



# The Pinchot Papers

Newsletter of the Governor Pinchot Group of the Sierra Club  
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## Fall 2016

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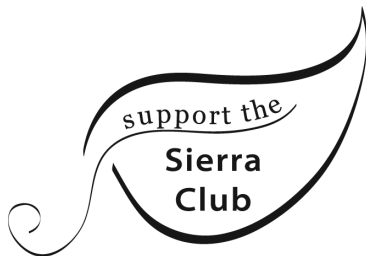
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The GVP Executive Committee meets the last Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. To be added to our email list or for the meeting location, please contact Amy Fox at [amf194@gmail.com](mailto:amf194@gmail.com) or see the GVP Website: <https://gvpsierraclub.wordpress.com>

## GVP Group Endorses Rebarchak and Teplitz for the General Assembly

Because the Sierra Club relies on the political system to protect the environment, it maintains a political program to recommend candidates who demonstrate an interest in protecting our water, air and natural spaces. Each year, the political committee reviews the candidates that are running for office and, with the consent of the group and chapter, endorses those that meet our standards. This year we have selected two candidates who deserve our support: Jody Rebarchak and Rob Teplitz.

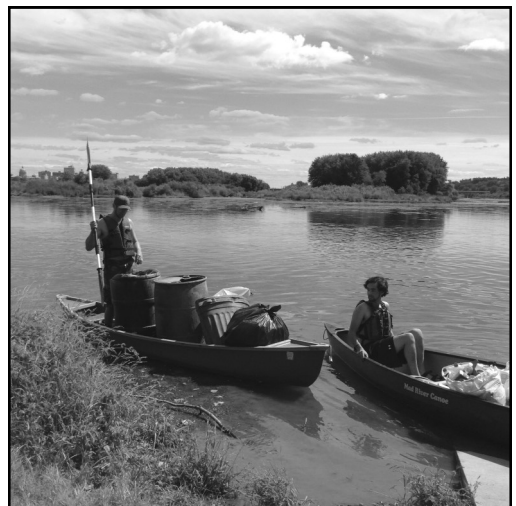
Members of the Sierra Club are urged to vote on Tuesday, November 8 with the environment in mind. For more information about our political program and how you can help, contact GVP Political Chair Wendi Taylor at [wendi.taylor@verizon.net](mailto:wendi.taylor@verizon.net)

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## Past Event Review

### River Clean-up Report

Thanks to our great team of volunteers on land and on the Susquehanna River! We collected 1,000 pounds of trash and had a great day!



### Tabling

Thanks to our volunteers for manning tables at the York Equality Fest and the Pride Festival of Central PA. We made contact with lots of friends and neighbors and collected petition signatures regarding the process by which new congressional and state legislative district boundaries are drawn.

## ***GVP Group Endorses, continued from page 1***



**Jody Rebarchak** is a Democrat who is challenging Republican incumbent Sue Helm in the 104<sup>th</sup> House District. Rebarchak has been elected to the Susquehanna Twp. Board of Supervisors three times. While supervisor, she has supported a rain garden project, sponsored rain barrel workshops and purchased and preserved Logan Farms as a passive park by Paxton Creek.

Rebarchak believes that climate change is real, manmade and needs to be addressed. She also would like to increase the targets for solar and other clean, renewable energy. She will work for strict regulations on fracking and supports taxing the industry to support education and the environment.



Democrat **Rob Teplitz** is running for a second term to keep his seat in the 15<sup>th</sup> Senatorial district. A Dauphin County resident, Teplitz supports the Clean Power Plan, increasing the use of clean, renewable energy to produce electricity in Pennsylvania and expanding the natural buffer zones that protect the Commonwealth's streams.

Teplitz is the Democratic chair of the Senate Local Government Committee and is a member of the following committees: Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Appropriations, Community, Economic and Recreational Development, Education and Finance. Over the past four years, Teplitz has grown more receptive to the environmental issues that the club supports.

