



The Mountain Top Welcome Club Newsletter



JANUARY 2011



Word from the President:

Hello from California! I am very unexpectedly on the West Coast right now. My family got a wonderful holiday surprise: a brand new baby nephew named Caleb Robert. He is perfect – just gorgeous and good as gold.

We wanted to send out a quick mini-newsletter update to take care of things happening in late December and early January, before a full newsletter is ready to go out.

My list:

1. **Charity Voting.** If you would like a say in our charity selection this year, please vote as soon as possible. A form is attached to this newsletter, and includes ways you can email or call me with the information. We really need to get our charities selected before we begin publicity for our Night at the Races event, to take place in early 2011. If we don't hear back from you by December 31, 2010, we will assume that you are agreeing with the decisions of the other members.

2. **Donation Opportunities.** Candy's Place (<http://www.cancerwellnessnepa.org/index.html>), one of our charities, sent the following message:

"If you are making your list and checking it twice, maybe you can squeeze Candy's Place onto it. We rely upon our friends to keep the shelves stocked. On our wish list: copy paper, cases of bottled water, paper goods and utensils, Clorox wipes for cleaning fitness equipment, hand soap, and nibbles for our Peer-to-Peer group meetings (non-perishable snack mixes, crackers and other goodies). We sincerely appreciate all our supporters!"

Occasionally, we do items collections for some local charities. Please feel free to contact Candy's Place directly, or we will touch base with them after the holidays and see if we can arrange an item collection for an upcoming meeting. Our member, Lael Swank, notes that Candy's Place has been wonderful to her during her cancer journey.

3. **Upcoming Meeting.** Our January regular meeting is Thursday, January 20th at 12 noon. We hope to see you there.

Happy Holidays! With love from Elaine and the Bernstein Family!!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ways and Means –

We have a date for 2nd Annual Night at The Races!! It will be held on Friday, February 18th. Please mark your calendars now! Sheets for selling horses will be available at the next meeting.

Also, we are still collecting wine and booze bottles for the liquor basket auction. If you receive anything during the holidays that you do not particularly care for, please put it aside for our collection. Other baskets would also be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Pam McGovern at pam.mcgovern@century21.com or Mary-Ellen McFarland at mcfarland12@epix.net.

Secretary's Note –

Thanks to everyone who paid their dues and submitted new or renewed registration forms. I am still putting the finishing touches on the 2010-2011 Directory. Please expect it to arrive shortly after the new year. Sorry for any inconvenience this delay may have caused. In the mean time, a current all member list is being sent. If you notice any errors or have any questions, please contact Amy at amybrianrhodes@mac.com.

Publicity -

Please send Shannon Williams your photos! Those of you in special interest groups, please snap a photo or two at your next meeting. Also, if you have a special event or project you want in the newspaper, send her a photo, and the names of all those in it, and she will send it to our local papers. As always, hard copies are welcome. If you bring them to the meeting, she can scan them and return them to you. Shannon can be reached at richshan1@verizon.net. Thanks for your help!!

Services –

A BIG thank you to all of you who donated and contributed to either the Angel Tree for St Paul's Foodbank and White Haven. Your generosity was much appreciated!!





SPECIAL INTEREST ACTIVITIES

Children's Playgroup –

This month we are adding a second playgroup due to the wonderful response we have been having! Irene will be hosting a playgroup for all children and their caregivers and Jennifer will be hosting a playgroup for **babies and toddlers 2 and under**. Details are below. If you are new or never attended before, it is a great way to meet other children and Moms in the area.

DATE: Thursday, January 13th

TIME: 11:00am – 1:00pm

PLACE: Irene Ziegler's home at 456 Black Walnut Drive - Bow Creek

RSVP: Irene Ziegler at 403-5434

Coffee and Babies –

Come join us for our first “Jumpin’ Java” get together of 2011! This group is specifically targeted at parents/caregivers and their babies, up to age 2. The host will provide his/her home and coffee, and all other s are asked to provide a small snack (coffee creamer, fruit, danish, etc.). We hope you can make it! Also, we are looking for hosts, so please contact Liz if you are interested.

DATE: Tuesday, January 18th

TIME: 9:30am – 11:30am

PLACE: Jennifer Moore's home, 71 Sycamore Drive, Drums

RSVP: Jennifer Moore at 708-0338 or jenniferblount@hotmail.com

Needlework –

We are a small friendly group who meet every other Wednesday morning at 10am. You don't have to have a needlework project to attend, just come for the company and conversation. We love to welcome new members!

