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Celebrating Historic Annville

President's Message by Owen Moe

It was in June of 1989, twenty four years ago, that Friends of Old Annville held its first Historic Old Annville Day (affectionately abbreviated as HOAD). It was Blanche Schaeffer, more than anyone else, who promoted that first celebration of historic Annville. We marvel today, as our committee of 6-8 workers struggles to run the annual event that for 20 years Blanche handled almost single-handedly.

Next year will be a full quarter century of Historic Old Annville Day - seems hard to believe. As I was thinking about this year's event, which is again this year even bigger than ever before, it occurred to me that our goals in running HOAD often get lost in the magnitude of the celebration. So I would like to pause for a bit and recount what Friends of Old Annville has always hoped to accomplish in sponsoring this day for Annville.



So let's begin at the top of the list - first and foremost we are celebrating Annville's nationally-recognized historic district, the buildings of which are now beautifully framed by the streetscape project of 2002-03. We want people from in and out of town to spend the day in the very center of old Annville, enjoying the historic ambience along with all the other attractions of the day. We feel, therefore, that it is essential to hold the event right on Main Street, in the town center of historic Annville.

Second, we want to promote a sense of community. We want to bring people together. We want people to see those friends that they haven't seen in a while, to bump into each other, to catch up on family news, to make new friends, and to enjoy being together.

Third, we hope the Old Annville Day truly is a day of celebration and family fun. There is music, there is food, there are activities aplenty for both adults and kids, and we hope for a sense of joy in being together in Annville. And finally, we want to bring crowds of people into Annville to learn about and to support the small businesses all over town, businesses that so generously support HOAD year in and year out.

And so, we once again will be holding Historic Old Annville Day - June 9 from 9 AM to 2 PM. Just remove the center page from this Landmark and it will serve as your program for the day. Come on out, enjoy the festivities and, of course, pause periodically to enjoy and appreciate the marvelous historic center of Annville.

ABRAHAM HERR HOME FEATURED ON SPRING TOUR

On April 22, Jeff and Marie Kreamer took a FOOA group of about 24 persons on a fascinating tour of their restoration project in the 1795 Abraham Herr home just east of the Annville Flouring Mill. The Kremers, who purchased the home less than two years ago, have been working on all fronts: outside, inside, wiring, plumbing, floors, attic, you name it and they've probably worked on it. The exterior is now secure and weatherproof and they are focusing on the interior.

We toured all five levels of the home: attic, second floor, main floor, basement, and sub-basement. The latter room, shown in the accompanying picture, is a cold cellar cut into the bedrock with vaulted ceiling and stone-lined vents going to the surface. Marie showed us wood-graining work that she will be doing on woodwork in the home and Jeff showed the newly-laid old wood plank floor he recently installed

in what will be their new kitchen. Jeff and Marie have made much progress, but much work remains ahead of them. We wish them the very best and look forward to a future tour of the completed project.



3rd ANNUAL "HISTORIC OLD ANNVILLE DAYS 5K AND FUN RUN"

(BOTH ARE CONSIDERED A RUN/WALK RACE)

**HELD AT THE A-C HIGH SCHOOL
SATURDAY, JUNE 9TH AT 8:00AM
1 MILE FUN RUN WILL FOLLOW**

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE A-C TRACK BOOSTERS

For an application or further information, please contact Nicole Diangelis at: ndiangelis@comcast.net or by calling: (717) 304-7155.

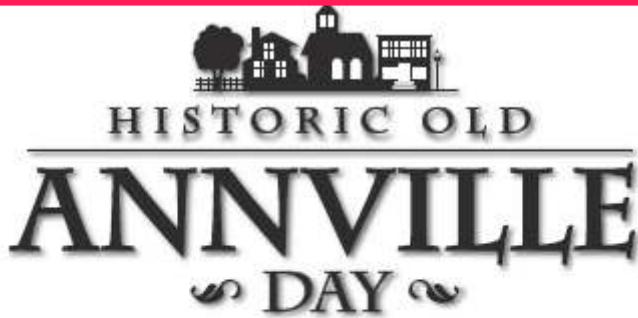
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Please send your dues and address change to: Rachel Noll, 1673 Louser Road, Annville, PA, 17003-8856. Have questions? Call Rachel at: (717) 867-2137 or e-mail rrnoll@comcast.net.

