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WPA Golf Tourney Schedule of Events

Our 30th Annual Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days will be held this month, and we have everything in place for a fantastic weekend of fraternal, family fun. We hope you and your family have made your reservations to join us. Here's the schedule of events for the weekend:

Friday, July 19, 2013

- 4:00 - 7:00 PM - Registration in the hotel ballroom foyer
- 6:00 PM - Annual Meeting of the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc., in the hotel ballroom
- 7:00-10:00 PM - Golfers' Reception in the hotel ballroom

Saturday, July 20, 2013

- 7:30 AM - Continental breakfast for golfers served at golf course, compliments of WPA
- 8:30 AM - Tournament shotgun start
- 10:00 AM - WPA Mini-Golf Open for kids and teens (Please arrive by 9:45 AM)
- Golf Awards Barbeque with cash bar at the golf club immediately following the conclusion of tournament play

For more information about either the golf tournament or the WPFA Scholarship Foundation, please call the Home Office toll-free at 1-800-848-7366.

We look forward to seeing you and your family July 19 and 20.



New Jersey Festival

Members of WPA's Official Family remembered Hungarian heroes during the 38th Annual Hungarian Festival in New Brunswick, N.J., June 1. Above, Vice Chair of the Board William J. Bero (left), National Director Katherine E. Novak and National Vice President-Fraternal Endre Csoman lay a wreath at the statue of Cardinal József Mindszenty in front of St. Ladislaus Roman Catholic Church. WPA also laid a wreath at the Memorial Wall honoring the 1956 Hungarian Revolution. During the festival, guests enjoyed performances by Magyar dancers and musicians, dined on homemade Hungarian food and viewed displays of Hungarian artifacts, crafts and historical information. They also learned about WPA's fraternal mission at a booth operated by WPA officials.

Prizes sought for Chinese auctions

WPA will be conducting Chinese auctions during the 30th Annual William Penn Association Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days and the 13th Annual WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest. Both auctions will benefit the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

The golf tournament auction will be conducted on Friday, July 19, during the golfers' reception at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott. The picnic auction will be held Saturday, Sept. 7.

If you would like to donate a prize basket for either auction, please let us know in advance what type of prize you will be donating. Contact Ronda at the Home Office at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 112, or at rgrotefend@williampennassociation.org. Also, please tell Ronda if you will be delivering your prize basket to the Home Office prior to the event or bringing it with you the day of the auction.

Please place a sign on the basket with the name of the basket, the donor's name and the approximate value of the basket (for Home Office use only).

Members enjoy Tri-State Picnic

ON MAY 18, 69 members from Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio gathered at Scenic View for the Third Annual Tri-State Picnic. Everyone enjoyed a relaxing afternoon with good friends and fellow fraternalists.

You'd be hard pressed to find a better way to spend an afternoon. The weather was comfortably warm with a pleasant breeze. There was plenty of delicious grilled chicken, hamburgers and hot dogs--expertly prepared by "grill masters" Endre Csoman, Joe Kiraly and Roger Nagy. And, as the photo to the right shows, there was an abundance of delectable homemade baked goods.

Before guests enjoyed lunch, National Director Richard E. Sarosi (*in black shirt at right*) offered a prayer of thanksgiving for the food and fellowship shared this day.

After lunch, guests played bingo for fun prizes, hiked around the beautiful grounds of Scenic View, or participated in a traditional *szalonna sütés* (bacon fry). Our thanks to Steve Novak (*pictured far right*) and others who got the fire started and kept it going throughout the afternoon.

Our thanks to all who made this a wonderful fraternal event.



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Branching Out *with Endre Csoman*

Join us for our summertime fraternal events



The **30th Annual Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days** are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, July 19 and 20. The weekend will begin Friday at 4:00 p.m. with registration at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott. The Annual Meeting of the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc., will convene at 6:00 p.m. in the hotel ballroom. The golfers' reception will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the hotel. The reception will feature the annual putting contest and a Chinese auction benefitting the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc. William Penn Association has also reserved tee times at Quicksilver Golf Course on Friday from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to dusk. Golfers must register for these tee times by calling Brian at 724-796-1594.

The **Hungarian Heritage Experience** will be held Aug. 4 to 10 at Scenic View. I'm pleased to report that the class is filled again!

Preparations for the **13th Annual WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest** are well under way. More than 30 kitchen helpers attended the picnic committee's luncheon meeting held at Scenic View on April 6. There were several good suggestions from our volunteers which will ensure the 2013 picnic will be the best ever. This year, we will have two hay rides running all afternoon as well as **a teen dance party with a DJ at the Lakeside Lodge**. Please make your plans now to join us on Saturday, Sept. 7, and purchase tickets in advance by calling me at the Home Office at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 136. Bring your kids, grandkids, neighbors and fellow church members. The organizing committee is also seeking Chinese auction basket donations.

Our **WPA Tour 2013** to Hungary and Székely Land is fully booked. Final payments must be in the Home Office by July 5.

Lastly, don't forget to like us on Facebook under "William Penn Association." You can also follow us on Twitter @WPALife. Take us wherever you go this summer!

Our branches spread the fraternal spirit of Join Hands Day



« Thirty-five members of Branch 18 Lincoln Park, Mich., gathered together June 1 for their branch's Join Hands Day project. They began their day at the Hungarian American Cultural Center, then visited St. Michael And All Angels Episcopal Church in Lincoln Park where they planted flowers. The volunteers enjoyed a pizza party once the work was completed.

Volunteers from Branch 129 Columbus, Ohio, planted flowers and mulched flower beds at the Hungarian Reformed Church in Columbus. They also teamed with youth and adult volunteers from the YMCA in Urbancrest to plant flowers, mulch flower beds and place landscape garden bricks at the YMCA's facility. »



« On May 11, adult and youth volunteers from Branch 249 Dayton, Ohio, worked together to weed and mulch the rose garden and Blessed Mother Shrine located at St. Stephen's Catholic Church.



A place for storing food... ...and one family's story

THE GATHERING POINT for my family is the kitchen, a quality my family shares with families around the world. Where else can one bear witness to just about every sensory experience imaginable except the kitchen?

While visiting my parents one particular Saturday morning, I decided to rise early to brew my *apa* and *anya* a steaming pot of coffee. Currently, I am only allowed to utilize a stainless steel coffee pot when making this morning staple (see "Tibor's Take" from November 2011 for a more detailed explanation). From the rear kitchen window, I observed several hummingbirds momentarily stopping at the feeder to sip on some sugary nectar. These walnut shell-sized wonders offer a spectacular visual lesson in aerodynamic fundamentals. I also witnessed a red tailed hawk obtain its morning breakfast by silently swooping down and retrieving an unsuspecting mouse that was sitting on a sunlit patchwork of greenery that is part of a remote segment of the backyard. By rotating my chair, I was able to get a better viewing angle of the stove and coffee percolator. From this position, I could not help but notice the familiar, intruding bulk of a 20-square-foot refrigerator which took up a large portion of my viewing perspective.

Our Whirlpool side-by-side refrigerator has been a silent and reliable mechanical servant since my family moved to Chesterland from Euclid. But, that day, that 17-year-old appliance looked different to me. It seemed to be sending me a subliminal message.

As I gazed at this behemoth of household efficiency, I saw a temporary time capsule of Cseh *csálad* activities, a celebration of our life as a family. If a person wanted to learn about our family, a visual review of what is mounted on our refrigerator would be the equivalent of reading the Cseh storybook. The two exposed sides of this white, insulated box offer a visual perception of my family dating back generations.

Some items are attached with tape or gum-like adhesives, but most are held up by decorative magnets. Unfortunately, a quick snap on closing the door or an unheralded in-house breeze can cause some articles to come crashing down upon the dark oak floor.

The front opens with parallel doors, and each holds a vast array of photographs, including more than a dozen pictures of relatives. Most of the photos are of children. Christine Kobasic, a member of WPA Branch 28, has the distinction of having a photograph in this section of prominence and distinction.

Along the bottom of one door lies a 12 x 14 inch flag-emblazoned refrigerator magnet that says: "Too Young to be Corrupt! Vote for T. Check as Trustee!" When I graduated high school in 2009, I had a far-fetched notion to run for trustee of Chesterland. I had flyers printed and several magnet signs created so that they could be attached to vehicle doors for high exposure endorse-

ment. Unfortunately for my township, I was not elected. That magnet now serves as a both an inspiration and deterrent to any future political aspirations.

