with you periodically to review your plans and make certain you are on track to reach your desired goals.

- **Claim service.** Your agent will be available to assist you or your family by providing exemplary service at the time when it’s needed most.

As you can see, there are many advantages to working with a professional agent. To continue to serve our membership at the highest possible level, our agents and brokers will continue to reinvent and redefine the value they provide by staying up to date on the latest changes in the marketplace.

Here at William Penn Association, we are committed to providing our agents and brokers with ongoing training on our products, processes, services and member benefits to enable them to provide you, our valued members, with the highest level of professional service.

Are you among the 80% who aren’t currently working with a professional agent? Call your WPA agent today, or call the Home Office and we’ll have a professional agent assigned to you.

Until next time, enjoy the rest of your summer!



Come grow with us

William Penn Association is looking to grow and expand its reach in current and possibly new markets. To do this, we are seeking to add highly motivated agents to our list of over 800 existing agents. WPA currently writes insurance and annuity products in 20 states – CA, CT, DE, FL, IL, IN, KY, MD, MA, MI, MO, NC, NE, NJ, NY, OH, PA, VA, WV and WI – and in DC. To grow, we need both full-time and part-time agents. WPA has much to offer our members and the agents who write for us. If you are interested in an opportunity to grow with us, then contact Bob Bisceglia at 412-231-2979, ext.134. Thank you.



Hungarians in the Olympics past and present

Summer has returned to the Northern Hemisphere, and the COVID-19 pandemic has begun to recede. The hard work and visionary brilliance of one Hungarian, Dr. Katalin Karikó, has helped make the vaccines and a return to normal life possible. As a result, the International Olympic Committee and the nations of the world look toward late summer with optimism: the 2020 Olympic Games. By the time you read this *Take*, the 2020 Tokyo Olympics should finally be under way, as all the countries in the world partake in an enduring athletic and diplomatic tradition—a celebration of sports that can unite, at least in some way, the disparate nations across the globe. The Olympics also serve as a great source of national pride, a time where diverse societies like the United States can cheer on one national team, a group of athletes who represent all of us.

Hungary, too, has a proud Olympic tradition. This month's *Take* is dedicated to the Hungarian and Hungarian-American athletes, both past and present, who have taken part in the grand Olympic tradition.

Hungary ranks high in the overall Olympic medal count, punching far above its weight class for a country roughly the size and population of Ohio. Hungary can boast that its athletes have earned 175 gold, 147 silver and 169 bronze medals in the Summer Olympic Games, for a total medal count of 491. This total places Hungary in the top-10 of countries with the most Summer Olympic medals, ahead of this year's Olympic host Japan (439) and just behind ninth-place Sweden (494). Hungary also ranks eighth in total number of gold medals, surpassing such athletic powerhouses as Australia (147 gold medals) and the Russian Federation (149). Not surprisingly, Hungary can claim the second-highest number of medals on a per-capita basis; only Finland, with 101 total medals and a population of 5.5 million people, has a higher per-capita count.

Hungary has won most of its medals in fencing (37 gold, 23 silver, 27 bronze). Interestingly, Hungary's second most successful Olympic event is canoeing, with a total of 80 medals (25 gold, 29 silver, and 26 bronze).

The Land of the Magyars proudly leads all countries in two Olympic events. The first should come as no surprise to students of Hungarian history: water polo. Hungarian water polo teams have won nine Olympic gold medals between the 1930s and 2008. When you add three silver medals and three bronze medals, there are more Olympics during which Hungary has won a medal in water polo than not. Italy comes in second with eight total medals in the sport.

Of course, the most famous Hungarian victory in Olympic



water polo came in the 1956 Melbourne games which took place after the Revolution, when Hungary defeated the Soviet Union in the brutal semi-final match that became known as the “Blood in the Water Match.” And there was more to the animosity besides the armed conflict in October 1956. In the lead-up to the games, the Hungarian polo team had to allow the Soviet team to monitor their training sessions and thus steal the Hungarians’ playing strategies. It did not matter, apparently.

The other event in which Hungary leads all other nations in medal count is the modern pentathlon. I was surprised when I read this, but upon closer examination, it makes sense. The event came from the mind of Baron Pierre de Coubertin, who was one of the architects of the modern Olympic games. He sought to create an event that simulated the desired skills for a 19th Century cavalryman. Accordingly, the event’s components are fencing, pistol shooting, 200-meter freestyle swimming, horse jumping and a running event. Hungarians, of course, have strong swimmers and fencers, so it’s only natural that Hungary should succeed in this event. Hungary has a total of 22 medals in the sport (nine gold, eight silver and five bronze).

As I mentioned earlier, Hungary has a strong record in Olympic swimming as well. Hungary has 73 total medals (28 gold, 25 silver and 20 bronze) in various swimming events. One of the most decorated Hungarian swimmers shares my ancestral surname. László Cseh (*pictured opposite page*) has won four silver and two bronze medals. One of the best swimmers to never win gold, Cseh had the misfortune of competing against Michael Phelps in several different Olympic Games. Against such competition, even attaining silver or bronze represents a tremendous triumph. Cseh, now 35 years old, will compete in his final Olympics at Tokyo. Perhaps he will finally catch that elusive gold medal?

Hungarian greatness in the pool extends to Hungarian-Americans as well. Before the advent of Michael Phelps, the athlete with the greatest number of gold medals was swimmer Mark Spitz. At the age of 22, Spitz won seven gold medals in various swimming events at the 1972 Munich Games. Spitz was born in Modesto, CA and can claim Hungarian Jewish heritage on his father’s side.

At this year’s Tokyo Olympics, the Hungarian national team comprises, so far, 112 athletes (49 men and 63 women). The largest contingent of the team includes 22 water polo players (11 each on both the men’s and women’s teams). The second largest sport is canoeing, with 16 athletes (eight men and eight women). Gymnastics, with its artistry and tremendous athletic ability, is a favorite of American spectators. Interested viewers can watch for two Hungarian female gymnasts: 21-year-old Zsófia Kovács of Dunaújváros represents Hungary in artistic gymnastics and 21-year-old Fanni Pigniczki of Budapest will represent Hungary in rhythmic gymnastics, being the first Hungarian gymnast to qualify in that event since Viktória Fráter qualified for the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

Hungary’s success at the Summer Olympics, unfortunately, has not extended to the Winter Games. Hungarian athletes have won medals in only short track speed skating (one gold) and figure skating (two silver and four bronze). Despite its close proximity to “Big 6” countries like the Czech Republic and Slovakia, Hungary is not a hockey powerhouse.

I hope that you all have enjoyed this review of Hungarian Olympic trivia. Use these factoids to enrich your Olympic watching experience. Go Team USA! Go Team Hungary!



Hungarians have won a total of 491 medals during the Summer Olympics.

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Vegetables & BBQ

Fáradjon be a Magyar Konyhába! Summer is in full swing, and I couldn't be happier. We are getting further and further away from COVID-19 as more and more people get vaccinated. Better days are upon us and more good times will prevail for us all.

As I write this, I have the pleasure of being back in New Hampshire, working at the country club where I enjoyed many great summers of cooking, writing articles for *The Hungarian Kitchen* and, yes, getting in a few rounds of golf. Life, I hope, is getting back to normal for all of us, our loved ones, families and friends.

Last article, I shared how you can celebrate the graduates in your life with a "Party on the Patio." My menu included a meat entrée, vegetable side dish and dessert. This time, I want to share another technique or way of enjoying a cookout in your backyard. So, let's go into the kitchen....

A cookout can be defined as: (1) a party or entertainment featuring the cooking and eating of a meal out of doors; (2) the process of cooking and eating a meal outdoors; or (3) a meal cooked and eaten in the open. Most of the time the food to be cooked and consumed starts with meat, which could be beef, chicken or pork. Those entrées are usually followed with an array of salads and munchies so all can graze and select whatever they choose to enjoy satisfying their appetite. I'm going to change the order of food selected by starting off with vegetables.

