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Herschel A. Sprowls, left, receives plaque from Moderator Chester Weaver of the Ten Mile Baptist Association.

Baptist Association Honors Member For Long Service

WAYNESBURG — The Ten Mile Baptist Association honored a Prosperity R.D.1 man this weekend who has attended nearly half of its 124 annual meetings.

The plaque which 85-year-old Herschel A. Sprowls received read: "In recognition of his continuous and long-standing record of contributions and his service to the Lord Jesus Christ in the Ten Mile Baptist Association for over 50 years."

It was presented during the 124th annual Ten Mile Association meeting held Saturday and Sunday at the First Baptist Church of Waynesburg.

"It was a surprise and my daughter wasn't sure how many I had been to so they just put down 'over 50' to be on the safe side," he said following the award presentation ceremony Saturday morning. "Actually, this is my 60th meeting."

He is still very active in the association and served this year on

several of the association committees. He was association moderator in 1961 and has held a number of other offices during his long tenure.

Mr. Sprowls is a member of Enon Baptist Church, where he is Sunday School superintendent, church treasurer and church clerk. It is one of the 22 Baptist churches in Greene County and southern Washington County which make up the association.

His activities are not confined to his church work, however. Although he retired a number of years ago after 11 years as manager of the former Char Mar Farm in Richhill Township, he is still working almost every day as a carpenter. He also is active in the Grange and Masons.

His wife, Stella McCombs Sprowls, died in 1968. They had twin children. Their son, the Rev. Louis Sprowls, resides in New Matamoras, Ohio, and their daughter, Mrs. Louise Hickman, resides in Prosperity. Mr. Sprowls has eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The plaque was presented to him by Chester Weaver of Marianna R.D.1, retiring moderator of the Ten Mile Association.

Theme of the 1983 meeting was

"Preach the Gospel." Sessions were held Saturday morning and afternoon and Sunday evening.

The Sunday sermon at the Saturday morning session was delivered by the Rev. John Rich Dorean of Jefferson. Officers for the ensuing year were also elected, with the Rev. Winfield Harding, pastor of the Greensboro Baptist Church, being named moderator to succeed Weaver.

Other incoming officers are Charles Phillips of Waynesburg R.D.5, vice moderator; Cigale Stewart of Waynesburg, clerk; Hope H. Closser of Waynesburg R.D.1, assistant clerk; Aldine Patterson of Waynesburg, treasurer, and Mrs. Evelyn Boord of Carmichaels R.D.1, president of the Women's Society. Mrs. Stewart is beginning her 10th year as clerk.

The Saturday afternoon session was highlighted by an address by Helen Gaskill, a former American Baptist Association missionary to Zaire. She is now retired and residing in West Virginia.

The Sunday evening session was presented by the Ten Mile Baptist Youth Fellowship, under the direction of its president, Randy Riggle.

Township Officers Hold Convention

WAYNESBURG — The Greene County Association of Township Officers will hold its 68th annual convention Friday in Waynesburg.

The speaking program will be held in the Courthouse, starting at 9 a.m. Registration will be held from 8 to 9 a.m., with coffee and doughnuts being served.

Workshops will be held during the afternoon and the convention will conclude with a banquet at 6:30 p.m. in the community building at the county fairgrounds.

Marvin L. Moody of Dunkard Township, president of the association, will preside. The morning session will open with invocation by the Rev. Deane Hardy and addresses of welcome by Waynesburg Mayor Roy L. Huffman and Judge Glenn Toothman.

John E. Claypool, District 12 engineer, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, will speak, as will two representatives of the department's Bureau of Municipal Services, Gene Galiardi and Blaine Everly.

Bruce Santemeyer, Department of Environmental Resources solid waste specialist, will speak on the growing problem of roadside dumping in the

county. Gilbert Longwell, representing the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors, will discuss legislation and other new developments in Harrisburg affecting township government.

The Greene County commissioners and State Rep. H. William DeWeese are also scheduled to speak.

The morning session will conclude with the election of officers.

Present officers, in addition to Moody, are William Grove of Cumberland Township, first vice president; Harold F. Finnegan of Richhill Township, second vice president, and Charles E. Tanner of Washington Township, secretary-treasurer.

Three workshops are scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

The session for township supervisors will be held in the courtroom, with Longwell as coordinator. Township secretaries will meet in the Waynesburg Borough Council chambers with attorney William Hook. Auditors, assessors and tax collectors will hold their session in the county commissioners' meeting room, with James Milinovich, CPA, as conference leader.

Commissioners Endorse Nature Preserve Proposal

WAYNESBURG — The Greene County commissioners Thursday endorsed a plan which ultimately would make some 700 acres of land surrounding a flood control dam in Richhill Township available to the public as a nature preserve.

The property is being acquired in connection with the "dry" dam to be constructed on the Enlow Fork of Wheeling Creek as the final structure to be built by the Wheeling Creek Watershed Commission. Since the dam will not have a permanent pool of water, it is expected to produce only a minimum amount of negative environmental effects.

Under the proposal, as outlined by Anne Bower, executive director of the Watershed Commission, the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy will purchase land in the Enlow Fork valley adjacent to land that the commissioner must buy for construction of the dam.

Once the dam is completed, both the Watershed Commission and Conservancy land would be managed by the Pennsylvania Game Commission, in consultation with the conservancy.

"The Western Pennsylvania Conservancy has long regarded the Enlow Valley as a very special part of southwestern Pennsylvania because of its wide range of flora and fauna," Mrs. Bower said. "The Conservancy's goal is to promote public use and public management of the lands in Enlow Fork valley."

"Land purchased by the Watershed Commission could be turned over to the Conservancy in return for perpetual maintenance of the dam structure, thus assuring that maintenance would never become a tax burden to the local population."

Mrs. Bower pointed out, however, that before the plan can be completed it must have approval of both the Greene and Washington county commissioners, since the Watershed Commission interstate compact provides that counties in the watershed district have "first option" to lease any dams built within their borders. The Enlow Fork dam is on the Washington-Greene county line.

The commissioners said they feel the plan is a good one. They adopted a resolution declining interest in the dam and surrounding land. A similar proposal will be presented to the Washington County commissioners.

In other developments at their meeting, the commissioners tabled a proposal from the Michael Baker Engineering Co. to provide engineering

services for a new taxiway at the county airport and blacktop testing for the new runway overlay. The company has offered to provide complete project design and construction supervision for \$39,000, 95 percent of which would be subject to reimbursement under the federal and state grants received for the projects.

