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# Holiday Greetings from the Chair

by Barbara A. House



Wow, wasn't this a wonderful, eventful and busy year?

I want to thank our National Officers, employees, new Board of Directors and you, our wonderful William Penn members, for helping to make our 125th year so very memorable. Thank you to all who participated in and supported all our many events.

We had many Join Hands Day events, the Tri-State Picnic, the Annual Golf Tournament and Scholarship Days, the Hungarian Heritage Experience, our wonderful 125th Anniversary Gala (made more special by the Rajkó Ensemble from Hungary), our 37th General Convention and the WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest. Then, many of our members packed their bags and visited Hungary for a delightful two weeks. We are ending the year with many branch Christmas parties.

My branch--Branch 18 Lincoln Park, Mich.--reached out this year to our neighbors at Branch 27 Toledo, Ohio, and invited them to our branch Christmas party. I hope many of you open your branches to each other in a similar way. That is an excellent way to meet and get to know your fellow members.

Many of the events I mentioned will be offered again in 2012. Plus, we are reinstituting our Annual Bowling Tournament in May. Watch your *William Penn Life* for news and information on this and all our events.

In the coming year, William Penn Association's Official Family plans to spend more time with each of our Branches. We will be available to help you build strong branches that will last another 125 years.

The road to mediocrity is paved with good intentions. Be a doer. Help your branch. Attend branch meetings. Make your voice heard; offer suggestions. It is your branch. The next 125 years are in your hands. It's up to you.

It is with great joy and thanksgiving to God that I wish you a wonderful holiday season. May you spend it with all those you love.

We also ask for God's continued blessing on our beloved William Penn Association and on you, our wonderful members.

*Boldog és áldott Karácsonyt a bethlesemi Jézus áldásával és békés, sikeres új esztendőt.*

## 2011 Branch Family Christmas Parties

Branch	City/State	Date	Time	Location
0019.....	New Brunswick, NJ.....	Dec. 11....	11:30...	Bayard St. Presbyterian Ch., 22-A N. Joyce Kilmer Ave., New Brunswick
0044.....	Akron, OH.....	Dec. 10....	9:00....	Golden Corral Restaurant, 2819 S. Arlington Road, Akron
0059.....	Windber, PA.....	Dec. 11....	1:00....	Coventry Place, 1st Floor, 243 Hoffman Ave., Windber
0090.....	Allentown, PA.....	Dec. 11....	2:00....	Burger King, 1293 N. Charlotte St., Pottstown
0098.....	Bethlehem, PA.....	Dec. 11....	2:00....	Burger King, 1293 N. Charlotte St., Pottstown
0159.....	Phoenixville, PA.....	Dec. 11....	2:00....	Burger King, 1293 N. Charlotte St., Pottstown
0189.....	Alliance, OH.....	Dec. 18....	1:00....	William Penn Association, 1361 S. Webb, Alliance
0216.....	Northampton, PA.....	Dec. 11....	2:00....	Burger King, 1293 N. Charlotte St., Pottstown
0249.....	Dayton, OH.....	Dec. 18....	1:00....	St. Stephen Church, 1114 Troy St., Dayton
0296.....	Springdale, PA.....	Dec. 11....	1:00....	Springdale Veterans Assn. (VFW), 1151 Pittsburgh St., Springdale



# 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

## Branch 28

On Sunday, Oct. 23, Branch 28 joined with the Youngstown Hungarian Freedom Fighters for a special event at Youngstown's Franciscan Friary, celebrating the 125th anniversary of William Penn Association and the 55th anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution of 1956.

The day started with an outdoor memorial service at the 1956 eternal flame and statue, led by the Rev. Joseph Rudjak of Our Lady of Hungary Catholic Parish. Songs were sung and remarks were made by Frank Schauer and Leslie Polgar.

The attendees then gathered in the Friary's social hall for a stuffed cabbage buffet dinner.

The dinner began with welcoming remarks from Branch 28 Coordinator and National Director Kathy Novak, who asked Branch 28 President Steve Novak to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the singing of the National Anthem. The invocation was offered by the Rev. Robert Bonnet, pastor of Christ Our Savior Roman Catholic Parish in Struthers, Ohio.

Before the meal was served, the Hungarian community took the opportunity to honor two dedicated members of the Youngstown Hungarian community for their years of service to the preservation of the Hungarian culture. Maria Goda and Steve Novak were introduced with brief biographies detailing their service and both were awarded certificates, flowers and gifts. Both honorees were unaware they were to be honored, mak-



Members of Branch 28 gather around the eternal flame and statue commemorating the Hungarian Revolution of 1956.

ing it a special surprise for all.

Dinner was then served with side dishes accompanying the stuffed cabbages and kolbász. A delicious triple-layer, chocolate-covered Hungarian dessert completed the meal.

Music for the event was provided by Endre Check II on his newly-acquired antique cimbalom.

Branch 28 Vice President Frank Schauer introduced his fellow officers of the branch: Steve Novak, president; Kathy Novak, secretary-treasurer; and Maria Goda and Maria Schauer, auditors.

A commemorative pamphlet prepared for the event highlighted the history of WPA and its 125-year commitment to serving its members and the Hungarian community.

The event was also used to honor

those members of Branch 28 who had achieved 50 years of membership in WPA. Six members were invited to the affair to receive this honor, but, unfortunately, they were unable to attend. Their certificates of achievement will be mailed to them.

Special guests attending the event were National Vice President-Fraternal Endre Csoman and his wife Arlene, National Director Richard Sarosi and his parents Ernie and Violet, and Branch 14 President Caroline Lanzara.

We again thank all those who attended this celebration and thank the event committee for all their hard work in preparing this special day.

The event concluded with a benediction offered by Father Bonnet.

— Kathy Novak



ABOVE: Honoree Steve Novak and his daughter, National Director Kathy Novak. LEFT: Endre Check II entertains guests on his antique cimbalom. Photos by Frank Schauer.



Honoree Maria Goda and her daughter, Maria Valley.







# Budgeting your money

*An important step in financial planning that's too often neglected*

NOW THAT THE NEW YEAR is nearly upon us, this is a perfect time to prepare and implement a budget for the new year. Budgeting money is another important area in personal finance. A well-planned household budget will enable you to gain control over your finances and free up money for purchasing life insurance or for long-term investments. A household budget is not to be thought of as a negative tool, but as a money management tool that enables you to gain financial freedom.

The most important aspect of a budget is to first establish one and make it a priority for your family. To encourage yourself to budget your own money is a bit more than listing your incomings and outgoings each month. You must go through the listing process and then keep an eye on both sides of the equation, but there are also other factors in home budgeting.

What incentive can there be to having a home budget and sticking to it? The answer is actually quite simple. Nobody becomes rich by spending more than, or even the same as, they receive each month. Wealth grows from surplus--that is, the surplus left over at the end of the month after you have completed your spending.

It is important when budgeting to maintain a detached view of the figures. Think of yourself as a finance professional helping a consumer set and manage a home budget, and set yourself aside from any emotions that may creep into your mind, especially when it comes to peer pressure. Keep away from emotional and irrational spending of your money on things that are more of a "want" than a "need."

Something else that you should take time to do is figure out your net worth. Simply put, net worth is the value of all of your assets minus the value of your liabilities. Your personal net worth should be a positive; your assets should be worth more than your liabilities.

After you have completed this process, it would benefit you greatly to contact your WPA agent in order



to make sure that you have enough life coverage on the main income provider. You also need to evaluate who in your family should have coverage and how much coverage each should have. You should also speak with your WPA agent and discuss utilizing one of the WPA annuities that we offer. There's no time like the beginning of a new year to get started on the right track! □

If you do not have a WPA agent, please call the Home Office at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 120, and we can assist you in finding an agent who will serve you and your family by offering:

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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 200 existing agents. WPA currently writes insurance and annuity products in 20 states and the District of Columbia. The states include; CA, CT, DC, FL, IL, IN, KY, MD, MA, MI, MO, NC, NE, NJ, NY, OH, PA, VA, WV and WI. To grow, we need both full-time and part-time agents.

