

Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society Newsletter

October 2019

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Jim Bullock Memorial Bench

In memory of Jim Bullock, his family placed a bench just south of the site of Fort Freeland. A maple tree has also been donated to provide shade. During Heritage Days on Sunday, October 6, Vicki Egli led a celebration of life program near the bench. Sam Cooper and Betty Jane Bullock also spoke.

Those of us who are interested in preserving the history and heritage of this area are in Jim's debt. Jim headed up the early steering committee for what became the Warrior Run - Fort Freeland Heritage Society, prevented the possibility of demolition of the Hower-Slote House, and coordinated the archaeological digs of the summers of 1978 and 1979.

From The Williamsport Sun-Gazette: James (Jim) Bullock, Sr. 80, went home to be with the Lord on March 30, 2019. He died at his home in the Villages, Florida, surrounded by his family, including his wife of 61 years, Betty Jane (Rothfuss) Bullock.

Jim was born on July 6, 1938, in Danville, KY, At 15, he moved to Hughesville, where he wrestled. He is a graduate of Lycoming College. Jim taught at Warrior Run High School from 1966 to 1982. Jim was instrumental in obtaining a grant and constructing an outdoor classroom laboratory for environmental education. For this program, he was named the county's Environmental Teacher of the Year.

After leaving Warrior Run, Jim became involved in missionary work in Africa and the South Pacific. In 1996, Jim became a pastor at Palm Coast Community Church in Florida until the time his health began to fail.

It is hoped that Jim's bench will be used and enjoyed by many. The southern view overlooks the meadow where some died in the battle of Fort Freeland and to the west are the ponds that became the outdoor science laboratory.





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The Society needs to update their inventory records of historical items at the Hower-Slote house, barn, and the Warrior Run Church. Knowing how to use Excel to update the current list would be helpful, but not required. This project would be great for a student wanting to complete an Eagle Scout or Gold Award project and would not take place during cold weather. The days and times will depend on the availability of volunteers. Please contact Melissa Kilgus for additional information or to volunteer at 570-538-5593. THANK YOU!

Warrior Run Church Picnic



Newsletter Articles

Please email articles to be included in the newsletter to kyhouser@windstream.net. You can simply write the report in the email or copy and paste from another document. The best format is a Word document or an Open Office document. PDF files cannot be used in the producing of the newsletter.. If you have a photo you want to share, you can send that to me, as well. Thank you for all the information you send making our newsletter very interesting and informative.

Karen Y. Houser

Cake and Pie Pans for Sale

The Society is selling cake and pie pans with the Warrior Run Church on the lids. If you would like to purchase them, contact:

Cathy Metzger

570-713-4816

Prices are as follows:

9 x 13 Non-stick pan & cranberry lid \$40.00 9 x 9 Traditional pan & green lid \$32.00 9" Pie pan & blue lid \$30.00



38th Heritage Days

Heritage Days is now in the rear-view mirror. The men, women and children who participate are a part of preserving and sharing our rich heritage.

The society wants to say, "Thank you once again for the great work you do." It is a lot of hard work and we are grateful.

History Repeat of Society Tree Planting

Many, many years ago, our Heritage Society had a tree-planting project. At the time, the walnut tree across from the barn was the only tree on the Hower-Slote property. Apple trees were planted to make an apple orchard to the east. At a later time, shade trees were planted around the Hower-Slote House and a grove to the field hockey side. Evergreen trees were planted to help form the property line of the Heritage Society property to the north side of the Historic Warrior Run Church. Also, two trees were planted on each side of entering the parking lot from Susquehanna Trail. Much credit to the growth of these trees was given to the work of watering by Preston Webb. A fine group project was responsible for the plantings.

At both locations a few of the trees in recent years had died and some of the trees in

The church grove had to be removed due to storm damage and other concerns. Also, with money from the state we had the big trees removed inside the cemetery and a couple that were making problems for the wall.

Last year a total of 20 trees were planted at the Church and Hower-Slote House. Three red maples were added to the grove at the Hower-Slote House. Recently a maple tree was included with the memorial to Jim Bullock and another maple tree was placed in the grove. Evergreen trees were planted at the Church and two maples were placed along Susquehanna Trail.







2019 Membership Meeting Monday, November 11, 2019 7:00 PM

This is the annual meeting for the express purpose of electing members to the Board of Directors as well as election of officers for the year 2020.

Members of the Board of Directors serve a three-year term. Newly elected members will serve beginning January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022.

Officers serve a one-year term with the exception of the president and vice-president who serve for two years.