On recommendation of the county recreation department, the commissioners agreed to employ Charles Day of West Finley R.D.2 to maintain and mow Dreamer Memorial Park in Richhill Township during the summer months at a cost of \$150 a month, and Maxine Hewitt of Graysville to provide the same service at the smaller Graysville Park at a cost of \$50 a month.

A proposal from George Yurt of Nineveh, owner of Greene Lawn

Care, to do mowing at the 12-acre Pumpkin Run Park at Rices Landing at a monthly cost of \$550, was tabled until the commissioners explore the possibility of getting the service at less cost. Yurt had the contract last year at \$500 a month.

A lease for the current year was executed with the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee for its office located in the Old County Office Building. Rental was set at \$241 per month, as compared with \$171 last year.

A proclamation was signed designating May 1 as Law Day.

Richard Rinehart of Waynesburg was re-appointed to the Washington-Greene Drug and Alcohol Planning Committee for a second three-year term. He is currently serving as chairman of the committee.

Energy Department Drops CAC Funds

WAYNESBURG — Problems with home weatherization programs operated by the Washington-Greene Community Action Corp. have prompted the state Department of Community Affairs to seek new program sponsors for the coming year.

A letter from Eugene F. Erway, director of the DCA's Bureau of Community Energy, was read at Thursday's meeting of the Greene County commissioners. It stated that Community Action "is not presently acceptable for future funding to provide weatherization service for the Department of Energy 1983-84 contract year."

The letter asks the county commissioners to recommend an appropriate private non-profit organization to operate the program during the coming fiscal year and states that \$94,315 has been reserved for services in Greene County under the Department of Energy program.

The program, which Community Action has operated since 1976 in both Greene and Washington counties, provides funding to weatherize the homes of low-income residents. DCA allocates the federal funds under grants from both the Department of Energy and the Department of Health and Human Services.

When contacted by telephone, Mike Moyer, a spokesman for the Bureau of Community Energy, said that "lack of fiscal and administrative accountability" had resulted in the decision to seek new program

operators. He also said that when the program had fallen below par, the agency had provided technical assistance in an effort to bring the program up to standard, but that the agency was still dissatisfied with program performance.

The spokesman said that the decision involved the programs in both Washington and Greene counties, and that a new program operator is also being sought in Washington County for the upcoming year.

John Wilson, CAC executive director, said that the letter came as no surprise, since they had been having problems with the weatherization program and in September of last year had laid off crews which were doing the work.

He said that Community Action is still administering a second weatherization program for the DCA with funding from the Department of Health and Human Services, but is employing private contractors to do the work rather than employing its own people.

"We had reached the point where the cost of operating the program was greater than the amount of reimbursement we were receiving, and in January the (CAC) board of directors had decided not to seek renewal of the Department of Energy contract," Wilson said.

"The system of employing private contractors seems to be working out better, and if it proves successful we could again be in a position to operate both programs."

Occupancy Planned By January

Equitable Gas To Move Office Into Airport Industrial Park

WAYNESBURG — Equitable Gas Co. will move its District H headquarters from Waynesburg to a new building to be erected in the Airpark Industrial Park on Route 21, east of Waynesburg.

The Greene County Industrial Development Authority, at a meeting Thursday, adopted a resolution authorizing issuance of \$1.3 million in industrial revenue bonds to finance the project, subject to approval of the Secretary of Commerce, a public hearing to be held May 18, and approval of the Greene County commissioners.

The bonds will be purchased by Merrill-Lynch and underwritten by Dollar Savings Bank. Financing arrangements are to be made final by June 1 so that construction can begin immediately with the goal of occupancy by Jan. 1, 1984.

The building, containing 21,000 square feet, will be erected by the McKnight Plaza Corp., Pittsburgh, which will lease the building to Equitable. It will be built on the final 7.4 acres of land available in the industrial park. GCID will receive \$25,000 for the property, which is located on the extreme eastern end of the park.

Principal purpose of the project is to provide room for expansion, with a pipe yard to be established on the rear portion of the property. The building has been designed by the architectural firm of Rietz and Rietz, which has an office in Pittsburgh.

The new headquarters will house the Division H telecommunications and distribution facilities, and will also eliminate a small distribution facility in Jefferson. George K. Sten-

nett, GCID executive director, said there will be no immediate increase in the utility's work force, but that future expansion is a possibility. "It will provide Franklin Township with another source of tax revenues," GCID President Renardo Matteucci said. "It will be an attractive masonry building with plenty of parking space for employees and others."

Equitable's headquarters in Waynesburg has been located on First Street, on the extreme South Side, for more than 50 years. It stands on less than an acre of land and provides the company with only 12,000 square feet of building space, which has created a space problem.

Stennett said that after Equitable moves, the Waynesburg headquarters would probably be offered for sale and could provide a facility for a small business.

Bids On Carmichaels Project Lower Than Budgeted

WAYNESBURG — Apparent low bids totaling \$1,422,138 were received Tuesday by the Greene County Housing Authority for construction of an apartment complex in Carmichaels which will contain 50 units of housing for the elderly.

Louis Demola, housing authority executive director, said the bids are almost \$80,000 under the construction budget, which had been set by the Department of Housing and Urban Development at \$1,508,208. Total budget for the project is \$2,148,000.

"It is particularly gratifying because HUD officials had told us there would probably be no additional money available to meet budget overruns," he said. "They felt that with the type of building we had planned, we might have trouble staying within our cost allocation."

Architect Michael Molnar of Uniontown was also pleased.

"These are very good bids," he said. "We got into the market at the ideal time."

He pointed out that 12 area con-

tractors bid on the general contract, which is well above normal. "Companies are looking for work and the bids reflect it," he said.

The low bid of \$957,000 for the general contract was received from Westmoreland Construction Co., South Greensburg — a bid which was just \$9,000 below that of Uniontown Construction Co. The highest bid was \$1,193,960.

Other low bids received, with bidding again being heavy and highly competitive:

Electrical, Ralph W. Bruno Electric, Waynesburg, \$124,868; plumbing, Greene Mechanical Corp., Carmichaels R.D.2, \$180,539; and heating, ventilating and air conditioning, Whitby Plumbing and Air Conditioning Inc., Uniontown, \$159,740.