Good agents are the lifeblood of any association, and WPA is a strong and growing association that has much to offer our members and the agents that write for us. If you are interested in an opportunity to grow with us, then contact Barbi Tew at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 120, or Jeff DeSantes at ext. 134. Thank you.





# Karácsony

A time to reminisce and reflect

WITH EACH PASSING HOLIDAY SEASON, I find myself placing more emphasis on family, beliefs and friends and less on gifts and commercially created pageantry. And for my family, the kitchen is the focal point for most of our holiday activities. Sure, we have a Christmas tree in each room of the house, but the real feel of our Magyar Christmas is found in the cooking area.

For me, Halloween is the starting point for almost 10 weeks of planning, preparation and family fun; it seems that everyday we are doing something special in regards to *Karácsony*. It may be the retrieval of our many boxes of Christmas regalia or the plotting of recipes to be used for baking or cooking. By mid-November, several dozen boxes of Christmas Tupperware containers begin to mysteriously migrate from the Cseh basement (for obvious reasons, we have nicknamed our cellar, "the catacombs") to the main floor foyer. My *anyam* strictly enforces the rule that only she is authorized to look inside each chest that yields our yuletide treasures. During the two-week cycle of container accumulation and accounting, mom slowly designates each particular box to take residence in a certain room. We dare not to even sneak a peek into any plastic storage carton for fear of losing some body part or realignment of an olfactory membrane. She has a sixth sense that tells her if any container has been even slightly tampered with.

I have three personal favorite Christmas trees in my home. The tree that displays all of the handcrafted decorations made by my brother, sister and me is my second most favored. That is followed by our Magyar themed *fenyő*. But, a tiny 15-inch tall miniature evergreen that originally belonged to my great-grandmother, Menci Kadi Cseh, is by far my favorite.

She brought it over from Csot, Veszprém, Hungary, in 1913. When I gaze at the tree and the small red berries interspersed among the branches, my mind begins to drift back in time. The tree gives me a soul-searching association to a loved one I never knew; I was born 20 years after her passing. Other than pictures and occasional stories about her from my Aunt Olga or father, any historical link

to her as a forebears is minimal. For me, this little "Charlie Brown Look-A-Like Tree" is a spiritual connection to her. I feel her presence and love radiate from deep within those tiny green branches. I know it sounds crazy, but it is what I feel whenever I am by it. Ironically, I sense no fright or scary movie sensation, but that of a warm, cuddly inner glow that one has when holding and sipping a rich cup of steamy hot chocolate.

As we enter the week of Thanksgiving, our attention centers upon that fourth Thursday of the month of November. The food preparation for our national day of thanks is a mere warm up for the big holidays of late December and early January. We defy all health warnings and deep fry our turkey. The pies are laden with cream and sweeteners. The health *rendorseg* must be cringing all the way to Washington, D.C., with the seemingly endless array of fat, salt and cholesterol laden substances that are part of our holiday food menu.

Right around Veteran's Day, my brother Endre II, begins to practice on his cimbalom the Christmas carols and songs that he will play for the various parties and get-togethers during December. The highlight of his holiday playing performance schedule is, of course, Branch 28's Christmas bash. He especially enjoys performing for this event because so many children attend.

The natural curiosity of those youngsters make him the cimbalom version of "The Pied Piper."

For him, it is also a homecoming of sorts. He meets and plays special requests for many members of the Youngstown Hungarian Club. Irene Nemeth, Dee Gran and Frank Tobias want to hear "*Csak Egy Kislány*." Another annual tradition is when he plays for Mrs. Goda, "*Az A Szép*." Twin sisters Margie Dubos and Betty Anzivino join in a Magyar sing-along of "*Pasztorok*." Endre tries to stump Branch 28 President Steve Novak with a little known song. Mr. Novak can identify and hum along to every song Endre II plays. Last year, my brother learned to play an obscure carol, "Bring the Torch Isabella." He thought for sure he would stump "Uncle Steve" (as Mr. Novak is affectionately referred to by the Cseh children). Before my brother could play more than a few bars of the song, Mr. Novak announced the song's title.



Do you have an interesting Karácsony ritual, cookie or custom that would be neat for me to know about? Possibly in a future *Tibor's Take*, I could tell your story. Please let me know about it! *Boldog Újévet!*



My brother Endre II tries to stump the local Hungarian music experts, including Sandor Tollas (far left) who can name every Magyar tune my brother plays on his cimbalom.



This year my brother will try to stump Uncle Steve with a Christmas selection from a book titled, "Christmas Carols: A Hungarian Collection." It was researched and translated by the late Elizabeth Leffler Szabo and the Rev. Nicholas Dengl, OFM, in 1984. This limited edition compilation of popular and seldom heard *Karácsonyi* songs came from the various Christian denominations found in Hungary. This hard covered book was printed to help celebrate the Magyar Friary's 90th anniversary. It not only contains much research, but also houses many colorful woodblock prints by master artisan Ferenc Bitto. (The Hungarian Friars also have published numerous prayer books, my parent's elaborately decorated wedding invitations and the famous "Catholic Hungarians' Sunday.") This wonderful volume of music and art should be reprinted. It is a must have for any Hungarian-American family interested in learning about our Magyar culture and history.

Early December begins the baking cycle of a wide variety of traditional Magyar cakes and cookies. On any given day during the final month of the year, I can come home to a cornucopia of smells inundating the kitchen area. When the fragrance of hot percolated coffee mixes in with the sweet pungent odors of cinnamon, nutmeg and maple, a nasal overload takes place. We enjoy such taste experiences as *hold alakú sütemények* (moon cakes), *csoroge* (angel wings), *kalács*, *kifli* or gingerbread, to name just a few.

We bake and cook a lot, but our family's holiday baking extravaganza can't measure up to the *kifli/édes tészta* repertoire of Cissy, her daughter Christine and Uncle Sonny. Their efforts give new meaning to the word "bakery." Right around Szt. Mikulás Nap, Sonny and Sandor Tollas, (grand patriarch of the Tollas *család*) go up to Cissy's home along the shores of Lake Erie for a *Karácsonyi* cookie marathon. For several days they sequester themselves from the outside world and produce dozens of different pastries and cookies. Every morsel of sweet and savory goodness produced from this home bakery is designated for friends and family. The high water mark of their efforts is the creation of the family's legendary "Clothespin Cookies." My *család* receives several plates of

these wonderfully crafted and flavored treats.

My family is proud to be the longtime hosts of a Hungarian radio program, started in 1979 by my *nagypapa*, *nagymama* and father. From a broadcasting and sentimental standpoint, the Christmas season is one of deep sorrow and deliberation for me. The Saturday before Christmas 2003, my *nagypapa* Cseh hosted the radio broadcast along with my dad, brother and little sister. Although he lived another four months, that show would prove to be his last. The 28 steps going up to the broadcast facility of WKTL-FM were just too much for him. I remember my dad suggesting to him that we could use the wheelchair that was once used by my dearly departed great-grandmother Silvers to help him pull him up the steps just as we did for her 25 years earlier. Unfortunately, he in uncertain terms said, "NO!"

Beginning the Saturday following Thanksgiving, and continuing to the Saturday prior to the New Year, we play mostly Hungarian Christmas songs. We have so many wonderful records celebrating the season. My personal favorite is "Hungarian Christmas Carols," by the Lakatos Sandor *Zenekar*. The album features vocals by Magyar singing star Sari Barabas. The violins set a mood for the holiday. For this recording only, the cimbalom player wrapped his mallets with aluminum foil, giving the percussion instrument a crisp, metal sound reminding one of a cold-blowing wind and snow. Ms. Barabas and her resonating soprano offer an angelic tonal effect to the songs on the album.

