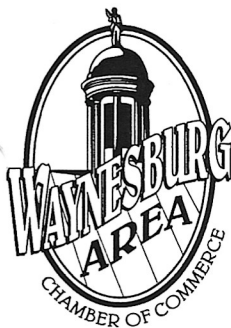


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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

**Speaker: Dorie Alger, Coordinator of Family Economic Success
Department of Community Action Southwest
Topic: Work Certified**

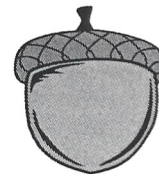
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LUNCHEON MENU BY FIRE CATERING

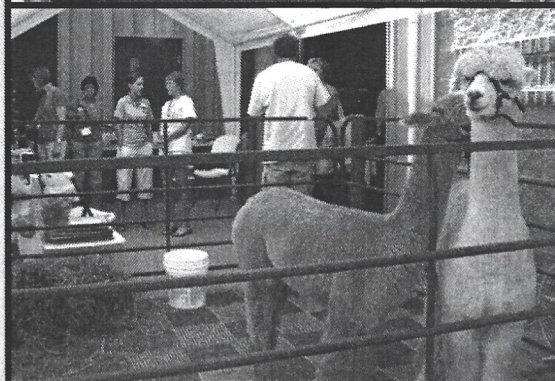
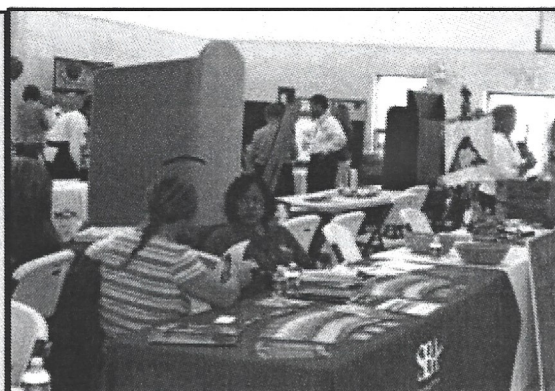
Menu: Roasted Pork Loin with Cornbread Stuffed Apples and Cider Gravy, Sesame Green Beans, Tossed Salad w/choice of Dressings
Rolls/Butter, Decadent Chocolate Brownie and Raspberry Trifle, Iced Tea, Water and Coffee



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We Hope To See You Next Year

Members in the Spotlight

White Covered Bridge Festival

On any given weekend in Greene County from late spring to early fall you can find a festival of one kind or another. Face it Greene County folks like to celebrate their Heritage. This year on the weekend of September 20th and 21st, there was a special festival; one to celebrate the rebuilding of a Covered Bridge.

The reconstruction was completed on September 19th in the afternoon midst tents being erected. One of the first things coming across the White Bridge was a small tractor with a load of hay bales for seating at the Festival.

The first thing Saturday morning was people setting up their tents and folks coming in for the Festival; then everything went quiet as we heard Jack Glidden playing the bagpipes for the men of the 140th as they brought the American Flag to the stage. Once the flag was up, Bernice Jeffrey sang the National Anthem and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by John Yesnosky. Representative H. William DeWeese was the keynote speaker for the morning and the State and County dignitaries proceeded to the Bridge to cut the ribbon and officially open the bridge. Some members of the Carmen Paliotta Construction crew who had worked on the bridge were in attendance.

This was a highlight for the local area and an event that the local folks will never forget. To witness a ribbon cutting to commemorate such an event; a bridge that lasted nearly 100 years to be rebuilt to last another 100 years. A pictorial history of this construction was taken from the first road closed sign to the last piece of roofing and the final finishing touches.

This year the White Covered Bridge Association tried a new idea in advertising – the festival was advertised on the internet. Thanks to some talented people (Becky David and Greg Ayersman) the plans for the Festival were advertised on the web. A couple stopped one of the Association members and stated that they saw in on the internet and wanted to come and see what it was all about. They felt that a group working so hard to promote their festival must be worth the trip and came to Greene County from Battle Creek, Michigan!

Another new idea that was tried this year was Golf Cart Limos, these were used to help folks get between the parking areas and the Festival. The public really seemed to enjoy the ride and it made it a lot easier for everyone. Our wonderful sponsors really helped with this idea.

The Festival turned out to be a very enjoyable event for everyone; food vendors, crafters, demonstrators, Civil War Re-enactors, wonderful singers, wagon drivers, etc. The Festival took on the shape of a small village with folks talking and visiting with old and new friends. Visitors could forget the troubles of the world for a while and just enjoy two great days. There were lots of interesting things to see and hear, but most of all a person could sit back and enjoy the atmosphere in peace and harmony. The Festival, above all, was “Americana” at it’s best.

Greene County Historical Society

The Board of Directors for the Greene County Historical Society Museum are happy to announce the appointment of Bernice Fox as administrator for the museum. Fox was born and raised in Greene County, and until her recent retirement, was the former director of Catholic Charities in Greene County.

Historical Society president Doug Wilson said, “We are very fortunate to have Bernie available to join our staff. She brings a great deal of experience to the job and a great love for the history of our county.” She is married to Nelson Fox and is the mother of Randy Stitchick and Angie Wilson. She also has four grandchildren. “I’m very excited to be working at the museum,” said Fox. “We are planning new events and exhibits at the museum as well as preparing new grants to help the society grow in the future.” she said. “Right now with October only a few short weeks away, we are very busy preparing for one of our biggest events of the year, the Harvest Festival.

A special Museum Open House will be held on October 26, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. to meet the new administrator and members of the board. The public is invited to meet the new administrator.



Bernice Fox Administrator
Greene County Historical Society Museum

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Congratulations to member Darlene J. Bigler, Executive Director of Community Action Southwest for being selected as the 2008 Washington County Chamber of Commerce’s Athena Award recipient! Darlene was selected from a field of five worthy candidates. The announcement was made as part of the Washington Chamber’s Annual Women of Wisdom Conference. Recipient’s are individuals who demonstrate excellence, creativity, and initiative in their business or profession. Provide valuable service by contributing time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in the community and actively assist women in realizing their full leadership potential. Congratulations Darlene and Community Action Southwest!

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September Business After Hours

Thanks to First Federal Savings & Loan of Greene County for hosting the September Business After Hours as part of the ribbon cutting ceremony on their new drive-thru in Morrisville. It was so nice to see the beautiful new facility



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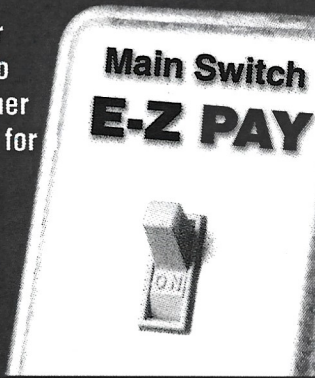
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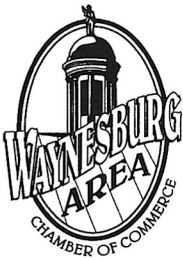
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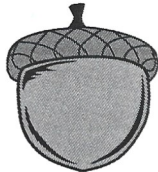
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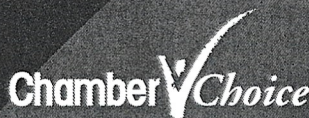
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