

FC Parks & Recs Cheesecakes for Mother's Day

The Forest City Parks and Recreation Board are selling Pocono Cheesecakes to help raise funds for the park. Flavors available are Ultimate Plain, Raspberry, Chocolate, & Peanut Butter Cup.

Price is \$12 each and delivery will be approximately May 8th or 9th just in time for Mother's Day

There are a few ways you can order:

1. Message them on Facebook at Forest City Parks and Recreation

2. email : fcparksrec@gmail.com

3. Send the flavor/flavors you would like with a check to: FC BORO. SEND TO:

Forest City Parks and Recreation, 535 Main Street, Forest City, PA 18421

4. They will also be taking orders in town on Wednesday, April 17th for Easter on Main St. from 5pm - 8pm sponsored by Greater Forest City Business Alliance. Look for them around Ros-al Floral on Main St.

All orders are due by April 26, 2019.

Please help bring back Kennedy Park and thank you for your support!

FCR Mask & Hammer to present "The Wizard of Oz"



The Forest City Regional Mask and Hammer Drama Club will be performing the musical "The Wizard of Oz" this spring! In the play, Dorothy Gale of Kansas is swept away from her family farm by a tornado and finds herself in the magical land of Oz. But the Wicked Witch of the West and her minions of Winkies and Flying Monkeys want Dorothy and her dog Toto gone! With the help of Glinda the Good Witch, the Munchkins, and her new friends Scarecrow, Tinman, and Lion, Dorothy learns that no matter what, "There's no place like home!" Performances will take place on Friday, March 29th at 7:00 pm, Saturday, March 30th at 7:00 pm, and Sunday, March 31st at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for students and senior citizens, and free for children ages 3 and under.

Pictured above are members of the cast and crew. Row 1 (left to right): Kailina Floccari, Amy Hansen, Dustin Swartz. Row 2: Gary Druhl, Brett Gulbin, Joshua Doyle, Finnegan Yount, Christopher Englert, Kyle Bonham. Row 3: Austin Grosel, Lila Ingenito, Sage Bilko, Maiya Rizner, Destiny Englert, Branson Casper, Ryan Notari, Olivia Casper, Emma Jo Burrasca, Hannah Perry. Row 4: David Lynch, Katie Nguyen, Matthew Giles, Blaise Albrigh, Anthony D'Antuono, AnQi Chen, Jessica Notari. Absent from photo are Isaiah Canfield, Raymond Ondrako, Hailey Gray, Sydney Hodges, Phillip Hodges, Jacob Requiera, Kathy Akers, Ava Panek, Jeremy Slick, Brianna Shager, Austin Johnson, Serafina Gorel, Taylor Ferrari, and Hunter Johnson.

B'dale Fire Co. Chicken BBQ Sun., April 7

The Browndale Fire Company will conduct its annual Spring Chicken BBQ on Sunday, April 7, 2019 at the Browndale Fire Station located on Route 247, 620 Marion Street, Browndale.

The menu includes half a Chicken, Baked Potato, Browndale Green Beans, Home Made Cole Slaw, Roll & Butter and Dessert. The "drive through only" hours for serving are from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM.

Tickets are \$9.00 and are available from any member or at Tobacco Road, 607 Main St., Forest City (570-785-2123); Franceski Lumber Yard 900 Main St., Forest City (570-785-3516); Red Cross Pharmacy, 420 Main St., Forest City (570-785-5400); NAPA Auto Parts, 429 Main St., Forest City (570-785-9000) or by calling the fire station at 570-785-5300 and leave a message, visit our web site at www.43fire.com or our Facebook page.

Tickets are advance sales only. Proceeds from the BBQ to benefit Browndale Fire Company.

List of Acceptable items for Recycling in Vandling

Vandling Borough would like its residents to know what is and is not acceptable for recycling in the Borough.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS INCLUDE: Magazines and Catalogs, Chipboard/Box Board, Newspaper, Paper Egg Cartons, Telephone and Paperback Books, Aluminum Cans, Glass Bottles (Green, Clear, Brown), Tin and Bi-Metallic Containers (Including Aerosol Cans), Aluminum Foil (Pie Plates, etc.), and Plastic Containers.

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS INCLUDE: NO Trash, NO Diapers, NO Clothing, NO Styrofoam, NO Caps or Lids, NO Food, NO Compost, NO Yard Waste, NO BAGS.

Please place items in cart loose. All cardboard must be flattened. NO shredded paper (Place in Trash). NO Bags of shredded paper (Place in Trash).

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Clifford Supervisors OK Township marketing funds

by Theresa Opeka

Candidates for public office and marketing the township were among some of the items discussed at the Tuesday, March 12 meeting of the Clifford Township Supervisors.

The supervisors started their meeting by letting two candidates running for Susquehanna County Commissioner and Auditor speak. Judy Herschel, a Democrat from Susquehanna, says she is a 7th generation county family of farmers and business owners who is also a social worker/state certified drug and alcohol counselor and substitute teacher who has two young boys. She said she and three other candidates are running on "The Bootstrap Campaign."

