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NEWS & NOTES



The Lucketts Fair Turned 39

by Mary Gustafson and Kay Quitter

Saturday, August 20, 2011 marked the 39th opening day of The Lucketts Fair. Our 2-day event which is conceptualized, organized and staffed by volunteers was attended by locals and out-of-towners alike who experienced the talent and creativity of Bluegrass bands, juried crafters, exhibitors, rare antique items and fabulous food fixings!

Over the years, the Lucketts Fair has been host to world-class Bluegrass entertainers. Fairgoers appreciate this and come back every year to tap their toes to the music of the Patuxent Partners, Aspen Run, Scott Brannon Band, Skystone and more.

The creativity and quality of our diverse crafters appealed to wide interests and included hand-blended herb mixes, wood-fired pottery, and hand-loomed kitchen towels, among others.

We could never have a Lucketts Fair without antiques and our vendors featured such great finds! We welcomed some of our old friends and discovered some new “old” friends at “antique alley” and the Old Lucketts Store.

Kids found no shortage of activities to choose from like pony rides and the petting zoo. They also were treated to Leaps & Squeaks, the 4H club for young rabbit and guinea pig enthusiasts. Plus, the sand art booth was very well received. And, the Roving Balloon Man created clusters of balloons in the likeness of pigs and hats and other fantastical shapes to the delight our young visitors.

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Above Don Snidow directs traffic with a smile; creative crafters; the Gazebo at the Fair is home to some of the best Bluegrass in the East; hat shaped balloon apparel to delight the pint-sized visitors.

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Among our traditional offerings, our planners created an avenue for yet a new event. Yes, this year we introduced the Reader's Garden which featured 12 local authors with books ranging in topics from humor to local history to micro-distilleries!



Lucketts Ruritan, Stan Sorrell, serves up the renowned Ruritan ribs and BBQ.

And then there was the food! The Lucketts Ruritan Club featured their famous BBQ and ribs. Several of our local churches provided ham sandwiches, hand-made apple butter, gyros, crab cakes, hot dogs and burgers. The folks at Lucketts Elementary had their delicious dipped "hand-churned ice cream"; youth and civic organizations provided drinks and snow-cones. No one left hungry.



Visitors to the Lucketts Fair dig into the famous, hand-churned ice cream.

Plus, no fair would be complete without competitions such as the Cake Walk, Quilt Raffle, Pie Contest (which had 10.5 year old entrant) and Largest Vegetable Contest.

We fielded questions about the size of this year's Fair. As most of you in the Lucketts community are aware, the Community Center is undergoing much needed renovations. This necessitated carving out a large safety zone around the construction site and that resulted in less space available for Fair activities. But, rest assured, the space restriction is temporary and many of the events that were not available this year will return once the renovations are completed.

As mentioned earlier, the Lucketts Fair exists only because we have a volunteer force. We appreciate all of you: the Ruritan Club members who direct parking; the helpers who provide water to the fellow volunteers; the ticket takers at the gate; among countless others, there is always camaraderie and a feeling that you count. We give thanks to all of those who worked so hard to make the Fair

happen. Please come out next year for our 40th Anniversary of the Lucketts Fair. Join the fun and volunteer or simply come and be our guest! 🌿



The Lucketts Ruritans are the best in the business of parking cars at the Fair.



Long time resident of Lucketts and Fair volunteer, Eleanor Tillet.

All photos by Steve Hillebrand



1. Loudoun Beekeepers had their members' "beewares" for sale such as honey, handmade beeswax candles and ornaments; **2.** demonstrator captures the imaginations of a group of young art enthusiasts; **3.** golf carts were on the go all day helping both young and old; **4.** a wee cherub enjoys a pony ride in the cool woods at the Fair; **5.** a kid grooms a kid in the petting zoo; **6.** crafter demonstrate sign painting; **7.** there was no shortage of delicious Fair food; **8.** Dan Wiseman does a terrific job as chief of traffic control for the Fair; **9.** a steam engine on display to illustrate the implements of the past at the Loudoun Farm Museum tent; **10.** The parting shot. Good-bye to the Fair til next year!