Individual & Student	\$ 5.00	Family (2+ persons)	\$ 10.00
Business	\$ 25.00	Friend of FOOA	\$ 50.00 ★
Benefactor	\$100.00	§§	

Membership renewals for this period will appear in the July-August issue of the *Landmark*.

LIFT OUT THIS PAGE & TAKE IT WITH YOU
ON JUNE 9TH



SAT, JUNE 9th 9 -2pm

Downtown Anville on Rt. 422

PROGRAM OF EVENTS & ATTRACTIONS

NEW ADDITION

Just in time for Historic Old Anville Day, the new Anville Center Plaza, to include public parking & small park with fountain, will be open for all to enjoy.

MUSIC: BAGPIPES * JAZZ * FOLK * CLASSICS * ROCK * BARBERSHOP

Washington Band
Lee Moyer
Quittie Highlanders
Chris Nelson
J.C. Fetlock

Jim Rule
Keystone Capital Chorus
Jay Smar
The Mockingbirds

Music All Day in Two Locations

VENDORS: HANDCRAFTS, GIFTS, HOME DÉCOR & MORE!

Arleen's Bread & Glue Florals
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Silver Spring Soap Company
Pauline Stalnecker Crocheted Towels
Stasny Creations
Thirty One Gifts
Tupperware
Wendy's Crafts

VENDORS: SERVICES, EXHIBITS, & INFORMATION

American Remodeling
Annville Family Practice
Annville Inn Bed & Breakfast
Annville Church of the Bretheren
Annville High School Alumni Association
Annville Moms & Tots
Annville Senior Center
Annville United Christian Church
Concessionaires, Ltd.
Compassion International
Lebanon County Democratic Committee
Friends of Good Samaritan

Friends of the Library (Plant Sale)
Friends of Old Annville
New Cumberland Federal Credit Union
PA Nonbelievers
Royal Green LLC Recycling
Quittie Creek Nature Park
Quittie Glen Clinic
The Wellness Point

FOOD:

A-C Kiwanis Club - Lemonade
A-C Lions Club - Food
A-C Music Boosters - Pretzels, Etc.
A-C Track & Field Boosters - Walking Tacos
Annville Legion Auxiliary - Hot Dogs
Annville United Methodist - Apple Dumplings
Annville Youth League - Frozen Drinks
Concessionaires Ltd.
Corvette Grill - Food, Birch Beer
Dude with Dogs - Subs/Wraps
Hometown Family Restaurant
Ice Cream Express
J & J Kettle Korn
Just a Little Indulgence Bakery
Laudermilch Meats

FOR KIDS:

Art Project, SPLAT Studio
Balloon Animals, MJM Entertainment
Painting with Magnets, Bright Beginnings
Pre-School
Face Painting, Annville Youth League



Lazzaro Italian Bistro
Millcreek Country Cupcakes
Old Fashion Cotton Candy
Pottery & Country 4 You - Dips & Dip Coolers
Rotary Club of Annville - Root Beer Floats
Sweet Sanctions Gourmet Cupcakes
St. Anthony Coptic Orthodox - Baked Goods
Tastefully Simple

FOR OUR NEIGHBORS:

Vendor spaces are available for a small fee, and Annville residents are encouraged to add to the festivity with a yard sale at their home. Contact Michael Bowman at 867-4101 for additional information

KIWANIS CLUB COMMEMORATIVE CROCKS

This year's edition of the commemorative crock program will feature the Allen Theater. Two distinct changes have been made for this year's crock - 1). Size and 2). price. Previous crocks were one-half gallon. The new one will be one quart. The larger ones cost \$45.00, while the new ones will cost only \$30.00.

A limited supply will go on sale at Olde Annville Day on June 9. If you would like to get your order in before this date, call Mike Miller at (717)838-1056. Crock from last year's Kettering Corner edition can still be ordered

Conclusion (Part III): The History of Education in Annville

Written by Kathy Gardner, Annville-Cleona High School, 1982

Actual construction, which utilized greystone directly from nearby Millard's Quarry, began only in 1926 when the district was sure it could raise the necessary funds. The total cost of the original building, including the land bought from a private estate for \$11,000, and was estimated to be \$3,000,000. The money was raised through bond issues of \$133,000, the district's general account of \$132,000, government assistance of \$55,000 in the form of common labor, (WPA), and a four mill increase in taxes.

