

There are rich counsels in the trees. ~ Herbert P. Horne



An autumn morning at Najaka's Pond

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Newport Township Public Business

By John Jarecki ~ The following are items of Township public business that occurred during July, August, and September:

July 1: The Commissioners hired two new part-time police officers: Brian Morris from Berwick and David McDermott from Forty Fort. Brian has worked as a police officer for three years in Shickshinny and for seven years in Salem Township. Since he has worked before as an officer in Newport Township, the Commissioners are rehiring him at \$12.44/hour. David has worked as an officer for three years in Forty Fort and for two and a half months in Ashley. He will start at \$11.00/hour, which will increase to \$12.44 after six months probation.

Township Business Manager Rich Zika announced that the demolition of the dilapidated house at 67-69 Newport Street in Glen Lyon has been completed. The demolition of another house at 85 East Main Street Glen Lyon was completed later in the summer.

Commissioner John Zyla announced that the Commissioners had a meeting with the Newport Township Ambulance concerning how

various types of ambulance service will be provided to community residents. This question came up early in the year when an arrangement made by the Newport Ambulance with the Berwick Ambulance, providing that Berwick supply Advanced Life Support (ALS) for residents, proved to be inefficient. Berwick had trouble providing service in a timely way when a child at a day care facility had a health emergency.

According to the new arrangements, 1) Newport Township Ambulance will provide Basic Life Support (BLS) service 8 hours a day with paid emergency workers, and with volunteers at other times. In case volunteers are not available, Nanticoke Ambulance will be called first, and if it is not available, Berwick will be called second. 2) Nanticoke Ambulance will provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) services, and if Nanticoke is not available, Berwick will be called.

August 5: Manager Zika announced that the wetland study and property survey for the new municipal building is complete. The Township has sent it to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) in support

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of an application for a loan of up to \$300,000, which will supplement the State Gaming grant of \$500,000 that we received earlier this year to finance the new building.

The Commissioners appointed Heidi Selecky Jarecki of Glen Lyon to the Township Recreation Board. She will fill a vacant position opened by the resignation of Sue Mieczkowski of Sheatown.

September 4: Commissioner for Parks and Recreation John Vishnefski announced that he had received a letter of resignation from John Grabowski, President of the Recreation Board. The Commissioners voted to accept Mr. Grabowski's resignation from the Board, and will begin looking for someone to replace him.

The Commissioners approved the hiring of Kelli Valaitis of Wanamie as Township Administrative Assistant at \$10.75/hour, which will be raised to \$11.25/hour after 3 months of work. She replaces former Administrative Assistant Tania Gronkowski and will work in the Township Office in the Municipal Building.

The Commissioners approved a contract with L&A Concrete Works of Clark Summit to install curb ramps in Glen Lyon which will meet the standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) at a cost of \$29,072. The Township will pay this amount using funds from its Pennsylvania State Liquid Fuels grant.

Luzerne County Zoning Board Approves Verizon Wireless Cell Phone Tower in Glen Lyon

By John Jarecki ~ At its meeting on September 3, the Luzerne County Zoning Board granted a variance (exception) from the zoning rules to allow Verizon Wireless to put a cell phone tower near Glen Lyon.

The tower will be built on Earth Conservancy land on top of a ridge behind Engle Street. It will be placed about 600 feet north-northwest of the Knights of Columbus Hall, the former St. Denis Church, on East Main Street. It will be 150 feet high with a 9-foot lightning rod on top, and will be accessed by a 12-foot gravel road and an above-ground telephone wire.

According to Verizon's technical experts, transmissions from the new tower will correct the present situation in which cell phone service is unreliable inside buildings in Glen Lyon; also, these transmissions, they say, will not interfere with other radio communications or electrical equipment operation.

Several Township residents expressed their concerns about effects on health and quality of life in the community. Carol Jarecki asked about noise, tower visibility, and radiation levels from tower dish antennas receiving incoming signals. Chester Mack asked about gating the access road to prevent illegal use. Frank Chest expressed concerns about transmission effects on his pacemaker.

The Zoning Board approved the tower with the provisions that the dish antenna be removed and the access road be gated.

Newport Township Second Precinct (Wanamie) Voting Location Changed for November Election

By John Jarecki ~ The Newport Township Second Precinct voting location in Wanamie, previously in the Newport Township Municipal Building at 1002 Center Street, is changed. For the November 2013 Election, voters will cast their ballots in the Newport Sewer Authority Building which is across Center Street from the Municipal Building.

New Local Area Code

By Heidi Jarecki ~ On October 21, 2013, a new local area code "272" is scheduled to be placed into service as an overlay of area code 570. Effective September 21, 2013, 10-digit dialing will be required. Even if you are calling your next-door neighbor, you must include the appropriate area code.

An Open Letter to the Community

By Lorrie Materewicz ~ The American Legion Auxiliary, Post 539, Newport Township, is sponsoring a clothing drive for our Veterans housed at our local VA Hospital in Wilkes-Barre. These are both nursing home and previously homeless veterans opening new chapters in their lives. They are veterans of World War II, Korea, Granada, Iraq and Afghanistan. They are both non-combat and combat weary. They are obviously of the entire age spectrum. They include males and females. But besides being veterans, they also have something else in common: right now they need your help! Hence, our clothing drive. Some need "comfort clothes," for they are permanent VA residents and they have no families. Others will be preparing to rejoin the workforce and need to prepare for community living and job interviews.

Our clothing drive will last from September through November 10th. By request of the VA, we ask that all clothing be new. Size is not an issue (small to whatever is needed). Monetary donations are always welcome and will be used to purchase whatever is needed by the Veterans. Donations can be placed in the decorated boxes in the community or may be sent to Auxiliary President Lorrie Materewicz, 161 Newport Street, Glen Lyon, Pa., 18617. Checks and money orders will be cashed upon receipt so as not to hold up balancing checkbooks. Please make checks payable to the Newport Township Women's Auxiliary, Post 539.

Holy Spirit Pastor Louis Kaminski has graciously allowed the Auxiliary to place our collection boxes in the rear of each Parish church: St. Adalbert's in Glen Lyon, St. Mary's in Mocanaqua and St. Martha's in Fairmont Springs. Also, Beverly Banks has given us space inside the Variety Stop in Glen Lyon (and who doesn't know where that is?). These boxes will be emptied frequently. Also, if pick-up of donated items is required, please call Lorrie at 570-736-7177.

We've done some scouting and found some great bargains at all Dollar Stores and Walmarts. Following is a list of particular items needed at this time. On behalf of the Veterans and our Auxiliary, thank you in advance for your generosity. God bless our Veterans, living and deceased.

NEEDED ITEMS

- Socks (ankle, calf and white)**
- Sweatshirts/sweatpants/hoodies**
- T-shirts (white and colored, with or without pockets)**
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- Spring and Winter jackets**
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No duty is more urgent than of returning thanks.~ James Allen



New Appointment to the Township Recreation Board

At the Newport Township Commissioners meeting held in August, Heidi Jarecki (pictured right) was appointed to the Newport Township Recreation Board. On the left is Newport Township Recreation Commissioner Jack Vishnefski.

Please Don't Feed the Bears!

By Paul Jarecki ~ Recently there have been reports of black bear sightings in residential areas of the Township. These incidents often occur the night before garbage is picked up. This is a problem. Bears are big, strong, curious and usually hungry. They are very capable of causing physical harm to unsuspecting residents especially when the bears are cornered or interrupted during feeding. To avoid these dangerous encounters: (1) put garbage out shortly before pickup and double bag odoriferous garbage. (2) If possible, store garbage inside a fenced area. (3) Keep a lid on your garbage can and secure it tightly. If a lid does not deter the bear, a cup of ammonia poured over the lid or a towel soaked in ammonia placed on the lid is an effective deterrent.

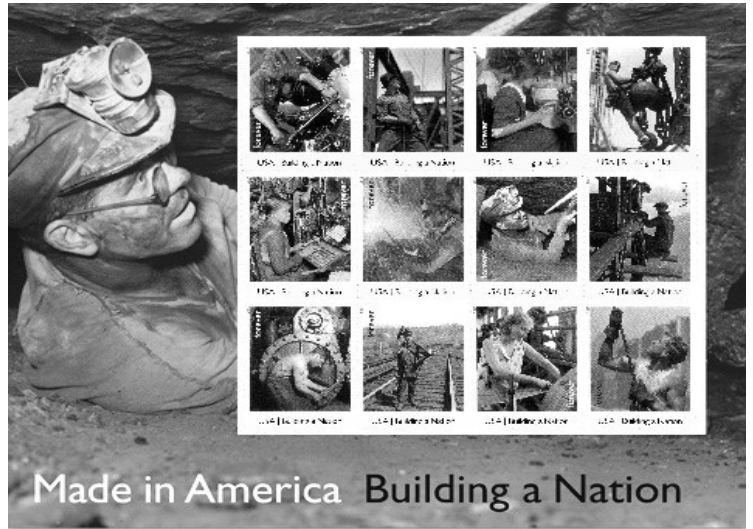
Glen Lyon Crime Watch

By Karen E. Rejician, President ~ I am happy to report that our 2013 National Night Out Event was a success. This event, which is held on the first Tuesday of August throughout the United States, Canada and on military bases, is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch to promote police and community partnerships. Police Chief Jeremy Blank presented a program on gun safety to the children. All ages enjoyed the food and games for which prizes were awarded to the winners. Special thanks go to District Attorney Stefanie Salavantis for being our guest speaker. We also thank Commissioner John Zyla and Chief Blank for their remarks.

We would also like to express appreciation to the Newport Township Police and Fire Departments and all the volunteers and sponsors who helped make this event possible. (See pictures on page 13.)

