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Lucketts Ruritan Club

Fruit Sale & Fund Raiser

by Tom Howder

THE LUCKETTS RURITAN CLUB has sponsored an annual citrus fruit sale for the last decade or more, which has become a popular tradition in our community. The fruit is trucked directly to the club from select growers in the Indian River area of Florida. It is picked from the trees early in the week to arrive for distribution at the Lucketts School on the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

This year, as in other years, the Club is offering Ruby Red grapefruit and Navel oranges (an order form is enclosed in this newsletter). Please note that the prices are unchanged from a year ago despite increases in shipping costs.

The proceeds from this sale are an important factor in the Club's volunteer efforts to assist the Lucketts community. The money raised will directly benefit our local fire and rescue, our schools, Interfaith Relief, the Abused Woman's Shelter, our Lucketts scouting activities, Little League, soccer, and increasing scholarship awards amongst other worthy activities.

The grapefruit and oranges have always been good and fresh, and the Ruritan Club welcomes the participation of all good citizens of the greater Lucketts area in making this year's fruit sale a successful fund raising event. 🍊



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Mrs. Lucketts' Garden

by James P. Lucier

IF YOU LIVED IN LUCKETTS in the nineteen forties and fifties, the person to know was Mrs. Roger W. Lockett. That's because Mrs. Lockett presided over the U.S. Post Office as well as her general store, and, in the nature of things, sat like the queen bee in the center of information central. Everybody came in to gossip, and she heard it all. Her little post office served some 150 rural mail boxes and 170 families. She knew when you got that letter from Aunt Matilda, and when you got around to answering it, and she might ask you how Aunt Matilda was doing. She knew when the packages from Sears, Roebuck came, and who was getting the spring seed catalogues.

And in fact, when you did get the seed catalogues, it would be a good idea to drop by the store and talk to her about the best seeds to buy. Everyone knew that she was the finest gardener in Loudoun County. In fact, she had two gardens—a big vegetable patch just next to her side porch, and her beloved flower garden across the road. If she wasn't at her desk in the post office when you went in, the next place to look for her was in her favorite spot, where she could be seen wearing the long dresses and aprons of another era and a broad-brimmed sun bonnet. You can still see the garden today—that fenced in triangle just next to the kid's playground by the Old School. There's not much left but the memories, except for a few shrubs that still come into flower. It's all waiting for someone to revitalize it.

But, in a garden there's always a future to look forward to, as the Loudoun Times-Mirror noted in 1956 when writing about Mrs.



Lockett's garden. "A sprinkling of white dogwood and purple-lilacs against the blue green of spruce trees make a garden at Lucketts a pleasant place to visit this time of year," said the unnamed T-M reporter.

"A sudden hot spell last week faded the daffodils, except in the shade and last week's frost cut back the magnolias. But the baby iris are coming out. Oregon holly grape, with yellow flowers, are blooming, while its leaves turn red. There are banks of low mystide flora and blue *Anchusis*. The fall *Anchusis* is yet to come."

"The *Viburnum earlesis* is the sweet smell that lingers over the one-acre garden," the article went on, "The tree peony is still in bud. At one time Mrs. Lockett had 40 varieties of peonies. Yellow primroses are coming on and so is the snowball. White and purple lilac at the back of the garden are still in bud. The purple wisteria vines on the post office porch are now in bloom."

The Lockett clan came over from Montgomery County in 1786, marrying into the Noland family of Noland's Ferry. T. H. Lockett had his home on the southwest corner of the crossroads. But then William H. and Sally J. Lockett came over the mountain from Waterford in 1890 and built a house and a store on the northeast corner, which by then had become known as Lockett's Cross Roads. Just as Tyson's Corners eventually dropped the pesky apostrophe, so the village became known as Lucketts. His son Roger met Mae Arnold, the daughter of M.D. Arnold, while going to the Sunnyside school, about two miles north of Lucketts. Having married his childhood sweetheart, he built the new store in 1912 with a commodious 12-room house above, featuring a glassed-in sunroom that caught both morning and mid-day sun, and a dining room with a built-in sideboard in the latest style. The stunningly modern Lucketts Elementary School across the road went up in 1914.

