

# Lucketts

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# NEWS & NOTES



## Sunshine, Some Rain, Lots of Smiles Mark Lucketts Fair

By Pat Howder

The bell in the tower of the old school house rang out at 9:00am to open the 41st Annual Lucketts Fair. This was an hour earlier than in past years but folks were already coming through the gates, eager to take advantage of a perfect summer day. On Saturday, the temperature never went above 80° and the sun shone all day. Sunday was cloudy and cool with some intermittent raindrops, but one lovely crafter who hails from England was amused that this would be a bother. In London, she told someone, this weather was quite typical for summer and never kept anyone from coming out to have fun. Sunday did see fewer fairgoers but all who attended seemed to have a great time. And, no wonder. Whether you came to the Fair on Saturday or Sunday, there were so many things to delight. With over 100 crafters and antique dealers, it was a shopper's heaven. For the Fair epicurean, the food choices were many,

including a new Cajun menu from which to choose. The Elementary School PTA sold out of their hand churned ice cream. No surprise there, this creamy treat is probably the

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Fair Photos by Fred Nassauer

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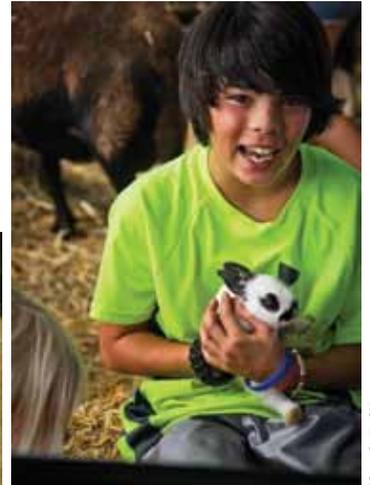
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most sought out food at this yearly event. Children sported painted faces and carried fantastic balloon creations as they made their way from the climbing wall to the petting zoo and other attractions. The old-fashioned cake walk put a smile on many a face, especially the lucky folks who walked away winners. Throughout the grounds, there was the sound of music, the down to earth Bluegrass music for which Lucketts is so well known. All of these things and more made up the Lucketts Fair this year. Old friends spent time catching up as they always do at this event and new friends came to begin a new tradition in their lives. Kudos to the Lucketts Community Center Advisory Board for planning and making this Fair possible year after year. Kudos also to the many local community groups who joined together to form the framework of the Fair, the many volunteers who put in countless hours, the Lucketts Community Center staff and the Loudoun County Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services for making this endeavor a great success. Thanks to all who came and we will see you next year!



Parking photo by Steve Hillebrand

Photos by Fred Nassauer

## Contests! and the winners are...

Judges had a tasty task judging nine pies and measuring length and circumference of some stately tomatoes and zucchinis. New this year was the Best-dressed Vegetable contest featuring a very long zucchini with a happy, fruity face. Our judges were LC Supervisor Geary Higgins, Leesburg Wegmans Chef Vaughn Puccio, and Deputy Director of the LC Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services, Karen Gayheart-Sheets.



Winning vegetables and pie by Mary Gustafson

### Pies

- 1st place Chocolate Covered Strawberry Pie **Liz Flahive**
- 2nd place Sea Salted Carmel Apple Pie with Rosemary **Jane King**
- 3rd place Apple a la Daydream Pie **Mary Gustafson**

### Largest Zucchini

- 1st place **Fred Nassauer**
- 2nd place **Pam Bove**

### Largest Tomato

- 1st place **Jimmy Goss**
- 2nd place **Pete Webb**

### Best-dressed Vegetable

- 1st place **Ella Nassauer** (pictured)



Photo by Fred Nassauer



RURAL ENTERPRISE

# In the Saddle at Chapel View Farm

by Doug Fabbioni

Most of the rural businesses here in Lucketts seem to be created around one special individual and this quarter's featured business is no exception. Lisa Snooks' passion for horses started when she first rode at 3 years of age. In 1996, she turned the family barn into an equine boarding and training business and named it Chapel View Farm. Riders from Lucketts as well as the rest of Northern Virginia use the services Lisa provides in order to meet their equine needs.

Chapel View Farm is one of the few equine facilities in the area to practice English and Western riding disciplines including eventing, hunter jumper, dressage as well as team penning. The advantage of the intermingling of styles at this facility is that riders get to learn what else is out there along with other methods of training. Lisa employs one full-time worker and two part timers. Riders taking lessons have ranged from 3 years old to 70 years old and currently there is a waiting list. There are 51 stalls for horses in the barn and 48 of them are full at this point. They host five horse shows a year allowing participants to accumulate points towards other large shows.