Acts of Kindness

One can pay back that loan of gold, but one dies forever in debt to those who are kind. ~ Malayan Proverb



Coal Miner Postal Stamp

The United States Postal Service has issued a series of 12 Forever stamps called "Made in America: Building a Nation." Featured are early 20th-century industrial workers, such as a welder, a power-house mechanic, and a man guiding a beam on the Empire State Building. Among them is the coal miners stamp shown above. The stamps were unveiled on August 9 during ceremonies at the Wilkes-Barre Post Office.

The Flora and Fauna of Newport Township



Sightings of wild turkeys are common in the Township. This picture was taken on Engle Street in Glen Lyon one November morning last year.

Turkey facts:

1. The scientific name for the wild and modern domesticated turkey is Meleagris gallopavo.
2. Wild turkeys are native to North America and there are five subspecies: Eastern, Osceola, Rio Grande, Merriam, and Gould.
3. Turkeys have been around for almost ten million years.
4. At the birth of our country, Benjamin Franklin was one of those who argued passionately on behalf of the turkey to become the national symbol. The bald eagle won.
5. Turkeys are the only breed of poultry native to the Western Hemisphere.
6. The turkey has the second heaviest maximum weight of any North American bird. The heaviest turkey ever raised was 86 pounds. The record-sized adult male wild turkey weighed 37.1 lb.
7. Domesticated turkeys cannot fly. Wild turkeys, however, can fly for short distances with speeds up to 55 miles per hour.

MESSAGE FROM THE NTCO PRESIDENT

By *Palmira Gregory Miller* ~ As this past quarter flew by, members of the Newport Township Community Organization kept busy with ongoing projects, such as the recycling program, publication of this Newsletter, and coordinating and implementing programs and projects beneficial to the Municipality.

Throughout the summer residents living near the Coal Street Park in Glen Lyon enjoyed the fresh herbs and Swiss chard planted by volunteers and members of this entity. (See picture on the right)

Focusing on area youths, the organization sponsored two open swimming events which took place at the Mocanaqua pool. At the August 21st event the Newport Township Women's Activity Group distributed school supplies to the children.

On the first Tuesday in August, this body partnered with the Glen Lyon Crime Watch for the National Night Out which took place at the Wanamie Recreation Park.

On August 17th NTCO was the featured organization of the night at the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders Baseball game. Stephen Phillips, a member of the Board of Directors, had an on-field interview, Tom Kashatus, 2nd Vice President, interviewed in the press box and this writer threw out the first pitch.

On Saturday, September 7th, Organization members completed their quarterly task of collecting litter along the Townships major thoroughfare for the adopt-a-highway program.

Four days later, September 11th, members went to Saint Ignatius Church in Kingston to prepare and serve hogies for the Mother Theresa's Haven Initiative which provides shelter and a meal for those in need.

NTCO hosted the "1st Annual Chili Cook-off" contest at the 13th Annual Holy Child Car & Truck Show" held on September 22nd at Saint Faustina's Grove in Sheatown.

The Community Organization's 1st Vice President Tom Kashatus continues to partner with the Luzerne County Tire Recycling Program to remove the unwanted tires throughout Newport Township. This project takes place every October for all Luzerne County residents.

This group in partnership with the Huber Breaker Preservation Society in Ashley is presenting a film on the Molly Maguires, which will take place at Hanover Area High School Auditorium on November 22nd.

The Organization is continuing to accept applications, in the form of a brief essay, to honor an outstanding citizen or organization for voluntary community service to Newport Township. The recipient(s) will be awarded in December at the Organization's annual dinner. This dinner is open to the public.

The Community Organization encourages all residents to participate in a volunteer activity and to support the local businesses within the Township.

The Community Organization continues to encourage the Board of Commissioners to appoint committed individuals to serve on the Township's Recreation Board, to secure a strong code enforcement officer, and to consider reinstating the second full-time police officer.

Representative Gerald Mullery Announces Office Hours

Representative Gerald Mullery of the 119th Legislative District announces his office at 156 South Market Street, Nanticoke, PA 18634 is available to all constituents 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday. Phone: (570) 740-7031 ; Fax: (570) 826-2584.



Lyle Evans, Dominic Hass, Marco Orozco and Marvin Hagenbaugh

Beautification Project

By *Palmira Gregory Miller* ~ The Newport Township Community Organization planted its first garden at the Coal Street Park in Glen Lyon. Fifteen children and twenty adults volunteered in this effort which took one hundred hours over several days to complete. Thank you to Earth Conservancy who donated two pick-up trucks of dirt, and to Mrs. Tillie Stapert who supplied the water. A variety of colorful foliage plants, herbs and Swiss chard were planted.

Those who frequent the park continue to maintain the garden and are enjoying the crops. The children were excited about learning how to plant and maintain this garden and can't wait to begin the Butterfly Garden.

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE Newport Township American Legion Auxiliary, Post 539 will host a blood drive on Monday, November 11 (Veteran's Day) from 1 to 7 p.m. at the Legion Home on Newport Street in Glen Lyon. A raffle and refreshments will be available. Local blood supplies are low, so please come and donate. For more information, please contact Lorrie at 570-736-7177. Thanks!

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Newport Twp. Lion's Club Essay Contest

Every year for the past thirty years or more, the Newport Township Lions Club has sponsored an essay contest. The contest is administered to the 5th grade class in the Nanticoke Area School District. The topic is "Why my Mom is the Best in the World" and no prior notification is given to the students. The essays are written in class, then collected and judged by a panel of teachers. First prize is \$50.00 and 2nd and 3rd prize are \$25.00 each. The winning essay for 2013 was written by Cindy Stefanski.

Why My Sister is the Best in the World

I am so lucky to have such a wonderful sister like mine! My sister's name is Lisa. She is twenty-nine years old and had to take on the role of being my guardian. When I was only one year old, my mom passed away, and when I was only five years old, my dad passed away, too. I am very lucky to have a sister like Lisa. Without her, my life would not be the way it is today! I treat Lisa like a mom and she treats me like a daughter, so, I kind of do have a mom.

Lisa is the best sister I can ever ask for, and she is also very helpful. When I have trouble doing my homework, she shows me an easier way of doing it. When I was doing gymnastics, Lisa would always help me with my cartwheels and back walkovers. Lisa encourages me to try different things such as cheerleading and volunteering. She is also helpful in many other ways.

When I feel like I am going to plummet down with problems, Lisa brings me right back up again! Whenever I am sad or start to cry, Lisa always finds a way to make me feel better. She loves and cares about me and my brother, Lou, very much. She has taught us very well. Lisa loves to play with me and Lou, whether it is basketball or just playing around!

Lisa loves to be funny around, well...practically everyone! Whenever I start to cry, she will always make funny jokes just to make me smile. Lisa always acts like a kid around everyone, but knows when to be mature. Every day she finds a way to make Lou and me laugh. I could not be happier with the sister I have today!

Lisa is the best sister Lou and I could ever ask for! She does whatever she can to make Lou and me happy. Sometimes Lisa cannot be the nicest person in the world, but that is just part of being an adult. I love Lisa very much and I would like to wish her a HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!!!

Oh, so true!

You can tell more about a person by what he says about others than you can by what others say about him. ~ Leo Aikman



Newport Township High School Class of 1955

Newport Township High School Class of 1955 (pictured left) held a reunion get-together on September 5 at the Genetti Hotel and Conference Center, Wilkes-Barre. From the left, first row, are Marie Pucci Modrow, Mary Ellen Skladzien Nypower, Stanley Cybulski, Carol Fink Smetana, Kathleen Kulina Kovalski and Barbara Skordinski Lylo. Second row: Chester Zimolzak, Jean Stackhouse Harris, Albert Presnal, James Pierog, Ted Strunk and Jean Ann Schraeder Kuchinkas. Third row: Peter Valania, Joseph Greytok, Marilyn Vollinger Levanduski, John Antonatis, Elaine Hutchinson and Richard Natalini

Watch your step!

The future lies before you, like paths of pure white snow. Be careful how you tread it, for every step will show. ~ Author Unknown



50th Reunion of the 1963 Newport Twp. High School Class

Front Row: Cathy Gregory Goliash, Lucille Rentko Flora, Cynthia Dutzar Scalisi, Carol Panetta Howell, Eileen Richards Moyer, Olivia Eckrote Wysocki, Sandra Lapinski Federici, Janice Pish.

Back Row: Joseph Kubricki, Thomas Izbicki, Donald Blackburn, Glen Cragle, Stanley Domzalski, Allen Peterfreund, Paul Pawlush, Donna Stavetski Klukoski, Walter Kaszowicz, Sylvia Kielar Laibinis, Robert Chapracki, Patricia Recek Tate, Richard Mitarnowski, Kropettino Dante, Richard Barski, Chester Wrubel, William Rinehimer, Gerald Schraeder, John Vincenti

Newport Class of 1963 Celebrates 50th Reunion

The Newport Township High School Class of 1963 (pictured above) celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its graduation on August 31, 2013. The reunion was held at the Quality Inn & Suites in Wilkes-Barre. An informal "ice breaker" was held the night before at the same facility. A total of 44 people were in attendance, including 27 classmates (pictured above) and their spouses and guests.

Robert Chapracki and Lucille Rentko Flora headed the committee that organized the reunion. They gave special thanks to all those who supported them. Stanley Domzalski made some welcoming remarks and provided the invocation.

The graduating class of 1963, one of the smallest classes to graduate from Newport High in many years, had 82 original members. Unfortunately, 13 classmates have passed away. Included among them is Class President Russell Sager, who died in April of 2011. A moment of silence and remembrance was offered for all deceased classmates.

All classmates had a great time at both the ice breaker and the reunion as they shared stories from the past. Good-natured kidding helped all get in touch with their youth, ever so briefly. At evening's end the classmates made a commitment to get together again, possibly for a 70th birthday celebration, so all could share the great memories and friendships made not so long ago in 1963 (Yesterday, when we were young.).

Photos of the event can be viewed at www.acuri.com, compliments of John Vincenti.