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Our Day at The Lucketts Fair

Our tradition is to go to the Lucketts Fair on Saturday and this year was no different. Also, as usual, I packed enough cash to cover our entrance fee and hand churned ice cream. I brought my credit card "just-in-case" I found something irresistible. However I put it in my shallow jean's pocket. As we were preparing to leave the fair, I noticed my credit card was missing. We attempted to retrace our steps, but to no avail. It was really like looking for a needle in the haystack. So we left a business card with our phone number, just in case it turned up. Soon after arriving home the phone rang and much to my relief and pleasure, a Fair Official informed us that an unidentified fairgoer found my card and turned it in! WOW! What a wonderful ending to an enjoyable day at the Lucketts Fair; and a Great Relief! I am so grateful and hope those honest thoughtful people read this. Thank you so much!!!

Damara Bolté,
Lucketts Resident

And the Winners Are

No Fair would be complete without a little healthy competition among neighbors. Congratulations to the following Lucketts (and Herndon) bakers and gardeners:

Pie-Adult Division

1. Patricia Glaezer for her appetitising Apple
2. Pam Bove for her perfect Peach

Pie-Junior Division

1. Lauren Glaezer for her tasty Tart (Peach)
2. Brett Hyland for her bold Black Cherry

The largest Sunflower Contest

1. Luz Gomez (Herndon)
2. Pam Bove

The largest Tomato Contest

1. Pete Webb
2. Faith Like Mustard Seed Farm
3. Pam Bove

The largest Zucchini Contest

1. Faith Like a Mustard Seed Farm
2. Pam Bove
3. Sofia Caballer (Herndon)

Congratulations are also extended to Leslie Dawson (Leesburg) for winning the Lucketts Community Advisory Board, 2011 Lucketts Fair Quilt Raffle. This masterpiece depicted some of the finest Amish hand-made quilting ever!





Above Tarra Sullivan in the studio where she assembles her creations; below and right are samples of her Thank You box, Glynn's Gingers and the New Arrival baskets

Rural Enterprise Tarra Sullivan “Rumored Creations”

By Kay Quitter and Doug Fabboli, owner/vintner of Fabboli Cellars

Rumor has it...we make you look great! That's the focus of “Rumored Creations”, a specialty company owned and operated by Tarra Sullivan since March 2001.

A native of Lucketts, Tarra has deep roots in our community. Her parents, Buddy & Audrey Moreland, her Grandparents and Great-Grandparents, the Loy and Compher families have all called Lucketts home. Tarra and her brother Glynn grew up at Glynn-Tarra Farm (now Glynn-Tarra Estates). Their upbringing in this nurturing, respectful and loving community allowed them to dream of one day owning their own business



where they could express their creativity and thrive. It was this backdrop that led them to name this business “Rumored Creations”. When God decided Glynn’s mission on earth was complete in late 1995, Tarra decided to pursue their dream and “Rumored Creations” became a reality—in honor of Glynn’s vision and memory.

Tarra proudly says that it was the best decision she ever made, for herself and her family. One big lesson she learned early on, was how much she had yet to learn. So, she quickly enlisted the help of a wonderful lady in Richmond who taught her all the “ins and outs” of the business and from there, things really took off.

Now, her focus is entirely on “Rumored Creations”, as a gift basket endeavor focusing on quality of product and customer personalization and satisfaction. (For a short time Tarra expanded into a catering business, but soon discovered there were more servings on her plate than she could take care of.) Rumored Creations’ baskets range from a simple gourmet coffee cup basket for a new employee, a “Get Well Soon” basket for a friend or a Sweetheart Chocolate basket for your sweetheart. Also available are the Grand gift basket for Wedding gifts, Corporate Christmas Gifts, New Baby arrival or any occasion or size in between—you, the customer gets to choose! Plus, this year Tarra has developed her own product line such as “Glynn’s Gingers” a truly yummy ginger cookie and Bellafore Biscotti, a treasured Italian family recipe from her friend Audrey Messina.

If you need that special something with a personal touch, contact Tarra at 703-669-GIFT (4438) or visit her website at www.rumoredcreations.com.



Ruritans Honor Lucketts Students with Scholarships

Each year the Lucketts Ruritan Club award students from Lucketts Elementary School, Smart's Mill Middle School and Loudoun County High School with scholarships and Citizen awards. Congratulations to all of these outstanding scholars from Lucketts!