The three recipes I have selected are versatile and can be served hot or cold, depending on your preference. My first recipe is an all-time Hungarian favorite: **Lecsó**. The best way to produce this recipe is to use fresh vegetables for extra flavor and eye appeal. The second recipe is **Hungarian Garden Pickles** that will compliment any meat chosen for your menu. My final recipe is **Hungarian Grilled Vegetable Skewers** which can be served hot off the grill or served at room temperature. Yes, you can add meat chunks to the skewers for your carnivore guests.

I will say that I do enjoy potato salad, macaroni salad and cole slaw when attending a cookout, but those dishes can get boring if everyone is serving them at every cookout they cater or attend. Just remember: variety is the spice of life and keeps things tasty, namely the food.

Let me share once again some tips I have learned over my years of working catered events, cookouts and barbecues.

- **Creativity** in your dishes and menu selection is important. Instead of regular potato salad, try a vinegar base instead of mayo, with red bliss or fingerling potatoes or Yukon Gold. You will like the change in flavor.

- **Use fresh not frozen vegetables.** This will make for a better-tasting final product.

- **Use fresh spices** where possible instead of dried for a livelier accent to your food.

Now, allow me to share some guidelines for cooking vegetables properly.

- **Cut your vegetables into uniform sizes.** They will cook evenly and have great eye appeal in your finished product.

- **Cook vegetables for as short a time as possible** as this will preserve the texture, color and nutrients.

William Vasvary, CEC, ACE, MBBQ, (Chef Béla) is a chef/instructor in the Culinary Arts & Hospitality Management program at the Community College of Philadelphia. He also hosts "The Chef's Cook" on CCP-TV Channel 53 in Philadelphia, which can also be seen on YouTube.

- **Cook your vegetables close to your serving time** to make sure they are as fresh as possible. Don't cook veggies first and hold them.
- **White and red vegetables** may be cooked with a small amount of acid such as lemon juice, vinegar or white wine to help retain color.
- When preparing a variety of vegetables, **cook each type separately then combine them**, otherwise, some will be overcooked in the time required to properly cook the others.
- **Broiling and grilling** use high heat to cook vegetables quickly so choose the best method to give you the best final product.
- Finally, **adjust the flavor** with salt, pepper and spices. This will give you a succulent, aromatic final product.

Broiling is used to cook soft vegetables, such as tomatoes, or items that might not rest properly on a grill. It can also be used to warm items before serving to your guests.

Now, put on your aprons and get ready to have the best food for your cookout. If you come up with any new recipes or ideas, please send them to my email at wvasvary@ccp.edu and I will share them in a future article.

Enjoy your summer. I'll be back in the fall with more recipes.

Jó étvágyat!

Lecsó

- 3 green peppers
- 3 red peppers
- 3 yellow peppers
- 2 onions, medium size, thinly sliced
- 5 tomatoes, skinned & diced
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- ¼ cup olive oil
- 2½ tablespoons Hungarian paprika
- Kosher salt & 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. The skin should easily peel away when scraped with a paring knife. Dice the tomatoes and set aside.

Cut peppers into strips and onions into fine slices. In a skillet, heat the olive oil, add onions and cook until soft. Add the paprika and stir well. Add all the peppers and cook until they are limp, then add the tomatoes and cook another 10 minutes. Adjust the

seasoning and serve hot or cooled to room temperature.

Hungarian Garden Pickles

- 1 cup carrot sticks
- 1 cup red & green pepper strips
- 1 cup celery sticks
- 3 Hungarian banana peppers, left whole with slit in side
- 1 cup cauliflower florets, sliced thin lengthwise
- 1 cup broccoli florets, sliced thin lengthwise
- 1 cup green cabbage, cut into bite-size pieces
- 1 cup white boiling onions, peeled & left whole
- 1 cup green beans, trimmed & left whole
- 1 cup corn, removed from cob
- 1½ tablespoons garlic, peeled and crushed
- 1½ teaspoons celery seed
- 1 teaspoon ground turmeric
- 1 teaspoon Hungarian paprika
- ½ teaspoon ground allspice
- 3½ cups cider vinegar
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt

In a large bowl, combine all the vegetables EXCEPT the corn. Mix well and put aside. In a saucepan, combine the garlic, spices, vinegar, sugar and corn. Bring to a boil, stirring to dissolve the sugar and spices. Remove from heat and pour directly over the bowl of vegetables. Allow to cool to room temperature, then cover and refrigerate for 24 hours. Serve cold.

Hungarian Grilled Vegetable Skewers

For the Marinade

- ½ cup white vinegar
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 1 tablespoon garlic, chopped
- 2 teaspoons dried thyme
- 1 tablespoon Hungarian paprika
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt
- ½ teaspoon black pepper

For the Skewers

- ½ pound zucchini
- ½ pound yellow squash
- 12 broccoli florets, large
- 12 cauliflower florets, large
- 24 pieces Vidalia onion, large dice
- 12 pieces red bell pepper, large dice
- 12 mushroom caps, medium size
- One dozen 6-inch bamboo skewers soaked in water

In a mixing bowl, combine all the marinade ingredients and set aside. Cut the zucchini and yellow squash into a dozen 1-inch thick semi-circular pieces. Add all the vegetables, including the mushroom caps, to the marinade. Marinate the vegetables for 1 hour, then remove vegetables from marinade and drain well. Skewer the vegetables by placing 1 piece of each vegetable and 2 pieces of onion onto each bamboo skewer. Place the vegetable skewers on a hot grill and cook until done, turning as needed. Vegetables should brown and char lightly during cooking. Serve hot or at room temperature to your guests.

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invite you to join us for a special

Fall Golf Outing

September 25, 2021

Sunset Golf Course

Middletown, PA

with an after-golf reception at

Cibort Park

Penn & Center Streets, Steelton, PA



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GOLF • PRIZES • BEVERAGES • FOOD • FRATERNALISM

Join us for a day of fraternal fun when WPA, Branch 336 Harrisburg, PA and the Verhovay Home Association host a special golf outing. This one-day event will include 18 holes of golf at the Sunset Golf Course in Middletown, PA, along with skill prizes, door prizes, beverages, light food on the course and a reception afterwards at Cibort Park in Steelton, PA.

Golf will begin with a shotgun start at 7:30 a.m. The Sunset Golf Course is located approximately 15 miles from the Verhovay Home in Harrisburg.

Cost is only \$65 per person for the golf and reception package. That price includes green fees, cart, beverages (both soft and adult) on the course, hot dogs/sausages on the course, door prizes, skill prizes and admission to the after-golf reception. Those wishing to attend only the reception will be charged \$15 per person. Full payment must accompany your registration.

Hotel accommodations will be at the Hilton Garden Inn Harrisburg East at a special rate of \$135 plus tax/night. To receive this special rate, call the hotel at 717-635-7299 and mention "Branch 336." All hotel reservations must be made directly with the hotel.

Everyone is welcome to visit the Verhovay Home--where "you are a stranger but once"--located at 1012 South 29th St., Harrisburg. Club hours are

3:00 p.m. to midnight on Friday, Sept. 24, and from noon to midnight on Saturday, Sept. 25. You can also come by on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. for bingo.

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1012 South 29th Street
Harrisburg, PA 17111

For more information about the golf outing, please contact either James W. Robertson, National Director at 717-571-1789 or jimjeanmax@comcast.net, or George L. Schwarz, Golf Committee Chair, at 717-805-9390 or Gschwarz1@comcast.net.

Deadline for all reservations is Sept. 17.

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HILTON GARDEN INN HARRISBURG EAST, 3943 Tecport Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111
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To reserve your room at our special rate of \$135 (plus tax) per night, call the hotel at 717-635-7299.

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All Golf & Reception Reservations are due by September 17.



WILLIAM PENN ASSOCIATION Frontline Workers Outreach Campaign 2021

This crisis isn't over. Americans are still struggling to get back to normal. And that's especially true for those **FIGHTING FOR US** on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic. These people need ongoing support from us and our communities.

YOU CAN HELP SAFELY! WPA is calling on all our members and branches to be examples of fraternalism by participating in our **FRONTLINE WORKERS OUTREACH CAMPAIGN**. You can help give a little peace of mind to those who stay reliable and consistent on the front lines.

Together, we can make a difference for essential workers who need a helping hand. The last year has been hard, but we can get through this. How can you help?

➔ If you have a friend or family member on the front lines, reach out and ask them directly if their organization needs products or monetary support.

