



# NEWSLETTER

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## Bells across America

By Mary Kate Reeves-Hoche

On September 17<sup>th</sup> at 4pm sharp, bells on the East Coast began to ring as did bells all across America to commemorate the exact time of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States of America in 1787.

Constitution Week is the commemoration of America's most important document. It is celebrated annually during the week of September 17-23. The United States Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties, freedoms and inalienable rights.

This celebration of the Constitution was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution. In 1955, the DAR petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the U.S. Congress and signed into public law on August 2, 1956, by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

*Photo: Mary Kate Reeves-Hoche, Bell Ringer, DAR Cahuilla Chapter, St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Palm Desert, CA*  
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## Presidential Message

Dear Friends --

It is both a happy and a sad time in our home as we prepare to leave our house and pond and friends for a return to Westchester County, New York. Happy because we'll be nearer our granddaughters and old friends; sad because we've been happier here than any place we've ever lived. Also I'm sad as well to be leaving the BTHS without having served a full year of my presidential term. It was a strange year to move, as all of you know, since the arrival of COVID-19 forced us all indoors - cancelled meetings and programs, and closed both the Station Museum and the Library Research Center. We had to stay home for a couple of months, and when we gradually started coming out, it was to a new world of tentativeness and underlying fear.

It seems likely that what was 'normal' is going to be gone a long time – maybe forever – although reading about the aftermath of the even more disastrous “Spanish Flu” pandemic of 1919 – 20 suggests that once the flu faded away – a return to what Harding called ‘Normalcy’ in his 1920 presidential campaign happened pretty quickly. It was followed by the exuberant economic and social boom that became the ‘Roaring Twenties.’ Of course, that ended with the Wall Street crash of 1929 and the Great Depression. Can we expect another roaring 20's? Doesn't feel likely to me now.

With COVID we've learned some new or modified word, phrases, and behaviors: Social distancing, Contact tracing, Hoax, Fake News, Virtual schools and religious services, work from home, Masks in public places - Lewis' and CVS, and newest of all - Zoom. Altogether these paint a picture of fear – no handshakes, no hugs, no large group gathering, no dining inside restaurants. All of which is caught up in the larger political divide of our time. The power of our normal routines remains strong, but most of the time we remember to remember. Even when we do it is hard to follow COVID rules: not to get close to people, or to wear a mask, and we all miss meetings, movies, and seeing friends. Even family get togethers have to be practiced under the shadow of the disease and how it gets transmitted – so we get tested and retested and never completely relax.

So as we move on, as we must, the challenges that the members of the Barrett Township Historical Society will face will include both documenting this year of pain, and joining the struggle to rebuild a sense of community for the upcoming generations. Barrett has a number of institutions which provide a strong foundation for community: The FCC, the Library, the Churches and the housing communities and social clubs. Helping to lead the process of coping with the present and building for the future will demand more overt attention to caring for each other as we struggle to rebuild our social and cultural networks. Best wishes to you all in this process since the historical perspective of the members of the BTHS can build on our strong history to help provide the energy and commitment for our neighbors as we build for a mutually supportive future.

Best to all--

John S. Mayher  
jmayher@gmail.com

Factual information regarding the Corona Virus, and your actions to stay safe can be obtained at the CDC's website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

**(Continuation ) Bells across America**

By Mary Kate Reeves-Hoche

The purpose of the observance week is to promote study and education about the United States Constitution which was originally adopted by the American Congress of the Confederation on September 17, 1787. Specifically, the Daughter's of the American Revolution state the purpose as:

- Emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution.
- Inform people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life.
- Encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.



**Don't Forget to Vote**

-\"/)- whoops, a mistake...

**Corrections to the July 2020 Newsletter**

No one reported a hard copy or an e-copy error to me. That doesn't mean there weren't errors. I am open to suggestions for improvements. Please e-mail me at [mkreeves@ptd.com](mailto:mkreeves@ptd.com) or give me call at (570) 350-8760 remember I am now located in California if you are calling.

