



## Pennies for Patients Campaign

By Miss LaVacca (Campaign Coordinator for WGMS)

**WIND GAP** - For the 10th year, Wind Gap Middle School has participated in the Pennies for Patients three-week campaign, benefiting The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

The support and generosity shown by the students, parents, faculty and community members is always so overwhelming! Our school set an initial goal of \$3,000, but exceeded that goal, raising an amazing \$3,128.53! Mr. Rogan's 7th grade class earned the most money (raising over \$400!), winning a catered lunch party provided from The Olive Garden!

This was the tenth year the middle school has participated in this campaign, and the response is always so overwhelmingly generous! I'd like to thank everyone for all their support and generosity towards this great cause!

## A Drop in the Bucket: Maple Sugaring Program

By Rainey McKenna

**BUSHKILL, PA-** The National Park Service and the Millbrook Village Society will present a maple sugaring demonstration at Millbrook Village in Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area on Saturday, March 9, from 10 am to 3 pm.

Join park rangers and volunteers as they celebrate the approach of spring with the North American tradition of maple sugaring. American Indians, early settlers, and their descendants all looked forward to collecting and boiling the sap of locally abundant sugar maple trees. Experience this tradition for yourself! Visitors will be able to

see and participate in the "sugaring" process from the tree to the table. Sap from Millbrook Village maples will be boiled down in cast iron kettles over an open fire to create maple syrup. Woodstove and outdoor cooking demonstrations will showcase the use of maple products in recipes common during the 1800s.

Admission is free. In case of severe weather, the program will be held on Saturday, March 16. Millbrook Village is located in New Jersey at the intersection of Old Mine Road (12 miles north of Interstate 80 from Exit 1 in New Jersey) and Route 602 (seven miles west of Blairstown, New Jersey).

For more information, call park headquarters at (570) 426-2452, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or visit the park's website at [www.nps.gov/dewa](http://www.nps.gov/dewa).

About the National Park Service: More than 20,000 National Park Service employees care for America's 418 national parks and work with communities across the nation to help preserve local history and create close-to-home recreational opportunities. Learn more at [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov).



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## Chair of Memorial Scrolls Trust visits Lehigh Valley

By Stephanie Bolmer  
HAKOL Editor

When members of the Lehigh Valley Jewish community learned that Jeffrey Ohrenstein, chair of the Memorial Scrolls Trust, was going to be in New York City, they knew they had to ask him to extend his visit to include Pennsylvania.

Many community members were not aware of the fact that the Lehigh Valley is home to five Torah scrolls rescued from the Holocaust and protected by the Trust, which Ohrenstein oversees in London. With Ohrenstein's visit, however, not only the Jewish community, but also the entire Lehigh Valley was invited to learn the remarkable story of how these scrolls were saved and came to be housed here at Congregation Brith Sholom, Congregation Keneseth Israel, Congregation Sons of Israel, the Jewish Day School and Temple Beth El.

Ohrenstein had a jam-packed schedule in Allentown on Feb. 7, which, as he noted, was "a very auspicious day." It was exactly 55 years to the day that the 1,564 Torah scrolls which had been moldering in a warehouse that had once been a synagogue in Prague were delivered in a truckload to London.

As Ohrenstein explained first at a presentation to the Jewish Day School, then at a Lunch & Learn put on by the Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of the Lehigh Valley at the Jewish Community Center, and finally at an interfaith program hosted in the chapel at First Presbyterian Church of Allentown, Jews had been thriving in the regions of Bohemia and Moravia for a thousand years before World War II.

"There's always anti-Semitism everywhere," said Ohrenstein, "but there was much less there, and they were on the whole protected." That was leading up to and especially during the "Golden Age" in "our area"—as Ohrenstein refers to the regions from which the Torahs came—of the 18th and 19th centuries. Then came the Nazis, stationed in Prague, murdering tens of thousands and displacing more.

Soon, the Jewish leaders of the communities that were left saw an opportunity. The head of the Nazi government in Prague was interested in collecting books. The Jewish communities, many made up of as few as 30 people each, sent not only their Torahs, but also all of their Judaica in 1942 to the Jewish Museum in the capital city.



"It really is a miracle that it survived," said Ohrenstein. He explained that though virtually everybody from the museum lost their lives, over 200,000 items from all these little communities were saved.

"Just imagine," he told the crowd at the Lunch & Learn. "They filled some 30 buildings in the center of Prague. And virtually nothing in Prague was destroyed by bombings, which is another miracle. Our treasures survived the war."

Unfortunately, three years later, there was a Communist coup. The beautiful Judaica items were kept on display, "but the Torahs were nothing to them," said Ohrenstein. From 1958, they sat rotting until they were finally rescued once and for all and taken to a synagogue in London on Feb. 7, 1964.

From there, the Trust was set up so that these Torah scrolls could be used properly. Only about 10 percent were kosher, and those were given to Orthodox synagogues. The rest were in various degrees of decay. Some were able to be repaired and made kosher again, or at least restored to good enough condition for a more progressive synagogue to use them. Some are only able to be displayed as part of the exhibit at the Trust in London.

These Czech scrolls, as they are commonly known – though some have origins in other countries and are written in other languages – have made their way across the world. Synagogues and other groups can be entrusted with a Torah scroll on loan, to be used for special occasions and as educational tools for their communities. Scrolls are today found in Europe, Oceania, South America, Israel and especially in the U.S., which hosts over 1,000, the vast majority of the collection.

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ESTATE SETTLEMENT  
REAL ESTATE AUCTION

2 P.M. FRIDAY MARCH 22, 2019

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