➔ Consider sending digital gift cards or dropping off gift cards to employees at your local hospital, nursing home or assisted-living facility, shelters, police stations, fire stations, emergency medical services or other essential business.

➔ Call a local nursing home, assisted-living facility or hospital to arrange for a safe meal delivery.

➔ If you're looking for more ideas, find your local Red Cross chapter from their website:
www.redcross.org

Each branch that participates in our campaign is eligible to receive a maximum of \$500 in matching funds. Please follow the instructions mailed to your branch.

We also encourage you to take photos of your participation and send them, along with a brief description of your outreach activities, to the Home Office. We'd like to share your good works in the pages of this magazine.

The deadline for submitting your information and to qualify for matching funds is **DECEMBER 1, 2021**.

For more information about our Frontline Workers Outreach Campaign, or if you have any questions concerning the campaign, contact:

Judit Ganchuk, Activities Coordinator
William Penn Association
709 Brighton Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15233-1821
412-231-2979 ext. 149
jganchuk@wpalife.org

Fax: (412) 586-4067 and write "Attn: Judit"

Together, we can help those who have helped all of us during the pandemic.

Thank you, frontline workers!



Clockwise from top left: Officers of the Tallmadge, OH police department received snacks and water from Branch 44 Akron, OH; Vice Chair of the Board Joyce Nicholson delivers pizza and sodas on behalf of Branch 349 Weirton, WV to the Cross Creek Township Police Department; Members of Branch 26 Sharon, PA donated lunch and gift cards to the staff at Holy Family Manor senior community in Pittsburgh; Members of Branch 18 Lincoln Park, MI delivered sandwiches, water and other goodies to the firefighters of Ypsilanti, MI; Staff at the Campus of Anna Maria in Aurora, OH enjoy a pizza lunch provided by Branch 14 Cleveland; Doug Pilot (second from left), president of the Allegheny Township VFD accepts a donation from officers of Branch 800 Altoona, PA.

JUST for KIDZ

It's time for outdoor fun!

While the warm summer weather is still with us, we should all take a little time to play outside together. Here are some fun games for you and your neighbors and friends to play outside. Don't see your favorite game here? Tell us about it! Our thanks to the folks at **wired.com** for these fun game ideas.

Parachute

Fun for kids of all ages, this game involves a large round parachute, preferably with handles, with people holding the parachute all around the edges. It helps if one kid is named the leader and is in charge of telling people what to do. Players can just ruffle the parachute up and down a little bit, they can go all the way up and all the way down, or all the way up and then some children run underneath or one child runs underneath at a time. Players can also place light objects such as wiffle balls or bean bags on top of the parachute, and make them "jump" by ruffling the parachute. There are countless variations. Number of Players: Depends on the size of the parachute, but usually eight to ten. Equipment: A play parachute. These aren't as hard to find as you would think; try Amazon or Walmart's websites.



Capture the Flag

This game is most fun when played with a large group. Split the group into two teams, each team having a flag, handkerchief or other marker at the team's base. The object of the game is to run into the other team's territory, capture their flag and make it safely back to your own territory. You can tag "enemy" players in your territory, sending them to your "jail". They can be released from jail by a member of their own team running into your territory, tagging them and running back, with

one freed person allowed per jail break. It is sometimes played that all the people in jail could hold hands and make a chain back toward their own territory, making it easier for members of their team to tag them. You can also play a similar game called Steal the Sticks. It has almost the same rules, but several sticks were used instead of one flag. Number of Players: 10+. Equipment: Two flags or two handkerchiefs.

Red Rover

Divide everyone into two teams, each forming a long line, holding hands, facing each other. The two teams should be around 20 or so feet apart. The teams take turns calling out, "Red Rover, Red Rover, send someone over!" That child leaves their team's line, runs as fast as they can toward the other line and tries to break through the held hands. If they break through, they get to take someone back to their team. If they don't, they join the new team. When a team only has one person left, that person tries to break through the other team. If they do not, then their team loses. If they do, they gain a player and play continues. Number of Players: 10+. Equipment: None.



Tag (with variations)

It seems that everyone knows how to play tag, but just in case it wasn't in your childhood game playing repertoire, here is how you play. A group of kids decides who will start out as being "it." That person chases the other people around, trying to tag one of them with their hand. The newly tagged person is now "it." There is often the rule of "no tag-backs" where you can't tag the person who just tagged you. The game ends when everyone is tired of playing. Number



of Players: Any size group. Equipment: None. **Shadow Tag:** In this fun version of Tag, you tag each other's shadow with your feet instead of tagging their body. Thus, it must be played on a sunny day. The closer to noon, the greater the difficulty. Number of Players: A small group. Equipment: None. **Freeze Tag:** This is a variation of Tag where if the person who is "it" tags you, you have to freeze where you are. Another participant can tag you to unfreeze you. Number of Players: A small group. Equipment: None.

Have fun, stay safe and stay healthy!

Help us build up our community on Facebook and Twitter by sharing photos safely @WPALife and #wpalife.

Branch 14 Cleveland, OH

By **Richard E. Sarosi**

Summer is here and we are experiencing more outdoor activities as COVID rules are relaxed. There is new life and routine in our daily activities, and we are watching where we go and the people we meet. However, **please** get your COVID vaccination and encourage your family and friends to do the same. COVID-19 is very real and you need to follow the guidelines. You'll protect yourself and others.

We hope all enjoyed a Happy 4th of July holiday.

Branch 14 participated in WPA's Frontline Workers Outreach Campaign on May 12, by treating the staff (first and second shifts) of The Campus of Anna Maria in Aurora, OH to a pizza party lunch, including salad, dessert and beverage. The facility is a senior living community providing a full continuum of care, including short-term rehabilitation, apartment-style assisted and independent living, a distinct residence for Alzheimer's care, skilled nursing and home care services.

All staff enjoyed the break from their busy schedule during this difficult time in the health care industry. A big thank you was given to Branch 14 for its generosity and remembrance of the health care workers.

Thank you to the WPA Board of Directors, National Officers and Home Office staff for promoting and supporting this fraternal activity.

Hungarian activities that recently took place in Cleveland included the Hősök Napi Megemlékezés (Heroes Commemoration Day) on May 31 at Sunset Cemetery, to honor those individuals from Cleveland's Hungarian Community who gave their lives in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. The United Hungarian Societies of Cleveland Member

Organizations and Churches hosted the memorial service which was attended by Tamás Kovács, Hungarian Consul General assigned to the Hungarian Consulate Office in Chicago. The solemn and dignified ceremony included the placement of wreaths in front of the monument and the reading of the names of those service members who made

the ultimate sacrifice while serving in the U.S. armed forces.

The Buckeye Road Nationality Reunion Picnic took place June 13 at the Hungarian Cultural Center of Northeastern Ohio in Hiram, OH. This was the first large-scale activity for the Cleveland Hungarian/Slovak community in quite some time. Approximately 400 attendees enjoyed a sunny day with comfortable temperatures while feasting on stuffed cabbage, *kolbász*, cabbage and noodles, *lángos*, *szalonna* bread and beverages. The band A Strange Crew played a mix of 60s and 70s tunes, and a DJ played recordings of traditional Hungarian and Slovak music.

The next Hiram picnic was held July 18 which included a car show and a slightly different menu. More on that gathering in the next issue.

It was good to see friends from prior WPA activities, including Rosemary Balazs, Liana Bolla, Frances Pickett, Alan Szabo, Elizabeth Huszti and Frank Dobos, along with WPA Hungary Tour travelers Fran and Hank Hassel, Roger Hevessy and Elise Repp.

To our WPA students: you got past the obstacles that were sent your way and now you can handle anything. We congratulate Joshua Hovanec who graduated May 28 from Holy Name High School. And congratulations to all of the



National Director Richard Sarosi and his mother Violet welcome guests to the Buckeye Road Nationality Reunion Picnic held June 13.

Photo by Mark Zamiska

graduates of the Class of 2021.

Please continue to show your support of the WPFA Scholarship Foundation. Every dollar donated makes a difference. Our students are counting on you! WPA is counting on you, too!

