



DEVELOPING LEADERS

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Community Leadership Program Attends Session 8 Quality of Life at Northern Appalachian Research Laboratory, and Graduates!

The *Community Leadership Program's* final "field" session, Quality of Life, was held at the Northern Appalachian Research Laboratory in Asaph, PA. The objective of this session, which was held on Friday, May 7, was to become familiar with local conservation efforts, and to understand our responsibility in maintaining the quality of life in Tioga County. Jim Weaver, the Tioga County Planner and *CLP's* facilitator for the day, started the session with a refresher course on the Consensus Circle Process. *CLP* participants were first introduced to the consensus process during the Opening retreat, which was held in October of 2009.



Jack Showers, the Director of Community Relations and Regional Affairs for East Resources, followed Jim with a power point presentation on gas-well drilling that detailed how the gas is extracted from the Marcellus Shale. As you may know, many environmental organizations and watershed groups have expressed great concerns over the potential impact of gas development on our water supply and quality. Jack told the *CLP* that "East Resources is committed to the economic vitality and environmental quality in the region," and reviewed the monitoring systems that East Resources has in place. These systems include routinely observing and recording quality conditions in rivers and streams.



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Jim then discussed the four fundamental ecosystem processes, which are: water cycle, mineral cycle, energy flow, and community dynamics (succession). Consistent monitoring of these four processes tell us whether landscape health is improving or deteriorating, long before damage or improvement becomes noticeable.

After a tasty lunch catered by Tony's Italian Cuisine, CLP participants spent the afternoon outdoors, rotating throughout the following field stations: water quality (led by Erica Tomlinson), Macroinvertebrates (bugs) – (led by Jim Weaver), Denrology (trees) – (led by Jake Tomlinson), and Birds – (led by Gary Tyson). **Leadership Tioga County Community Leadership Program** concluded their final session discussing biodiversity, sustainability, and personal responsibility.

On May 21, the thirteen members of the **Leadership Tioga County Community Leadership Program** Class of 2010 gathered for the last time at Pennsylvania College of Technology, North Campus. Classmates presented their portfolios and spent time with Deb Sawyer, of Northcentral PA AHEC, revisiting their personal mission statements and developing a future action plan. The teams presented their community projects to one other and then enjoyed lunch catered by The Native Bagel. The afternoon commenced with a formal graduation and slide show.

On behalf of all of the CLP participants, “thank you” to the entire TCDC staff, board, chairs, committees, alumni and friends who put together a truly meaningful nine month program!

Session 9: “Terza Rima”

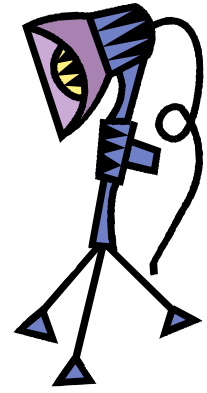
After hours and days over months were spent
 In learning about the community with each other,
 The TCDC CLP of 2010 has come to an end.
 At first we did not know one another;
 In a new setting, out of our comfort zone,
 We worked and ate and presented together.
 By keeping in contact by email and phone,
 Individuals from all areas of the county,
 We worked on projects as one, but prepared
 speeches alone.

With the guidance of Brett, Joey, Bob, Lillian, and Christie,
 We have grown as individuals and are now better prepared to take the lead.



- written by Jenny Bowen, CLP Class of 2010

The CLP Class of 2010 Spotlight Shines On Bob Mairdl



This session's *CLP* spotlight is Robert Mairdl. Bob resides in Wellsboro with his wife Patricia and Thunder, a border collie and golden retriever mix. He has two children, Daniel age twenty-nine and Cassie age twenty-seven. Bob earned his Associates in Culinary Arts and Hotel & Restaurant Management. He also is certified in Dietary Manager and Food Protection Professional. Bob works for Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hospital as the Nutrition Services Manager for six years. His daily job duties include managing the daily operations for all hospital patients, cafeteria guests and in-house catering operations.