Stan Domzalski
Newport Class of 1963

Today's Students, Tomorrow's Community Leaders

By Tom Kashatus ~ The following articles recognize three students from Glen Lyon who attended Greater Nanticoke Area School District (GNA). These students exemplify leadership and dedication to their personal challenges throughout their careers while attending school. Upon graduation they were applauded by their peers for their accomplishments which are a testament to them and their families.

Glen Lyon Ballplayers Recognized

Greater Nanticoke Area varsity baseball coach Dean Myers proudly announced that two of his protégées from Glen Lyon were recipients of prestigious memorial awards. These awards honor longtime area Little League presidents Joseph A. Hillan of Newport Township Little League and Bob Price of Nanticoke Little League. Coach Myers stated that both presidents were highly instrumental in the success of their respective leagues and helped youth prosper in their communities. The awards are sponsored by the Greater Nanticoke Area Baseball Booster Club. Officers are: President Daneen Marcinkowski, Vice President Lora Lee Yanus, Secretary Jen Olszyk, and Treasurer Kathleen Duda.

Joseph A Hillan Memorial Award



Pictured left to right are: Secretary Olszyk, Vice President Yanus, Valenti, Mrs. Phoebe A. Hillan, President Marcinkowski, and Treasurer Duda.

This award is given to a varsity ball player who has shown excellence in the classroom, leadership, and involvement in the community. Ironically, Nick Valenti, recipient of this award has been a next-door neighbor of the Hillan Family for most of his young life. He is the son of Robert and Lynn Valenti, Railroad Street, Glen Lyon. After arriving in Glen Lyon from East Stroudsburg at the age of five, Nick began his baseball career with T-Ball followed by Little League. Junior and Senior Teeners League, Junior High and High School Varsity became a way of life during the summers as Coach Myers was also always there. Other coaches who played an important role in his life were Jim and Jamie Rinehamer, Mr. Partlow, Dave Boyle, Dave Stashik, and his father, Robert Valenti. Nick's three year varsity baseball career centered on first base and designated hitter. Two years of varsity basketball under the helm of Coach Ken Bartuska occupied his winters.

Nick carried a grade-point-average of 93 plus throughout high school and will be attending Penn State Wilkes Barre in Lehman Township. He received a two year scholarship and will be taking a

general course which will lead to either an engineering degree or finance degree. He has been designated to play basketball for the local Wilkes-Barre squad this fall and winter. Nick's sister, Amanda, recently graduated from Penn State University with a degree in Bio-Behavioral Health and his brother, Steven, will be attending Luzerne County Community College this fall. Nick expressed his humble appreciation to Coach Myers who has made a positive impact on his life by inspiring him to do the improbable.

Bob Price Memorial Award



Pictured left to right are: Treasurer Duda, Vice President Yanus, Rick Ultsh, President Daneen Marcinkowski, and Secretary Olszyk.

The Greater Nanticoke Area (GNA) Baseball Booster Club recently named Rick Ultsh as the recipient of the Bob Price Memorial Award. The award is given to a varsity baseball player that has shown excellence in the classroom, leadership, and involvement in the community. Rick is the son of Richard and Kim Ultsh, formerly of Hanover Township, who now reside on East Enterprise Street, Glen Lyon. Rick and his younger brother, Jeffrey are life-long residents of Glen Lyon. Rick began his baseball career with T-Ball in the Newport Township Little League and Teeners League. He also played Junior High baseball prior to his varsity career. Rick has also exercised his athletic ability on the GNA Junior Varsity basketball team and Senior Golf Team.

Rick will be attending Arcadia University this fall and his major field of study will center on History Education. Rick received a scholarship to Arcadia for his academic excellence and volunteerism in community service. He has always credited his accomplishments to the positive role models that he has had both on and off the athletic field. His baseball coaches throughout his life from Newport and Nanticoke have been instrumental in his positive attitude and success with life's challenges.

Perfect Attendance Award

Some of the greatest challenges for a student throughout the school year besides reading, writing, and arithmetic are staying healthy and setting a daily and weekly schedule to accommodate perfect attendance. Students who accomplish this are few and far between. Brittany Higgins of Glen Lyon made her family proud when she received recognition from PA State Senator John Yudichak and PA State Representative Gerald Mullery for her perfect attendance record from kindergarten through high school – a total of thirteen years! Brittany first attended pre-school at the Learning Station in Sheatown. Brittany was also perfect in attending extracurricular activities: chorus from grades 4th to 12th, Marching Band in her senior year, junior soccer league for two



Pictured with Brittany Higgins is State Senator John Yudichak of the 14th Pennsylvania Senatorial District.

years, Camp Cadet during the summer of 2008, and safety patrol in the 5th grade.

Brittany studied Computer Information Technology at the Wilkes-Barre Vocational Technical School - an extension of GNA and also had a perfect attendance record there. She will attend Luzerne County Community College in the fall of 2013 and pursue a degree in Criminal Justice. Brittany's great-grandparents were Joseph and Alice Laychus and Phillip and Rose Roke (all deceased). Her grandparents are Mario Roke and the late Elaine (Laychus) Roke. Her biggest influence at home is her mother Lisa (Roke) Higgins. Brittany has a sister Kelsey who attends Greater Nanticoke Area.

Newport Township American Legion Auxiliary Post 539 Installs Officers



By Lorrie Materewicz ~ Newport Township American Legion Auxiliary Post 539 hosted Auxiliary District President Shirley Bower at their September meeting. She was there not only for informational purposes, but also for the installation of officers for 2013/2014. The meeting was followed by a meal and a social hour. Pictured above, left to right, are President Lorrie Materewicz, Janet Wenner (standing in for Vice President Faye Maloney), District President Shirley Bower, Treasurer Stephanie Stogoski, and Secretary Andrea Rambus. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month. For more information, call Lorrie at 736-7177.

The Newport Township American Legion Auxiliary Post 539 Needs You!

By Lorrie Materewicz ~ The Newport Township American Legion Auxiliary Post 539 is currently holding a membership drive. Now wait... before you stop reading and skip to the next article, just read on a little more. This is a very worthy organization focused on service to our Veterans and to our community. Some of our accomplishments this past year include high school scholarships, Memorial Day activities, donations to community projects, visiting and gifting the sick, a Red Cross blood drive, and funeral honors. Currently we are organizing a clothing drive for our Veterans (see page 2). Meetings typically last about an hour (including a brief social) and are on the first Thursday of the month at 6 PM at the Post home on Newport Street in Glen Lyon. Attire is casual. Our organization and our Veterans need you! Please consider joining – meet new people, renew old friendships, socialize and have fun, all while serving our Veterans and your community. For information and/or an application, contact President Lorrie Materewicz at 736-7177. Thanks!


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From left to right: Ms Holly Lynott, White Haven Center Facility Director; Ms Sandy Repak; and Mr. Fred Lokuta, Deputy Secretary of Office of Developmental Programs, Pennsylvania Department of Welfare.

Sandy Repak

By Tom Kashatus ~ Many Newport Township residents continue to excel in community and public service when called upon to exhibit leadership during times of crisis. Sandy Repak of Alden is a forty-one-year employee of the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare. She was recently honored with the department's "Excellence in Service Award." Sandy began her career at White Haven Center, a state facility for the intellectually disabled, in 1972 as a clerk typist. Today she is Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services. She continues to work from her office at White Haven Center; however, her control office is the Department of Welfare in Harrisburg.

When Hurricane Sandy battered the Atlantic Seaboard in October, 2012, hundreds of thousands of people in New Jersey and along the Delaware River were evacuated to shelters at a moment's notice. As a member of the State Center Emergency Preparedness Council and due to her knowledge and work ethic, Sandy Repak volunteered from Pennsylvania's Department of Public Welfare (DPW) to manage a shelter set up in the gymnasium at East Stroudsburg University for approximately two weeks. Refuge, food, and shelter were provided to approximately 150 men, women, and children who were abruptly evacuated from their homes. Many others whose homes were ravaged by the flooding were given food, clean water and clothing even after they were able to return to their homes. Subsistence was also provided for an emergency electric crew of twenty five as they worked night and day in an attempt to

restore power to affected communities. A facility was also set up to accommodate pets.

The Pennsylvania Department of Welfare employs over 16,000 employees with Secretary Beverly Mackereth at the helm. The White Haven Center facility falls under the Office of Developmental Programs and Fred Lokuta of Dupont is the Deputy Secretary. Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) conducts training exercises at the White Haven Center facility for DPW facilities that provide services for individuals affected with mental health issues and others with intellectual disabilities.

While presenting the Award to Sandy, Secretary Mackereth remarked: "It is my pleasure to inform you that you have been selected to receive the Excellence in Service Award for the first quarter of 2013. Your exemplary leadership, initiative, creativity, and willingness to go the extra mile in the performance of your duties resulted in your nomination and selection. Competition was significant and I hope your selection provides you with a sense of personal accomplishment.

"To be chosen for any award is an honor, but the Excellence in Service Award is something very special. The criteria for this award specifies that the nominee must have demonstrated one or more of the following: outstanding level of work performance in at least the last three months; special contribution(s) to this agency; exemplifying the mission of the agency; special rapport or cooperation with other staff or clients; dedication and professionalism in representing this agency; suggesting and/or implementing ideas that lead to significant innovations; and/or outstanding commitment to volunteer service that protects and serves Pennsylvania's most vulnerable citizens.

"Congratulations again on your selection and thank you for your excellence in service to the Department of Public Welfare."


Ms. Repak was nominated by Facility Director Holly Lynott. Ms. Lynott stated, "Sandy's decision to head to East Stroudsburg was one involving personal sacrifice and is indicative of her dedication to serving the most vulnerable citizens of Pennsylvania. Sandy's leadership was beyond compare. She was professional and proficient in organizing the tremendous outreach and collaborative effort to provide food, shelter and hope to people affected by the devastating storm."

