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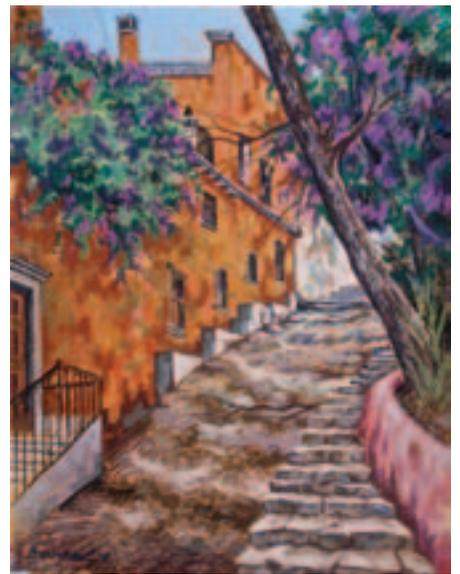


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On the Cover:

"Exhibition News"

On the cover is Jeff Barnhart's 25-inch by 19-inch pastel entitled, "Callejon Chorro, San Miguel." This is one of 25 paintings being shown from Friday, June 1 to July 13 by the Council for the Arts of Chambersburg, 159 S. Main Street. The show, "Here and There," will be open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, June 1 and July 6 during downtown Chambersburg First Friday festivities. For more information call 717-264-6883.

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Ladew Gardens: "Walk on the Paths of Pleasure"

by Ruthe Fortenbaugh Craley

If riding to the hounds is your fancy, there is no need to wait for the right Season. All you need to do is put on your good walking shoes and drive to Ladew Gardens, a short drive from Gettysburg and other regions of southcentral Pennsylvania, into the horse country of northern Maryland. Ladew is famous for its topiary specimens. Topiary horses and hounds, in fact, are up and running all year long. With any luck at all, you may just see the fox dashing across this beautifully maintained 250-acre property of gently rolling fields and gardens.

Harvey S. Ladew grew up in a sophisticated family from New York City in the post-Victorian period. At the time an annual trip abroad with family was common and expected. In his biographical notes, Ladew wrote, "By the time I was 15, I had sat on more thrones in Europe than all of Queen Victoria's vast clan put together." (This was accomplished, by the way, through his boyish habit of jumping onto castle thrones once the tour guide and other tourists were out of sight.)

Ladew's strong interest in fox-hunting often led him to the Maryland Countryside and in 1929, at the age of 43, he bought Pleasant Valley Farm in Harford County, just a short drive from our region of Pennsylvania. He changed the mid-18th Century farmhouse into the delightful and extraordinary house and garden estate now occupying the grounds, now managed by a nonprofit group that opens the estate to visitors.

Before his death in 1976, he called upon his family and friends to help preserve this property including the gardens, house and facilities for the public benefit and "for educational, scientific and cultural pursuits."

While he lived, Ladew expanded the Manor House, adding both south and east wings and brought an eclectic mixture of furnishings and art that



show his originality, vision and wit. The house is open for tours with a special timed ticket available in the cozy gift shop next door.

Ladew had a wonderful sense of style as well as the means to engage it. Each piece in the house, whether elegant or functional, seems to have been there forever.

His hunting interests are quickly apparent in a portrait of Ladew with his favorite mount, "Ghost." This piece hangs in the front entrance hall. The reputation of this horse is enhanced by a framed letter from the (then) Prince of Wales thanking his host for the use of this handsome horse for a morning's hunt during one of the Prince's visits.

The rooms are elegant and fascinating. Many are theme rooms and contain treasures Ladew collected from shops all over the world. One such treasure is an oval Chippendale partners' desk, designed to seat two people. The desk was too large for any regular room so Ladew had a special room built to

accommodate it. This room was built in an oval shape to reflect the design of the desk and displays Ladew's personal library of more than 3,000 volumes. One publication called this "the most beautiful room in America."

The gardens that roll in gentle slopes around the house can be enjoyed with or without the house tour. It is said that to walk through Ladew's 15 individual gardens is to "walk on paths of pleasure." Each garden confirms the sense of beauty and fun held by this "master gardener" who was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal by the Garden Club of America when he was 85. An excellent brochure describing these gardens notes that his whimsy caused him to place statues of Adam and Eve in the Ladew apple orchard and to include unicorns and seahorses in his topiary garden as well those famous horses and hounds.

Name a flower and it will more than likely have its own special place in this delightful area. Again, excellent materials give you the names and seasons of plants and flowers to excite

Meet Me in Gettysburg



even the most inexperienced gardener. From early Spring azaleas and forget-me-nots to the berries designed as a fall and winter feast for the birds –Ladew has them all, just waiting for you to enjoy.

There are other activities at Ladew Gardens as well as the walking tours and garden visits. There are Children's Days and Storytime Programs on a regular basis. Hundreds of visitors attend the summer Concert Season with music ranging from jazz, pop and rock to an inspired "new grass" style. And, what would a place like this be without the appearance of Scottish pipers?

Holiday events are popular, too, including an Annual British Antique Car Show and then the Christmas Open House with its spectacular Greens Sale. This is truly a magical place to visit and visitors of all ages will find something to delight them.

The gardens contain statues, plaques and steps engraved with lovely quotes and sayings that enhance the visit and perhaps the one that expresses Mr. Ladew's gift to us the best is this one:

*If you would be happy for a week,
take a wife.*

*If you would be happy for a week,
kill your pig.*

*If you would be happy all your life,
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HERE'S A BREAKDOWN OF HAPPENINGS ON THIS SPECIAL DAY:

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- 8 a.m.** Carolyn Bettinger presents Ripped
- 9 a.m.** Michelle Weber and Meredith Rost from PA Dance Sport present Zumba
- 10 a.m.** Kristal Turner Childs presents Soul Line Dancing
- 10:30 a.m.** Hip Hop
- 11:15 a.m.** Cat Cormany presents Zumba with Cat
- 12:30 p.m.** Sharon Woodward from Epic Fitness presents Zumba

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- 10 a.m.** Lori Wiley and John Hestor from Infiniti Fitness presents "Turbo Kick"
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Harrisburg Art in the Garden, Around the House

The Art Association will present six Summer Soirees this year, all at diverse locations and all featuring an eclectic variety of great art! All are held on Saturdays from 5 to 8 p.m. and all will include delectable hors d'oeuvres and beverages. The attendance fee is \$40 in advance, \$45 at the door. For those paying for three different Soirees with cash or credit card, the fee is \$100.