Roger took on his duties as postmaster when the building was complete, which included a small, but separate post-office room in the back corner of the store. When Roger died in 1944, Mae became postmistress. Lucketts Post Office closed in 1960. With the deaths of Roger and Mae, the Lockett clan disappeared from Loudoun. 🐦

Further Reading: "Mrs. Lockett... Finds Time for One of County's Finest Gardens," Loudoun Times-Mirror, May 10, 1956; "The Post Offices of Loudoun" Andrew A. Rowberg and Marie C. Rowberg, Bulletin of the Historical Society of Loudoun County, Virginia 1957-1976; Eugene M. Scheel, *Loudoun Discovered: Leesburg and the Old Carolina Road*, Vol. Two, Friends of the Thomas Balch Library.



BLUEGRASS

by Paul Garvin



THE LUCKETTS BLUEGRASS SERIES kicked off its 34th season of bluegrass concerts on Saturday, October 6, 2007 with the appearance of two regional favorites: Mill Run and Springfield Exit at the Community Center. The season will continue Saturday nights at 7pm through April 26, 2008. The weekly lineup includes a mix of local, regional and national bands. Among the highlights are: Michelle Nixon and Drive, Nothin' Fancy, The Dry Branch Fire Squad, Larry Stephenson and his band, Larry Sparks and The Lonesome Ramblers and John Starling and Carolina Star. Admission is \$13, doors open at 6. Our snack stand offers hot dogs, barbeque sandwiches, drinks, etc. This year's schedule appears below. For links to the bands, see the Community Center web site: www.luckettscommunitycenter.org

 **Seneca Rocks! performs on stage last year.**

2007/2008 Lucketts Bluegrass Concert Schedule

- Oct. 06** Mill Run / Springfield Exit (David McLaughlin, Linda Lay, David Lay and Friends)
- Oct. 13** Cliff Waldron and The New Shades of Grass / Mark Templeton & Pocket Change
- Oct. 20** Iron Ridge / James Reams and The Barnstormers
- Oct. 27** Flint Hollow / Michelle Nixon and Drive
- Nov. 03** Gary Brewer and The Kentucky Ramblers / David Davis and The Warrior River Boys
- Nov. 10** The Scott Brannon Band / Big Country Bluegrass
- Nov. 17** Nothin' Fancy
- Dec. 01** The Bluegrass Brothers
- Dec. 08** Patent Pending / Dan Paisley and The Southern Grass
- Dec. 15** **SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SHOW** with: Heather Berry and New Dominion / The Company Store / Santa Claus
- Jan. 12** Seneca Rocks! (*features four former Johnson Mountain Boys: Dudley Connell, David McLaughlin, Marshall Wilborn and Tom Adams along with Sally Love*)
- Jan. 19** Randy Waller and The Country Gentlemen
- Jan. 26** The Virginia Ramblers / The Charlie Sizemore Band
- Feb. 02** Highland Grass (*featuring Joe and Donna*) / The Stoney Creek Bluegrass Band
- Feb. 09** Phoenix / Blue Moon Rising
- Feb. 16** Five of a Kind / Ernie Bradley and The Grassy Ridge
- Feb. 23** The Dry Branch Fire Squad
- Mar. 01** The Larry Stephenson Band
- Mar. 08** Larry Sparks and The Lonesome Ramblers
- Mar. 15** Dark Hollow / Travis Chandler and Avery County
- Mar. 22** Country Gentlemen Tribute with Bill Yates and Friends
- Mar. 29** Gold Heart / Dan Paisley and The Southern Grass
- Apr. 05** John Starling and Carolina Star
- Apr. 12** The Scott Brannon Band / The Wildwood Valley Boys
- Apr. 19** Norman Wright and The Travelers / Carolina Road
- Apr. 26** The Patuxent Partners / Patent Pending

Note: Information and pictures on most bands without website links can be found on either DC Bluegrass Union or iBluegrass.com.