The WPA labor program greatly helped in the building of the new school, as it supplied the district with extremely inexpensive labor. Under the WPA program, the building's entire west wing which included four classrooms and a band room was added at a cost to the taxpayers of between \$16,000 and \$20,000. Also through WPA, the school athletic field, then considered one of the county's finest, was developed at a cost of only \$5,000 to the district, whereas, using regular laborers, the district would have paid \$20,000 for the same service.

The original building later enlarged by the addition of the west wing, contained twenty-three large rooms and fifteen small rooms. These included an all-purpose room, used as a gymnasium and auditorium, a large study hall, a teachers' lounge, and a health room. The building was two stories with a basement and sub-basement which included boys' and girls' showers and locker rooms.

In 1928 Annville High School was moved from the old South Annville High building which then became the Washington Building used for grade school to the Greystone Building, and that move represented a move to more extensive programs. First, the increase of space available made possible a wider curriculum. Manual training and home economic materials were moved from the St. Paul the Apostle Church to the Greystone, and students were also instructed in music one or two periods per week. The academic subjects available increased slightly to include not only the basics but also a few advance courses. German was also re-established in the

school a decade after it had been abolished from the curriculum.

With the move to the Greystone Building the program of extra-curricular activities was also broadened. The addition of a gymnasium made it possible for the school's basketball teams to practice and to play in the school. The athletic field spawned the addition of soccer and track to the athletic program. Finally, in the music realm students for the first time could participate in a high school chorus, although band was still not offered.

This growth in curriculum and extracurricular activities which characterized the move to the Greystone also promoted the growth of faculty and administration. The original administrative structure which boasted of only one official became a two-man assignment, as principals including Professor Cotter, Mr. Gordon Starr, Mr. John Dunlap, and Mr. Merle Keim were aided by various assistant principals.

The State Department of Education recognized the varying educational opportunities available to students of different districts and thus suggested jointures and mergers of existing districts as a means to rectify the situation. Pertaining to Annville and its surrounding area, the state proposed a jointure of the Annville, North Annville, and Cleona school districts. While there was much opposition to the proposal, it was finally recognized as the best alternative in the complex problem of providing the best education at minimum cost, and thus in 1955 the Annville-Cleona Joint School District was established.

The Greystone Building accommodated Annville High School and then Annville-Cleona High School for a total of approximately twenty years until student population grew to about eight hundred students, so that the community recognized the need for a new high school building. A tract of land located on South White Oak Street and worth \$30,000 at the time of its donation was given by Mr. Homer Fink as the building site where the school agreed to install a water line which could also be used by a housing development which he was to

establish directly across from the proposed school site. Of the total cost of the building, one and a half million dollars, sixty to seventy percent was covered by the state, and the remaining cost was made up by a nineteen mil tax. The Greystone Building was renovated and then used as Annville's elementary school while North Annville and Cleona each had its own separate elementary school.

The building of the high school in 1959 was the threshold of a new educational era. The administration, which had grown since the early days of the Greystone building, was for the first time to be housed in its own special wing of the building. Curriculum was expanded to include not only a more extensive academic program but also business and agricultural curriculums as well as several shops. An auditorium and stage made it possible for the school to sponsor a band and various plays and theatrical productions. The athletic program continued its ongoing expansion with the addition of a cross-country team which was to experience more success than that of any other athletic team in the history of the district.

Fragments of the history of the Annville educational system can be traced to the late eighteenth century when Annville area children, many the ancestors of those who enjoy the many benefits of a modern educational system that the new Annville-Cleona High School has offered since 1959, attended school in a one room building and learned only the basics of reading, writing, and arithmetic in a language currently offered as an elective in the new school.

At first glance, it may appear that the early schools of Annville have nothing in common with those boasted by the Annville-Cleona School District in 1982. Yet, while the structure, programs, and building have changed gradually over a period of almost two hundred years to produce a very marked change in education from the beginning to the close of that era, the two diverse schools hold at least one entity in common, their purpose of giving the youth of their day the best possible education and by doing so preparing them to carry out that same responsibility for generations yet unborn.



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