**2020 Board of Directors**

Jacqueline Magann	Charlotte Parks	Loretta Quarmley	Shirley Lansdowne
Malinda Bender	JoEllen Chadwick	Marie Guidry	

**2020 Executive Officers**

President	John Mayher
Vice President	Darryl Speicher
Recording Secretary	Donna Bisset
Corresponding Secretary	Hannelore Gaupp
Treasurer	Stu Malin

**Treasurer's Report**

Stu Malin, Treasurer	
DATE:	6/24/20
Checking	\$3,721.20
Money Market	\$6,140.42
CD ESSA	\$8,126.04
CD ESSA	\$5,692.68
Total	\$23,680.34

**2020 Executive Committee**

Archivist for LRC & CSM	Consolidated
Cresco Station Museum	Mickey Miller & Joanne Seese
Curator for LRC & CSM	Joanne Seese
Finance	Stu Malin
Historian	Jacqueline Magann
Hospitality	Sharon Kuhns
Information Systems	Kendrick Bisset
Library Research Center	Jacqueline Magann & Joanne Seese
Membership	Marty Price
Newsletter	MaryKate Reeves-Hoché, Editor & Jacqueline Magann, Co-Editor
Oral Tradition	OPEN
Programs	OPEN
Publicity	Marie S. Guidry
Research	Jim Berger
Ways & Means Committee	Donnie Kuhns, Sharon Kuhns, Jackie Magann, MaryKate Reeves-Hoche

**Exec Committee Meeting Dates**

October 13th at 3pm at the LRC  
November 10th at 3pm at the LRC  
December 8th at 3pm at the LRC

**General Membership Meeting Dates**

NOTE:  
All General Membership Meetings  
for the remainder of the year are  
Cancelled

## Committee Reports:

### Cresco Station Museum

Mickey Miller & Joanne Seese

The grand reopening was cancelled due to the pandemic, watch this space for announcements for future plans for a grand reopening which will be delayed until 2021.

### Archivist & Curator for LRC & CSM

Joanne Seese - The LRC has been closed during the pandemic.

### Finance

Stu Malin

During our quarantine for the Corona Virus we only had our fixed expenses: phone service and Internet Service. Costs for newsletter printing are down since the newsletter is primarily being e-mailed.

### Historian

Jacqueline Magann - Nothing to report.

### Hospitality

Sharon Kuhns - Nothing to report.

### Information Systems

Kendrick Bisset - Nothing to Report

### Library Research Center

Jacqueline Magann

The Library Research Center is currently closed because of the Coronavirus.

### Membership

Marty Price

The Executive Committee of the Barrett Township Historical Society voted to give Lee Ann Dyson life membership for all the work she has tirelessly done for the Society over these many years.

Congratulations Lee Ann.

Another life member who would enjoy hearing from you is Doris Fellows. Doris designed the Society Logo. Her new address is: Traditions at Camargo / Memory Unit / 7650 Camargo Road / Maderia, Ohio 45243

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**Newsletter**

MaryKate Reeves-Hoché, Editor & Jacqueline Magann, Co-Editor

Your editor sends greetings from California and your Co-Editor sends a friendly hello from Barrett Township. We are now bi-coastal, bringing you all the historical news quarterly in two easy-to-read formats, electronic, or hard copy. Due to the COVID pandemic we had to switch to an electric version of the newsletter rapidly and many of you were not given an option on how to receive this newsletter. As you have read of our financial state of affairs, the cost of the electronic newsletter is minimal as compared to a mailed hard copy, so we like not mailing all the copies in hard copy. However, we are here to serve our members and want to hear your views. Please let us know what you prefer – send your comments to me at: Send by email to: [mkreeves@ptd.net](mailto:mkreeves@ptd.net) or to PO Box 2664, Carlsbad, CA 92018

Deadline for submission to the January 2021 Newsletter is December 28<sup>th</sup>. Send by email to: [mkreeves@ptd.net](mailto:mkreeves@ptd.net) or to PO Box 2664, Carlsbad, CA 92018

**Oral Tradition**      OPEN Chair Needed

**Programs**      OPEN Chair Needed

Programs Scheduled During the General Meetings:

➤ ALL General Meetings for the rest of the year are cancelled. Stay Tuned for 2021!

Musical Events Scheduled at the Cresco Station Museum: All events at 1 – 4 pm

➤ ALL Musical Events for the rest of the year are cancelled. Stay Tuned for 2021!

**Publicity**

Marie S. Guidry

Follow the Barrett Township Historical Society on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Barrett-Township-Historical-Society-814825878582400/>

**Research**

Jim Berger - Nothing to Report.

**Ways & Means Committee**

No activity to report.

