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The Newsletter of the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce
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★ GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ★

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 1998

12:00 Noon

THE GOLDEN CORRAL

**FRANKLIN HEALTH CARE
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Speaker: Julie Insana, Director

Questions and Suggestions Welcome. Please join us and bring your guests.
If you cannot attend please send your representative.



CONGRATULATIONS – \$1,500 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

RONDA ROSE, daughter of Patricia & Ronald Rose of Waynesburg, recipient of our 1998 Scholarship award attended the May 27th General meeting with her parents and was awarded the scholarship check for \$1,500. Rhonda read her essay. Ronda is 18 years old and will be attending St. Francis College in the fall. She is planning a career in Physical Therapy.

MEMBERSHIP PROFILE

FIRST FEDERAL

The strength of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Greene County has once again continued to grow and remain very healthy. With \$410 million in assets and 65.9 million dollars in net worth, First Federal's capital ratio is now at 16.06 percent, more than five times the regulatory requirement.

First Federal Savings and Loan Association recognizes the need to insure the safety of its depositors and has pledged to continue its efforts to keep them in a very comfortable financial position. For the 36th consecutive quarter, First Federal Savings and Loan Association was awarded a Five-Star Rating from Bauer Financial Reports. Bauer has rated financial institutions for safety and soundness since 1988, and First Federal has been rated five stars each quarter since. Most of the nation's largest banks failed to earn a five-star rating in the most recent reporting period.

In 1997, the association closed 71 million dollars in mortgage loans. Those loans helped 1,102 families buy or build a home. Home mortgages are the best and safest security for a loan. For each dollar that goes into housing, three more dollars are generated. The association is, therefore, responsible for placing \$213 million into the Greene County

and surrounding communities' economy. This is one more indication of the dedication of First Federal to community banking.

In March 1997, the association entered the debit card market by introducing its MAC customers to the Visa debit card. This has been a great success and as of the year's end, over 2,790 customers had obtained the Visa debit card. In August 1997, a giant step was taken toward improving their data system by installing new software through their data center at FiServ in Milwaukee. Although there were some rocky roads traveled between August and December, the new system gives First Federal's personnel extra tools to help better serve its customers.

The year 2000 issue has been publicized quite frequently and First Federal of Greene County has and continues to take all the necessary steps to be completely prepared for the year 2000. Management assures our customers that we will be ready and our service will go uninterrupted as it has for the past 74 years.

First Federal is looking forward with great anticipation to the 75th anniversary of our institution which will be celebrated in 1999.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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GOLF OUTING – July 18th at Rohanna's

Chairman John Glass, has sent out the invitations to our annual golf outing – asking members and friends to "Get in the Swing of Things" on Saturday, July 18th at 8:00 a.m. – Shotgun Start . . . 4-Man Scramble . . . entry fee per 4-man team \$200.00 or \$50 per golfer. Includes 18 holes of golf and cart, continental breakfast, lunch and prizes. Spend a fun day on the links with your friends and business associates. Entry deadline is July 10th. Questions or Comments? Contact John Glass @ 852-2602

Thanks to the Observer Reporter for their participation and donation of ad space for the Golf Outing.

SPECIAL WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back Sheila Barger to the Waynesburg Branch of National City Bank!

Sheila Barger, Assistant Vice President and Branch Manager, National City Waynesburg office 16 years of banking experience. Most recent assignment was as branch manager of the Carmichaels office since 1995. Lifelong resident of Waynesburg – attended Waynesburg college – married to Jim Barger – Son, J.P. senior at Waynesburg Central H.S. – Daughter, Kaylie, a first grader at Waynesburg Central Elementary School – Community Involvement – Finishing out term as board of director for the Carmichaels Chamber of Commerce. Had previously served as secretary. – Board member of the King Coal Association in Carmichaels. – Permanent Secretary for the Fayette Greene Campus of the American Institute of Banking – Sheila attends Waynesburg Bible Chapel and serves as one of their Junior Church Leaders. – Treasurer for the Waynesburg Central Tip-Off Boosters – Recently been appointed to the GCIDA board.

THANK YOU

Jack Magic and Tony Swetz from Cyprus-Emerald who presented us with an entertaining and informative video presentation produced in Waynesburg and about our beautiful Greene County, on behalf of Cyprus-Emerald entitled "Partners for Progress." They spoke about how Cyprus Emerald and Cumberland partner with local communities to support a quality of life we all enjoy.

