

Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy

Silent Auction Showcases NPC's Members' Talents

Thank you to the following donors to NPC's Silent Auction which was held during NPC's Annual Membership Meeting. We are fortunate to have many talented members and supporters!

Mary "Betsy" Murray
Linda Campbell
Beiter's Home Center
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Stream Restoration Projects Gearing Up

It's summer time!! NPC's stream restoration projects are underway. If you are interested in helping out during the construction phase, please contact the NPC office at 570-323-6222 and speak with Renee'.



*Conserving working farms
and forests*

Election of Directors Held at Annual Membership Meeting

At the membership meeting in May the members present elected three directors to a second term, thanked one director for her six years of service, and elected a new board member. Mel Lewis (Sullivan County), Dick Penfield (Lycoming County), and Jim Weaver (Tioga County) were completing their first three-year term and agreed to serve a second three-year if elected.

Mary Cosgrove (Sullivan County) completed her second, consecutive three-year term and was rotating off the Board of Directors. The by-laws don't allow any Board member to serve longer than two full, consecutive terms. During her time on the Board,

Mary served as a member of the Executive Committee, Secretary to the Board, and helped with a variety of fundraising events.

Mary lives in Laporte and only missed one meeting due to weather during her six years on the Board.

Since she couldn't be at the meeting in person, she called in that morning.

Her commitment and enthusiasm to NPC were greatly appreciated by the staff and other Board members.

The members present re-elected Mel, Dick and Jim to a second three-year term. They also elected Gary Harris to a three-year term. Gary previously served on the NPC board in the mid to late 1990s and has remained an active member since then.

Gary grew up in Montoursville. After graduating from Montoursville High School he attended Franklin and Marshall and Lycoming College. Upon graduation from Lycoming College, Gary served two years as a First Lieutenant in the Army before going on to law school at Temple University. Gary is a "somewhat retired" partner in the law firm of Rieders, Travis, Humphrey, Harris, Waters and Waffenschmidt. He and his wife, Sue, live outside of Montoursville.

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Bush James stops to speak at the site of the former "Hotel Eagles Mere" during a walking tour of historic Eagles Mere.

Eagles Mere on a Sunday Afternoon

Bright blue skies, lots of sunshine, and a slight breeze combined with good food and fun fellowship resulted in a fabulous Spring Fundraiser! Over 80 people joined NPC at Altamont (a.k.a. the Vorhees-Hickok Cottage) in Eagles Mere on June 17.

Bush and Barbara James led several walking tours of historic Eagles Mere throughout the afternoon, while Wilson Ferguson rode the "Hardly Able" with guests and provided an overview of the Lake and Borough's history. When not walking or boating, guests enjoyed some wonderful food (see list of donors in the box at right) and a Chinese auction.

Thank you again to everyone who attended and to everyone who donated!!



Climbing aboard the "Hardly Able" for a jaunt on the Eagles Mere lake

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Schwarz and Carey Present at PA Land Conservation Conference

The 2012 Pennsylvania Land Conservation Conference was held at Pocono Manor in May. Charlie Schwarz was a panelist on "Home on the Shale" which Reneé Carey moderated. The day-long session also included land trust staff from the North Branch Land Trust, The Nature Conservancy, Delaware Highlands Conservancy, and Western Pennsylvania Conservancy.

The Pennsylvanians were joined by two Coloradians - Melinda Beck and Kathleen Staks. Melinda is an attorney who has worked on a variety of projects involving gas development. Kathleen is with the Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts and was instrumental in creation of "Mineral Development and Land Conservation: A Handbook for Conservation Professionals".

The panelists presented their experience in stewarding and conserving properties with the recent increase in gas development activities. There was also some discussion on recent and pending court cases in Pennsylvania addressing mineral ownership.

Kayak the West Branch

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 12. NPC will be kayaking from Montgomery to Watsontown with Canoe Susquehanna. We've done this trip before, but the Warrior Run Community Corporation's Pathways Committee has been hard at work. The take-out at Watsontown is getting some TLC, and a new pavilion (shaped like a canal boat) is being constructed. We'll check out these projects before we paddle. See you on the River!

To make reservations for the trip, contact Canoe Susquehanna at 570-524-7692.



Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy Memorial Contributions

The NPC has been the recipient of many memorial contributions. Family and friends often donate to NPC in memory of a loved one who has passed away.

If you would like to make a memorial contribution please include contact info for a family member of the deceased who we should notify of the contribution. We will also send the family and the donor a copy of NPC's next quarterly newsletter. We include memorial contribution acknowledgements in the newsletter which is sent to all of our members and supporters.

If you are encouraging family and friends to contribute to NPC in memory of a loved one, please feel free to notify us and provide your contact information. This will ensure that you receive timely updates about contributions made in memory of your loved one.

All contributions should be sent to the Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy at PO Box 2083, Williamsport, PA 17703. Please include a note or indicate on the check that it is a memorial contribution and include the name of the person the gift is honoring.