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NEWBERRY BUSINESS SHOWCASE

First-Time Event Deemed A Success

The community was invited to rediscover Newberry's businesses at a one day event, Saturday March 20th. The first Newberry Business Showcase drew a large stream of visitors from the neighborhood and nearby communities. Forty exhibitors occupied both floors of the West End Christian Community Center.

"Visitors were amazed at the variety of products and services offered in Williamsport's West End," said Alannah Gabriel, event coordinator. "Over \$2000 in prizes were donated by generous business owners."

The atmosphere was festive as visitors met proprietors and got acquainted with the goods and services available right in their own back yard. Comments from vendors and visitors alike agreed the time was well spent.

The showcase was born out of a casual conversation between Newberry business owners Tom Hunsberger, Bill Kieser and Dina Wascher. Hunsberger

presented the idea to the Newberry Community Partnership Board which unanimously gave the project the green light. "When we promoted the showcase to the business community the response was very enthusiastic," said Hunsberger. "We also want to encourage everyone to support our local economy and buy local."

While browsing the exhibits, visitors could buy quality used books from Brodart, relax with a free 5 minute neck massage offered by J Styles, pick a good luck fortune cookie from New Wing Wah, taste chocolate from Goods Mills or sample a Mileto's Sub. Among the many prizes offered was a Sony table top stereo from Mark Sales & Leasing, a ShopVac, limited edition art print from Becker Photography and a portable DVD player from Your Building Center. A lucky boy and girl went home with new bikes from Newberry Sub Shop; another winner is sitting comfortably in a desk chair from Hunsberger Office Supply. Others won Visa Gift Cards, gift baskets and gift certificates for services. A complete list of prizes and winners is available at the NCP office.

The NCP would like to thank Moonlight Graphics, Pepsi Cola, Dunkin Donuts and Signs & Designs and MAS Printing for their generous support.

The Newberry Business Showcase was sponsored by the Newberry Community Partnership and the City of Williamsport.



NEWBERRY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP NEWS

5th Annual Block Party

Friday, April 16th

Our 5th Annual Neighborhood Block Party to celebrate Newberry will be held Friday, April 16th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM – Rain or Shine! Come to the corner of West 4th & Diamond Streets, meet and greet your neighbors and friends, enjoy a hot dog and other treats; see our 3rd mural “Mapping the Course for Our Newberry Neighborhood”. This year the NCP will be giving one lucky boy and girl a bicycle & helmet.

Free pony rides sponsored by Mark O’Neill owner of Mark Sales & Leasing is another exciting addition to our celebration.

Fire alarms, fire safety and Safe Kids Program information will be distributed by our Williamsport Fire Department. The Citizens Corp Council will also be on hand to encourage neighbors to participate in the trainings offered for public safety. We’re looking forward to seeing you on the Square!!!

4th Annual Newberry Community-Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, June 12th

The phone in the NCP Elm Street office is already ringing with requests to be listed in this popular yearly event. From 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Saturday, June 12th we invite everyone, residents and organizations in the Newberry/Jaysburg area to have a yard sale. The NCP is organizing and promoting the event for you...all you have to do is set aside the date, gather up your “stuff” and let us know you’d like to be included in the fun. Brodart has already come on board with their Book & DVD Sale.



For shoppers, the NCP hospitality tent will be set up at the corner of West 4th & Diamond Streets, where they will be greeted with a brochure listing sale locations and a wake-up cup of coffee.

If you or your organization would like to participate, email insideNewberry@yahoo.com or call 601-0298 by June 1st to be listed.

Let’s Clean-Up Our Neighborhood

Saturday May 22nd

The Safe Clean & Green Team of the NCP welcomes residents and friends to help with our Spring Litter Pick-Up. We’ll provide gloves, trash bags and refreshments. Meet at the WECCC, corner of West 4th and Diamond Streets at 10 AM. Set aside an hour or two to help. You can make a difference. For more information or rain date call 601-0298.

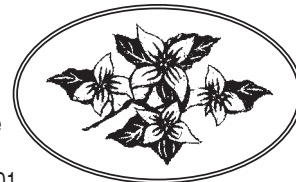


Be A Steward For Your Block

Simple actions such as knowing our neighbors and “eyes on the street” can contribute to our well-being, safety and strengthen our sense of community. In our recent anonymous survey conducted in the Elm Street designated area of Newberry, some residents indicated they would like to be part of a neighborhood watch. The Newberry Community Partnership and Elm Street Manager would like anyone who is interested in knowing more about stewardship for your block to call Alannah Gabriel at 601-0298 or email insidenewberry@yahoo.com for more details.

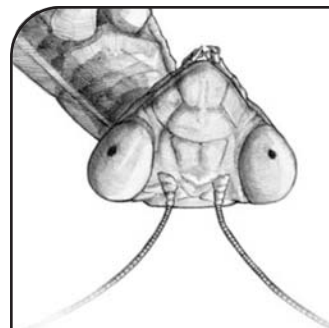
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NEWBERRY BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Newberry Xchange

The Newberry Xchange has been a cornerstone for small businesses in the Williamsport area for 13 years. We are a family owned and operated business. We buy and sell quality used merchandise, giving people a reliable source to purchase quality used merchandise, and also sell their quality used goods at a fair price, thus creating a revolving industry that benefits all those in the area. The Newberry Xchange has become a staple in the community always quick to lend a helping hand.

