### Spring 2011

# BURKITTSVILLE NEWS

## DATES TO **WATCH**:

ADOPT-A-ROAD April 2nd, June 25<sup>th</sup>

EASTER EGG
HUNT
April 16<sup>tt</sup>, 1 PM
On the Ruritan grounds,
1-12 yrs.old

FISHING DERBY
JUNE 18<sup>TH</sup>, 10 AM
C'mon down to the
Town Pond with your
contestants, ages 1- 12,
to land a whopper
courtesy of the Ruritan.

COMMUNITY
PICNIC
May 1<sup>st</sup>, 12:30
PM Ruritan.
Hamburgers, chicken
and hotdogs provided.
Please bring covered
dish or dessert.
Community Yard
Sale
May 14<sup>th</sup>,

SMSH Concert with Rick Hill Coming in May Watch the Bugle Online for the date.

8 AM-5 PM,

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**



Celebrate Spring with your youngster at the Ruritan's Egg Hunt!

This April 16<sup>th</sup> at 1pm, the Ruritan will be the place to be. Come and cheer on your one-to- twelve-year-old adventurer.



# ADOPT-A-ROAD! CLEANUP SUPPLIES PROVIDED!

This program is great! Here's how you can help keep it going in 2011: April 2, June 25, Sept 24, and Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> are the clean-up dates. **We're looking for a** larger group on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, so that we can tackle the area around the old one-lane bridge east of Town. To sign up on online, you can go to:

http://www.doodle.com/ 8zr7w99uequmigzv

THANKS TO LAST YEAR'S VOLUNTEERS!

### Welcome to The Board of Appeals

The Mayor and Council would like to welcome Michele Jones as the newest member of the Board of Appeals.

Many thanks as well to all of you who showed interest in this position! Thanks to former & future



### **Ordinances Adopted**

The ordinance 9.4 Demolition by Neglect and Updates to existing 1.0 Property Regulations were adopted at the last town meeting. For copies, write to the Town P.O. Box 485 with your request,



or visit <u>www.burkittsville-md.gov</u> and click the links for each update on the front page. Thanks to everyone who gave their time to attended P&Z meetings. Residents are encouraged to attend meetings, held the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month in the Town Office.



Whenever I came home from work, a doctor's appointment, or even shopping, this view made my heart lighter. It never mattered what season of the year or what the weather was like. I now live just a few miles away on the other side of the mountains but coming into Burkittsville on Route 17 still makes my heart feel warm. I know that home is close by. I have never felt this way about any other place and I don't think that will ever change. -Bruce D. Reed. Knoxville, MD



# Coming Soon to An Alley Near You

There will be signs to prevent through traffic in the alleys. These signs do not apply to residents.

The signs will allow residents to set up orange traffic cones in the alleys temporarily, when needed.

It is hoped that the signs will help control outside traffic and increase safety.

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### New Feature: Celebrating Burkittsville

How? Think of something about Burkittsville that's important to you. It could be a photo of your favorite view, a drawing, a poem or quote, or a special memory. There is no age limit on who can contribute. It doesn't have to be fancy, just from the heart. Send contributions to <a href="mailto:burkittsvillenewsletter@gmail.com">burkittsvillenewsletter@gmail.com</a> or mail to P.O. Box 485, attention Newsletter.



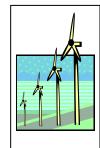
'My favorite thing is the carnival FOOD!'

'It's true, every year I hear people say our food is incredible. They travel to Burkittsville every year for the fantastic cooking!'

### **Exploring Green POWER**

The Town of Burkittsville is exploring "green" initiatives. At the last Town meeting, the Communications Coordinator for Clean Currents, Eric

Vermeiren, www.CleanCurrents.com gave a talk about wind technology and ways Burkittsville could take advantage of this renewable resource. The Mayor and Council are looking into joining the Clean Currents program for a portion of our Municipal electricity needs. Individual households can learn more at the link above, or participate in the Green Homes Challenge.



### **GREEN HOMES CHALLENGE**

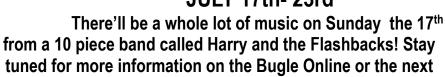
Lisa Orr gave a wonderful presentation on the Frederick County Green Homes Challenge at our last Town Meeting, March 8th. As part of this there was a drawing for a home energy audit worth \$140.00. The lucky winner was Kim Hughes. If you missed the talk, you can learn more at <a href="https://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/GreenHomes">www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/GreenHomes</a> The Green Homes Challenge can also be followed on Facebook (Frederick County Green Homes Challenge) & Twitter (GreenHomesFC).

Interested in saving money, reducing your carbon footprint & having fun in the process? Then check out these links or contact our neighbor Lisa Orr by e-mail at <a href="mailto:lorr@FrederickCountyMD.gov">lorr@FrederickCountyMD.gov</a>. The Green Homes Challenge is supported by a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy.



# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Carnival!!

### JULY 17th- 23rd







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### YOUR RECYCLING DAYS

April 2011

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Still wondering about what you can recycle? Here are links that may clear up the questions!

http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/index.aspx?nid=1764 http://www.learnmorerecyclebetter.org/



### Another Stink-Bug Contraption That You Can Make at Home!

Keep these coming, folks! Let us know about your results, too. Hints in general

### Build your own bag-zooka!

This is a stink-free alternative to vacuuming up stink bugs.

Ransack your Christmas wrapping paper hoard for long cardboard tubes. Then take a clear plastic bag, the long thin sleeves that come on newspapers on rainy days are perfect, and attach the mouth of the bag to one end of the tube with a rubber band.

Now the fun part is corralling the stink bugs. If you position the tube under bugs, half of them will give a little leap to start their drop to the floor, but instead fall in the tube and go rattling down it. It sounds like a "rain stick." Other bugs have to be scooped in, but the rattle is the same, as is the little burst of beta endorphins. Ha! One less stink bug!

Before setting the bag-zooka down, give the bag a couple of twists so the bugs can't crawl right back out the tube. When you collect enough bugs, detach the bag and store it in the freezer. Happy hunting. -Julie Maynard

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### **More SMHS Concerts and Events**

Frederick County musician Rick Hill plans another spring concert to be held at the South Mountain Heritage Society some time in May.

In addition, Civil War historian George S. Maharay has agreed to speak at SMHS on the Battle of South Mountain. Keep an eye on the Burkittsville Bugle Online (www.burkittsville-md.gov) Also, check out the new SMHS website:

http://

southmountainheritagesociety.wordpress.com

### Free Clumping Bamboo

Nancy Hawker has clumping bamboo in her back yard. You are welcome to some. Why bamboo? It absorbs more carbon dioxide than most other plants, giving us cleaner air to breathe, and makes a nice feature in your landscape. Now is the time to plant. Keep the rootbulb wet on the way home.http:// www.ehow.com/

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fence.html