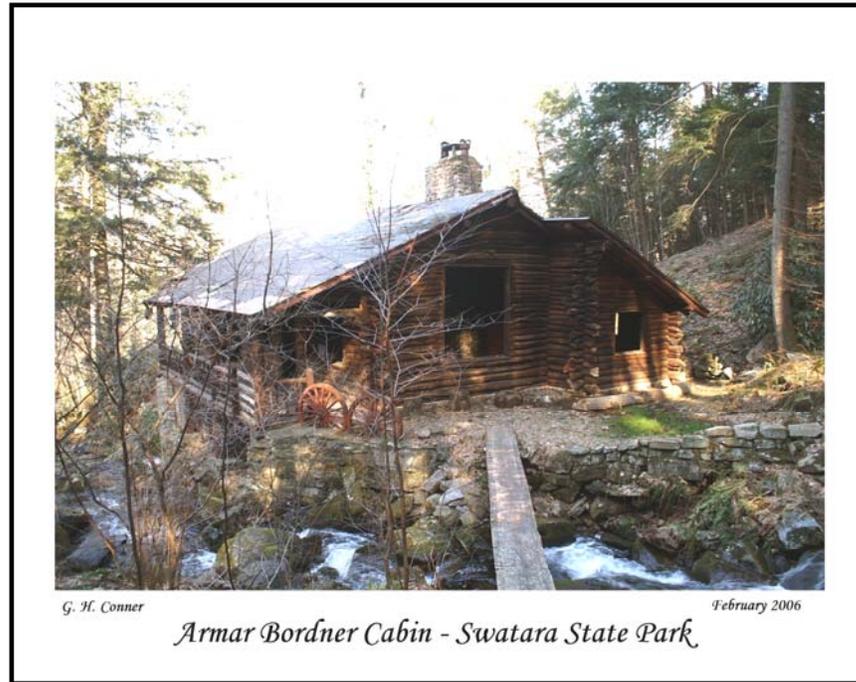


# Historic Armar Bordner Cabin Saved!

Thanks to the fortitude of Commissioner Jo Ellen Litz, Swatara Creek Watershed Association (SCWA) and countless volunteers and Donations, Armar Bordner Cabin has been saved from destruction!



"Huddled against the hillside next to a waterfall and against a forest of hemlocks, sequestered in the mountains of Bethel Township, stands a rustic hand-hewn log cabin...", (*Lebanon Daily News*, April 19, 1990, Pat Seaman). This cabin and its location, which can only be truly appreciated by a visit in person, is located deep in the woods of Swatara State Park. In 2005-06, with looming threats that the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) no longer wished to maintain the cabin and planned to tear it down, the SCWA successfully petitioned Governor Rendell, Senator Brightbill, and DCNR to lease the cabin.

Soon after the lease was signed and in hand, repairs to the deteriorating structure began. A new roof was placed, graffiti removed and floor boards replaced. Various other projects are in the works and SCWA is looking for volunteers to "Adopt the Cabin" and help monitor the cabin one month at a time. For a full list of projects and details how you can volunteer to help preserve this beautiful piece of history, please visit the Swatara Creek Watershed Association's web page: <http://www.mbcomp.com/swatara/>. While no trespassing signs currently remain, feel free to visit the cabin. See for yourself why this historic site *had* to be preserved for current and future generations to enjoy.



"ACRIGGS Falls", view from the Cabin's main living room window.



Commissioner Jo Ellen Litz, Lebanon County Conservation District Board Members, Bob Arnold and Betty Conner, and staff Stephanie Harmon, Stephanie Butler, and Manager Chuck Wertz, celebrate at the Bordner Cabin, "Party on the Porch". Take notice to the view of "ACRIGGS Falls", as seen from the living room window behind.