The first in the series will be hosted by Mark Hughes and Dr. Kirsten Snow, with co-host David Volkman, at 2301 Oakwood Road in Bellevue Park, Harrisburg, on Saturday, June 9. Featured artists will include: photographers Judge Jeannine Turgeon and Donna Curanzy-Seltzer, Thom Kulp with his colourful mixed media, and jeweler Diane Witcoski. The house was named "Open Door" by the people who commissioned it in 1926, because they enjoyed entertaining. "Open Door" is a prime example of Dutch Colonial Architecture that became popular in the early 1900s, as well as one of the approved design concepts for the homes of Bellevue Park.

Drawings by Jonathan Frazier depict all the Soiree homes. Contact Carrie Wissler-Thomas at carrie@artassocofhbg.com or call 717 236-1432 for more information.

Artist Presents Portraits of Lupus Patients in Moving Exhibition



Hein



Ross



Virginia

Artist Virginia Thomas, is showing 20 of her portraits in the East Wing Rotunda of the State Capitol Building until May 31. A lupus patient, Ms. Thomas presented framed prints to each of her subjects, all lupus patients, at a Standing Room Only Reception on May 6. The show will travel to numerous places after the Capitol exhibition closes, including Sam and Tony's Restaurant in York. See the story in the next issue of *ShowcaseNow!* for more information on this show, the people portrayed and the chronic, inflammatory autoimmune disorder that may affect the skin, joints, kidneys, and other organs. Three of the artist's portraits are seen here, thanks to donors who made this series of exhibitions and information sessions possible.



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So Much to See and Do

The Gardener of the Owl Valley Offers Walks Through the Pawpaw Trees and a Quaint Shop of Native Wonders *By Mickie Singer*

Hidden in Hellam in Eastern York County is a wildwood, wound with a path through native plants; a green valley where owls call across the hollow, and a shop of wonders which perches above a creek.

This paradise is The Gardener of the Owl Valley, a seven acre wonderland of May Apples, Pawpaw trees and native ferns established five years ago by Judy and Richard Bono, city dwellers who found a passion in a place they never dreamed they would go.

"This property was pristine," says proprietor Judy Bono. "It was undestroyed by malls or developments." The city-dwelling Bonos bought it and began to research how to support native wildlife with native-grown plants.

Today this haven is a deep green secret waiting to be discovered by more visitors who have sampled scenery, natural art, tours and special events – from the history of rock outcroppings along the creek, the hoots of Great Horned, screech and barn owls; Full Moon Walks, and a Pawpaw Tasting from the largest native fruit in Pennsylvania, with a custardy soft-pulp used in everything from bread to ice cream.

The Bonos consider themselves stewards of this land off Freysville road, appropriately named Owl Valley by the former owners whose woodshop now serves as an art-of-the-unexpected store. There are whimsical seeds and plants, miniature gardens, fairy furniture, beaded jewelry and owls, owls in every form



The shop at Owl Valley has natural delights to buy if you want. Photo by Trudi Metheny.

– feathered, burred, hammered in metal, hinged in wood.

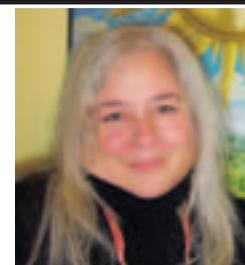
A former retail buyer, Judy Bono became a gardener, shopkeeper and amateur botanist. She gives lectures on how to match plants with the habitats and wildlife that need them. "The butterfly bush isn't really the best plant for a butterfly," she explains. "They give nectar but they're not a habitat with a place to lay eggs. It's best to grow natives that are host plants for the lives that need them."

For example, the Pawpaw is a host for the zebra butterfly; its distinctive

odor attracts many animals; the hummingbird will fly 2500 miles for a plant that's appealing; certain bees thrive on certain flowers; spice bushes' leaves are eaten by caterpillars that become swallowtail butterflies. Birds won't eat berries, no matter how delicious, if the berries are too large for their beaks.

Bono, who emphasizes the importance of bringing nature into our backyards, does garden consultations. She also speaks to garden clubs and community groups. During weekends from 8:30 to 4:30 and on weekdays

Off the Beaten Track



Another view of the shop. Photo by Trudi Metheny.

by appointment beginning in April people are welcome to wander the paths. The shop, which, notes Bono, "never carries the mundane," is a place to find the unique.

Special programs will be taking place soon. On June 23 and 24 Bono will host a Pollinator Weekend featuring information on bees and pollination techniques for native plants. For more information, visit <http://www.thegardeneroftheowlvalley.com>, or write info@thegardeneroftheowlvalley.com. You can also use the telephone, call 717-586-1408.

New Brian Plow Film Puts Spotlight on the Arts in York

Perhaps better known for its industry, picturesque farms and being a stop on the interstate between Baltimore and Harrisburg, York may have trouble staking a claim as a homestead for artists. But in his new documentary, "A Day in the Sun," York-based filmmaker Brian Plow makes the case and tells the story of the rising creative movement in this small, but vibrant city in the Susquehanna Valley.

The 30-minute film gives rare and candid glimpses into the lives and stories of several York artists, and profiles established painters like Carol Oldenburg, while also including artists new to York like Ophelia Chambliss.

"I wanted to express the inspiration I felt when I moved to York six years ago. I thought I could best achieve that by telling the stories of other artists that shared my experience," Plow said. "I was very fortunate to



Carol Oldenburg looks out over the Susquehanna River atop High Point Park.

have met and worked with such a generous group of people."

The film also weaves these stories into overall drama of the annual Governor's Awards for the Arts, which developed in York over the course of several months in 2009 and 2010.

"I was already moving forward with the film when I learned of the Governor's Awards, and it tuned



Ophelia Chambliss talks about her life and work in York.

out to be a terrific coincidence," Plow said. "Its cancellation was disheartening, but its resurrection was spectacular. It certainly gave the film the dramatic backdrop and structure I was looking for."

The film also features stunning cinematography, touching musical performances and appearances by such celebrities as Governor Ed

Rendell, Del McCoury and Jeff Koons.

Plow is planning a premiere in York and preparing the film for festival submissions and possible broadcast on public television outlets. You can learn more about the film, screenings and watch the trailer at www adayinthesun.net, and check future *ShowcaseNow!* issues for updates on this unique film.

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Harrisburg Filmmakers Planning Their Big Première for Thursday, June 21

By Kelly D. Summerford



Ahmad Zahir



Hakim Zahir

For two Harrisburg filmmakers “the Big Times” have arrived.