Branch 14 will resume its regular business meetings on Wednesday, Aug. 4, at 7:00 p.m. Our new meeting location is St. John Byzantine Catholic Church, located at 36125 Aurora Road, Solon, OH (on the corner of Aurora Road and Liberty Road). Branch 14 adult members and adult guests are welcome to attend the Branch meeting.

Upcoming branch meetings will be held on the following dates:

- Wednesday, Sept. 1
- Wednesday, Oct. 6
- Wednesday, Nov. 3
- Wednesday, Dec. 1.

All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. at St. John Church.

The Branch 14 Christmas Party will be held Saturday, Dec. 4. More information next issue.

Please note: the above listed meeting schedule can change at any time. Please call Branch President Caroline Lanzara at 216-970-2769 or Branch 14 Secretary-Treasurer Richard Sarosi at 440-248-9012 for latest information and updates.

We remember those WPA members who have passed away



Ernest Sarosi of Branch 14 taste-tests the pizza the branch provided to the staff at The Campus of Anna Maria.

or may have recently lost a loved one. May those members who are not with us, rest in peace.

We recently lost a wonderful couple, Carl E. Horvath (on April 28, 2021) and Suzanne M. Horvath (on May 24, 2021). Carl and Suzanne attended Branch 14 meetings and activities when possible. Our deepest sympathy is extended to their children and the Horvath family. May they rest in peace.

Get well wishes are being sent to all of Branch 14 and WPA members, as well as our friends, who might be feeling under the weather. We wish a speedy recovery to Branch Vice President JoAnne Sedensky and Mary Jane Molnar, Vicki Bowens, Ernest Sarosi, Elizabeth (Betty) Hartman and Richard Sarosi. Feel better soon. Please keep all our members in your prayers and thoughts.

Happy birthday and happy anniversary wishes are being sent to all those celebrating a July/August birthday and/or anniversary. Happy birthday to Cindy Savitski for her August birthday.

Thank you for the anniversary cards and wishes that were sent to my parents, Violet and Ernest Sarosi, who celebrated their 74th

wedding anniversary on June 14.

Happy retirement wishes are sent to former WPA employees Debra Evans and David Chakey. Thank you for your help and assistance over the years. We are going to miss you but realize that retirement is fun. Enjoy the new path that you will travel.

Be safe, stay healthy and please remember to keep in touch with someone you haven't seen or talked with in a long time. Written and phone greetings have kept me in touch with WPA members such as Betty and Al Vargo, Lory Nemeth, Judith Szabo-Stull, Sharon Olson, Sarah and Diane Malloy, Dolores (Dee) Soltes, WPA Home Office staff and my fellow WPA Board members.

Remember those who are in the hospital, rehabilitation facilities, nursing homes and extended care facilities where visitation is not possible at this time. Everyone loves to receive cards and notes and the opportunity to hear from family and friends.

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

Here it is June 18, and yes, we are still in Florida. I broke my wrist in four places on Jan. 17; on June 10, I had my third surgery. We have been here since Nov. 17. The people that know me know that I am not a Floridian, but believe it or not, we are getting used to being Floridians.

I want to thank Ursula and Tom Markovits, Carol Truesdell, Linda Enyedy, my brother Joe, Helen Sryniawski, Father Barnabas and Krisztina Kortvesi for calling so often and keeping me in the loop. I almost feel like I'm home, some of the time.

I was so proud of Carol and Linda. Weren't those great pictures in the last issue? Thank you, officers.

I still don't know when our branch meetings will start. I am hoping for September. You all know that Helen will call you, so you won't miss anything. Thank you, Helen.

Do you want to be our secretary at our meetings? Think about it. Rose Antal had that job for a long time, so you will have to have a true WPA heart to replace her. Please let me know.

Please remember in your prayers all of our recently deceased members and their families. May they rest in peace.

Please stay healthy. We still wear our masks.

Special love and sympathy to Carol Truesdell, Victoria Haas and Ashley and Nathan Church on their devastating loss. We all love you and pray for better days ahead.

Thank you to all who are still honoring my grandson, Jason. Being here in Florida makes it feel a little closer, but still....

Happy birthday to all our branch members. We hope you are having wonderful days all the time. We certainly deserve them. Wishing you many more.

Please remember the WPFA Scholarship Foundation with donations. Our students need all the help they can get. Buy a leaf on our Tree of Knowledge. This is such a wonderful way to donate. You really must see that tree. I have a dog under the tree. Thank you, National Directors!

Please remember our veterans and all who are serving now. We at Branch 18 have two members that we are very proud of and they are both Carol Truesdell's grandsons. Michael is the son of David Truesdell, and Zachary Haas is the son of Vicky Haas. Stay safe; you are very much loved.

Very special hello to Richard Sarosi and family. Don't worry

about the *csiga*. I know you will take good care of it for me.

Please call our wonderful members who are under the weather, especially Rev. Komjathy, Rev. Bor-say, the Schvarczkopfs and all who need prayers. Get well soon.

I can't believe that Dave Chakey has retired. Congratulations, my friend, and lots of love.

The Hungarian Cultural Center of Northeastern Ohio in Hiram is planning on having picnics again. Please support them. I have always enjoyed them. Good luck and have fun.

The Hungarian American Cultural Center is still closed, but they are still doing wonderful carry outs every other week. Every carry out has been wonderful and a super way to support to the club.

Can't wait to patronize the Rhapsody. Hope to see you all very soon.

That is all the news that I have to share. I really wish I had more. Maybe, next time. Please call me if you have anything you want to share.

Stay healthy. I miss every one of you, more than you know.

Branch 26 **Sharon, PA**

By Gerry Davenport

Summer is in full swing. Where did one half of the year go?

I want to thank all the Branch 26 members who helped with the purchasing of food supplies that were recently distributed to a local church.

Our branch was also able to participate in WPA's Frontline Workers Outreach program. Thank you to member Cindi Ross who organized a lunch and purchased gift cards to honor the frontline workers at Holy Family Manor, a local Pittsburgh senior community.

We hope everyone had a safe and happy Fourth of July.

Get well wishes are sent to those who have been ill or hospi-



This trunk load of food was donated by members of Branch 26 Sharon, PA and donated to a local church as part of the Frontline Workers Outreach Campaign.

talized.

Our condolences to all who have recently lost a loved one.

It is awesome that we can now resume our fraternal activities. May the fraternal light be lit and may better times lie ahead for us all.

Branch 28 **Youngstown, OH**

By Kathy Novak

As our surroundings are reopening and restrictions are being lifted, we find ourselves cautiously returning to social events and activities.

It has been a rough time for all of us, but we truly appreciate all those frontliners, essential workers and all who continued to work during these unusual times, as they provided the much-needed necessities for all of us.

Two local events are returning this summer. First, we have the YSU Summer Festival of the Arts on July 17 and 18. This free event hosts various arts and crafts vendors and food vendors. Also, the traditional Canfield Fair will be back this Labor Day weekend, a true end-of-summer tradition for so many.

Branch 28 participated in the WPA Join Hands Day program by helping spruce up the grounds of

St. Stephen of Hungary Church, Holy Apostles Parish. We also helped defray the cost of flowers that were planted around the church.

We hope everyone had a great 4th of July and remembered how fortunate we are to have freedom of choices as a part of our lives.

Job well done, Dominique McGraw, who received her master's degree in school counseling from the University of Akron.

Looking forward to the resumption of branch meetings and being able to plan for the annual family Christmas party.

So many years of traditions and faith have blessed the First Hungarian Reformed Church of Walton Hills, OH, as they have celebrated 130 years of serving the community.

Congratulations to all of this year's WPFA Scholarship Foundation grant recipients.

Sending best wishes to everyone celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, marriages or the addition of a new member to your family.

Sending healing thoughts and wishes for a speedy recovery to all those who are not up to par.

Sincere sympathy to all who have recently lost a loved one. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Have a safe Labor Day holiday.



These members of the Tallmadge, OH Fire Department were among the recipients of items donated by Branch 44 Akron, OH as part of WPA's Frontline Workers Outreach Campaign.

So hard to believe that fall school sessions are right around the corner.

For information about WPA life insurance or annuity plans, please call Alan at 330-482-9994 or Kathy at 330-746-7704.

Focus on good things and good things could happen.