Mr. Pellegrino

Lucketts Elementary School Principal

by Wade Byard, Public Relations Director

**Thomas Wolfe said it, Michael Pellegrino lived it...
"You can't, indeed, go home again."**

After serving as a teacher at Sanders Corner and Cool Spring elementary schools and as an assistant principal at Meadowland Elementary, Pellegrino decided he would return to Tannersville, Pa., to become the assistant principal at Pocono Elementary. You couldn't get much more homey than that; Pellegrino had been a student at Pocono. In fact, he was now supervising some of the teachers that taught him. "It was awkward."

Beyond being awkward, Pellegrino realized something about where his home really was. "It was a good experience, but it wasn't Loudoun County. At that point my kids were getting ready to start school. Having been in Loudoun County and having been away from Loudoun County this is where I knew I wanted them to go to school."

The differences Pellegrino saw between Loudoun and Pennsylvania generally fell into two areas: attitude and the way the schools are supplied. "The thing that's most different is the work climate. Here is more of 'Let me help you, we're all in this together.' There it's more like 'You're on your own.'"

When he asks for something for his students, the new principal of Lucketts Elementary said he always gets it. "I can't think of a resource that Loudoun County doesn't provide for students."

Looking back, Pellegrino said returning to Loudoun after two years at Pocono was not a hard decision. "It was an easy decision; (Loudoun is) home. I left thinking I was going back home, not realizing that this is my home."

Pellegrino takes over Lucketts from Nancy Chapin, who retired. He comes to his new post after serving for four years as an assistant principal at Ball's Bluff Elementary under Principal Jerry Hill. Pellegrino said the main thing Hill taught can be boiled down to one word: "Integrity". Jerry Hill is all about integrity. Never compromise your integrity or the integrity of your programs for anything or anybody."

Hill and Pellegrino met every morning at Ball's Bluff to talk about how the school was running and Hill still is

available as a resource, Pellegrino said. Working with a multi-cultural community at Ball's Bluff taught Pellegrino an important lesson about how to handle a diverse student body, such as the one at Lucketts. This lesson can be summed up by the words "understanding limitations."

"Not all parents can volunteer in the same capacity. The way they volunteer for their school is to make sure their kid gets up on time, making sure they get breakfast at home, making sure they get on that bus, making sure they're doing their homework. If that's the way they can volunteer and participate with school, we'll take it.

"Some parents are (in school) so often that you might think they work there. It's an understanding of what (the parents) limitations are and what they can do for the school."

Communication also is a key, Pellegrino said. If that means finding a way to communicate in the parent's native language, Pellegrino said he'll find a way to do this in order to make the parent feel comfortable. Comfort is something the new principal wants everyone to feel when they're dealing with him.

"I want students to know that I'm approachable. I want them to be able to come to me and talk to me and feel open; same thing with parents. What I've learned so far about Lucketts is

that it's very community-oriented. That's what I want. I want Lucketts Elementary School to be the focal point of the community...

"When kids come up to me I want them to know they're going to get respect out of me and that I'm going to treat them all as individuals." *see Pellegrino, page 5*



Personal Data

- **Born:** New York
- **Lived:** most of life in Pennsylvania (Poconos)
- **Grew Up:** with 3 sisters and his mother
- **Degrees:** Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, East Stroudsburg University; Masters Degree in Administration—Shenandoah University
- **Taught:** 3rd grade at Sanders Corner; 3rd/5th grade at Cool Spring Elementary
- **Assistant Principal:** Meadowland Elementary; Pocono Elementary (PA); Ball's Bluff Elementary
- **Wife:** Lisa – 1st grade teacher/reading specialist; now staying home with children
- **Daughters:** Michala, 9, 4th grade; Callie, 6, 1st grade,
- **Son:** Anthony, 3

(Pellegrino, from page 4) Pellegrino has an office filled with conversation starters to make students feel more comfortable. There are mementos of his favorite sports teams (Yankees, Steelers, Celtics) as well as a rather different item; a shoe-shining machine. "My mother was going to throw it out... People come in and talk about it and most of them make fun of it. But then they come back later and start shining their shoes."