Other magnets offer their own stories. Most of these magnets define either our nationality, hobbies or religion. We have a photo magnet of my dad's 1953 Chevy truck. It was given to him a few years back by my sister for Father's Day. The magnet calls attention to itself because of the truck's wild orange color. There are several magnets that were acquired by my *anya* while on the WPA tour of Hungary last year. Each of those ornately painted paper holders has a story. My mom loves to tell the tale of each one. For example, the Tihanyi magnet is one that was part of the Balaton segment of the excursion. Others cue memories of Prague, Bratislava, Herend, the Central Market, St. Stephen, Esztergom, Parliament, Dunakiliti, Gerbeau Kavéház and the Chain Bridge. My mother actually changes the magnets on occasion to give us a fresh new batch of stories to tell of the 2012 WPA trip.

Recently, a new segment of the refrigerator has been cordoned off. Pictures, greeting cards and letters from my newly-discovered relatives in Csót and America are held there (see the April 2013 edition of "Tibor's Take"). A few days ago, my *apa* received a photo via the Internet from cousins Olga and Árpád of Csót. The picture is dated 1943. My father never saw the picture before. The *kép* shows my Grandfather and Great-grandfather Cseh, along with my Great-Uncle Mihaly, standing alongside an obscure section of their new home on Midlothian Boulevard in Youngstown. It is amazing how a revela-



tion can come from thousands of miles away.

Another large area on the front of the Whirlpool is dedicated to upcoming events in the Magyar community. As I gaze at the announcements, I see the HBT Club's monthly menu which features the food of Ida. There are flyers about the Gulyás Cook Off and the 75th Anniversary of the Hungarian Cultural Gardens in Cleveland. The *kapu* (gate) pamphlet of the Northeast Ohio Hungarian Cultural Center is held up by tape not a magnet.

(On a sad note, the Youngstown American Hungarian Club list of events for 2013 takes center stage in this area. Could there be a void in this section of the refrigerator next year at this time? Declining membership has made it difficult for the club to remain open. The place is for sale; the new owner likely won't be a Hungarian. I will always remember 2219 Donald Ave. There were so many memories and good times. Club stalwarts such as the Nemeth, Tobias, Tollas, Gran, Kripchak, Soos and many others families may not have a Hungarian home any more.)

In the top right corner lies a partially exposed but distinct trio of magnets. They are not holding anything but are just there. The "Házi Áldás" is positioned next to my brother Endre with his Bohak cimbalom. Alongside both is a Matyó-themed, business card-sized magnet of Magyar Marketing.

Next to the right door handle is a neatly decorated miniature white lace hat that is trimmed with red, white and green ribbon. It has been there for a few years, but I really didn't know much about it. So, I asked my *anya*. "A few years back," mom said, "your sister Lizzy bought it for me at the WPA Fraternal Fest. I think it was handcrafted by the woman that is a member of the WPA Board of Directors. She hails from the Dayton area."

Before I continue with my tour around the refrigerator, I must say that only my mom is authorized to put up or take down anything. She will let one of us detract or add something, but only after careful scrutiny and extensive thought is performed on her part. This is my mom's queendom, and woe to the poor soul that tampers with the layout.

The side of the fridge is purposed more for business than sentimentality. There are huge bundles of college papers, each bundle designated to one of the Cseh children. There also are a few newspaper clippings highlighting our academic achievements. There is a large caricature of my brother and sister that was done at a Mr. Chicken Cruise-In a few years back. Interspersed are newspaper obituaries of my Aunt Gena, Nagypapa Cseh and Uncle John. Sitting smack dab in the middle is the most recent issue of *William Penn Life*.

Buried a layer or two below this mish mash of printed matter lies a map of Hungary and Budapest. With several sticky notes applied to it, I read short descriptions of places my *apa* and *anya* would like to visit on their

next vacation to the homeland.

A tablet taped to the refrigerator's side serves as the family shopping list. The current list calls for paprika, onions, flour, coffee, deodorant, shampoo, and AA batteries.

Immediately to the right is another tablet. This one serves as our "Hungarian Radio Reminder Board." This plywood-based panel is attached with some heavy duty adhesive and has a layer of cork on top. Thumb tacks are used to hold the papers in place. I notice a request for "The Priest's Pipe" for Margie Dubos and Betty Anzevino from the grandchildren. A brief note saying RIP for some close friend, which means yet another empty line to our dwindling list of steady listeners.

Another note merely says: "YSU July 6 and 7." This is a reminder to advertise the Youngstown State University Fine Arts Festival. That weekend, the Youngstown American Hungarian Club will have available for purchase stuffed cabbage, palacsinta, and cabbage and noodles. My brother Endre will be adjacent to the club tent performing on his Bohak cimbalom. He likes to play at this two-day affair because the majority of attendees are not Hungarian and are enamored by the haunting sound of the twanging strings that the mallets create. Most people do not know what the instrument is, but a quick verbal/visual demonstration by Bandi enables each guest to learn a new perspective about Magyar ethnic/folk music.

Just like our old Bible on the dresser or our Magyar cookbooks, our refrigerator serves as a gathering point for our family and identifies who we are. Sometimes my *anya* states out loud: "I am going to take everything off this thing and have an icebox that looks like those I see in magazine articles." But I know my mom likes the clutter and chaos of our old fridge. My family's refrigerator is the focal point of this chaotic and wild thing called life. Is your refrigerator the same?

Eljen a Magyar, Tibor II

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Let's hear your take

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

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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.

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Where Magyar heritage blooms

Hungarian Cultural Garden of Cleveland prepares to celebrate 75 years

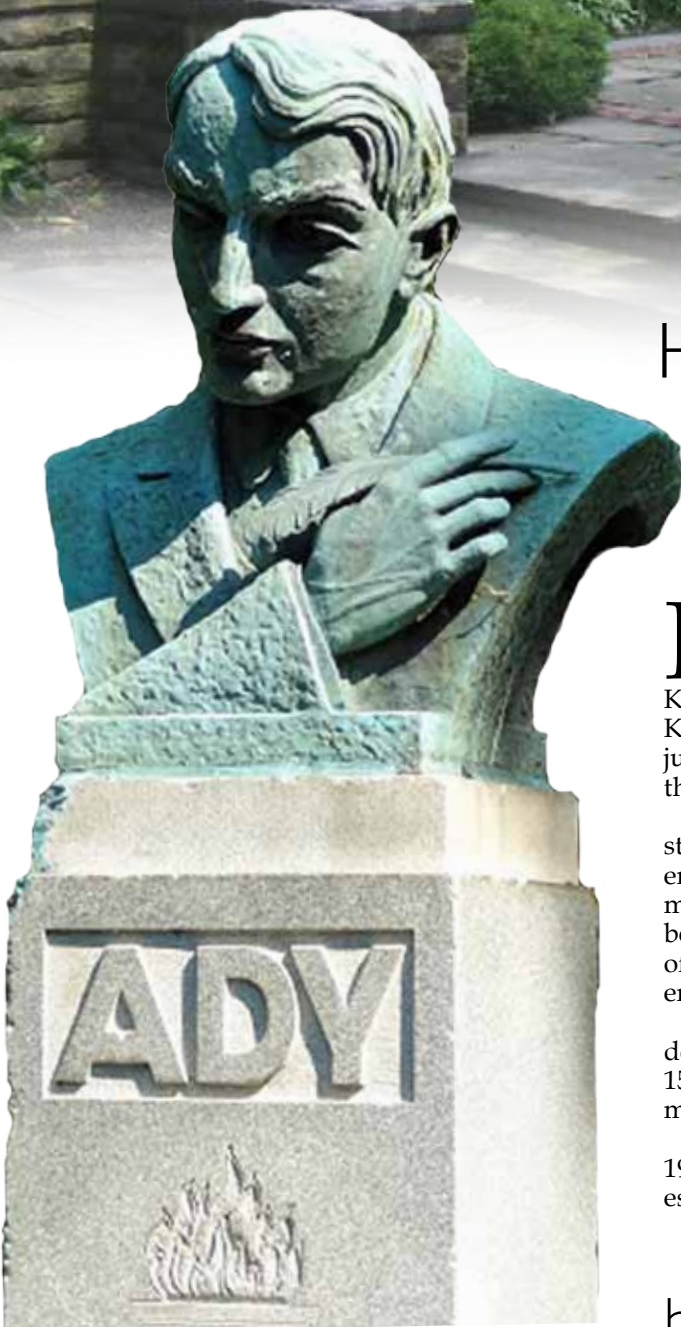
Magys love their gardens. It is embedded into our very souls to plant, nurture, harvest and enjoy the fruits of our agrarian labors. By listening to songs such as “Gyöngyvirágos Kis Kertedben,” as sung by the late, great Borisz Feri, or “Szeretem a Kertet” with Lendvay Kalman performing on violin, you can envision just how we as a people savor the thought of working our hands into the dark rich soil of a garden.