With 30 plus years of buying and selling gold, diamonds, jewelry and other precious metals the Newberry Xchange has something to offer everyone, including stereo equipment, power tools, televisions and video games for the kid in all of us. The Xchange has become affectionately known as a great business in the Newberry and Williamsport areas and looks to continue to thrive and flourish as we move into the new decade.

Newberry Xchange is conveniently located at 846 Diamond Street and open from 10:00 AM until 6:00 PM. Monday thru Friday and 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM on Saturdays. We can be reached during business hours at (570) 329-2808.



NEWBERRY CHURCH OF CHRIST NEWS

Upcoming Activities

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Our concerts begin on June 13 at 7:00 PM for the whole family. There is no admission fee but a love offering will be taken at each concert to help support the ministry of each group.

- June 13 "Crossover"
- June 20 "Tom Cohenor"
- June 27 "Men In Harmony"

Concerts will continue on Sunday evenings throughout July and August. We are very excited about the quality of artists who will be with us this summer, so join us for great summer evenings of praise and worship music. We look forward to seeing you!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will be held in the evenings of **June 21-25**. Please call the Newberry Church of Christ office for more information (326-0731).

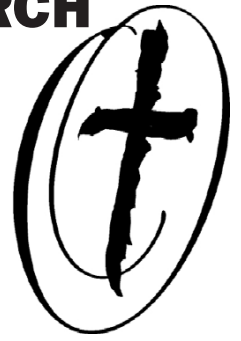
ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

High quality food at low cost for everyone. For program information please call 570-326-0731.

- **Sign-Up May 11** (5 to 7 PM) and **May 12** (10 AM to 1 PM and 5 to 7 PM), **PickUp May 22**
- **Sign-Up June 8** (5 to 7 PM) and **June 9** (10 AM to 1 PM and 5 to 7 PM), **Pick-Up June 19**

YOUTH WORK GROUP OFFERS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

The Center for Independent Living, the designated referral agency for the United Methodist Army, is seeking to provide services this summer to community members who are in need of assistance to accomplish small projects that they are unable to afford or physically cannot do. The volunteers can do yard work/clean up, house cleaning, painting and some repairs. For a more extensive list of tasks or to request an application, call 327-9070 immediately as applications must be in by May 1st.



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NEWBERRY SUB SHOP CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

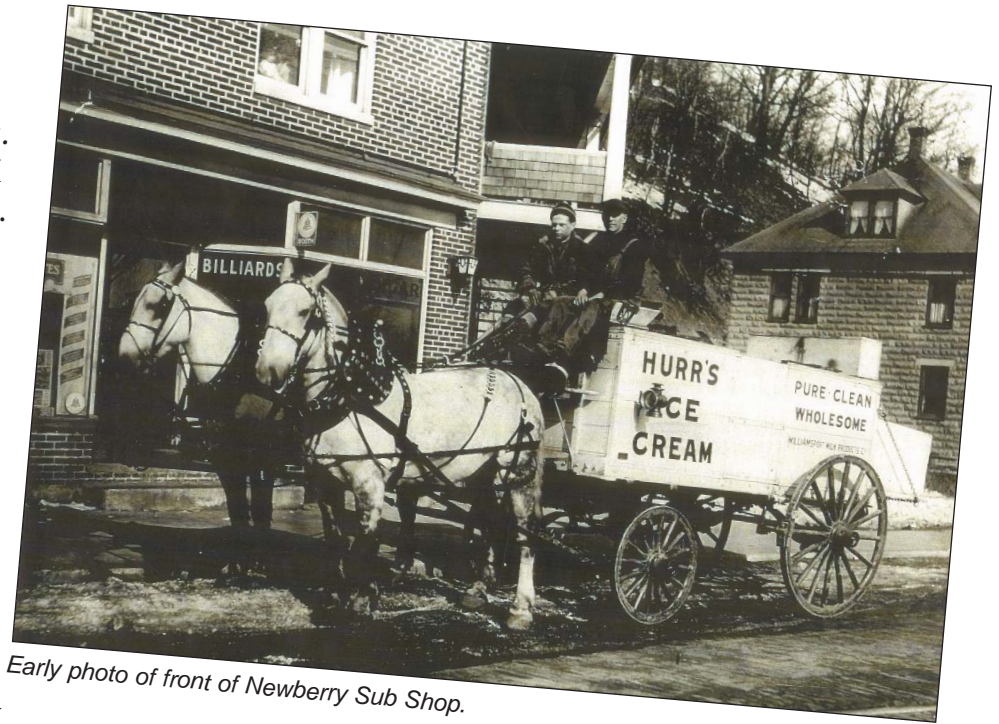
An Open Letter from Owner

My profile of heaven is a big field and in it are all my family and friends. That is one of my favorite sayings, I don't know who said it but I love it. I recently had a touch of heaven here on Earth. I was honored at a huge surprise party; it was the 30th Anniversary Celebration for my business, **Newberry Sub Shop**. The event was held at the Old Lycoming Fire Hall on January 9, 2010 with over 400 guests in attendance. It was an awe filled night with the band, food, decorations, family, friends, and awesome customers. It was truly one of the most special times of my entire life. My two wonderful daughters Beth Miller and Dawn Flexer who organized the event outdid themselves, down to every little detail.

