

Friends of Drake Well, Inc.

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"Friends of Drake Well, Inc. to Host MEET-U Dice Run"

On Saturday, July 15, Friends of Drake Well, Inc. will host the first annual MEET-U Dice Run fundraiser. Event participants will explore the Oil Region National Heritage Area (ORNHA) while competing for prizes and supporting MEET-U (Mobile Energy Education Training Unit), Drake Well Museum and Park's innovative educational outreach program. Registration and first rolls will kick-off at 10:00 a.m. at Drake Well Museum and the run will close at 4:00 p.m. A post-run barbeque and prize ceremony will be held at the museum. Prizes will be awarded for the day's high and low scores.

Registration is \$30.00 per vehicle with up to 2 passengers. Fee includes participation in the Dice Run, admission to all museums and historical sites on the route (OC&T Perry Street Station only, train ride is extra), a bottle of specially labeled barbecue sauce to the first 50 registrants and meal vouchers for event participants. The Dice Run is open to motorcycles and any other street legal vehicles. Pre-registration for the MEET-U Dice Run is currently open and can be found at www.drakewell.org/events. Walk-in registrants are also welcome.

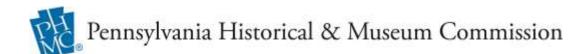
The MEET-U Dice Run will feature 7 key historic sites and museums in the ORNHA. Participants will visit Drake Well Museum and Park and the Oil Creek & Titusville Railroad in Titusville, Historic Pithole City near Plumer, McClintock Well #1 in Rouseville, the Venango Museum of Art, Science and Industry in Oil City, the Venango County Historical Society in Franklin and the Pumping Jack Museum in Emlenton.

According to Sheri Hamilton, Friend of Drake Well, Inc. Executive Director, "The MEET-U Dice Run is a great opportunity for folks to explore our region's rich history while supporting a unique educational program that reaches nearly 8,000 students a year."

Developed in 2009 as an educational partnership between Friends of Drake Well, Inc. and Drake Well Museum and Park, the MEET-U program features a 44' exhibit trailer that travels throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York and West Virginia, spreading awareness of energy creation, development and utilization. The goal of this outreach program is to educate school children and the public on the historic and modern uses of energy in an effort to improve the future of energy consumption. To date, over 150,000 people have visited the educational exhibits in the MEET-U trailer at schools, fairs, and other community events.

All proceeds from the MEET-U Dice Run will benefit the MEET-U educational outreach program.

Located off Route 8 south of Titusville, Drake Well Museum and Park is open year round. Summer hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m. Drake Well Museum and Park is administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission in partnership with Friends of Drake Well, Inc. and is part of the Pennsylvania Trails of History® (www.PATrailsofHistory.com).



For more information about the MEET-U Dice Run or other museum programs, call (814) 827-2797, visit www.drakewell.org or find us on Facebook at Drake Well Museum.

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