As we think back on the "good old days," we must consider that *these days* will someday be the "good old days" as well. I have mentioned only a few of my Magyar-style Christmas memories. Each included simple, unrehearsed interactions with relatives, friends and acquaintances. Each person mentioned in this commentary unknowingly left a lasting impression upon my life and future. I hope you enjoyed my short trip down memory lane. *Boldog Karácsonyi Ünnepeket!*

Éljen a Magyar!

**Tibor II**

Tibor Check Jr. is a member of Branch 28 Youngstown, Ohio, and a student at Cleveland State University. He serves as host of the "Souvenirs of Hungary" weekly radio show broadcast on WKTL-90.7 FM in Struthers, Ohio.

## Let's hear your take

Let me know how you enjoy my thoughts and views on growing up Hungarian Style. If you have any questions or comments about me or my column, please email me at: SilverKing1937@yahoo.com, or drop me a letter in care of the William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233.



# Christmas Treats

## FÁRADJON BE A MAGYAR KONYHÁBA!

Chef Vilmos and I wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Vilmos and I have been working on a few recipes to make your holiday parties a little more special. Thank you all for your cards and wishes; they are much appreciated. Next year The HK will continue with recipes and pictures illustrating what your final presentation should portray. As always, if you have any subject you wish to see in The Hungarian Kitchen, just send a line to Managing Editor John E. Lovasz, and he will make sure it gets done.

Christmas anywhere in the world is a special time. I remember the special times growing up in New Brunswick, N.J. My grandparents lived on the ground floor of our home, and my family lived on the second floor. It was like having two Christmases when you live like

that. We always had a special dinner, whether upstairs or down. The entire world seemed to stop just so we could enjoy the holiday.

It seems as if it were just yesterday. Lately, my wishes would have kept me nine years old and enjoying life with family and friends in New Brunswick. Those were the best times, and I think of the treats we enjoyed during the holidays.

No matter what happens as you age, never let go of the simple things. They serve as a constant reminder of the good life you enjoyed as a child. I always think of those treats and, yes, make them just because I am sentimental. But, more than that, it keeps a tradition alive that might otherwise die. Food in any shape--whether it be treats, soup, or a main course--lets people share good times in a comfortable environment.

While my mother and grandmother never were great candy makers, they sure could make *kifli* and other pastries. That sure did make up for candy, as I could buy that at the store.

This month Vilmos and I dug deep into our old recipe books and came up with many simple treats you can make for your family and friends for the holidays. Without further hesitation, here's a quick holiday trivia questions before we head into the kitchen: *What do Kentucky, Indiana, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Connecticut and Georgia all have in common?*

Have fun with all the recipes and may you enjoy a safe, warm and happy holiday season!

*Jó étvágyat  
Főszakács Béla*

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TRIVIA ANSWER: All those states have a city called Bethlehem.



## Almond Bark Candy

2 cups creamy peanut butter  
3 cups multi-colored mini-marshmallows  
3½ cups Rice Krispies  
1 jar dry roasted peanuts  
1½ pounds White Almond Bark

*To make the bark*

½ cup chopped almonds  
16 ounces white chocolate chips  
1 tablespoon shortening

Line a 9x12 inch baking pan with parchment paper and then set it aside. Put chopped almonds into a skillet. Cook, stirring often over medium high heat, until golden brown, then remove from heat. Melt the white chocolate chips and shortening by placing in a stainless steel bowl over a pan of boiling water until smooth. Remove from heat and stir in half of the toasted almonds, then spread into the prepped baking pan. Sprinkle the remaining almonds over the entire pan and chill 30 minutes, or until solid. Break the bark into bite-size pieces. Melt the bark then add the peanut butter mixing well. Add remaining ingredients and smooth out on a cookie sheet. Chill, then break into pieces, put in a candy dish and serve your guests.

## Snow Pudding

1 package of lemon Jell-O  
1 cup pineapple juice  
3 egg whites  
1 cup cold water

In a saucepan, bring the pineapple juice and water to a boil. Add the lemon Jell-O and stir until dissolved. Chill until the liquid turns into syrup. Beat the egg whites until very fluffy, then fold into the mixture. Pour into serving dishes and chill until the mixture is firm. Serve with custard sauce.

*For the Sauce*

3 whole eggs  
3 egg yolks  
¾ cup granulated sugar  
1 teaspoon flour  
2½ cups whole milk  
¼ teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Beat the eggs and yolks with a fork until smooth and strain into a double boiler pan. Stir in the sugar and sift in the flour. Scald the milk in another saucepan and slowly stir the milk into the egg mixture. Cook over a low flame with the water

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simmering not boiling. Cook until the mixture coats the back of a spoon. Remove from the heat then stir in the salt and vanilla. Cool immediately and refrigerate until ready to use.

## Charming Cherry Bars

*For the Crust*

1 cup all-purpose flour  
¼ cup powdered sugar  
½ cup butter softened

*For the Filling*

¼ cup all-purpose flour  
¾ cup sugar  
½ teaspoon baking powder  
¼ teaspoon salt  
2 whole eggs  
½ cup maraschino cherries, well drained  
& chopped  
½ cup coconut  
½ cup chopped walnuts

Preheat the oven to 350°F. In a small mixing bowl, combine one cup flour and the powdered sugar. Using a fork or pastry blender, cut in the butter until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Press crumb mixture firmly into the bottom of an ungreased 9-inch square baking pan. Bake for 10 minutes, remove from oven and set aside. In the same bowl, combine ¼ cup flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Add the eggs and beat well. Stir in the cherries, coconut and walnuts. Spread over the partially baked crust. Return to the oven and bake an additional 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool completely then cut into bars and serve.

## Shortbread Cookies

½ pound butter, softened  
1 cup confectioner's sugar  
1 cup cornstarch  
2 cups all-purpose flour

Preheat the oven to 350°F. In a mixing bowl, blend the butter and sugar until creamy, then add the cornstarch and mix well until smooth. Gradually add in the flour until the dough starts to hold its shape and is easy to roll out to ¼-inch thickness. Cut into any shapes you desire and place on a cookie sheet.

Bake for 25 minutes until the cookies are a golden brown. Cool on a rack, then ice or enjoy plain.

*For the Icing*

1 pound confectioner's sugar  
3 ounces hot water  
1 ounces corn syrup  
½ teaspoon vanilla extract

Mix all the ingredients together until smooth. Place in a double boiler to heat slightly or use a microwave on low power until warm. Divide the icing and tint with food colorings, then ice your cookies.

## Fruitcake Bars

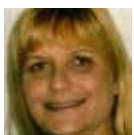
1 cup all purpose flour  
¼ cup brown sugar  
½ cup butter  
½ cup mixed nuts  
½ cup green candied cherries  
½ cup red candied cherries  
½ cup maraschino cherries  
1 cup coconut  
2 egg whites  
½ cup sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

In a bowl, mix the flour, brown sugar and butter, then press into a 9 x 13 baking pan. Bake for 10 minutes at 350°F, then remove from oven and set aside. In another bowl, mix the nuts, cherries and coconut. In a separate bowl, beat the egg whites until frothy, then add ½ cup sugar and the vanilla extract. When the egg whites start to get stiff, fold in the nut/cherry mix and pour over the base. Bake an additional 20 minutes, then cool and slice. Serve cool.

## Rum Nut Butter Balls

2 cups all-purpose flour  
¼ cup sugar  
½ teaspoon salt  
1 cup butter  
2 teaspoons dark rum  
1 cup finely chopped nuts  
½ cup confectioners' sugar

Preheat the oven to 325°F. In a mixing bowl, sift together the flour, sugar and salt. Cut in the butter, add the rum and chopped nuts and mix well. Shape into one-inch balls and place on a greased cookie sheet. Bake for 15 minutes or until firm but not browned. While warm, roll balls in confectioners' sugar and set aside to cool. Reroll the balls again in the powdered sugar, place on a dish and serve to your guests.



