

BURKITTSVILLE NEWS

Spring 2014

DATES TO WATCH:

PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

Sat., April 5th, 7 AM - 11 AM
Held at Saint Paul's Parish Hall. Adults \$7, Children 6 – 12 \$4, Under 6 eat free.

BELL & HISTORY DAY

Sat., April 5th, 10AM- 4PM
SMHS, Bluegrass Concert to follow by Clear Spring, suggested donation \$7
Open to All!

FOOD & CLOTHING DRIVE

Sat., April 5th & Sun., April 6th
9AM – Noon
Please bring non-perishable food and gently worn clothing to Saint Paul's

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thurs., April 17th, 7 PM
Saint Paul's

GOOD FRIDAY

Fri., April 19th
Prayer service at Noon behind the Church, Worship 7 PM
Saint Paul's

EASTER EGG HUNT

Sat., April 19th
On the Ruritan grounds, 1-12 yrs. old, see article.

EASTER WORSHIP

Sun., April 20th, 11 AM
Saint Paul's

FIRST YARD WASTE

PICK-UP
Tues., April 22nd
6 AM, See back.

ORCHARD BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

Sat., Apr. 26th – Sun. Apr. 27th
Bee Keeping demos 10 & 1
Guided Orchard Tours 11 & 3
Scavenger Hunt
Distillery Lane Ciderworks (Hard Cider Making Classes Regularly- see website)
www.distillerylaneciderworks.com

EASTER EGG HUNT!



Come to the annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored jointly by the Burkittsville Ruritan Club, Burkittsville Ruritan Ladies Auxiliary, and the Town of Burkittsville! It will be held on Saturday, April 19, at the Ruritan Community Center grounds, 500 East Main Street, Burkittsville, MD.

Free hot dogs and other goodies will be served inside the Ruritan Community Center building from 12 Noon until 1 PM, and the egg hunt will start at 1 PM sharp at the Ruritan Club grounds for children ages 1-12. Prizes will be awarded in three age groups (1-4), (5-8), and (9-12). Children should bring an easter basket or plastic bag to collect eggs. The egg hunt will be held rain or shine. – by Randy Huffer

Eyewitness Burkittsville: A New Digital History Database from SMHS- by Jody Brumage, Curator, South Mountain Heritage Society

On April 5, 2014, South Mountain Heritage Society (SMHS) will open its new online database of primary source materials from the collections at the museum. The database, titled "Eyewitness Burkittsville," will include some of the most significant original resources that are kept in the archive at SMHS. These include letters recounting the Battle of South Mountain and its aftermath, correspondence from various residents of town, eyewitness testimony from the 1907 War Claims Cases of the Reformed and Lutheran Churches, and some photograph collections. In addition, the Sunday School, Baptism, Marriage, Communicant Member, and Death Registers from the records of the Resurrection Reformed Church will be available for genealogical research.

"Eyewitness Burkittsville" will be a groundbreaking advancement in SMHS' program of interpretation and fostering research of Burkittsville's history.

While some of our regional museums offer online finding aids to their collections or online collections of photographs, SMHS' database will be the first of its kind in our area to embrace the emerging trend of Digital History.

The materials provided in the database will be an excellent source for researchers, but also for educators. In our secondary schools, teachers would be able to encourage students to utilize a database such as "Eyewitness Burkittsville" to find primary sources for research projects.

Our goal is to grow the online database in the future. When it premieres on April 5, "Eyewitness Burkittsville" will include a wealth of information ranging from the early 19th century through the mid-20th century. However, as other collections open up for research and new accessions bring in other primary sources, the database can expand.

We invite everyone in Burkittsville to take a look at the database when it opens on April 5. You will be able to access it from the SMHS website:

www.southmountainheritagesociety.org.

DATES TO WATCH:

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sat., May 3rd, 7 AM –11 AM
Share good food and good times at Saint Paul's!
Adults \$7, Kids 6-12 \$4,
Under 6 free.

MUSEUM OPEN, GUIDED CEMETERY TOUR

Sat., May 3rd, SMHS
Museum open 10AM –3PM.
Guided tour of Union Cemetery starts at SMHS 3:30PM
Contact Curator and Tour Guide Jody Brumage
southmountains@gmail.com
for more info. Tickets \$5.

FOOD & CLOTHING DRIVE

Sat., May 3 & Sun., May 4th
You can make a difference!
Bring donations between 9 AM – Noon to Saint Paul's.