Ahmad and Hakim Zahir, brothers born and reared in Harrisburg, have written and produced a full-length movie, with the help of numerous friends and professional advisers. The film will have its world premiere on the first day of summer, Thursday, June 21. Viewers of the film, “Battle Me,” will get a Red Carpet treatment

young hip-hop talent to overcome indebtedness to the mob through a series of underground battles that eventually bring him the freedom to live peacefully and create. The backstory is thought-provoking and profound in its effect on the audience, “delivering a full punch, packed with edgy humor....” Ahmad is the main writer and Hakim co-writer for the film shot entirely in the City of Harrisburg.



A scene from “Battle Me.”

at the Great Escape Theatre in the Harrisburg Mall, 3501 Paxton Street, beginning at 7 p.m.

Organizers are suggesting upscale/classy dress to help launch the film’s premiere (set for 7:45 p.m.) and send it out into the world. Tickets are \$15 each—a good deal for a film premiere, but those in charge are hoping for high returns and their critics are enthusiastic and encouraging about their achievement.

“Battle Me” is described as an urban-conscious drama about a shoddy, middle-aged gambler who guides a

This is not a film for the weak-hearted or those insulted by “street language.” But for the urban sophisticate, the citizen of the world, the student of culture, however, it is a first-rate treat that will stick to the consciousness and travel through time. For many attendees it may be the closest they get to a promising international group of filmmakers who are young, savvy and brimming over with talent and originality.

For more information, email the promotion team at cs.400@hotmail.com (DENM INC Chadd Scott) or call 717-307-8855.

“Bee Local” Earns National Award for Fredricksen Library in Camp Hill

by Karen Hostetter

Take a break, have a cup of tea, and enjoy reading about some upcoming and newsworthy library events below.

I have always admired the quality of the entries in the nationwide John Cotton Dana Library Public Relations Award and watch with special interest the release of names of the winners. I always look to see what unique “hook” or creative endeavor would prove worthy of this most prestigious award. Each winning library receives a cash prize of \$10,000.

From 108 submissions received this year, eight won the coveted award. Kudos to The Cleve J. Fredricksen Library in Camp Hill, Cumberland County, for its “Bee Local at Fredricksen Library: A Honey and Local Foods Festival” which helped this beautifully-designed library sweep the awards this year.

The news release announcing the local winner stated that this entry was a unique and hugely successful program designed to create collaborative relationships with local organizations, including the entomology department at Penn State University. The goal was



Fredricksen Library Statue

the target marketing of the library and festival to people who did not use the library. The festival showcased

the library as an inviting community center, increasing awareness of resources and collections.

Library Chat



But with it came some discontent among neighbors who want the library, apparently, to “Bee Local” somewhere else. The library has signature stained-glass windows and tasteful furnishings and is nestled in a beautiful, well-manicured neighborhood.

But while the Food Festival was a success, the program, set to continue, raised concerns from the greater community over parking and traffic and so forth. When I read the good news and bad news in the same day’s paper, I thought, what a shame! This is an amazing feat to have achieved. Everyone in Cumberland County should be celebrating Fredricksen Library.

I think you should have a parade when you formally get the award on June 24. Congratulations! The judges commented that your promotion “blew them away!”



Set for the June 9 and 10 weekend

Come and Enjoy the Fun at Fort Hunter Park

"Dauphin County's two-day Music and Wine Festival will kick off a full slate of summer fun on Saturday, June 9 and Sunday, June 10. The festival runs from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at historic Fort Hunter Park.

On Saturday, June 9, national recording artist Jimmy Thackery & The Drivers featuring JP Soars, Wanda Johnson & Shrimp City Slim, Andy Poxon and Fatback will perform. Back by popular demand, the headliner on Sunday, June 10 features Philly's #1 Party Band the Urban Guerilla Orchestra with special guest Angela Johnson. Also performing are the region's elite funk bands The IMPACT Band, Erin Cruise & Cruise Control, Soul Solution and Gary Waters Sr. and his Funky Quartet.

Save a few dollars and purchase tickets now at the DCPR Office at Fort Hunter, Mr. Mike's Records or online at dauphincounty.org/parks-recreation. Or call 717-599-5188."

It won't be Vincent Van Gogh, but starry, starry nights it will be, even so. Stars of blues and funk music from near and far, 15 regional wineries, vintages flowing, two summer afternoons and warm ripe nights await Saturday, June 9 and Sunday, June 10 at Fort Hunter Park. There will be Blues, Funk and Wine offered in a two-days-and-two-evenings event. Tickets good for both days are \$20 per person if purchased in advance and \$25 if purchased at the gate. Admission is free for children under 12 years old.

This is a festival of soul and sustenance for the spirit on every level, according to Larry Moore and Michelle Hornberger who are working to stage the big event. There will be five national acts, 12 bands, two stages, wine samplings, food and craft vendors - all at this beautiful historical park along the river.

Saturday's performances include national blues recording artist Jimmy Thackery & The Drivers featuring JP Soars, Wanda Johnson & Shrimp City Slim, Andy Poxon and Fatback. Sunday's headliner is the Urban Guerilla Orchestra with special guest Angela Johnson. Then The IMPACT Band will play followed by Erin Cruise & Cruise Control, Soul Solution and House band Gary Waters Sr. and his Funky Quartet.

This year's festival is a fusion of national and regional musicians joining together to showcase the best of what blues and funk have to offer. Two different genres of music, they share the same roots and often appeal to the same audiences. Think Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday, B.B. King and Muddy Waters. Think eclectic artists including British-born Eric Clapton when you hear soloist Wanda Jackson.

"Funk, born from the sounds of Motown, ballads and soul, curved away from rap to reclaim instruments like the sax and trombone to become something of its own. It's about dance and movement and the beat, the kind of music that is a party of its own. Like IMPACT, which takes pride in being 'a party band,' funk keeps everything moving. We have every intention of rocking this festival to its roots and back," Henry McMillen observes. "It's going to be a VERY good time."

McMillen, the founder/director of "The Urban Guerilla Orchestra," says their upcoming performance is "like coming back home to a new family," referring to the dynamic experience they're repeating this year for audiences in Central Pennsylvania. The group has been together for ten years and McMillen assures us nothing is contrived. He says the name of the band comes from who they are and what they know-- "musical mercenaries" of funk whose artists have worked with the likes of Michael Jackson, Quincy Jones, Aretha Franklin, Kool & The Gang and Boyz II Men.

The IMPACT Band is a Central Pennsylvania Funk favorite that loves



the festival, says drummer Jeff Cox because of "the top-quality sound" the festival provides and "the first-class fashion" in which musicians are presented. It's "the groove" that moves this band, whose motto is "We play the groove that makes you move."

