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Fresh Use & Fresh Juice at 40 E. Main St. • Literary Walking Tour Sun April 23 • Historic Old Annville Day Sat June 10

President's Message, by Michael Schroeder

"When I was in the Navy, I juiced a lot," explained Brooklyn NY native and US Navy veteran Ray Fraser on a crisp late winter's day as we sat enjoying a delicious lunch at Swatara Coffee Company on West Main St. in Annville. The owner of Health Check Juice Bar a couple of blocks down at 40 East Main St., Ray was explaining how, during his years in the Navy, he became enamored of smoothies and drinks made of fresh fruits and vegetables—now the signature product of one of Annville's newest and most distinctive eateries.

"It just made me feel a lot better," he explained. "My entire mood would change, I'd feel more energetic, more alert and on top of things, just more vibrant and alive. I learned that feeding your body various combinations of fresh, nutritious fruits and vegetables is not only good for you but makes you feel good, and that's what I want to bring to folks here in Annville and the Lebanon Valley. All the foods we serve are fresh, with no preservatives or added sugars, and are diabetic-friendly."

Especially challenging was starting Health Check Juice Bar in January 2020, only weeks before the Covid-19 pandemic began sweeping across the country, prompting lockdowns and closures from coast to coast. But the business survived thanks to loyal customers and lots of takeout orders, and now employs six part-time workers, along with Ray and his wife and business partner Renata Williams—including four students from Lebanon Valley College and a couple of high school students.



Ray Fraser and Renata Williams at their Health Check Juice Bar at 40 East Main St. in Annville.

If you've popped inside the door at 40 E. Main St., you know it's tight quarters, with little room for customer seating. Built in the late 19th century, the handsome 3-bay building has housed quite a variety of businesses over the years including the Peter Hawryluk Jewelry Store in the 1940s and 1950s; Margie Groy's Expressions Studio Photography Studio in the 1990s; Kristy Abella's Kristabel's Timeless Gifts and Boutique in the early 2000s; and Fred & Debra Hess's barbershop, Hair It Is for Men, in the 2010s, among others.

So it's not surprising that Ray and Renata

are looking to expand into a bigger place. Their five-year plan is to have Health Check Juice Bars in three locations in different parts of the Lebanon Valley. The business also sports a food truck for outdoor events and gatherings. Also, to encourage seniors to visit their store to enjoy their fresh fruit and vegetable juices, Health Check offers a daily discount and a buy-one-getone-free special on the second Sunday of every month. We in Friends of Old Annville extend a warm (if belated) welcome to Ray & Renata and their Health Check Juice Bar and encourage our readers to check 'em out!

On another note, we're delighted to announce that for our Spring Program we're giving another go to our inaugural Literary & Literacy Walking Tour of Annville—after getting rained out twice this past fall!—slated to begin at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, April 23. Meet in the parking lot behind the Christ Church—UCC at 200 S. White Oak St. The event is free and open to the public, but we do ask that participants register beforehand on our website (www.fooa.org > Events> Literary & Literacy Walking Tour 2023).

A handsome color booklet detailing the tour's nine stops can be purchased for only \$5. We're also getting geared up for our 34th Historic Old Annville Day on Sat. June 10. If you have wares to sell, information to distribute, or a cause to promote, it's not too late to reserve a space! For details and pricing, and to download the appropriate form (for-profit or non-profit), visit our website (www.fooa.org > Events, or direct link at: www.fooa.org/events/historicold-annville-day.

Hope to see you there!

Become a 2023 Historic Old Annville Day Sponsor

Please consider sponsoring Historic Old Annville Day (HOAD) 2023. Annville Day is the main fundraising event for the Friends of Old Annville, supporting both our Façade Grant Program for Historic District Buildings, and the maintenance of the Annville Railroad Station (the FOOA Headquarters and Community Center) on Moyer Street. Thank you for considering supporting the work of the Friends of Old Annville in working to preserve historic old Annville and to make Annville the best small town in Lebanon County. A special thank you to Kreamer's Funeral Home and Crematory, and Lebanon Valley College for being Leadership donors in 2022!