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## Politics in Barrett Township 1860-1861

By Jacqueline Magann

Barrett was established as a township on December 31, 1859.

The first presidential election in Barrett was held in 1860. The Republican candidate, Abraham Lincoln, received only 43 votes; his Democratic opponent 93 votes. Lincoln did not take office until March 4, 1861.

In 1860, in Pennsylvania, the requirements to be eligible to vote in elections were as follows: one must be white, male, age 21, not disabled, of sound mind, not in the military, and not a pauper (that is, living on public charity). African Americans were allowed to vote in the states of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire. In 1860 there were about 31.5 million inhabitants in the United States; of these about half were old enough to vote. Of those old enough to vote, less than 45% were eligible to vote.

On Friday, March 15, 1860, at the house of Alexander Deibler, an election was held in and for the Township of Barrett. The following persons were elected:

- Supervisors: Henry Deubler, and John Warner
- Auditor: Jacob Price
- Overseers of the Poor: John M. Deubler, and Ely Utt
- Assessor: George W. Price
- Assistant Assessors: Ezra Ellenwood, and Robert Lomax
- School Directors: Richard Compton, Jacob Reinhart, and Smith Price (1 year)
- Inspectors: William L. Long, and Edward Markle
- Judge: Simon A. Strite
- Town Clerk: Lexington W. Morris

Filed March 16, 1861, signed and sealed by: Frederick Deubler, David L. Bisbing, and Hiram Shaw

### References:

1. "The History of Monroe County, Pennsylvania, during the Civil War", Leroy Jennings Koehler, 1950, head of Social Studies Department, State Teacher College, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. Limited edition – 1,000 copies. Printed in Monroe County with the cooperation of the Monroe County Historical Society, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, and the Monroe County Commissioners, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.
2. Monroe County Archives, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania
3. Monroe County Historical Association, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

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Election Day 2020 is Tuesday November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Don't Forget to **Vote!**

## 100th Anniversary of Women's Right to Vote

By Jacqueline Magann

"This past summer as we marked the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment and the American women's constitutional right to vote, it's important to realize how difficult and fraught the final battle was, how complex the issue, how bitter the fight, how truly uncertain the outcome. It required three generations of fearless activists over a span of more than seven decades working in more than 900 state, local and national campaigns to finally win the vote for American women. And that active verb – win – is important. Women were not given the vote; they were not granted the vote. As one commentator so aptly describes it: "They took it." The Christian Science Monitor Weekly, August 3, 2020.



On Wednesday, August 26, 2020, the Barrett Township Historical Society marked the 100th Anniversary by putting up a sign "100th Anniversary Women's Vote" on Weiler property (with permission) at the Barrett Township Historical Society sign with gold, white and purple balloons attached (suffragette colors). Today, women make up the majority of U.S. voters.

**VOTE NOVEMBER 3RD**



## Nominating Committee

Members of the Nominating Committee for 2020 include Jackie Magann, Loretta Quarmley and Joanne Seese.

Proposed Slate for 2021 officers

President: Darryl Speicher

Vice President: Marie Guidry

Treasurer: Stu Malin

Corresponding Secretary: Hannelore Gaupp

Recording Secretary: Donna Bisset

Board of Directors

Shirley Lansdowne

Loretta Quarmley

Malinda Bender

Marie Guidry

Charlotte Parks

Jayne Blair

Mary Price

A motion was made at the August Executive Committee Meeting to permit Stu Malin to stay on as Treasurer for 2021. The motion carried.

Generally, the proposed slate is presented at the September General Meeting. Nominations from the floor are given at the October General Meeting. Voting on the proposed slate is held at the November General Meeting. Due to Covid 19 and the fact that there are no general meetings being held, the Executive Committee has made the following alternative plans:

The proposed slate has been announced in this newsletter. Additional nominations to the proposed slate may be made by telephone or e-mail to the Recording Secretary, Donna Bisset, by midnight Friday, October 30th.

Call 570-595-2857

E-mail to [donna@kendrickbisset.com](mailto:donna@kendrickbisset.com)

Anyone whose name is put up for nomination has to first agree to be a nominee. If there are no new nominees for the 2021 proposed slate by October 30th; then, according to Roberts Rules, the Recording Secretary may cast one vote to accept the proposed slate as presented for 2021.