Prodigy Andy Poxon of Philadelphia is about as up and coming a musician as can be. This sixteen-year old blues guitarist started playing when he was nine. With one album already out and another on the way, Poxon was noticed by the Blues Society of



The Urban Guerilla Orchestra



The IMPACT Band

Central Pennsylvania headed by Gary Rothrock, who also plays guitar for Fatback. Poxon is excited because this will be his first time playing in the Harrisburg area. Fatback will open the festival this year on the main stage. "The opportunity to participate with so many great musicians is thrilling for us," Rothrock remarks. "It brings the musical community together for two days of great music and fun."

Female artists include Erin Cruise, the feature singer for The Cruise Control Band who moved to Central Pennsylvania from New York City where she was a demo, jingle singer, back-up vocalist, bandleader and solo artist with RCA records. With a hit record in 1992 Angela Johnson, joining the Urban Guerilla Orchestra, is a singer and songwriter raised on Motown, gospel and groove bands creating a sound of her own. Other local bands will share the stages as well: Ann Kerstetter and the Cronies, Don Judy and Ben Brandt and Co.

Around the perimeter of the crowd, music lovers can visit purveyors of local wines, many from the newly formed Hershey Harrisburg Wine Coalition. Dauphin County Commissioners Jeff Haste, Mike Pries and George Hartwick III are enthusiastic backers of all this joy.

"Everyone is encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and picnic baskets," says Hartwick. "The setting, the staging, the music, the fun are waiting for all those who come out."

Tickets are available from Parks and Recreation Office at Fort Hunter, Mr. Mike's Records or online at dauphincounty.org/parks-recreation. Call 717-599-5188 if you have any questions.

About the Writer:

Mickie R. Singer is an author, storyteller and car artist who loves blues, funk and her husband, a former drummer for "The Cat Island Blues Band."

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MAY 23 - JULY 8

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MAY 25

Fourth Friday
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MAY 26

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Stepping Championship**
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MAY 26 - 28

KIDFEST
Popcorn Hat Players
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Harrisburg
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MAY 26 - JUNE 30

**Susan Parsonage, Donald Sam
Sneider, Megan Smith**
Studio Gallery 234, York
717.854.7028
Mary@studiogallery234.com

JUNE 1 - 17

A Little Night Music
Theatre Harrisburg
Whitaker Center
Harrisburg
717-232-5511

JUNE 1 - 3 AND 8-10

Charlotte's Web
York Little Theatre
27 S. Belmont Street, York
(717) 854-5715
www.ylt.org

JUNE 2

**The 4th Annual
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JUNE 2

Fitness Festival
Dauphin County Parks and
Recreation,
Fort Hunter Park
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JUNE 6 - JULY 8

Miss Saigon
The Fulton Theatre
12 North Prince Street
Lancaster
www.thefulton.org

JUNE 8 - 17

Twelve Angry Jurors
Oyster Mill Playhouse
1001 Oyster Mill Rd
Camp Hill
717- 737-6768

JUNE 9, 10

Wine and Music Festival
Dauphin County Parks and
Recreation
Fort Hunter Park
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JUNE 10

**EMC's (Experimental Movement
Concepts)**
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Pullo Family Performing Arts
Center, Penn State York
York,
717-505-8900

JUNE 10 - JULY 1

Travels with My Aunt
Totem Pole Playhouse
9555 Golf Course Road
Fayetteville
(717).352.2164
www.TotemPolePlayhouse.org

JUNE 13

Craig Shoemaker
Harrisburg Comedy Zone
Doc Holiday's
110 Limekiln Road, 17070
717- 920-3627

JUNE 16, 23, 30 - JULY 3, 5 & 7

Snow White
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717-397-7425

JUNE 20

Ringo Starr and All Star Band
American Music Theatre
2425 Lincoln Highway East
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(717) 397.7700

JUNE 21

**Film Premiere
"Battle Me"**
Great Escape Theatre
Harrisburg Mall
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JUNE 22

Fourth Friday
Downtown Columbia, Columbia
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JUNE 22

Faery Free For All
Little Theatre of Mechanicsburg
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www.ltmonline.net

JUNE 26

An Evening with Yanni
American Music Theatre
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Lancaster
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JUNE 27 TO

Pokey LaFarge & South City 3
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Center, York
www.strandcapitol.org
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JULY 3 -15

Red, White and Tuna
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Fayetteville
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JULY 7 TO SEPTEMBER 8

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JULY 11 - AUGUST 12

The Sound of Music
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Playhouse
Boiling Springs
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1-800-430-5468

JULY 11 - AUGUST 18

Stone Soup
Popcorn Hat Players
Strawberry Square
Harrisburg
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JULY 17 - 29

Moon Over the Brewery
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Fayetteville
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JULY 21

Brewfest
Dauphin County Parks and
Recreation
Fort Hunter Park
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JULY 27

Fourth Friday
Downtown Columbia, Columbia
fourthfridayscolumbia@gmail.com

AUGUST 3

Cultural Fest
Dauphin County Parks and
Recreation
Downtown Harrisburg
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AUGUST 14 -26

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Wrong Turn at Lungfish
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Camp Hill
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AUGUST 15 – SEPTEMBER 16

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Boiling Springs
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SEPTEMBER 8, 9

Dauphin County Jazz Festival
Dauphin County Parks and Recreation
Fort Hunter Park
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SEPTEMBER 15 TO NOVEMBER 10

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SEPTEMBER 19 – OCTOBER 14

Smokey Joe's Café'
Allenberry Resort Inn and Playhouse
Boiling Springs
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1-800-430-5468

SEPTEMBER 19

The Adventures of a Comic Book Artist
York Little Theatre
27 S. Belmont Street
York,
(717) 854-5715
www.ylt.org

SEPTEMBER 28 TO OCTOBER 14

Lucky Stiff
Oyster Mill Playhouse
1001 Oyster Mill Rd
Camp Hill
717-737-6768

OCTOBER 7

Pennsylvania Indian Festival
Dauphin County Parks and Recreation
Fort Hunter Park
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OCTOBER 17 TO NOVEMBER 10

Alfred Hitchcock's The 39 Steps
Allenberry Resort Inn and Playhouse
Boiling Springs
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OCTOBER 26 - 27

The Rocky Horror Show
York Little Theatre
27 S. Belmont Street
York,
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NOVEMBER 2-18

My Three Angels
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1001 Oyster Mill Rd
Camp Hill
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NOVEMBER 9

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York
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NOVEMBER 9,11, 15,18

Avenue Q
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York,
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NOVEMBER 14 TO DECEMBER 23

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My younger sisters, born twins, are my "bebes."

Long before day care, or pre-school, mom had her own watch system. Her favorite saying was, "take them for a walk and read a book!"