Deputy Secretary of the Office of Developmental Programs Fred Lokuta recognized Ms Repak with a congratulatory statement: "You exemplify the mission of the agency; demonstrate a special rapport/cooperation with other staff/clients; represent this agency with dedication and professionalism; and promote an outstanding commitment to volunteer service that protects and serves Pennsylvania's most vulnerable clients. A true leader's focus is not on being the best today but on always striving to be better than yesterday."

Ms. Repak has also achieved a "110% Work Ethic" award in the past and is a very proud recipient of "Low Sick Leave Recognition" many times over the years. Sandy stated that family is very important in her life and she takes great pride in being a very active "Coci" in the lives of her nieces and nephews.

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Rev. Louis Kaminski

By Heidi and Paul Jarecki ~ Holy Spirit Parish, which consists of St. Adalbert's in Glen Lyon, St. Mary's in Mocanaqua and St. Martha's in Fairmont Springs, has a new pastor, Father Louis Kaminski. Fr. Kaminski is originally from Scranton. He was born in 1950 at the State Hospital in Scranton and attended St. Anthony's Grade School and Cathedral High School in Scranton.

The story begins when his grandfather arrived in America in 1911 from Poland. His plan was to earn money by working in the mines of northeastern Pennsylvania and then return to his homeland and buy a farm. However, that same year, a mining accident took his life. His wife, upon receiving news of his death, traveled to America along with her 5-year-old son to collect benefits from a fund for survivors. After obtaining the benefits, she moved to Throop and remarried.

Her five-year-old son took his stepfather's name and Americanized it to Walter Kaminski. Walter grew up, graduated from Johnson College in Williamsport and then married Lottie Wrocinski. Walter and Lottie settled in Scranton and had seven children, four boys and three girls. One of them was Louis.

Louis, as a young boy, always had a variety of odd jobs in addition to a paper route. One of them was in the cafeteria at Marywood College. Inspired at an early age by his parish priest Fr. Makowski of St. Anthony's Blessed Sacrament, Louis decided to enter the priesthood. He had a special interest in becoming a military chaplain because his three brothers were in the military.

Louis earned a bachelor's degree in history and then entered the seminary at Pius X in Dalton. Initially, he wanted to be a Franciscan, but guided by Fr. Makowski, he was ordained in 1977 as a diocesan priest. His first assignment was St. Hedwig's in Kingston. He served as an assistant pastor, and then later as pastor in several churches in the Scranton diocese. One of them was Holy Trinity in Nanticoke.

After the tragedy of 9/11, Father Kaminski's life took a sudden turn. Bishop Timlin asked him to be a chaplain for the

National Guard and his request to be a military chaplain was realized. After he received military training in 2002 and 2003 at Fort Jackson in South Carolina, he was activated for service in the National Guard. In 2005, he trained at Fort Shelby in Mississippi and in June was sent to Kuwait. In July, he was assigned to Ala-Sad Air Force Base in Iraq.

His year in Iraq was a busy time and he was active in all aspects of service and counsel to the troops. He received the Bronze Star for his efforts. He somehow contracted a mysterious infection which led to serious back problems. Although his military experiences did not alter his religious faith or convictions, his views on life have changed. Military service gave him a better appreciation of his and every human life. Human life is precious and can be snatched away at any time. Fr. Kaminski believes he had a lot to offer the soldiers. He said that of the many problems and hardships that soldiers faced, some of the most pressing were family issues and he was able to assist them.

Father Kaminski is new to Newport Township. His first impression of the area is that it is clean and well-kept. People have been friendly, reverent and respectful to him. Father Kaminski or Father Louie as he likes to be called is looking forward to spending at least six years as pastor. Holy Spirit Parish is lucky to have someone of his unique and rich experience.

Welcome to the neighborhood, Father Louie!

Church Ladies With Typewriters, Part II.

Back by popular demand and you know who you are, here are more sentences which appeared in church bulletins or were announced during church services:

1. The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.
2. This evening at 7 PM there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.
3. The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the Congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.
4. Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM. Please use the back door.
5. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
6. Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.
7. The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.
8. Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
9. Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say 'Hell' to someone who doesn't care much about you.
10. At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.
11. Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 AM. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.
12. Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
13. The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
14. Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
15. Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM - prayer and medication to follow.
16. Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Vacation Bible School

Holy Spirit Parish held its 13th annual Vacation Bible School at St. Adalbert's Church, Glen Lyon. The theme this year was "Kingdom Rock." Pictured on the right are First row: Phoebe Hillan (VBS Director), Jenna Samuels, Layla Levandowski, Isabel Henichek, Logan Burke, Ashley Brassington, Kelsey Novak (Jr. Aide), Sarah Fitzsimons (Jr. Aide), Kiera Sims, Nicholas Pote, Chet Beggs, Emersyn Brown, Taylor Thomas, Brenda Grabowski (Site Leader), Bernadine Betkowski (Kitchen Aide). Second row: Debbie Ward (Site Leader), Logan Ostopick, Jalen Buchinski, Shayne Farrell, Connor Oshinski, Christian Zaleski, MacKenzie Stratton, Aubrey Pote, Brandon Baird, Samera Buchanan, Irelyn Karnes, Debbie Reddy (Site Leader). Third Row: Jane Straub (Crew Leader), Kris Russin, Andrew Stratton, Stephen Rudawski, Jake Grabowski, Brooklyn Blank, Jaden



Burke, Tyler Skoniecki, Nina Zendarski, Sophie Lukowski, Justin Spencer, TJ Gernhart, Colleen Oshinski (Kitchen Aide). Fourth Row: Mary Ann Shemanski (Asst. Site Leader), Barbara Yacoboski (Site Leader), Aaron Miller, Jordan Spencer, Lizzie Gernhart, Lauren Rudawski, Rachel Yarosh, Jillian Smith, Arianna Piestrak, Riley Baird, Jonathan Lantz, Gabriel Josefowicz, Myla Vnuk, Braden Zaremba, Austin Blank, Bailey Gill, Mary Lou Zaleski (Site Leader), Susan Najaka (Crew Leader). Fifth Row: Robert Shemanski (Asst. Site Leader), Ben Placek (Jr. Aide), Tyler Zaremba (Jr. Aide), Justin Ostopick (Jr. Aide), Dolores Grabowski (Crew Leader), Sandy Repak (Aide), Alan Sobocinski (Crew Leader), Marissa Siepietowski (Jr. Aide), Stephen Valenti (Jr. Aide), Brandon Lantz, Chris Paczkowski (Asst. Director), Jamie Yarosh (Jr. Aide), Chaquanna Zendarski (Jr. Aide), Vanessa Tocket (Jr. Aide), Sammi Russin (Jr. Aide), Ann Marie Gorgas (Site Leader), Jack Ostopick (Jr. Aide), Nik Placek (Jr. Aide), Kyle Stratton (Jr. Aide), Doreen Spencer (Site Leader).

An Unforgettable Journey

By Tom Kashatus ~ The culmination of a trip to Florida for the U12 Luzerne County Chaos Girls' All-Star Softball Team was the opportunity to play in the Babe Ruth World Series Competition. It was the chance of a lifetime. The All-Star Team was mainly selected from the Babe Ruth South Valley League which is comprised of players from Newport Township (NT), Nanticoke City (NC), Hunlocks Township (HUT), Hanover Township (HAT), Warrior Run (WR), and Plymouth (P), Ashley (A), and Sweet Valley (SV). Most girls who play at this level of competition play softball year round, or they will compete in some other seasonal sport only to return to softball at the first opportunity. There is a great sense of togetherness as they move through their softball careers in the various age groups and even beyond high school.

After breezing through two victories in District 2 competition against the Honesdale Hornets, the Pennsylvania State Championship lay in wait. As most high school athletes can attest, a state championship is the ultimate dream, a goal of personal achievement, whether by an individual or a team. Other teams with that dream on their minds lay in wait at Downingtown, Chester County, PA. The locals faced a Spring-Ford squad from Royersford, Montgomery County, and defeated them by a score of 10 to 0. Next to fall was Stonersville from Berks County by a score of 6 to 0. Chaos then defeated Levittown, Bucks County by a score of 9 to 0, Daniel Boone, Berks County by 16 to 0 and Kimberton, Chester County, 12 to 2.

A rematch with Stonersville remained the lone obstacle to a state championship in double elimination competition. Championship fever accelerated, and Chaos created chaos with a 12 to 0 shutout over the highly touted team from Berks County.



Front row left to right: Emily Elick (HAT), Brinley Sobeck (NC), Sarah Whitesell (HAT), Madison Stashak (NT), Alesia Mangan (A), Tiffany Eustice (WR).
Second row: Tiana Wren (NT), Courtney Cragle (HUT), Morgan Bienkowski (NC), Chloe Vangorder (SV), Nikki Cragle (HUT), Jaden Belles (P), Katie Bonczewski, (HUT) & (NT).
Third row: Coaches Tim Wren (NT), Ann Elick (HAT), Ed Cragle (HUT), Kathy Cragle (HUT).

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The Babe Ruth Mid Atlantic Regional Softball Tournament was the next step for the Pennsylvania Champions where they faced four games in double elimination competition. The Rockaway Rampage of north New Jersey fell first by a score of 2 to 1. Camillus Cougars of West New York was overwhelmed by a score of 9 to 3. Mount Olive of New Jersey was shut out 2 to 0. Finally the Mid-Atlantic Championship belonged to Chaos when they defeated the Hamilton Hurricanes of south New Jersey by a score of 7 to 4.