# Stop a cold in its tracks

WELCOME TO OL' MAN WINTER. I hope you all have followed my advice and have gotten your flu vaccination. And, Merry Christmas to all our members and readers. May you all receive God's blessings of the season and have joyous family celebrations.

But, watch out for little Braedon's runny nose...and Grandpa Tom's nasty cough...and Uncle Joey, who just sneezed again. OH, NO!

So, you wash your hands like a surgeon preparing for surgery and avoid the hugs and toddler kisses. But, yet there they are--a tickle in your throat, a cloudy head, an achy body. Yep, you're coming down with something.

The average adult gets three colds a year, each lasting an average of nine days. But, you don't have to surrender to this bug. Here's how to stop a cold before it can take hold, and possibly feel better by tomorrow.

As soon as you feel symptoms:

- **Start drinking water or juice.** Staying hydrated cuts down on symptoms such as a sore throat or stuffy nose.

- **Have some chicken soup for lunch.** I know a bowl of my husband Glenn's home made chicken veggie noodle soup always makes our family feel better. Research strongly suggests that warm soup does reduce cold symptoms.

- **Gargle with salt water.** To combat a scratchy throat, add ½ teaspoon of salt to a glass of warm water. The salt will draw out the excessive fluid in your throat tissues, reduce the inflammation and clear the mucus and irritants from the back of the throat. The rinse also washes out the bacteria and viruses, which may help whether you are getting a cold or trying to prevent one.

- **Keep your nose clean.** Using a saline nasal spray as soon as symptoms appear can reduce the severity of a cold. A hot shower will help to open nasal passageways.

- **Head to the drug store.** Within the first two hours, take a pain reliever, such as acetaminophen, to fight off achiness. Over-the-counter meds, like Zyrtec and Benadryl, help with symptoms, such as runny nose and watery eyes. Allergy meds that contain a decongestant, such as Claritin D or Alavert D, will help clear your sinuses and still keep you alert. But, always check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are on any prescription medications for possible drug interactions or undesirable side effects. And, always look for generic or store brands. Compare active ingredients; they are usually identical.

- **Skip the OTC Cough medicines.** Good old honey works just as well and tastes better, too. Have one to two

tablespoons straight from the jar or in a warm cup of tea.

- **Skip work if you can.**

Your body can fight off the virus better if you are well rested. But, if you just have to go in, steer clear of co-workers as best you can. The first few days of a cold are when you are the most contagious. To keep

from spreading your germs, wash your hands frequently with soap and water. Use an alcohol-based disinfectant gel when water is not available.

- **Shake it off.** If you are up to it, light exercise can boost the immune system. Walk around the house or do some light stretching. Just keep your heart rate below 100 bpm.

- **Feed yourself.** At the end of the day, a healthy meal can help fuel your immune system. Choose protein-packed foods, such as lean red meat, fish or beans, with a whole-grain side, like a brown rice, and plenty of fresh vegetables.

- **Take a hot shower before bed.** This will open up a stuffy head. Then get a good night's sleep.

The next day, do you feel the same or maybe even a little better? If so, continue this routine for a few days. If you feel worse, have a fever, start vomiting or develop a worsening headache, call your doctor. You may actually have something other than the common cold. You could have the flu or an infection that may require antibiotics or anti-viral medication.

Colds are part of the winter season...but so are Christmas shopping, decorating the house, party planning and coming together to celebrate. Don't miss out on all the season has to offer. Be on the lookout for signs of an impending bug and cut it off at the pass. Don't go down without a fight!

Till next month....

Merry Christmas

Kellemes Karácsonyi Ünnepeket

Debbie, Glenn, Tony & Tina



## Health Links

To learn more about the common cold and its causes, symptoms, treatment and prevention, log onto the National Library of Medicine's "Common Cold" webpage at:

➔ <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/000678.htm>





# AHF welcomes visitors to Annual Festival of Trees

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ -- A holiday tradition with an international flavor will return to the Museum of the American Hungarian Foundation with the opening of the 23rd Annual Festival of Trees Dec. 11.

Visitors are invited to get into the holiday spirit and enjoy the cultural traditions of America, Belarus, Denmark, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Latin America, Latvia, Lithuania, Sweden and Ukraine.

During the festival, which runs through Jan. 29, 2012, a total of 11 Christmas trees, all decorated by volunteers from different ethnic groups, will be on view. The trees are trimmed with handmade ornaments, cookies and treats. Along with the trees, there is a unique Menorah to celebrate the Jewish festival of Hanukkah.

The public is invited to the opening reception on Dec. 11 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Individuals representing the decorating groups will be present in folk dress, entertaining with holiday music and verse. Many will also be serving their special holiday treats for visitors to sample.

Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.. The suggested donation is \$5. Guided tours are available for groups. The Museum is located at 300 Somerset Street in New Brunswick, NJ. For more details, call 732.846.5777 or see the museum's website: [www.ahfoundation.org](http://www.ahfoundation.org).



## Member Honored

Branch 129 member Arthur Bartfay (pictured above) was presented the Árpád Szövetség Medal by the Hungarian Association at a Nov. 26 dinner in Cleveland. The award honors those who serve the Hungarian community and are actively engaged in keeping Hungarian achievements in the public conscience. Mr. Bartfay was honored particularly for his lectures on Hungarian Americans and Louis Kossuth both here and in Hungary. He is a past president of Branch 129 Columbus, Ohio, and is actively involved with the Columbus Hungarian Cultural Association. (Photo by Dave Scott)

# To our family at William Penn Association:

FOR ALMOST 30 YEARS, the William Penn Association Magyar Folk Dancers performance group has travelled around the Pittsburgh area to spread Hungarian culture and traditions. We thank our family at William Penn Association for continuously supporting our efforts. We greatly appreciate their help with our performance group's endeavors to share Hungarian culture in the past and look forward to the future.

Our dancers have had lively, fun-filled summers performing at local events, including the Girl Scouts' World Thinking Day program, the International Children's Festival hosted by the Pittsburgh International Children's Theater and McKeesport's "International Village" ethnic food festival. We celebrated within the Hungarian community

at the Hungarian Reformed Church of Duquesne on their 100th anniversary in 2010 and at the Bethlen Communities' 90th Anniversary in 2011. But our dancers always look forward to WPA's annual Fraternal Fest at Scenic View each September as the grand finale to our performance season.

With all this in mind, we want you to encourage the young people in your lives to actively engage in their own Hungarian heritage. Take charge and join a local dance group or other Hungarian youth organization.

Our group is in the process of expanding, and we welcome singers and dancers alike. If you or someone you know in the Pittsburgh area is interested, we encourage dancers and singers at all levels, boys and girls, between the ages of 3 and 25, to join our group and broaden your knowledge of all things Hungarian. We welcome members with Hungarian backgrounds, but don't require it, because you don't need to be Hungarian to love performing!

For a preview of what you can expect with our group, you can see photos and video clips on our web page at [www.freewebs.com/hungariandancer](http://www.freewebs.com/hungariandancer) or find us on Facebook or Twitter at [twitter.com/hungariandancer](https://twitter.com/hungariandancer).

From all of us, we wish you and your families a safe and happy holiday season. *Kellemes karácsonyi ünnepeket kívánunk!*

*The William Penn Association Magyar Folk Dancers*



# Visions of Hung

From the historic sights of Budapest to the wine cellars of Tokaj, from the plains of Hortobagy to the medieval buildings of northeastern Slovakia--and many fun and fascinating stops in between--WPA's Hungary Tour 2011 was a whirlwind of wonderful experiences. To capture it all in just two pages of our magazine would be impossible. Still, we hope the pictures here give you a taste of what our tour group (below) enjoyed. We hope you can join us in 2012 and experience this for yourself.