Although Lisa has dabbled a bit with therapeutic riding, her latest branch of the business is as a nursing and rehabilitation facility. Horses that are recovering from surgery can be transferred to this "horse halfway house" where they can get the medical treatment needed as they continue healing without the cost of hospital boarding. This niche is an earned one, as the doctors at Virginia Tech's Equine Medical Center at Morven Park have seen the success she has had with some very difficult cases. Her attention to the needs of the horses has earned her praise from owners and doctors alike. Through all of this, she continues to work part time with a local equine X-ray vet.

Like most entrepreneurs, Lisa has learned to focus on the important parts of her business. Above all, she looks out for the animals in her care. Many clients have been with her for over 10 years because of how well their horses have done at this facility. With the rich equestrian history we have here in Loudoun County, Lisa's business is critical to maintaining the lifestyle that is a key part of Lucketts.



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Photos by Fred Nussator

## Lucketts Ruritan Recognizes Young Scholars and Citizens

By Doug Kemp

The Lucketts Ruritan Club presented scholarships totaling \$8500 to three deserving students during award ceremonies at Tuscarora High School on May 30th. The Lucketts Memorial Scholarships are awarded annually to Lucketts area graduating seniors who have chosen to extend their education and have excelled in their academic and service endeavors. This is the 25th year the Club has awarded scholarships to deserving seniors. Awardees are selected based on academic achievement, school and community service, the student's essay on his/her future goals and plan to achieve them, and letters of recommendation.

The Club also presented student citizen awards totaling \$900 to three students attending Lucketts area schools. The awardees were selected by teachers and other representatives at the student's school. The criteria for selection include being a good student, interacting well with both faculty and schoolmates, volunteering his or her time, and providing a good example to others. At Lucketts Elementary, Aiden Butler was awarded the Student Citizen of the Year. Christopher Jiang received the award at Smarts Mill Middle School and Shelby Anderson received the award at Tuscarora High School. The Club held a recognition dinner for the recipients of both scholarship and citizen awards at the Club's July membership

**Left** Lucketts Ruritan Student Citizen of the Year Award recipient, Aiden Butler, provides his answer during the Academic Challenge portion of the July membership meeting honoring student citizen and scholarship award winners, left. **Below** current President Peter Gustafson and Vice President Jim McKenzie stump the student panel as they hold aloft the Loudoun County flag—a surprisingly difficult item for them to identify. An American Flag containing 15 stars and 15 stripes, the Star Spangled Banner, proved to be equally challenging to name!

meeting. Attending the dinner as guests were families of the scholarship and citizen awardees who attended, and Ms. Brenda Blue, Lucketts Elementary School principal. Also attending were Marcel Aillery and Dennis Galvan from the Point of Rocks Ruritan Club. The Point of Rocks Club evaluated the applicants for the scholarship awards to ensure independent and impartial assessments.

The volunteerism of Lucketts Ruritan members through the Club's various fund raising efforts, including manning the Club's primary fund raiser of the weekly trash and recycling program at Lucketts Elementary School, made these recognitions of our youth's achievements possible.



## Lucketts Ruritan Club Welcomes Four New Members



All photos by Steve Hillebrand

**Top** Former member Mike Runde is welcomed back into 'the fold' as he participates in his first assignment since rejoining the club—parking cars at the Lucketts Fair **Bottom** from left to right, new members Johnnie Fisher, Karl Glaeser and Patricia Glaeser model their new Ruritan hats at the August general membership meeting.

The Lucketts Ruritan Club, a nonprofit [501(c)(3)] community service organization, gathers for monthly dinner meetings at the Lucketts Community Center on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. Members volunteer to their time in support of area schools, scouting, shelters, churches, emergency response, food relief, youth activities, adult day care, college scholarships and citizenship awards.