Branch 34 Pittsburgh, PA

By Marguerite McNelis

I believe that everyone is enjoying their summer as some COVID restrictions keep getting lifted. HALLELUJAH! Still, please make sure to be safe.

We hope everyone had a great 4th of July and that you are practicing your golf swing for the golf outing on Sept. 25. We have great fraternal events, and this is only the beginning. Come join us and see.

Please take a moment and pray for all our service men and women, especially those in harm's way.

Our heartfelt condolences and love go out to the family of Maria (Mitzi) Berei. She was a lifelong friend to the Vamos and McNelis families and long-time member of Branch 34. Mitzi was the type of cheerful person who always had

a smile for everyone and always helped anyone who needed it. She is survived by her daughter Irene Oberlauer and family. May she rest in peace.

Happy and healthy birthday wishes to everyone celebrating their birthdays in July and August, especially my son Andy, grandson Donovan and great niece Josie. Wishing you many more.

Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone experiencing health issues. Please remember our deceased members in your prayers.

If you have any news you would like to share, please contact Marguerite McNelis at 412-421-6031.

Branch 44 Akron, OH

By Elizabeth Darago

It's been a busy April/May/June quarter for Branch 44.

In April, we delivered two Easter Baskets, collected and delivered plastic bags for Homeless Sleeping Mats (ongoing) and provided drinks and snacks for over 400 Summit County Sheriff's Office full/part time employees.

In May, we provided cleaning and disinfecting spray to the One of a Kind Pet Rescue and Adoption.

In June, generous members

contributed five bags of food for the Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church Food Bank. Our Branch also provided drinks and snacks for the Tallmadge, OH Police and Fire Departments.

All these activities were possible, even in these strange times, due to the generosity and assistance of branch members and officers and the WPA Home Office. We thank each and every one of you.

With that in mind, members are invited to contact a branch officer (or call 330-604-1264) and leave your name and phone number to:

- volunteer in this quarter's Drinks and Snacks for First Responders;
- donate clean plastic grocery bags to be made into sleeping mats; and/or
- donate food bank items.

If you'd like to donate or assist, or if you have any ideas as to what activities the branch can do, please call, text or e-mail me (mtd13ekd@att.net).

You've all been so fantastic during this year of lock-down and distancing. Your Branch Officers have a gift for two of you. Members should contact a branch officer or call/text 330-604-1264, or e-mail mtd13ekd@att.net and reference "Branch 44 William Penn Life surprise." From all members who call or e-mail by Aug. 15, 2021, one member will receive an Official WPA Cookbook: *Treasured Hungarian Recipes*. And, one member will receive a \$25 Splash Car Wash card, good at any Splash Car Wash location. Time to celebrate lifting of the emergency restrictions in Ohio. Good luck!

Congratulations to all new graduates. Best wishes to all those celebrating a birthday, wedding or anniversary. Get well wishes to all who are ailing. And, our deepest condolences to all who have lost a loved one.

Need life insurance? Call Alan Szabo at 330-482-9994.

Branch 89 Homestead, PA

By Lisa S. Toth-Maskariniec

Greetings from wonderful Branch 89. Gone is the snow and cold weather and here is sunshine and 80-degree weather. Nice.

We had our Third Annual Golf Outing for the benefit of the Building Maintenance Fund of The First Hungarian Reformed Church of Homestead, and what a huge success it was. The weather was simply beautiful for chasing a little white ball around a golf course.

And golf doesn't get any better than golfing at Champion Lakes Golf Resort in Bolivar, Pa. Former Pittsburgh Pirate great Richard "Dick" Groat and his daughter Allison are the perfect hosts and Hutch, their assistant, make sure our outings run smoothly and that we have everything we need.

We had 34 golfers, an increase of a foursome from last year. We had a shotgun start promptly at 9:30, and we sat down to a wonderful meal at 2:30.

We were happy to see Branch President John S. Toth Jr. working two of the holes with an assist from Branch 89 friend Endre Cso-man. John truly proves that nothing and no one will stop him from being at one of our events. I think I even saw Johnnie trying to putt. Keep it up, Johnnie.

We truly were blessed to receive much support for this outing and the donations that came in only enhanced our event. We had lottery baskets, wine baskets, various beer baskets, an autographed Ben Roethlisberger photo, Penguin and Steeler gift boxes and more. All were donated by various members and friends of Branch 89.

We were sorry that branch member Mary Jane Hermansderfer and her golfing partner Memory Joll were unable to attend the event. Memory's companion Richard Gemeinhart passed away suddenly while on vacation. A true



Members and friends of Branch 89 Homestead, PA enjoyed the third annual golf outing hosted by the branch.



tragedy for Memory. Branch 89 offers its prayers to Memory at this difficult time. Mary Jane and Memory are always the first to register for our golf outing every year and were saddened to have to pull out at the last minute.

On another note, Branch 89 is proud to congratulate branch member Sara Lydia Ardale on her recent graduation from Steel Valley Senior High School. Sara will be studying psychology at Community College of Allegheny County in the fall. Sara is the daughter of branch members Sandy and Bill Ardale. She is the granddaughter of the late "Poppa Joe" and Lydia Revesz and Bill and Mary Ardale. We wish Sara all the best as she embarks on this new path in life. We know you will do well.

Another celebration which occurred was the surprise party for Branch Vice President Mark Maskariniec in honor of his 65th birthday. Mark enjoyed his special day playing golf in the morning then was taken to Bravo's Restaurant at the Waterfront for what he thought was lunch with his wife only to be greeted by 30 of his closest friends and family. One of his oldest friends, Joe Maloney,

gave the toast. Mark and Joe go back to first grade. As Mark mentioned in his speech, many people that were there date back to 20, 45 and 60 years. How great was that. The food was great and the party was one Mark will not forget for many years to come.

Now that our branch golf outing has come and gone, we are now revving up for our annual golf outing with the Steel Valley Rotary. Again, all proceeds benefit various organizations in the Steel Valley areas plus The First Hungarian Reformed Church of Homestead.

This outing will be held on Aug. 8 at the Butler's Golf Course in Elizabeth, PA. We are one of two major recipients of donations received at this outing. If you can't golf, come out and volunteer. We can always use volunteers to watch various skill holes.

Also, we are accepting donations for our Chinese auction prizes, which if you have ever been to one of our events know are quite something. Last year, we had one friend of the branch that donated a two-week stay at his home in Italy. Can you imagine that? And free.

It is because of these types of

donations that we are able to have the success we have. Come on out and have a great time. And if you can't come for the golfing, come for the banquet. You won't be disappointed. For the comfort of golfers, we will offer dinners to go should a golfer rather take his or her meal home.

We send warm wishes to all WPA members during this time of pandemic and social turmoil. We need to be nice to each other and remember each other, especially in these times. Lift someone up with an email, an Instagram message or (God forbid) a phone call. Be well, stay safe and do something nice for someone.

Also, don't forget to support the Dorothy 6 Blast Furnace Café. They are open for both dine-in and take-out meals. Their take-out meals are as good as what you get when you dine in. Doesn't get any better than that.

We hope everyone had a happy and safe Fourth of July holiday.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Branch 129 Columbus, OH

By Debbie Lewis

It is so good to see things getting back to pre-COVID times. It has been great to see people back enjoying life in general again. We have enjoyed seeing family and friends more often.

Remember to keep in touch with family and friends that you haven't seen or talked to in awhile. Give them a call if you can't visit in person. We don't always know what someone is going through in their everyday lives. It might just bring a smile to their face or brighten their day!

School will be starting in August for most students. As always, please watch out for students walking or riding bikes to school. Also, watch your speed in school zones. Good luck to all students from preschool through college.

Congratulations and good luck to all the college students that received one of the WPFA Scholarship Foundation grants for new

or returning applicants. If you or any of your family members have benefitted from these grants, it is great to pay it forward with a donation in any amount.

Save the date for our next branch meeting to be held on Tuesday, Sept. 7, at Plank's Cafe, located at 743 Parsons Ave. beginning at 4:00 p.m. We will be discussing the plans for our Christmas party. I know so many people said they missed having it last year. Please plan on joining us for this meeting. It would be great to see more members attend.

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

Get well wishes go out to all who have been ill or hospitalized. Hope all have a speedy recovery and are feeling better.

