A Quarterly Newsletter for the Retirees of Lycoming County

READY...SET...RETIRE!

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7TH ANNUAL COUNTY RETIREE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

You and a guest are invited to our 7th Annual Holiday Buffet Luncheon for Lycoming County Retirees on Tuesday, December 11, 2012, 11:30 a.m. at the Villa Restaurant, 2016 East Third Street, Williamsport. Cost: \$10 per person.

- Instead of canned goods this year, we ask that you bring a CASH donation that will be donated to a local food pantry.
- Please mail your check and the completed reservation form (below)
 by: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26

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County Retiree Holiday Celebration - 12	2/11	/12
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Mail to: Lycoming County Human Resources - Retiree Holiday Party 48 West Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701

Your Name	
Guest's Name	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$	(\$10 per person)

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO: Lycoming County Retirees

MINUTES OF MEMBERSHIP MEETING-PICNIC AUGUST 14, 2012

Officers present: Alice Bair - Chairman Barb Thomas - Treasurer

Esther Cohick - Secretary

There were 30 members and guests present at the Lycoming County Retirees Meeting/Picnic this year again by invitation at Russ & Marie Reitz's farm "Gracious Meadows" on Tuesday, August 14, 2012, at 11:30 A.M. Russ Reitz gave the invocation and read a beautiful poem.

Minutes from June 14th were read by secretary and approved by members present. Treasurer's report by Barb Thomas which included paying for mailing of newsletter. The last bus trip cost was covered by persons going on the trip. Motion made by Jerry Walls to accept treasurer's report and members present approved.

There will be a postcard mailing for the next meeting, 2nd Thursday in October (10-11-12) for dues paying and posted online. Meeting to be held at Perkins.

There were several cards circulated for members in distress (Ralph Lukens—flood victim) and (Ray Holland—recent eye surgery) and a THANK YOU to the Reitz's for their hospitality.

Motion made by Barb Hall and seconded by Scott Thomas to donate \$375.00 Ralph Lukens from the retirees fund - all present approved. Barb Thomas will take care of this from the group.

Another bus trip to the casino will be in October.

Richard Wehler made motion to adjourn and seconded by all others present.

Respectfully submitted, Esther Crawford Cohick, SECY.

A delicious meal of London Broil, Corn-on-the-cob, Baked Potatoes, Salads (with Marie's special dressing) Beverages and Desserts, was enjoyed by all.

MINUTES OF MEMBERSHIP MEETING OCTOBER 11, 2011

Officers present: Alice Bair – Chair

Barb Thomas, Treasurer

Retirees of Lycoming County

Perkins Restaurant

31 members and guests present

Alice called meeting to order. No secretary's report – approved as published (R. Lukens/R. Wehler)

Treasurer's report: Balance of \$891.79 after all bills paid. Picnic expenses were \$115.97.

Thank you notes received from Ralph Lukens and Ray Holland.

Patty Fawber reported on the Christmas party to be held again at the Villa on December 11, 2012 at 11:30am. It will be \$10.00 per person. The Christmas newsletter will be sent to all retirees as many like to attend this event. (Wehler/M Sockman). Also, monetary donations will be collected at this meeting for the local food bank.

Bus trip: Alice reported that as of today we have 37 people going to Mohegan Sun. We only need 3 more to break even.

A bus survey was passed out for those present to give feedback on future bus trips. It will also go to those who will be on the trip on Oct 25th and also to others who have gone on trips in the past.

Meeting adjourned (Lukens/Wehler).

Barb Thomas, Acting Secretary

CONGRATULATIONS NEW RETIREES



William Hyde
(RMS)
retired on 11/1/12
after over 8 of
service to the county



Connie Turner (911 Communications) will retire on 12/21/12 after over 33 years of service to the county



Tim Nelson (Sheriff Dept) will retire on 12/17/12 after over 32 years of service to the county



Stephen Vail
(PRC)
will retire on 12/28/12
after over 31 years of
service to the county



Mildred Fiester
(PRC)
will retire on 12/29/12
after over 27 of
service to the county

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From the Lycoming County

Controllers Office...