When I bought Newberry Sub Shop from Roger Casale in the Winter of 1980, I had no idea what an undertaking I was getting myself into. I was a newly single mom with three children and in the 1980s, there were not many women running their own businesses. It wasn't an easy road, and still isn't.

Since the 1980s the neighborhood, economy, and so many businesses have come and gone; however, Newberry Subs is still standing tall and strong due to the wonderful support of family and friends in the Newberry Community. I've gone from being a young mother with three fantastic kids, to a proud grandma with many busy wonderful

*Newberry Sub Shop
Owner Sherry
(bottom left) with
her three children:
Beth (left), Dawn
(center) and Dan
(right).*



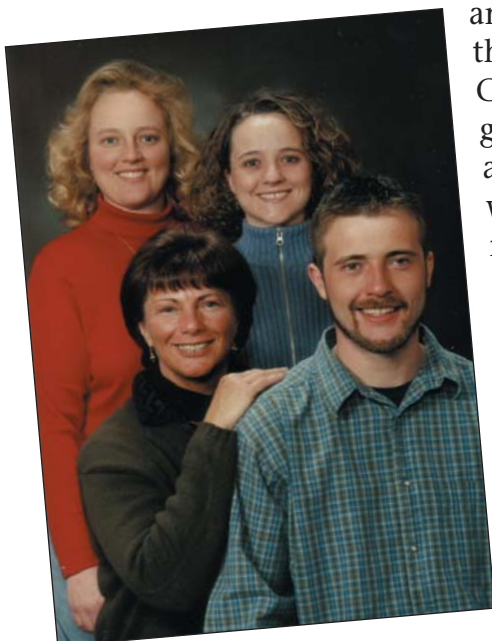
Early photo of front of Newberry Sub Shop.

grandchildren. Newberry Sub Shop is proud to be a part of a fantastic and family-oriented community. We faithfully support each other and when help is needed there is always a lending hand reaching out.

To my faithful and loyal customers, thank you for keeping Newberry Subs going and for being a community with lots of heart and support. To my fantastic hoagie princesses - thank you, thank you, thank you - I love you. To my husband Craig, thank you for being my fix-it man and a sounding board through the many ups and downs. Last but not least, thank you Beth, Dawn, and Danny for putting up with a mom who worked day and night for so many years.

From the bottom of my heart I gratefully tell you all how blessed I am, and how much love is felt for you all.

~ Love, Sherry



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REMEMBERING THE CORNER STORE...

Early Newberry Businesses

These simple buildings were commercial venues, family residences and neighborhood gathering places where you could find meats, produce, baked goods, dry goods and any odds and ends you might need.

Each neighborhood had its own corner store, sometimes street by street. There were many ethnic groups living in Newberry; there was a smattering of Irish, German and others but the two major ethnic groups were Italian and Polish; the Reading Railroad tracks served as their neighborhood boundary. The ethnicity of the owners followed this division. The Federovich family owned two stores; one at the base of Arch Street and another on Reach Road. There was Krokowskis on Mosser Avenue, Domininski's, Candelori's (Lori's) on Funston and Federal Avenue, Pelagrinos, Pauls Corner Store, Ulmers Grocery, Edwards, Crammers, Mo Day's and many more.

A few meat markets that come to mind were Lundys, Snyders, Reading, Hunter's and Seventh Ward Public Meat Market. The owners of these stores were your neighbors; you could run a tab,

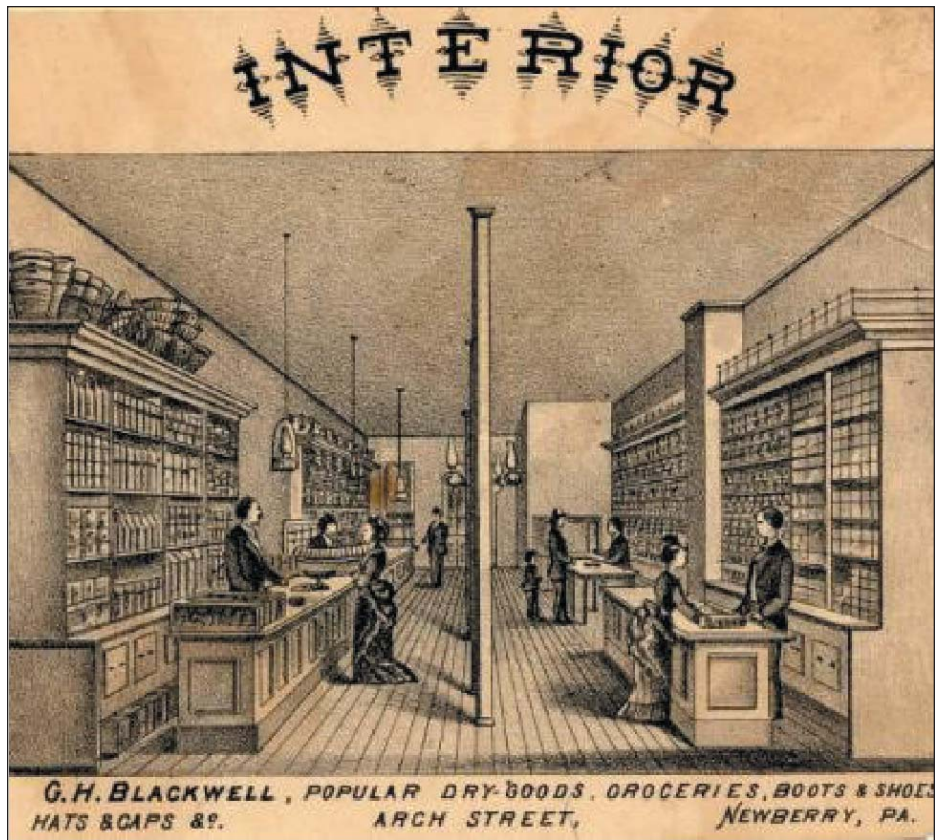


Illustration of the interior of one of Newberry's early corner stores.

barter produce, eggs and services. Lenny Schlee tells of going down to the tracks and gathering coal that had fallen off the rail cars for his family to use and to trade. Another Newberry source tells of back rooms and cellars where poker, betting and the occasional nip of the brew occurred.