Bob is a volunteer for the Winterfest and Spring Fling activities at Hills Creek State Park and he also provides educational programs for the Green Free Library. In his spare time, Bob likes hiking, bicycling and canoeing. Bob also is very interested in proper nutrition and utilizing less processed food in commercial foodservice operations. His favorite food is Shrimp Scampi over Brown Rice Pilaf.

Bob's expectations of the Leadership program are to learn new leadership principles and review old ones and to be able to develop enough confidence to take his leadership skills to the next level. "The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good men to do what he wants done, and self-restraint to keep from meddling with them while they do it" by Theodore Roosevelt is a quote that Bob lives by each day.



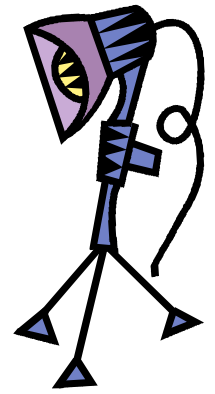
I always remember the axiom: a leader...is like a shepherd. He stays behind the flock, letting the most nimble go out ahead, whereupon the others follow, not realizing that all along they are being directed from behind.

- Nelson Mandela

The CLP Class of 2010

Spotlight Shines On

Mike Jerzak



This session's CLP spotlight is also on Mike Jerzak. Mike resides in Mansfield with his wife Ginger. They have six children - Sarah age 30, Emily age 28, Amanda age 25, Andy age 23, Tim age 12 and Alli age 6. Mike received his Bachelors of Science in elementary Education from Evangel University in Springfield, Missouri. He also has his Pennsylvania Real Estate License and PA & MO Teaching Certificate in Elementary Education. Mike works for Partners in Progress Inc. as a Procurement Specialist for two years. Within his position, Mike is the support and advocate for people with disabilities in regard to employment. He does this by finding or creating competitive jobs in the community. He also works with clients to maintain successful employment by job coaching and providing other supports.

Mike is a former member and President of Mansfield Kiwanis and former Royal Ranger Leader. He is also a foster parent. Along with his children he also has three foster children. Mike enjoys bicycling, camping, and bowling. His favorite food is his dad's spaghetti and meatballs. In October of 2009 Mike entered the MS City to Shore Bike Event to raise money for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. He rode for his mom, which she has had MS for over forty years. There were seven thousand riders for this event. Mike rode one hundred miles in one day. Mike's expectations of the Leadership program are the networking opportunities and learn about the professions of the speakers and learn from them.



Ingredients:

- 1 head of lettuce (chopped) or bag of lettuce
- 1 bag of nacho cheese Doritos (smash to small pieces)
- 1 bag of Mexican style shredded cheese (2 cups)
- 1 bottle of French dressing
- 3 to 5 small tomatoes diced (sized to your liking)
- 1 lb of hamburger meat
- 1 packet of taco seasoning
- 1 packet of onion soup mix
- ½ cup of water

Taco Salad!



Directions:

1. In a skillet, brown hamburger and drain.
2. Mix in taco seasoning, onion soup mix and water.
3. Set aside and let mixture cool.
4. In a large bowl, mix lettuce, Doritos, cheese, tomatoes and dressing.
5. Mix well.
6. Add hamburger mixture when cool and mix.
7. Enjoy!

Final Thoughts...

Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.

-Harold R. McAlindon

The real leader has no need to lead-- he is content to point the way.

-Henry Miller

If your actions inspire others to dream more,
learn more, do more and become more,
you are a leader.

-John Quincy Adams

Leadership: The art of getting someone else to do
something you want done because he wants to do it.

-Dwight D. Eisenhower



The ultimate measure of a man is not where he
stands in moments of comfort, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

-Martin Luther King, Jr.

No man is good enough to govern another man without that other's consent.

-Abraham Lincoln

Never tell people how to do things. Tell them what to do and they will surprise you with their
ingenuity.

-George Patton

The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good men to do what he wants done,
and self-restraint to keep from meddling with them while they do it.

Theodore Roosevelt

Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things.

-Peter F. Drucker