[www.luckettsruritan.org](http://www.luckettsruritan.org)

### Student Citizens of the Year



**Christopher Jiang**  
Smarts Mill Middle School Citizen of the Year

**Aiden Butler**  
Lucketts Elementary Citizen of the Year

### Scholarships Recipients



**Shelby Anderson**  
Shelby will be attending Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

**Jordan Stuart**  
Jordan will be attending Christopher Newport University in Newport News, Virginia.

**Jacqueline Kuzma**  
Jacqueline will be attending Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia.

# Loudoun Interfaith Relief Provides Hope

By Carolyn Dobson with Doug Kemp

Loudoun Interfaith Relief has been distributing food to those in need for over 20 years. Our mission is simple yet critical: feed the hungry in Loudoun County and provide hope for a better tomorrow. Located in Leesburg, Loudoun Interfaith Relief (LIR) is a 501C (3) non-profit organization that depends on both monetary and food donations in order to meet the increasing demand of our growing community. Between July 2012 and June 2013, LIR distributed 1.5 million pounds of food. Forty five percent of this went to children in need. As Loudoun County grows, so does our demand to help. We have had a 40,000 person increase of food distribution since 2008. Food insecurity (not knowing where your next meal will come from) is a growing problem within our county. This is a problem that many community members do not realize is happening to their neighbors. This past summer, like all summers, was our most difficult time of year; an increase in food distribution to those families with school aged children coupled with a lack of donations creates a food shortage for us. Our program called Summer Pack provides an extra day of food to prepare meals from June through the end of August in order replace breakfast and/or lunch that children would normally receive during the school year through the public schools. Without the support of our community and partnerships with local businesses and civic organizations, Loudoun Interfaith Relief could not keep up with the increasing demand of those in need in Loudoun.

The Lucketts community both relies on and supports Interfaith Relief. Our neighbors are not immune to the life events which lead to food insecurity. Interfaith Relief is there as a support organization for them (us). In the 1990's, during one particular episode of short food supplies, the Lucketts Ruritan Club recognized the need to



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5 Bins are available at the Saturday trash collection weekly to the Loudoun Interfaith Relief (LIR) warehouse and category. 5 Neatly stocked shelving makes coolers or freezers. 7 Orders are filled and bagged

provide a way for the local community to support Interfaith Relief. The idea was raised by members of the Club that a way to make giving easier could be instituted by providing a food collection bin at Lucketts Elementary School during the weekly trash collection period. For many years food was collected once a month, but has been expanded to weekly in more recent years. During this period, scouts from Troop 1910 have collected foodstuffs dropped off and delivered them to Interfaith Relief's food pantry once a month while Carl Seibentritt, long-time Club member, has collected and delivered donated food to Interfaith Relief the other weeks. The Lucketts Ruritan Club has also donated close to \$15,000 over the past 10 years to Interfaith Relief using money raised by the Club through its many fund raising activities.

Other local organizations have also provided support directly or have provided a means for the community to support Interfaith Relief. Each year for the past 14 years, Lucketts Boy Scout Troop 1910 has collected foodstuffs at Lucketts Elementary during the annual Scouting for Food event. Thousands of pounds have been donated by the community during this once a year event.

The needs of our neighbors continue. Use the collection bins provided each Saturday at Lucketts Elementary as a convenient way to donate. Even if you don't utilize the trash or recycle services provided, the collection point in Lucketts provides a convenient drop-off location. Food or money can also be donated directly to Interfaith Relief at their facility on Miller Drive, just off of Sycolin Road. Let's help our neighbors in need.

**For more information about Loudoun Interfaith Relief, go to [www.interfaithrelief.org](http://www.interfaithrelief.org).**



on for non-perishable goods at the Lucketts Elementary School. **2** Food donations are delivered warehouse. **3** Carolyn Dobson, Director of LIR and Lucketts resident. **4** Food is organized by type es it easier for volunteers to pull orders. **6** Meat and other perishable food items are stored in d. **8** Clients receive orders and pick out last minute items. **9 & 10** Families receive the help they need in tough times.



LIR photos by Steve Hillbrand



Consol Energy Bridge

## The Best Ten Days of Summer

*A few weeks ago the National Jamboree, one of the biggest events in a scout's life, took place. I was lucky enough to be able to attend the Jamboree at The Summit, in West Virginia. The Jamboree was a ten day long campout where 40,000 scouts from all over the country, and the world came together to have fun and celebrate scouting. There were tons of activities, ranging from 60+ acres of shooting sports, whitewater rafting in the New River Gorge, patch trading, to even the biggest skateboard park on the eastern seaboard. The Jamboree had something for everyone. There was even a day at the Jamboree when your entire troop woke up early to do a full day of community service. The picture at the top is of the Consol Energy Bridge, a huge suspension bridge that I had to walk over every day to get to my activities. The Jamboree was by far the best thing I have ever experienced. If you get a chance you should go to the next Jamboree in 2017.*