Nearly 80 years ago, the American-Magys of Northeast Ohio started with an idea to establish a beautiful common space that could enable the region’s Hungarians to enjoy nature and Hungarian art, music, history and culture. By choosing a spot along what would become Martin Luther King Boulevard in Cleveland, the Hungarians of generations past sought to develop a unique green space for the enjoyment of all people.

On July 10, 1938, the Hungarian Cultural Garden was officially dedicated. The dedication program and celebration drew a crowd of 15,000 people. The great Hungarian composer Franz Liszt was remembered in this extensive ceremony.

Despite the trials of World War II and the Magyar Revolution of 1956, the garden continued to grow and expand. Unfortunately, interest in the garden waned from the late 1970’s until the mid-1990’s.

by Tibor Check, Jr.



About 15 years ago, a small but determined group of Cleveland area American-Magyars banded together with a goal. They were determined to not only bring back the Garden to its original glory, but to expand and improve the *kert*.

As with all noble undertakings, many obstacles occurred along the way to this rebirth. Vandalism, neglect and aging equipment were just a few of the stumbling blocks that hindered and slowed the refurbishing of the garden. Then, just last October, Mother Nature dealt a crippling blow. Hurricane Sandy caused tens of thousands of dollars worth of damage to the handcrafted wrought iron *kapu* made by American-Hungarian craftsman in 1938.

But these detours to progress made each volunteer more determined to succeed. After years of hard work and fundraising, these dedicated volunteers have achieved their goal of resurrection: the Hungarian garden is back to the original splendor of decades before.

Over the intervening years, thousands of Hungarians settled in the Cleveland area. Most who came here to America prospered but they never forgot their Magyar roots. Today, the Hungarian garden serves as a prime example to others on how to work collaboratively.

The garden is a multi-leveled, park-like setting nestled amidst several beautifully landscaped acres of trees, plants, walkways, fountains, pools, statues and plaques. Each object has been painstakingly placed and cared for to offer guests a multi-sensory sojourn into the Hungarian cultural experience.

On Saturday, July 20, the Hungarian Cultural Garden will celebrate its 75th anniversary. This grand event is open to the public and free of charge. The highlight of



this fantastic celebration will be the dedication of the new Legacy Wall. This wonderfully designed feature of the garden is located in the lower section. Utilizing cutting-edge technology in communications, the Legacy Wall will enable guests to learn more about Hungarian culture and history. The list of other program highlights is vast and of high quality. My description to the grandeur of the program and site cannot serve justice to the actual magnificence of this day in mid-July. The photographs offered to you in this article are but a very small sampling of what the anniversary celebration will have to offer.

Mark your calendar to be part of this great celebration and share your American-Magyar pride. I hope to see you there. For more information and details, log onto the official website of the Hungarian Cultural Gardens at www.hungarianculturalgarden.org. □



Photos (clockwise from top, left): The wrought iron *kapu* (gate), erected in 1938, welcomes visitors; the fountain, as seen from the archway; a branch of a hawthorn bush, one of numerous Hungarian species brightening the garden; a photo dated May 26, 1936, showing the garden under construction; a bust of Hungarian poet Endre Ady is one of several memorials in the garden which honor famous Hungarians.

Photos courtesy of the Hungarian Cultural Gardens of Cleveland and Tibor Check Jr.

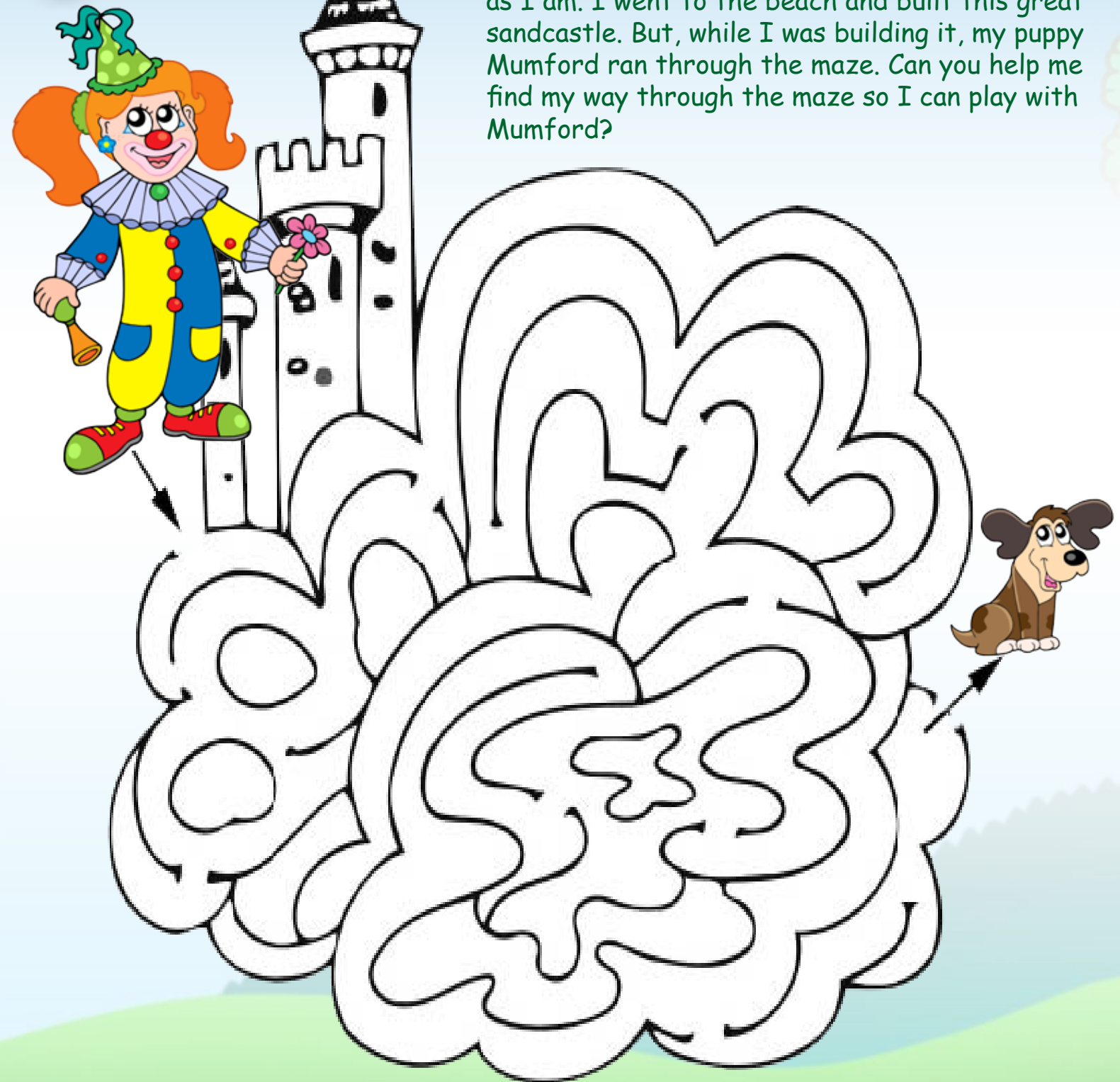
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Just 4 Kidz

with Gerry D. Clown

HAPPY SUMMER, EVERYONE!