# gary

Photos by Joseph  
and Steven Arnosky





# Take another good look at your *Herend china*

by Kathy Megyeri

I have yet to visit the home of any Hungarian-American that doesn't display at least one piece of Herend china, usually the most valued souvenir one brings back from any Hungarian trip. My small collection of a few little pieces pales beside the full 12-piece place settings that WPA member Maria Kovacs of Crown Point, Ind., displays and actually uses for special occasions. For years, Maria used her own money from selling baked goods to buy a piece at a time until she amassed serving dishes and display cases filled with her valuable Herend.

Herend was recently in the news because a new design was created for the wedding of Prince William and his wife, Catherine. This event marked the first time that the pattern could be seen outside of Hungary by anyone other than the royal couple, and slices of their eight-tiered wedding cake were served on plates featuring this pattern.

Other extraordinary pieces, like the rare porcelain reproduction of the crown of the former kings of Hungary, also attract attention whenever Herend is

featured, as it was in August 2011 at the Hungarian embassy in Washington, D.C. There, Herend's master painter, Tamas Klein, demonstrated his skill and explained the history of the different patterns and their unique motifs. "For over 200 years," he said, "Herend pieces have appealed to those who appreciate meticulous craftsmanship and true luxury."

Klein admitted that it takes at least 10 to 15 years to become a master painter. The manufactory has its own vocational school where the most gifted candidates work in the factory. Since Klein's own family has worked in the factory for two generations, it was never a question for him of what career to choose.

Herend's name is derived from the small town of Herend, located not far from Lake Balaton. Some of my husband's own relatives have been employed there for decades, and many still speak German to one another as they meticulously paint intricate bird and flower designs daily. If the floor inspector finds any flaw, the piece is destroyed. There are no factory seconds placed in the gift shop at reduced prices.



*A special dinner at the home of Maria Kovacs is served on her collection of Herend china.*





The company was founded in 1826 with a few employees; now, there are 850 painters who work on the porcelain sets, which make the factory the second largest of its kind worldwide and the second oldest porcelain factory in the world.

Because all of its pieces are individually hand painted, Herend products are truly exceptional and valuable. When at the London World Exhibition in 1851, Queen Victoria ordered a large table service for Windsor Castle. Herend porcelain became internationally famous. The Queen Victoria pattern, with its Chinese design of flowers and butterflies, set a precedent, and soon other aristocrats followed the Queen's example. Thus, Herend prospered. In 1953, the company gained its first exposure to the American market with their medal-winning entry at the New York Exhibition of Industrial Arts.

The special hand-painted Herend dinner set made by the factory and presented to Prince William and Duchess Catherine at their wedding was a modern interpretation of the usual flower and butterfly pattern, so it was named the "Royal Garden." This pattern with its purple, green, turquoise, rose and yellow tones with golden accents on its rimmed dinner plates has elevated Herend china to become even more prized by collectors. Besides the royal couple, Franz Joseph, Queen Elizabeth II, John Paul II, Lady Diana and Benedict XVI received valuable pieces from the manufacturer.

WPA members can be rightly proud of whatever Herend they own, be they figurines, dishes, plates, entire place settings or little animal figurines like the few I own. For us all, Hungary can certainly be proud of its Herend handiwork.

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## Why I choose Herend

My mother was an excellent homemaker and a very good cook. Her pastries were out of this world.

I have lots of nice memories of her holidays and special dinners for guests.

Sadly, she passed away at the age of 41. I often thought of what would be a fitting memorial to celebrate her life. What can you touch and admire, just like her life?

A Herend porcelain dinner set.

From thousands of motifs, these birds were playing in my dreams for 20 years before I was able to start buying. It took me 10 years to complete the 119-piece set.

This masterpiece was made in Hungary by Hungarian talent.

They also have a lifetime guarantee with replacement pieces...something almost unheard of in the porcelain industry.

The set was first created in the 1860s for the Baron de Rothschild family of Europe and is considered by many connoisseurs to be the paragon of hand painting on porcelain.

The pieces are painted in 12 different motifs, each representing a 19th Century legend about the Baroness Rothschild, who lost her pearl necklace in the garden of her Vienna residence. It was found several days later by her gardener, who saw birds playing with the necklace in a tree.

- MARIA KOVACS, Crown Point, IN



### **Branch 8 Johnstown, PA**

by Dorothy Kedves

Winter really surprised us on Oct. 29 before Halloween with a coating of 11 inches of snow. Old Man Winter should know better than to spook us with that amount.

At our branch meeting Nov. 11, plans were made for the children's and family Christmas party, which was to be held Nov. 27 in Oratory Hall in Cambria City.

We elected branch officers for the year 2012, and the following were elected: Ernest Kedves, president; David M. Kozak, vice president; Dorothy Kedves, secretary-treasurer; and David S. Kozak and David M. Kozak, auditors. Alexis Kozak continues to serve as branch coordinator.

We wish all members of William Penn Association a blessed and Merry Christmas. Keep God in your hearts. Keep our service men and women in your prayers, and remember and pray for all our members who are sick and home bound.

Peace and goodwill to all!

For your life insurance and annuity needs please contact Alexis Yuhas Kozak at 814-255-5286

**Branch 10  
Barton, OH**  
**Branch 40  
Martins Ferry, OH**  
**Branch 248  
Monaville, WV**  
**Branch 349  
Weirton, WV**  
**Branch 8164  
Steubenville, OH**

by Joyce Nicholson

Hello and Merry Christmas from the WPA branches of Barton, Martins Ferry, Weirton, Steubenville and Monaville!

Well, another year is almost over and soon we will be beginning 2012. The time just seems to fly by more quickly every year.

As the holiday season is upon us, we find ourselves reflecting on the past year and those who have touched our lives. Throughout the year, so many tasks are demanding of our time that we can easily lose track of things most important to us. Take extra time this Christmas season and remember to be thankful for the blessings given us by our Lord. I have been especially blessed with loving, caring and encouraging parents: Nick and Teresa Toth.

Keep in your prayers those in the armed forces who cannot be home with their families while they protect our country and our freedom.

May peace, joy and happiness be your gift at Christmas and all year through.

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

### **Branch 14 Cleveland, OH**

by Dawn D. Ward

As 2011 is coming to an end, Branch 14 members are preparing for the annual children's Christmas party. By now all the children have received their invitations and have let Santa know if they will attend. The open-house party will be held Dec. 10 from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m., and Santa will be there the whole time. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided. All branch 14 members are welcome to attend. Please call Branch President Caroline Lanzara at 216-581-8979 if you would like to attend. Please bring non-perishable canned or boxed food items to be donated to the Cleveland Food Bank. The generosity of branch members in the past has been wonderful and we are anxious to continue the tradition. Witnessing Christmas in the eyes of children will certainly put you in the Christmas spirit.

At the last branch meeting in November, there was discussion regarding honoring members who have belonged to William Penn Association for 50 or more years. It was proposed to hold this celebration during the April 2012 meeting. We are planning to provide entertainment with a local youth Hungarian



*Branch 18 member Ashley Ann Haas was elected Homecoming Queen at Lincoln Park High School.*

dance troop. Further discussion will ensue at the next branch meeting.

We welcome new members Vivian Horvath, Mallory Kafiti and Anthony Jalowiec.

The next branch meeting will be held Wednesday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at which time we will hold our annual election of officers. All adult branch members are encouraged to attend. The first branch meeting of 2012 will be held Wednesday March 7, at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are held at the Bethlen Hall of the First Hungarian Reformed Church, located at 14530 Alexander Road, Walton Hills.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### **Branch 18 Lincoln Park, MI**

by Barbara A. House

Can you believe it's time to say "Happy Holiday" and "Happy New Year"? It seems like yesterday I was complaining about our very hot weather. It is still quite nice here in Michigan. By the time winter weather arrives, we will be



in Florida...we hope. But, as always, I am just a phone call away to help you with your WPA business or to answer questions. My cell number is 313-418-5572. Our Florida land line is 321-752-0375.