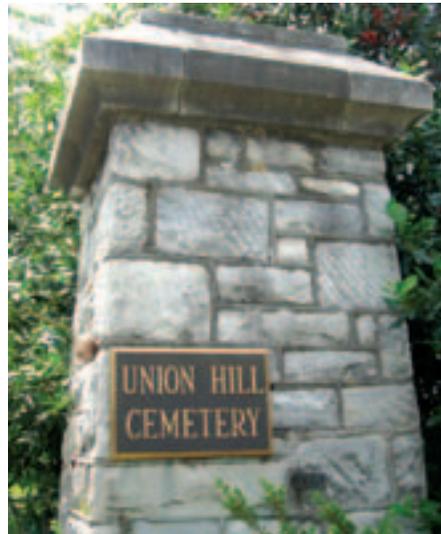
So, on sunny days, I'd fix bologna and jelly sandwiches, grab my Carnegie Library book and head for the park at the end of the road. It was a silent-perfect place. We called it "going to paradise."

Hardly anybody interrupted our outings. I'd read to the twins while they sat on the marble benches and ate their delicious lunch. Then, I'd pull out the graham crackers and we'd lie in the fresh-cut grass, look at the clouds, and sing songs. (The twins loved Stephen Foster.)

On the way home, we picked flowers for mom. She deserved a treat after her hard day of labor. Besides, the flowers were always in season; always in full bloom.

Pretty soon, the neighbors began to compliment mom on her table arrangements. So, we got the idea to pick as many as we could carry home. The most exotic ones went to mom. The rest we sold to neighbors for 5 cents a handful. The twins, always dressed alike, were my best marketing tool. Everybody thought they were so cute.

Yes, those flowers graced many Sunday tables in our neighborhood.



The writer visits Union Hill Cemetery

Anthony Ginotti's mom, a few doors down, bought them for her church's altar and there was always a birthday or anniversary over at Mrs. Cephas's house.

Better than a lemonade stand, don't you think?

But the whole thing was too good to be true. Before long, my older brother, George, busted both paradise and enterprise! He revealed what everybody already knew; the park was actually a cemetery.

Once the obvious was spoken, my father was obligated to publicly



Lenwood with Grave of Wm Maxwell at Bucktoe

scold me. One Sunday afternoon, he declared, "Lenwood, you'll see, the angels are watching us. You're going to have to work off that debt one day!"

For the past few years, I've been involved in a stewardship project that I hope helps to pay for all those flowers.

In 2010, a private public partnership initiated a preservation and conservation initiative in commemoration of African American Patriots of the Civil War. By the end of 2011, we had identified 42 sites across Pennsylvania.

Along the way, we found sites that had almost vanished, places where nature was reclaiming the grounds, and graveyards where caretakers needed a lot more hands to help.

A CALL TO ACTION!

Come stand with us Memorial Day weekend as we raise the curtain on our 2012 activities.

The Friends of Midland Cemetery will hold a special commemoration at Midland Cemetery Steelton, at x & y in Steelton, PA at 1p.m. Saturday May 26.

Friends of Locust Cemetery gather at the site in Shippensburg on Monday May 28 at 10 a.m.

The Vietnam Veterans 15th Annual Commemoration will meet at **Lincoln Cemetery**, off Winding Hill Road, Mechanicsburg at 2:00 p.m. on May 28.

Come in person, or attend all three virtually by streaming at the address below.

Stewards and caretakers will also conduct conservation work days at the following Central PA sites:

Wednesday June 6 & Thursday June 7, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day - Lincoln Cemetery - Mechanicsburg. (Cumberland County)

Wednesday June 13 & Thursday June 14, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day - McConnellsburg's Ridge Cemetery (Fulton County)

Wednesday June 20 & Thursday June 21, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day - Midland Cemetery- Steelton (Dauphin County)

Monday June 25 and Tuesday June 26, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day - East Fallowfield Cemetery (Chester County)

Tuesday July 10 and Wednesday, July 11, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. each day - Conestoga Cemetery (Lancaster County)



In addition, **Friends of Locust Cemetery** work at their Shippensburg site each Monday after 5p.m. Memorial Day through Labor Day. (Franklin County)

The summer's shared experiences will provide an on-line case study and best practices "cook book" for sites across the commonwealth.

In closing, it's true, my daddy's made his transition to glory but he'll be watching us and you can bet that he's still holding the bill. So help me pay down on the debt for all those flowers!

Get involved this summer. Roll up your sleeves and get your hands in history! You can learn about events and sites and/or sign up for a service experience on line at www.jumpstreet.org/pahallowedgrounds.htm



Lincoln Cemetery



Yellow Hill Cemetery

About the Writer Lenwood Sloan, a Man Blessed With Many Talents

He is Producer, Choreographer, Director and Writer. Lenwood Sloan is known across America as a Period Actor and 19th Century Scholar. Residents across Pennsylvania will recognize Sloan for his unique voice work and his recent distinctive spokesperson campaign for PPL.

Mr. Sloan studied theater at Temple University and Directing at the prestigious Lincoln Center Directors Lab. His choreographic training includes studies with the Alvin Ailey Dance Center, the Martha Graham School and the Joffrey Ballet School. Mr. Sloan served as Pennsylvania Film Commissioner in 2011 and as Pennsylvania's Director of Cultural and Heritage Tourism from 2005 to 2010.

He was Director of the New Orleans Arts Tourism Partnership from 1995 to 2004, director of the NEA Presenting and Commissioning Program from 1990 to 1994. He frequently is a guest artist, across the Pennsylvania State University system, and elsewhere. ShowcaseNow! readers who also watch television may see him on an HBO series in the near future.

The publication is proud to have him among our corps of distinguished and diverse writers. Look for his column in coming issues and contact him through [ShowcaseNow@aol.com](mailto>ShowcaseNow@aol.com) with questions or comments.

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Oh, Yes You Do! Know and Like Classical Music

By Karen Wix

I have spoken to many people who say they do not care for classical music. They do not attend concerts, buy or download recordings and could not care less and seem proud of it.

Most of these people are wrong. They listen to and positively respond to themes from classical masterpieces all the time; they just don't know it.

My father, who would not have known many classical composers and never showed any interest in great music, was always singing "I'm Always Chasing Rainbows." I am sure he did not realize that the melody is a direct steal from Chopin's "Fantasie Impromptu in C Sharp Minor."

Did you know that The Marine Hymn, "From the Halls of Montezuma," is based on an air by Jacques Offenbach in his comic opera titled "Genevieve de Brabant"?