All of the bids were referred to the architect and solicitor William Davis for review. Demola said a special meeting of the housing authority board of directors will be called as soon as the review has been completed, after which bids accepted by

the board will be submitted to HUD for review and approval.

"If everything goes as expected, we should be in a position to award contracts within a month," he said. Specifications call for the structure to be completed and ready for occupancy within one year after construction begins.

The apartment-type building will be erected on land the authority purchased last October on Route 21 just east of Carmichaels. It will contain 50 one-bedroom apartments, with

five of them being designed for the handicapped.

The front section of the building will be a one-story structure, with a two-story wing at the rear. A community room and other service facilities will be included. The units will be available for rent to individuals or couples who are 62 or older.

Demola said the rents will not be subsidized. While the rental scale has not been established, the amount tenants will pay will depend upon their income.

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public records

WAYNESBURG — The following deeds were recorded this week in the office of Greene County Register and Recorder Thomas Headlee:

Cumberland Township
Lloyd A. Richard Jr. Carmichaels R.D.1, to William E. Crawford, Carmichaels, 1.6 acres, \$10,000.

Brice A. and Linda C. Rush, Carmichaels R.D.1, to Robert R. and Anna Varesko, Rices Landing R.D.1, one acre, no consideration.

Frances K. and Larry J. Stull, Carmichaels, and others, to Randy P. Johns, Carmichaels, four lots, Fairdale, no consideration.

William and Eleanor Varesko, Mather, to Doney L. and Tammy J. Burnworth, Carmichaels R.D.2, lot, \$500.

David and Patricia Sulik, Footedale, to James and Barbara Jean Riggi, Carmichaels, lot, \$1,000.

Joseph W. and Catherine M. Lewandowski, Crucible, to Timothy R. and Debra L. Ondrejko, Carmichaels, house and lot, Nemacolin, \$9,500.

Maxine McDonald, Carmichaels R.D.1, to N. Edward and Diana L. Kincheter, Carmichaels R.D.1, two lots, \$3,000.

Dunkard Township
Donald L. and Faye C. Titus, Wayneburg, to George R. and Shirley A. Eberhart, Smithfield, two-fifths interest in 58 acres Mapletown Coal, \$7,000.

George A. and Doris J. Gopen, Dunkard Township, to John J. and Debra L. Kuis, Dunkard Township, two acres, no consideration.

Franklin Township
Harry L. Yost, administrator Helen B. Estel Estate, to John P. and Judy K. Evans, Wayneburg, house and lot, Bonar Plan, \$25,000.

G. Robert and Carol M. Torri, Wayneburg R.D.3, to Jeffrey S. and Nancy J. Smith, Wayneburg R.D.2, house and lot, \$66,800.

Jefferson Township
Richard S. and Janet Caputo, Fredericktown, to Mildred R. Caputo, Belle Vernon, two lots, no consideration.

Dennis W. Gnatuk, Carmichaels R.D.1, to Dennis C. and Cynthia A. Frederick, Carmichaels, 2.3 acres, \$2,500.

Morgan Township
Lawrence C. and Patricia S. Addleman, Morgan Township, to Mark S. and Kathy Jo Harshman, Morgan Township, 11.1 acres and house, \$52,000.

Charles and Jean S. Broadwater, Mather, to Charles D. Broadwater, Mather, and Ruth Ann Cowell, Mt. Morris Star Route, lot, Mather, no consideration.

Wayne Township
TRW, Inc., Redondo Beach, Calif., to Consolidation Coal Co., Pittsburgh, 80 acres, \$50,000.

Waynesburg
Kathryn Elizabeth Dryer, Waynesburg, and others, to Clayton K. and Mary Jane Logan, Waynesburg, lot, Richhill Street, \$200.

Andrew K. and Rita Rohanna, Waynesburg, to Grover H. and Imogene R. Philippi, Waynesburg, house and lot, Greene Street, \$75,000.

Floyd A. and Emerson Ullom, executor estate Catherine Boyd, Waynesburg, to Jerry G. and Gloria K. Iseman, Washington, house and lot, North Morris St., \$25,000.

Whiteley Township
Phyllis H. Lemley, guardian estate Wilbur C. Fox, to Ann Marie Stiles, Mt. Morris Star Route, 16.4 acres, \$8,000.

Play Group Reorganizes

WAYNESBURG — Persons interested in re-establishing a community theater group in Greene County are invited to attend a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, in the Waynesburg College Playhouse, at the corner of First and Morris streets.

People of all ages and interests are welcome.

In addition to performers, the group is looking for musicians, artists, technicians and people skilled in carpentry or needle crafts.

Anyone needing additional information can contact Ellen D. Ball at Waynesburg College, 627-8191, Ext. 226.



TO BE HONORED — Western District President Mary DeFino will be honored at a testimonial by the Washington, Fayette and Greene County Council, American Legion Auxiliary at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Grindstone Firehall. A member of Grindstone Colonial Post and Unit No. 275 for the past 30 years, she has served as president of the 43-unit council since 1981. She served in all offices of her unit and all offices, except treasurer, in the district council. Mrs. DeFino is a member of Salon 105 in Fayette County.



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On Mother's Day we're having our Family Reunion in church. We're grateful to God for the windows He has provided, and for a Mother on whom their Light was never wasted.

Scriptures selected by The American Bible Society

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
John	Mark	Luke	Luke	Luke	Luke	Acts
4:43-54	5:21-43	4:38-44	5:17-26	6:6-11	18:35-43	3:1-10

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GREENE COUNTY CHURCH DIRECTORY

