# Summer 2013 BURKITTSVILLE NEWS

#### **Dates To Watch:**

Weekend Vacation Bible School July 26 6pm-8pm July 27 4pm-6pm followed by family activity dinner, hayride, and bonfire July 28 11:00 a.m.

ZUMBA & ZUMBA ABS Tues. & Thurs. 6:30-7:30 PM Abs 7:30-8:00 PM \$5 for either class or \$8 for both. Parish Hall

FOOD & CLOTHING DRIVE First Sat. of every month, 9AM-Noon. Bring donations to St. Paul's

CHURCH PICNIC at Cotoctin Nature Preserve after worship Sun Aug 4, 11AM

HUNTER SAFETY CLASSES August See inside for both courses. Sign-up necessary.

TROMBONE ICE CREAM SOCIAL Saint Paul's Aug 30, 7 pm

ADOPT-A-ROAD Sept. 14-15, Nov. 16-17 or make arrangements!

TOWN PICNIC With Music September 28<sup>th</sup>, at the Ruritan, Starting in the Afternoon- Watch for Fliers

## CARNIVAL! July 14 - 20th



#### **Nightly Musical Entertainment**

Sunday, July 14: Kevin Booth (Gospel) Monday, July 15: The Shades (Rock and Roll) Show #1 Tuesday, July 16: The Incredible Dirftin Whistle Pigs (Country) Wednesday, July 17: River's Bend Band (Country) Thursday, July 18: The Shades (Rock and Roll) Show #2 Friday, July 19: Brush Fire Band (Country) Saturday, July 20: C.B. Pickers (Bluegrass)

#### Midway by M&M Amusements

Burkittsville Ruritan Club 500 East Main Street, Burkittsville MD

## **Artists all over Town!**

Did you wonder who the artists painting up a storm all over town were? Well, Griffith Garwood, one of the painters, was willing to write a little about this interesting phenomenon.



Twice in June the Frederick Plein Air painters descended on Burkittsville with great enthusiasm. Setting up easels and tables throughout town Artists arrived early and set out oil paints, watercolors and pastels trying to capture the picturesque houses and farms from various vantage points. South Mountain Heritage opened its doors as hosts. A good number of artists said "When can I move here"!!!

Each week during good weather the members enjoy getting together at various places including battlefields, historic houses and views of the county. Some are amateur artists but many professionals, too. A number of artists are happy to do commissions if you would like a picture of your house or garden.

Come enjoy the Summer fun from July 14<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Delicious 'Fair Food' will start being served at 5 PM.

Rides and Games will be open at 6 PM for the young and young at heart.

Music, many bands back by popular request, starts at 7 PM.

Have a great time and a fun Summer!

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# St. John's at SMHS

A small victorian church stands on the west side of Burkittsville. Many of us drive past this quaint landmark every day. Have you ever wondered what it was? When it was built? SMHS is presenting a new temporary exhibit, which will open on Saturday, August 3, 2013. Entitled *A Little Too German For An Episcopal Church - St. Johns Chapel In Burkittsville*, the exhibit will tell the interesting tale behind this historic church and of it's founder. Artifacts will include photographs and newspaper extracts related to the chapel's history.

SMHS is seeking your support in furthering our mission to preserve the history of Burkittsville. It is now easier than ever to become a member of the society, and our newly revised membership form includes new perks and privileges for those who contribute at different levels. Membership in SMHS not only gives you personal access to a large reference collection and archive, invitations



to Society events, and discounts at our Book Sale, but also the benefit of being a part of a community that is deeply interested in and dedicated to the preservation of our historic village.

View the "Become A Member" page on our website, which is linked from the town's website, and download the membership form. ~Jody Brumage

#### **TOWN MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS COMING UP THIS YEAR:** July 8th- Meeting, August 12th- Workshop, September 9th- Meeting October 14th- Workshop, November 11th- Meeting, December 9th Workshop

## New Roof For The Parish Hall

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Burkittsville is replacing the metal roof on the Parish Hall. The Parish Hall was the Burkittsville School, built in the 1800's. St. Paul's acquired the building when the Burkittsville Elementary School (now the Burkittsville Ruritan Community Center) was built in 1913. The Burkittsville Elementary School was built in 1913 and replaced the old Burkittsville School. That building burned down shortly after it was built and was rebuilt in 1914.

The old Burkittsville School (now the Parish Hall) was a one room school built in the mid-1800s and served the Town of Burkittsville and a small area around the town. There were several other local schools at the time (Arnoldstown, Broad Run, and Coatesville to name a few).

A kitchen was added to the back of the Parish Hall, which was used for community dinners, family gatherings, etc.

The metal roof on the building has been repaired several times over the years but it is now necessary to replace it due to leaks.

The contractor replacing the roof on the Parish Hall discovered the original roof was either slate or wooden shingles as there are many nails in the sheating boards. We did salvage the snow birds on the street side of the metal roof (the snow birds on the back side of the roof facing the cemetery were stolen many years ago). The church council will decide what to do with the salvaged snow birds.

The contractor has been hired to complete the job at a cost of approximately \$25,000. St. Paul's will be holding fundraisers to help pay for the new roof, but donations from the community would be appreciated. If you would like to make a tax deductible donation please send your check payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 5 East Main Street, Burkittsville, MD, 21718. On the memo line of the check write Parish Hall Roof Fund. Thank you for your support.

#### Tractor Pull Moments- Looking forward to next year!

Photographs by Lesa Cook





### Garden Party Success- with local beverages a hit

A garden party was held on June 15th for all those interested in getting to know the South Mountain Heritage Society better and learn more about what it has to offer.