—James Mullen



Tents at sunrise

# Boy Scouts Enjoy a Big Summer

By Kay Quitter

The last week of June brought the 13th annual Troop trek to summer camp at Henson Scout Reservation on the Nanticoke River on the Delmarva Peninsula. The camp this year was one of our biggest attended ever—34 scouts and 10 adults enjoyed the facilities and trading stories with other scout troops from around the area. Much was accomplished in the week at Camp Henson, with 7 of the newest members of Troop 1910 attending the Brownsea program to learn the basics of scouting. The most anticipated item for Camp was watching their Scoutmaster win the “Scoutmaster Splash” for the 4th year in a row. Just ask any of them about it.

All the summer camp and summer activities culminated in the Troop Court-of-Honor on August 8th. There were 153 merit badges awarded in the following categories: Archaeology, Art, Canoeing, Cinematography, Climbing, Communication, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the World, Computers, Cooking, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, Family Life, Fire Safety, First Aid, Fish & Wildlife, Fishing, Fly Fishing, Forestry, Genealogy, Indian Lore, Kayaking, Lifesaving, Metalwork, Nature, Personal Fitness, Photography, Pioneering, Rifle Shooting, Search & Rescue, Swimming, Traffic Safety, Whitewater, and Wilderness Survival. There were 17 special awards given. These included the Troop 100 Mile Club, Messenger of Peace award, and World Conservation. There were also 10 scouts receiving Rank advancements.

It was a GREAT SUMMER!!



**Above** Swimming with friends, using a forge, climbing the wall were some of the fun and challenging activities at this summer's camp. **Below** Merit badges and awards were given to scouts (and their families) of Troop 1910 at the August 8th Court of Honor.



Court of Honor photos by Fred Nassauer



# Temple Hall Hosts Ag Day, Corn Maize and Fall Festival

Temple Hall Farm Regional Park is a working farm located in Leesburg, VA, that is dedicated to preserving the agricultural and

natural resources of Loudoun County. The 286 acre farm serves as an educational and recreational facility from early April through early November. This past May, Temple Hall hosted approximately 500 elementary school students for the sixth annual Loudoun 4-H Agriculture and Natural Resources day. Throughout the day, students were able to learn about a variety of different farming practices and sustainable living techniques by visiting information stations and participating in hands on activities. Students learned about bees, how wool is spun into yarn, weather balloons, how to put shoes on a horse and much more. Sarah, a fifth grader from Leesburg Elementary, delightfully shared that she was able to make a yarn ribbon for her hair at the wool station. Hall Farm manager, John Moore, explained that Ag Day is a great opportunity for them to educate local children about important conservation practices, as well as the historical impact farming has had in the region.



Starting September 27th Temple Hall Farm's Corn Maize and Fall Festival will be up and running. This year the huge and intricate corn maize design honors and supports our local firefighters. In addition to finding your way through the gigantic maze, the whole family can enjoy a day full of pig racing, pumpkin blasting, farm animals and a wagon ride to the pumpkin patch. Those are just a few of the many amazing features that Corn Maize and Fall Festival have to offer. Temple Hall Corn Maize and Fall Festival will be open September 27th through

November 4th, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. **For more information or to purchase your tickets today, visit [www.templehallfallfest.com](http://www.templehallfallfest.com).**



Ag Day photos by Steve Hillbrand | Corn Maize provided courtesy of NVRPA

# Summertime 2013

**Ice Cream Day** at the Lucketts Community Center was a bottoms up event. The ice cream is not gone til you put your entire face in the bowl!



Morven Park hosted **Carriage Day** this summer. Featured on this special one day event were tours of the mansion and Winmill Carriage Collection and a hayride from the mansion through the woods and pastures to the equestrian side. Once there, spectators were treated to a driving competition. Stately steeds and wee dobbins elegantly drew fine buggies and carts.