WEDGEWOOD WINDS WOODWIND CONCERT

Sun., May 17th, 4 PM
Enjoy flutes and reeds in this presentation at the SMHS, suggested \$7 donation.

TOWN PICNIC

Sat., May 31st, 1-?
Held at the Ruritan
1PM Social Hour
2PM Food & Music!
Bring a dish to share.

SMHS MUSEUM OPEN

Sat., Jun. 7th, 10AM-4PM
The South Mountain Heritage Society Museum will be open to the public.
Or Email
southmountains@gmail.com

FISHING DERBY

Tentative Sat., Jun., 14th.
Watch for fliers; algae must be addressed first.

QUINTET CONCERT by KOKOPELLI WINDS

Sun., Jun 22, 4 PM
at SMHS, \$7 donation suggested.

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Tues & Thurs
6:30PM-7:30PM
\$5/class or 10 for \$40
Saint Paul's
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Photograph by Kevin Cromer

Mayor's Notes:

A special thanks to Mr. Wayne Guyton for clearing the way when we were snowed in! Burkittsville is very lucky to have a good friend who will dig us out of a snowstorm with his own machinery.

Mr. Guyton, your generous actions are the very embodiment of 'Neighbor Helping Neighbor'. The Mayor and Council offers you sincere thanks.

Burkittsville Drama



The Little Mermaid

Kaz (left), as Borgy and Nadia (right) as a sea nymph and courtier.

The play was held at Valley and it was fantastic!

TOWN PICNIC!

On **Saturday, May 31st**, we will be holding the annual picnic. It will be on the grounds of the Burkittsville Ruritan. Socializing starts at **1 PM**. The main meat courses will be prepared by Charlie Isemann and his famous smoker, you can bring a dish to share. The music will be provided by Burkittsville's adopted band, The Main Line Gravy Soppers.

Dining and music are scheduled to start at **2 PM**. You never know what will happen when the Gravy Soppers are around, dancing has been known to break out! If that's not your speed, think about taking some pictures for the newsletter and Town Facebook page. Send them to burkittsvillenewsletter@gmail.com. Have a great time!



Community Yard Sale



Don't miss this chance to socialize and make spring cleaning into a money maker! Our yard sale will be advertised in local media, and you can share the news through our Town FaceBook Page, or your own circles.

The big event is SAT., JUNE 7TH, from 8 AM to 2 PM officially, but of course you can stay open longer at home. The church is renting spaces to sell your wares at \$15 a spot, and if you would like long table you can rent one for \$5. Saint Paul's will be cooking up hot dogs, hamburgers and other edibles, as well as having a bake sale. It's a great environment to sell your curiosities, unneeded items, antiques or even craft items. It's easier, faster and more social than eBay! Have some fun, join in!



SNIPPETS FROM AROUND TOWN: There's a new way to contact Adopt-A-Road if you are you willing to help June 7- 8 or thereabouts. It only takes an hour, supplies provided!

Email Bville.adopt.a.road@gmail.com ~ Did you know our resident BBQer and Smoker has entered another contest? Charlie Isemann is in the GO NAKED IRON MAN BBQ SHOW, April 4-4th & 5th. Visit MasonDixonBarbequeServices.com it's open to the public! ~ The Memorial Park

Renewal project is alive and well- the playground really does need help. Join others who are willing to turn over the mulch and clear out weeds. Email the mayor or look for fliers ~ Why did the trees on East Main have to come down? Sadly, the roots were destroying the foundation of the building nearby. They endangered the whole structure.~ Events planned at the Cidery- www.distillerylaneciderworks.com ~ The Town FaceBook is <http://wwwfacebook.com/pages/Burkittsville/249029468523473> check it out!!~~

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BULK TRASH & RECYCLING

Bulk Trash Day is Monday, June 9th

Limit 2 large items per household; if you want many large items removed, contact Key Sanitation. Have items on your curb by 6 AM.

RECYCLING DAYS

APRIL 8TH, APRIL 22ND, MAY 6TH, MAY 20TH JUNE 3RD, JUNE 17TH

Yard Waste Pick-Up Days

All the following dates are Tuesdays:
April 22nd, May 27th, June 24th, July 22nd, Aug. 26th, Sept. 28th,
Oct.28th, Nov. 25th

HAVE BAGS AT CURB BY 6 AM

Yard waste must be put in biodegradable waste bags made for the purpose. Branches, etc may be no wider than 3 inches in diameter and the length of the standard yard waste bag. Bundles should be tied with biodegradable twine (standard twine) no types of tape or plastic ties are acceptable. Thanks!