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## ***Holiday Party***

- WHO:** Everyone is invited — Sierra Club members and friends
- WHEN:** Friday, December 2, from 6-8 p.m.
- WHY:** It will be a fun time! Come meet new people and connect with friends in a casual atmosphere. We may even bring out some of our icebreaker games!
- FOOD:** The Club will provide dessert and sodas. In addition, you can choose to buy sandwiches off the menu, as it will be dinner time. BYOB
- WHERE:** Shugar's Philly Deli, 316 Bridge Street, New Cumberland (across from the West Shore Theatre) in the private meeting room
- PARKING:** There is free parking in front of Shugar's and in two adjacent lots.
- DRESS:** Wear anything you like, from jeans to what you wore to work. We look forward to seeing you!



## Executive Committee Elections

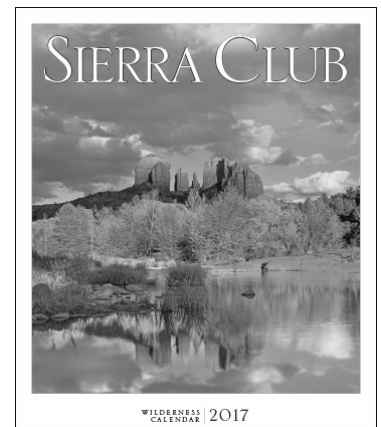
Who will lead the Governor Pinchot Group of the Sierra Club for the next two years? It is your choice. Executive Committee members serve two-year terms and make decisions about which programs and issues the group will undertake. Please choose up to six (6) candidates from the list below, or write-in members you would like to nominate. Ex Com members will serve from 2017-2018. The order of the names on the ballot was determined by a drawing of lots.

Please return the ballot by December 31, 2016 to: Amy Fox, 1040 Orange St., Harrisburg, PA 17113

GVP Sierra Club Executive Committee Ballot		
Membership Type:	Individual	Joint
Randy Schaffer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jill Linta	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jim Buzby	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arlene Taylor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
John Lenahan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
David Platt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Write-in	_____	_____
Write-in	_____	_____

## It's Calendar Time! Give the Gift of Support

GVP is selling 2017 Sierra Club calendars at prices below retail. They make great gifts and a portion of your purchase goes to support our group's activities, like the annual Susquehanna River Cleanup. The Wilderness Calendar (wall calendar) is \$13 and the Engagement Calendar (desk size) is \$14. Prices include tax. You may have your order shipped or you can save shipping fees and pick it up at either the holiday party on December 2 or the PA Chapter Office, 225 Market St., 5th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101. Please indicate your preference when ordering. Mail order form and payment to: Rich Gordon, 744 Allenview Dr., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. Make checks payable to GVP.



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## ***Upcoming Events***

### ***Wildwood Presentation***

Join us for our Annual Presentation at Wildwood Lake on Sunday, October 16 at 1 p.m. Dickinson College biologist Gene Wingert will introduce a brand new presentation about vernal ponds. Don't miss the fascinating wildlife revealed in sight and sound. Program begins at 1 p.m. at the Wildwood Lake Nature Center in Harrisburg. Contact Robin at 717-221-8590 or [rbroderick1@email.com](mailto:rbroderick1@email.com) for more information.



### ***Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup***

Plan to join us on Saturday, October 22 from 9-10 a.m. at the Harrisburg Airport Connector. For more information, contact Jill at [Kerrouac@msn.com](mailto:Kerrouac@msn.com)

### ***Post-Election Happy Hour***

Come to happy hour from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, November 9. We'll meet at Zeroday Brewing Company, 250 Reily Street, Harrisburg PA 17102. There is free off-street parking. It is located in the same building as the Midtown Cinema. Join us for an informal gathering at this unique venue. Contact Robin 717-221-8590 or at [rbroderick1@email.com](mailto:rbroderick1@email.com) to learn more.