- FIRST METHODIST WAYNESBURG**
9:45, Church School; 10:45, Worship; Monday, 3:30, Junior Choir; Tuesday, 8, Senior Choir; Wednesday, 4, Primary Fellowship.
- WASHINGTON STREET METHODIST, WAYNESBURG**
9:30, Church School; 10:45, Worship; 6:30, Youth Group; Wednesday, 7, Choir rehearsal; 8, Bible study.
- WEST GREENE PARISH BETHANY**: 9, Worship; 10, Church School.
- VALLEY CHAPEL**: 10:10, Worship; 11, Church School.
- ROGERVILLE**: 10, Church School; 11, Worship.
- JEFFERSON METHODIST CHARGE**
JEFFERSON: 9:30, Worship; 10:40, Church School; Wednesday, 4:15, Junior Choir; 6:30, Senior Choir.
- RICES LANDING**: 10, Church School; 11, Worship.
- MILLSBORO**: 7:30, Evening Worship.
- CARMICHAELS METHODIST**
9:45, Sunday School; 11, Worship.
- GARARDS FORT METHODIST**
9:30, Worship; 10:30, Church School.
- JOLLYTOWN METHODIST CHARGE**
LAUREL RUN: 9, Worship; 10, Church School.
- GRANDVIEW**: 10, Worship; 11, Church School.
- PLEASANT HILL**: 10, Church School; 11, Worship.
- JOLLYTOWN**: 10, Church School; 11, Worship.
- MT. ZION**: 10, Church School; 11, Worship.
- MONONGAHELA METHODIST CHARGE**
MORRISVILLE: 9, Church School; 10, Worship.
- COALLICK**: 10, Church School; 11, Worship.
- THROCKMORTON**: 10, Church School; 11, Worship.
- OAK FOREST**: 10, Church School; 7:30, Worship (second and fourth Sundays).
- MT. PLEASANT**: 10, Worship.
- UNION METHODIST CHARGE**
UNION VALLEY: 10, Church School; 11:15, Worship; 7:30, MYF.
- FAIRVIEW**: 10, Worship; Church School; Tuesday, Choir practice.
- NEBO**: 9, Worship; 10, Church School; 11, MYF.
- FAIRALL**
CLAUGHTON CHAPEL: 9, Church School; 11, Worship.
- FAIRALL**: 10, Church School; 11:15, Worship.
- KIRBY**: 10, Church School; 7, Worship.
- VALLEY CHAPEL**: 9, Worship; 10, Church School.
- WILLOW GROVE INDEPENDENT BAPTIST**
10, Sunday School; 11, Worship; Thursday, 7:30, prayer meeting.
- SUGAR GROVE BAPTIST**
10, Worship; 11, Church School.
- MT. ZION BAPTIST**
10, Church School; 11, Worship; 7:30, Evening Worship.
- CALVARY BAPTIST**
10, Sunday School; 11, Worship; Wednesday, 7:30, prayer meeting and Bible study.
- JEFFERSON BAPTIST**
9:45, Worship; 10:45, Church School; Wednesday, 7:30, prayer service.
- JOHN COLBY BAPTIST**
9:45, Worship; 10:45, Church School; Thursday, 7:30, Bible Study and prayer.
- CARMICHAELS BAPTIST**
9:45, Church School; 11, Worship; 7, Evening Worship; Wednesday, 7:30, Youth Choir, Bible Study.
- FIRST BAPTIST WAYNESBURG**
9:30, Church School; 10:45, Worship; 7, BYF; Wednesday, 7:30, Evening Prayer Group.
- BATES FORK BAPTIST**
10, Church School; 11:30, Worship.
- FIRST PRESBYTERIAN WAYNESBURG**
9:45, Church School; 11, Worship; 6:30, College and Career Group; 7, Senior High Fellowship; Wednesday, 3:45, Youth Club; Thursday, 7:30, Chancel Choir.
- GREENE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN**
9:30, Church School; 11, Worship; 6:30, Junior and Senior High Fellowship; Tuesday, 3:30, Teen Choir; Wednesday, 7, Calvin Choir; 8, Greene Valley Choir; Thursday, 4:15, Angel Choir.
- JEFFERSON PRESBYTERIAN**
9:30, Worship; 10:30, Church School.
- HEWITT PRESBYTERIAN**
9:45, Church School; 11, Worship; Wednesday, 6, Westminster Choir; 7, Chancel Choir.
- CARMICHAELS CHRISTIAN**
9:45, Church School; 11, Worship; Tuesday, 6:30, Chi Rho; Wednesday, 3:45, Chancel Choir; 4:30, Youth Choir; Saturday, 11, Cherub Choir.
- WAYNESBURG CHRISTIAN**
9:30, Bible School; 10:30, Worship; 6, Youth Groups; 7, Evening Worship; Wednesday, 7:30, Bible Study; 8:30, Choir rehearsal.
- MATHER CHRISTIAN**
9:30, Bible School; 10:40, Worship; 7:30, Bible Study.
- FIRST PILGRIM CHURCH WAYNESBURG**
9:45, Sunday School; 11, Worship; 6:45, Young People; 7:30, Evening Worship; Wednesday, 7:30, prayer meeting.
- WAYNESBURG CHURCH OF CHRIST**
10, Bible School; 10:45, Worship; 6:30, Evening Service; Wednesday, 7:30, Bible classes.
- ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL WAYNESBURG**
8, Holy Communion; 9:30, Senior High Class; 10:30, Church School and Holy Communion; Thursday, 7:30, Holy Communion.
- WAYNESBURG NAZARENE**
9:45, Church School; 10:45, Worship; 7:30, Evening Services; Wednesday, 7:30, Prayer Service and NYPS.
- ROLLING MEADOWS CHURCH OF GOD**
9:45, Sunday School; 11, Worship; 7, Evangelistic Services; Wednesday, 7, Family Training Hour.
- ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC WAYNESBURG**
Saturday Anticipatory Mass, 6:30; Sunday Masses, 8:30 and 11:30; Confessions, Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30.
- CRABAPPLE COMMUNITY**
10, Church School; 11, Worship; 7:30, Evangelistic Service; Wednesday, 7:30, Prayer Meeting.
- WEST GREENE PRESBYTERIAN CHARGE HARMONY**: 9, Worship; 10, Church School.
- UNITY-BRISTORIA**: 10:10, Worship; 11:10, Church School.
- WEST UNION**: 10, Church School; 11:15, Worship.
- HATFIELD FERRY LUTHERAN PARISH**
ST. PAUL'S, Carmichaels: 9, Worship; 10:15, Church School.
- JACOBS**: 9, Worship; 11, Church School.

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West Pike Twp. Will Soon Own A Strip Mine

DAISYTOWN — What started as a project to get a detour around a closed bridge may end up with West Pike Run Township becoming the first municipality in the state to own its own strip mine.

It's a gamble for the rural township, but one that the supervisors and township secretary Charles Deems Jr. feel will pay off in the long run — about \$200,000 for the township coffers.

"We're taking something that was a detriment and turning it into something good for the township," Deems said.

In December, the state Department of Transportation closed a bridge on the Daisytown-California road, forcing area residents to take a

12-mile detour through Centerville Borough to get across Pike Run to California.