Sue Pipitone, New Milford, a Republican, said she cares about the area and she was part of SCAN (Susquehanna Clean Air Network), the group who prevented the hazardous waste incinerator from coming into the New Milford area. She was an elementary principal and currently working in alternative education.

Next up was Richard Suraci, Republican, Clifford Township, who is running for re-election for Auditor. "I am proud to represent everyone in this room and I am proud of the Clifford community and the county."

ROAD BIDS
The township received three bids for spring road work from Bronzonis Excavating, Wayco and Barhite Excavating. Barhite had the lowest bid at \$16.50/mile for grading and shaping of roads, \$4/mile for trucking materials and \$21.50/mile for ditch cleaning. Supervisor Chris Marcho said Solicitor Joseph McGraw would take a look at all of the bids. A little while later, McGraw said everything checked out. A motion was made to hire Barhite and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

MARKETING PLAN
Supervisor Barry Searle brought up developing a marketing plan for the township. "Look at where we were 6 years ago. We were half a million in debt. The Historical Society wanted \$100 for stamps. We didn't have it. The building was leaking and in disrepair. We had the Elk Diner, Mountain View Diner, the bank, markets in Clifford and Dundaff and pizza shops. We fixed our problems but lost grocery stores. We still have Crystal Pines and the Elk Diner. We lost the bank, lost the Mountain View Diner. We have

contacted PSATS on how to market the township. We want to get small businesses. The marketing people said you need to have 12,000 people to have a decent store. We want to control who and what is coming into the township. We see what is happening in Herrick (proposed drug & alcohol rehab treatment center). They are still fighting and they have zoning. We have nothing to stop anything. I see Clifford as a bedroom community to Binghamton, Scranton and Syracuse. We are near three exits of Interstate 81. We are well positioned. It is a safe area and there is a focus on the park and day care. Another issue we are concerned about is that the governor changed his mind about

Local EMS and Fire Co. to receive grants

Rep. Jonathan Fritz (R-Susquehanna/Wayne) announced that recently the Office of the State Fire Commissioner (OSFC) awarded grants to local EMS and volunteer fire companies, which will help with needed building repairs, additional firefighter and ambulance volunteer training, or equipment repairs and purchases.

"I am truly thankful for the men and woman who volunteer with our local fire and ambulance agencies in order to help protect and serve our communities," said Fritz. "I am pleased to know that they are receiving these crucial funds to allow them to continue serving our area efficiently."

This funding is administered by the OSFC and Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) and comes from an ongoing grant program that was established by the Legislature. All funding comes from the proceeds from slot machine gaming, not from the General Fund tax revenue.

Below is the list of local fire companies and EMS agencies and the amount they received:

Susquehanna County
Clifford Township Volunteer Fire Company Fire Company: \$13,326.97.

Clifford Township Volunteer Fire Company Fire Company EMS: \$7,155.22.

Forest City Area Emergency Services: \$14,000.

Susquehanna Fire Department Inc.: \$12,832.18.

Susquehanna Fire Department Inc. EMS: \$7,155.22.

Thompson Hose Company Inc.: \$12,977.11.

Thompson Hose Company Inc. EMS: \$7,155.22.

Wayne County
Browndale Fire Company No. 1: \$12,172.45.

Pleasant Mount Emergency Services Inc. EMS: \$7,155.22.

Pleasant Mount Emergency Services Inc.: \$11,842.59.

legalizing marijuana. I am concerned Susquehanna County and Clifford will have hemp and marijuana farms. There are 300 acres near Herrick that have been purchased for a possible hemp farm. We want to have a public comment period at next month's meeting for residents to see what they want to do with the township. They can come and speak. Also, we need a marketing budget and get some bids," he said.

Marcho said, "We talked to marketing people. We have Act 13 money. We can use \$20,000 for municipal planning. I make a motion to have the money available if needed quickly." All voted in favor. Motion passed. Herschel said Binghamton is putting in a processing hub for hemp.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9 at 7pm.

Forming of Alumni Society To take place Friday, Aug. 3



Forest City Regional School District is in the process of forming a High School Alumni Association. The first meeting of all interested graduates will be held at the High School on Friday, August 2nd, at 6:30PM, to kick-off the 2nd Annual Forest City Trail Town Festival that weekend.

The Homecoming event will include a tour of the newly renovated school, followed by refreshments and a program.

The District is reaching out to alumni who would be willing to serve on a start-up committee. If you would be interested, you are asked to contact the School's Transportation Manager and Superintendent's Secretary Patricia Chesnick by email at pchesnick@fcrsd.org or by calling her at 570-785-2403.

It is hoped that the event will draw past alumni back to town in order to also participate in the many events of the Trail Town Festival on Saturday, August 3. Specific details of the Homecoming and the Festival will be announced.

You are asked to put this date on your calendar and come home to visit your alma mater.