Several Lycoming Genealogical Society members have been working to document Newberry corner stores and businesses. "Total count so far in the Newberry area is over 30 neighborhood stores and we're still counting," said Cindy Frey. With the advent of the modern super markets the corner stores slowly faded away."

Editor's Note: If you have photos or memories of your favorite corner store to share, contact insidenewberry at 601-0298 or via email at insidenewberry@yahoo.com.



Delivery truck in front of the 7th Ward Meat Market.

WEST END CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

4th Annual Patriotic Festival & Pig Roast

The 4th Annual Patriotic Festival & Pig Roast will be held Sunday, May 15th from 1:00 to 6:00 PM. To honor those who have served our country in the armed forces – past and present - we have invited Civil War Re-enactors to portray a “*Living history of 1865*”. This is a Williamsport first - an event not to be missed.

Another “first” this year is our **Most Patriotic Cake Contest**. Just bring a cake you’ve baked and decorated in a patriotic theme. The winner will receive an award along with bragging rights. For those that don’t do well in the kitchen, how about dressing up for the festivities that day? An award will be given for the **Best Costume of the Day** that depicts something relating to our veterans of any era. Go through your attic and find that old uniform that your father, mother, grandfather, or grandmother wore and wear it to our Patriotic Festival. You just might win a wonderful prize for your efforts.

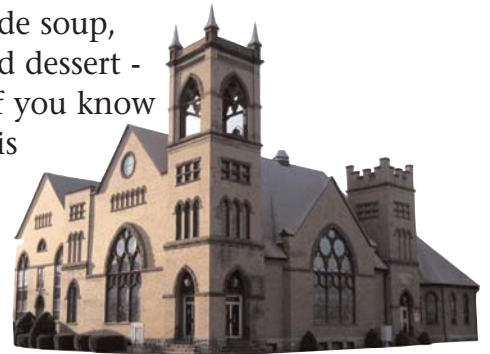
Mayor Gabe Campana will be on hand for the opening ceremony, followed by the flag folding, taps, and the Young Marines of Williamsport color guard. Veterans who are serving or have served our country in war will speak of their experiences.

Entertainment will be provided by Flashback Entertainment Co. and Steve Hunter. There will be plenty of terrific food, children’s games, vendors and a nationally renowned turkey caller Dave Tillburg, will be demonstrating his skills. Come and enjoy the many activities planned to entertain the whole family. The day promises to be filled with inspiration and fun. You will be glad you attended. The festival will be held at 901 Diamond Street, Williamsport from 1:00 to 6:00 PM.

Clair Smith’s Soup Kitchen

The Center welcomes *Clair Smith’s Soup Kitchen*. Open to the public Monday and Thursday from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM until May 31st, Clair and friends Christine Schuler, Sylvia Garcia and Toni Rash are serving up delicious,

hearty homemade soup, bread, coffee and dessert - free of charge. If you know of anyone who is homeless or in need of a meal, please direct them to our Center.



The kitchen is on the lower level of the building; individuals must be able to go up and down the stairs. Those unable to handle the stairs but would like the soup/meal at home, may call the office to make arrangements for delivery. The kitchen will be closed June through August and resume in September.

Nine years ago, Clair retired from running a daycare center and being a foster parent. After recuperating from some physical challenges she asked herself, “What can I do to keep myself busy?” Her inspiration came from her love of cooking and being of service to others. With the help of her friends, *Clair’s Soup Kitchen* became a reality.

“We are very excited to bring a soup kitchen to residents of the west end of our city,” said Marge Thompson, WECCC Director. Should anyone want to volunteer their time to this mission, please call Marge at 323-6297 to schedule you. Donations are always welcome and greatly appreciated.

As always, thank you for your support of the WECCC.

For more information, please call the office at 323-6297.

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Monday thru Friday Meals on Wheels
9:30 to 12:30

Monday	12:45	Penny Bingo
Tuesday	9:30	Healthy Steps in Motion Exercise
Wednesday	12:20	Bible Study
Wednesday	1:00	Penny Bingo
Thursday	9:30	Healthy Steps in Motion Exercise
Friday	12:45	Penny Bingo

2010 PRIMARY ELECTION

Tuesday, May 18, 2010 Election Day

Polls are open on Election Day from 7:00 AM until 8:00 PM. Please remember Pennsylvania has what is called a Closed Primary, which only allows Republicans and Democrats to vote for candidates. If there is a referendum on the ballot, all registered voters may vote for the referendum regardless of party affiliation. Federal, State and party offices are on the ballot this year.