The residents complained long and loud to PennDOT at a meeting with department officials in February. That led the township to come up with the idea of opening an old mine company road around the closed bridge to alleviate the long detour, after PennDOT said a temporary bridge across the stream was not feasible.

PennDOT is awaiting bids for replacing the structure. Construction should begin this summer and the new bridge should be open in the spring of 1984.

The seemingly simple idea mushroomed into two months of paperwork and research for the town-

ship to determine who owned the Crescent Hills Mine Road and get the wheels moving toward opening it.

Deems said he found that while the Crescent Hills Coal Co. owned the road, the defunct company is controlled by Consolidation Coal Co.

The township has worked out a deal with Consol, with the blessing of the state Department of Environmental Resources.

Consol will give the township 12 acres of ground, including the road, if the township will permanently close six old deep mine entrances along the road.

The township supervisors formally accepted the agreement at Tuesday night's supervisors' meeting. Deems said that Consol, which has already

agreed to the terms, should sign the contract by next week.

Filling in the mine entrances with clay and flyash could cost the township about \$700,000. But there's a way to do it and make money, Deems believes.

The township will upgrade the road for residents to use while the bridge is being replaced. After the road is no longer needed, the township intends to sub-contract with a strip mining operation to mine the remaining coal from the 12 acres. Deems estimated that West Pike Run could make as much as \$200,000.

"I talked to the DER and they told us we're probably going to make history by doing this," Deems said. He knows of no other municipality in

the state that owns a strip mine.

When the stripping is finished, the mine entrances will be permanently closed and the land will be reclaimed to allow the mine road to be opened permanently.

The gamble for the township is finding a company to strip the site. If it can't, then it will have to pay to close the entrances. Apparently it's not much of a gamble, because the Tyhonas Coal Co., which is stripping next to the property, has already expressed interest in doing the job.

Deems praised Consol and various state agencies for "cooperating 100 percent." The company was in the process of applying to the DER for permits to strip mine the area when the township approached it about

leasing the roadway.

If the property is valuable, then why would Consol give it away?

"When they were done stripping, they were going to give it to us anyhow," Deems explained. "They are paying property tax to us. It's a good tax write-off."

The DER has agreed to give the township a variance on permanently closing the mine entrances so it can bulldoze them closed as part of the stripping operation. The entrances will be temporarily closed with cement block walls until stripping begins.

Deems is hopeful that all the necessary paperwork can be filed in the county Clerk of Courts office by next Wednesday.



Star Chapter Awards

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Three members of the Future Farmers of America Chapter in Waynesburg Central High School were presented with Star Chapter Awards during the annual FFA Parent and Member Banquet held at the school Friday night. Members receiving the awards from the left were, Donald Bell, Star Greenhand; Eva Willison, Star Chapter Farmer; and Robert Simpson, Star Argi-Business Award.



Special FFA Awards

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The Future Farmers of America Chapter of Waynesburg Central High School held their annual FFA Parent and Member Banquet Friday night at the school and presented several awards in addition to installing new officers. Members receiving special FFA awards from the left were, Kenneth Haines, honorary Chapter Farmer Degree; Junior Lockart, Seed Sales Award; Eva Willison, State Farmer Degree; and Greg Statler, Dekalb Award.

Honor Students Recognized During Jeff-Morgan Installation

JEFFERSON — The National Honor Society Chapter at Jefferson-Morgan Junior/Senior High School held its annual installation ceremonies Friday night in the school auditorium inducting eight seniors and 11 juniors into the chapter.

The program was conducted by the six charter members of the chapter, Frank Gilmer, Valerie Grash, Malvine Jacobs, Carla Knestrick, Donald Martin, and Philip Sahady.

Guest speaker was Robert Warzinski, a 1970 graduate of the school, currently employed as a chemist with

the United States Department of Energy at its Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center. Others speaking briefly were Stanley Fowler, school board president; Kenneth E. Macek, district superintendent; and Stephen Yourchik, acting principal. Eric Barnett was pianist for the services.

The oath of membership was given was administered by Mrs. Amelia J. Dascenzo, National Honor Society chapter advisor. Following the program a reception was held for the new members, their parents and guests.

Seniors inducted were Karen Burwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Ralph Burwell of Clarksville; Michele Caputo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Caputo of Dry Tavern; George D'Antonio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul D'Antonio of Jefferson; Tammy Dolansky-Strube, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dolansky of Rices Landing; Lisa Magda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Magda of Jefferson; David Miner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fischer of Jefferson; Amy Vucic, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vucic of Rices Landing; and James Weinschenker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Weinschenker of Rices Landing.

Juniors inducted were Charlotte Adamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Adamson of Clarksville; Michael Andria, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Andria of Dry Tavern; Michele Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Baker of Jefferson; April Bedosky, daughter of Mrs. Hazel Bedosky of Jefferson; Bradley Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bell of Dry Tavern; Lisa Denny, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Denny of Jefferson; Mary Jo Dorsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Dorsey Jr. of Dry Tavern; Sharon Leonard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Leonard of Clarksville; John Mosier, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mosier Sr. of Dry Tavern; Susan Rohrer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rohrer of Mather; and Terrie Rush, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Shimek of Waynesburg.



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From left, seated, Michael Caputo, Karen Burwell, Tammy Dolansky-Strube, Amy Vucic, Lisa Magda, and James Weinschenker, all seniors. Standing from left are David Miner, senior, Michael Andria, Bradley Bell, Michele Baker, Mary Jo Dorsey, April Bedosky, Terrie Rush, Lisa Denny, Charlotte Adamson, Susan Rohrer, Sharon Leonard, John Mosier, all juniors, and George D'Antonio, a senior.

Almost \$7,000 Collected For Retarded Citizens

WAYNESBURG — Nearly \$7,000 was raised for the Greene County Association for Retarded Citizens in three bike-hikes held during the past weekend — two of them in the rain on Sunday.

At West Greene High School on Saturday, 19 riders raised \$625.

The downpour on Sunday forced the Jefferson-Morgan bike-hike to stop after only one hour, but with nearly 100 riders taking part, more than \$3,000 was raised to benefit the retarded.

In Jollytown, 36 riders, six walkers and three runners went the whole distance in the rain and raised \$2,976. According to Alberta Jones, local coordinator of the Jollytown event, one of the top money raisers was a five-year-old girl who pedaled her bike with training wheels the entire eight miles in the rain, with her father walking beside her.