I hope you're having as much fun this summer as I am. I went to the beach and built this great sandcastle. But, while I was building it, my puppy Mumford ran through the maze. Can you help me find my way through the maze so I can play with Mumford?



Road Scavenger Hunt

One of the best parts of vacation for little clowns like me is the car ride. This year, it was my turn to think of a cool game to play while Pappy Bob-O drove us to the beach. I call this game "Road Scavenger Hunt." Here are lists of things to find as you ride along. Don't forget to check off what you find! Can you think of other things to find?

IN THE CITY

- ___ Flashing Red Light
- ___ Bus
- ___ Dog in a Car
- ___ Pizza Shop
- ___ Railroad Tracks
- ___ Police Car
- ___ Billboard with a Child on It
- ___ Man Talking on a Cell Phone
- ___ Road Construction
- ___ Stop Sign
- ___ Person Wearing a Hat
- ___ Taxi Cab

IN THE SUBURBS

- ___ School
- ___ Grocery Store
- ___ Someone Riding a Bike
- ___ Statue
- ___ Church
- ___ Playground
- ___ Flower Garden
- ___ Pick-up Truck
- ___ Person Walking a Dog
- ___ Minivan
- ___ Wooden Fence
- ___ Squirrel

IN THE COUNTRY

- ___ Corn Field
- ___ Cows
- ___ Pond
- ___ Dirt Road
- ___ Someone Driving a Tractor
- ___ Gas Station
- ___ Horses
- ___ Bale of Hay
- ___ Barn with a Silo
- ___ Lake
- ___ Covered Bridge
- ___ Railroad Tracks



Let's Color!

Here's a picture of some friends I made while at the beach. Hope you don't mind that Tippy already colored the sun. You can color the rest!.



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 from the WPA branches in Barton, Martins Ferry, Weirton, Steubenville and Monaville!

Our branches participated in an outing March 30 to a Wheeling Nailers hockey game. Unfortunately, the Nailers brought the 2012-13 season to a close when they lost to the Trenton Titans at WesBanco Arena. The Titans spoiled the season-ending party, erasing a 3-1 deficit, in picking up a 4-3 win in the season finale. The small group that attended had a fun time together even though the Nailers lost.

In May, our Join Hands Day project was to continue our upkeep of Jim Donaldson Park in Wintersville. The weather was cold, and those who helped mulch, plant flowers and weed enjoyed an impromptu pizza party at Pizza Hut afterwards to warm up and fill up. Our thanks to all who helped.

There was great weather on June 2 for a picnic hosted jointly by our WPA branches and the Ohio Valley Hungarian Club at Warren Township Park in Yorkville, Ohio. There was a good crowd of hungry folks who participated in consuming the delicious food. We all enjoyed the bacon roast, music and good fellowship all afternoon.

We hope to see you at the 30th Annual WPA Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days at Quicksilver Golf Club July 19 and 20.

We want to wish a happy anniversary to Irene and Gabe Rosza, who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on June 5. We also extend best wishes to all other members celebrating birthdays and



Members enjoy an old-fashioned szalonna sütés (bacon roast) June 2 during a picnic sponsored jointly by WPA Branches 10, 40, 248, 349 and 8164 and the Ohio Valley Hungarian-American Cultural Society held at Warren Township Park in Yorkville, Ohio.

anniversaries.

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

Branch 14 **Cleveland, OH**

by Richard E. Sarosi

While we enjoyed the beautiful, warm weather that came this June, we took time to honor the men and women of our military services by proudly flying the red, white and blue on Flag Day, June 14.

We'll raise the Flag again on Independence Day, July 4, to thank you for your service and sacrifice to the United States of America.

As I look back, May was a busy time at WPA. On May 15, WPA hosted a Hungarian barbecue for the Calvin Synod Conference at Scenic View. Endre Csoman's famous Chicken Paprikás with Nokedli, smoked kolbász and Abált Szalonna were on the menu for the Hungarian barbecue. Krémes was served as dessert and was a big hit.

On May 16, we attended the Calvin Synod banquet at the Bethlen Communities in Ligonier. The new living units are beautiful; some have great views of the Ligonier Valley.

On May 18, the Tri-State Picnic took place at Scenic View and was attended by members of WPA branches in Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia. This was a great way to meet and greet friends and catch up on news since our last get together. We had a wonderful selection of dinner and dessert dishes that were brought and shared with everyone. The weather greatly improved, and we had a warm day, even though the beginning of that week recorded some of the coldest May temperatures in years!

In our next issue, I will report on the Hungarian Heritage Night at Classic Park in Eastlake, Ohio with the Lake Erie Captains which took place on Saturday, June 8.

Many fraternal activities will take place during this summer for our members to enjoy:

- The WPA golf tournament, July 19 and 20, at Quicksilver Golf Club in Midway, Pa.

- The 75th anniversary of the Hungarian Cultural Garden of Cleveland will be celebrated on Saturday, July 20. All Hungarians and friends are invited to the ceremony, which will begin at 2:30 p.m. Current generations of Hungarians will have the opportunity to be a part of

the Hungarian Cultural Garden's history as they witness the expansion and further development of the Lower Hungarian Cultural Garden with the Legacy Wall. Mark your calendar to attend this festive day filled with music, Hungarian dancers and entertainment.

- 13th Annual WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest, Sept. 7. We will have a full bus going from Cleveland to Rockwood, Pa. Call Branch Coordinator Violet Sarosi at 1-440-248-9012 to see if anyone cancels.

Please check *William Penn Life* for updates on all 2013 activities.

Branch 14 would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the Lesco family on the recent passing of Steve E. Lesco Sr. on May 27, 2013. Mr. Lesco was a former member of the WPA Board of Directors and an officer of Branch 14. Although he will be missed by his family and friends, we should find comfort in knowing that he is at home with the Lord. May he rest in peace.

We would also like to extend our sympathy to those WPA members who have recently lost a loved one.

Get well wishes go to all Branch 14 members who might be feeling under the weather. We would like to continue to send get well wishes to the Rev. Peter Toth of the First Hungarian Reformed Church of Lorain, Ohio. It was good to see Rev. Toth at the Calvin Synod barbeque at Scenic View. We wish him well as he continues to heal. May God bless him on his road to recovery.

Please keep all of our members in your prayers and wish them a speedy recovery.

Happy birthday and anniversary wishes go to all of our branch members celebrating a July or August birthday and/or anniversary.

We send best wishes to our high school and college graduates. Branch 14 would like to congratulate Micah Uveges, who graduated summa cum laude from Liberty University in May. Micah was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force after completing three years of ROTC. 2nd Lt. Uveges reports to the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla., where he will be trained as a navigator. Congratulations are sent to 2nd Lt.



Uveges (*pictured here*) on a job well done. All the best to you in your future endeavors. The entire Uveges family can be very proud of him.

Our next branch meeting will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 4,

at 7:30 p.m. at the First Hungarian Reformed Church, 14530 Alexander Road, Walton Hills, Ohio. Adult branch members are encouraged to attend.

Branch 14 Members having news to share about themselves or family members can reach me at RichSaro@att.net or at 1-440-248-9012.

Branch 18 Lincoln Park, MI

by Barbara A. House

Happy Independence Day! Thank you to all the members of our armed forces who secure our independence.

Thank you to all who made our bowling event another success. I heard nothing but high praise from all who attended. I never knew lobster would make such an impression (I'm allergic.) The pictures I've seen are definite memory makers. Thank you, Helen Sryniawski, for upholding Branch 18's winning streak. Thank you to all of you officers and employees who again went above and beyond the call of duty.

Now, we go golfing. Hope to see you all there.

That will be followed by our wonderful Hungarian Heritage Experience the first week of August. I will be there for a few days. We had such a great time last year. We were completely booked by March this year. That is the nicest compliment we could receive.

Mark your calendars for our wonderful WPA Picnic in September. I am taking reservations for our bus to take you there. Your cost is \$90 per person. This includes the bus, hotel, admission to the picnic, meals, drinks, entertainment and a ton of



Branch 18 member Marco Marchelletta helped the Edsel Ford High School (Dearborn, Mich.) varsity baseball team win the district championship this season.

fraternalism. Please call me immediately to reserve your seat.