We also extend our sincere sympathy to all who have recently lost a loved one. Remember them by the good times you shared with them and keep them in your prayers.

If you have any news you would like to share, or if you would like to receive information about WPA life or annuity plans, please contact Debbie Lewis at 614-875-9968 or DAL9968@aol.com.

NEXT DEADLINE

Submissions for the September/October issue of William Penn Life are due in our office by August 27.



Branch 132 South Bend, IN

By John E. Burus

Summer is in the air and the garden is growing.

We are coming back! The next Branch 132 business meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 7, at the Martin's Supermarket Deli Erskine Plaza (first floor) on Ireland Road, South Bend at 5:00 p.m. At the meeting, we will choose a date for the Christmas party for 2021. For planning purposes, it will be a Sunday afternoon, either Dec. 5 or Dec. 12. More information to follow. We are all looking forward to celebrating the holiday season

again with our branch members and their families.

We sincerely hope that all WPA members stay safe and practice safety measures to help us get back to normal. I am looking forward to getting back together and promoting our fraternalism.

Branch 226 McKeesport, PA

By Judit Ganchuk

We wish happy birthday and happy anniversary to all who celebrate in July and August!

A belated Happy Independence Day to all--245 years celebrating American progress and continually moving forward.

Get well wishes go out to all those recovering and recuperating. To all those under the weather, get well soon.

Welcome and greetings to our newest branch members.

Sending sunshine and warm wishes to Branch 226 Secretary Gerry Nelson, Branch Auditor Wayne Nelson, Branch Auditor June Coyne, Goldie Szarka, Karen Jordanhazy and anyone who needs a pick-me-up.

We pray for the friends and families of Kent A. Sedlock, Barbara M. Sheedy and Helen Jordanhazy (our friend from WPA Branch 296) who have passed away. I have fond memories of Barbara as a Sunday school teacher and her sweet laugh.

I have more memories of Helen as she was always in church: Sunday services, Tuesday making the dough for *csiga* noodles, Friday making the best grilled cheese sandwiches at Friday Night Bingo and her expertly baked lady locks during church fellowship throughout the year. Later on, as her health began to decline, she would sit in the same pew as me and my two young sons, always smiling at them as they played with their cars and coloring books during the church service – pos-



Members and friends of Branch 226 help clean up the parking lot at The Free Hungarian Reformed Church of McKeesport, PA during a Join Hands Day project.

sibly because she had great-grandchildren their age. Even when she was ill, she was thinking of her family and friends. We're all going to miss Helen but know that she is no longer in pain and is at peace.

Please keep all of our members who have lost a loved one in your prayers. Losing loved ones is never easy.

Our branch was able to participate in Join Hands Day and hosted a clean-up program at The Free Hungarian Reformed Church of McKeesport. Our branch members and church volunteers removed damaged trees, put mulch in the courtyard, then cleaned and painted the parking lot.

WPA members who are full-time students enrolled in an accredited college or university and meet certain academic standards may qualify for a scholarship being offered by the Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance. Applications for this award must be submitted by Sept. 1. Email jlovasz@wpalife.org for more information.

The Free Hungarian Reformed Church of McKeesport has made the difficult decision to not sell food during this year's Interna-

tional Village, McKeesport's ethnic food and music festival. This decision was not made lightly and was heartbreaking to the families who made attending the festival a tradition over many decades. The number of volunteers is dwindling, and the hard-working ladies and gentlemen are aging.

However, they are strong-willed with a good work ethic and will continue to change with their needs. They will host a stuffed cabbage sale on Saturday, Sept. 18, with pre-orders only. Call 412-672-7298 to get your orders in.

Please consider joining us for a Sunday worship service in English every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. and re-connect with our community.

Schools will be starting back up before Labor Day, and we are sending our best wishes to all the students and teachers this year, especially my son Laszlo, who will start Kindergarten this fall. To students, young and young-at-heart, be sure to learn something new every day.

Mark your calendars: The Free Hungarian Reformed Church of McKeesport will once again host a fall luncheon bingo on Saturday,



Frank Murin of Branch 249 holds a certificate congratulating him on his 100th birthday, which he celebrated with his family and fellow Branch 249 members.

Oct. 2. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Tickets will be available soon, so call the church at 412-672-7298.

Do you have good news you'd like us to share? Call Branch President Malvene Heyz at 412-751-1898 to get your news published.

Branch 249 Dayton, OH

By Mark Schmidt

Well, the 4th of July has come and gone. We are in the middle of summer and families are traveling to vacation spots all over the country. There is a lot of pent-up energy and optimism that we may finally have gotten past the worse of COVID-19. If the young adults and kids get their vaccines, then maybe, just maybe, we can put this behind us. But, do not forget the price this country has paid. Over 600,000 dead and countless sick and hospitalized. Please say a prayer for all the family, friends and members that we lost during this pandemic.

I hope you had a great Mother's Day, Father's Day and Memorial Day. And wasn't this 4th of July special? Families and friends got together and the fireworks seemed extra-large this year.

Congrats to high school and collegiate graduates. Now, on to the next adventure. I wish you all the

best.

And speaking of wishes, we congratulate all those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries and births in their families. Here's wishing you many happy years to come.

Please remember our deceased members and loved ones. Please keep them and their families in your prayers, especially the families of Clifford Hylton and John Agoston. May they rest in peace.

We want to resume branch meetings later this summer. After the officers meet, we will send out a message.

I want to update my records. Please send me your email (and phone number if you want). My email is amschmidt@msn.com. My phone number is 937-939-0198. Please leave a message.

Since WPA has not had the usual fraternal activities and the Association has not been able to raise funds for the WPFA Scholarship Foundation, please remember it with your tax-deductible donation. Please help out our youth. Believe in the potential of our kids and the power of education.

Now is the perfect time to update your family's insurance. Take the time to look over your situation and all the fine WPA products and call me or Anne Marie. My number is above and Anne Marie's is 937-308-4670. Help is just a

phone call away.

Remember what Oprah said: "Summer has a flavor like no other. Always fresh and simmered in sunshine."

Now, get out there and enjoy it.

Branch 296 Springdale, PA

By Mary A. Kelly-Lovasz

Good news, Branch 296ers--we've got meeting dates planned! The location has changed to the Tarentum Eat'n Park Restaurant, on Pittsburgh Mills Boulevard. Our anticipated meeting dates will be on these Thursdays: Sept. 2; Oct. 7; and Nov. 11, all starting at 6:30 p.m. Look for us in or just outside their meeting room, in the back. It'll be terrific seeing all of you!

And, we're looking forward to our branch family Christmas party, too. Please mark your calendars for Sunday, Nov. 28, at the Springdale VFW. Santa and Mrs. Claus are beyond excited and ready to see us in person again. Just like all of us, they have been following all of the pandemic protocols, and we will welcome them with smiling faces.

Very happy birthday greetings to all of our branch members born in July and August, including Branch Treasurer Toni Kosheba, my daughter Leanne, Cadance Borland and her cousin Lily Borland, who is anxiously waiting to become a big sister any day now.

Happy anniversary wishes to Branch President Diane Torma and her husband, Branch Auditor John Torma, and greetings to all those who tied the knot during July and August. Wishing all of you many more years of togetherness.

For all those currently on the road to recovery, we extend our very best to you.

Our sincerest condolences to those who have lost a loved one. I have heard of so many who have pets cross over the rainbow bridge. We grieve over them and note

that our pets really are members of our family. They are very much missed, too.

My husband, daughter and I have received both of our COVID vaccine shots. Since achieving immunity, we've been able to go out more freely, albeit wearing our masks when needed to protect others. As I bared my arm, I could not help but feel thankful for scientific minds.

Not only this, but we feel gratitude toward everyone who has helped combat this terrible virus. The incredible nurses, pharmacists and doctors who have vaccinated us, and everyone working on the front lines caring for COVID patients, we thank you. A huge shout out to the research scientists and staff who developed the vaccines.

Our appreciation to restaurant staff who prepared and filled our take-out orders; all of the hard working retail and grocery store employees and delivery people who brought items directly to our doors, we appreciate you. All the dedicated food bank volunteers, as well as the social service organizations, have been tremendous.