All money raised will go to benefit retarded citizens, with 75 percent des-

ignated for the local association's building fund and 25 percent contributed to the state association.

The Greene County ARC is planning to build a new building to house an expanded program for handicapped adults, including a sheltered workshop, work activities center and a continuation of the current therapeutic activities program offered in West Waynesburg.

Top money raisers in the bike-hike will receive bicycles. Each participant raising more than \$35 will receive a disk flyer, and all those who raise more than \$25 will get a chance at a county-wide drawing for a ten-speed bicycle.

Two more bike-hikes are scheduled for the coming weeks.

One at Carmichaels will be held Saturday, May 7, starting behind St. Hugh's church at 10:30 a.m. The other for the Waynesburg area will be held Sunday, May 15, at the Greene County Fairgrounds near Waynesburg, starting at 1 p.m.

Greene County Raises Thousands For Research

WAYNESBURG — During the past year, more than \$7,600 was donated to the American Cancer Society research program by the Greene County Unit of the society.

Arnetta Cooper, president of the unit, said the Greene County contributions went into a fund which made more than \$3.9 million available to 15 Pennsylvania institutions for cancer research. The overall investment in research each year has grown from \$1 million in 1946 to \$52 million today.

"Research is conducted on a nationwide basis, but individuals in every community will benefit from the progress being made in cancer control," Cooper said.

It was also announced by Judy Graham, Nurse of Hope for the Greene County Unit, that a new pamphlet, "How to Examine Your Breasts" is available to women without charge at the unit office at 90 East High Street, Waynesburg. It outlines a simple three-step procedure of self-examination.

"Most breast lumps are not cancer, but only a physician can make a diagnosis," Mrs. Graham said. "The American Cancer Society emphasizes early detection and prompt treatment."

Breast cancer is the number one

cancer among women, she said, adding that about one out of 11 women will develop breast cancer sometime during their lives. Women at greater risk are over age 50, with a personal or family history of breast cancer, who never had children or had their first child over the age of 30.

Mrs. Graham also said that an educational program on breast cancer is available without charge to schools, women's organizations and industry. A trained speaker conducts the program, which includes a film.

Arrangements for such a program can be made by calling the Cancer Society office.

Divorces Granted

WAYNESBURG — Two final decrees in divorce have been handed down by the Greene County Court:

Carmella Dorene Catalano Nichols of Mather from James Frederick Nichols of Waynesburg They were married Sept. 12, 1981. There are no children.

Vickie L. Everly Gashie of Garards Fort from Richard Anthony Gashie of Greensboro R.D.1. They were married June 15, 1974 and have one child.

Claim Power Surge Ruined Appliances

W. Penn Power Customers Want Money

WAYNESBURG — More than 50 Waynesburg area residents signed a petition Friday, protesting the refusal of West Penn Power Co. to compensate them for damage done to appliances in their homes by a power surge on Thursday, April 14.

George Davison of Waynesburg R.D.5, who is organizing the appeal, estimated 250 homes suffered damages which were caused when a dead tree fell across a power line in the East View area.

The tree knocked down a high voltage line, which fell across a residential line leading into West Waynesburg and then north on Route 19 through North Waynesburg to Ruff Creek.

According to Davison and others who signed his petition Friday, the power went off at 6:25 p.m. April 14, came back on briefly a few seconds later, and then went out and remained off for about an hour. The power surge, which occurred when it came on for a few seconds, caused the damage.

"I was watching the news when the lights went out," Clifford Lockwood of West Waynesburg said. "Before I could get to the set to turn it off, the power came back on and the television set popped and blew up."

Davison said much the same thing happened to him. "There was a flash and the set was gone," he said.

Judging by signatures on the petition, most of the damage which occurred involved television sets. But the surge also blew out the power units on a number of microwave ovens and affected furnace controls, freezers and refrigerators.

Davison said he had checked a number of local television repairmen and has learned that people are having to pay from \$40 to as much as \$150 to have their sets repaired, depending upon the extent of damage.

Many of those who suffered damages filed claims with West Penn Power. Each of them received the same letter from company claims adjuster Ronald K. Craig denying the claims.

The utility based its denial on the fact that the dead tree which fell across the line was not located on its right of way but on private property,

and was therefore beyond its control.

"Although West Penn Power Company recognizes the seriousness of any customer's loss and genuinely regrets such an occurrence, there was no evidence of negligence on the part of West Penn Power Company," the letter states.

Several local insurance companies also said they had received claims from clients who have a homeowners policy.

"Even if their policy covers such an occurrence, the loss would have to exceed \$100 before the deductible amount of the policy would be

reached," one agent said Friday.

"We, the customers of West Penn, believe West Penn is responsible for these damages," the petition states. "Our homes would have been safe had West Penn removed a tree that might fall on lines and cause such a terribly costly incident. We plan to seek help in this matter."

Davison said copies of the petition would be sent to West Penn, to the Public Utilities Commission and to local legislators in Harrisburg.

"We feel we should be compensated for our loss and that West Penn is liable," he said.

Basketball Trophies Awarded

WAYNESBURG — Three teams representing elementary schools in the Central Greene School District placed well in the annual Junior Championship Basketball Tournament held in Morgantown, W.Va.

A sixth-grade team coached by Lenny Lohr of Waynesburg placed second; a fifth grade team coached by Brad Edgar of Waynesburg placed seventh, and a fourth grade team coached by Wayne Kiger of Mt. Morris placed third.

Glenn Kyle, head basketball coach at Waynesburg Central High School and coordinator of the Central Greene District's Youth Basketball Program, said the finishes represented the best overall showing made by district teams in the four years they have been competing.

A total of 68 teams, most of them from West Virginia, competed in the event. Boys making up the local tournament teams were selected from among 130 boys who took part this year in the Youth Basketball Program.

Members of the sixth grade team were Lance McIntire, Jason Lohr, Brian Mudry, Tim Cook, Brian Stump, Clint Morris, Greg Shipe, Tim Mariner and Scott Litwinovich.

Those on the fifth grade team were Carlos Gibbs, Tim Mankey, Dave Stoneking, Danny Church, Steve McIntire, Joe Phillips, Joe Kijowski, Eric Kindervater, Scott Morris and Andy Duke.

Playing on the fourth grade team were Pat Rameas, Mike Bencie, Ryan Davis, Mike Wilson, Corey

Wenzil, Tessa Knicely, Brent Fuller, Thad Nalitz, Jamie Moran, Jamie Haines, Matt Dobash and Bryan Pierce.