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**What is this tool?**

By Kendrick Bisset



It is about five feet seven inches long, and weighs about twenty pounds. The BTHS has one in our collection. A hint: it was used in Cresco.



**(Continued) What is this tool?**

By Kendrick Bisset



Answer to "What is this tool?":

This is a hand operated railroad car mover. The cast iron wedge is placed on top of the rail, and under the car wheel, as shown in the picture here. The handle is pushed down to push up on the wheel to move the car. Each operation will only move the car an inch or two; the tool must be re-positioned for further movement.

These were used to move freight cars at the Theo B. Price store, to 'spot' the cars so the doors would line up with the freight doors of the building. Two movers (operated by two people) can be used, one on each rail, and operated alternately to keep the car moving. This makes it much easier to move the car longer distances.

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## The Justice Bell Story

By Jacqueline Magann

In 1915 suffragists in Pennsylvania were looking for a way to drum up support for an amendment to the state constitution that would give women the right to vote. A referendum to approve such an amendment would appear on the ballot in the November election so there was no time to waste. They needed to launch a campaign to win the hearts and minds of the male voters who would go to the polls. They needed to create some buzz.

That's when Chester County activist Kathleen Wentworth Ruschenberger came up with an idea. Why not make a replica of the Liberty Bell, one of the nation's most enduring symbols of freedom, and drive it around the state on a multi-county tour? Throw in a few parades, some brass bands and an assortment of flags and banners and who wouldn't sit up and take notice? Ruschenberger offered to pay the \$2,000 cost and soon members of the Pennsylvania Suffrage Association traveled to the Meneely Bell Company in Troy, New York, to kick off the casting of the 2,000 lb. bronze replica.

The words Establish Justice were engraved on the bell and its clapper was chained to its side, not to be rung until women were silenced no more. The original Liberty Bell "announced the creation of democracy", Ruschenberger said, and "the women's Liberty Bell will announce the completion of democracy".

All summer and up until Election Day, a detail of suffragists escorted the bell around the state on a flatbed truck. In town after town crowds rushed out to witness the unusual spectacle amid fanfare and hype. Surely this gutsy effort would pay off.

Alas, the state referendum failed in the face of entrenched opposition. But, over the next few years, as suffragists continued their fight for the vote, the Justice Bell became a galvanizing symbol not just in Pennsylvania but around the country.

Finally, in 1920, after passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution that gave all the nation's women the right to vote, the Justice Bell was finally rung in a huge celebration at Independence Square in Philadelphia.

From there, it was on to – well, what exactly did happen to this celebrated symbol?

The bell ended up in Ruschenberger's backyard after the male legislature denied request for it to remain in Philadelphia. In 1943 Ruschenberger deeded it to the Washington Memorial Chapel in Valley Forge National Park, and there it sat, in a chicken-wire cage in the woods, for five decades.

Enter Rev. Richard Lyon Stinson, who arrived at the church as new rector in 1992. Stinson decided the bell deserved a new lease on life so he enlisted the Pennsylvania League of Women Voters and the Daughters of the American Revolution to help

raise money to house it in a proper setting. Three years later, it was installed in the carillon rotunda. The bell is still there today.



Manufactured: Meneely Bell Company, Troy, New York  
 When: March 31, 1915  
 Why: To call attention to the cause of women's suffrage  
 Material: Bronze  
 Weight: One ton or two thousand pounds  
 Motto: Establish justice  
 Travel: Through all 67 counties in Pennsylvania and to Chicago and Washington, D.C.  
 First rung: September 25, 1920, in Independence Square, Philadelphia, at a celebration of the 19th Amendment

Source: Justice Bell Foundation

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REMEMBER to VOTE on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Barrett Township Historical Society COVID 19 Task Force

By Jacqueline Magann

The first meeting of the COVID 19 Task Force was held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 26th, at the home of Kendrick and Donna Bisset. Attendance included the Bissets, Mickey Miller, Joanne Seese, Stu Malin and Jackie Magann, moderator.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss how and when to safely open the Cresco Station Museum (CSM) and the Library and Research Center (LRC) and what had to be done beforehand to accomplish that. Kendrick provided copies of the American Alliance of Museum Recommendations to each member and we referenced that Report.

It was agreed that each building, the CSM and the LRC, face different challenges. We need to establish a somewhat different approach to each, though the same safety procedures would apply.