One thing that Pellegrino wants to keep polished up are Lucketts' Standards of Learning (SOL) scores. He doesn't want to do this at the expense of solid instructional practices, however. "We want everybody to do the best that they can and produce the scores that Lucketts has been achieving. (But school) is so much more than SOL's. If you're a teacher and you're doing what you're supposed to be doing, if I'm an administrator and I'm doing what I'm supposed to be doing, the kids are doing what they're supposed to do, the SOL's will take care of themselves. SOL's are just a result of doing what you're supposed to be doing. Don't focus on the SOL's. They're going to come and they're going to go and the scores are going to happen."

Pellegrino knows how he wants his students to feel at the end of the day, week and school year. "I want them to feel that they've been challenged. I want them to feel exhausted (in the way that comes from giving your all)... I want them to be as excited as I am every day... I want them to know that whatever happened today, tomorrow is a fresh start." 🐾

LCCAB Pot Luck Dinner

Mark your calendars for 2007's annual appreciation Pot Luck Dinner to be held on **October 28** from **5-7 pm**. Bring a dish to share. Child care will be available.

This year's speaker is Dr. David T. Clark of the Loudoun Archaeological Foundation. Dr. Clark, is Lecturer in Archaeology and Anthropology at the Catholic University of America, NOVA and the principal founder of the Loudoun Archaeological Foundation, Inc. The non-profit foundation promotes a "whole community" approach to both archaeological public education and the preservation/conservation of the cultural and natural resources of Loudoun.

Dr. Clark says "The year 2007 is a very significant time for archaeology in Virginia and Loudoun County. Virginia is commemorating the 400th anniversary of the founding of the Jamestown colony at James Fort while Loudoun County, established 1757, celebrates its 250th anniversary." As a part of the county's anniversary celebration, the foundation conducted numerous special public education archaeological digs this summer. Visit the foundation online at www.loudounarchaeologicalfoundation.org 🐾

Would you believe it's time to run the... **GET SMART!**

SMART'S MILL MIDDLE SCHOOL
OCTOBER 27, 2007 - LEESBURG, VA **5K**

8am \$18 before Oct. 21, \$23 after

Register online at Active.com or see www.loudoun.k12.va.us/smarts

Inaugural GET SMART!

5k Run Set For October 27

LEESBURG, VA (October 9, 2007) —The 1st Annual Get Smart! 5K road race is set for Saturday, October 27, 2007 at 8:00 a.m. Sponsored by the Smart's Mill Middle School (SMMS) PTA, the event aims to promote healthy minds through running. **This is a fund raiser for the Smart's Mill PTA and will support programs for all of our Lucketts middle school kids!**

The 5K course is USAT&F-certified and begins at SMMS, located at 850 N. King Street in Leesburg. The course wends its way throughout the residential neighborhoods and bike paths along Battlefield Parkway. It continues south on Catocin Circle to Marshall Street, looping back to SMMS.

The race is open to all ages. Prizes will be awarded to the top three overall male and female runners and the top two finishers in age groups: 13 and under; 14-19; 20-24; 25-29; 30-34; 35-39; 40-44; 45-49; 50-54; 55-59; 60-64; 65-69; and 70 and over. The award ceremony will be held shortly after the last runner completes the course. The event will take place rain or shine. A free fun run and walk will take place after the 5K, with all finishers receiving a ribbon. Additionally, random prizes will be drawn after the race, including a bike, donated by Destiny Church.

"This race is a great event for the entire family," said Eric Stewart, principal, Smart's Mill Middle School. "It is sure to be a fun day and a wonderful way to encourage healthy lifestyle choices for all ages." 🐾

Register at www.active.com or contact marykaywilliams@verizon.net

Sponsors include: Creighton Farms; Rockwell Collins; Reed Smith; Destiny Church; Synergy Benefits, Inc.; Citi Smith Barney; Tony Nerantzis; Dr. Robert S. Strange, D.M.D., M.D.S.; Metz Family; Kids in Focus, Kathy Kupka Photography; Lucketts Excavating; Domenicon Marketing; and Old Mill Kennel.

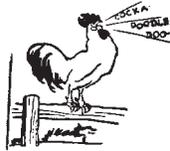
35th Annual LUCKETTS FAIR Report

Attendance

- Approximately 11,000 people attended.
- Sunday's attendance was good, but Saturday's attendance was down significantly due to heat and a severe afternoon storm (we lost about eight tents but nobody was hurt!).
- While attendance was down for us, this same attendance level is considered to be a huge success at other local fairs that had perfect weather!