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Happy Birthday to: Kathy Walker, Ann Mead, Chris Urban, Jeffrey Watson, Elaina Rodriguez, Richard Watson, Kelly Dovin, Joyce Brooking, Tarey Keast, Susan Watson, Linda Callan, Corey Theis, Bob Kane, John Nebzdydoski, Kevin O'Hara, Susan Snyder, Al Campbell, Idola Sheridan, Dorothy Lienert, Isabel Richner, Dylan Haynes, Dillon Latwinski, Carson Zablocky, Justin Rosenfeld and Joyce Romich.

Happy Anniversaries to: Robert and Lois Peterka and Albert and Ann Wildenstein.

Orders are now being taken for the final Pierogi sale of the season for St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Wednesday, March 27 and Thursday, March 28. Pre-orders are sold for \$6 per dozen and additional pierogi for \$7. Order sheets are in the back of the church or call Barbara at 570-727-8385 or Jean 570-448-9181.

Upcoming events at the Pleasant Mount Library: Tuesday, March 26th "Play group" 4-6pm; Tuesday, March 26th "Quilt Class" 6:30pm; Wednesday, March 27th "Storytime"

11 am-12 pm; Wednesday, April 3rd "Storytime" 11 am-12 pm; Wednesday, April 3rd "TechTime Tutor" 2pm-5pm. Also, "Flower Power": Fundraising with flowers, summer bulbs, flower seeds & edibles. Flyers and order forms available at the library. Orders and payment must be in to PMPL by April 15th. Pick up at PMPL when shipment arrives in May. Mother's Day Basket Raffle, \$1/ ticket available for purchase at the library. Drawing and pick up Saturday, May 11th.

Spring made a brief appearance two days ago as I write this. Got a free ice cream cone at Dairy Queen in the Viewmont Mall with 50 degrees and as of this writing, we got 8 inches of snow and counting. However, this is March and we all know how it can be around here. This is the second storm with the most snow this past season. We started early in the middle of November with a foot of the white stuff and had another storm with about 6 inches in January. Other than that, lots of freezing rain and sleet. Hopefully, this is it.

Union Dale Council Business

Council met in regular session on Monday, March 4 at the Union Dale Borough Hall with President Patti Cino presiding. The following unapproved minutes are as follows. Presentation to the flag was performed. Members present were Donna Tedesco, Mike Fortuner, Tom Yale, and Mayor James Heller.

There were no comments from the public.

Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed prior to the meeting and a motion to approve them was made by Donna Tedesco and seconded by Tom Yale with all in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Susquehanna County Conservation District is seeking donations for Envirothon, which is being held at Elk Mountain. A motion to donate \$100 was made by Donna Tedesco, seconded by Patti Cino, with all in favor.

A letter was received from the Susquehanna County Tax Claim Bureau stating that Joe Svecz made returns in full.

The Susquehanna County Recycling Center will be updating the 2011 County Municipal Waste Management Plan to be Act 101 compliant. The borough will be provided with copies of meeting minutes and draft plan chapters.

A letter was received from the Rail-Trail Council of NEPA notifying the borough that they will be applying for grants to resurface a 2-mile section of trail from Union Dale to Herrick Center with Trail Surface Aggregate. The letter is to notify the borough of the intent and provide the borough with an opportunity to express support.

The sewer CD at HNB will be renewing on 3/10. The current balance is \$44,522.27.

The liquid fuel payment was supposed to be deposited on 3/1/19 in the amount of \$15,553.08, which is up from \$15,196.83 received last year.

A certificate of insurance for John P Flynn was received.

The Greater Forest City Business Alliance is holding its Spring Mixer on March 7th if anyone is interested in attending.

The certified assessment values for 2019 were received

from the Board of Assessment. The Real Estate value is \$4,974,100, which is \$2,400 less than the amount used for budget purposes, and will result in approximately \$6 less in tax revenue.

A postcard was received stating that the borough's ICC membership has expired. Secretary will check with Lyndon Wormuth to see if the borough should renew.

A postcard was received stating that all UCC payments will need to be made online beginning on July 1, 2019. Secretary will check to see if it can be withdrawn directly from checking account.

A motion to accept the receipts and treasurer's report and pay all bills was made by Donna Tedesco, seconded by Tom Yale, with all in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A motion to accept Nuisance Ordinance #2019-002 as advertised was made by Mike Fortuner, seconded by Donna Tedesco, with all in favor.

Mike Fortuner asked if Don Bennett was ok performing the twice a year inspection. Secretary notified him, and he had no objections. It was mentioned that he must receive a written report going forward for the new nuisance ordinance. Secretary will contact the solicitor to have the forms updated to be in compliance with the new nuisance ordinance.

Advertising for bids for the lower half of East Mountain Road was tabled until the snow melts.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill Wolfe stated that council should include a timeframe in which the East Mountain Road project must be completed when it is advertised for bid.

Next meeting is April 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Breakfast in East Ararat Sat., April 6

A Pancake Breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 6, from 7AM-11AM at the East Ararat United Methodist Church. The public is welcome!

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