The picnic will be followed by our wonderful trip to Europe. I can't wait. My roommate this time is Beata Csaszar, one of my very active members. Look out, Hungary! Here we come!

Welcome, new members Richard and Kathleen Szabo. Thank you also to Barbara Major for remembering WPA and me for her insurance needs. Special thanks to Judy Schonek.

Special hello to Pam George, Alan Szabo and Karen Deren.

Our Branch 18 Charity-of-the-Month was won by Tibor Deri. He chose St. Vincent de Paul. He remembered them for all the help he received when he emigrated from Hungary.

We also supported Our Lady of the Angels' church festival. We donated all the hot dogs and onions.

Get well wishes to Janet Totsky, Eileen Gonzales, the Rev. Daniel Borsay, the Rev. John McKinsey, Michael Adorjan, Irene Charles and Doug Truesdell. We hope you are all well very soon.

Remember our deceased mem-



Branch 28 member Alyssa Schauer recently graduated from Columbiana (Ohio) High School where she earned numerous academic and sports awards.



The Schauer family—all members of WPA Branch 28—celebrate the recent graduation of Jeremiah from LaBelle (Fla.) High School. Joining Jeremiah on his special day are his mother Elizabeth, father Frank and sister Rachel.

bers and their families in your prayers, especially Joseph Martin, Martha Mayoros and Helen Papp. May they rest in peace.

Happy July birthday to Pam George, Barbi Tew, Danielle Iorio, Jeff DeSantes and Emma Borsa. We hope you all have many more.

I received the latest newsletter from the Hungarian Cultural Center of Northeastern Ohio. Wow! Is that a super newsletter! They cover every event in the area. Check out their website: www.hungarianclub.org. I sure am glad I am a member. See you very soon.

Joe Gall, his son Jay and grandson Tyler were here in Michigan. We did everything, including a Tigers-Pirates game. (We won that one.) Thanks, brother: we had a great visit. Thank you, Rose Antal, for their visit to Greenfield Village. Thank you, Steve Szatmari, for your generosity and super meal (as usual) at the wonderful Hungarian Rhapsody restaurant. (The Rhapsody is open Tuesday through Sunday.)

Our Join Hands Day project was completed on June 1. We had 35 members help out (see photo on page 4 of this issue). We began at the Hungarian American Cultural Center at 10:00 a.m. Then, we went to St. Michael's Church. We ended with a pizza party at the church. Thank you to all who helped. That many hands made the work so easy. Everyone was so grateful, we will probably do the same next year. Remember: we always do it the first Saturday in

June. Mark your calendars.

We will have no branch meetings in the summer. Our next meeting will be Sept. 4. Plan on joining us. You are most welcome to come and share your suggestions and input. We meet at 7:00 p.m. at the Hungarian American Cultural Center on Goddard in Taylor. Remember: the Center is open to the public with authentic Hungarian food on Fridays from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Call me anytime if I can help you with your WPA needs, suggestions or comments.

I wish you a wonderful summer.

May you have enough happiness to make you sweet, enough trials to make you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human and enough hope to make you happy.

Branch 26 Sharon, PA

by Barbi Tew

On May 18, several members of Branch 26 took part in the Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community in Pittsburgh. This year, the walk benefitted 68 health and human services organizations. Member Connor Ross rode his adaptive bike and participated in the 5K walk, representing Variety: The Children's Charity.

It was a perfect day and a fun time for all who participated.

We congratulate all recent graduates from both high school and college. May your dreams take you far.

Branch 28 Youngstown, OH

by Kathy Novak

Happy Summer! We hope that while everyone enjoys the fireworks on the 4th of July, we take time to give thanks for the real reason for this celebration: independence and freedom.

Hats off to Endre Csoman, Dora McKinsey and all those who prepared and volunteered at the Tri-State Picnic. The weather was perfect: a little breezy, but dry. As always, the food was great, and there were more than enough treats to pick from. A traditional WPA affair—good food and good times with friends. The fire pit was busy as at any Hungarian picnic. Thanks, again, WPA for providing this wonderful day for us.

Happy retirement to Jackie Prologo. She has been a dedicated teacher in the Youngstown Catholic School system and has decided she wants to spend her "golden years" with her family. As a treat, Jackie and her husband Frank will be traveling to Switzerland in July to visit their son and daughter-in-law.

Graduation wishes go to all our graduating members. We especially commend Caitlin Tarcy, who was chosen to be one of two featured speakers at the spring commencement of Youngstown State University. Caitlin graduated this spring from YSU with a doctorate

Welcome To Our Fraternal Family



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MADELINE A. ZERBEE
Branch 34 Pittsburgh, PA

If you have a child who recently joined the WPA, then send us his or her photo. We will publish it in an upcoming issue so all our members can welcome your child into our WPA Fraternal Family. All photos will be published as soon as possible.

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Participating in the May 18 Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community were Branch 26 members (l-r) Gerry Davenport, Barbara Tew, Connor Ross and Dominique Ross.

in physical therapy. She graduated magna cum laude from YSU in 2010 with a bachelor of science in biology. During the summer of 2011, Caitlin traveled with other students to Haiti to volunteer as a medical aid. Best wishes to Caitlin in all her future endeavors. She is another successful WPA scholarship recipient.

Also receiving special honors this spring were high school graduates and cousins Alyssa and Jeremiah Schauer.

Alyssa graduated from Columbi-ana (Ohio) High School and received the Al Ridel Memorial Scholarship, as well as numerous academic and sports awards. She has completed her first year of college studies after taking advantage of a pre-college program during her senior year. She will continue her college education at Kent State University with the hopes of becoming an elementary school teacher.

Jeremiah graduated from LaBelle (Fla.) High School, receiving a band leadership award. He was an officer of the National Honor Society and was a member of the Key Club. He plans to study computer analysis

and programming at Edison State College in Fort Myers, Fla. Jerry also recently became an Eagle Scout. As an added treat, his sister Rachel is home this summer while on break from her university studies in Germany.

What a great evening of fraternalism was shared by all attending the Lake County Captains baseball game June 8. WPA was one of the main sponsors for Hungarian Heritage Night at the ballpark. The Hungarian national anthem was sung as WPA members joined other area Hungarians in opening a huge Hungarian flag on the field. Hungarian food was available at the concession area. WPA sponsored a display which allowed everyone attending the game a chance to learn more about our wonderful Association. Assisting with the display area were National Vice President-Fraternal Endre Csoman, National Directors Richard Sarosi and Kathy Novak and Branch 14 President Caroline Lanzara.

I also had a great time during my first visit to the New Brunswick Hungarian Festival in New Jersey. Lots of pride in our Hungarian heritage was shown there.

Before you know it, all our golfers will be out on the course, having fun at the annual golf event. These two days not only offer a lot of good times but also raise funds for our WPFA Scholarship Foundation.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, Aug. 11, for the annual Magyar Nap to be hosted by the Youngstown American Hungarian Federation at 2219 Donald Ave., Youngstown, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. There will be plenty of Hungarian music, food and pastries.

Remember to reserve your seat on Branch 28's bus traveling to the WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest in September. Call Steve at 330-746-7704 or Frank at 330-549-2923.

Get well wishes to Tibor Check Sr., Evelyn Horvath and all those not feeling up to par these days.

Many wishes for a happy and healthy birthday and/or anniversary go to all members celebrating in July.

Special thoughts and prayers to all who recently lost a loved one.

Wishing everyone a happy and

safe summer.

Remember: for all your WPA insurance and annuity needs, call Kathy at 330-746-7704 or Alan at 330-482-9991.

Branch 34 Pittsburgh, PA

by Marguerite McNelis

Hope that everyone has a good 4th of July. We're looking forward to seeing everyone at the golf tournament.

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

Branch 34 would like to welcome our newest member, Rhiannon Healy!

Congratulations to Donovan McNelis and Gabrielle Kelley for a great school year. Way to go!

Happy and healthy birthday wishes go out to everyone celebrating their birthdays in July, especially Andy and Donovan.

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

Branch 89 Homestead, PA

by Lisa S. Toth-Maskariniec

Branch 89 hopes everyone is enjoying nice, sunny weather. We all know what the sunny weather leads to--the start of golf season. More on that later.