DATE: Wednesday, January 12th

TIME: 10am

PLACE: Lois Lauffer's home, 304 Cedar Manor Drive

HOSTESSES: Lorraine and Joanne

RSVP: To Lois at 474-2375 or jel304mtp@gmail.com, or to Jan Pagodin at 647-3908 or pagodin@pa.metrocast.net

DATE: Wednesday, January 26th

TIME: 10am

PLACE: Marie Duclos's home, 15 Revere Road

HOSTESSES: Nancy and Ellen

RSVP: To Marie at 678-5925 or duclosmarie@hotmail.com or to Jan Pagodin at 647-3908 or pagodin@pa.metrocast.net



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Special Interest Groups (cont'd) –

Scrapbooking Club –

This month we will meet at Diane Keating's home on January 13th from 9:30am – 2:30pm. Diane lives in the Greystone subdivision at 128 Fieldstone Way. You can RSVP directly to her at 474-6166 or mountain92@verizon.net.

Dinner Club –

The Dinner Club is “celebrating winter” with its “Cold Winters' Night Dinner” on January 22nd at 6:30pm at the Rademans' home. The menu for the evening will feature comfort foods – ie. soups, stews, chili, salads and desserts. If you are interested in attending or finding out more about the dinner club, please contact the Rademans at 678-7893 or nifjil@netscape.net

Newsletter Submissions –

If you have any information you would like published in the monthly newsletter, please contact Jennifer Moore at jenniferblount@hotmail.com or at 708-0338.





Welcome Club Charity Voting Form 2010-2011

Name: _____ **Email:** _____

(Please note that you must have paid membership dues for 2010-2011 year to be eligible to vote.)

Please vote for THREE of the following:

- 1. Marian Sutherland Kirby Library _____
(To include books with customized bookplates and help fund new security cameras)
- 2. Wright Township Park Expansion _____
(Phase III to include Sledding Hill, Amphitheater and Restrooms)
- 3. Welcome Club Beautification Projects _____
(Possibilities include additional banners, signage, and landscaping projects)
- 4. Mountain Top Area Community Food Bank _____
(Joint effort of community churches)
- 5. Helping Hands Society _____
www.helpinghandssociety.org
- 6. Catherine McAuley House _____
www.catherinemcauleycenter.org
- 7. Mountain Top Free Medical Clinic _____
- 8. Candy's Place _____
(Services and support for people with cancer and their caregivers)
- 9. Other (please specify – must be NEPA based):

*******Additional Question*******

Would you support a "Runner-Up" Category, in which charities which come in 4th, 5th or 6th place in voting would receive a nominal contribution (between \$50 and \$100 each), depending on our overall fundraising totals?

Yes _____ No _____

To submit your vote:

- 1. Return this form in person to Elaine Bernstein, Lisa East, or Shannon Williams
- 2. Email Elaine Bernstein at elaine.bernstein@earthlink.net with this form attached or simply type your choices into the message field
- 3. Send this form to Elaine Bernstein at 31 Aleksander Blvd, Mountain Top, PA 18707
- 4. Call Elaine Bernstein at 814-0286 and leave a voicemail message with your choices



MOUNTAIN TOP WELCOME CLUB
MEMBERSHIP DUES/REGISTRATION FORM

Yearly Dues: \$20.00

Begins September/Ends August

Half Year: \$10.00

Begins January/Ends August

Circle One: NEW RENEWAL

Name/Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Development/Neighborhood: _____

Children's Names (birthday month & year)

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Please send with check written to:
The Mountain Top Welcome Club
P.O. Box 243
Mountain Top, PA 18707



Mountain Top Welcome Club – Reservation Form

For January’s General Meeting

January 20, 2011

TIME: 12:00pm

WHERE: Presbyterian Church, 6 Chestnut Street, Mountain Top

LUNCH: \$7

BABYSITTING: \$3 per child

RSVP: by January 15th. Please return this form with your check to:

Mountain Top Welcome Club
P.O. Box 243
Mountain Top, PA 18707

OR

Email or call Kerri Fey at: Kerrifey0723@yahoo.com, Ph: 479-2739

Name: _____

Attending (@\$7.00): _____



Officers:

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