



Perry Valley Grange #1804, Inc. Newsletter

Meeting Location:

Millerstown Community Park Building
110 Juniata Parkway West, Millerstown, PA 17062

Two Picnics on Schedule



Fellowship is such an important part of the Grange so we've decided to have two picnics this summer instead of formal indoor meetings; both will be held rain or shine. In both cases, the Grange will provide table service, meat and beverage. Please bring a favorite casserole, salad or dessert to share for the meal and your own lawn chair. Invite your family, friends and neighbors so they can enjoy the social side of the Grange and get to know us better.

Monday, July 3rd @ 6 p.m.

Picnic hosted by Doug Bonsall & Craig Staller at the Todd Black Pavilion in Millerstown Community Park with free outdoor concert following. *See complete details on next page.*

Friday, Aug. 11th @ 6 p.m.

Picnic hosted by Ken & Peg Bolton at their Family River Lot, 9 Shady Lane, Port Trevorton, on the banks of the Susquehanna River

Bring a prize, wrapped or unwrapped, for bingo and other games.

Candidates' Night



The Pomona Grange sponsored a forum for County Commissioner candidates on April 18th that drew a full house to the Madison Grange Hall near Loysville. Perry Valley members Doug Bonsall & Krista Pontius (right) were among the organizers.

Directions - Follow Routes 11-15 north approximately 6.5 miles from Liverpool. After crossing into Snyder County, look for blue signs along the highway for **MAHANTANGO BOAT ACCESS AREA** and turn right off Route 11-15 onto Shady Lane. Do not follow the paved road that turns left to the boat access area but instead go straight down the unpaved Shady Lane toward the river. At the "T" make a left turn and the Miller Family lot is the second lot on the right.

Our Grange charter was draped recently in loving memory of deceased members: **Olga Brookhart, Carol Gantt, Marguerite Gochenuar and Bob Yohn.**

You're Invited to a Picnic & Free Concert

Monday, July 3, 2023



Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra @ Millerstown Community Park

Todd Black Pavilion & Amphitheater

**110 West Juniata Parkway,
Millerstown, PA 17062**

Check out this website for some pictures and more information about the park:

<https://www.facebook.com/millerstowncommunitypark/>

Directions:

From Harrisburg: Take Route 22/322 West to the Millerstown exit.

From Camp Hill and the West Shore: Take Route 11/15 through Marysville to intersection with Route 22/322 north of Duncannon and follow Route 22/322 west to the Millerstown exit.

At end of Millerstown exit ramp, turn left onto West Juniata Parkway and the park is 4/10 mile ahead on the right. You will pass the community pool and the community park building on your right. To access the pavilion assigned to our group, turn right into the driveway that is just beyond the park community building surrounded by a paved parking lot. Pass the playground and the Todd Black Pavilion will be the one furthest to the left along the creek. *(There are two other pavilions on the right plus a large one on the edge of the paved lot between the community building and the amphitheater.)*

Parking is available near the pavilion; it is about 1/10 of a mile from this pavilion to the amphitheater where the concert takes place. There is a well- lighted parking area near the amphitheater but it is obviously "first come, first served". Since it will be dark when the concert ends, you may want to consider moving your car right after eating from the pavilion area to the amphitheater area. Some folks even stake out their seating spot at the amphitheater early!

Meet at the pavilion any time after 5 p.m. Bring a casserole, salad, bottled water/non-alcoholic beverages or dessert to share for the picnic meal; barbequed beef, cups, plates, utensils will be provided. You'll also need to bring a folding chair for the concert.

Feel free to bring some cards or other tabletop games to play until everyone arrives. We'll eat at 6 p.m. sharp which will give us plenty of time before the concert starts at 7:30 p.m. If it rains, we can still eat under cover of the pavilion but if the weather is too stormy, the concert may be moved to the auditorium of Greenwood High School which is about a mile away in the center of Millerstown.