It was noted that the Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission state owned historic sites and museums remain closed to the public pending further guidance from the Administration. It was also noted that the Monroe County Historic Association, the Monroe County Archives and the Barrett Paradise Friendly Library all require visitation by appointment. Safety measures included a temperature check (in some places), the wearing of masks and gloves, the use of hand sanitizers, social distancing and when possible hand washing.

Discussion followed on supplies needed and procedures to ensure healthy hygiene at the CSM and LRC.

For the CSM opening a sign saying "open" would be displayed at the usual place on Route 390 near the Barrett Paradise Friendly Library and at the Museum. Signs regarding wearing a mask will be prominently displayed on the outside of the Museum. Anyone not wearing a mask will not be allowed to enter. There will be one entrance door and another door used as an exit. Visitors will be asked to sign name, address and telephone number for possible COVID tracing. "No touching of articles" will be mandated. Cleaning procedures will be followed when visitors leave the building.

The LRC does not have immediate plans to open. Safety procedures would be carried out similar to those at the CSM. Also, consideration has to be given to social distancing and chairs will be set up to allow such distancing. The staff research area and the kitchen area would be closed to visitors. Research materials would be taken to the researcher by staff and then returned by staff to the library cart. Days later materials would be cleaned and returned to where they were taken from. Again, all safety precautions would be followed at the LRC the same as the CSM.

At this time there is no scheduled reopening for the Cresco Station Museum

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## Letters to the Editor of the Pocono Record

The Barrett Township Historical Society Newsletter was quoted:

PA doing better than other states in the battle against COVID-19

Governments are charged with the health, safety and welfare of their citizens. This is why Governor Wolf and his excellent Department of Health Administrator, Dr. Rachel Levine, follow the science and the facts in making policies for this very serious pandemic of 2020. It is also why PA is doing better than many of the states who have chosen not to abide by the CDC guidelines. This is not a political issue folks. This is a Life and Death issue. People need to respect these guidelines and follow them. I want to thank all the restaurants, supermarkets, and all the businesses in this area that follow them. As a senior citizen and an immune impaired individual, I feel comfortable in these establishments and will continue to frequent them.

I read in the Barrett Township Historical Society's newsletter of July 2020, that during the 1918 to 1920 Flu Pandemic, people then suffered mask fatigue. Certain groups rose up to protest the wearing of masks. This was before modern flu vaccines were developed. That pandemic killed more than 675,000 Americans. That virus came back in the fall with a vengeance and was much deadlier. I believe that it's important that we don't let down our guard during this Covid-19 pandemic/epidemic. It will be a long time until I trust a vaccine that will be developed based on science and not political expediency. Right now we are at almost 200,000 dead from the coronavirus in our country alone, and we haven't even entered our regular cold and flu season yet which in itself kills hundreds of people every year. I suggest that we all respect and follow the CDC guidelines. Also thank you Governor Wolf and Dr. Levine for working so hard to save Pennsylvania lives.

Suzanne F. McCool, Retired Monroe County Commissioner, Stroudsburg

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Factual information regarding the Corona Virus, and your actions to stay safe can be obtained at the CDC's website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) . Each of us need to take responsibility for ourselves and to help protect others by wearing a mask.

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**Historical Recipe side by side with today's version : APPLE PIE**

Mary Kate Reeves-Hoché

Autumn weather, Elections, and National Pride, make me think of things American; the Flag, our National Anthem and Apple Pie. Here is a quick history of American Apple Pie (not originally American), and how it changed over the centuries with a recipe from each of the 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries.

According to Wikipedia, the oldest documented recipe for English apple pie go back to the time of Chaucer. The 1381 recipe is the earliest known apple pie recipe in the world, and lists the ingredients as good apples, good spices, figs, raisins and pears, and baked in a casing of pastry called a "cofyn". Recipes for Dutch apple pie go back to the Middle Ages. An early Dutch language cookbook from 1514 documents a recipe for "Appeltaerten". Traditional Dutch apple pie comes in two varieties, a crumb (appelkruimeltaart) and a lattice (appeltaart) style pie. French style apple pie, or Tarte Tatin, is very different compared to the typical version of the dessert. Instead of it being right side up with crust on top and bottom, it actually is upside down, with the fruit being caramelized during cooking. The Swedish style apple pie is predominantly a variety of apple crumble, rather than a traditional pastry pie. Often, breadcrumbs are used (wholly or partially) instead of flour, and sometimes rolled oats. It is usually flavored with cinnamon. Apple pie was brought to the colonies by the English, the Dutch, and the Swedes during the 17th and 18th centuries. Info accessed Sept 28, 2020 at [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apple\\_pie](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apple_pie)

For these recipes, use your favorite pie crust – you will need a top and bottom for each of these three pies. Or buy a box of refrigerated Pillsbury pie crust and use that.