July 4th Parade Grand Marshals Named

The Waynesburg Lions Club has announced that the Honorable H. Terry Grimes and the Honorable William R. Nalitz will serve as co-grand marshals for this year's July 4th Celebration Parade. The parade will be held on Saturday, July 4th at 10:00 a.m. in downtown Waynesburg.

Judge Grimes was elected to serve as judge of the 13th Judicial District of Pennsylvania in 1985 and was retained in 1995. He served in the U.S. Army, attended the Artillery Officers Candidate School and is currently a member of the Gideons International, United Methodist Church, Sons of the American Revolution, Reserve Officers Association of the United States, Knights of Pythias Benevolent Lodge and the American Legion. He is married to Carlyn Sue and together they have four children and four grandchildren. Judge Grimes is a graduate of West Greene High School, California State University of Pa. and Ohio Northern University.

Judge Nalitz was elected as the county's first full time second judge in 1997. He served in Vietnam in a tank battalion in the Fourth Infantry Division, attended Duquesne University Law School at night while working as a state parole agent. He is a former Steelworker and member of USW #1397, Teamsters #249 and AFSCME #2459. He is a member of St. Ann Catholic Church; lector and former

member of parish council. He is a member of professional, veterans and community groups, including Lions Club and youth baseball. He has been married to Linda for 29 years and has two grown children, Chad and Carolyn. Another daughter, Jennifer is deceased.

Anyone wanting to participate in this year's parade should contact Melody at 627-4246 to provide entry information.

Plans for July 4th Celebration Parade and Car Show has Begun

The Waynesburg Lions Club has announced that planning for the Annual July 4th Celebration Parade has begun. The parade will be held on Saturday, July 4th beginning at 10:00 a.m. The parade will form on West Street and begin on High Street at the Baptist Church and continue East on High Street to McCracken's Pharmacy. Applications are now being accepted from anyone interested in participating in this year's parade.

Once again the parade will feature antique and classic automobiles on their way to participate in the Antique and Classic Car Show to held at the Fairgrounds immediately following the parade. Also, firetrucks, local celebrities, civic organizations, marching bands and floats. A special bicycle section is also being planned for children to decorate their bicycles and ride through the parade.

A float competition will also be continued this year. First place is \$200.00 and second place is \$100.00. There is no entry fee to compete for prizes and the theme is Patriotic Spirit.

Local residents Melody Longstreth and Nathan Duer will serve as Parade Chairpersons.

Anyone interested in receiving an application may contact Melody Longstreth at 627-4246 to be placed on the mailing list.

MISS RAIN DAY PAGEANT CONTESTANTS FIFTEEN CONTESTANTS TO COMPETE FOR THE 20th MISS RAIN DAY TITLE

Fifteen young ladies from throughout the County gathered Thursday, May 21st at Rohanna's Restaurant in Waynesburg to officially kick off their quest for the title of Miss Rain Day 1998. The young ladies along with their mothers were treated to dinner courtesy of the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce.

The 20th Annual Miss Rain Day Scholarship Pageant sponsored by the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce will be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday, July 26th in the Waynesburg Central High School Auditorium in Waynesburg, with a seating capacity of 900. These Greene County girls between the ages of 14 and 18 will be vying for the coveted Miss Rain Day Crown.

The contestants will be judged on the basis of Personal Interview, Sportswear, Talent and Evening Gown Competitions. Awards will be presented to

those with top scores in these areas as well as five talent achievement awards, Miss Personality, Miss Photogenic, and the Kelly Smotzer Memorial Award. Participation awards will be given to all contestants. A Rain Maker award will be presented to the contestant who collects the most sponsorship and a John O'Hara award will be given to the contestant who composes the best essay on why they want to become the next Miss Rain Day. **"This is the 20th Anniversary Year and the Chamber will welcome back and entertain previous winners from the last twenty years . . . this promises to be a most exciting celebration and reunion and we anticipate a 'full house' for this very special anniversary pageant" stated Andrew Corfont, Chairman of the Miss Rain Day Pageant.**

The contestants will have a very busy schedule for the next two months. They will have contestant photos taken in June; WANB Radio Interview, Photo Shoot and Meet the Commissioners on June 25th. They will take part in photo sessions, a Kennywood Day Outing on July 6th (Greene County Day) sponsored by the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce and WANB Radio; the Lion's Club Annual Fourth of July celebration, participation as celebrity baggers for the American Cancer Society's Grocer's Day on July 10th and will attend the West Virginia Public Theater on July 18th for a production of "Singing in the Rain." **They will also be participating in the Opening Number for the Rock 'N' Oldies Celebration featuring the Drifters, the Coasters, Will Porter and the California All Stars and Barbara Lewis on July 24th.** After the Miss Rain Day Pageant on July 26th, Miss Rain Day 1998, her Court and the contestants will participate in the Chamber of Commerce Dunk Tank fun on Rain Day July 29th.

