

October Weather

by Sister M. Albertina

October weather is the spirit's weather,
 Warm, with a wealth of summer flowing over,
 Cool, with a breath of her refreshing breezes,
 Free and exultant as a happy rover -
 Laughing and joyous for a day that pleases,
 Sober and thoughtful for a year that passes -
 Thankful for all the year has gained, enriched
 With friends and memories fragrant masses
 Like these bright leaves, a tapestry of love stitched,
 October is a time for deep thanksgiving
 For love and life and the joy of living.

Capture this spirit with us on Sunday, October 12, when we go for our fourth walk through Henry's Woods and Jacobsburg. Bring your friends and families for an afternoon in Northampton County's only State Park - 1100 acres of natural beauty and historical significances. If you have never participated in our walk we promise you an exhilarating experience. If you have taken the walk before there is an opportunity to recapture the joy of being close to nature. We will try to have a few surprises for our old timers.

We will have a bus again this year enabling the visitors to visit the site of our archaeological digs and complete a tour of the whole park. A guide will accompany the bus and other guides stationed along the way will answer questions and point out places of interest. Refreshments will be sold at the end of the walk through the woods.

FOURTH ANNUAL WALK

DATE: Sunday, October 12, 1975 (Rain Date October 19)

TIME: 12:30 to 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: The first bus will leave at 12:30 from the new parking lot on Belfast Road next to the Bushkill Creek. This is about one half mile from route 33 at Belfast or from route 115. Last bus will leave at 3.

ANNUAL MEETING

October brings another important event to our calendar - our annual meeting, Wednesday, October 22, 8 p.m. at the College Hill Presbyterian church on Monroe Street at Brodhead, Easton. We will have a short business meeting for the purpose of hearing the report of the nominating committee and electing officers for the year 1976.

The high light of our meeting will be a slide presentation by the Lopresti's on the archaeological work done at Jacobsburg to date. Even if you have visited the digs and seen what is done you will be amazed by the slides and interested in the presentation. This will give you an opportunity to see the techniques employed, how progress was made, what was discovered by way of artifacts and

historical facts, and hear about our unanswered questions and maybe help us solve them. The Lopresti's have been tireless in their efforts and our attendance at this meeting can be a token of our appreciation of their devotion.

BOARD MEMBERS PICNIC FOR MANPOWER WORKERS:

This summer we again applied for workers from the Lehigh Valley Man Power Program. On July 16th, eighteen young people tumbled out of the Man Power van. We had been assigned eleven workers, 5 boys and 6 girls, from the Philadelphia School for the Deaf. But in addition six college students, who had been assigned to the Welfare Office came along. They stayed with us for four days until the Welfare Strike was over.

The boys and girls from the Philadelphia School for the Deaf were a real challenge. Their supervisor, Harold Koch, head counselor at the school, is deaf, but he speaks well and can read lips. Few of the students can speak or lip read, but communicate by sign language. Mr. Koch interpreted the Lopresti's messages to the workers. They worked hard and at the end of the two weeks for which they had been assigned to us they requested to stay on. So they were with us until August 22. On this day, their last day, board members had a picnic for them at the site.

Mr. Thomas Hahn, county commissioner was our guest (The other commissioners were unable to attend.) We had a delightful time with the young people. All of us were touched with the gift they gave to Virginia and Joe Lopresti in appreciation for the wonderful summer they had. At our October meeting the Lopresti's will have pictures of this summer and these fine youngsters. Their counselor said "This is a summer these children will never forget."

ARCHAEOLOGY REPORT:

This summer the Board of Directors applied to the Pennsylvania Bi-Centennial Commission for funds to continue our archaeological work at Jacobsburg. Virginia Lopresti handed to your president the following report. It was an astounding testimony to the work put into the archaeology so far. Once again we urge you to come to our meeting on October 22 and hear how these hours were spent.