The evening program will have the election of the 2020 through 2022 term board members and the election of the 2020 officers. The nominating committee will present their report and then nominations from the floor will be accepted. If you want to nominate someone for a position on the Board or as an officer, you must have prior permission from your candidate to assure his/her acceptance to stand for election and willingness to serve.

Following the election, there will be a review of this past year's accomplishments. Also, a time for comments or suggestions from the general membership. Please plan to attend.

Christmas Candlelight Service

Once again, Al Reeves and John Ravert are putting together a great Candlelight Service at the Historic Warrior Run Church. There will be the sharing of a Christmas message from a local pastor and the Warrior Run militia will be in attendance. The lit candles, beautiful decorations, organ music, and more are a wonderful way to get into the Christmas spirit. Come early to get the best seats! Be sure to dress for cold weather, bring a small flashlight or pen light, and also bring friends! Can you guess the number of years this event has been held by the Warrior Run Heritage Society? Come to find out!! At least two people have been to every one!!

Following the service, enjoy cookies and hot cider. We look forward to you joining us in worship this Christmas season.

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Board Meetings - 2019

Date	Event	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
November 11 December 9	Board Meeting Board Meeting	7:00 p. m. 7:00 p. m.	HS Library HS Faculty Lounge
	Calendar of Ex	vents - 2019	
November 11	Membership Meeting	7:00 p. m.	HS Library
	Election/Regular Board Mtg	•	
December 14	Candlelite Service	7:00 p <u>. m</u> .	WR Church

(second Sat. in Dec.)





WARRIOR RUN FORT FREELAND HERITAGE SOCIETY IS HOLDING THE ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

AT THE WARRIOR RUN CHURCH

DECEMBER 14, 2019 - 7:00 pm

WARM MULLED CIDER AND COOKIES WILL BE SERVED AFTER THE SERVICE.

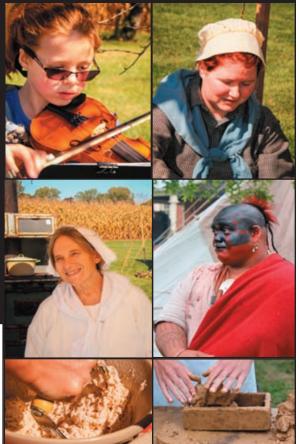
PLEASE DRESS WARMLY AND BRING A FLASHLIGHT.
PLEASE COME AND SHARE THE WONDERS OF THE
SEASON WITH US.

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Donations for Fall 2019

First Presbyterian Church John Marr

Robert Kalin Jim Bullock Memorial



Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society Board of Directors

(Terms run from January 1 to December 31)

2017 - 2019 2018 - 2020 2019-2021 Leon Hagenbuch Traci Pawling Steve Moser Jane Koch Ruth Webb Melissa Kilgus **Bradd Mertz Scott Pawling** Peggy Gelnett Doug Ertel Cathy Metzger Randy Watts Sue Whitmoyer Landon Koch Al Reeves

> Wayne Greiner (Student Members) Maris Kilgus / Ethan Whitmoyer

Officers

President - Jane Koch (570-538-1756)

Vice President - Leon Hagenbuch (570-490-8279)

Secretary - Melissa Kilgus (570-538-5593)

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Membership (appointed) - Cathy Metzger (570-713-4816)

Audit/Finance - Scott Pawling, Melissa Kilgus (570-538-5593)

Nominating Committee - Randy Watts, Steve Moser (570-437-4048)

Historian - Vacant

Newsletter - Karen Houser (570-538-2557)

Committee Leadership

Church -Jane Koch, Landon Koch, Doug Ertel (570-538-1756)

Church Grounds - Mark Keithan (570-538-5610)

Weddings - Traci Pawling (570-490-9895)

Strawberry Festival - Wayne Greiner (570-604-7451)

Heritage Days - Betsy Watts, Jane Koch

Candlelight Service - Al Reeves

House/Property - Leon Hagenbuch, Steve Moser, Rich Nornhold

Honorary Board Members

Janet Hause * Jane Shuman *
Betty Miller * Virginia Hartman *
Donna Meyer Ruth Moser *
Preston Webb * Mike Slease *
Hall Williams * Bob Franks
Rich Nornhold Al Reeves

^{*} denotes deceased member

Bringing our history to

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KEEP your membership current

**Note your membership status on the mailing label **

Membership is key to our group's mission. It's an important step towards funding our projects and goals. Your membership allows you to receive four annual newsletters which inform you of the calendar of events, our organization's achievements and ways to become an active member.

Please register me/us as:
LIFE MEMBER (\$200 per person in one payment)
CONTRIBUTING MEMBER (\$20.00 per adult person per year)
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SUSTAINING MEMBER (\$50.00 or more per year as a special
support member)
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