Pennsylvania law provides that the deadline to apply to **register to vote** is 30 days prior to each election. **Monday, April 19, 2010 at 5:00 PM is the last day to register or make changes to your registration before the Primary Election.**

The deadline to apply for a civilian absentee ballot application is 7 days prior to each election. **Tuesday, May 11 at 5:00 PM is the last day to apply for a civilian absentee ballot before the Primary Election.**

If you will be out of your municipality during the hours the polling places are open on Election Day, or if you have an illness or physical disability that prohibits you from going to your polling place, then you may vote by absentee. If you need a voter registration application or an absentee ballot application you can:

- Download an application on the Lycoming County website www.lyco.org and click on "Voter Services"
- Stop in Lycoming County Voter Services for an application at 330 Pine Street, Executive Plaza, 1st Floor, Room 101, Williamsport, PA 17701.
- Call Voter Services at 327-2267

Please contact the Voter Services office at 327-2267 with any questions.

OUR READERS WRITE...

One Copy - Three States

I love reading this publication. Once I'm done, I share it with my mother, who then sends it to her sister in Illinois, who in turn sends it to her friend in Florida. All three grew up in Newberry and range in age from 75 to 85.

*~ Robin Pardoe
Hillside Avenue, Newberry*

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27TH ANNIVERSARY "GOD, COUNTRY & COMMUNITY" FLAG MARCH

The 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America and the "2010 God, Country and Community Flag March to Support our Troops" will take place Monday, June 14th. Participants will meet at Hepburn and Fourth Streets parking lot (across from the Water Authority). Advance registration is requested by June 8th. The March begins promptly at 6:15 PM. Call 327-7566 or email Christy at mayor@cityofwilliamsport.org. Watch for details in local media. "We encourage all to come and join us to support our Flag and our Troops here and abroad, said event founder Tony DiSalvo. Our goal is 1,000 marchers."





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- BOY SCOUT TROOP 14**.....478-2702
Don Cohick, Scoutmaster
Every Monday • 7:30 PM
St. John's-Newberry UMC • 2101 Newberry Street
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- CUB SCOUT PACK 14**.....322-6861
Sam Aungst, Cubmaster • Every Wednesday • 7:00 PM
St. John's-Newberry UMC • 2101 Newberry Street
Open to boys in Grades 1-5 or ages 7-11

- GIRL SCOUT TROOP 171**.....368-1705
Every Thursday Evening • 7:00 PM
West End Christian Community (WECCC) • 901 Diamond Street
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"Girl Scouts in the Heart of Pennsylvania"

- NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS (NA) &
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (AA)**.....323-6297

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Alcoholics Anonymous Meets
Wednesdays & Saturdays at 7:00 PM • WECCC

 If attending a meeting, use side entrance off gravel parking lot.
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 For additional information, call the
 WECCC office at the number listed above

- NEWBERRY COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIP**.....329-4141 or 601-0298
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If you would like to present an idea or have a neighborhood concern, please call to be placed on the agenda.

- NEWBERRY CRIME COMMISSION**323-6451
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- NEWBERRY LIONESS**322-8302
1st Tuesday • 6:30 PM
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- NEWBERRY LIONS**.....323-7769 or 323-2721
2nd & 4th Tuesday • 6:30 PM
Lions Building • Newberry Park

- ORIGINAL SONS OF ITALY – LODGE 138**.....326-9222
2nd Monday • 7:00 PM
Ascension Parish Hall • 2111 Linn Street

- TIADAGHTON QUILT GUILD**326-9222
1st Wednesday • 7:00 PM
St. Matthew Lutheran Church
Corner of Linn & Pearl Streets

NEWBERRY LIONESS CLUB MARKS MILESTONE

Club Celebrates 25 Years

The Newberry Lioness Club recently held their charter night to honor members and celebrate 25 years of serving the community. Lioness President Karen Colley introduced Vice District Governor Lion Boise Miller and Associate Lioness Kathy Douty. Members receiving awards were Susan Feist, Lions International Melvin Jones Award, "Cub" award to Mary Martha Messner and Margaret Fitzsimmons was named Lioness of the Year. Area Lionesses from Jersey Shore, Montoursville and Watsonstown also attended.



The Lioness Club, sponsored by the Newberry Lions Club in March 1985, began with 30 members and now boasts 65 members. Eight charter members continue to be involved. They are Helen Mitcheltree, Joanne Castell, Susan Feist, Marian Horak, Patricia Currell, Helen Dgien, Carmella Preziosi and Margaret Fitzsimmons.

Many service projects performed by the Club members include the annual Hope Residential Christmas party, providing fruit baskets to the Homes at Easter, planting and maintaining the flowers in Newberry Monument Square and at Original Little League, selling daffodils for ACS, ringing the Salvation Army Kettle bell, collecting needy items for Wise Options, Shepherd of the Street, Hospitality Inns at Susquehanna Health System and Ronald McDonald House at Danville.

The Club supports many national Lions projects that relate to helping those with eye and sight problems but their main focus is on Williamsport and surrounding area organizations such as NCSS, Camp Victory, Camp Cadet, WAHS scholarships, programs at Roosevelt Middle School, Journey House, Children's Development



Susan Feist, right, receiving Lions International Melvin Jones Award. Photo By John Nevill Jr.

Center, Susquehanna Health Foundation, among a few. The funds are raised through sandwich sales, selling "water yoyos", a funnel cake stand at the Lions Fair, yard sales and the Lucky 4 raffle.

