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The Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society Newsletter



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Warrior Run-Fort Freeland Society Members, and Friends,

The Warrior Run-Fort Freeland Heritage Society Board is happy to announce that we are planning our two big events this year, the Strawberry Festival in June and Heritage Days in October. We would like to thank our new Strawberry Festival co-chairs, Cathy Metzger, and Dan Phillips for helping us organize this event which has not taken place in two years. Also, a thank you to Jane Koch and Betsy Watts for co-chairing Heritage Days. We are hopeful that Heritage Days will be held at the Hower-Slote farm with having access to the newly paved school parking lot. We also are looking for students who would like to volunteer from the Boy or Girl Scouts, National Honor Society or other organization with interpreting the living history of our upper Northumberland County area.

The Board would like to thank everyone that donated to the Society during the Raise the Region campaign in March. We are currently trying to obtain additional funding for a new zero-turn mower, and the Board is hopeful to have the barn painted at the Hower-Slote farm this year.

It was great to see so many of you attend the spring membership dinner at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church. The speaker was Joe Fisher talking about the Sullivan expedition, with some of his presentation explaining the relocation of the troops, and the terrain which the soldiers navigated while moving from one site to another. And all while having to move cattle and clear their grazing pastures. (MREs, meals ready to eat, were not used by the military until 1981).

We hope to see more of you at our upcoming events, and enjoy the summer months!

Melissa Kilgus
Warrior Run-Fort Freeland, President

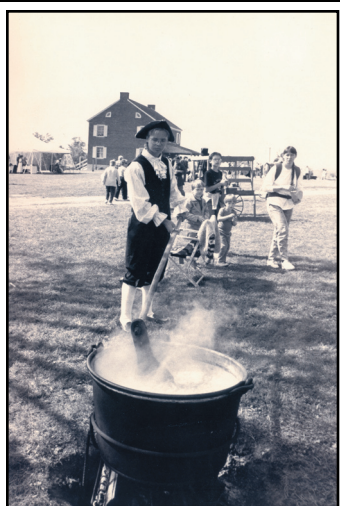
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Newsletter Articles

Please email articles and photos to be included in the newsletter to kyhouser@windstream.net. You can simply write the information in an email or copy and paste from another document. The best format is a Word or an Open Office document. PDF files don't work well with the newsletter format. We want you to be a part of our newsletter, so don't be shy. Help us to make our newsletter very interesting and informative.

Karen Y. Houser



The Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society's Annual Strawberry Festival at
 The Historic Warrior Run Church
 41 Warrior Lane
 Watsontown, PA. 17777
 Intersection of 8th Street Drive and Susquehanna Trail

40th Strawberry Festival!

June 12, 2022 from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Warrior Run Church

FREE Admission! ~ FREE Parking!

Fun for the Whole Family since 1980

Lots of Things To See and Do:

1. Family Event featuring homemade food and ice cream
2. Strawberry Desserts made from local berries
3. Hamburgers, Hotdogs and our legendary Ham Barbecue



4. Exhibit of Antique Cars (by Chapters of the AACA)
5. Old Fashioned Hymn Sing with Randy Watts accompanied by Dale Chomis on the Pump Organ 1:30 PM
6. Tours of the Church and Cemetery
7. Heritage Society books and memorabilia for sale

NOTE: Proceeds from this event help pay for restoration of the Historic Warrior Run Church and the Hower-Slote House.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

As most of you know, the Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society hosts their annual Strawberry Festival each June as a fund-raiser to preserve and maintain the historic Warrior Run Church.

As the chairman people of this event, we would like to ask if you or if you know of anyone who would be able to volunteer to help, it would be greatly appreciated.

This year the festival will be held Sunday June 12th, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Historic Church. We will need workers in the food area, pie kitchen and in the ice cream area and also cashiers. Any amount of time you can volunteer would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, or are willing to volunteer, please call me at (570)713-4816.

Thank you for considering our request.

Cathy Metzger & Dan Phillips

Chairman for 2022 Strawberry Festival



By Leon Hagenbuch



Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society

Board Meetings - 2022

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
May 9	6:00 p. m.	Delaware Township Building
June 13	6:00 p. m.	WR Church
July 11	6:00 p. m.	WR Church
August 8	6:00 p. m.	WR Church
September 12	6:00 p. m.	Hower-Slote House
October 10	6:00 p. m.	Delaware Township Building
November 14	6:00 p. m.	Delaware Township Building
December 12	6:00 p. m.	Delaware Township Building

Calendar of Events - 2022

June 12	Strawberry Festival Second Sunday in June	11:00 a. m.	WR Church
August 14	Annual Picnic Second Sunday in August	4:00 p. m.	WR Church
Ocotber 1 - 2	Heritage Days Board meeting not to immediately follow		Hower-Slote Grounds
November 14	Membership Meeting Election/Regular Board Meeting	7:00 p. m.	Delaware Township Bldg.
December 10	Candlelite Service Second Saturday in December	7:00 p. m.	WR Church



Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Society

Board of Directors

(Terms run from January 1 to December 31)

2020-2022

Leon Hagenbuch
Jane Koch
Sue Eppanbach
Doug Ertel
June Moser

2021-2023

Landon Koch
Cathy Metzger
Daniel Phillips
Heidi Eppenbach
Ethan Whitmoyer

2022-2024

Steve Moser
Melissa Kilgus
Peggy Gelnett
Randy Watts
Al Reeves

(Student Members)

Officers

President - Melissa Kilgus (570-538-5593)
Vice President - Jane Koch (570-538-1756)
Secretary - Heidi Eppenbach (570-568-1870)
Assistant Secretary - Sue Eppenbach (570-568-1870)
Treasurer - Cathy Metzger (570-713-4816)
Assistant Treasurer - Al Reeves (570-538-1928)
Membership (appointed) - Cathy Metzger (570-713-4816)
Audit/Finance - Scott Pawling (570-538-9582), Melissa Kilgus (570-538-5593)
Nominating Committee - Randy Watts (570-437-4048), Steve Moser (570-649-5124)
Historian - Vacant
Newsletter - Karen Houser (570-538-2557)

Committee Leaders

Church - Jane Koch (570-538-1756), Landon Koch (570-538-4588), Doug Ertel (570-538-5711)
Church Grounds - Jane Koch (570-538-1756), Leon Hagenbuch (570-490-8279), Randy Watts (570-437-4048)
Weddings - Traci Pawling (570-490-9895)
Strawberry Festival - Committee
Heritage Days - Betsy Watts (570-437-4048), Jane Koch (570-538-1756)
Candlelight Service - Al Reeves (570-538-1928)
House/Property - Leon Hagenbuch (570-490-8279), Steve Moser (570-649-5124), Rich Nornhold (570-538-9733)

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	Alfred Reeves
Ruth Webb	

* denotes deceased member

CHECK THE YEAR ON YOUR CARD AND MAKE SURE YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS CURRENT

Bringing our history to life....

Place
Stamp
Here

*Warrior Run
Fort Freeland
Heritage Society*

*P. O. Box 26
Turbotville PA 17772*

*E-mail:
info@freelandfarm.org*

*Check us out on the web!
www.freelandfarm.org*

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)
☐ STUDENT MEMBER (\$1.00 per year – having student status)
☐ SUSTAINING MEMBER (\$50.00 or more per year as a special support member)

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

To update your WR/FFHS membership status, please mail this form with the proper amount to:

Cathy Metzger

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Watson town PA 17777

cmetzger507@gmail.com 570-713-4816

(make checks payable to WR/FFHS)