The excitement began to build as the trip to the Babe Ruth World Series in Alachua, Florida was imminent. A winning streak of eleven games made it possible. The time had come for families and friends of the players to do their part and raise money for the trip as Babe Ruth paid only the airfare for the athletes. Also, all equipment had to be transported at the team's expense. The local community rose to the occasion and contributed over \$12,000 to the team for hotel, food and other expenses. Nineteen other teams and their families from all over the United States began the expedition to Florida. The girls will always remember the honor of playing state championships from California, Texas, Ohio, Oklahoma, North Carolina, New Hampshire, Washington, Kansas, Kentucky, and other states, not

just teams from a city or area. Timeless friendships were formed. Early on when the team entered pool play, the Luzerne County Chaos began to roll with a 1 to 0 victory over East Side of South Bend, Indiana. Lodi Extreme of Lodi, California fell next to Chaos, 11 to 0. They extended the win streak to fifteen with victories over Londonderry Lightning of Londonderry, NH and the Gilchrist Lightning of Gilchrist, FL by scores of 4 to 2 and 1 to 0 respectively. Pool play came to a close and Chaos then entered the double elimination phase of the tournament.

Their next opponent was The Top of Texas Fast Pitch of Amirillo, TX whom they defeated 1 to 0. In the second round of double elimination the Chaos took it on the chin when Pitt County GSL of Winterville, North Carolina broke the winning streak by a 1 to 11 score. Mt. Olive Marauders, who had lost earlier to Chaos in the Mid-Atlantic Tournament in a tight game, then eliminated Chaos from World Series competition by a 0 to 5 score. Chaos finished in fourth place.

What these girls accomplished is a credit to them, their families, the coaching staff, and their communities. This was a bunch of kids who accepted a challenge to succeed. They have laid the groundwork for others to follow in their footsteps.

We are proud of each and every member of the team and especially proud of those who live in Newport Township. Great job!

Glen Lyon - Lights Out

By Tom Kashatus ~ On Saturday morning August 10th, 2013, all phone and electric service in Glen Lyon was disrupted at approximately 2:15 a.m. While traveling west on Fanucci's Hill and entering town, a 2008 Dodge Avenger crossed the highway from the eastbound lane, struck two utility poles and then crashed into a 2003 Chevrolet Cavalier that was parked facing Wanamie. Both vehicles were totally demolished as the Avenger ended on its roof. The driver sustained minor injuries. An emergency response area supervised by Fire Police Officer Leonard Paczkowski was then set up on West Kirmar Parkway to inform drivers that the road was closed to traffic entering Glen Lyon due to the accident and because of dangerous hanging power lines.

At approximately 4:45, two and one half hours later, upon leaving Gentleman's Club 10, a black Ford Taurus driven by Asiana Williams with four passengers drove through the response area; this initiated a legal traffic stop by Newport Township Police Chief Jeremy Blank. At the traffic stop, a check with Luzerne County Communications revealed that the registration of the Taurus was suspended due to cancellation of insurance. Williams was told to exit the vehicle. She was then asked to and did provide Chief Blank with the names of her passengers – David Johnson Jr., right front; Rachel Henry, right rear; Attley Samuel, middle rear, and Jamal, left rear. When Chief Blank was confirming the passengers' identities, Jamal stated his name was Raquan Fuller. Upon confirming the identities with County Communications, it was determined that Raquan Fuller was not in the system. Later it was revealed that Fuller was Zireek Rahim Gardner who had a suspended license and a warrant for his arrest issued by Parole.

When ordered to step out of the vehicle, Gardner jumped into the driver's seat from the back seat. He struggled with Officer Michael Derwin, was tasered by Chief Blank, and then drove off at a high rate of speed in the direction of the previous accident where emergency and utility crews were working and where a Metrocast Communications vehicle had just arrived. Fortunately Rachel Henry exited the Taurus during the commotion at the traffic stop. The Metrocast truck with Larry Zoscin in the driver's seat was struck by the Taurus which became lodged underneath the truck. Johnson had to be extracted from the Taurus and sustained a broken palate. Attley Samuel was not injured in the accident. After exiting the Taurus, Gardner was apprehended by Chief Blank when he fell over a guard rail. He sustained a head injury and chest pains from the accident. Gardner and Johnson were transported to Geisinger Wyoming Valley Hospital. Zoscin complained of neck and back pain and was also transported to Geisinger. Medical records revealed that Gardner had amphetamine and marijuana in his system at the time of the accident and was



Top picture: The 2008 Dodge Avenger on its roof.
Bottom picture: The Taurus lodged under the Metrocast truck.

charged with sixteen violations of Commonwealth law.

Due to the accidents which resulted in the inconvenience of telephone and power outage for over twelve hours, residents of Glen Lyon and other travelers were also compelled to use Route 11 – “around the river” – or via Mocanaqua and Slocum Township – “over the mountain” as a means of traveling to or from Glen Lyon.



Taste of the Township PIZZA

By Heidi and Paul Jarecki ~ Pizza is the most popular food in America. Americans eat approximately 350 slices of pizza per second. Every man, woman and child in America eats an average of 46 slices (23 pounds) of pizza per year. Approximately 3 billion pizzas are sold in the United States annually. There are 61,269 pizzerias in this country with over 9,000 in New York alone. Pizzerias represent 17% of all restaurants. Pepperoni is America's favorite topping (36% of all pizza orders) and anchovies are the least favorite topping.

The history of pizza is not very clear. Foods similar to pizza have been prepared since the Neolithic Age (between 10,200 B.C. and 2,000 B.C.). The word "pizza" appeared for the first time in 977 in Gaeta. What we call pizza today began in the late 18th century with the use of tomato toppings. This innovation helped pizza gain in popularity.

Pizza first made its appearance in the United States with the arrival of Italian immigrants in the late 19th century and was very popular among large Italian populations in New York City, Chicago, and Philadelphia. In Chicago, street peddlers walked up and down Taylor Street and sold slices of hot pizza to pedestrians. The first American license for baking pizza was granted in 1905 to Gennaro Lombardi for his establishment on Spring Street in New York City.

Before the 1940s, pizza consumption was limited mostly to Italian immigrants and their descendants. The international breakthrough came after World War II. While occupying Italian territories, many American and European soldiers tasted pizza for the first time. It was love at first taste! It was the soldiers returning to America with their newly acquired taste that drew pizza out of the quiet Italian neighborhoods and into the mainstream all over America. The popularity of pizza grew even more in the 1950s after several celebrities of Italian descent (Jerry Colonna, Frank Sinatra, Jimmy Durante, and baseball star Joe DiMaggio) started promoting it.

Like the rest of America, pizza was and is very popular in Newport Township. We all have favorites. Those who grew up in the forties and fifties remember the square cuts made by Nardone Brothers and buying it at football and basketball games and for lunch in school. The first pizza "pie" we remember getting was from Luigi's Bar on the corner of East Main and Second Streets in Glen Lyon during the 1950's. In the 1960's the Cassollo Family opened GiGi's Pizzeria on East Main Street Glen Lyon in the former Danoff's Store. This soon became one of the teenage "hangouts" in Newport Township. Also, Zubritski's Café in Wanamie made wonderful pizza. Mrs. Matilda Zubritski had a technique of frying it on top of the stove rather than baking it in

an oven. In the 1980s, Billy's Pizza opened on East Main Street in Glen Lyon in the former Wytoshek's Grocery Store. More recently, there was Tarnowski's Deli on West Main Street in Glen Lyon. No food tasted better than their large pizzas with extra cheese. Today, the establishments in Newport Township where pizza is available are the American Legion on Newport Street, the newly reopened Lyon's Den and the Coal Miners Kitchen, all in Glen Lyon, and the Parkway Inn on Kirmar Parkway in Alden.

Those of you who are adventurous enough to make your own pizza can try this recipe. Be aware though that making good pizza can be tricky. It is an art, and not as easy as one might think. Good luck!

MAKING THE DOUGH

1. Mix 1 teaspoon of fresh yeast in a small amount of warm water and wait for it to bubble. This means the yeast is active.
2. Mix 2 3/4 cups of high gluten flour, a dash of olive oil, a pinch of salt, 2 tablespoons of sugar, and 1 teaspoon of baking soda in a bowl. Add the yeast mixture. Then add 1 cup of ice cold water. The only place we have found high gluten flour locally is at Keyco Distributors in Hanover Township. You can also get it from the King Arthur Flour Company in Vermont, phone number 800-827-6836 or online at kingarthurfour.com.
3. Knead dough in mixer with a dough hook for about 15 minutes. A heavy duty mixer is recommended.
4. Cover the bowl with a damp cloth and let the dough rise for about 4 hours. Then roll it out in a thin circle. It takes a lot of practice to stretch the dough by throwing it up in the air. We don't recommend this unless you want to peel the dough off the ceiling or floor!
5. Grease a pizza pan with olive oil, peanut oil, or butter. Gently pull out dough to the edge of the pan and make an edge so the sauce stays on the pizza. Place it in a preheated 350 degree oven right above the heating coils. Take it out when dough is baked well enough to lift off the pan.

MAKING THE PIZZA

1. Turn the oven up to 500 degrees and heat a pizza stone for one hour. A pizza needs a very hot surface to bake evenly and quickly.
2. Spread a layer of shredded cheddar cheese on the baked dough.
3. Pour a can of pizza sauce on the cheddar layer. Don't be stingy with the sauce. Of course, you can make your own sauce. There are many recipes out there.
4. Put a layer of shredded mozzarella on and then any toppings you like.
5. Slide the pizza off the pan and place directly on the heated stone and bake until cheese melts (about 15 minutes). Then take out and let cool.



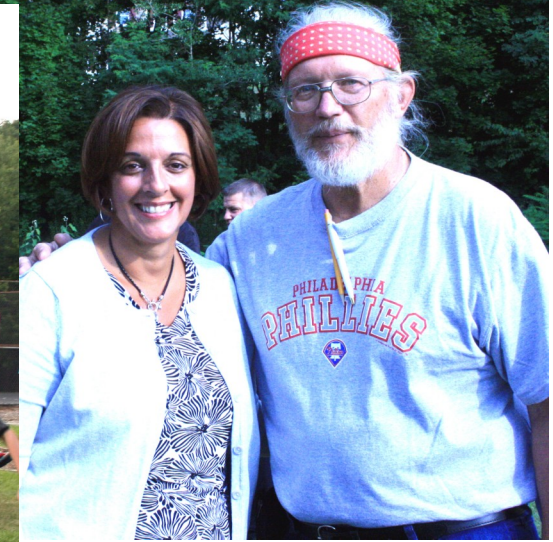
Pizza baking on a pizza stone in a 500 degree oven.