Our branch was busy the past month. Branch 89, in conjunction with Munhall Boy Scout Troop #15, conducted a Join Hands Day project on May 11 at the Homestead Cemetery. It was great to see the officers and some members, along with the Boy Scouts, working together to brighten the final resting place of so many people.

It's almost here: Saturday, Aug. 17--the Second Annual Branch 89 Golf Outing and Dinner. In keeping with the attitude of fraternalism and giving back to the community, all proceeds from this outing will ben-

efit the First Hungarian Reformed Church of Homestead. The event will once again be held at the Westwood Golf Club and promises to be an enjoyable event. We look forward to seeing many of our branch members and, we hope, officers and Board members from William Penn Association.

Some of the prizes for the event include autographed memorabilia from the Steelers (such as the *Chuck Noll-autographed football shown right*), Pirates, Arnold Palmer, Adam Scott, Hunter Mahan and several other personalities.

We will be teeing off at noon on Aug. 17. Price is \$80 per person, which includes greens fee, cart, a hotdog and refreshment at the turn, and dinner. The price for dinner alone is \$25.

We will be mailing 50-50 raffle tickets and brochures for our outing within the next week.

Last year, we had a member from Florida come to golf in this event. Who will come the furthest this year?

It promises to be a very fun event which will benefit many. If anyone has any questions on the event, please call Golf Coordinator Mark Maskarinec at 412-872-5022.

We're also looking for hole sponsors and volunteers for this event.

Branch 89 is also collecting codes from Coke products. These codes will be turned into points which can then be redeemed for various merchandise and prizes to be used at our outings. Golf Outing Coordinator and Branch Auditor Mark S. Maskarinec said the breakdown is as follows:

- Bottle cap = 3 points
- 12-pack = 10 points
- 24-pack = 18 points
- 30-pack = 25 points.

These points add up fast for valuable prizes; such as gift certificates, tote bags, etc. We distributed many at the golf outing last year. Anyone with any codes can email them to Mark at maskarinec1836@comcast.net or send them to 1836 Timothy Drive, West Mifflin, PA 15122.

Branch 89 would also like to congratulate the Rev. Judith E. Tobias, the Licensed Minister of the First Hungarian Reformed Church



of Homestead, on her recent graduation from the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Rev. Tobias will be preaching at the Homestead church starting on June 30. Rev. Tobias and her family are pleasant additions to our Branch 89 family. We also thank Rev. Tobias for allowing the Golf Prize Committee the opportunity to hold a meeting during her graduation party. Talk about multi-tasking.

Branch 89 continues to thank William Penn Association and its officers for its continued support and hopes everyone will be able to get out and truly enjoy this lovely weather. Upcoming events for our branch include a night at the casino, dinner at Dave & Buster's in Homestead and WPA's Annual Golf Tournament at Quicksilver. What a fun and active time this promises to be.

Please contact the branch coordinator if you'd like to see other activities. We'll do our best to accommodate those requests.

For any of your life insurance needs, please call Ruth Toth at 412-461-5812.

Branch 129 Columbus, OH

by Debbie Lewis

Hope everyone is having a great summer enjoying the beautiful weather. Now is the time many families are taking vacations, so please be safe in all your travels.

The 4th of July is the birthday of our nation. Let's celebrate and enjoy the freedom that comes with the event that made this day so special. Take time to celebrate this day with relatives and friends with a picnic or attending fireworks.

Our branch again participated in two projects for Join Hands Day.

Flowers were planted and flower beds were mulched at the Hungarian Reformed Church in Columbus. We also cleaned out flower beds, planted flowers, mulched and placed landscaped garden bricks at the YMCA in Urbancrest. Both projects turned out beautifully. These activities are a great way to give back to the community.

On Sunday, July 14, there will be another Soup and Learn Program at the Hungarian Reformed Church located at 365 Woodrow Ave. in Columbus. The program will be held after the 10 a.m. service. Soups will be served at 11:15 a.m. with the 90-minute program starting around 11:40 a.m. The July program will feature Andrew Check, a 21-year-old cimbalom player from Youngstown performing Hungarian folk songs.

The Taste of Hungary Festival will be held on July 20 from noon until 7:00 p.m., also at the church. The day will feature Hungarian food, music and dancing. There will also be face painting and games for the kids. This event is sponsored by the Hungarian Cultural Association.

We are in the process of organizing a bus trip for the WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest on Saturday, Sept. 7 at Scenic View in Rockwood, Pa. It is really a great time of fun, food and fraternalism. Please get your reservations in by Aug. 6. The cost of the bus trip will be \$30 per person. Also, the admission to the picnic for our group is \$12 for adults, \$5 for students and children under 12 are admitted free. If you are interested, please contact Marge Boso at 614-875-5068.

We extend congratulations to all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this month.

Congratulations to all who have new additions to their families.

We extend our sympathy to all who have recently lost a loved one. Keep all in your thoughts and prayers.

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

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



Branch 129 members Margaret Leonardo (left) and Olga Kovacs help plant flowers at the Hungarian Reformed Church in Columbus during the branch's Join Hands Day project.

Branch 226 McKeesport, PA

by Judit I. Borsay

Hope all is well with everyone, especially those who are celebrating a birthday or anniversary in July. Hope the sun is brightening up your days.

We're almost done setting in stone all of the plans for our one-day bus trip on Sunday, Sept. 15, to Hiram, Ohio, for the Hungarian Cultural Center of Northeastern Ohio's Annual Fall Festival/Szüreti Mulatság. We'll be leaving early because the Festival begins at noon and the dance performances begin at 3:00 p.m. Reserve your spot on our bus today by calling our Branch Coordinator Malvene Heyz at 412-751-1898.

Don't forget: McKeesport's ethnic food fest--International Village--will be Aug. 13 to 15. Admission is \$2 to the Village, and then you can eat your way around the world, focusing, of course, on the Hungarian food booth. If you can't take the heat outside, cross the street and eat and relax inside the Free Hungarian Reformed Church's air-conditioned social hall where they sell Hungar-

ian dinners. Our local Hungarian dance group will be performing, as well.

If you have news to share here in the magazine, please contact Branch Coordinator Malvene Heyz at 412-751-1898.

Please keep those who have recently lost a loved one in your thoughts and prayers. Also, keep our military men and women in your thoughts and prayers this 4th of July. Because of them, we are "the land of the free and the home of the brave!"

Branch 249 Dayton, OH

by Mark Schmidt

June flew by, as it always does. School is out, but with graduations, vacations, grass cutting, barbecues, weddings--arghh!--it seems there's something every day. What happened to those lazy days of summer I remember when I was young? Good thing June was a light month for local Hungarian activities.

I always look forward to the 4th of July. Who can complain about an extra day off from work and having the traditional family cookout? Add to that the local bands, parades and fireworks celebrating the birth of our great nation. Fly your Star-Spangled Banners high!

We all are anticipating a fun weekend at the 30th Annual WPA Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days July 19 and 20 at Quicksilver Golf Club in Midway, Pa. Seeing that Quicksilver is ranked the #1 public course in Pennsylvania, you shouldn't miss the opportunity to play. It's challenging but rewarding. And the barbeque afterwards is not to be missed. The fraternalism this weekend is truly one reason that I love being a member of WPA.

Don't forget to attend the annual WPFA Scholarship Foundation meeting Friday, July 19 at 6:00 p.m. at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott. Every dollar raised goes back to the youth of the Association in the form of annual scholarships for higher education.

The following month, Branch 249 celebrates St. Stephen's Day on Aug. 25 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church

with a meeting at noon and a delicious chicken paprikás dinner at 1:00 p.m. There is no charge for members, and guests pay only \$8. See you there.

There are tentative plans at St. Stephens Catholic Church for a summer social and pig roast Aug. 18. More information next issue.

Mark your calendars for Sept. 26 for the annual Branch 249 cabbage rolls sale. To date, we've sold more than 30,000 cabbage rolls!

On a national level, mark your calendar for the WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest, Sept. 7 at Scenic View, a full day of all-you-can-eat Hungarian food, live music, dancing, raffles, activities and fishing. This is not to be missed as you can socialize with fellow Hungarians literally from all over the world.

We send congratulations to all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and we hope you have many more. We also extend our sincere sympathy to all who have recently lost a loved one.

