

## **MARCH 2025 SUSQUEHANNOCK TRAIL CLUB MINUTES**

The March 2025 Winter Frolic Dinner was held at 5:00pm on Saturday, March 8 at the Susquehannock Lodge & Trail Center in Ulysses Township, PA. All enjoyed a dinner of either mango topped salmon or prime rib. Following a brief business meeting and awards, members enjoyed a presentation on "Pennsylvania Logging & Lumbering Days: Their Contribution to Today's Trails" by Bob Edkin, environmental specialist for North Central Pennsylvania state parks. There were 48 people in attendance: 46 members and 2 guests.

Members: Wanda Shirk, John Zimmer, Lori Szymanik, Bill Boyd, Janet Smith, Larry Holtzapple, Doug Wetherbee, Ed McCrea, Jayne K. Fitzgerald, Beth Lounsbury, Dave Singer, Barb Singer, Nancy Lounsbury, Ed Graczyk, Dana Leet, Susie Gribble, Joe Allis, Janet Long, John Halter, Jan Halter, Virginia Musser, Ken Wingo, Charles Kern, Julia Shearson, Seth Batterson, Steve Erway, Dave Errick, Pat Errick, Scott Lee, Jack Buckwalter, Curt Weinhold, Penny Weinhold, Elizabeth Kapoor, Bob Ross, Angela Jackson, Susan Schenck, Chad Rugh, April Castano, Joe Thompson, Ron Heath, Bryn Hammarstrom, Ed Szymanik, Carol Szymanik, Heather Klimek, Tom Oliver.

Guests: Bob Edkin, Jeremy L. Fitzgerald

President Wanda Shirk called the meeting to order at 6:00 February minutes were read by recording secretary Lori Szymanik. Ed Graczyk made a motion to accept the minutes. Dave Errick seconded the motion.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT by Steve Erway:**

A full Treasurer's Report will be given at the April Meeting.

### **TRAILS REPORT by Bill Boyd:**

- This past year we had 3551 hours of trail work. This beat last years hours by 500 and KTA's hours by 700.
- One of our first project's this year will be a bridge over Young Women's Creek.
- Other upcoming projects include:
  - shelter near Morgan Hollow between Spook and Scoville shelters. It will be about a 6 mile hike from this new shelter to both Spook Hollow Shelter and Scoville shelters.
  - Cross Fork Creek bridge needs to be replaced near Bolich Run.
  - A maintainer is needed from Twelve Mile road to Greenlick Road.

### **NEW MEMBERS by Lois Morey:**

#### **Regular Memberships**

- Sharon Kottwitz, Coudersport, PA

#### **Life Memberships**

- Thomas Piasecki, Perkasio, PA
- Jack Barnhart, Red Lion, PA
- Dr. Gary L. & Ella Russell, Richmond Hill, GA

#### **CIRCUIT HIKER REPORT by Lori Szymanik:**

- 1339 Andy Eldeen, Manheim, PA
- 1340 Jonathan Lococo, Mifflinburg, PA
- 1341 Oliver Lococo, Mifflinburg, PA
- 1342 Daniel M. Smith, Elizabethville, PA
- 1343 Caleb Fisher, Bedford, PA
- 1344 Dakota Taylor, Williamsport, PA

#### **HIKE REPORT:**

- Not discussed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Not discussed

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- President Wanda Shirk gave the “State of the Union Address” sharing the accomplishments the club has made over the past year.
- The STC Chorus sang, the “Lop, Lop, Lop!” song with trail work tool props.
- The 2024 Maintainer of the year was recognized.
- Ron Heath and Doug Wetherbee were given Chainsaw Awards.
- Recognition was given to Big Shoes Award recipients and to Life Members
- The Leadership Award was given to Larry Holtzapple.
- Special Appreciation Award—?
- Remembrance Ceremony- Elizabeth Jarrard, Mary Wetmore, Leslie “Rabbit” Jenson, Terry “Tex” Lindsey, Tom Van Etten, Sarah Squier
- Presentation by Bob Edkin- Pennsylvania Logging and Lumbering Days: Their Contribution to Today’s Trails.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. The presentation by Bob Edkin followed the meeting.

**The next meeting will be held at the Pennsylvania Lumber Museum at 12:00pm on April 12, 2025. Some members will be representing the club at the Kettle Creek Valley Outdoor Show at the Cross Fork Fire Hall from 9:00am to 3:00pm.**

*Meeting minutes taken and submitted by Lori Szymanik*