We acknowledge clergy members who reached out, using their vocation, to meet our spiritual needs and encouraging us along the way.

There are just too many individuals and situations to mention, but know that we are grateful for all that you have done for us!

Contact me at makelly367@verizon.net or at 724-274-5318 if you have any branch news, birthday, anniversary or get well wishes that you would like to share.

Remember, branch meetings are around the corner, at a new location.

Noreen Fritz, our WPA agent generally attends our meetings, but she can answer your life insurance and annuity questions at any time. Call Noreen at 412-821-1837 or you may email her at noreen.fritz@comcast.net.

Members and friends of Branch 336 prepare to tee off June 19 at the biannual golf tournament hosted by the branch and the Verhovay Home Association of Harrisburg.



Branch 336 Harrisburg, PA

By Nicole Starner

Summer is flying by! We hope everyone is enjoying time with their families!

We held our biannual golf tournament at Sunset Golf Course on June 19 with a shotgun start at 7:30 a.m. We sold out the golf course with 144 golfers. This was a great event! We held the reception at the 40 & 8 club, serving pork ribs, mac-n-cheese, baked beans, potato salad and an ice cream bar for dessert.

Our next outing will be on Saturday, Sept. 25. If you'd like more information, turn to page 10.

Our annual picnic will be held on Saturday, Sept. 11, from noon to 6:00 p.m. We will have the Go To Guys on stage from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Your ticket will include food, beer and non-alcoholic drinks. We will have a bar available for purchase of other alcohol. We will have games, 50/50 and raffles available all day. If you would like more information on tickets, please email us at verhovayhome-

assn@gmail.com.

Want a chance to win some great prizes? Purchase one of our Summer Blowout tickets for \$10. Prizes are: \$50 (3), \$100 (2), a meat box (\$60 value), a gas grill, a Yeti cooler, a \$500 William Penn Annuity, golf for four at the Fall Golf Outing and a \$500 Best Buy gift card. Winners will be drawn at the picnic on Sept. 11. If you purchase one of these tickets and a picnic ticket, you will receive \$5 back when you show both tickets at the door. Email us to learn how to purchase a Summer Blowout ticket and/or picnic ticket.

The club has reopened to full capacity and is holding all of its regular events, including Texas hold 'em, darts, cornhole & bingo. Members are enjoying the outdoor area we created.

On Saturday, July 31, we will be holding a summer bar Olympics. Cost is \$10 per player, with random draw teams each playing in eight events. Registration starts at 11:00 a.m. with play starting at noon. If you'd like to join in on the fun, feel free to reach out.

We donated \$5,000 to the Shri-



John Conti of Branch 800 (center in blue shirt) celebrated 50 years of membership in WPA this June. Congratulating him are (l-r): his son-in-law Joe Smithmyer, Branch 800 President Dan Greiner, his granddaughter Susan and his daughter Mary Smithmyer.

ners Children's Hospital from our Golf Outing in 2020.

Get well wishes to all who have been or are under the weather. We wish you a speedy recovery.

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

Stay up to date with the club's food specials and pop up events on its Facebook page.

If you have anything you'd like to share or would like to receive our weekly email updates, please contact Nicole Starnier at verhovayhomeassn@gmail.com.

Branch 349 Weirton, WV

By Joyce Nicholson

Wow! Where has summer gone? It's time to plan that Labor Day picnic and enjoy the last few weeks of carefree summer days. It feels good to finally have that warm sun on my face, sans mask covering my nose and mouth. It has been a long year and a half, but we can see some normalcy tiptoe back into our daily lives.

Again this year, our Branch 349/ Ohio Valley Hungarian-American Cultural Society picnics did not take place due to COVID restrictions. We hope to host another jointly-sponsored picnic next year. I'll keep you posted.

One of the recipients of our

Frontline Worker Outreach Campaign was Cross Creek Township police. The department, secretaries and crew were thrilled to be recognized by William Penn Association with a lunch of pizza and sodas.

We extend best wishes to all members celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in July and August.

Our sympathies go out to those who have family members or friends who recently passed on, including our own branch members Barbara Bunner, Joseph Pasquarella and Henry Rollandini. God rest their souls. Please keep their families in your prayers.

To those who have received a WPFA Scholarship Foundation grant in the past, please pay it forward by making a donation to the Foundation. Your donation helps to meet the challenges and needs of our young members furthering their higher education.

As the "all clear" whistle has been blown, we can now resume our branch meetings, pending Ohio state guidelines continued permission of gatherings. We will have our next branch meeting on Sunday, Aug. 22, at 6:00 p.m. at King's Family Restaurant, 1063 Canton Road, Wintersville.

Now, our factoid for this issue: After 174 years of service, Magyar Posta has discontinued its telegram service. Throughout its history, Magyar Posta delivered telegrams which allowed Hungarians to congratulate relatives, contact friends or relay vital information. But, as of April 30, Hungarian telegrams are now a thing of the past.

Until the 1980s, there were no telephone lines in many remote places of Hungary, so telegrams

were commonplace, reaching their recipient within four hours. However, sending a telegram wasn't cheap because you had to pay for each word, so the messages typically was of great importance or significance. Many telegrams were kept by their recipients as souvenirs throughout the years.

For information about Branch 349 activities, or if you have any news to share, please call Joyce Nicholson at 740-264-6238.

For all your insurance needs, call Alan Szabo at 330-482-9994.

Branch 800 Altoona, PA

By Joan B. Ballash

I hope that everyone had an enjoyable, long July 4th weekend celebrating Independence Day. It was a good time to gather with family and friends and to give thanks for our many blessings.

Our branch picnic will be held Wednesday, Aug. 4, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Highland Park in Altoona. All Occasion Catering will provide the food, as in previous years. Cost is \$5 per person, with no charge for children under 12. Deadline for reservations is July 27 and can be made by calling Dan or Dennis Greiner at 814-943-7471. There will also be a brief business meeting.

Happy July birthday to branch auditors Rob Gohn Jr. and others celebrating in July and August.

Sincere condolences to the relatives of Bertha L. Peachey and Lomie E. Zook, who recently entered eternal life. May you experience peace and your dearly departed see the face of God.

Branch 800 has the good fortune of celebrating several 50-year members in 2021: John Conti, Sally A. Davidson and Francis Machiarola, each of whom received a certificate and pin from the Home Office. John, 93 years of age and branch auditor, was accompanied

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William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation

Tree of Knowledge

Helping our young members meet the challenges of modern educational economics requires great effort by all our members and friends. Towards this end, the WPFA Scholarship Foundation has created the **Tree of Knowledge**. The Tree is mounted in the second floor foyer of the WPA Home Office. Those making donations through this program will be recognized with individual “leaves” on the tree, which can be used to honor and remember loved ones. Donations are being accepted at three levels: Gold (\$1,000), Silver (\$500) and Bronze (\$250). Those wishing to purchase a leaf may use the form below. Please help our tree “grow” and allow us to continue to assist young members reach their educational and professional dreams.

I want to help the Tree of Knowledge grow. Please accept my tax-deductible contribution of:

☐ \$1,000 - Gold Level ☐ \$500 - Silver Level ☐ \$250 - Bronze Level

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Please make checks payable to “William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc.” and mail to:

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Lake Fertő Biosphere Reserve

As Coronavirus restrictions are lifted, many Hungarians are returning to visit a saline lake that straddles Hungary and Austria. Lake Fertő (or Lake Neusiedl in Austria) is the largest endorheic lake in Central Europe. Endorheic is the scientific term for a body of water that does not drain into another waterway such as another lake, river or ocean.

Fertő is about 22 miles long by 8 miles wide and on average is 3 feet deep. About 80% of the lake is located in Austria with the rest located in what is called Seewinkel (the Hungarian Lake Corner). Located just outside of Sopron and less than an hour's drive from Vienna, this is an excellent weekend trip. Fertő has been a gathering place since 6000 BC. Today, bike paths encircle the wetland.

The Fertő-Hanság became a World Heritage Site in 2001 and is also considered a Biosphere Reserve and Cultural Landscape. The

lake's waters are 33 times saltier than Lake Balaton. Reeds grow profusely around the entire lake and are used in many industries.