We all remember "Never Gonna Fall in Love Again" sung by Neil Sedaka, which stayed on the pop charts for weeks on end. Rachmaninoff wrote the main theme for that song in his famous Symphony No. 2. Symphony No. 2 happens to be this writer's favorite symphony. "All by Myself" and "There's No Tomorrow," made popular by Tony Martin, also have a basis in Symphony No. 2. One more can be

added to this list, "Full Moon and Empty Arms." Wow, composers have gotten a lot of mileage out of one piece of music! I wonder if Sergei would be pleased, or is he turning over in his grave? I think the former. Too bad his heirs are not receiving the royalties from the millions of recordings that have been sold. Rachmaninoff did not die until 1943, but copyright laws for music were undefined and rarely enforced at the time. Today being a copyright attorney is a lucrative and interesting profession that can lead to seemingly unending litigation.

Some great songs from the Broadway stage also have their basis in classical music. "Stranger in Paradise" from "Kismet" is taken from a theme from Alexander Borodin's "Polovtsian Dances." "Baubles, Bangles and Beads," also from "Kismet," came from the same composer's "String Quartet in D."

Even Elvis had a hit that got its start from the well-known "O Sole Mio" by Eduardo di Capua. Alicia Keys had two hits using classical music as their inspiration. "Karma" contains a sample from Johannes Brahms' Violin Concerto and "Moonlight Sonata" by Beethoven is the pivot for "Piano &

Of course, popular movies are filled to overflowing with classical music. A few examples are as follows: "Dies Irae" from Mozart's "Requiem" - "X-Men." Beethoven's Symphony No. 7 - "Mr. Holland's Opus" and "Immortal Beloved."

Wagner's "Die Walkure" - "Apocalypse Now," "The Blues Brothers" and "Full Metal Jacket."

"O Fortuna" from "Carmina Burana" by Carl Orff - "Natural Born Killers" and "Cheaper by the Dozen." (Could there be two more disparate genres using the same music?),

"Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2" by Franz Liszt - "Who Framed Roger Rabbit?"

"Rhapsody in Blue" by George Gershwin - "Fantasia 2000."

The list above is a VERY small example of the classical music that is used in our pop culture.

I'd wager a pretty penny that the majority of people in the United States could identify the movie from simply hearing the music but not be able to tell you where it originated. I have



a theory that when a song hits the charts, whether it be pop, country, jazz, rock or heavy metal, it is because the listener has heard the theme before, and because it is unknowingly familiar, that listener wants to hear it again and proceeds to buy the CD or download it to his or her Ipod.

Challenge yourself to listen to your favorite melodies and see if you can recognize the classical themes.



Beethoven

Mozart

Bach

Thanks, Guys!!



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All Jacked Up
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August 14 • 8:30 pm
Happy Feet 2
Fort Halifax Park



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July 11 • 7:00 pm
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Lykens Glen Park
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Gordon Chambers

July 29 • 7:30 pm
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Fort Hunter Park

September 16
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FORT HUNTER DAY



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July 15 • 7:30 pm
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Fort Hunter Park



August 5 • 8:30 pm
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Fort Hunter Park

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2:00 – 3:00 pm



Mal Scoppa
& the Tall Tales

Octavia
3:30 – 5:00 pm

Food concession will be available at Fort Hunter Park only. Food proceeds benefit the Friends of Fort Hunter.

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Readers Respond with Book Recommendations:

Writer Asks for Your Favorites to Note in Future Columns *By Suzy Hershey*

(Have a favorite book to recommend? Please send an email to Suzy Hershey at suzyhershey13@comast.net and she will share your suggestions in a future column.)

Welcome back to the second appearance of this column. In case you haven't noticed, I altered the title of this column to "Between YOUR Bookends" so that the exchange of ideas for reading will come from our readers. Here are some suggestions from avid readers in our area.

Having lived in Brazil, Karen Julian had a special reason for enjoying "State of Wonder" by Ann Patchett. This novel is set in the Amazon Basin of Brazil and deals with medical research being carried on there in a remote Indian village. Besides being a compelling story, the book raises questions about medical ethics and how people respond to cultural differences.

"The School of Essential Ingredients" is a debut novel for Erica Bauermeister. It offers tips on cooking as well as introduces the characters and their reason for attending a cooking school. The chapters tell of each "soon to be cook," why they enrolled, and a bit of their history. The book is also filled with delightful thoughts, words of wisdom and memorable messages. Carol Deland found this to be an easy, quick read.

A Contributor Recommends Two Books

Our next contributor has selected two very different books to recommend. Evelyn Long's Japanese daughter-in-law recommended "I Am a Cat" by Soseki Natsume. This is a chronicle of an unloved, unwanted wandering kitten who spends all his time observing human nature. This book is required reading for Japanese students.

On a totally different note is the book, "Steve Jobs," a biography written by Walter Isaacson. Jobs was known to be a genius, a perfectionist with unusual everyday habits. His impact was felt worldwide.

The book Nancy Mosella recommends, "The Art of Dancing in the Rain," has an animal as a main character. Author Garth Stein uses a dog named Enzo to relate the story of Denny, a young man whose goal in life is to become a race car driver. Life throws several obstacles at him including, but not limited to, in-laws who believe their daughter could have made a better choice for a husband and a young woman who doesn't like rejection. A surprise ending brings an interesting twist to this unusual but enjoyable book.

Hemingway Is Alive

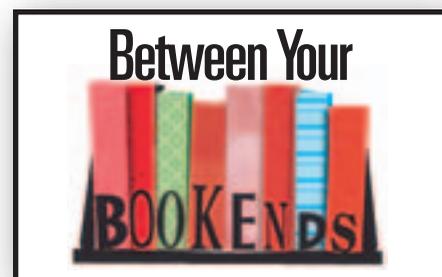
"In Our Time" is the first collection of Ernest Hemingway's short stories to be published in the United States. It includes many "Nick Adams" stories which depict a young man growing up in the pre-WWI era of confident American righteousness. His experiences, especially as a soldier, show him a less optimistic world than he has imagined and he learns to face that world as it is. Hemingway presents this theme throughout his career in many other works culminating in the story of the old man who returns to land with only the skeleton and the memory of the greatest fish he has ever caught. Ben Emenheiser has become somewhat of an expert on Hemingway as he has prepared for teaching a class on this famous author in the OLLI program at Penn State York.

Carol Wallace has written a book about a famous artist in "Leaving Van Gogh." Mindy Inners is a former French teacher and devotee of French impressionists and 19th-century artists so this book, she notes, is "one of the best books I have recently read." The book is narrated by Van Gogh's physician, Dr. Gachet, who recalls the last year of Van Gogh's life in the 1890s after he had left the South of France, already detached his ear and traveled north to be closer to his brother, Theo. Dr. Gachet's friendship, encouragement and respect for the brilliance of Van Gogh's craft shed a new light on the troubled person of Vincent Van Gogh in his last days.