The contestants by Contestant Number are as follows:

1. Fox, Alissa Joy, 18, daughter of Dave & Nancy Fox of Waynesburg.
2. Roberts, Lindsay, 14, daughter of Kim Roberts of Rices Landing.
3. Miller, Jennifer 16, daughter of Darlene Miller & Fred Humble of Waynesburg.
4. Hurd, Jilissa 17, daughter of Terry and Jill Monas of Jefferson.
5. Wise, Jessica, 14, daughter of Richard and Patricia Wise, Waynesburg.
6. Kniha, Sarah 16, daughter of Rolinda Kniha of Clarksville.
7. Wilson, Katie 16, daughter of Kevin & Meg Wilson of Rogersville.
8. Konosky, Carrie 16, daughter of Michael & Debra Konosky of Waynesburg.
9. Eddy, Kayla Michelle, 15, daughter of Mike and Susie Eddy of Waynesburg.
10. Magerko, Rachel Lynn, 14, daughter of David & Roxanne Magerko of Garards Fort.
11. Kingan, Miranda 16, daughter of John & Debra Kingan of Waynesburg.
12. Burless, Tiffany, 16, daughter of Steve and Joann Burless of Carmichaels.
13. Adamson, Melanie, 16, daughter of Dan & Tina Adamson.
14. Szarell, Kristin, 15, daughter of Dr. David and Thelma Szarell of Graysville.
15. Sheranko, Lyndsay, 15, daughter of Ron & Sandra Sheranko of Dilliner.

NEW FACILITY & NAME FOR HEALTH TRAX

Pauline Crumrine announced at the May 27th General Meeting that Health Trax will become NOVACARE. Pauline said they would be moving the facility to 1490 East High Street (formerly Gatlings) and will have a grand opening in the near future. All Chamber members will be invited. Among the many new features, NOVACARE will be equipped with rehabilitation facilities featuring aquatic therapy.

NOVACARE OUTPATIENT REHABILITATION, INC. - Operates from King of Prussia, PA (Main Office). Local Mid Atlantic Regional Office McMurray, PA. 30 Physical Therapy clinics managed from the McMurray regional office. This office also includes a billing and collections office.

This region cover facilities in Greene, Washington, Fayette, Allegheny, Butler, Mercer, Armstrong, Erie, Bedford, Blair, Elk and Cameron Counties.

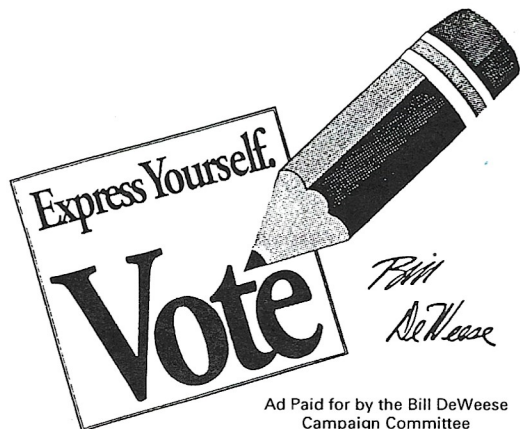
NovaCare operates approximately 800 Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Orthotics and Prosthetics facilities nation wide. Also provides Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy services on a contract basis to 1,900 nursing homes.

The new Waynesburg clinic is 4,000 square feet. Will contain the state of the art therapy equipment and exercise equipment. It will also have an aquatic swimming pool. It will continue to offer Work Conditioning programs to occupational injuries.

NovaCare also provides Athletic Training services to 18 school districts throughout this region. In Greene county the Central Greene school district and the Jefferson - Morgan school district. NovaCare provides top rehabilitation to athletes to get them back to the sport they are playing.

NovaCare this past season has joined with the Pittsburgh Penguins to provide Athletic Training and Physical Therapy services to their injured players.

Our other affiliations with professional teams: Philadelphia Flyers, Philadelphia 76ers, Philadelphia Phantoms, U.S. Speed Skating Team, Indianapolis Ice, Villanova Wildcats, Atlanta Hawks, Philadelphia Kixx, Las Vegas Thunder, Springfield Falcons, Indiana Pacers, Grand Rapid Hoops, more than 1,000 high schools nationwide.



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