Area Man Enters ARD

WAYNESBURG — L. G. Tanner of Waynesburg R.D.3, who was charged with cruelty to animals, was admitted to the Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) program following a hearing Monday in Greene County Court.

A neighbor, Sue H. Morris, charged that Tanner fired a shot at a horse belonging to her family on July 3, 1982, wounding the animal to the point where it had to be destroyed.

Tanner was ordered to pay court costs, probation costs of \$100, and restitution of \$700. He was placed on probation for as long as it requires to pay the costs and restitution.

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Faces From The Past-Do You Recognize Them?



Members of the Phi Sigma fraternity at Waynesburg College posed for this 1924 photograph. Front row, left to right, Roy Hench, Hap Frank, Jiggers White, John O'Hara; second row: George Allison, unidentified, Bob Allen, Alfred Hill, John Weitzel; third row: Walter Bower, Ted Fordyce, Dave Newell, unidentified, John Weitzel; back row: first two unidentified; Ray Walsh, Henry Luecht, Oakley Shaw, Sheldon Kelly, unidentified; top row: unidentified, Paul Harkins, unidentified, Stuart Simms.

Dandelions and Signs Disfigure Spring Lawns

Dandelions aren't the only thing which have sprung up on Greene County lawns this spring.

For some reason, sign battles have become a big part of campaigning for the May election. On some corners in Waynesburg, as many as six mini-billboards compete for the attention of passing motorists, importuning them to vote for this candidate or that candidate.

The same thing is pretty much true in rural areas of the county, with the big attention-getters having to a great extent replaced the small handbills which in the past have been nailed to utility poles.

In the case of one county office, the opposing candidates came up with the idea of putting signs on vehicles and leaving them parked all day in the area around the courthouse — a practice which continued until Wayneburg police received a complaint and threatened to enforce a provision of the parking ordinance which allows them to tag a car if it is parked in one place for more than two hours.

It's all symptomatic of the frantic scramble for votes in one of the most hotly-contested local primary elections in years — a campaign which is becoming more and more hectic as the May 17 election nears.

Hopefully, like the yellow dandelions, the signs — both those of the winners and the losers — will shortly disappear. If they were all gathered at one spot, they would fuel a dandy post-election victory bonfire and wiener roast.

Thousands Are Using Jobless Aid Centers

MONESSEN — The Mon Valley Health and Welfare Council has reported that thousands of jobless residents in Greene and Washington counties have taken advantage of services offered through 22 Assistance Centers for the Unemployed which are operating in the two counties.

The program is being funded by the Greene and Washington county commissioners with funds provided under the Pennsylvania Adult Service Block Grant program. The commissioners sanctioned the project after recognizing the many needs of unemployed residents in their counties.

Four of the centers are in Greene County. A center in Brave is operated by Social and Community Services of

the Diocese of Pittsburgh; one at the Carmichaels Clinic is operated by Centerville Clinics; one at Greensboro is operated by the Southeast Greene Community Health Center, and the fourth, in Waynesburg, is operated by Washington-Greene Community Action Corp.

They are staffed with professionally trained personnel and offer advice on employment referral, sources of financial assistance, housing problems, medical care, job retraining, legal matters, budget planning and many other topics.

Information about the program, which to date has served an estimated 6,000 people, can be obtained by calling toll-free 800-222-8838, extension 196.

Court Refuses To Drop Charge Of Homicide

WAYNESBURG — The Greene County Court Monday dismissed a motion to quash filed on behalf of a Holbrook area man who is charged with homicide by vehicle, driving while intoxicated, and failure to yield half the highway.

The attorney representing Hallie McCollum Jr., 60, of Holbrook R.D.1 contended that his client was arrested without a warrant or probable cause, and that the homicide by vehicle statute is unconstitutional.

The charges against McCollum were filed by state police following a head-on accident near East View on Dec. 10, 1982, which killed Ralph Michael Moore, 15, of Rogersville. Craig Allen Ely, 17, of Sycamore R.D.1, was seriously injured in the crash.

In his opinion dismissing the motion to quash, Judge Glenn Toothman ruled that circumstances found at the scene of the accident by the investigating police officer supplied probable cause for McCollum's arrest

without a warrant. As to the constitutionality of the homicide by vehicle statute, Judge Toothman ruled that while an Allegheny County Common Pleas judge held the law was unconstitutional, the Commonwealth Court has upheld its constitutionality.

The order handed down Monday does not deal with a further contention by McCollum's attorney that the intoxilizer used by state police to test McCollum was defective. A hearing on that argument is still pending, with trial of the case having been scheduled for the May term of criminal court, which opens late this month.

Senate Pro Tem Will Address Waynesburg College Graduates

WAYNESBURG — Henry G. Hager, president pro tempore of the state Senate, will deliver the commencement address at Waynesburg College this year and will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree.

The Rev. James E. Long Jr., pastor of the Beulah United Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. He will receive an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree.

Also being honored this year at commencement will be Louis E. Waller, president of McAnallen Corp., Washington, who will receive an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree, and Jay D. Aldridge, executive director of Penn's Southwest Associates, who will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree.

Both programs will be held Sunday, May 15, with baccalaureate beginning at 11 a.m. and commencement at 2:30 p.m. The traditional alumni banquet will be held the preceding night at 6:30 p.m. in the Benedum Hall main dining room. Reunions of classes ending in 3 and 8 will highlight the banquet, which will include the second Lamplighter reunion.

Hager, a Republican from Williamsport, was elected minority leader of the Republican caucus for the 1977-78 legislative session, becoming the youngest senator ever elected to that office, and was elected president pro tempore of the Senate in the 1981-82 session.

A graduate of Wesleyan University and the University of Pennsylvania School of Law, Hager helped establish an ethics commission and an independent crime commission. He also played an important role in enacting legislation dealing with spending accountability. He is active in community affairs, particularly the state Cancer Crusade.

Long joined the historic Beulah United Presbyterian Church from the position of national executive director of the Youth Club Program, an interdenominational program of Christian education. He continues to serve

as president of the board of the Youth Club, which now reaches into churches of 16 different Christian denominations throughout the world.

He is a graduate of Westminster College and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and has served congregations in Mt. Lebanon and Tustin and Placentia, Calif. Twice named one of the "Outstanding Young Men in America," his pastorates have been characterized by rapid growth in

membership and mission growth.