1. Thomas N. Keefer Memorial Engineering Scholarship

Amy Lee—University of Virginia \$3,500

2. Lucketts Ruritan Memorial Scholarship Award

Matthew Benjamin—Virginia Tech \$2,500

Hannah Chapple—James Madison University \$2,500

Emily Douglas—College of William and Mary \$2,500

Caroline McCarry—University of Mary Washington \$2,500

3. Student Citizen of the Year

Megan Tracy—Loudoun County High School

4. Student Citizen of the Year

Gabriel Cashen—Smart's Mill Middle School

5. Student Citizen of the Year

Taylor Nicole Cooper—Lucketts Elementary School



Photo by David L. Crooks



Photos #10-4 by Steve Hillebrand



Photo #5 by David L. Crooks

We welcome our new principal Brenda Blue



Photo by David L. Crooks

Brenda Blue began her career as a physical education teacher in Fairfax County. She served as a Peer Observer, Curriculum Specialist, and as an Assistant Principal II, in the Fairfax County Public Schools system before retiring in 2005. For the past six years she has worked in Loudoun County Public Schools in the Department of Pupil Services as the Coordinator of Pupil Services.

Brenda earned her undergraduate degree in Elementary Education from George Mason University. She has a Master's Degree in Human Resources Management and a Master's Degree in Human Resource Development both from Marymount University. She has an endorsement in Education Administration K-12 from George Mason University. Ms. Blue recently completed the Leadership in Special Education certificate program from George Mason University.

Brenda is married to Donald Blue and both are avid golfers. Her other interests include gardening, faux painting, home canning and bee keeping. She is a member of the Loudoun Beekeepers Association.

Ms. Blue lives in Fairfax County (Centreville).



On Friday, August 19, over 1,700 bikers participated in the "America's 911 Foundation Ride," an organization founded by Lucketts resident Ted Sjurseth soon after the attacks of September 11, 2001. Ted wanted to honor the memory of those who perished on 9-11.

This year, participants traveled from Pennsylvania, through Lucketts and Washington, DC to Ground Zero in NYC to commemorate the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001. The event takes place in mid August and each year the number of riders has grown. At right Ted is pictured riding with his daughter Beth and Sheriff Deputy Cenate.



Photos by Steve Hillebrand

A Trip to Change Our Lives

By Jake Blycher

I have been on many cool outings with my Lucketts Boy Scout troop 1910, but when we go on High Adventure trips, it really puts all our skills to the test. One recent trip took me and my fellow scouts to the northern reaches of the Boundary Waters in Minnesota. It was a trip that I will never forget.

When I first saw the Boundary Waters, I was at a loss for words. Imagine yourself in a silent, calm, cool area surrounded by conifers, and crystal clear waters! There is an abundant wildlife population including moose, bears, chipmunks, squirrels, and a large number of Bald Eagles. I felt like I was in 16th century America.

When we were out in the wilderness, everything was a challenge. If we wanted water, we had to pump it from the river. If we wanted food, we cooked it ourselves. If we forgot something, we paid the price. To move from lake to lake, we had to carry our canoe on our shoulders and hike to the next lake. There was neither TV, nor radio, nor cell phone service in the wild. Nothing electronic was available to us in the Boundary Waters, and that's what made it an awesome trip.

So, in ending a long, tiresome journey, I can say that our adventure can be summed up in the prayer we said before dinner:

For food, for raiment, for life, for opportunity, for friendship, for fellowship, we thank thee, O Lord. 🍃

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Boy Scouts and the Court of Honor