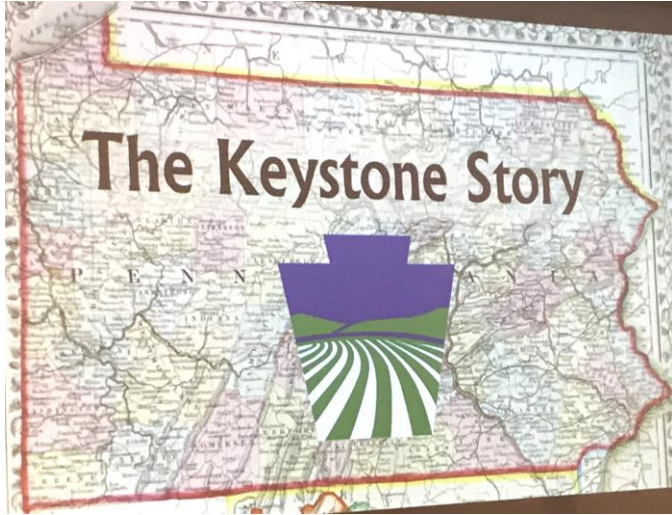
Questions? Please contact Doug @ 717-460-0723; douglas.b@verizon.net or Craig @ 717-439-9273; c.staller@verizon.net by June 30th to let us know how many plan to attend



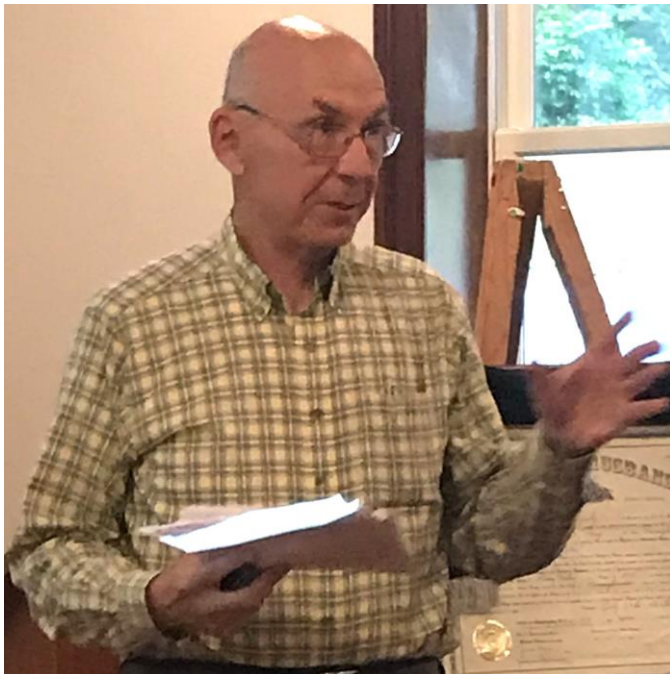
Financial Report

Checking Balance 5/1/2023..... \$ 19,146.23
 PLUS: Receipts – May-June..... + 7,531.02
 PLUS: Trust Fund Withdrawal..... 8,685.00
 LESS: Expenses – May-June... .. - 3,015.82
 Checking Balance 6/30/2023 \$ 32,346.43*
 Certificates of Deposit \$114,223.25

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Almost 50 people were present at the Grange’s June meeting to hear John Maietta of Mechanicsburg give a pictorial review of 400 years of Pennsylvania history.



Celebrating Special Days

July Birthdays

- 5 Carol Wierzbicki
- 11 Carl Landis
- 12 Donald Brightbill
- 19 Krista Pontius
- 22 Bethany Comp
- 27 Tim Albright

July Anniversaries

- 5 Rodney & Carol Rhoades
- 8 Lloyd & SueAnn Byers

August Birthdays

- 5 Ken Bolton
- 6 Andrea Cameron
- 29 Natalie Fritz

August Anniversaries

None

Coming Events

July 2023 Calendar

3	Picnic/Concert – 6:00 p.m. @ Millerstown Community Park - See Page 1
18	Executive Committee Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Home of Ken & Peg Bolton
25	Pomona Grange Meeting – Shermanata Grange Hall, 550 New Bloomfield Road, Duncannon - 7 p.m.

August 2023 Calendar

11	Grange Picnic - 6:00 p.m. @ 9 Shady Lane, Port Trevorton - See Page 1
13	Fair exhibit set-up at Perry County Fair
14-19	Perry County Fair, Newport Help needed every day in Pomona Grange Concession near the animal barns

Welcome New Members

- Philip Beaver, *Millerstown*
- Jay Bratton, *Millerstown*
- Frank Campbell, *Newport*
- Nathan Lesh, *Millerstown*
- Kathryn Magill, *Millerstown*

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July-August 2023 Newsletter

Fair Time is Just Around the Corner



Grange and 4-H volunteers gathered at the Shermanata Grange Hall in mid-June to bake whoopie pies and cook chicken that will be served at the Pomona Grange concession stand during the fair in August. Perry Valley is also busy working on its educational exhibit for the Perry Co. & Juniata Co. Fairs - our 69th consecutive year of displays.