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NEWS

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Our Jan. meeting was held on the 29th, at 149 S. Lehigh St, Trucksville. Reading of the previous meeting were read and approved. The financial report was read and approved also, our balance being \$91.54. In order to continue and build up our organization, we all must contribute not only by attending the meetings but also with our dollars. Active members are asked to contribute \$1.00 per month, as our director pointed out if we would just set aside 25¢ per week, we would have our dollar each month. Anyone else receiving our newsletter is asked to contribute \$2.00 per year, this does not apply to organizations. We need both your personal and financial help.

The bake sale and flea market are postponed until April.

Tom Schmidle will hold a garage sale, and will set aside a part of his garage to N.E.P.G.A, for their items, anyone having anything to sell, please make arrangements to have your items on hand for the sale. All monies from the N.E.P.G.A. sale will go into the treasury. Please note: monies from Tom's sale will be his own, as his sale will be divorced from ours. In the very near future, we are going to try our hand at a hoagie sale, your cooperation will be needed in this venture; such as soliciting orders, helping to prepare the hoagies, etc. Our hope in this venture is to be a success and with your help, were all sure it will be. Monies from these sales will go into the treasury.

We received a number of pamphlets from the Kirby Health Center, on the subject of U.D. anyone who desires a copy drop us a line.

Also literature on "Friends Conference on Gay Concerns" was distributed at the meeting again anyone wishing a copy please ask.

Rural Caucus: We will try to get a group together to attend these meetings, we understand they are very enlightening.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 19th. we will have a Valentines day party. time 3:00 P.M.

Covered dish and B.Y.O.B. Place 149 S. Lehigh St, Trucksville, Pa.

March 19 th. Meeting followed by our St. Patrick's Day party. time 2:00 P.M.

Covered dish and B.Y.O.B. Place same.

Brian's Den

Brian's Den behind the Butler House Inn, the corners of Butler and Madison Sts., W.B. is now open Tuesday through Saturday, closed Mondays.

We call your attention to an article appearing in the Times Leader on Jan. 26th. It was written by Jim Bishop to Anita Bryant titled, "Anita hasn't saved anyone yet". In this article Mr. Bishop questions Ms. Bryant on her sincerity in her crusade, "Protect America's Children;" in seeking funds to further this organization; or is she in fact using children and gays to line her own pockets???? We are all urged to write to the Editor of our local newspaper in response to Mr. Bishop's article.

Again, we ask each member to contribute his or her share with both money and time, we do need both. If anyone has a change of address please notify our Director, this is very important.

Peter, our Director made a motion to appt. Tom Schmidle our permanent Counselor. Congratulations Tom, we do love you and appreciate your help and patience, your sense of humor. You are just a super MONSTER* GOD. Thank you for being just you.

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