Members will be attending District 14-G's convention April 10th and 11th that will be held in Williamsport and will also be participating in a Fashion Show and Journey for Sight Walk in May.

ANNUAL LIONS PARADE & FAIR

Support A Worthy Cause!

Circle June 15th through 19th on your calendar to be sure to attend the fair in Newberry Park. The parade is slated for Wednesday the 16th at 7:00 PM (rain date the 17th). Three prizes will be awarded in each of the following categories: Costume, Wheels & Pets. This week of fun features rides, games, activities and great food – all to support a worthy cause.



9 Winnie the Pooh and Eeyore, from from last year's Lions Parade.

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about Newberry Lions or to become a member.

NEWBERRY'S WALKWAY/BIKEWAY

Editor's Note: With the upcoming grand opening of the Susquehanna River Walk and Timber Trail in the community's awareness, insideNewberry thought our readers would like to know what is envisioned to bring safe walkways/bikeways to Newberry.

For almost two years, members of the Newberry Community Partnership, in cooperation with the Elm Street Project have been exploring the possibility of a walkway/bikeway providing a tangible and symbolic connection between historic Newberry and the younger village of Williamsport. The discovery of an abandoned railroad right of way paralleling Third Street from Arch to the existing bikeway on Lycoming Creek helped the effort morph from exploration to advocacy. Members of the NCP's Safe Clean & Green Committee met with Mayor Campana and Mr. Grado and received tentative approval for the plan. Lycoming County Transportation planner Mark Murawski also met with the Committee and indicated that this kind of project would be a welcome link in the over all County plan and in the Susquehanna Greenway project, a corridor of natural, cultural and recreational resources taking shape in Central PA. Mr. Murawski further suggested that the County might be able to help in the planning process.

The route would provide safe access to the bike path from a location in the heart of Newberry, as well as enabling residents access to the dike and exceptional views of the creek as the walkway crosses the Historic Iron Bridge before joining the existing bike path. As development of this concept progresses the Committee is recommending that a landscaped parking area be established near the intersection of Third Street and the Creek, on the west side. This convenient



location would provide access to the bike path and also offer parking for those who would walk, or perhaps ride, south along the creek into Susquehanna State Park.

In times of tight budgets and fiscal uncertainties, a project like this, estimated at roughly \$55,000.00 (excluding parking lot costs) is a challenge. The Committee believes that the first step would be to achieve a collaboration between the City, the County, private land owners and the NCP/Elm Street Project. Once the project is initiated, this joint effort could bring other interested stake holders on board to support the effort. Its realization would, the Committee believes, contribute significantly to making the greater Williamsport Community more pedestrian friendly and to a greener, healthier, more recreationally-oriented environment for Williamsport's West End and Newberry.

*~ Submitted by Robbie Cross
Safe, Clean & Green, Co-Chair
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Susquehanna River Walk & Timber Trail

Ribbon Cutting Event

Saturday, May 15, 2010

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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11:00 am Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

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of the Susquehanna River Walk!**

- **5K Fun Run \ Walk** (9:00 am)
- **Community Information** (10:00 am - 4:00pm)
- **Trail Cleanup** (1:00 pm)
- **Group Dog Walk** (2:00 pm)
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INSIDE OUR SCHOOLS...Reports from Newberry's Schools

Jackson Elementary School

Artists Meet Bank Executives

On a sunny day during the first week of February, some members of the 2008-2009 Jackson Art Club met several executives from Woodlands Bank. The purpose of this gathering was to have the students meet the people who were instrumental in getting the second Newberry Neighborhood mural "Honoring the Past, Planning for Our Future" placed in a prominent location. In turn, the Woodlands executives had a chance to meet some of the artists who created and painted the beautiful mural. Those in attendance from Woodland's Bank were President Robert E. Forse, Vice-President Carol J. Welliver and Branch Manager Shelley Hepler.

Students from Jackson School in attendance were: Paige Kline, Lydia Culp, A.P. Lorson, Lexie Harvey, Shakeea Horn, Zachary Cupp, Terrance Massey-Porter. Mrs. Corson, art teacher and advisor to the club accompanied the students.

Our Newberry Neighborhood is so lucky to have great supporters of the arts like Woodlands Bank and such talented artists.



At first, staff members purchased them and wore them. Then, community members, students, and parents joined the fundraising effort. The suggested donation was \$3.00; however, some people donated much more! The students were truly amazed how their little creations could support the people of Haiti. Jackson School is very proud of its Art Club as they continue to "give back" to their community and the world.

Lycoming Nursery School

Plenty of Learning at LNS

Preschool students at Lycoming Nursery School are learning more than their ABC's. They are learning healthy habits to last a lifetime. Children are taught basic hygiene skills, such as covering a sneeze and hand washing, as well as topics such as preparing healthy snacks. One class even grows bacteria samples so the children can see what germs look like.

A few years ago, the school also began offering Stretch n Grow, which is a nationwide exercise and fitness program for children. "Coach Larry" Faust comes to the preschool once a week to teach the kids five basic wellness principles: eating healthy, exercising, getting enough sleep, hygiene, and having a good attitude.

Melissa Dudek, teacher of the 5-year-old class, says, "Coach Larry will play a game or exercise with the kids and they laugh all the way through it. They have so much fun they don't realize they are getting a good workout!"

