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P.O. Box 99, Annville, PA 17003

## FOOA's Past, Present & Future – with Food & Drink & Good Cheer!

### President's Message, by Michael Schroeder

By the time this issue of *The Landmark* lands in your mailbox, the Friends of Old Annville's Annual Dinner will be only weeks away! Please clip out, fill out, and mail in the coupon inside, with a check for \$28 per person – because that means you'll be joining us on Saturday, November 12 at the American Legion Post 559 on S. Manheim St. to help us celebrate Annville's history, to hear us tell the tale of FOOA's accomplishments and challenges over the past year, and to help us look into our crystal ball for what the future might hold, for Annville and for FOOA. Our annual all-member dinner-meeting features a delicious meal, snacks, wine, dessert, and a series of captivating speakers, as described in the pullout section inside.

At the Annual Dinner we'll also offer a warm welcome to three new candidates for membership on the Board, up for election by you, FOOA's members. We'll also wish a fond farewell to four Board members who have served FOOA with exceptional dedication and distinction over the past years. The three new folks, who we're really excited to work with, are described in the brief biographical sketches inside. Here I'd like to pause to offer a word of thanks to the four stepping down: To **David Palanzo**, our meticulous crackerjack jack-of-all-trades Treasurer, after six years of service, whose work has always been exemplary, and who readily offered his help to whatever task, large or small. To **Keith Kreamer**, our former township secretary of many years, who has served FOOA in a variety of ways over the past six years, and whose keen insights and deep knowledge of Annville's tangled history have certainly helped me to better understand my adopted town. To **Karen Feather**, who for the past three years has served on the Program Committee, the Allen Theater Committee, for a time as the Editor of *The Landmark*, and in a host of other capacities.

You've all left your mark on FOOA, and the organization is the better and richer for your service. On behalf of the entire Board, thank you!

And then there's **Owen Moe**. Outgoing Co-President Owen Moe. FOOA co-founder. FOOA guiding light, workhorse, and moral and intellectual compass. It's going to be hard saying goodbye to Owen. Grandchildren and retirement call, he says. He'll still be around to offer his advice and counsel, he says, and still maintain our website. He'll even pop in on Board meetings from time to time. Yes, well, that all may be true – but if I shed a tear on the occasion of the torch-passing, I ask your forgiveness. It's going to be hard saying goodbye to Owen.

But in the end the Annual Dinner isn't about FOOA's leadership. It's about you, our members. Because without you, FOOA wouldn't exist. You make our work possible. So we hope you join us in our annual breaking-of-bread, as we celebrate our little (*but mighty!*) historic preservation society, and our small (*but wonderfully distinctive!*) town.

We also hope you join us for our Fall Program at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 23 at the Allen Theater, this year featuring the classic 2005 film, *Our Town Annville*, as described inside. And finally, we're pleased to support the Annville Free Library's Walking Tour on Sunday, October 9, described on page 4. Hope to see you then!

# Special Showing of *Our Town Annville* (2005) on the Big Screen

**Sunday, October 23, 5:30-7:00 PM at the Allen Theatre**

On Sunday, October 23, at 5:30 PM, Friends of Old Annville and the Allen Theatre will sponsor a special, one-time showing of the well-known local classic, *Our Town Annville*. Produced in 2005 by WITF, the video will take us on an hour-long tour of our own town, its history, its organizations, its businesses, and its people.

The stars of this film are numerous: Jim Scott, Cindy Funck, Carl and Mary Jane Gacono, Linnea Miller, Ray Swingholm, Vicki Gingrich, Skip Hicks, Doris Flory, Ann and Dave Lasky, George Marquette, and many more. Come and learn about Annville's history and see how Annville has changed even during the past decade – you'll be surprised.



This is a community movie, one that gets progressively better as the audience of our friends and neighbors gets bigger.

FOOA Vice President Paul Fullmer will introduce the show, so you know it will get off to a lively start. He'll also lead a short discussion after the film. The program will be completed by 7 PM. MJ's Coffeehouse will be open, and we encourage you to stop in for a Sunday evening supper, either before or after the showing. The Allen concessions stand will also be open.

This event is free to the public, and seats will be on a first-come basis. We hope to see you at the Allen on October 23 – come early, get a good seat, enjoy some popcorn, and prepare to be awed by the wonderful town you call your own!



The Friends of Old Annville, Inc., an all-volunteer, non-profit corporation with over 380 members, offers annual memberships at the ridiculously low price of \$5 for individuals, \$10 for families, and \$25 for businesses — a great yet affordable way to become involved in your local community. Gift memberships can be a wonderful way to welcome your new neighbors, demonstrate pride in your community, or show you remember an old friend.

Membership fees support our Façade Grant, seasonal programs, and other initiatives.