Congratulations to branch member Ashley Ann Haas on being elected Homecoming Queen at Lincoln Park High School. We are always very proud of you. Keep up the good work.

We recently completed the first Board meeting with our newly elected national directors. What a wonderful few days that was. Everyone participated with great enthusiasm. We already completed many plans for you, our members. I can't wait until the next meeting. Thank you, members of the Official Family, for making my job so much easier. I am so proud of each and every one of you on this new Board. Thanks, Kathy Novak and Richard Sarosi, for all the nice words.

Wasn't the October issue of *William Penn Life* beautiful? I enjoyed each article and especially the cover. What a keeper. Super articles by Maria Schauer and Tibor Check. Thank you, Lizzy, for your hard work on the puzzle page. Keep up the good work, John Lovasz.

Thank you all for your concern about my wonderful daughter, Deborah. So far, so good. I hope you all enjoy her health articles. If you have anything you would like her to address in her articles, please email her. She is always open to suggestions.

Get well wishes to Frank Baksa, Steve Nagy, Lori Dear, Emma

Poliska and Al and Olga Wansa. We hope you are all better soon.

Happy 97th birthday on Dec. 19 to a wonderful lady, Grace Balaythy. We wish her all the best.

Thank you, Deris and Pauline Kulcsar, for your great donations to our animals. Branch 18 continues to collect food for animals at our monthly meetings. You can either bring donations to our meetings, or you can call me and I will be happy to pick up your donations.

Welcome new member Linda Antal. Thanks, Shirley Wroblewski, for your confidence in WPA.

We are taking a winter break from branch meetings due to our unpredictable weather. We will resume our monthly meetings on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. at the Hungarian Reformed Church in Allen Park. We will have many events to discuss at that time, including our Join Hands Day project scheduled for June 2.

We will also discuss our annual U.P. trip to Mackinac City, Mich. The trip will include visits to Tahquameon Falls and the shipwreck museum plus a St. Mary's River cruise with dinner in the Soo Locks. The trip includes most meals and a gambling incentive package. Your price is \$200 per person for four days and three nights. We will leave on Monday, June 18 and return home the evening of Thursday, June 21. Please make your reservations with me a.s.a.p. These are always, fun, fraternal trips.

Thank you, Les and Kathy Megyeri, for the very special honor you bestowed upon me. I have never

felt more special. I look forward to working with you.

Don't worry, Linda Enyedy. I have promised this membership that William Penn Association will never give up being Hungarian and bragging about our Hungarian ties and connections. Thank you for your concern.

Please remember in your prayers all our deceased members and their families, especially William Connor. May they rest in peace.

We at William Penn Association Branch 18 have sent Christmas party invitations to members of our sister Branch 27 in Toledo. We are only a few miles apart and thought it would be nice to get to know each other. I hope all of you reach out to your neighboring branches and try to spend some time together. You can get together at a party, picnic or branch meeting. We are one super fraternal; let's keep it this way forever.

Congratulations to Darlene Szatmari. She has been chosen as the guest of honor at the 2012 Feher Rozsa Bál. I hope we all come out and support this very worthwhile event. The Hungarian Arts Club always works so hard to provide us with a beautiful evening. Hope to see you there.

Special thank you to John and Emily Solosy for again providing us with our Christmas party raffle tickets. You have always been strong Branch 18 supporters.

Please remember to support your branch and all Hungarian events. Without you, they will cease to exist. I once read an interesting observa-

## Mark your calendars now!

**Attention all branch news contributors and those wishing to submit articles and photographs for publication in William Penn Life. The deadline for all submissions to our magazine will be the 10th day of each month. By meeting this deadline, you will help ensure that our magazine gets in our readers' hands in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please contact John E. Lovasz, Managing Editor, toll-free at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 135. Or, email John at [jllovasz@williampennassociation.org](mailto:jllovasz@williampennassociation.org). Thank you for your cooperation.**



Date on the 10th (c) Antomprado/Dreamstime.com

tion: What you may contribute might be just a drop in the ocean, but the ocean would be less because of that missing drop. Don't be a missing drop.

Tommy, Gabby and I wish you a marvelous holiday season. Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

*Kellemes Karácsonyi ünnepeket és bekes sikeres ul esztendot.*

## Branch 19 New Brunswick, NJ

by Evelyn B. Bodnar

Rev. Joseph Bodnar and I attended the WPA General Convention and took part in the opening ceremonies Monday morning and the memorial service held Tuesday morning. We enjoyed seeing everyone.

We have been very busy since returning from the Convention. Our third grandchild, Matthew Thomas Bodnar, was born on Oct. 8 and will soon be a WPA member.

Our branch's family Christmas party will be held Sunday, Dec. 11, at 11:30 a.m. at the Bayard Street Presbyterian Church, located on the corner of Bayard Street and North Joyce Kilmer Avenue, New Brunswick. A business meeting will follow. We hope to see you there.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

If you need any information about an existing or new policy, please call me at 732-873-1158.

## Branch 28 Youngstown, OH

by Kathy Novak

It's so hard to believe Santa's going to be visiting everyone again. But, the most joyous season of the year is quickly approaching.

Branch 28 held a special dinner on Oct. 23 to celebrate WPA's 125th anniversary and to honor our newest 50-year members. Prior to the dinner, we joined the Youngstown Freedom Fighters for a service commemorating the Hungarian Revolution of 1956. The day also included a special awards ceremony during which the Hungarian community of Youngstown honored branch mem-

bers Maria Goda and Steve Novak for their years of dedication and service to the Hungarian culture.

Our branch family Christmas party will be etched in our memories by the time you read this. Details of the party and the names of the scholarship/holiday raffle winners will be in my next branch article.

With the assistance of the Home Office, Branch 28 once again participated in WPA's Holiday Basket Program.

The annual Thanksgiving vesper service conducted jointly by the Hungarian churches in our area was held Nov. 22 at the Hungarian Presbyterian Church in Youngstown.

What a moving story Branch Auditor Maria Schauer shared with the readers of *William Penn Life* in the October issue. It's so hard to imagine the sacrifices and struggles endured by those who lived through the 1956 Revolution.



With all the festive celebrations taking place, we don't want to forget to wish everyone having a birthday or anniversary a very special day of enjoyment.

As always, but especially at this time of year, we remember with special thoughts and prayers those who have recently lost a loved one.

May the love and peace of this holy season be shared by all our members, their families and their friends.

Best wishes for a very joyous Christmas season.

## Branch 34 Pittsburgh, PA

by Andy McNelis

We would like to share some happy news about some of our branch members. We would like to congratulate branch member and my grandson Donovan McNelis for making honor roll in the first semester of his freshman year at Penn Trafford High School and for helping his Warriors achieve their first undefeated football season in 10 years. Donovan was also offered a three year scholarship at a private high school for his ability on the football field. Keep up the great work.

Congratulations also to branch member and my great-niece Gabrielle Kelley on winning first place in the Championship 5 dance in New Jersey. Recently, Gabrielle and her partner met Maksim Chmerkovskiy and Mark Ballas at the Manhattan Amateur Classic. In October they were honored to have a dance workshop and lessons with world renowned dance coach Wendy Johnson, *Dancing with the Stars* choreographer (Latin Champion) and organizer of the San Diego Dancesport Championships. Gabrielle is also on the National Junior Honor Society and a varsity cheerleader.

We would like to extend happy birthday wishes to all branch members celebrating their birthdays. Special belated November birthday wishes to Elizabeth Paros. We hope that you all are happy and healthy.

*Branch 34 member Gabrielle Kelley and her partner recently won first place in the Championship 5 dance in New Jersey.*





Branch 34 member Donovan McNelis, a freshman at Penn Trafford High School in Harrison City, Pa., was named to the honor roll in his first semester and helped the school's football team achieve its first undefeated season in 10 years.