An Inspiring Read...with Wit

"Without Reservations," by Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Alice Steinbach, energized and excited Joanne Olejowski at a time when she was looking for direction. This autobiographical journey, subtitled "The Travels of an Independent Woman," lifts the reader out of day-to-day life and, perhaps, her comfort zone, in order to reach for new experiences. The serendipity of each day is highlighted and embraced as she travels to other countries and becomes a part of many other lives. It's an inspiring and delightful read, creatively put together...with wit.

Kay Altland recommends "So Much for That." The subject of female author Lionel Shriver's tome is dark (terminal illness) but the fight to save a marriage and the battle of fighting insurance companies made this a fascinating read for this reader.



A trip to the Big Apple was the result of Linda Kenée's reading of Edward Rutherford's fictional account of New York City's history. Simply entitled "New York," it is a James Michener-type volume of this city's history from Indian days to the fall of the twin towers. Linda and her husband spent two days exploring the sites mentioned in the book. Former teachers enjoying a field trip--without the kids!

Sandy Cooley is reading "The Last Lecture" for the second time. The author, Randy Pausch, had been diagnosed with terminal cancer. This young man was a computer science professor at Carnegie Mellon, and in this moving address he relates with humor and inspiration what was most important to him. It is not a book about dying but one of appreciating the important things in life. **(An editor's note:** As I was writing this I googled his name and found the whole lecture video. I was entranced and inspired by his presentation and positive attitude. Check it out on "utube--last lecture."

"The contents of someone's bookcase are part of his history like an ancestral portrait." -Anatole Broyard

Please Send Me Your Recommendations

I'd like to learn more about your "ancestral portrait." Please send your book suggestions to me at suzyhershey13@comcast.net.

Let's keep this column going so we can each share our love of reading with others. Just think, you can tell your friends you've been published!

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Public Libraries in Nine Counties Offering Programs, Good Reads, and More By Suzy Hershey

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At
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Summer Reading Programs

Summertime is a special time at the library for children. Each library creates a schedule of activities with programs for children from birth to age 18. In addition, children are encouraged to read or be read to in order to complete reading logs and win prizes. Each library will have its own programming. Check at your local library to see the exciting opportunities available for your child to enjoy the wonderful world of books and reading available at your local library.

"You bring your inspiration, we'll bring the paper."

This is the invitation extended to teens who attend the Gettysburg Library. It's a Creative Writing Workshop designed for teens. Poetry and fiction will be covered. Teens will learn about the different styles of writing, sharing and critiquing their work with others. It will be held on second Thursdays, beginning June 14 at 7 p.m. in the USS Eisenhower Room. Pre-registration is appreciated. Call 717-334-5716.

No Fear Technology

The Mountville Library, Lancaster County, presents monthly workshops to familiarize older adults with new technologies in a stress-free and no-fear environment. Learning to use email, Facebook and Skype can keep family members and friends in touch. Upcoming free programs include:

May 22 E-mailing and how to send and receive pictures online

June 26 How to Navigate Facebook

July 24 How to Skype

Registration for these Tuesday 11 a.m. programs is required by contacting the library at 717-285-3231.

Foreign Film Fridays at Fredricksen

A French businessman realizes he has no friends and hires a taxi driver to give him a crash course in making friends and influencing people. This film is considered an earnest and witty romp. There is no need to register for the showing on Friday, May 25 at 7 p.m. at the Fredricksen Library in Camp Hill. For more information, call 717-761-3900, ext. 225.

Book Bingo for Kids

Children may play bingo and win prizes at the Reading Public Library. The prizes will be books purchased with donations from singer Taylor Swift who is a native of nearby Wyomissing. Children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult over 18. Free and secure parking is available behind the library on Wood Street. This fun event will take place on Friday, May 25 at 4 p.m. For more information, call 610-655-6365.

Grove and Coyle Libraries: June is House Tour Time

Grove Family Library in Chambersburg, Franklin County, is sponsoring a house tour on Sunday, June 3 from 12 to 5 p.m. Included will be refreshments at Grove and Coyle Libraries. Only a limited number of tickets at \$20/person will be available. For more information about this Annual Home Tour, call 717-264-2247.

Art on Exhibit in Stewartstown

Husband and wife, Preston and Sylvia Hutt, will present a dual exhibit at the Mason-Dixon Public Library in Stewartstown, York County. Artist Sylvia is passionate about travel and the environment, a fact that is evident when viewing her work. Her work is best described as intimate glimpses. From European landscapes, to still life, to little corners of the yard where sunlight creates magic, her subjects show the eye of an artist that finds the extra in the ordinary. Musician and composer, Preston, has a love for woodcuts, wood engraving, etchings and lithography. For the past few years, Preston has extended his artistic expression into this realm and produced a number of prints, exploring various techniques, materials and styles. The exhibition will open on Friday, June 8, with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. The exhibition will be in place in the Library's Quiet Reading Room from June 8 to 29. Call 717-993-2404 for more information.

Health Literacy Lecture Series in Carlisle

Bosler Library and Sadler Health Center introduce a new lecture series designed to help promote health literacy within the community. Your Health@Bosler Library is a recurring series which brings experts from the medical field to speak to patrons about a wide variety of topics relating to personal health. The topic of diabetes will be held on Thursday, June 7 at 6 p.m. at the library in Carlisle, Cumberland County. There is no cost but space is limited. Call 717-243-4642 to reserve a space.

Senior Spaces for Boomers and Older Adults

The ManheimTownship Public Library in Lancaster County is planning special programs and events for seniors. This Senior Spaces project has been partially funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, administered by the PA Office of Commonwealth Libraries. Upcoming programs include:

Every Monday at 1:30 p.m. Needlework Social--Bring your needle project and work while enjoying the company of others.

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Starting Tuesday, July 10 at 1 p.m.--Bridge 4 Week Workshop--Learn the basics of Bridge in four easy, consecutive lessons.

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Music on the Roof

Chuck Neri will provide a concert on the roof of the Guthrie Memorial Library in Hanover, York County on June 18 from 6-8 p.m. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. In case of rain, the program will be held in the John D. Bare Center. Call 717-632-5183 for more details.