We'd like to hear from anybody out there who would like to submit their tried and true pizza recipes! Jim Zubritski, are you listening?

NTCO 2014 CALENDAR

The 2014 Calendar is now available at \$10.00, \$12.00 if mailed. It features historical pictures of the Township, such as the Sheatown Ramblers. Contact Heidi and Paul Jarecki if you wish to purchase one.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AT THE WANAMIE RECREATION PARK AUGUST 6



Pictured above left to right are: Cindy Vough, Community Liaison for State Senator John Yudichak and Tom Kashatus, member of the Glen Lyon Crime Watch and First Vice President of the NTCO.



National Night Out was held at the Recreation Park in Wanamie on August 6. Sponsored by the Glen Lyon Crime Watch, it is an annual event to bring attention to the development of community and local police partnerships to deter crime in our neighborhoods. Luzerne County District Attorney Stephanie Salvanis, pictured top right, spoke on the impact made by crime watch groups. Newport Township Commissioners John Zyla, John Wilkes, and Jack Vishnefski also attended. Police Chief Jeremy Blank gave a presentation to the children about gun safety.

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COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION NIGHT AT THE RAILRIDERS GAME AUGUST 17



The Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders, the AAA affiliate of the New York Yankees, has a "Community Organization of the Night" program which is intended to help publicize the work of volunteer groups in our area. The NTCO was selected to participate on August 17. In the photo above left are Heidi Jarecki and Palmira Miller. In the photo above right is Steve Phillip being interviewed on the field by the RailRiders emcee. To the left are three pictures showing NTCO members and friends enjoying the game.



Shown in the photo directly above is Palmira Gregory Miller, who had the honor of throwing out the first pitch. The photo below shows Tom Kashatus in the Fox Sports Radio broadcast booth with one of the announcers. Tom had a live interview during the third inning.

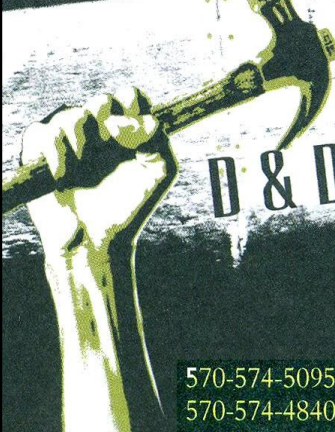


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Summer Fun At The Pool

By *Palmira Gregory Miller* ~ The Newport Township Community Organization sponsored two Summer Fun events at the Pat "Tiger" Denoy Swimming Pool in Mocanaqua. The first event was held on July 31st with fifty children and twenty-nine adults in attendance. NTCO provided the entrance fee, fresh fruit in the morning and a hot dog for lunch. Utz and Herr's donated chips, and Pepsi donated soda.



The second event was held August 21st with forty-six children and twenty-six adults in attendance. Again, NTCO provided the entrance fee, fresh fruit in the morning, pizza from Corner Pocket Pizza, and drinks. Wise donated a variety of chips. The Newport Township Women's Activity Group purchased and distributed back-to-school supplies to the children along with bags of candy at the end of the event. A good time was had by all!





Najaka's Pond in 1940...



...and in 2013

Najaka's Pond

By Bruno "Buddy" Najaka, Susan Najaka, and Heidi Jarecki ~ Najaka's Pond is located in the village of Lee in the southwestern portion of Newport Township. The pond is fed by springs and run-off from Kielar's Lake up above. In 1935, Bruno (Bebe) and his wife Josephine Kovalski Najaka opened an Atlantic gas station adjacent to the pond. That same year, Bruno decided to install a dam and work commenced with the help of his father Ignatz and brothers Stanley, Leonard, Ben, Zig, Andy, and other volunteers, such as Nick Billings. They worked on the parapets (at a 90 degree angle) that were backed up with earthen fill. The Gurneri Company in Nanticoke was retained to build the concrete wall. The work was completed in 1936. The depth of the spillway was nine feet and the rest of the pond was six feet or less.

Four years later in 1939, Bruno converted the gas station into a restaurant. It was advertised as Lee-Y-Inn, and then became popularly known as Bebe's.

It could be said that Bruno and Josephine were early environmentalists and entrepreneurs. They built an ice house and during the winter months, harvested ice for refrigeration to service the neighborhood. It became a popular place for ice skating and impromptu hockey games. Several ice skating clubs from Wilkes-Barre and Nanticoke took advantage of the open invitation. At least one marriage is credited to Najaka's Pond. The Mocanaqua teachers often skated there and one of them was Joe Ciampi. He met his future wife, Helen Najaka one winter afternoon. Karl (Chuck) Najaka who lived nearby remembers "trying" to play hockey with his buddies Paul Selecky and Richie Sokolnicki using a ball for a puck and tree branches for hockey sticks. Bonfires in the shanty kept everyone warm.

In the summer months, fishing was common and it became the "swimming hole" for Glen Lyon and Lee. Clambakes were well-attended in the nearby grove. The Italian Club in Glen Lyon held its family picnic there each year. Band entertainment was provided on Sunday afternoons and evenings during the week. The restaurant was famous for its chicken dinners and many wedding receptions took place there. It was busy no matter what the season was. After Bruno and Josie passed away, the property went to their two children, Buddy and Charlotte. For a short time, Uncle Andrew Najaka helped run the business with the children.

In 1952 or 1955, the business was sold to Vito and Josephene Deluca who had moved back to the area from Detroit and was re-named Vito's Hideaway. Swimmers and ice skaters were still welcome, and many teenagers "hung out" to while away a summer or winter afternoon. The Red Cross offered swimming lessons at the pond to children up until the late 1950's.

In 1961, it became known as Chopak's when Paul and Hannah

Chopak assumed ownership. They kept the business until the early '90s. The property is now owned by Danny Williams.

Najaka's Pond can be found on the U.S. Geological Survey's topographical map of the Nanticoke Quadrangle.



The NTCO is offering for sale its newest historic wooden miniature, Najaka's Pond in Lee, as shown above. It depicts a winter night scene with a full moon lighting the ice for the skaters. The miniature measures 7 1/2 inches long and 4 inches high. It can be purchased at the Variety Stop on East Main Street, Glen Lyon or by contacting Heidi Jarecki at 570-736-6782 or her email at hselecky@pa.metrocast.net. This is the fifth in a series of miniatures, the others being Newport Township High School in Wanamie, the Alden Coal Company Store and Office, the Glen Lyon Breaker and St. Stanislaus Orphanage in Sheatown. All miniatures are designed by the Cat's Meow and are available for \$15.00 each, \$18.00 if they are shipped. Please make checks out to "NTCO" and mail it to: 28 West Main Street, Glen Lyon, PA 18617.



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Joe Tereshinski in the late 1940's as a Washington Redskin

JOE TERESHINSKI AND HIS LEGACY

By Debbie Prokopf, with additional material by Heidi Jarecki ~ Joe Tereshinski's story begins with his father, Wladislaw Taraczinski, later Tereshinski. Wladislaw was born in Juzefu, Poland and was determined to make a better life for himself. He came to the United States in 1907 when he was only fifteen. Initially, he landed a job working on a ship doing whatever needed to be done. The ship took him to Charleston, then Mobile and New Orleans. While working on the ship, he changed his name to Walter. Whether he made the change himself or the men he worked with changed it for him is not known.

Eventually he turned to coal mining. He found Glen Lyon and began working in the coal fields. (How anyone manages to find these locales is beyond me!) There he met Sophia Radzinski and in 1913 they married. Before you knew it, they had eight children to support: Peter, May, Ray, Tom, Joe, Eleanor, and the twins Paul and Pauline. Not only did Walter set an example of working hard for his immediate family but also for generations to come.

At least two of the boys in the Tereshinski family, Tom and Joe, displayed athletic ability. Tom attended Newport High School and Dickinson Seminary, which later became Lycoming College. He presumably played football before being offered an athletic scholarship to Western Maryland College, now known as McDaniel College in Westminster, MD. He was nicknamed "Terry" and later became a teacher and coach. He was inducted into the Green Terror Sports Hall of Fame in 1996. Joe, born in 1923, got his start in football playing on a youth team sponsored by St. Adalbert's Church in the 1930's. He then played for Newport High School

under Coach Clem Rogowicz, graduating in 1941. He also played basketball. He continued his athletic career at the University of Georgia and then played professional football for the Washington Redskins. Only the oldest brother, Peter, followed his father's footsteps into the coal mines.

Joe might have played his college ball at the Citadel in South Carolina instead of Georgia, had it not been for a slip-up. Kingston High Coach Joe McCracken, who had coached at the Citadel, had a star linebacker named Andy Victor on his team. The Citadel had gotten wind of the talent that was coming out of northeastern Pennsylvania. McCracken agreed to assemble two station wagons-full of the greatest talent in Wyoming Valley at that time and bring them down to the Citadel for recruitment. Unfortunately (or perhaps, fortunately) he left without Joe Tereshinski.

So how did Joe end up at Georgia?

A high school referee named John "Zip" Bryan had officiated at several Newport football games. Despite his scrawny build, Tereshinski stood out with his toughness. "Zip" spoke to Harold Ketron, a former legendary Georgia player who was head of the Coca Cola Company in eastern Pennsylvania about Joe. "Zip" was known to have a good eye for football talent. Ketron also officiated at high school games and recruited players for Georgia.

One night, Joe's father Walter was entertaining some friends and sent Joe out to purchase two cases of beer. When he returned home, his mother told him there were some coaches in the living room who wanted to talk to him. Before going into the living room, Joe put on two bulky sweaters underneath the jacket he was wearing. When he entered, he found Harold Ketron, Wally Butts, head coach of the Georgia Bulldogs, J.B. Whitworth, the line coach, and former Georgia quarterback Bill Hartman, who had spent 1938 as a quarterback for the Washington Redskins. Coach Butts asked Joe how much he weighed. Before Joe could answer, Ketron immediately replied "186 pounds." Joe did not correct him. He actually weighed 165.