To make all three of these recipes (in case you want to do a taste test across the centuries) you will need a mixture of softer apples that will break down with cooking, and firmer apples that will keep their shape. Use both sweet and tart, such as Northern Spy, Granny Smith, Honey Crisp, McIntyre, Pippins, and Galas. About 3 pounds in total for each pie, a total of 9 pounds. Be sure to be consistent in how you divide the tart and sweet as well as the firm and soft apples between the pies. Peel, seed, and slice the apples for all recipes.

All the pies will have the apple filling partially precooked on the stovetop prior to baking, in the following manner:

Heat butter (1/2 stick) in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add apple slices, sugar and (spices – use as appropriate for recipes below) and when they start to sizzle and steam, reduce heat to low. Cover pan and simmer until apples soften and release their juices, about 8 minutes. Uncover, increase heat to medium-high and cook, stirring frequently, until softer apples start to fall apart and juices thicken to thin syrup consistency, about 5 minutes longer...Refrigerate or set in a cool place until apples cool to room temperature.

**17<sup>th</sup> Century: 1615 Pippin Pie The English Housewife**

The original recipe uses whole apples, whole cloves, chunks of orange peel, and shattered bits of cinnamon stick. In the 17th century, grinding spices would have been a laborious process, and not economical for making an everyday dessert.

Updated Recipe: 3 pounds apples, 1/2 tsp ground clove, 1/2 tsp cinnamon, Zest of one orange, 1 -1 1/2 cups chopped dates, 1/3 cups sugar. Cook filling on stove top as above, and cool until it is at room temperature. Prepare pastry. After the filling is cooled, fill the crust, and don't forget to cut vents in the top. Brush the top crust with a half and half mixture of cream and egg yolk to get a nice golden-brown color in the oven. Bake it



for 15 minutes at 375, then sprinkle with 1/4 cup granulated sugar to make a crust and bake an additional 20-30 minutes at 350. The pie is done when the filling begins to bubble up through the crust.

### **18<sup>th</sup> Century: 1796: Apple Rosewater Pie American Cookery**

The original recipe uses apples, mace, lemon, cinnamon, rose-water, and sugar. Mace is considered a strong spice, it is the dried sheath that surrounds the nutmeg nut, it gives a nutmeg aroma but a strong almost bitter taste.

The updated recipe: 3 pounds apples, 1 tsp lemon zest, 1/2 tsp cinnamon, 1/8 tsp mace (or use nutmeg), 1 tsp rosewater, 2/3 cup sugar. Cook filling on stove top as above, and cool until it is at room temperature. Prepare pastry. After the filling is cooled, fill the crust, and don't forget to cut vents in the top. Brush the top crust with a half and half mixture of cream and egg yolk to get a nice golden-brown color in the oven. Bake it for 15 minutes at 375, then 20-30 minutes at 350. The pie is done when the filling begins to bubble up through the crust. Remove from oven and once it has cooled partially (when the steam is no longer rising from the vents), dust with powdered sugar.

### **21<sup>st</sup> Century: 2020 Bardstown Road Bourbon Apple Pie**

3 pounds apples, 1/8 tsp cinnamon, 1/8 tsp ginger, 2/3 cup sugar, 1/2 cup + 1 tsp bourbon. Cook filling on stove top as above reserving the 1 tsp of bourbon. Once cooked, cool until it is at room temperature. Prepare pastry. After the filling is cooled, fill the crust. Sprinkle the 1 tsp Bourbon over the apple filling. Put on the top crust, seal and cut vents in the top. Brush the top crust with a half and half mixture of cream and egg yolk to get a nice golden-brown color in the oven. Sprinkle the crust with coarse Demerara sugar all over. Bake it for 15 minutes at 375, then turn down oven and bake an additional 20-30 minutes at 350. The pie is done when the filling begins to bubble up through the crust.

