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## A SEASON OF ENDINGS

Another year at the Kerny passes into history. Snow arrived early at the Kerny this year, after an unremarkable fall. Now the Kerny is in winter's icy grip and Blue Mountain Wildlife is eagerly awaiting the groundhog's prediction in the hopes of an early spring. It is the season of planning and preparation.

It is also the season of endings. At the end of the fall, Blue Mountain Wildlife said goodbye to two of our long-time friends.

Barry Shollenberger—a founding member, BMW's first President and a huge presence at the Kerny over the past two decades—has decided to step back from the organization for personal reasons.

Barry's been a driving force in BMW's efforts from the beginning and the Kerny and Blue Mountain Wildlife would not be what it is today without his presence. Blue Mountain Wildlife will miss him and wishes him and his family luck in his future pursuits.



Dennis Henne—three-term Director, trail maintainer and perennial volunteer—is stepping down from his Directorship. Dennis has served nine years as a Director and was part of too many of BMW's activities to count. His voice on the Board of Directors will be missed and we wish him luck with his future plans.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS—2018

Friday January 26, 2018...BMW Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet 6:00 to 8:00 pm  
C.J. Hummel's Restaurant, Lenhartsville

Thursday February 8, 2018...BMW Monthly Business Meeting 6:00 to 8:00 pm Hamburg Library

Thursday March 8, 2018...BMW Monthly Business Meeting 6:00 to 8:00 pm Hamburg Library

Thursday April 13, 2017...BMW Monthly Business Meeting 6:00 to 8:00 pm Hamburg Library

Saturday April 21, 2018...Earth Day Clean-Up 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Kernsville Dam Recreation Area

**2017 AT THE KERNY**



## THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND BANQUET

GREGG ADAMS

The Officers and Directors of Blue Mountain Wildlife invite you to join us for the Fourteenth Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet. This is always a wonderful opportunity to meet the folks who give a bit of themselves to protect and improve the Kerny, to find out what's been going on at the Kerny and what's being planned for the future, and to join and enjoy our little community. The Banquet will be held at The Loft in C.J. Hummel's Restaurant in Lenhartsville on Friday January 26th. The festivities begin at 6:00 p.m. with the committee reports, the election of officers and directors, a ceremony honoring those who provided outstanding service to the Kerny over the past year, and "A Look Ahead".

Lot and to the trail system in and around the Basin. We will also be unveiling the new Blue Mountain Wildlife "Train and Turkeys" t-shirt. Be one of the first to own this sure-to-be-a-classic t-shirt.

The Annual Banquet has been growing in popularity over the last several years and, although reservations are not required, it is recommended that you RSVP by January



This year, we will be enjoying a buffet meal, which will include tossed salad, choice of two entrees (roast beef or turkey) and three sides, fruits, dinner rolls and non-alcoholic drinks. The cost of the buffet will be \$20.00 per person. Alcoholic drinks will be available for purchase separately. If you prefer vegetarian, C.J. Hummel's will offer a cheese tortellini substitute for the entrees - please let us know you'd prefer the vegetarian choice when RSVPing.

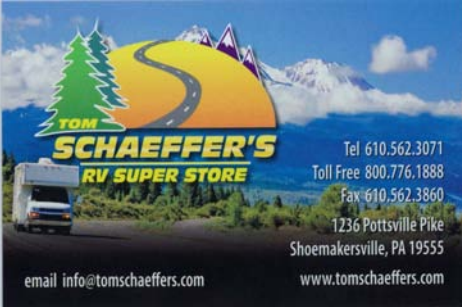
After the meal service, we will be presenting the I-78 Wetlands Mitigation Project plan for adding approximately 2.5 acres of new wetlands to the Basin north of the Monument Parking Lot. The plan will also include a number of improvements to the area around the Monument Parking

24th. To do so, call Gregg Adams at 610-562-2386, join the event on Facebook or email [info@bluemountainwildlife.com](mailto:info@bluemountainwildlife.com). New this year, you can purchase the meal ahead of time at <http://www.bluemountainwildlifestore.com/membership-donations/annual-banquet>.

The Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet also a great opportunity for those interested in helping out the Kerny to take the next step and join the Board of Directors. BMW is always looking for individuals willing to help out and if you can spare the Kerny one night a month, you can be part of the team that makes the decisions affecting its future. If you think you may be ready to step up, come to the Banquet and talk to one of our Directors. You'll be glad you did.



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