Just send in (or donate through Paypal on the FOOA.org website) your gift to FOOA, PO Box 99, Annville, PA 17003, being sure to include a note that it is a sponsorship of HOAD, and the dedication of your gift. Feel free to dedicate your gift to a friend or relative. You will be recognized in the HOAD 2023 program and on our website.

2023 Sponsorship Levels:

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Please consider remembering the Friends of Old Annville in your will. No matter how big or small, your bequest to the non-profit, 501(c)(3) Friends of Old Annville will go toward one or more of our many ongoing community projects to preserve, protect, and honor the history of our town. Thank you.

Livering: An Annville Family

By Douglas Nyce, vice president FOOA

On New Year's Eve, 2022, I was privileged to meet Kevin Livering at my home on Maple Street, Annville, after he got in contact with me earlier in the week.

He had been referred to me (and the Friends of Old Annville) by Mike Rotunda when Kevin had asked Mike what he thought should be done with some historical artifacts left to him by his dad. These items included photos of Annville including a photo of Hot Dog Frank, an Annville HS Commencement program from 1957, and a stone commemorating the longtime Livering home in the Little Italy (the southwest quadrant) of Annville. Kevin shared that the stone is from the foundation of the house located at 127 South Cherry Street and was a gift from Miriam (Livering) Weaver to her brother, Ronald Livering (Kevin's father). Kevin noted that his dad had passed away on September 27 th, 2022 and that Miriam had passed away a few weeks later on December 6 th . The house pictured on the stone was the house where the Livering children grew up from 1941 to 2000.

From notes written by Kevin Livering and by Maryann (Livering) Heisey, a daughter of Raymond Livering: "The Livering's had a large family (9 total: 6 boys and 3 girls). There was Raymond, Eugene, Ronald, Ted, Herman, Paul, Betty, Miriam and Lucille. Raymond Livering was the father and

Catherine (Gettle) Livering was the mother. Herman Livering who resided in Oregon, passed away several weeks ago.

The home was small for such a large family (800 sq. ft.) and the siblings needed to share bedrooms. The Livering family name is unusual, but... is well known throughout the Annville community. Many of the remaining generations of the family still reside locally while others now live out of state. The house was constructed of logs...The land's deed indicated that the land (originally) extended from the home to the Quittapahilla Creek."



(Left) Graduation Photos from ACHS Class of 1957 given to Ronald Livering with personal messages.

(Right) Clockwise from the top left (from labels on the back of the photos) Oscar Moyer, Ed Manahan with Stu? Manahan, Stu? Manahan in a dramatic pose, Hot Dog Frank's or the Co-ed Luncheonette





The Friends of Old Annville admire the pride of the Livering family in their community, the foresight of the Livering family in preserving some of Annville's history, and are so grateful for the generosity of the Livering family's gifts to the FOOA archives and historical collection. The gifts will be housed in the Annville Railroad Station, FOOA Headquarters.



Kevin Livering, December 31, 2022

34th annual Historic Old Annville Day

By Douglas Nyce, vice president FOOA

The Board of the Friends of Old Annville invite you to attend the 34 th Historic Old Annville Day (HOAD) to be held on Saturday, June 10, 2023 from 9 AM to 2PM. The event features the west end of the National Historic District with buildings of log, limestone, brick, and frame dating from the mid-1700's to the 20th Century. The history of this event goes back nearly a century to Annville Days at Hershey Park, when members of the community would travel by train and trolley to the park for a day of picnicking, rides,swimming, and other sports. Most especially, as it is today, it was a day to interact with friends



and neighbors from the Annville Community. In the 21st Century, West Main Street (Route 422) in Annville is closed for the day to create a massive street fair with 150 vendors, a great variety of food, and two stages of music performances. The most important part of the day is reuniting with old friends on the main street and enjoying the beauty of Annville's historic architecture. Please plan on participating and helping to make this our most successful year yet. If you have a business or are involved with a nonprofit organization, consider renting a space at HOAD and sharing products or information from your organization. Applications are available on the Friends of Old Annville website at www.fooa.org under events. Links to FOOA are on the Annville Township website. To reserve a space, for vendor information, or if you have other questions, please contact Douglas L. Nyce at douglaslnyce@gmail.com or at 717-480-1584. We hope to see you there!