Highlights

- The new Green Pavilion was really cool – literally! They had solar-powered fans and other alternative energy demonstrations like baking cookies in solar ovens. So, there was an upside to the heat! There were hands on recycling activities for kids and great information provided by local soil and water and sustainable living experts.
- The rooster crowing contest was a real hoot! Local rooster, Sundreid Tomato from Sunnyside Farm, put up such a fight when his owners tried to catch him that we had to borrow a silky-feathered rooster from the petting zoo. It's a good thing he wasn't a pig, because he was a huge ham—crowing every time the emcee pointed the microphone his way! Sundreid Tomato finally arrived in all his glory just in time for the adult category, and he made them work a bit harder.
- The Lucketts Fire & Rescue squad just barely beat out the team of 13-year-olds from the Tripple Threat Basketball team on the tractor pedal pull!
- There were rubber chickens tossed and straw bales hauled in a variety of races out in left field that made up or first ever Wacky Olympics!



Thanks!

We are extremely grateful for the many volunteers who helped make this event possible!!!

The Fair Committee worked throughout the year to ensure this event was filled with “fresh-squeezed fun and home grown flavor!” This group took on the big jobs of recruiting crafters, food vendors, business exhibitors and sponsors, booking entertainers and stage equipment, organizing kid's stops and contests, setting up tents and grounds, coordinating traffic control, road signage, and public safety and so much more.

2007 Fair Committee

☆ Gloria Bradley ☆ Hilary Cooley ☆ Jan Hyland ☆ Sally Keefer ☆ Becky Kite ☆ Lauren Lang ☆ Doris Martinez ☆ Julie Metz ☆ Tarra Sullivan

The 2007 Fair Committee wants to recognize the exemplarily volunteer effort displayed by Lucketts Boy Scout Kyle Raffensperger. Kyle was an extraordinary volunteer (working more than 60 hours the week of the fair) and an inspiration to everyone who worked with him. Thanks, Kyle!!!

Huge thanks go out to the crew who helped out the week of the fair:

- Loudoun County PRCS had a great team of guys who put up the big tents and fencing and then reassembled tents on Sunday morning after the storm.
- The Sherriff's workforce helped pay their debt to society by putting up our road signage and helping with other heavy lifting.



- Neighbors, friends and family pitched in to pull it all together: laying out the fields, putting up extra tents, hanging banners, checking in vendors and setting up tables and chairs borrowed from Skills USA, Cryptek and the Lucketts Volunteer Fire Department (thank you!!!).
- A great team of folks managed and staffed our gates, refilled water stations, and shuttled folks with special needs via golf carts.
- Special thanks goes out to Heritage High School's Project Graduation volunteers, the Lovettsville Boy Scouts, the Lovettsville Lions Club and the Loudoun County Triple Threat Basketball Team who added new energy to our volunteer ranks and made major contributions to the success of the weekend.
- The Lucketts and Lovettsville Ruritans Clubs and the Sherriff's Auxillary helped keep traffic flowing, and the Loudoun Rescue Squad was there for anyone needing medical attention in the heat. The Fair Committee gladly makes donations to these groups in recognition of their volunteers' time.

Plea for More Help!

Planning for a 36th Lucketts Fair needs to begin soon. A new committee should form in November/December. If the community wants to host a 36th Lucketts Fair, more folks will need to step forward to be a part of the planning committee! When too much falls on the shoulders of just a few people, we have volunteer burn-out and things fall apart. So, think about what you love (or don't love) about the fair and commit to help make it better in 2008.

The committee meets just once a month and most individual jobs only require a small commitment of time. We have a plan and materials that can be re-used and a team of folks to show you the ropes. Any small part you can play will help tremendously!!!



We've Named the Horse and Cow!!!

This year's promotional poster featured a classic red pick-up truck stopped to let a hen and her chicks cross the road – answering the age-old question of why the chicken crossed the road. Clearly, to the Lucketts Fair!