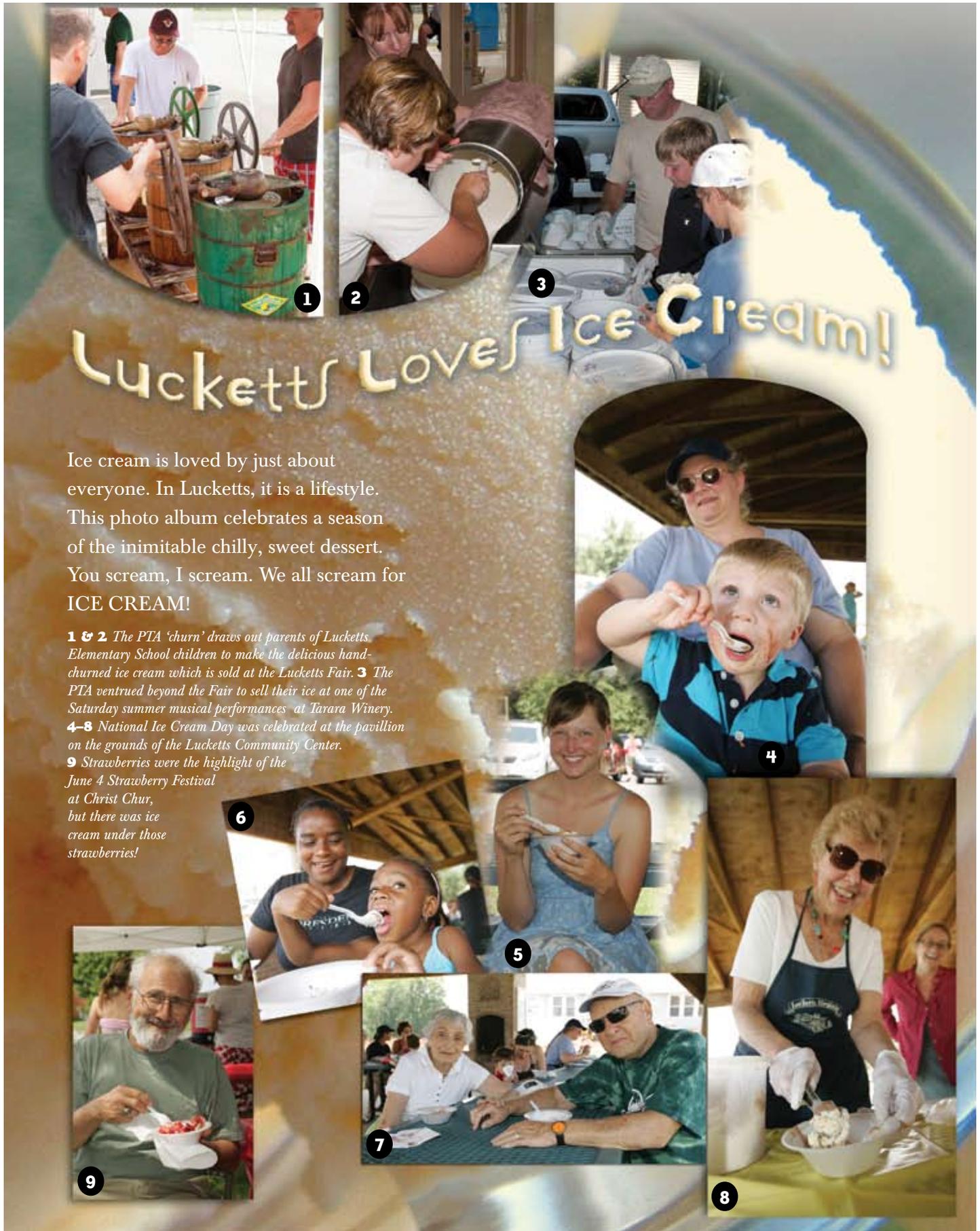
1. James gives his mother a recognition pin for her support of his advancement; **2.** Scoutings highest honor, the Eagle Scout badge; **3.** Josh and Sammy earned the World Conservation Award; **4.** Troop 1910's newest scouts light the Scout Law candles opening the Court of Honor, guided by the Senior Patrol Leader; **5.** three of Troop 1910's Eagle Scouts visit their roots; **6.** Cody Collins, Adam Fuhrmann and Alex Chapple; **6.** Scoutmaster Hal Raffensperger recognizes adults who spent a week at summer camp with the Troop; **7.** Scoutmaster handed out over 100 merit badges earned during summer camp; **8.** Youngest and oldest Troop members attach a new streamer to the Troop flag; **9.** The streamer earned by the Troop for being a Quality Unit during the 100th anniversary of scouting



BSA Troop 1910 Florida Grapefruit & Orange Sale
coming in early October for delivery before Thanksgiving. Look for order forms at Lucketts Community Center, Saturday Trash Pick-up or call 571-214-3907 for additional information



All photos by Steve Hillebrand



Ice cream is loved by just about everyone. In Lucketts, it is a lifestyle. This photo album celebrates a season of the inimitable chilly, sweet dessert. You scream, I scream. We all scream for ICE CREAM!

1 & 2 The PTA 'churn' draws out parents of Lucketts Elementary School children to make the delicious hand-churned ice cream which is sold at the Lucketts Fair. **3** The PTA ventured beyond the Fair to sell their ice at one of the Saturday summer musical performances at Tarara Winery. **4-8** National Ice Cream Day was celebrated at the pavillion on the grounds of the Lucketts Community Center. **9** Strawberries were the highlight of the June 4 Strawberry Festival at Christ Chur, but there was ice cream under those strawberries!

Lucketts Loves Strawberries Too!

On June 4th, Christ Episcopal Church in Lucketts sponsored its much anticipated Strawberry Shortcake



Festival. This annual function at Christ Church brings the community together for a relaxing day enjoying strawberry shortcake and listening to gospel and bluegrass music. There were pony rides and games

for the children, complete with a moon bounce. Homemade baked goods and a used book sale complemented the day of wonderful weather and fellowship at this beautifully restored church. All are invited to celebrate the



Holy Eucharist every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. New members are always welcome!