If you have questions concerning annuities, life insurance, IRA transfers or rollovers, please call Anne Marie and Mark Schmidt at 937-667-1211 or Michelle Daley-LaFlame at 937-278-5970.

Have a happy 4th and a great, safe July.

Branch 296 Springdale, PA

by Mary A. Kelly-Lovasz

Summer is in full swing, and I hope you're taking full advantage of it. Besides knowing that July is the hub of the summer, did you know that it is also National Blueberry Month? July is also National Anti-Boredom Month (this is summer, people; if you're bored, it's your own fault!), as well as National Cell Phone Courtesy Month (which should actually be an everyday occurrence, but we know how that goes...). Independence Day is July 4, and if it's sweltering hot, it's also Sidewalk Egg-Fry Day. Teddy Bear Picnic Day (awwww) is July 10, and Cow Appreciation Day falls on July 15 (so hug a cow and maybe avoid eating a burger that day).

A day that Branch 296 would like for you to mark on your calendars is July 22 for our Join Hands Day project.

Although Join Hands Day was officially on May 4, Branch 296 will be conducting its volunteer project at a special meeting on Monday, July 22, at 6:00 p.m. at King's Family Restaurant in New Kensington.

We'll be packing on-the-go breakfast/snack bags to be delivered to the families staying at Pittsburgh's Ronald McDonald House, near Children's Hospital. Ronald McDonald House is a "home away from home" for the families of seriously ill children receiving medical treatment at area hospitals.

Members of all ages are welcome to pitch in for this fun project that will benefit families who have loved ones hospitalized and would appreciate a handy, bagged meal.

This is a great volunteer project for children to participate in, as the bags can be decorated before filling. Plus, for our youth members, this is a great opportunity for you to earn community service credits if you're working on them over the summer.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 724-274-5318 or feel free to just show up. We hope to see you as we join hands to help others and have some fun at the same time.

We extend warm birthday wishes to all of our members who are celebrating July birthdays, including my daughter, Leanne.

Congratulations to Cassandra Holmes, our Life Underwriter, who has devoted 25 years of service to William Penn Association. Cassie is always ready with a smile, is full of fun and always gets the job done. Way to go, Cassie. We're very proud of you.

After our special meeting July 22, our next regular meeting will not be

held until Thursday, Sept. 12, at 7:00 p.m. at King's Family Restaurant.

We're looking forward to seeing you at the WPA Golf Tournament on July 19 and 20 and our Join Hands Day project on July 22.

As always, for your insurance and annuity needs, you may reach our awesome agent, Noreen Fritz, FIC, LUTCF, at 412-821-1837 or email her at noreenbunny.fritz@verizon.net.

Branch 336 Harrisburg, PA

by Barbara Kreiser

Well, Branch 336 finally has a volunteer to write an article every month. My name is Barbara Kreiser. I have been an active member since 2010 and have enjoyed our meetings and social events very much. I'm sure some of you have seen me and my husband, Mike, at the annual WPA golf outing. We haven't won yet, but we're shooting for that hole-in-one this year. I thank Branch 336 Coordinator Charles Johns and National Director James W. Robertson for their support.

We were recently privileged to host the annual Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance meeting and dinner prior to the luncheon with our state representatives and senators. The Pennsylvania Fraternal Alliance is very grateful to be able to hold these meetings at our Verhovay Home Association building in Harrisburg.

Join Hands Day was held in conjunction with the Dauphin County fraternal groups on May 11.

We will be participating in the 30th Annual WPA Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days at Quicksilver.

Branch 336 is also hosting our branch golf outing and annual picnic on July 13. Our golf outing will be held at Sportsman's Golf Course,

and the picnic will be at Cibort Park. We're looking forward to a fun filled day of golf, good food, dancing and much more. Tee-off time for the golf outing is 7:30 a.m. The picnic will kick off at noon and end at 6:00 p.m.

Our meetings are held the third Monday of every month at the Verhovay Home Association building on 29th Street in Harrisburg.

Congratulations to everyone celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this month.

If you have any news that you would like to have in future branch articles, please contact me, Barbara Kreiser, at 717-695-3521, or email at Barbara_Kreiser@yahoo.com.

If you have any insurance or annuity needs, whether you just need a policy tune up or are looking for a new policy, call Charles Johns at 717-439-8620.

Branch 352 Coraopolis, PA

by Dora S. McKinsey

By the time you read this, July 4th will be here and gone. Too often we take our independence for granted, not even thinking about the rights and privileges we enjoy here in America. Let us not forget the sacrifices made in the past and those still being made today to keep this great country the "Land of the Free."

The 30th Annual WPA Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days is being held July 19 and 20 at Quicksilver Golf Club in Midway, Pa., with hotel rooms at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott. A miniature golf tournament is being held this year at Scally's Golf Center in Coraopolis, Pa., on Saturday, July 20. The kids had a great time two years ago when we held our first miniature golf tournament at Scally's. If you are a golfer,

Mark your calendars now!

All submissions to our magazine are due the 10th day of each month. By meeting this deadline, you 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 jlovasz@williampennassociation.org.



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Branch 800 member Debbie Wilson receives her 50-year membership certificate and pin from Branch 800 Vice President Dan Greiner.

you should try to attend one of our tournaments and enjoy this fun, fraternal event. Even if you don't golf, we all enjoy being together and sharing good food and conversation.

Just a reminder that our 13th Annual WPA Picnic-A Great Fraternal Fest is quickly approaching. This year, it's being held on Saturday, Sept. 7, as always, at Scenic View. Come and join us for what promises to be one of the best picnics ever.

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

Get well wishes to anyone who's feeling under the weather. Continued prayers and get well wishes to Arlene Csoman.

If you have any news to share or need any help with your insurance certificates, please contact me at 412-319-7116 or by e-mail at dmckinsey@hotmail.com.

Branch 800 Altoona, PA

by Dave Greiner

July brings summer fun. The month starts with our country celebrating Independence Day on July 4. Branch 800 hopes all are able to enjoy this great day and end it by catching a local fireworks display.

Branch 800 honored one 50-year

member this year. Vice President Dave Greiner was able to present Debbie Wilson of Lilly, Pa., with her pin and certificate. Debbie was most appreciative.

Branch 800 has the honor of awarding a monetary gift each year



to the male graduating student with the highest grade point average in religion classes over four years at our local Catholic high school, Bishop Guilfoyle.

This year, the recipient was Brandon C. Drenning (pictured here).

Brandon helped lead the Bishop Guilfoyle Marauders basketball team to a District VI championship. He also made the *Altoona Mirror's* first team and the Laurel Highlands All-Star team. Brandon is a member of the National Honor Society. He will be attending Juniata College this fall, majoring in biology. He plans to attend medical school. Branch 800 wishes Brandon good luck after graduation.

Our branch's annual summer picnic will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 7, at Highland Park in Altoona. The deadline for reservations is July 30. We ask all members to call Vincent Frank at 814-695-0213 to make their reservations. We hope all members can attend our summer outing and enjoy an evening of fraternalism and socializing.

Branch 800 wishes all golfers good luck at the 30th Annual WPA Golf Tournament & Scholarship Days, July 19 and 20. The best to young and old alike. Anyone for a hole-in-one?

Branch 800 hopes all kids enjoy "Just 4 Kidz" with Gerry D. Clown and her dog, Mumford.

Don't forget: for any of your life insurance and annuity needs, please call Bob Jones at 814-942-2661. Bob is always ready, willing and able to answer any questions you may have about WPA and its line of products.



Are your beneficiaries up to date?