The cartoon horse and cow have appeared in fair materials the past three years. This year, fair-goers had the opportunity to name the characters created by local artist Kaarin Nelson. Graphic artist Mary Gustafson of Daydream Design in Lucketts translates the original artwork into promotional materials.

And the winning names are...

The horse will be called "Lucky"—this was the clear winner over "Stumptown Joe" and "Selma". It was a much closer contest for the cow—now called "Spinks Dairy" which just barely beat out "Sugarloaf Moo" and "St. Clairabell".



Photos (from left): tractor pedal pull; Lucketts Fire & rescue and the Triple Threat Basketball Team; the pie eating contest; and the PTA ice cream crew put on a command performance at the Car Show

Check out the Contest Winners, on page 10!

LIVIN' IN LUCKETTS

by Peter Gustafson

I'M SURE THAT THERE ARE MANY amusing stories to be told about life in and around Lucketts over the years. The following is my own accounting of something that happened just this past week!

I moved here as a newly wed over twenty-five years ago and quickly learned to cherish the unique rural lifestyle this area has had to offer. From the cattle farmers to the hog breeders of those early years came the inspiration for market gardening and milking goats among other things. Throughout it all, we usually managed to keep a small flock of chickens for their fresh eggs. The chickens, and the occasional turkeys, geese and ducks have also provided their share of entertainment and amusement along with their eggs.

We got back into the egg business a couple of years ago with some mail order chicks. While those birds grew from chicks to pullets to matronly hens, a family of Muscovy ducks flew in one day to establish residency on our neighbor's pond. Well, it wasn't long before they discovered the free eats down by our barn in the chicken run. Before we knew it, the following Spring brought little baby Muscovys commuting with their parents back and forth between the pond and our barnyard.

Well, nature is a great equalizer. Over time the ducklings' numbers dwindled—victims of hawks, fox, bass and snapping turtles. Not to be dissuaded, one of the Muscovy hens established a second nest in late summer.

With extreme diligence, mother duck set on her nest for weeks on end. Finally, one day my wife exclaimed that the day had arrived. She had hatched her babies. At my first opportunity, I looked in on her to see the little ducklings. Imagine my surprise when out popped 3 baby chicks!

One of our chickens had apparently been "laying astray" in the duck's nest. So there it was. We watched as a Muscovy duck hen proudly lead 3 baby chicks around the barnyard.

Now this posed a dilemma for me. Should I intervene in this situation or let nature run its course. The approaching cold weather meant I would have to provide food, shelter and, most importantly, warmth for these little chicks. They were too small to be down with the big chickens. I'd have to tend to them several times a day. That would mean a lot of extra work. My decision was made. Mother duck hatched them, so she would raise them.

It was several days later that I was working outside my shop. There to my horror was mother duck leading her babies to the pond for their first swim! I knew that I had to act. I ran to the barn, grabbed a large cage and got to the pond's shore just moments before three reluctant and

confused chicks were prodded into the water by an equally confused mother.

Throughout the Fall I fed and watered the young birds outside my shop door. I'd let them out each day and herd them in each night. By Thanksgiving they were big enough to move to the chicken coop. Now they could grow and prosper with others of their kind.

Two grew up to be handsome roosters and one matured to be a pretty barred rock hen. Now you'd think that that's the end of the story. But it's not. All this was just to set the scene for what happened the other day.

You see the young Barred Rock hen, feels most at home around the house and shop building—not the barnyard. Each morning when we let the chickens out, she makes a beeline for the front lawn. There she scratches around for bugs and sees what's for breakfast under the bird feeders. When it became time to begin laying eggs, it soon became her habit to lay one egg each day in a cat's bed outside the back door. That was pretty amusing to us—but especially to our friends! Eventually though, I guess she determined the traffic flow through the back door, and perhaps competition from sleepy cats, was too much. She abandoned that nest. Next she tried the dogs' beds! There were problems there as well. Finally, she started to sneak into my shop and lay eggs on the floorboard of my MG convertible. Of course I didn't want to encourage this so I'd chase her out whenever I could.

