

HIGHLIGHTING:

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE LINDY L. SWEENEY YORK COUNTY DISTRICT COURT 19-3-04



Since taking office January 1, 2018, Judge Lindy L. Sweeney has enjoyed redirecting and expanding her community service activities. Active in the Rotary Club of Southern York County, the New Freedom Lions Club, and New Freedom Heritage prior to her election as a Magisterial District Judge, her focus has shifted from activities that previously included fundraising to those of service only. Lions Club activities include the scholarship selection committee, spearheading the bi-annual Adopt-A-Highway roadway trash clean-up events, and organizing annual community awareness/education events.

Past topics include the Opioid epidemic and human trafficking. Community education on the subject of Vaping is the next topic on the radar when the pandemic guidelines allow.

Rotary Club activities include the scholarship committee and the historic Road to Remembrance/Trees for the Trail project with the planting of over 200 trees along the Susquehanna Trail from Jacobus Borough to the Maryland-Pennsylvania line.

Replacing these trees brings the total back to the original 400 Sycamore trees planted by the War Mother's Club honoring WWI Veterans. This stretch of the Susquehanna Trail in Southern York County has been re-dedicated to all Veterans. In addition to serving in various capacities on the general Committee for this 3-year project, she chaired the Dedication Ceremony Committee, planning and overseeing the Ceremony held on November 10, 2019, marking the 100th Anniversary of the planting of the original trees.

Judge Sweeney and her Rotary Club are currently part of the I-83 Beautification project working with several other municipalities and local service clubs to erect and maintain a "Welcome to Southern York County" sign, American Flag/Flagpole, and landscaped area adjacent to the Shrewsbury (Exit 4) new diverging diamond being constructed by PennDOT in Southern York County.

Working with her Rotary Club and the local Paul Smith Library of Southern York County, Judge Sweeney also works annually on a Human Rights Day project. The January 2020 event focused on Civil Discourse.

Judge Sweeney is part of a county-wide coalition to offer an education based course for students and parents/guardians for first time vaping on school property as an alternative resolution to a summary offense charge. She is also spearheading a youth mentorship program (county-wide) to connect members of the York County Prison Honor Guard and other prison staff with troubled youth. Others working with Judge Sweeney on this project include CCP Judge Joseph Adams, York County Bar Association Executive Director Victoria Connor, Linda Gorter of Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and William Cuffaro, Shift Commander and Clair Doll, Warden, York County Prison.

In 2018 and 2019, Judge Sweeney visited all of the 5th grade classes in the Southern York County School District for a "Judge in the Classroom" presentation. In 2020, due to the pandemic, the school district asked her to prepare a video presentation instead. The presentation was used as part of the hybrid in-person learning as well as in the district's digital academy.

Anyone who would like to view the Google slide presentation for the 2019 in person presentation or the 2020 video presentation (available via a Google link) should contact Judge Sweeney at lsweeney75@gmail.com or call her District Court office at 717.227.0688.