Remember in your prayers our servicemen and women both here and overseas.

Have a blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

If you have any news you would like to share, please contact Andy McNelis at 412-421-6031. For information about William Penn insurance and annuity policies, please contact Branch Coordinator Maria Bistey at 412-431-6035.

## Branch 59 Windber, PA

by Shirley A. Rakoczy-Przywara

I have been experiencing numerous problems with my computer recently. Unfortunately, because of these problems, several articles that I submitted via email for publication in *William Penn Life* were never received by the Home Office and, thus, not published.

Here is some of what you missed....

My, oh, my how times have changed. Did you know the following Windber historical facts?

• **August 1909** Aug. 30, 1909, to be exact, was the last day the price

of a haircut was 20 cents in Windber. The next day, the price was raised to 25 cents. Haircutting shops also decided to close on all holidays unless they fell on Monday or Saturday.

• **November 1909** Windber-born Johnny Weissmuller (Tarzan) of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., a Cambria County All-Sports Hall of Famer, was named International Commissioner of Marathon Swimming by the World Professional Marathon Swimming Federation.

• **June 1910** Scalp Level/Paint Borough School Board elected Ray Claycomb as principal for the coming school year at a salary of \$75 a month. Miss Grace Clapper of Paint Borough and Miss Ina Nupp of Windber were hired as elementary teachers at \$55 and \$50 a month, respectively.

Congratulations to Blaise DiNinno (pictured), son of Mr. and Mrs. Blaise DiNinno of Central City, Pa., who graduated from Pittsburgh



Institute of Aeronautics on June 23, 2011. Blaise is a member of Branch 59. He earned an associate's degree in specialized technology and is

now employed at Micron in Manassas, Va., as an associate engineer. Micron is one of the world's leading manufacturers of advanced memory semi-conductors. They also attract the leading minds in electronics design, manufacturing and marketing. Blaise's grandmother is Phyllis DiNinno of Windber.

William Penn Association has celebrated its 125th anniversary. Their annual fraternal picnic is now history, and what a truly memorable one it was. Even the weather cooperated. The crowd of approximately 1,350 or so all seemed to have a great time. The food was beyond outstanding, and the Rajkó Zenekar from Budapest was superior. I could have danced all night to their music.

Again, Endre Csoman did his usual superb job to make it all happen--a class act, for sure. Barbara House, the new Chair of WPA, and her crew orchestrated the Chinese auction to its being one of the "high-

lights" of the day. And, if you were one of the lucky winners, congratulations to you!

I was especially excited about the day as my sister Betty and her husband Sid of Arizona attended for the first time, and other family members and good friends were coming aboard the Michigan and Ohio buses, as well as family members from the Pittsburgh, DuBois and Johnstown areas. We had a wonderful mini-reunion.

The next day I drove to Michigan for my youngest grandson Alex's fifth birthday. I also got to watch my two older grandsons, Scott and Stephen, play football and watch my granddaughter, Sam, prepare for a swimming competition.

Christmas and the year-end holidays are fast approaching. I love the hustle and bustle of holiday shoppers and just everything that goes with making the holidays what they truly are--a time for remembering Jesus, the "reason for the season" -- and all the family gatherings all over the world. I will be in Michigan with my family. I hope Santa will be good to all his children.

And, finally, as we wind down 2011, and prepare for the year-end celebrations and the New Year 2012, I want to extend warm and festive holiday greetings to all WPA members, their families and friends.

*Kellemes Karácsony és Boldog újévet!*

## Branch 132 South Bend, In

by the Officers of Branch 132

The children of Branch 132 were happy with the Halloween favors sent by the Home Office. Our thanks for remembering them.

Our branch meetings have been changed to the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. The meetings are held at the Martin's Supermarket Café on Ireland Road. Because of our stormy Northern Indiana winters, there will be no meetings in January and February.

A speedy recovery to Bob Horvath, who underwent foot surgery.

The officers of Branch 132 wish all WPA families and friends a Happy Christmas and a prosperous and healthy New Year.

### Branch 249 Dayton, OH

by Mark Schmidt

Where has the year gone? It seemed like just a few weeks ago the 37th General Convention was held over the Labor Day weekend, and what a successful convention it was. The business sessions were very informative, and the WPA 125th Anniversary Gala on Saturday night was a joy to attend with delicious food, wonderful music and friends. The celebration of the country's only Hungarian fraternal organization was truly memorable. We are truly blessed in these times to have such a wonderful resource of friends and heritage to sustain us.

We need to thank all the delegates, officers and employees who worked so hard to make the Convention a success. Also, congratulations are in order for the newly elected Board of Directors and re-appointed National Officers.

Representing Dayton Branch 249 were National Director Anne Marie Schmidt, Alternate Director Michele Daley-La Flame and Annie Kertesz, who was honored as an Illustrious Member for her many years of service to WPA and Branch 249. Her countless years of commitment and dedication are greatly appreciated.

I hope all had a Happy Thanksgiving with friends and family. It is truly a good time to be thankful for all the blessings the good Lord has given us.

Good health to all that have been ill or hospitalized. Here is hoping for a speedy recovery.

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

We send out a special thank you to all of our veterans for all they have given us. They will never be forgotten.

Mark your calendars for the following upcoming local events. They are not to be missed.

- The Sausage Sale and Christmas Bazaar at St. Stephen's Catholic Church will be held Friday, Dec. 2, from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Call your order into Michele Daley-LaFlame at 937-278-5970. Plain, hot



*Santa welcomes members to Branch 352's annual family Christmas party held Nov. 20.*

or garlic sausage is available for \$3.75 per pound. Also, call Michele for special orders of Christmas nut and apricot rolls for \$11 each.

- The Dayton Magyar Club's annual Christmas dinner will be held Sunday, Dec 4, at 1:00 p.m. at the newly reopened Neil's Heritage House restaurant in Dayton. Please contact Anne Marie Schmidt at 937-667-1211 for reservations.

- The annual Branch 249 children's Christmas Party will be held at St. Stephen's Catholic Church Hall on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be served, and kids of all ages will be able to sit on the lap and tell a "special visitor in red" what they want for Christmas!

- Something new for the Dayton area--a New Year's Eve Party and Dance--is being held Saturday, New Year's Eve at the Old Troy Pike Community Church's Kossuth Hall. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and music by the Steve Hegedeos Band starts at 7:00 p.m. Included in the admission price are party favors and a pork and sauerkraut New Year's Eve Buffet. Tickets are \$16 per person with reservations, or \$18 at the door. Call Irene Fulop-Heckman for reservations at 937-298-8457. I know I'll be there to ring in the New Year.

As always, if you have any news you would like to share, please con-

tact Anne Marie Schmidt or Michele Daley-LaFlame before the 10th of each month to be included in the next article. For information about William Penn insurance and annuities, please contact Mark and Anne Marie Schmidt or Steve and Michele Daley-LaFlame. We will be glad to answer any questions or assist you in planning your future.

### Branch 352 Coraopolis, PA

by Dora S. McKinsey

What an exciting time of the year, especially for the little ones. The anticipation of Christmas morning is almost too much to bear for the children (and some adults as well). May you all have a very Merry and Blessed Christmas. I hope we all remember the real reason for the season--the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Let us not forget that the holiday season is especially difficult for those who have lost a loved one. It might brighten their day if you remember to write them a short note letting them know you are thinking of them.

The Branch 352 Christmas party was held on Nov. 20. Everyone had a great time bowling. The food was,



# 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.

## Our Newest Leaves

We thank the following for being the latest to donate to our Tree of Knowledge:

**In Memory of  
Deceased Members of  
Branch 590  
Michael F. Tomcsak  
(Bronze Level)**

**In Memory of  
Tomcsak Family and  
Mary Tomcsak (Wife)  
Michael F. Tomcsak  
(Bronze Level)**

**In Honor of Chair  
Barbara House WPA  
For Her Superb  
Leadership Skills  
(Bronze Level)**

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:

**William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc.**

**709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233-1821**

as always, excellent; and Santa made a special appearance and handed out gift bags to all the children present. Many thanks to all those who attended the party and to the many hands who handled all the preparations. A total of 135 items of food were collected which was distributed to our local food pantry.