Do you have a Family Recipe from the 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> Century? Are you willing to share the recipe, and your family's story about the recipe for a future Barrett Township Historical Society cookbook on Historical Recipes? Please send your recipe and family story associated with the recipe to Mary Kate Reeves-Hoche at [mkreeves@ptd.net](mailto:mkreeves@ptd.net) or to PO Box 447, Buck Hill Falls, PA 18323

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## Condolences to Our Members

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Condolences to the family of Willard C. (Bill) Sengle, Jr., who died August 18, 2020

**Willard C. Sengle, Jr.**, 96, of Mountainhome, died Tuesday, August 18, 2020, at St. Luke's Hospital Monroe Campus in Bartonsville. He is survived by his wife Patrenella (Gill) Sengle with whom he shared over 70 years of marriage. Born in Pasadena, California, he was the son of the late Willard and Elsie (Spratt) Sengle. A Veteran, he served in the United States Navy during World War II. Before his retirement, Willard was a silk screener for JA Rinehart and Company in Mountainhome for 50 years. He was a member of the Mountainhome United Methodist Church. He was a gifted painter and lover of local history. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Janice Cummings of East Stroudsburg; granddaughters, Julie Cummings-Sengle of Brooklyn, New York, and Faith DuBlois Castillo of East Stroudsburg; and great-grandson, Marco DeBlois Castillo. There will be no services at this time; private cremation has been entrusted to Bolock Funeral Home Crematory.

Bill was brother to Jake Sengle, our first Society president, brother to member Emily Sieg, and brother-in-law to member Kathleen Sengle. In 1993 when the first planning meeting was held to look into forming a historical society in Barrett, Bill was the one who made up flyers to distribute. Bill was passionate about local history. He has walked many a mile in these mountains to dig for artifacts. He was a familiar figure at the Monroe County Courthouse perusing old maps and land grants. One would venture to say that Bill knew the history of all the original founding families in Barrett. He was most generous in sharing his knowledge with others and shall be missed.

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**CRESO ANNIE**  
**CHAPTER 13**

Chapter 13 (Continued from July 2020)

Hi, I'm back. False alarm, just someone peeking in the window, probably just wanted to see if we were open.

Station looks so nice with the new floors and the stove in the Station Masters room. But it's kind of boring with no one around. It gives me a lot of time to think and remember all sorts of stories. One day a whole group of school children came to look around and learn about some of the old stuff we have; well, not old to me. The teacher told them about the various objects: candle mold, flour sifter, coffee grinders, and flat irons. She then she asked them if they had any questions. One little girl raised her hand and pointed to some large ceramic pots on the shelf. The teacher, with a twinkle in her eye, and a hint of mischief in her voice, asked them how they thought they were used? The children had several ideas, among them a spaghetti pot or soup tureen. She told them to remember their suggestions and she would tell them a story.

"Pretend it's a cold winter night in February, there is a nasty snow storm outside and the fire has gone out in the stove. Your bedroom is very cold and you have to use the bathroom. Now, remember this is in the olden days and there is no bathroom in the house. You would have to go outside in the snow and bitter cold, and walk down a long path to the outhouse. That would not be fun. So, instead you reach under your bed and pull out....., yes, you're right, what looks like a big coffee mug, a pot with a handle like those up there. You take care of what you have to do and shove it back under the bed, and crawl back into your warm covers. Then in the morning you, or someone else collects all the pots and empties them in the outhouse, rinses them out, and puts them back under the bed ready for the next night".

By this time in the story, the children are rolling their eyes, looking at each other in shock, and giggling. The story teller continued and told them a couple of the names people have given these pots; chamber pots, thunder mugs, come-under jugs. The little girl who had originally asked what they are used for, had another question; "if that's what they are used for, why are they so pretty?." The story teller explained that some are part of a set that includes a wash bowl and a pitcher that would sit on a wash stand in the bedroom.

The class continued on to the Station Masters Room, but I heard a bit of muttering from one boy who said "I sure wouldn't want the job of emptying those pots! It would be just my luck to get that job." "Probably!" I chuckled, but I couldn't talk.

There are many more stories to tell but they will have to wait until another time. I heard some of the people talking about letting people visit very soon. I will be so happy to see them. It has been too long just standing here waiting. Hope to see you soon.