During high school, Joe was selected to play in the 1941 Anthracite Bowl and this started him down the road to many a bowl game. In his freshman year at Georgia, he played in the Rose Bowl, in which Georgia defeated UCLA. His college career was interrupted by World War II. When Joe signed the contract with the Bulldogs, he also signed up for ROTC. He, along with several teammates, joined the Army. Upon returning to Georgia, he lettered in 1945 and played in the Oil Bowl. The following year, he was a starter. The 1946 team went undefeated and won a national championship, beating North Carolina in the Sugar Bowl. In 1947, he participated in the College All-Star Game, in which the All-Stars defeated the NFL Champion Chicago Bears.

While at Georgia, Joe roomed with Charlie Trippi, another local stand-out from Pittston, for two years. Trippi said of him: "Joe's greatest attributes as a football player were consistency and toughness. He was one of the hardest-nosed players I ever saw in college (or) pro football." Charlie was inducted into both the College Football Hall of Fame and the Pro Football Hall of Fame after a remarkable career with the Chicago Cardinals. Joe played with many well-known football players through the course of his career.

After completing his degree in business administration, Joe married his college sweetheart, Martha Walraven. They had three children, Ada the oldest and only daughter, and two sons Joe Jr. and Wally. Martha died in 1956 and Joe raised his three children by himself until 1959, when he met and later married Gertrude Manelski.

From 1947 to 1954, Joe played end, defensive end and linebacker for the Washington Redskins. He was picked in the thirteenth round of draft selection. Out of twenty nine players selected by the Redskins that year, only one made it on the team: Joe Tereshinski.

As previously mentioned, Joe played with a few famous ball players while with the Redskins: Al DeMao from Pennsylvania and Sammy Baugh, a legendary quarterback, punter and defensive back. Joe played

until 1954 when he retired because of an injury. He then served as assistant coach for about five years with the Redskins. When he retired from coaching, he remained active with the Redskins Alumni Association and the Touchdown Club, along with other players from the 1950's, such as Casimir "Slug" Witucki (Indiana) and Pat Heenan (Notre Dame).

Back then, football players were not paid the huge salaries they are today. During the offseason, many worked odd jobs. Joe worked part-time for Jack Blank Pontiac, an automobile dealership in the D.C. area. Later he was offered a full-time position, which he held for twenty years. He then worked for his friend and neighbor Neil O'Brien at O'Brien Rohall Lincoln Mercury in Arlington Virginia.

In 1955, Joe asked John "Tree" Adams, a former Redskins colleague, to build a three-bedroom home in a new development, Kenwood Park, in Bethesda, Maryland. Joe hatched an idea to plant cherry trees along the streets in Kenwood Park, as he and his family were its first residents. The Park Association has held Halloween parties for the neighborhood children since 1957,

another Tereshinski idea.

Back to football. Both of Joe's sons continued the Tereshinski legacy. Joe Jr. played at St John's High School in Washington, D.C. where he was a four-year starter and an all-Met selection. Wally, named for Wally Butts, Joe's coach at Georgia, played at Georgetown Prep in Bethesda. They both attended the University of Georgia. Joe was starting center for Georgia's 1975 Cotton Bowl team and the 1976 SEC Championship Sugar Bowl team. He was also offensive captain. He has served as assistant coach for Georgia since 1982. Wally was starting tight end on the 1976 Bulldogs' team. Joe's grandson, Joseph III, continued the family tradition at Georgia. He played quarterback until an injury sidelined him. His younger brother John played tight end at Wake Forest University. Joe III was the third generation of football players of the same name at the same school.

Joe Tereshinski passed away on June 9, 2013 at the age of 89. Wladislav and Sophia would have been proud.

Sources: "The Oldest Living Redskin Legend;" Citizen's Voice Obituary notice, June, 2013; Football Standout's Life Cut Short, Citizen's Voice, June, 2013 and various websites.



Zeno, the Shoemaker



73 West Main Street as it appears today

Zeno's Shoe Repair

By Armand Minuti and Heidi Jarecki ~ Back in the days when coal mining was the main employment in Newport Township, many different types of businesses thrived. There were restaurants, bakeries, dry goods stores, soda fountains, and the like. Most coal companies established a "Company Store" which had a monopoly on certain items. Miners and laborers were required to purchase their equipment at the Company Store, things like shovels, lamps, and pick-axes, and the purchases would be charged against their paychecks.

These items were heavily used and were not inexpensive. Belts and boots were worn daily, and keeping them in good condition was the job of the neighborhood shoemakers. There were three shoemakers in Glen Lyon at the same time: Mamello's, Kotecki's, and Zeno's. Ziggy's on East Main Street came a bit later. Zeno's Shoe Repair was located at 73 West Main Street, and it was a busy place.

Zeno was born in Cagli (Marche) Italy, pre-1900. He arrived in the United States in 1912, along with his father Mario and mother Virginia. Family members had preceded them and they found their way to Glen Lyon. Mario started the shoe repair business and Zeno took it over. The shop was on the first floor and the family lived upstairs. Next door was Zeno's sister Jenny Luzi and her husband Alesso.

Zeno served in the U.S. Army in World War I. He then married Anita whom he had met in Italy in about 1928. They had two sons, Mario and Armand. About the shoe repair business, Armand recalls: "There wasn't much shoe construction, only repairs. Periodically there would be modifications for orthopedic lifts prescribed by Dr. Stapinski or Dr. Kielar. Miners' work belts were sold and repaired. My brother Mario and I were helpers in the shop. He learned to do the repairing, but I only did final finishing. There was a shoe shine stand in the shop and he and I earned 15 cents for a shoe shining. Friday and Saturday evenings were our busy times. I had to be really careful with the shoe polish when a guy was wearing white socks. During and after World War II, surplus Army boots were on sale. They were shoes worn by GI's during basic training. The shop was open from morning until after supper. Evening hours were for light work and conversation with Dad's cronies and our neighbors, the Shemanski brothers. Dad was an opera fan and he listened to the Metropolitan Opera broadcast (from New York City) every Saturday afternoon."

When Zeno passed away in 1958, his wife Anita sold the repair machines and closed the shop. The following year, the local mines shut down due to flooding caused by the Knox Mine Disaster.

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Seated are Mascot Paul Noss and Bat Boy Stanley Stashik.

Kneeling from the left are Manager Al Noss, Mike Stashik, Joe Betkoski, Stanley Makowski, Bob Duliba, Jerry Petro, "Chick" Domzalski, and Clem Kovalich.

Standing from the left are Ray Noss, Joe Bendock Sr., Ed Harcharik, Mike Yurchak, Stanley Gayewski, Ed Yeninas, Conrad Kornoski, Joe Bendock Jr., Bruno Shemanski, Tom Tarnowski, and Tad Tarnowski.

1953 GLEN LYON ATHLETIC CLUB WINS BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

The Road to a Championship

By Paul Jarecki ~ Baseball has always been very popular in Newport Township through the years and teams from Glen Lyon, Alden, Wanamie, and Sheatown all won league championships. This year marks the 60th anniversary of the last baseball championship won by a Glen Lyon baseball team. In 1953 the Glen Lyon A.C. competed in the Wyoming Valley Central League. During the regular season Glen Lyon took a hard-fought third place finish and entered the playoffs with Hunlock Creek, Sugar Notch, and Mountain Top. In the first round, Glen Lyon opposed Hunlock Creek in a three-game series, starting on September 21st. Glen Lyon had been idle for a few weeks while Hunlock Creek advanced into the playoffs by defeating Sweet Valley. Manager Al Noss of Glen Lyon drilled his boys the week prior to the Hunlock Creek series and reported that the team was in tip-top shape.

Hunlock Creek won the first game, 4-3. The Hunlock squad gathered 12 hits to only six for Glen Lyon. "Kemmer" Kovalich had two hits for Glen Lyon, including a home run. Mike Yurchak pitched the entire game for Glen Lyon and took the loss while Wolfe was the winning pitcher. In game two on September 28th, Bob "Bugsy" Duliba took the mound for Glen Lyon while Sorber started for Hunlock Creek. Duliba had just returned from a stint with St. Joseph, Missouri, a Saint Louis Cardinals farm team in the Western International League where he was victorious in fifteen games. Duliba held Hunlock Creek to five hits, while fanning nine, in a 7-4 victory. "Joe Bet" Betkoski led Glen Lyon with three hits and Conrad Kornoski and Clem Kovalich had two apiece. Kovalich hit another home run. In the third game on October 5th Glen Lyon won 9-2. Duliba held Hunlock Creek in check on seven hits while his teammates erupted for twelve hits. Betkoski and "Zek" Gayewski led Glen Lyon with three hits apiece while "Chuck" Stashik and "Big Mack" Makowski had two each.

In a league meeting on October 4th it was decided that the semi-final winners would play a single-game final for League honors on October 12th. That would pit Glen Lyon against Sugar Notch who qualified for the finals by swamping Mountain Top in two straight

games. Again, Duliba was given the ball by Manager Noss as Warka took the mound for the "Notchers." It was the tight pitching of Duliba that squeaked out a 6-4 victory for Glen Lyon. Makowski and Noss had three hits apiece for the victors. Mike Stashik scored three runs, Betkoski had two, and "Chick" Domzalski had one. Thusly, Glen Lyon AC were Champions of the Central League.