REMINDER: Please notify the Controller's Office –Krista Rogers (phone) 570-327-2300, e-mail krogers@lyco.org or Miriam Miller (phone) 570-327-2298, e-mail mmiller@lyco.org if you change your address or phone number, or if you would like us to have your e-mailto:address please send us that information also. If you change your bank that your pension is direct deposited into please contact us for instructions to set up your new account for your direct deposit, and we ask that you do not close your old account until your pension payment is deposited into your new account. If you would like to change your "Federal Income Tax Deduction" election for 2013 please contact our office for a new W-4 form, thank you.

FIRE SAFETY

This year the time change is on November 4 and it also marks the 25th anniversary of the annual Change Your Clock Change Your Battery® program. Energizer and the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) are once again working with local fire departments nationwide to raise awareness on the importance of working smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors in helping to keep families safe in their homes.



Thirty-eight percent of fatal fire injuries occur in homes with no smoke alarms, while 24 percent occur in homes in which at least one smoke alarm is present but fails to operate, frequently due to dead or missing batteries.*

Visit the Energizer Bunny Facebook page and click on the Fire Safety Info Tab. Here you will have the chance to enter a sweepstakes to win an additional Family Safety Kit. Energizer will be giving away one Family Safety Kit per day for 25 days. Contained in the kit, valued at more than \$150 is:

- · One Reusable Grocery Tote
- Two Kidde Battery-Operated Combination Carbon Monoxide and Smoke Alarms
- One package of Energizer Advanced Lithium batteries
- One package of Energizer® MAX® Batteries with Power Seal Technology
- · Two Energizer flashlights
- Two Energizer Flameless Wax Candles
- One Energizer Bunny Plush Bunny

In addition you can find fire safety tips, a home escape plan that you can download and draw your family's home escape plan, as well as a coloring and activity sheet.

ABBEY TALES



The chipmunks like to play hide and seek! Oops, I don't know how to put the rocks back (it is easy to dig them out) in the fire ring

When it is time to stack wood I am always there to help.

All that work makes a girl tired!





I am ready for the Halloween Party!



Now summer is over but in April I can do it all over again...

Pumpkin - Oatmeal Raisin Cookies

Submitted by Nancy Stugart

Ingredients

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/3 cups quick or old-fashioned oats
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter or margarine, softened
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 cup pumpkin
- 1 large egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 3/4 cup chopped walnuts
- 3/4 cup raisins



Directions

Preheat oven to 350° F. Lightly grease baking sheets.

Combine: flour, oats, baking soda, cinnamon and salt in medium bowl. Beat butter, brown sugar and granulated sugar in large mixer bowl until light and fluffy. Add pumpkin, egg and vanilla extract; mix well. Add flour mixture; mix well. Stir in nuts and raisins. Drop by rounded tablespoons onto prepared baking sheets.

Bake: 14 to 16 minutes or until cookies are lightly browned. Cool on baking sheets for 2 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely.

2013 DUES NOW DUE!

In order to continue receiving copies of this newsletter, you must be a dues-paying member!

Please mail your \$10 check made payable to

"Lycoming County Retirees" to your treasurer:

Barb Thomas, 1045 Rural Avenue, Williamsport, PA 17701

OR

You may pay your 2013 dues at the Holiday Celebration on December 11, 2012





Careington International to offer a comprehensive dental discount program at special reduced rates. This new dental discount card program is now available for county residents.

The NACo Dental Discount Card Program, a NACo member benefit program, was designed to help uninsured and underinsured county residents save money on their dental service expenses.

- Save 5% to 50% on dental procedures including routine oral exams, cleaning, dentures, crowns and more.
- Discounts are available at the time of service
- Everyone is accepted
- Unlimited program usage, with no administrative forms to file
- Program can include all family members

WE WISH A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR FRIENDS WHO ARE CELEBRATING IN NOVEMBER, DECEMBER & JANUARY:

	November	Dec	cember (continued)
Nov. 3	Cynthia Moore	Dec. 21	Beverly Gottschall
Nov. 7	Stephen Schopfer	Dec. 25	James DeVore
Nov. 12	Sylvia Green	Dec. 25	Karen Myers
Nov. 15	Harold Olmstead	Dec. 27	Florence Neuhard
Nov. 15	Maggie Sockman	Dec. 30	Wilma Wilson
Nov. 16	George Kaufman	Dec. 30	Virginia Marchese
Nov. 17	Mary Henninger	Dec. 31	Eleanor Westphal
Nov. 17	Robert Stack		
Nov. 20	Kevin McJunkin		January
Nov. 23	Sue Snyder		•
Nov. 28	Alice Bair	Jan. 3	Esther Crawford Cohick
		Jan. 8	Les Gruver
	December	Jan. 9	Margaret Emery
		Jan. 11	Raymond Holland
Dec. 3	Michael Cassidy	Jan. 12	John Perritt
Dec. 3	Larue Danley	Jan. 13	Bill Burd
Dec. 4	Helen Baier	Jan. 14	Joan Deeghan
Dec. 4	Julia Manno	Jan. 15	James Huggins
Dec. 5	Robert Shearer	Jan. 17	Nancy Stugart
Dec. 7	Thelma Weaver	Jan. 18	Florence Hills
Dec. 8	Janet Day	Jan. 20	Selma Andrews
Dec. 9	Mary Louise Goehrig	Jan. 21	Barb Feigles
Dec. 9	Donna Mathews	Jan. 22	Richard Wehler
Dec. 12	Raymond Walters	Jan. 22	Jeff Thiel
Dec. 13	Tim Nelson	Jan. 28	Joe Hamilton
Dec. 20	Doreen Eachus	Jan. 29	Ken Schriner

LYCOMING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JEFF C. WHEELAND ERNEST P. LARSON TONY R. MUSSARE

Retiree Group Officers

CHAIR—Alice Bair 322-6052

CO-CHAIR—Jean stump

SECRETARY—Esther Cohick

323-6405

TREASURER—Barb Thomas 322-6460

SEE YOUR NEWSLETTER IN COLOR!!

go to: www.lyco.org and click the link for "Human Resources"

At the bottom of the page, you will find the link to the Retiree Page & Newsletters

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330 Pine Street
Williamsport, PA 17701

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 11:30 A.M.

HOLIDAY PARTY AT THE VILLA \$10 PER PERSON







Submitted by Nancy Stugart



A man in Phoenix calls his son in New York the day before Thanksgiving and says, "I hate to ruin your day, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are divorcing; forty-five years of misery is enough.



"Pop, what are you talking about?" the son screams. We can't stand the sight of each other any longer," the father says. "We're sick of each other, and I'm sick of talking about this, so you call your sister in Chicago and tell her."



Frantic, the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone. "Like heck they're getting divorced," she shouts, "I'll take care of this,"

She calls Phoenix immediately, and screams at her father, "You are NOT getting divorced. Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing, DO YOU HEAR ME?" and hangs up.

The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. "Okay," he says, "they're coming for Thanksgiving and paying their own way."

Bus Trip Survey

Fall 2012 1. If you decided to take a bus trip with the Lycoming County Retirees, which of the following ty would you most likely be interested in? Check all that apply. O Dinner Theater O Broadway Show O Sporting Event/Hall of Fame O Theme Park If you haven't already completed a sim	pes of trips
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O Dutch Country on December 11.	ou
O Wine Country	
O Dinner Cruise	
O Historical Sites	
Outlet/Mall Shopping	
 Big City Venues (New York/Philadelphia/Pittsburgh) 	
O Scenic Train Ride	
Professional Ice Skating	
Big Name Entertainment	
 Annual Festivals (Apple Harvest, etc.) 	
Other (Please specify):	
	
2. How often during the year would you be interested in taking a one-day bus trip with the Lycol	nina County
Retirees? Check only one response.	ining County
One time	
O Two times	
Three times	
O Four times	
 I'm not interested in taking bus trips (If you checked this response, you have completed the sur 	vey Thank
You!)	·
3. During what time of year would you be most likely to take a bus trip? Check all that apply.	
O Spring O Summer O Fall O Winter	
4. How much would you be willing to pay per person for a one-day bus trip? Check only one res	ponse.
O \$75 or less	
O \$100 or less	
O \$125 or less	
O Whatever it costs for transportation, one main meal, and admission to the event (even if it exce	eds \$125/pp)
General Comments:	

Thank you for taking time to complete this survey!