Ice Cream Day photos by Steve Hillbomund





General Information about the Lucketts Bluegrass Concerts

- October 5** Danny Paisley & the Southern Grass
- October 12** Eddie & Martha Adcock with Tom Gray
- October 19** Jim & Valerie Gabehart
- October 26** Big Country Bluegrass
- November 2** Mill Run Bluegrass Band
- November 9** Scott Brannon Band / The Hillbilly Gypsies Band
- November 16** Nothin' Fancy
- November 23** The Travelers
- December 7** Ralph Stanley II
- December 14** Lucketts Bluegrass Christmas Jamboree with Santa Claus \*
- January 4** Dark Hollow
- January 11** Springfield Exit (Linda & David Lay, David McLaughlin, Tom Adams & Marshall Wilborn)
- January 18** Michael Cleveland & Flamekeeper
- January 25** James King—opening by Cold Stream Road
- February 1** Joe Mullins & the Radio Ramblers
- February 8** Tony Holt & the Wildwood Valley Boys
- February 15** Bill Emerson & Sweet Dixie
- February 22** Bill Yates & the Country Gentlemen Tribute Band
- March 1** Larry Gillis Band
- March 8** Larry Stephenson Band
- March 15** The Little Roy & Lizzy Show
- March 22** The Special Consensus
- March 29** Audie Blaylock & Redline
- April 5** Dry Branch Fire Squad
- April 12** Scott Brannon Band / Virginia Ramblers Band
- April 19** Darren Beachley Band
- April 26** Patuxent Partners Band / Patent Pending Band

- 🔊 All Shows \$15 at the door
- 🔊 Doors of the Lucketts Community Center open at 6pm. Show time is 7pm.
- 🔊 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Loudoun County Parks, Recreation and Community Services is committed to complying with the ADA. If you need reasonable accommodations in order to participate, please call Adaptive Recreation 10 days prior to the start of the activity. 703-777-0343 TTY# 703-771-5352
- 🔊 A smoke and alcohol free environment. No coolers, no audio or video recording. Visit our website [www.luckettsbluegrass.org](http://www.luckettsbluegrass.org) for links to band websites. Call 703-771-5281 for more information.
- 🔊 The Lucketts Community Center is located on James Monroe Highway (US Route 15), 8 miles north of Leesburg, VA and 4 miles south of Point of Rocks, MD.
- 🔊 “Like” Lucketts Bluegrass on Facebook

🌟 **On December 14, many of Lucketts’ popular performers will mix and match their talents to perform the Bluegrass favorites that you know and love.**



**Furnace Mountain Presbyterian Church**

Worship Service on Sundays at 9:30 am.



**Faith Chapel Presbyterian Church**

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



**Christ Episcopal Church**

Bible Study every Wednesday night from 7:30-8:30 pm in the white house next to church. Sunday service starts at 9:30 am. Godly play for children through 5th grade during service. Tweens & teens youth group 6th grade and up following service. All are welcome. 703-771-2196 or visit us at [www.christchurchlucketts.com](http://www.christchurchlucketts.com)



**Bethel United Methodist Church**

Sunday morning service starts at 11 am. All are welcome. 41799 Stumptown Road, Lucketts, VA. Call us at 703-779-7745 or visit us at [www.cometobethel.org](http://www.cometobethel.org).

Churches

## Fall Events at the Lucketts Community Center

- Thru April '14 Lucketts Bluegrass** Saturdays 7pm-10:30pm. \$15 at door. Doors open at 6pm
- October 8 Lucketts Ruritan Meeting** 7:30-9pm. Dinner, speaker and meeting.
- October 12 Lucketts Fall Yard Sale** 8am-1pm. \$10 to rent a space.
- October 14 Columbus Day School's Out Fun** 8am-6pm. \$65/child; \$55/each add'l child. Lucketts Community Center
- October 16 Senior Pot Luck** 11am-1pm. Great food. Good conversation. Bring a dish to share.
- October 25 Lucketts Halloween Trunk or Treat** 6:30pm-8pm. \$7/family. "Trunk or Treat" in our parking lot. Snacks and a pumpkin to take home.
- Oct 28-Nov 1 Usborne Book Fair** 8am-6pm. Books for children through grade 5. Lucketts Community Center.
- November 4 Student Holiday Fun** 8am-6pm. Crafts, art, music, games and snack. Ages 6-12. \$65/child; \$55/each add'l child. Lucketts Community Center.
- November 5 More Student Holiday Fun** See above.
- November 12 Lucketts Ruritan Meeting** 7:30-9pm. Dinner, speaker and meeting.
- November 20 Senior Pot Luck** Bring a dish to share.
- December 18 Senior Pot Luck** Bring a dish to share.

**For more information contact the Lucketts Community Center at 703-771-5281**



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