What the kids are learning in school also carries over to their home life. "My daughter comes home and wants to brush her teeth after every meal now, and she never did that before Stretch 'n Grow," says Nicole Houghtaling, whose daughter attends Lycoming Nursery School. "When we were looking for a preschool, we specifically looked for one that offered Stretch n Grow. We love it!"

Lycoming Nursery School, located at 825 Arch Street is now accepting applications for the 2010-2011 school year. To attend, a child must be 3 years old by September 1st. Classes begin in



Woodlands Bank Executives and Jackson Elementary School's Art Club gathered in front of the second Newberry Neighborhood Mural "Honoring the Past, Planning for Our Future".

Jackson Art Club Raises Money for Haiti

The Jackson Elementary Art Club recently raised over \$1,000 to support the relief efforts of the Red Cross following the hurricane in Haiti. The Art Club, made up of fifth grade students, designed and made miniature houses into pins.

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September and are held from 9:00 AM to 12 Noon, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. For more info, contact the registrar at 494-1001.

Roosevelt Middle School

Student Poetry Provides Insight



What would you do to change yourself? Some Roosevelt students answered quite expressively and openly in poetry. Even though the poems are personal, these 13 year old young women are comfortable having them published. Their openness and resilience are commendable qualities. Two examples follow:

CHANGE

*I was a lonely little girl
I remember when my mom used to come in
and out of my life
I heard horrible things about her
I saw her leave and want to come back into
my life
I worried about my future and how my life
was going to be
I thought my life and my soul were going into
a pothole
But, I want to change.
I am a smart, confident young lady
I think people should never give up
I need to try harder to become something
I try to teach myself not to keep stuff in
I feel wonderful, confident
I forgive my mother and myself for giving up
Now I can change.
I will succeed in life and follow my dreams
and let no one stand in my way
I choose to be more confident about myself
I dream to be a physical therapist
I hope to have a fulfilling career
I predict to have a diploma and a degree in
something
I know I will have a wonderful future
I will change*

~ Bernadette Mandville

CHANGE

*I was sad.
I remember when my pap died.
I heard that he had a week to live.
I saw him die.
I worried that I wasn't going to get over it.
I thought my life was headed down the drain.
BUT I WANT TO CHANGE.
I am happy.
I think successfully.
I need to go on with my life.
I need to reach a goal.
I feel ok.
I forgive my Nan.
NOW, I CAN CHANGE.
I will be a doctor.
I choose to learn how to move on.
I dream to be successful.
I hope I will become a doctor.
I predict I will be a successful black woman.
I know I am successful because
I WILL CHANGE.*

~ Lakendra Lewis

Another student wrote about a different change, the one that affected the entire nation more than 200 years ago:

INDEPENDENCE DAY

*The day we gained our independence
Now with freedom we have abundance
On this day we celebrate
That which made our nation great
See the sky light up with fireworks
This is just one small perk
On the fourth of July
Today we broke free of the lies
We celebrate this wonderful nation
All will join in the celebration
And all across the nation say
"We love independence day"*

~ Julia Kepler

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Saint John's School of The Arts SOTA to Feature Student Performances

The Saint John's School of the Arts will hold its annual day of student performances on Saturday, April 17th at Saint John's-Newberry United Methodist Church, 2101 Newberry Street. According to Anne Keely, the school's director, this is an excellent opportunity for the community to see what the School of the Arts is all about. "We are currently in our 14th year, and yet many people do not know about the School of the Arts," Keely said. "This is a wonderful asset to our community, with over 200 students currently enrolled in our year-round music and fine arts programs."



An exhibition of student art work will be featured during the afternoon of April 17, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. Art students of Jason Paulhamus, which include students from elementary age through adult, will display their work. All of these events are free and open to the public. An informal reception will be offered during the afternoon for program participants and guests.

SOTA's annual dance ensemble spring performance will take place Saturday, May 8 at 2:00 PM at the Williamsport Area High School Auditorium. Theresa Kendall's 130 students will perform to uplifting music. Enjoy an hour and fifteen minute program featuring graduating high school senior recognition dances, ballet, modern, and pointe students. An informal reception will follow. Tickets will be available at the door. The suggested donation is \$5.00 per family. For more information about the Saint John's School of the Arts, call 570-327-5575.

West Branch School Spring is Here!



West Branch School (WBS), in the heart of Newberry, is in the midst of a busy spring. School is in session! Plus they are accepting applications for the 2010-2011 year, holding their annual Fair and Music Festival, and preparing for Summer Branches. If you want more information or want to apply for the 2010-2011 school year, give the school a call at 323-5498.

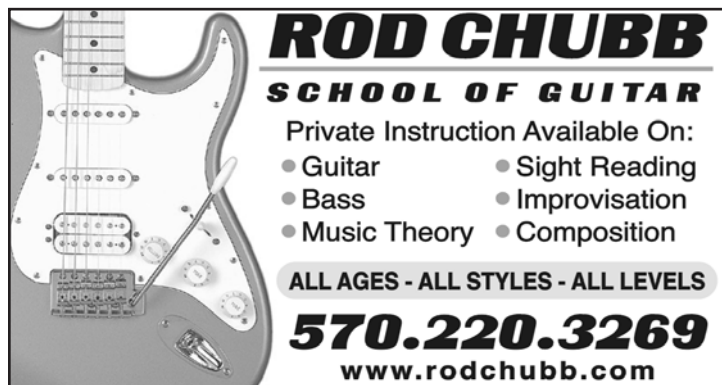
WBS, licensed K-8, has small class sizes which facilitate the highest excellence in teaching and learning. Students are personally challenged by a curriculum that is as exciting as it is well-rounded. Call to arrange a tour or get more information. There are a few spaces available for students for 2010-2011, so apply today. On Saturday, May 8 from Noon to 7 PM, stop by the WBS Fair and Music Festival. Enjoy the food, take in a show, buy from the vendors, or play games. Dave Brumbaugh from the Uptown Music Collective is organizing an entire day of musical entertainment. Other family friendly activities include a live animal show from Reptiland, a bouncy house, and a variety of activities.