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

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

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

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

In Memoriam

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

MAY 2013

- 0001 BRIDGEPORT, CT
Katherine M. Antolics
Caroline Baxer
Angelo R. D'Amato
Eugene W. Gabrylowicz
Mary A. Katona
- 0008 JOHNSTOWN, PA
Margaret A. Olsen
- 0010 BARTON, OH
Vincent Pinter
- 0014 CLEVELAND, OH
Mary Kovach
Dorothy Pizzino
Helen B. Reinbold
Douglas M. Skilton
William B. Yambor
- 0015 CHICAGO, IL
Cecilia M. Hanyecz

- 0018 LINCOLN PARK, MI
Joseph Martin
Martha Mayoros
Helen Papp
- 0019 NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ
Mary Blahota
Emery Vulcz
- 0024 CHICAGO, IL
Carl Neubeck
- 0028 YOUNGSTOWN, OH
Priscilla J. Janesh
Margaret A. Ruz
- 0034 PITTSBURGH, PA
Carol Losko
Geza Nemeth
- 0051 PASSAIC, NJ
Minnie Downie
Andrew J. Lute
- 0059 WINDBER, PA
Irene Piatek
- 0088 RURAL VALLEY, PA
Andrew Paul Okopal
- 0089 HOMESTEAD, PA
Helen Babchak
Margaret Temar

- 0129 COLUMBUS, OH
Robert J. Finta
Gertrud Relle
John Toth
- 0132 SOUTH BEND, IN
Louise Dull
Gertrude L. Ivankovics
Richard W. Peak
Stephen Tyny
Jack E. Vizer
- 0159 PHOENIXVILLE, PA
Lawrence Galgocy
Stephen E. Graycar
- 0226 McKEESPORT, PA
Stephen M. Benedek
Rita M. Holub
- 0249 DAYTON, OH
John G. Likovetz
- 0296 SPRINGDALE, PA
Charles G. McCauley
- 0336 HARRISBURG, PA
Anthony C. Miriello
- 0352 CORAOPOLIS, PA
John C. Felton
Gerald M. Fingeret

- 0590 CAPE CORAL, FL
Margaret Brown
Senous R. Brown
Elizabeth Fritz
Anne T. Joseph
Rebecca Small
- 0723 WORCESTER, MA
John N. Bennett
- 0725 SPRINGFIELD, MA
Josephine A. Lancto
Eugene E. Page
- 0800 ALTOONA, PA
Peter M. Lord
Rose M. Messersmith
- 8020 McKEES ROCKS, PA
Russell W. Kohl
- 8036 SCOTTDAL, PA
Mary M. Kiliany
- 8075 WILKES-BARRE, PA
Clarence A. Cronauer
- 8286 PHILADELPHIA, PA
Marie C. Neidert

Recent Donations

WPFA Scholarship Foundation

Donations Through Premium Payments MAY 2013

- Branch - Donor - Amount**
- 1 - Dolores C. Bolduc - \$5.00
- 8 - Clarence H. Showalter - \$5.00
- 8 - Glenda L. Behory - \$10.00
- 8 - Jason A. Behory - \$20.00
- 13 - Brian J. Demko - \$2.47
- 15 - Anna M. Borosky - \$10.00
- 19 - Mary H. Kelly - \$25.00
- 19 - Mary Jane Nagy - \$1.00
- 26 - Marie S. Logue - \$2.00

- 27 - Joan G. Zsigrai - \$2.97
- 28 - Sandor Tollas Jr. - \$4.63
- 28 - Wesley A. Spencer - \$2.50
- 28 - Rebecca A. Spencer - \$2.50
- 28 - Mary Vargo - \$7.00
- 44 - Rosemary V. Benson - \$10.00
- 59 - Margaret I. Martin - \$2.00
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- 89 - Charles F. Petrosky - \$4.90
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- 226 - Carol S. Burlikowski - \$5.00
- 226 - Robert W. Serena - \$5.00
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- 336 - Ernest B. Molnar - \$2.00
- 352 - Gabriel S. Tokos - \$1.00
- 352 - John W. Bush Jr. - \$10.00
- 352 - John P. McKinsey Jr. - \$1.32

- 352 - Dora S. McKinsey - \$1.02
- 590 - August J. Licari - \$10.00
- 800 - Victor E. Ballash - \$5.00
- TOTAL for Month = \$215.33**

Additional Donations

APRIL 2013

Donor - Amount

- Rev. Dr. Daniel & Judit Borsay - \$50.00
- Paul Niglio - \$50.00
- Frank Petohazi - \$25.00
- John R. Smilak - \$25.00
- Br. 18 Lincoln Park, MI - \$125.00
(Br. 18's "Charity-of-the-Month" winner, Tamas Markovits, chose WPFA Scholarship Foundation)
- WPA Cookbook Sales - \$70.00
- TOTAL for Month = \$345.00**

Donations In Memoriam MAY 2013

Donor - Amount (In Memory of)

- Roger G. Nagy - \$50.00
(Dawn Ward)
- Roger G. Nagy - \$50.00
(Frank J. Radvany)
- Ernest & Violet Sarosi - \$25.00
(Dawn Ward)
- Richard E. Sarosi - \$50.00
(Dawn Ward)
- Br. 14 Cleveland, OH - \$100.00
(Dawn Ward)
- Br. 18 Lincoln Park, MI - \$125.00
(Deceased Members Mariel E. Bandli & Elizabeth Forintos)
- TOTAL for Month = \$400.00**

Our awards lead to far greater rewards



The rewards that come with a higher education are priceless. That's why since 1972 William Penn Association has awarded more than \$2.3 million in scholarship grants to its young members attending accredited institutions of higher learning. Our scholarship program is just one of many benefits available to our members. To learn more on how membership in WPA can benefit your family, call your local WPA representative or our Home Office, toll-free at 1-800-848-7366.

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Puzzle Contest #97 with Lizzy Cseh

Hungarian Cultural Garden at 75

Along the winding and picturesque MLK Boulevard in Cleveland, there sits an oasis of botanical splendor devoted to the Magyar spirit. The Hungarian Cultural Garden of Cleveland, Ohio, is a multi-level park featuring beautifully manicured pathways surrounded by a vast display of colorful flora, much of which is native to Hungary. With convenient and easy access from East Boulevard, the Garden offers visitors an enlightening tour about such renowned Hungarians as Bartok, Ady or Madach, to name just a few. An ornately-crafted wrought iron kapu (gate) greets guests as they enter from the upper area. Fountains with reflecting pools, interspersed with numerous statues and plaques, are strategically placed throughout this focal point of Magyar spirit.

Officially dedicated in 1938, the Hungarian Garden will celebrate its 75th year with a special commemorative program on Saturday, July 20. You are cordially invited to spend a leisurely afternoon enjoying a vast array of entertainment. Listen to the music of Liszt being played by a renowned musician utilizing a full-sized concert grand piano. Be entertained by lavishly costumed Magyar dancers. As one enters the palatial pool area, an accomplished cimbalom player will greet you by playing seldom heard folksongs. The group Harmonia will also perform.

Spend an afternoon of summertime pleasure with a leisurely stroll around the meticulously manicured grounds. Bring along a portable chair. Let the show come to you. Plenty of treats and cool refreshments will be available for your enjoyment. Be part of a once in a lifetime experience of Magyar fellowship.

I have visited the Garden several times. My short description of this centerpiece of American-Hungarian collaboration does not do it justice. For more information and details please log on to the Internet at: www.hungarianculturalgarden.org.

The July 2013 wordsearch puzzle contains clues associated with the Hungarian Cultural Garden. There are 20 clues. Good luck and enjoy the warm months ahead.

Lizzy Check/Cseh Erzsi

Puzzle Contest #94 WINNERS

The winners of our Puzzle Contest #94 were drawn June 6, 2013, at the Home Office. Congratulations to:

Livia Forte, Br. 226 McKeesport, PA
Helen M. Long, Br. 383 Buffalo, NY
Mary C. Palko, Br. 34 Pittsburgh, PA
Mary Ann Snyder, Br. 44 Akron, OH

Each won \$50 for their correct entry.

WPA PUZZLE CONTEST #97 OFFICIAL ENTRY

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

Hungarian Cultural Garden Word List

Ady
Bartok
Cleveland
Cotoneaster
Doan Brook
Fountain
Hawthorn

July
Kapu
Kert
Linden
Liszt
Madach
Plaques

Reflecting Pool
Remenyi
Statues
Walkway
Wrought Iron
Yew

Name: _____

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City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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RULES

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

WPA PUZZLE #97
709 Brighton Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15233

4. Entries must be received at the Home Office by **Aug. 30, 2013**.
5. Four winners will be drawn from all correct entries on or about Sept. 5, 2013, at the Home Office. Each winner will receive \$50.

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June 30, 2013

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 terms 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 (consumer 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 write to us at William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233, or call our Home Office toll-free at 1-800-848-7366, 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.