# Annual Dinner Meeting

## Friends of Old Annville

**Saturday, November 12, at 6:00 PM**

Annville American Legion  
35 South Manheim Street in Annville

Featured Panel Presentation

**“Growing Up in Old West Annville”**

**Helen Lupinetti, Mary Willman, and Paul Fullmer (Moderator)**

**Also, Annual Business Meeting with Pictorial FOOA Retrospective of 2016**

Wine and Cheese Mixer, Buffet Dinner by *Chef on the Go* (Rebecca Broidy),  
Dessert, and Coffee

Cost: \$28 per person



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### Friends of Old Annville Annual Dinner Meeting Reservation Form

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$28/person

Payment Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(payable to “FOOA”)

Mail this form and payment to: Owen Moe, 308 East Main Street, Annville, PA 17003

Deadline for reservations: November 10, 2016

NOTE: You can also make reservations online at [www.fooa.org/donate-to-fooa/](http://www.fooa.org/donate-to-fooa/) by filling out the form on that page and by selecting “Annual Dinner” under the **Donate to:** drop-down window. You can pay for the dinner with a credit card, but you must go through PayPal to do so. If you donate to the Annual Dinner as described, you will be registered for the dinner.

# *“Oh the Places We’ve Been!”*

## A Walking Tour of the Sites of the Annville Free Library

**Sunday, October 9, starting at 2:00 PM at the Annville Free Library**

**(Rain date: Sunday, October 16)**

Annville residents are familiar with the red brick building on Main Street that houses the Annville Free Library. Many, especially FOOA members, are no doubt familiar with its history: how Gideon and Alice Kreider provided the land and original structure in 1950 and how in 1990 that structure was enlarged and rededicated. But how many of you are familiar with the places the library was beforehand, when it began as a dream of Lillie Struble to provide for the community?

Would you guess in a barbershop? In a basement? A garage? A gift shop? The office of a water company? All of the above?

If you answered “all of the above,” you answered correctly! On Sunday afternoon, October 9, you will have the opportunity to take a tour of those sites (most now transformed), learn of the library’s history and meet one of the original town librarians, the knowledgeable David H. Wallace.

Please join us at the **Annville Free Library at 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 9 (rain date: October 16)** to walk the tour with a guide and later return to the library for refreshments, social hour and an opportunity to meet Mr. Wallace.

For the day’s events including tour, brochure and social hour, the Library requests a donation of \$5.00 (children 12 and under free) and a prepaid ticket available ahead of time at the library desk or on the day of the event. All proceeds benefit the work of the Annville Free Library.

We all hope for a gorgeous October day and hearty support for our community treasure, so please plan to be there with your family and neighbors!

This is a project of the Annville Free Library. We thank the FOOA Board and the editors of *The Landmark* for their support and for allowing us space in this newsletter.



**BALLOT FOR ELECTION TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF FRIENDS OF OLD ANNVILLE, INC.**

**President . . . . . Michael Schroeder**  
**Treasurer . . . . . Brian Nornhold**  
**Member at Large . . . . . Becky Gacono**  
**Member at Large . . . . . Jim Gill**  
**Member at Large . . . . . Tucker Hull**  
**Member at Large . . . . . Douglas Nyce**

***About our new Directors:***

**Becky Gacono.** Rebecca Gacono-Harlan was born and raised in Annville. A graduate of Annville-Cleona High School, for 20 years Becky has been a partner and co-owner of Prudential Gacono Real Estate at 50 West Main St., along with her sister Mary – a thriving local business that their parents started back in 1980. Blessed to be raised by parents who believed in giving back to the community, Becky serves on the organizing committee for the annual Memorial Day Parade; spearheads the Annville Community Activities Committee; and was instrumental in founding Destination Annville to promote local businesses and community activities. In 2008 she was named “Citizen of the Year” by the *Lebanon Daily News*. The mother of six wonderful children, she is also the grandmother of seven adorable grandchildren.



**Jim Gill.** James A. Gill grew up on Long Island, NY and graduated from East Islip HS. He earned his BS in Engineering from Penn State in 1991 and his MBA from Rutgers in 2000. After serving the Pharmaceutical and Supply Chain industries in the capacities of project management and solution development, Jim accepted the call to incorporate his faith into his professional life and joined Thrivent Financial. As a licensed financial advisor, Jim helps individuals and families to protect the ones they love, save for their financial goals, and give back to the people, organizations, and communities important to them. Jim moved his home and office to Annville in 2013 to better serve the residents of Lebanon County. He and Laurie, his wife of 24 years, have served as church youth leaders since 2003 and have two dogs, Mocha and Tasha.



**Tucker Hull.** Tucker R. Hull is originally from Carlisle, Pennsylvania. He moved to Annville in 2011 after he met his wife Kandice Kerwin Hull, a lifelong Annville resident. They live with their 4 children, Jason, Augustus, Cooper, and Eleanor on Main Street in the Historic District. Tucker graduated from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA. His time in Williamsburg helped to inspire a love of history and an appreciation for the preservation of the past. He is also a graduate of the Wake Forest University School of Law, and works as a business litigator for Pepper Hamilton LLP in Harrisburg. He would rather be hunting or gardening, and he hopes to run into you while cultivating his several garden plots behind St. Mark’s Lutheran Church.





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Individual & Student \$ 5.00    Family (2+ persons) \$ 10.00    Business \$ 25.00    Friend of FOOA \$ 50.00 ★  
Benefactor \$ 100.00 §    Founder ..... \$ 250 ❖

### **RENEWALS**

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John & Corinne Weaber  
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Tucker Hull ★  
M/M Gary Kotsch  
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