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- ✓ **GCASR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 9:30, Corner Cupboard, Waynesburg, PA.**
- ✓ **GCASR PICNIC Thursday, JUNE 4, 2026 (11-2) LIONS PARK, WAYNESBURG, PA.** Meat, beverage, picnic supplies provided. Bring a side to share.
- ✓ **GCASR GOLF OUTING FUND RAISER June 19, 2026 for GCASR Scholarships at Greene County Country Club We need golfers. Current update will be emailed separately with updated information.**
- ✓ **'STUFF THE BUS' at THE WAY COMMUNITY CENTER, WAYNESBURG, PA WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12. More in the June GCASR NEWS.**
- ✓ **NEW RETIREES BREAKFAST, Thursday, September 10, 2026 At THE WAY.** Contact Sandy Whetsell at 724-344-0149 or swwhetsell@windstream.net for more information.
- ✓ **FALL LUNCHEON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22 hosted by Carmichaels Area School District retirees.**

Our GCASR senior scholarships of \$1500 each will be presented at the local school assemblies during May by GCASR members. We will announce the winning candidates in the GCASR NEWS in the June issue.

The GCASR \$750 ed support (staff) grants of \$750 each will be awarded by June 1. The winners of these grants will be notified. Our June issue will acknowledge the winners. The winning individuals will also be invited to present their grant ideas at our fall luncheon on October 22, 2026.

GCASR 2026 SPRING LUNCHEON WRAP-UP

West Greene school retirees hosted the GCASR spring luncheon on April 23, 2026, at the First Church of the Nazarene in Waynesburg, PA for 84 attendees. Thank you for the cooperative and creative efforts of the WG committee: Carlyn Grimes, Jane Schrock, Sue Christopher, Bev Grimes, Marla Patton, Helen Palmer, Rosemary Andrew and Myleen McCollum.

Susan Lawrence, SSMHF chair, conducted a memorable and lovely memorial service for GCASR members who have passed within the past year; *Chris Decker, Helen 'Jean' Gusic, Caren Sue Kulchock, Demetria 'C. Nickye' Howard, Jerry Hardy, Gary Torbic, and Dorothy Jean Ankrom McNeely*

Raffle donations were received from Alberta Jones, Rosemary Andrew, Laura Walters, Barbara Nelson, Myleen McCollum, 5 Kidz Kandy, Stokes General Store, Pearle Vision, Thelma Szarell, Carlyn Grimes, Beverly Grimes, Jane Schrock, Kim Fell, Susan Christopher (GC from Willow Farm Bakery), Charlene May, Mary Jo Yoders (daughter of Helen Palmer) from her store in Cameron, WV., 'Oh My Grandma Used to Have That', Diane Patterson, South Fork Kitchen and Fixins' in Rogersville PA (GC), and Teresa Roberts.

The 50/50 winner was Joyce Fortney. \$194.00 will be added the scholarship/grant fund.

The Weekend Backpack Food Program winner of the quilted tote was Joyce Simpson. It was made and donated by GCASR member, Peggy Walters. The proceeds will be donated to the Weekend Food Program through The Greene County Community Foundation. Our five school districts report that approximately 250 unduplicated students participate in the Weekend Backpack Food Program weekly. At an average cost of \$6.50 per pack for 30 weeks, the total cost to operate this program is over \$48,000. GCASR budgets a minimum of \$1000 annually to this program.