Here is the amazing report:

1973

Kuhlenberg Students and Prof	75	hours	
Boy Scouts	100	"	
* J.A.L.	57	"	
** V.P.L.	41	"	
*** J.H.S. people	164	"	
	437	hours	Total manhours

* Joseph A. Lopresti

** Virginia F. Lopresti

*** Jacobsburg Historical Society

DON'T FORGET THE WALK THROUGH HENRY'S WOODS OCTOBER 12, 1975 (RAINDATE OCT. 19)

1974

Muhlenberg Students	39 hours	
J.A.L.	236 "	
V.P.L.	200 "	
Brian	15 "	
ManPower boys @ \$2/hr.	490 "	
	<u>980</u> "	Total manhours
Tractor @ \$10/hr	10 hours	

1975 (to August 8)

Muhlenberg Students	40 hours	
N.C.A.C.C.	66 "	
others	53 "	
J.A.L.	147 "	
V.P.L.	128 "	
Manpower boys and girls @ \$2.10/hr	1260 "	
	<u>1674</u> "	Total manhours
Tractor	10 "	

Total to August 8 3,111 Manhours

Tools:	Wheel barrow	\$40.00	
	8 shovels	80.00	
	Brush cutter	9.00	
	Hoe	7.75	
	2 Pick Handles	<u>6.00</u>	
		\$142.75	Total

THE BOULTON COOKBOOK

September - and the end of all those delicious fresh vegetables from the garden, or, lacking a garden, from a grower with standards of freshness. The end too, of all the weeding, cultivating, canning, drying and freezing, and that may bring a sigh, not of regret but of relief!

With the advent of cool weather and low thermostats something truly warming is welcome and nothing is better than hot chocolate - not cocoa - but chocolate. Cocoa is good, in fact just right for children's parties, but for the adult is weak and pallid substitute for the real thing. - Chocolate.

The following is a rich and delicious drink and comes from Mrs. Paul.

"Chocolate

a quarter of a pound of chocolate or half a cake will make a little more than a quart of chocolate. Mix it in a little more than half a pint of boiling water, stir it over the fire until dissolved into a smooth paste; then pour in gradually nearly a quart of milk or quite a quart, unless you like it very strong; boil it five minutes and serve. Have the chocolate-pot very hot before you turn it in.

Cookery from Experience - Mrs. Sara T. Paul

From my own experience results are better if one takes time to stir in the boiling water very gradually until the chocolate is the consistency of icing. Then I stop with the water and do the same with the quart of whole milk - perish the thought of non-fat! Next add sugar to taste and if it is uncomfortably hot a bit of cream or a spoonful of whipped cream makes a nice addition - hang the calories. Last of all light the fire, bring in the tray, pull up your chair and fill the cups. Cinnamon toast makes a good accompaniment.

Properly made the above recipe results in what was called "Reception Chocolate" Circa 1890.

M.H.S.

FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Dear friends this is a gentle hint about 1975 Membership dues. Please check your name and address on this newsletter. If you have a '74 following your name, please send Treasurer Margaret Taylor your check for the current year's membership.

We are still looking for telephone committee volunteers. Our first experience in notifying members came about in calling members for our Fair in July. The next calls will be made in October. If we could have one Slate Belt volunteer, most of our Lehigh Valley membership could be contacted toll-free.

Kitty Fluck

PLEASE FOR HELP!

Archaeology

Virginia and Joe Lopresti will be at the archaeological site every Saturday this fall, and some Sundays by arrangement. If you can spare a few hours we can you.

Homestead

Projects - in - progress, waiting for help include: repair of bedroom ceiling, insulation of attic, relaying the front porch, painting.

We are telephoning some people who we think might help but please don't wait to be called. We need help now!

BRIEFS

The lawn in front of the Homestead has been graded and seeded and is coming up nicely. Our thanks go to Lorraine Mineo for supervising this project.

State Park Superintendent F.D. Hile has been transferred to Seigersville State Park, in Potter County, Pa. No replacement has been appointed to date.

Research Committee Meeting - Monday, September 29, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sandwick.

Next Board meeting - Wednesday, October 1, 8 p.m. at the home of the President.

SEE YOU WHILE WE WALK THROUGH THE WOODS - OCTOBER 12 (RAINDATE OCT 19)

DON'T FORGET THE ANNUAL MEETING! OCTOBER 22, 8 P.M. COLLEGE HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HONORS STREET AT BROOKDALE. SLIDES OF OUR ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISCS!!!!