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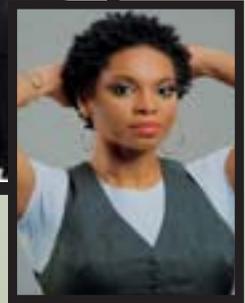


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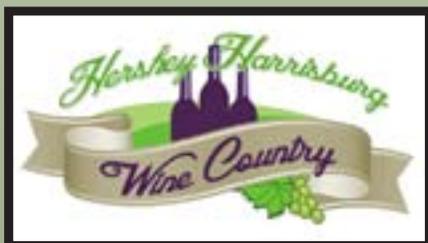
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Performance Pleases in Shippensburg

By David C. Frost Jr. and David Hovell



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SHIPPENSBURG -- Residents of southcentral Pennsylvania made a trek to gather at Shippensburg University on March 15 for a rousing performance by the noted Capitol Steps. The group, five actors-singers and their accompanist, provided a rollicking evening of political-related satire, skewering Democrats and Republicans and active politicians all along the roads of the Left and the Right.

Examples of the parodies that brought raucous laughter: alluding to Gilbert & Sullivan, "Three Little Wives of Newt Gingrich," and from ABBA, "Obamamia!"

The appreciative crowd gathered at the H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center of Shippensburg University. The magnificent modernistic theater, which seats 1,500, is a showplace of the beautiful Shippensburg campus.

The Capitol Steps group began performing in 1981, and the casts have changed through the years. Many have worked on Capitol Hill, in the nation's capital, for members of both parties, and through the years the groups have produced 31 CD albums, the latest titled "Desperate Housemembers, Songs of 2011."

The nonstop songs and poems and patter of polished routines were performed by Mike Thornton, Corey Harris, Jack Rowles, Delores Williams and Janet Gordon, with David Kane's artful and sympathetic piano accompaniment.

The charming town of Shippensburg is one of those unusual communities split by a county line. Shippensburg University and its area are in Cumberland County, and another portion of Shippensburg is in Franklin County. Shippensburg and Shippensburg University and the H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center are worth a visit.

"MEN WHO COOK" to celebrate "Juneteenth" in Lancaster

The Fourth Annual "MEN WHO COOK EVENT" will celebrate an almost lost holiday on Saturday, June 16, beginning at 1 p.m. in the Activity Center (MAC) at the Thaddeus Stevens College of Science and Technology at 750 East King Street, Lancaster. Writer and volunteer Gail Tomlinson reports that while participants might think the portions are a bit small, once they have sampled the more than 40 soups, appetizers, entrees, sides and desserts, they will have no doubt that they have attended a feast. "Representatives from the Pennsylvania Past Players will walk among us to link us to the story of Juneteenth," she writes, "the day that signifies the time the last Americans of African descent, still enslaved in Galveston, Texas, were finally read the Emancipation Proclamation." There will be singing, spoken word performances and Dr. Leroy Hopkins will share how Juneteenth resonates in the modern day, according to Ms. Tomlinson.



Mrs. Hazel Gant

This event's \$20 advance ticket price (\$25 at the door / \$ 5 for children under 10) supports Crispus Attucks Community Center, working in the Lancaster Community since 1927. For tickets and information call Cheryl Holland Jones at 717-394-6604, ext. 125.

In the photo above, taken last year, Mrs. Hazel Gant dances to the music of the Brightside Baptist Men's Choir, booked again for this year's festivities.

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The Value of Teens at Your Library: Part Two

By Kevin Leitzel (This is a two-part article. To see the first part, see my column in the previous issue of ShowcaseNow.)

Teens care and they want to talk. That's where libraries can play a huge part in their lives. Yes, librarians are busy people, but part of our job is to talk to teens and hear about their woes. Enter a teen library, and I think you'll be amazed at how well teen librarians do this. Because we depend on teens to browse our collections and resources, and because we're here solely for teens, they come to us. I often think that many teachers would love to have the time and opportunity to mentor and talk to their students, but standardized tests and planning get in the way of teens receiving their great wisdom. So instead, some teens seek out libraries when their home lives are crazy or when they're looking for advice in a book. That's when they make a librarian friend or two along the way.

Allowing teens to volunteer at your library or library events can give teens a sense of accomplishment and a sense of feeling like they are helping a good cause while having fun at it. If you have monthly book sales, consider allowing teens to help. If you are a small library, but you have older patrons who want

to learn about technology, recruit a teen to tutor them. Invite teens to form a group at your library to create monthly programs for other teens. These will help attract new teens to the library while at the same time show patrons that libraries are an inclusive, safe environment that are a lifeline for some teens who might otherwise get into trouble or dangerous situations. This shows patrons and businesses that libraries are worth investing in. We invest in the education and future of our young people, but we can't go it alone.

Thus enters PA Forward, an initiative that posits libraries as centers for learning based on the five literacies: Basic Literacy, Information Literacy, Civic & Social Literacy, Health Literacy, and Financial Literacy. Libraries used to be about borrowing books. Now, libraries are about borrowing books *and* learning how a teen and his/her family might pay for college based on the information taught in a program such as "Right on the Money." Or a teen might attend an all-day career and information fair to learn about professions such as legal careers, acting and stage production,

nursing, and photography along with 15 other workshops through an annual Youth Empowerment Summit provided by a library. Or a teen can enroll in a Summer Reading Club which rewards reading throughout the summer with parties, coupons, prizes and other freebies just for teens to prevent the "summer slide," which refers to the estimated cost of \$1,500 per child, per year that results when kids lose one month's worth of knowledge over the months of June, July and August, according to a research presentation done by Fairchild, R., & Boulay, M., 2002. So while many nonprofit institutions are shrinking because funding sources are drying up so to speak, libraries can move in the direction of PA Forward to help advance the literacies for our teen population, because teens still want to learn outside of school. They just don't always want you to know it.

While teens are important to the growth of the library, they are also great advocates for us, as well. As I said before—they talk. But they also show up in big numbers to support a cause. That's what happened at one

Getting Around



city council meeting where the idea of cutting funding dollars to a library was at hand. Allow your teens to talk at events like these. It often ends up being their future that's at stake as we've seen through Pennsylvania's recent budget cuts. So why shouldn't we allow them speak up on behalf of the library?

Teens are a necessary and vital thread in the future of libraries. They command a great presence. And while some teens know from a young age the exact career path and life choices they plan to make, many more will still be searching long after high school. Think about how you or a friend may have been influenced by a library while growing up and you'll know that we are a constant in their lives—something they desperately need now more than ever—and you'll also know how libraries can help teens and be helped by them at the same time.



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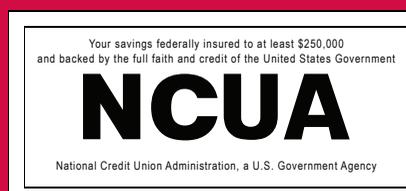
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