Annual HOAD raffle to benefit Façade Grant Assistance Program

In keeping with tradition, Friends of Old Annville is selling raffle tickets to benefit our Facade Grant Assistance program.

https://www.fooa.org/preservation/facade-grants.

The raffle drawing is scheduled for 1 PM on Historic Old Annville Day, June 10, at the main bandstand located at West Main and Lancaster Streets. You need not be present to win.

FOOA is offering a top cash prize of \$500 and we are grateful to two generous Annville businesses for providing additional prizes. Rotunda Restaurant & Brewery has donated a \$250 gift card; the Allen Theater and Backstage Cafe, \$100 in cash.

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Façade Grant Applications available at www.FOOA.org

Individuals or businesses interested in donating additional raffles prizes valued at \$50 or more may contact Mary Woolson at mdwoolson@gmail.com.

We are asking FOOA members to participate in the raffle by purchasing or selling a minimum of five tickets at a cost of \$5 per ticket. Watch your mailbox in May for tickets and instructions. Tickets will also be available at our raffle booth near the FOOA Store on June 10.

FOOA Spring Program 2023 Literary & Literacy Walking Tour of Annville

Literature and literacy have a rich history in Annville. When the Annville Free Library launched its ambitious expansion project, still ongoing, we dove into our Digital Archives to trace our town's bookish roots.

Join FOOA on April 23 at 2 p.m. to learn about Annville's earliest schools, journalistic endeavors, and notable writers.

The 9-stop tour will take around one hour.

The tour will begin behind Christ Church-UCC, 200 S. White Oak St., and is free Registered participants are invited to purchase a commemorative booklet for \$5. Free-will donations will also be gratefully accepted on the day of the event.

To register for our Literary & Literacy Walking Tour on Sunday, April 23, visit our website at www.fooa.org, click on Events > Literary & Literacy Walking Tour 2023 follow Literary & Literacy Walking Tour of Annville



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the links and fill out the Google form, or email us at fooa_annville@hotmail.com.

Annville Free Library project is over halfway completed

By Marty Brandt

The Annville Free Library's expansion project is underway and construction on the Addition is over half completed! We are so excited to see progress and anticipate our "Grand Opening Ceremony" in September this year.

Have you seen the exterior brickwork on the Addition? Many people have commented how well it matches the existing library, with thanks to architects Carol Hickey and Carol Donten for their great design. Inside the Addition the walls are in place, electric lines and receptacles are installed and ductwork is in the ceiling for the new rooftop units to condition the air.

Connecting openings to the existing library and the duplex community room are getting finished. This involved removing 4 windows and making 2 other opening through the brick walls carefully saving the bricks to use elsewhere on the project.

The new stairway to the children's library is under construction, the new stairs into the duplex are nearly finished and the new community room is taking shape. By the time you read this, the windows and doors will be installed, drywall finished and trim work underway in the Addition. Anyone want to buy double-hung replacement windows, radiators, lath, 3" by 6" floor joists, doors, etc., just let us know, proceeds used to pay construction costs.

We continue to raise the last 10% of the project funding to finish the renovations in the duplex and in the existing Library. The old Killinger St entrance needs to be removed and doorway converted to a window. A buried fuel tank needs removal, all new HVAC systems installed with outside air mixing and filtering, electrical wiring updated, new family restrooms, and a new creativity center are just some of the remaining projects that need funding.

Come by the library and staff will be happy to describe the progress. Come see our booth at Historic Old Annville Day. And visit our website: https://writingthenextchapter.org/ with many photos and an aerial view of the construction activity.



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Individual & Student \$ 10.00 Family (2+ persons) \$ 20.00 Business \$ 25.00 Friend of FOOA \$ 50.00 ★ Benefactor \$ 100.00 § Founder \$ 250 �

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