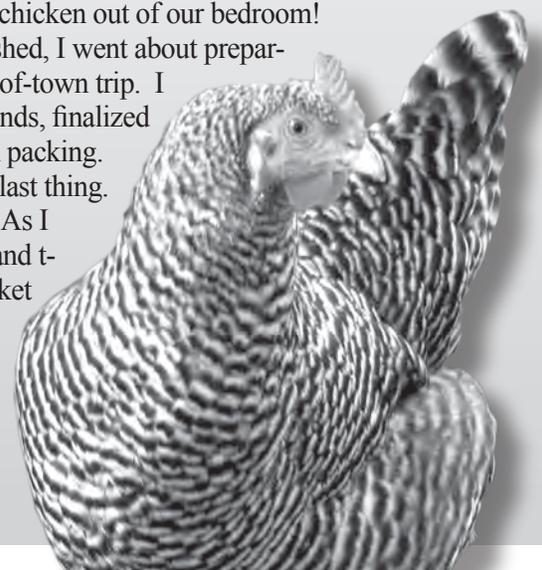
As Summer came to a close she seemed to finally get the hint and, like the other hens use the nest boxes in the chicken coop. There were no more wayward eggs around the house. However, she remains curious and continually searches for the 'perfect' nest. We've chased her out of the shop and even our upstairs office! Leave the door open and she'll jump in your car!

The ultimate was the other day when my wife yelled for me to help her get the chicken out of our bedroom!

Mission accomplished, I went about preparing for a short out-of-town trip. I finished up loose ends, finalized projects and began packing. But there was one last thing.

Do some laundry. As I pulled dirty jeans and t-shirts from the basket

on the floor, out rolled one freshly laid, still warm, Barred Rock chicken egg! 🐣



Annual Fruit Sale

The Lucketts Ruritan Club is again selling **Indian River Citrus Fruit** to raise funds for community services this Fall. Proceeds will benefit local fire & rescue, schools, the Abused Women's Shelter, Interfaith Relief, scouting, Little League, soccer and scholarships. We're offering **Ruby Red Grapefruit** and **Navel Oranges**, fresh picked and shipped direct from Indian River Growers in Florida.

We are offering 2 carton sizes, 2/5 bushel and 4/5 bushel, at the following prices:

Ruby Red Grapefruit

2/5 bushel (20 lbs.) for **\$14.00**

4/5 bushel (40 lbs.) for **\$25.00**



Navel Oranges

2/5 bushel (20 lbs.) for **\$14.00**

4/5 bushel (40 lbs.) for **\$25.00**



Mixed carton Ruby Red Grapefruit & Navel Oranges

2/5 bushel (20 lbs.) for **\$15.00**

To order, please complete the form below. Submit orders by Saturday **November 3rd** via **mail, telephone,** or **drop off** before noon any Saturday at the Ruritan trash collection at **Lucketts Elementary School**. To order by phone, please call one of the following individuals:

Tom Howder 540-822-5967

Buddy Moreland703-777-1182

Matt Quitter 703-777-8511

Gretchen Burgin703-443-8219

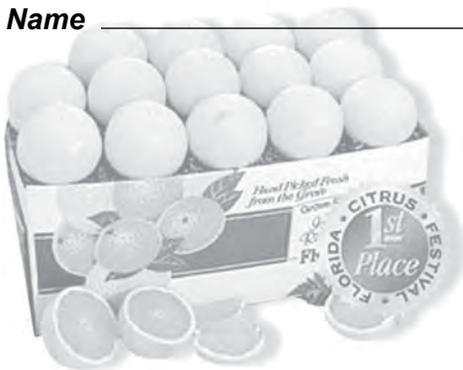
IMPORTANT

Fruit should be picked up Saturday morning November 17th, between 8:00 AM and Noon at the Lucketts Elementary School.