Happy New Year! It's hard to believe that another year is almost done. May the new year bring good health and happiness to all.

For all those celebrating a birthday this month, we wish you a happy birthday. May you have many more, and may all of them be healthy.

Don't forget that if you have any news to share, or if you need assistance with any insurance question, please do not hesitate to contact me at 412-319-7116 or by email at [dmckinsey@hotmail.com](mailto:dmckinsey@hotmail.com).

### Branch 800 Altoona, PA

by Vincent Frank

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the officers of Branch 800 to all branch members and their families and to those who have family members who are serving our country in the military.

Special seasons greetings to all of our ill members who may be homebound, in hospitals or in nursing homes. May the Lord bless each of you on this Christmas day.

During the Christmas season, Branch 800 will take part, as it has in previous years, in WPA's Holiday Basket Program. It is a pleasure to help those in need during these troubled economic times, especially during the most holy season.

Birthday wishes to all our members celebrating their special day during the month of December.

If you want good life insurance or annuities, call Bob Jones in Altoona at 814-942-2661. Bob will be able to show you what WPA has to offer you.

We are about ready to let leave of the year 2011. We are going to have to pray to God for help to get our country's economy turned around so that next year more people may find employment and a better life.

### Branch 8114 Clarion, PA

by Noreen Fritz, FIC, LUTCF (in Pittsburgh)

Along with the December snowflakes comes one of our most sacred religious holidays, celebrating the birth of our Savior. Let us share peace and love with others always. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from our branch to yours.

Branch 8114's Christmas party will be held on Dec. 6 at 6:00 p.m. The event will be at the Clarion Immaculate Conception school cafeteria. Invitations were be mailed out from branch officer Bob Donahue. If you do not receive an invitation and you wish to attend please call me at 412-821-1837.

Branch members having birthdays this month include: Donald Schmader, Natalie Rice, Ann Chericlo, Monica Callihan, Angelene McCloskey, John Aaron Jr., John Quinn, Susanne Amato, George Kossman, Duane Reinsel, Leo Curran, Thomas Ragley, Cynthia Gates, Karlie Bauer, Loreno Pierucci, Shirley Carroll and Erhart Olson. Your birthday is a special day.....but you are special every day. Happy birthday!

If you have branch news to share, or if you have questions about life insurance, the high interest rates on

WPA annuities, IRA transfers, 401-K direct rollovers or any pension plan, or if you just need a change of beneficiary, please keep in mind that there is no sales charge, and I work in most areas. I can be reached at 412-821-1837 or P.O. Box 15060, Pittsburgh, PA 15237-0060, or e-mail me at [noreenbunny.fritz@verizon.net](mailto:noreenbunny.fritz@verizon.net).

### Branch 8121 St. Marys, PA

by Mary Lou Schutz

The members of Branch 8121 met Nov. 2 in Windber to discuss plans for the holiday season. We mailed the invitations to our branch Christmas party and agreed to participate in WPA's Holiday Basket Program by making a donation to the local Christian Food Bank for both Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We signed a Thanksgiving "thinking of you" card and mailed it to our former longtime Branch Secretary Margaret Marconi, who is a resident at Pinecrest Manor in St. Marys.

The members also wished Branch President Mary Lou Schutz a happy birthday.

We wish all our fellow members and their families a blessed and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## ON THE MOVE?

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

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_





## Karácsony recipes

*Boldog Karácsonyi Ünnepeket (Merry Christmas) to all WPA Members. Remember to patronize those Magyar-American butchers, bakers, restaurants and stores that bring us those tasty foods and beautiful gift items. This month's wordsearch is a puzzle within a puzzle. I am listing the ingredients for two different recipes: one is for a baked dessert or sweet item; the other is for an oftentimes disdained but none the less wonderfully flavored concoction that is made primarily during the cold winter months. This truly Magyar culinary tradition is considered a meat staple. As a little girl, I remember my Nagypapa Cseh preparing this dish a few days before Christmas. He, along with my Aunt Jenny, would enjoy huge bowls of it after mass on Christmas Eve.*

*There are 17 clues to find in the puzzle. Because I mixed up the ingredients for the two recipes, you will have to decipher what food item goes with each in the creation of these two Magyar delicacies. I will reveal in the January 2012 issue of William Penn Life just what each recipe was.*

*Once again, good luck! See you in 2012! Happy New Year! (Boldog Újévet!)*

Lizzy Check (Erszi Cseh)

## Puzzle Contest #75 WINNERS

The winners of our Puzzle Contest #75 were drawn Nov. 7, 2011, at the Home Office. Congratulations to:

**Suzanne M. Horvath, Br. 14 Cleveland, OH**  
**Anne K. Pierce, Br. 16 Perth Amboy, NJ**  
**Kelly J. Scherfel, Br. 159 Phoenixville, PA**  
**Rosemary Vitale, Br. 14 Cleveland, OH**

Each won \$50 for their correct entry.  
**WAY TO GO!**

## RULES

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

**WPA PUZZLE #78**  
**709 Brighton Road**  
**Pittsburgh, PA 15233**

4. Entries must be received at the Home Office by **January 31, 2012.**
5. Four (4) winners will be drawn from all correct entries on or about February 3, 2012, at the Home Office. Each winner will receive \$50.

## WPA PUZZLE CONTEST #78 OFFICIAL ENTRY

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## Karácsonyi Recipes Word List

**Baking Powder**

**Bay Leaves**

**Carrots**

**Eggs**

**Flour**

**Garlic**

**Lemon Juice**

**Lemon Zest**

**Onions**

**Paprika**

**Peppercorns**

**Pigs Feet**

**Salt**

**Sugar**

**Sweet Butter**

**Walnuts**

**Water**

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## In Memoriam

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

### OCTOBER 2011

0001 BRIDGEPORT, CT  
Mary L. Hepp  
0005 PHOENIX, AZ  
James Ivan Gall, Sr.  
0013 TRENTON, NJ  
Dolores Dowd  
Joseph Hamari  
0014 CLEVELAND, OH  
Catherine Bilica  
0015 CHICAGO, IL  
Elizabeth J. Mroski  
Lucille Staken  
0018 LINCOLN PARK, MI  
William L. Connor  
0019 NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ  
Geza Hardy

James Mickens  
0025 BECKLEY, WV  
Alonzo L. McComas  
0027 TOLEDO, OH  
Elmer J. Molnar  
Julie E. Pepas  
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Janet B. Monchak  
0059 WINDBER, PA  
Elizabeth Charney  
0076 PHILADELPHIA, PA  
Elizabeth Burgos  
Elizabeth R. Kennedy  
0088 RURAL VALLEY, PA  
John M. Reken  
0089 HOMESTEAD, PA  
Milton Skrobacs  
0098 BETHLEHEM, PA  
Teresa M. Bult  
William J. Simon  
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Louis Joseph Sauter

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Dorothy Hughes  
0132 SOUTH BEND, IN  
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0249 DAYTON, OH  
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Mary Toaso  
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0336 HARRISBURG, PA  
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**Donor - Amount**  
Proceeds from Sale of Hungarian  
Christmas Ornaments - \$160.00  
WPA Cookbook Sales - \$195.00  
**TOTAL for Month = \$355.00**

#### Donations In Memoriam OCTOBER 2011

**Donor - Amount  
(In Memory of)**  
M/M Andrew W. McNelis - \$25.00  
(Joseph Berei)  
Br. 18 Lincoln Park, MI - \$125.00  
(Deceased Member Sophie  
Burgeson)  
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