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Church Calendar

Furnace Mountain Presbyterian Church

Worship Service on Sundays at 9:30am

Faith Chapel Presbyterian Church

Worship Service on Sundays at 11am. 703-777-7836

Christ Episcopal Church

Bible Study every Wed. night from 7:30-8:30pm in the church house (white house next to church).

Sunday morning service start at 9:30am. All are welcome. 703-771-2196 or visit www.christchurchlucketts.com

Bethel United Methodist Church

Sunday morning service starts at 11am.

41799 Stumptown Road Lucketts, VA. Free-will offerings accepted. 703-779-7745, www.cometobethel.org.

Bluegrass Calendar

Fall 2011-Spring 2012

All Shows \$15 at the door.

Doors open at 6pm. Show time is 7pm.

All performances are at the Lucketts Elementary School.

- Oct 1 Bill Emerson and Sweet Dixie
- Oct 8 The Timmons Family /Aspen Run
- Oct 15 The Travelers with Norman Wright and Kevin Church
- Oct 22 Travers Chandler and Avery County / Stony Creek Bluegrass
- Oct 29 No Show Tonight
- Nov 5 The Hillbilly Gypsies / David Davis & The Warrior River Boys
- Nov 12 Scott Brannon Band / Melvin Goins and Windy Mountain
- Nov 19 Nothin' Fancy
- Dec 3 Ralph Stanley II
- Dec 10 Ernie Bradley & Grassy Ridge Band / The Virginia Ramblers
- Dec 17 Lucketts Christmas Jamboree with Santa Claus (Many of Lucketts' popular performers will mix and match their talents to perform the bluegrass favorites you know and love)
- Jan 7 Paul Adkins Band / Gary Brewer & The Kentucky Ramblers
- Jan 14 Dark Hollow / Ted Jones & The Tarheel Boys
- Jan 21 James King
- Jan 28 Michael Cleveland & Flamekeeper
- Feb 4 Danny Paisley and The Southern Grass
- Feb 11 Dry Branch Fire Squad
- Feb 18 Audey Blaylock and Redline
- Feb 25 Country Gentleman Tribute Band with Bill Yates
- Mar 3 The Larry Stephenson Band
- Mar 10 Larry Sparks and The Lonesome Ramblers
- Mar 17 Mill Run / John O'Dell & Windy Ridge
- Mar 24 Kody Norris & the Watauga Mtn. Boys (as seen on RFD TV)
- Mar 31 Heart Town (featuring Darren Beachley)
- Apr 7 Mark Templeton and Pocket Change / Bluestone
- Apr 14 Scott Brannon / Tony Holt & The Wildwood Valley Boys
- Apr 21 Joe Mullins and The Radio Ramblers
- Apr 28 The Patuxent Partners / Patent Pending

On Rt 15 8 miles north of Leesburg, VA and 4 miles south of Point of Rocks, MD

Call 703-771-5281 for more information

Visit our website: Luckettsbluegrass.org for links to band websites

Shows are sponsored by The Lucketts Bluegrass Foundation in conjunction with the Loudoun County, Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services. A Smoke and Alcohol Free Environment. No Coolers, No Audio or Video Recording.

Call # 703-777-0343 or TTY # 703-771-5352 for ADA accommodations.

Loudoun Son Remembered

by Mary and Peter Gustafson

On the evening of August 4, 1861, near the present day town of Brunswick, Maryland, then known as Berlin, 60 men from the 28th New York Infantry waded into the shallow Potomac River to scout Confederate activities and to capture Captain WW Meade's Loudoun Cavalry picket post (Co. K, 6th Virginia)

This advance by the Union Army led to the untimely death of Cumberland (George) Orrison, the first Confederate soldier to be killed on Loudoun County soil during the American Civil War. A detachment of the 28th was dispatched and hastened east down the Lovettsville Road to the three-way intersection with Taylorstown Road and Point of Rocks Road (today's James Monroe

Hwy or US Route 15) where Co. K was encamped at the bridge. In darkness, the detachment encountered two videttes, or mounted sentrys, from the Loudoun Cavalry near the mouth of Catoctin Creek.

The videttes were quickly captured and taken as prisoners of the Union's Army of the Potomac. The captors lay in wait for the light of day before they attempted to secure the picket post.