Food choices range from artichoke salad to smoked shad to burgers and fries and more. Salad samplers, Strawberries and Cream, and items from the Dessert Bistro are traditional favorites. Also, buy a raffle ticket and you could win one or more of a dozen great prizes including \$500 and a variety of gift certificates for meals, services, or theater tickets.

Finally, the school is preparing for Summer Branches, a day camp, which includes a variety of classes for children aged 5 - 14. Fairy Adventures camp and science, art, and drama oriented classes are some of the choices this summer. Half or full day options are available. Summer Branches is open to all area students.

West Branch School is located at 755 Moore Avenue, just off of Arch Street in Newberry. Call the school at 323-5498 to be included on the mailing list or to get more information.

~ Jessica Redmond & Peggy Furst



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Newberry Park to be First Scheduled Stop of Tour

“People on the previous two rides said they had never been in Newberry other than West 4th Street,” Louisa Stone, founder of the event, told *insideNewberry*. The newly renovated park is a Newberry highlight and ideal rest stop for riders.”

The number of riders is increasing each year, so the YMCA is again sponsoring the **Tour de Bill**, an event when people can get out and enjoy Williamsport by bicycle. This year’s 15-mile route provides riders an opportunity to explore the many facets of the City of Williamsport plus enjoy the Susquehanna River on the new bike path. Beginning and ending at the YMCA downtown on Elmira Street, riders will go from Newberry to the East End, through historic, industrial, college, hospital, center city, and residential neighborhoods. The Tour de Bill is not intended as a race but as a casual ride. For the



SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2010
Start 8:00-10:00 AM - Finish by 2:00 PM

entry fee (\$15.00 for adults, \$5.00 for people under eighteen), riders will receive an event T-shirt, cue sheet, and snacks at rest stops.

If you’d like to ride, you can register by mail, online at www.williamsportymca.org, at the YMCA front desk, or at the Y Arena the morning of the ride. Posters and registration forms will be distributed at various locations around the area. See us online at www.tourdebill.org. For more information call Louisa Stone, Chair (570) 322-8902 or via email at LMStone7@comcast.net or Chad Eberhart, (570) 323-7134, Ext. 35, branchexec@williamsportymca.org.

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UPCOMING NEWBERRY-RELATED EVENTS

APRIL 2010

Friday, April 16 – NCP 5th Annual Block Party

- 5 PM to 7 PM, Rain or Shine
- Corner of West 4th & Diamond Streets, see page 2 for details

Friday, April 30 – Lycoming Presbyterian Spaghetti Dinner

- Includes spaghetti sauce, 2 meatballs, salad, roll, beverage and homemade desserts
- Adults – \$7.00, Children Under 12 – \$3.50
- Lycoming Presbyterian Church is handicap accessible

MAY 2010

Saturday, May 8 – West Branch School Fair & Music Festival

- Noon to 7 PM, see page 14 for more details

Sunday, May 9 – Mother's Day

Saturday, May 15 – Patriotic Festival & Pig Roast

- 1 PM to 6 PM, see article on page 5 for details

Saturday, May 15 – Susquehanna River Walk & Timber Trail Grand Opening

- Ribbon Cutting at 11:00 AM
- Citizens & Northern Bank Parking Lot, Williamsport

Saturday, May 22 – NCP Spring Clean-Up

- 10 AM to Noon
- Corner of West 4th & Diamond Streets, see page 2 for details

Saturday, May 22 – Tour de Bill 3

- See page 15 for details

Monday, May 31 – Memorial Day Observed

JUNE 2010

Saturday, June 12 – NCP Community Yard Sale

- 8 AM to 2 PM
- See page 2 for details

Sunday, June 13 - Church of Christ Summer Concert Series

- 7:00 PM, No admission fee (love offering taken)
- "Crossover" Performs

Monday, June 14 - 27th Annual "God, Country & Community" Flag March

- 6:15 PM, see page 8 for details

Tuesday, June 15 thru Saturday, June 19 - Newberry Lions Fair

- See page 9 for details

Wednesday, June 16 - Newberry Lions Parade

- 7:00 PM, (Rain Date: Thursday, June 17, 7:00 PM)
- See page 9 for details

Sunday, June 13 - Church of Christ Summer Concert Series

- 7:00 PM, No admission fee (love offering taken)
- "Tom Cohenour" Performs

Monday, June 21 - First Day of Summer

- Begins at 7:23 AM EDT

Sunday, June 27 - Church of Christ Summer Concert Series

- 7:00 PM, No admission fee (love offering taken)
- "Men In Harmony" Performs

JULY 2010

Sunday, July 4 – Independence Day

Monday, July 5 – Independence Day Observed