The lake has dried up many times. In the mid-1800s one could walk across the entire area without getting their shoes wet. For several years farmers grew crops on the dried lake bed. During rainy periods the Fertő has grown to the size of Lake Balaton with massive flooding in nearby towns. As a safeguard, the Einser-Kanal linking the lake to the Danube was constructed to prevent flooding.

On the Hungarian side of Fertő is the famous Esterházy Palace where tourists can view not only the Sea of Vienna but the Kisalföld (Little Hungarian Plain) as well. This saline meadow has many interesting tales of intrigue with the story of Hany Istók being one of the most interesting. Look it up.

There are 14 clues about Fertő and the surrounding area. Good luck!

WPA PUZZLE CONTEST #185 OFFICIAL ENTRY

"Lake Fertő" Word List

Biosphere	Hany Istók	Saline
Einser-Kanal	Kisalföld	Seewinkel
Endorheic	Meadow	UNESCO
Esterházy	Neusiedl	Wetland
Fertő	Reeds	

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RULES

ALL **WPA members** are eligible to enter.

Complete the word search puzzle correctly.

Mail your completed puzzle, along with your name, address, phone number, email address, and WPA Certificate Number, to:

WPA PUZZLE #185
709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

Entries must be received at the Home Office by **Oct. 1, 2021**.

Four winners will be drawn from all correct entries on or about Oct. 6, 2021, at the Home Office. Each winner will receive \$50.

Puzzle Contest #183 WINNERS

The winners of our Puzzle Contest #183 were drawn June 9, 2021 at the Home Office. Congratulations to:

Robert Motz, Br. 14 Cleveland, OH
Lurene Nicotera, Br. 383 Buffalo, NY
Janet Adornetto, Br. 383 Buffalo, NY
Sandra Geisel, Br. 26 Sharon, PA

Each won \$50 for their correct entry.

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by his daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Joe Smithmyer, and granddaughter Susan, to the June 8 meeting for a light supper and congratulatory event. It is good practice to acknowledge loyalty and longevity of members.

After consulting with the president of the local Allegheny Township Volunteer Fire Department, our branch officers determined an appropriate way to participate in the WPA Frontline Workers Outreach Campaign 2021 would be to donate money toward the purchase of a battery-powered BlowHard ventilation fan for the department. This equipment quickly rids structures of potentially harmful smoke, fumes, contaminants and particulates, making it safe for first responders to enter.

In addition, a WPA member volunteered to match the branch's donation, plus gave an additional \$100.

Thank you to the Home Office for initiating this project and recognizing the men and women who aid us in times of crisis.

Many students will be returning to the classrooms in late August. Be aware of children walking to and from school and follow state laws regarding school buses.

If you have news to share, call 814-941-8863. If you have questions about WPA life insurance and annuities, call Bob Jones at 814-942-2661.

Enjoy the warm weather and join us at the picnic!

Please remember
in your thoughts
and prayers our
recently departed
members and
their loved ones



MARILYN DARAGO

AKRON, OH -- The members of Branch 44 Akron, OH were saddened by the death of former Branch Treasurer Marilyn Darago, 76, who died suddenly May 11, 2021 from a massive stroke

A life-long Akronite, Marilyn worked at the family store, Darago Bros. She attended Garfield High School; graduating Valedictorian in 1963. She earned a degree in history from Akron University and taught at Stow High School for many years. She obtained an accounting degree and became a pioneering female CPA in the Akron area.

She was preceded in death by parents Joseph Darago Jr. and Theresa (Varga) Darago. She is survived by her brother Alex/Sandor (Sharon) Darago, sister Elizabeth Darago and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made to either Noah's Lost Ark Inc. (a large cat rescue), 8424 Bedell Road, Berlin Center, OH 44401, or One of a Kind Pet Rescue (a no kill shelter), 1929 W. Market St., Akron, OH 44313.

Burial was in Mt. Peace Cemetery, Akron.

May she rest in peace.

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TOTAL for Month = \$293.10

MAY 2021

Branch - Donor - Amount
 26 - Elizabeth R. Pacy - \$5.06
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 720 - Gladys A. Croteau - \$50.00
 8036 - Zachary J. Kaider - \$5.00
TOTAL for Month = \$151.65

Additional Donations

APRIL/MAY 2021

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(In Memory of, if applicable)
 Otto Kovacsics - \$50.00
 William Penn Association - \$50.00
 (Donna Griffin)
 WPA Br. 18 Lincoln Park, MI -
 \$250.00 (Rose P. Antal)
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TOTAL for Month = \$485.00

Help us help our youth

The rewards that come with a higher education are priceless. But, that education comes at an ever-higher price. That's why since 1972, William Penn Association has helped our young members attending college achieve their goals by awarding them over \$2.9 million in scholarship grants.

It is only through the generosity of people like you--our members, branches and friends--that WPA can continue to offer this financial support to our children seeking to improve their lives through education.

By donating to the WPFA Scholarship Foundation, you are saying that you believe in the potential of our children and in the power of education. With your help, our children can transform the world and our communities. With your help, we can make an impact on the future.

So, why not help us help our youth? Send your tax-deductible donation today to:

WPFA Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
709 Brighton Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15233

On behalf of our youth, we thank you.

New Jersey Senior Citizens - Third Party Notice

A third party may be designated to receive a copy of any cancellation, non-renewal or conditional renewal and lapse notice from William Penn Association by a person who:

- is located in or is a resident of the State of New Jersey;
- is insured under a Life Insurance Certificate (policy) or Annuity Contract with William Penn Association; and
- is age 62 or older.

A third party may be designated by: completion of the information requested in the Third Party Designation below; and, return of the Third Party Designation Form to William Penn Association by certified mail, return receipt requested. The designation will be effective upon our receipt of the information.

Designation of a third party does not constitute the acceptance of any liability for the services provided to the insured by the third party or by William Penn Association.

The third party designation may be terminated by: the third party by written notice to both the insured and to William Penn Association; or, the insured by written notice to William Penn Association.

Third Party Designation

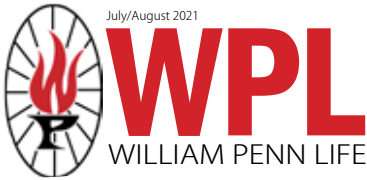
Certificate/Contract/Policy Number: _____ Date: _____

Third Party Notice, Designee (Print Name): _____

Address: _____

I accept designation as a third party. Signature: _____

Signature, Insured/Owner: _____



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Privacy - Personal Financial and Medical Information

June 30, 2021

Dear Member:

Protecting the privacy of your personal, financial and medical information has always been and will continue to be a matter of top priority for us. When used in this notice, the following items have the meaning shown:

- **Public Information** means information that we believe is lawfully available to the general public from: Federal, State or local government records; widely distributed media; or, disclosures to the general public that are required to be made by Federal, State or local law.
- **Non-Public Information** means personally identifiable financial and medical information. It also means any list, description or other grouping of individuals, and publicly available information pertaining to them that is derived from any personally identifiable information that is not publicly available.
- **Consumer Reporting Agency** means an entity which regularly provides reports, including information regarding an individual's general reputation, character, personal characteristics or mode of living and financial status. The information may be obtained through interviews with the individual or third parties such as the individual's business associates, family members, friends, neighbors, acquaintances or financial sources.

We obtain information about you from the following sources:

- Information that you provide to us in an application or other form;
- Information about your transactions with us (such as premium payments, loans, claims, etc.) or others; and
- Information that we may receive from a Consumer Reporting Agency.

We do not disclose any personal, Non-Public Information about you to anyone, except as permitted or required by law. We will not disclose personal medical information about you, except as permitted by law or as you may authorize.

We restrict access to your personal, insurance and medical information to those of our employees who need to know that information in order to provide insurance or service to you. We are, and will continue to be, vigilant in the safeguarding of your personal, financial and medical information. We maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards to comply with Federal and State regulations regarding the safeguarding of Non-Public Information.

It is our sincere desire to maintain complete, accurate and up-to-date records. You may contact us at the Home Office, to access, as provided by law, information included in your file. We will promptly correct any error in our information. To protect your privacy, you will need to identify yourself by providing us with your name, date of birth and Social Security Number.