Long is active in community affairs, serving on the board of directors of the YMCA, and is active in drug abuse programs.

Waller, who joined McAnallen in 1963, recently was elected president of the Master Builders' Association of Western Pennsylvania.

He serves as a director of Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association, a trustee of Washington Hospital and a director of the United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Aldridge has been executive director of Penn's Southwest since 1972. Prior to joining the development agency, he spent 19 years with Duquesne Light Co., where he held various management responsibilities and was manager of area development in 1970 and 1971. He was a member of the three-member task force established by the Allegheny Conference on Community Development for the purpose of studying the economic future of southwestern Pennsylvania.

Among his many honors are the Distinguished Service Award from the Industrial Development Research Council and the AMA Marketing Award. He served as citizen chairman of the U.S. Delegation of the United Nations Development Commission at Geneva, Switzerland.

This year 170 students will receive baccalaureate and associate degrees at the 132nd commencement exercise.

Horse Show Planned

WAYNESBURG — The Waynesburg 4-H Horse & Pony Club will sponsor its annual Children's Hospital Charity Horse Show on Sunday, May 8, at the Greene County Fairgrounds.

The event will begin at 9 a.m. with competition being held in 40 separate classes including English, western and hunter classes.

Club members at a meeting recently presented posters about the horse show which were judged. Benny Orndoff won top prize in the first division with Shannon Fuller winning the second division and Amy Zalar taking the third division.

AROUND TOWN
By THE STAFF

Rachael Bower, a senior at Ohio University, has received a dean's scholarship for the next academic year in the School of Radio-TV Communications. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roger Bower of Waynesburg.

Ralph Debolt, a former Greene County resident now living in Fort Pierce, Fla., is recuperating from major surgery. He is a U.S. Customs officer at St. Lucie County Airport. His wife is the former Blanche Crawford of Carmichaels.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hoge have returned to their home in Carmichaels after spending the winter in Florida. Also back from Florida are Mr. and Mrs. William Blair of Rolling Meadows Road and Mr. and Mrs. John S. Areford of Carmichaels. The Blairs lived in Bradenton and the Arefords in St. Petersburg.

Arden Turner, retired insurance salesman from Waynesburg, has returned home following treatment at Greene County Memorial Hospital and Washington Hospital for a minor stroke. An avid fisherman and golfer, he will now undergo therapy treatments and expects to be back on the golf course this summer.

Fact and Folklore
John O'Hara

Once upon a time in Greene County, most of the lawns around the big farm houses got short-shift when it came to proper care.

Mostly it was a tedious chore generally left to the younger boys or girls of the family of the farm. Most didn't fool much with the trimming because they had to use the old sheep shears. Trimming was confined to the head stones in the family cemetery.

Today it is a vastly different story what with the wide-selection of hand tools in the local department stores. All of them are specially designed for yard work and working them can be fun—if not done over an extended period of time.

This aspect of change in the rural life was revealed to this writer last Saturday on a chance visit to the beautiful Charles Orndorff farm along Smith Creek, south of Waynesburg.

For years, it has been a sparkling showplace and no effort or expense has been spared when it came to improvements.

The most spacious advancement is in the new parking place. This weather-shielded entrance to the home is directly off the groomed lawn.

The grass is groomed with such care that it is hard to find the exact spot where the lawn ends and the pasture field begins.

Not only at the Orndorff farm but at many Greene County farms, the past decade has seen a new dimension of rural beauty. It is especially enjoyable for those who live in the concrete jungle of the cities.

To them, Greene County has become an escape from the business world of rushing traffic, cement, blacktop and plastic living.

4th Tour Puts Fling Into Spring

WIND RIDGE — The fourth annual "Spring Fling" tour of the Enon Valley in Richhill Township will be held Saturday, starting at 9 a.m. from the fire hall in Wind Ridge.

The tour is sponsored each year by the Association for Rural Conservation to highlight the unique historical and natural characteristics found in the valley of the Enlow Fork of Wheeling Creek, which forms the boundary between Greene and Washington counties. It is timed to coincide with the blooming of spring wildflowers which abound in the valley.

Local guides and speakers will lead explorations into the valley's botany, archaeology, history, fish, birds and other wildlife.

The archaeological discussion will be led by two officers of the Paul R. Stewart Chapter of the Pennsylvania Archaeological Society in Waynesburg — Jean Zimmerman, a director of the society, and Vice President William Bennington. Both have been active in field explorations in western Pennsylvania. A type of arrowhead point, the Bennington Quailtail, was named after Bennington.

Guides for the botany tour will be Robert Buckbee, a naturalist and amateur botanist, and Arabelle Wheatley, nature illustrator. Both are among the founding members of ARC. Doug Welker, geologist and ARC steering committee member, will provide an overview of the local geology.

Ralph K. Bell, a member of the Audobon Society and Brooks Bird Club and a bander for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service since 1954, will share his knowledge of Enlow's bird population.

Fishing the Enlow will be discussed by Gary Dieger, waterways patrolman for the Pennsylvania Fish Commission. Steve Kleiner, state game protector for western Greene County, will speak on wildlife and management of the special animal habitats found in the region. The valley is both a deer wintering area and mink breeding ground.

The Enlow valley also contains an array of historic and prehistoric sites of interest. Indian burial mounds, rock shelters, the well-known Crow Rock, the Sara Ackley monument to pioneer women, and the Fisher Site, recently placed on the National Register of Historic Places, will all be explored during the tour.

"The Association for Rural Conservation intends for the Spring Fling to be an enjoyable, educational outing for the whole family," Marcia Sonneborn of West Finley R.D.2 said. "The annual affair is part of ARC's efforts to preserve the cultural and natural heritage of Greene County."

Participants are asked to bring a lunch and wear appropriate outdoor clothing. Transportation for senior citizens in Greene County can be arranged by calling the Washington-Greene Community Action Agency at 852-2893.

Additional information about the tour can be obtained by calling Marcia Sonneborn at 428-4344.



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Going Full Force

With April passing as one of the wettest months ever in most of the northeastern United States, Greene County can also be counted as one of the areas receiving heavy rain much of the

month. It's most evident where a stream cascades with a roar over a fall to end in a foamy splash in the lower streambed such as this scene of Ten Mile Creek off Route 21 just west of Waynesburg.