At dawn, two Confederate soldiers, Private George Orrison and Sergeant Boyd Barrett, were barely visible as they emerged from a shed which served as their "quarters." Sgt. Barrett was gathering an armful of corn to feed the horses when he saw movement—Yankee soldiers advancing across the field. As Sgt. Barrett dropped the corn he and George quickly ran for the pistols they left behind in the shed. A gun fight ensued. Sgt. Barrett collapsed wounded, surviving only by hiding in the nearby brush. But, George was not as fortunate. He fell mortally wounded in the roadway where old Taylorstown Road intersects with Lovettsville Road—the only soldier to die during the skirmish. Of the 21 men at the picket post, 4 more were captured and the remainder scattered to the hills and eventually ended up in Leesburg.

Top left Cumberland George Orrison; *gathering at the event at McKimney's Landing on August 6, 2011 to commemorate George Orrison; march to the Laying of the Wreath; descendants of George Orrison; At right* Presentation of the Flags by the 5th Division Color Guard, SCV.



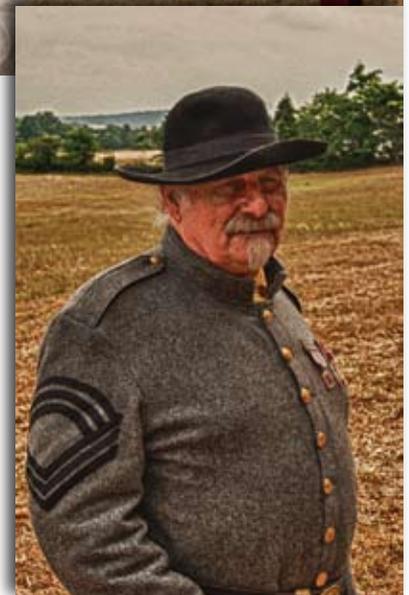
George's lifeless body was wrapped in a blanket and placed on the porch of the nearby toll house (still standing alongside Rt. 15). His family came from Goresville, just to the south of Lucketts where Christ Episcopal Church presently stands, and claimed his remains.

On August 6, 1861 George Orrison was laid to rest in the small graveyard at New Valley Church. The Primitive Baptist church is now a private residence.

On August 6, 2011, in honor of the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War, Cumberland George Orrison's story was commemorated with "A Loudoun Son Killed on Loudoun Soil" at McKimmey's Landing, the boat launch on the Virginia side of the Point of Rocks bridge. The event began at 10 A.M. with a greeting, Presentation of the Flags and an opening prayer by the Rev. Elijah B. White. This was followed by remarks from guests and officials and a wreath was laid at the approximate place that Pvt. Orrison fell, while his descendents and others looked on.

Thereafter, the group proceeded by car on Wilts Store and Taylorstown Roads to the graveyard where the remains of Cumberland George Orrison lie. This was followed by a cannon salute and the playing of "Taps" with Confederate and Union Cavalry re-enactors present.

This is only one of several stories that enrich our home, the Village of Lucketts. But, sadly, many may never be written or re-told, which is why it is incumbent upon us all to listen to the past and share the lessons it teaches us and future generations. 🌿



At top Co. H. 1st Virginia Cavalry, Army of Northern Virginia; presentation of the flags to George Orrison's family by event coordinator Ken Fleming; Infantryman.

Renovations Continue



Geothermal wells underway



The old windows are being refurbished and re installed



Major facelift work is underway.

Fall 2011

at the Lucketts Community Center
and surrounds

- Saturdays** Every Sat 8am to noon except Dec 24 Lucketts Ruritan Trash & Recycling
- Oct 7-9** Waterford Fair
- Oct 8** Morven Park Steeplechase Races
- Oct 11** Lucketts Ruritan meeting 7:30 at SkillsUSA
- Oct 28** Lucketts Halloween Trunk or Treat 6:30pm-8pm. \$5/family. Car to car trunk or treating, snacks and a bonfire. Held on the Lucketts Community Soccer Field.
- Nov 5-6** Rubicon Horse Trials
- Nov 8** Lucketts Ruritan meeting 7:30 at SkillsUSA
- Nov 7 & 8** Student Holiday Hodgepodge Camp I & II Mon. and Tues., 8am-6pm. \$51./day Lucketts Community Center. Activities include a trip, crafts, games, etc. For more information about events at the Lucketts Community Center call 703-771-5281.
- Dec 3** Lucketts Ruritan Annual Awards Banquet (Held at SkillsUSA starting at 6 pm) by invitation