The party was held at 111 West Main Street, where the industrial center of Burkittsville was once located. Refreshment and drinks were served in the shade of the garden. Wines from Boordy Winery and Distillery Lane Cider were both big local-product hits. The historic Resurrection Reformed Church was opened for special tours and the museum was open as well.



Monte Jones with a glass of Boordy white. Boordy's South Mountain Vineyard is behind him, beyond the trees.



Jody Brumage, South Mountain Heritage Society's Historian and Curator, enjoys a glass of Distillery Lane's cider. (Thank you for all your support, Robin Miller and Patty Power!)

#### **Burkittsville Residents \$ave with Energy Efficiency!**

Nine Burkittsville households have become **Certified Power Savers** through Frederick County's **Green Homes Challenge**, namely, the Burgyone-Hongell, Cook, Cottingham-Orr, Drake, Hughes, Marshall-Carroll, Rounds-Polloway, Starry, and Susa-Hayden households. Their certifications resulted from power saving behaviors and energy efficiency upgrades that included attic, wall, and basement sealing and insulation, duct sealing, and more. The Cook, Drake, Marshall-Carroll, and Susa-Hayden households took advantage of the Power Saver Retrofit program which provided \$1,600 worth of energy efficiency improvements. Collectively all nine household are saving an estimated 81,102 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year, or an average 9,011 kWh per household. This results in estimated collective annual financial savings of \$6,537 or an average \$726 per year per household. (At left: Power Savers Rick Polloway and Chuck Rounds in their newly insulated attic.)

Nearly all these households are also Certified Green Leaders as a result of environmentally friendly practices they have implemented in categories such as transportation, yard care, waste management, food, and cleaning. Now is an ideal time to improve the energy efficiency of your home. Potomac Edison offers reduced cost Home Performance with Energy Star audits for just \$100 and 50% rebates on energy efficiency improvements up to \$2,000! Visit <u>www.energysavemd.com</u> to learn more or <u>www.FrederickGreenChallenge.org</u> to get started with the **Green Homes Challenge**. Lisa Orr can assist any family interested in getting involved with the Green Homes Challenge and reducing energy use and utility bills. Email or call her at LOrr@FrederickCountyMD.gov or 301.600.6864.





October Sale of Used Books

South Mountain Heritage Society will once again hold its annual GIGANTIC sale of used books every Saturday in October. They will have old books, nearly new books, fiction, non-fiction, history, crafts and cooking books, and more. Come to browse and chat with your neighbors! If you have books you'll like to donate to the sale, there's a big weatherproof tub on the patio by the side door of the building – or contact Catherine Cox (301-834-6892/blycox@comcast.net).

#### Spook Hill Cider & Wine Run



Saturday, October 19, 2013, South Mountain Heritage Society's Run for the Bathroom 8k will be replaced by the Spook Hill Cider and Wine 4 Mile. The new, shorter iteration will be run nearly entirely within the corporate limits of Burkittsville.

Thanks to local landowners, the new course will include cross-country sections through both the Boordy Vineyard on the west end of town and the Distillery Lane Ciderworks orchard at the east

end of town. The course promises to be one of the most scenic in the area! The race is slated to begin at 8:30 a.m. and will start and finish at the Burkittsville Ruritan complex. Online registration will open on **June 1** via **Racelt.com**.

# HUNTER SAFETY CLASS

THIS CLASS IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

August 5, 6, 9, 6-9:30 pm AUGUST 10<sup>th</sup> 10 am-12 noon <u>or</u> AUGUST 19, 20, 23 6-9:30 pm AUGUST 24, 10 am-12 noon

Must attend all classes in one of the courses to pass. To sign up, call Sam Brown 301-834-8796

# TOWN PICNIC

September 28<sup>th</sup>, Ruritan Community Center. Time: Afternoon/TBA

The Town of Burkittsville, St. Paul's Lutheran Church and South Mountain Heritage Society will sponsor a **Pig Roast** 

Entertainment by The Main Line Gravy Soppers

(www.gravysoppers.com)

Cold or Hot dish is welcomed!



#### The rescue of "Lucky" the Screech Owl Chick

Early June, Dennis Snyder, who is staying with family here in Burkittsville on East Main, came upon a remarkable sight. A young screech owl was on the ground, looking at the decorative blue light and flag beneath his tree. Dennis scooped up the young owl and settled him into a box while making some calls to find out what to do with this fallen fellow. The parents were visable high in the tree. Dennis was able to contact Owl Moon Raptor Center, http://owlmoon.org/ and Suzanne Shoemaker, who took Lucky the chick back to the center to recouperate for a few days. When it was time to bring him back to the nest, Lucky traveled up in style- he's in the Coor's cooler in one of the photos. On the ground working the ropes is Mike, up in the tree is Jason, and the face to face portrait is Dennis and Lucky sharing a meaningful look before the chick took his place back in the tree-top.







Photographs by Erika Burgoyne-Hongell

BIRTHDAYS

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WELCOME TO TOWN! We have new neighbors in 106 West Main-Kevin Cromer and Wil Whelan.

Glad to have you here!

**Anniversaries** 

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Got news? The deadline for the Winter Edition (Oct., Nov. & Dec. events/topics) is **September 15<sup>th</sup>.** We try to be flexible. Send submissions to: burkittsvillenewsletter@gmail.com Recycling Days, Tuesday: July 2<sup>nd</sup>, July 16<sup>th</sup>, July 30<sup>th</sup> Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>

Yard Waste Day - Tuesday

July 23<sup>rd</sup>, August 27<sup>th</sup>, September 24<sup>th</sup> October 22<sup>nd</sup>, November 26<sup>th</sup>

Yard Waste pick up will be held on Tuesdays, same as years past. Yard items must be in biodegradable waste bags, branches, etc may be no wider than 3 inches in diameter and bundled and tied with twine; no types of tape are acceptable.

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