On October 12, Glen Lyon accepted a challenge from the Brookside Yanks, champions of the Wyoming League, to a one-game playoff to determine the Wyoming Valley Championship. The game would be played on Sunday, October 17 at Hollenback Park in the North End section of Wilkes Barre, home field of the Brookside Yanks. Two of the finest pitchers in Luzerne County would eventually face each other – Bob Duliba of Glen Lyon and "Bozo" Connor who hurled the Yanks to victories over Miners Mills in the championship series of the Wyoming Valley League. Glen Lyon was off to a 2-run start in the first inning. In the second inning Brookside scored three runs to take a 3-2 lead. In the third inning, Glen Lyon responded with three more runs to take a 5-3 lead. Glen Lyon added runs in the 5th and 7th innings to eventually gain a 7-5 victory. Duliba gave up eight hits but kept them scattered. Tondora and T. J. Jasonis banged out triples for the losers and Kushner clouted a home run. Tondora played with Superior, Wisconsin, of the Northern League and Jasonis played minor league ball in the Kitty League. Makowski and Duliba led the winners with two hit apiece while Stashik, Betkoski, Kovalich, Noss, and Kornoski had one hit each.

Glen Lyon AC Baseball Championship Run

By Tom Kashatus ~ I would like to dedicate my research and contribution to this article in honor of the late Tad Tarnowski. Tad was the backbone of this venture and a testament to the teammates and support staff of the Glen Lyon Athletic Club.

Historically, the greatness of the 1953 Glen Lyon AC lies in the fact that this team was the last "true" Glen Lyon baseball team to claim a Wyoming Valley championship and the prestige that goes with it. The aging generation of the WW II-era Glen Lyon Condors came to realize the culmination of their careers had come to pass and a new generation saw an opening for glory on the baseball diamond. The rebuilding began in 1952 with Tom Tarnowski and Stanley Makowski leading the way with "new blood" on the field at Weinick Park. These were players who had recently finished high school and played on the Newport Township High School "52" team. Throw in some "old timers" like

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“Kemmer” Kovalich, “Mutt” Yeninas, “Soupy” Noss, Ed Harcharik and the nucleus for a new hybrid baseball team was born. All good teams need a solid backbone of personnel to get off the ground and President Tad Tarnowski was there to provide the leadership and raise the necessary resources. Tom Tarnowski assumed the General Manager position. Bruno Shemanski avidly became the Ticket Manager and Joe Bendock Sr. was put in charge of concessions. Ray Noss was groundskeeper and kept Weinick Park in top shape throughout the season. The young ball club in the Central League of Wyoming Valley wanted to play under the name of the Glen Lyon Condors. However, due to past animosities with the “Old” Condors, the Central League President refused to let that happen. Thusly, the Glen Lyon AC, rising from the ashes of the once powerful Glen Lyon Condors, became a phoenix and brought honor and respect to themselves and the residents of Glen Lyon. Joe Betkoski’s statement pretty well sums up the team’s journey that championship season: “The team was a good combination of several age groups and talent which had a silent confidence to perform to the best of its ability each and every game during the season. The level of performance was heightened by the outstanding pitching of Bob Duliba during the post-season games - ultimately leading to the Wyoming Valley Championship of Luzerne County.”

Joseph “Joe Bet” Betkoski: Intensity has always driven “Joe Bet” throughout his life in tasks he has undertaken – especially on the baseball diamond. Do you want to talk baseball? Joe can go on for hours without let-up. There is no doubt that Joe was a catalyst on that “53” team on and off the field. Joe always felt it was important as to “who the team was: Glen Lyon players, who they represented: Glen Lyon, and that is the undeniable social symbolic brand that you wear on your sleeve.” Joe has kept his relics from that championship season – socks, spikes, trophy, baseball glove, and jacket. After high school Joe attended and graduated from college at Cambridge Springs, PA. He played baseball and was captain of the team in his senior year. Later, his career took him to Kent, Ohio, where he was appointed Director of Finance and subsequently elected to two four-year terms. He was there during the turbulent year of the Kent State student massacre when Viet Nam was the “hot” political issue. Joe also takes pride in his years as a Little League Coach.

Stanley “Mack” Makowski: Stan has always appreciated the camaraderie of that championship team. He stated that “the celebration after the Brookside victory became so wild that some players didn’t know how they made it home.” He later played baseball while stationed with the Army in Germany for eighteen months – a sixty game schedule. Locally he later played on championship teams for Hanover Township and Buttonwood in the Wyoming League. Stan was a maintenance supervisor for Knaar Corporation, Sandvick Steel and Crestwood School District. He managed the Crestwood Comets to a Wyoming Valley AA baseball championship in 1985 and was designated “Coach of the Year.”

Joe “Cashew” Bendock: Prior to the Hunlock Creek game, Joe overheard “Bugsy” ask his catcher “Karney” who the toughest hitter in the line-up was. When told it was the first baseman, Bugsy’s first pitch to him was tight and inside – a brush-back. The big first baseman was done for the rest of the playoffs.

Tom Tarnowski: Tom remembers the deliberations to get Bob Duliba on the team for the playoffs. One of the key moves was a result of “Sonny” Domzalski’s commitment to the Coast Guard which created an opening for a substitute player during the playoffs – and that would be Duliba. Tom’s memory also travels back to 1952 when Newport played Nanticoke and the scouts came to observe Stanley Makowski who swung a hot bat for Newport. Instead

they saw Duliba throw twenty-plus strikeouts in the game which resulted in a contract with the St. Louis Cardinals. During his boyhood Tom was a batboy for the Glen Lyon Condors and remains a lifelong diehard fan of the New York Yankees and New York Mets.

Paul Noss: At the age of ten Paul shared the duties of Bat Boy and Ball Chaser with Stanley Stashak and remembers the excitement of the long season and playoffs. He went to games with his Grand Pop Ray Noss and father, manager Al Noss. Paul played baseball throughout his youth and later some local softball. He retired as a principal from the Crestwood School District in Mountain Top.

Clem “Kemmer” Kovalich: Clem entered the Army after high school, later went to college, and retired from IBM in Oswego, NY. He played some softball, but remembered his roots when asked about playing for the Glen Lyon A. C. Prior to the Wyoming Valley championship game, he knew Brookside had some ringers but became fascinated watching the huge crowd assemble. No one in the league could hit a ball harder and farther than “Kemmer” Kovalich. Clem signed a contract to play for the New York Giants and played some minor league baseball.

Edward “Sonny” Domzalski: In 1953, Ed was playing a 106-game baseball season with the Coast Guard as a pitcher and Manager Al Noss would call him from Glen Lyon to see if he could come in and pitch an inning or two or at least bat in a game to keep his eligibility for the playoffs. After his discharge from the Coast Guard, Ed received a Business Administration Degree from Rollins College, Winter Park, FL. He worked for Knaar Corporation, Interstate Brands, and Reilly Plating in personnel management, as well as consulting for a few years in Florida. He played local baseball for Buttonwood, Hanover Township, Glen Lyon Kanadians, Dorrance, Ashley, and West Side of Nanticoke. “Sonny” has many fond baseball memories of his life-long friends on the local sandlots. He also remembers his brother Gene’s career with the New York Yankee system during the era of Mantle, Maris, Ford, Berra, etc.

Bob “Bugsy” Duliba: Bob had a great year pitching in the St. Louis Cardinals minor league system and looked forward to playing in the local playoffs with his former classmates and the younger players who just graduated. Later on, Bob managed baseball teams at Wilkes University, King’s College, and coached high school baseball at Wyoming Area. He is a former Marine and was selected to the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame.

John Kashatus Jr.: As an eleven year old fan who attended all the playoff games of the local A. C., Kashatus still vividly remembers “Chick” Domzalski chasing a fly ball that soared over his head destined for a home run and ending up in Mill Creek. A tremendous effort to retrieve the ball by Domzalski who was ankle deep in water led to a series of relays with the hitter being called out on close plays at the plate. Coach Kashatus managed baseball teams at Greater Nanticoke Area High School and for American Legion baseball of Nanticoke Post 350.



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Nominees should demonstrate highly developed voluntary community service to the Township and its residents on a continuing and consistent basis or on a one-time project basis. Individuals and organizations are eligible. Nominations can be submitted in the form of a brief essay and mailed to Heidi Jarecki, NTCO, 110 1/2 Railroad Ave. Wanamie, Nanticoke, PA 18634 or you can email essay to hselecky@pa.metrocast.net. For detailed information go to the home page on: www.newporttownship.com and click on "2013 CITIZENSHIP AWARD." Deadline for submission is October 31st. The recipient(s) will be honored at the annual dinner meeting in December which is open to the public.

**NEWPORT TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION
ITEMS FOR SALE**

Newport Memorabilia! NTCO is offering for sale historic wooden miniatures of the Alden Coal Company Office and Store, Newport Township High School, the Glen Lyon Breaker, St. Stanislaus Ophanage and Najaka's Pond in Lee. Also two DVDs with a total of 1600 historical pictures (sold separately). All are available for \$15.00 each, \$18.00 if they are shipped.

2013 Calendars are also in stock priced at \$10.00 with postage of \$2.00 if mailed. The new 2014 Calendars are also available.

Newport Pride! NTCO is offering for sale adjustable Newport Township **baseball hats** (both structured and non-structured) at \$12.00, **tee shirts** for \$10.00, **long-sleeved tees** for \$12.00, **sweat-shirts** for \$18.00 and **hooded sweatshirts** for \$20.00, sizes S to 2x. Sizes larger than 2x can be ordered for an extra \$2.00. Custom orders for **zippered hoodies** can be taken at \$30.00 each. The hats are red with black lettering and the tees and sweatshirts are a light grey. Add \$3.00 per item for shipping. Please make checks out to "NTCO." Items can be purchased at the Variety Stop on East Main Street, Glen Lyon or by contacting Heidi Jarecki at 570-736-6782 email hselecky@pa.metrocast.net. For detailed information go to: www.newporttownship.com and click on "Memorabilia".

**NEWPORT TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION
MEETINGS**

NTCO meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm at the Guardian Elder Care in Sheatown. This entity invites you to attend, share your ideas and develop new programs to benefit Newport Township.

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