Order Form

Name _____ Phone _____

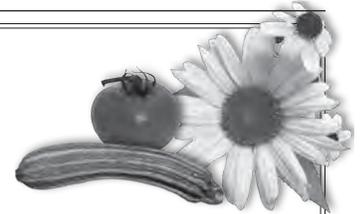


	Qty	Amount	Paid
Ruby Red Grapefruit	_____ 2/5 bu. @ \$14.00 = \$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
	_____ 4/5 bu. @ \$25.00 = \$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Navel Oranges	_____ 2/5 bu. @ \$14.00 = \$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
	_____ 4/5 bu. @ \$25.00 = \$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Mixed carton	_____ 2/5 bu. @ \$15.00 = \$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL		_____	\$ _____

Please make checks payable to the Lucketts Ruritan Club.

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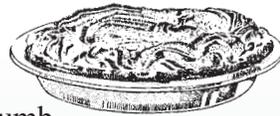
Contest Winners!



Fruit Pie Contest:

Pie judges were Eileen Carlton, Entertainment Editor for the Loudoun Times Mirror and her husband, John, one of the Ld. Cty Attorneys (he is a very low key guy who is the cook in that family), and Cal Kraft, a professional chef and teacher of culinary arts in Northern VA. The three pie judges had a lot of fun and are still talking about it.

Mr. Pelagrino asked for the pie contest sign so that he could put it on his bulletin board at the school for a conversational piece!



Adult:

1. Leslie Gurney Peach Crumb
2. Ernie Carnevale Rhubarb
3. Kristina Bendo Peach/Blueberry

Honorable Mention:

Rachel Summers Blueberry Peach

Junior:

(Both of the Lucketts area!)

1. Jannen Hermann Blueberry/Cherry
2. Brett Hyland Apple/Blueberry, Raspberry/Blackberry

Vegetable Contest:

Pamela Bove entered a very pretty, nice sized sunflower but the three winners were huge and UGLY. Since the crown width was the determining measurement they were the winners. The judge, Michael Pelagrino, Lucketts Elementary School Principle, and I thought it only fair to recognize our own Lucketts gardener in some way!

Sunflower

1. Marcie Woolson Alexandria
2. Mike Woodyerd Alexandria
3. Kyle Luckin MI

Best Looking Sunflower

Pamela Bove Lucketts

Tomato

1. Jim Goss Lucketts
2. Joyce Webb Lucketts
3. Pete Webb Lucketts

Zucchini

1. June Goss Lucketts
2. Pamela Bove Lucketts

PLEASE CARE

Support Interfaith Relief by Carl Siebentritt

WINSTON CHURCHILL said, "We make our living by what we get, but we make our lives by what we give."

Yes Virginia, there are hungry people in Loudoun County. Loudoun Interfaith Relief, Inc. (LIR) provides food supplies and groceries to 3,000 Loudoun residents each month, including 1,800 children who would otherwise go hungry. The Lucketts Community has a strong tradition of supporting the Interfaith Relief mission through cash and food donations. Let's keep up this good work. Bring a food donation with you every week. The Ruritan places food collection containers at the school every Saturday between 8:00 AM and Noon. The Boy Scouts of Troop

1910 transport the donations to LIR the first Saturday of each month. The Ruritan's would welcome volunteers to handle delivery to LIR for other Saturdays. Contact Carl Siebentritt at 703-777-4474. 🍂



Editor's Note: This article is reprinted from Lucketts News and Notes, Volume I, Number 1, April 2006. This worthwhile program has seen participation drop off as of late while the need remains unchanged. Please post a reminder near your grocery list to remember those less fortunate than ourselves.

Bulletin Board

VOTE! November 6

On Election Day, voters in Loudoun will vote on a bond referendum authorizing the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors to issue a \$13.5 million in bonds to fund renovations at five community centers including Lucketts. If it passes, we can help decide how those funds will be used to upgrade and/or expand the our community center. 1) Talk with neighbors about what you and they would like to see improved and then tell the Lucketts Community Center Advisory Board what you think (lccab@luckettscommunitycenter.org)! 2) Vote Nov. 6! 3) If the referendum passes, the LCCAB will seek community input so we can tell the county planners what we would like to see at our community center. The county will then host a series of community input sessions with engineers and design experts to review potential plans. You can, and need, to be a part of it! You can help decide the future of the Lucketts Community Center!

PTA Ice Cream Update

Although ice cream churned by the PTA did not sell out at the fair, it is now all gone. It sold out at the successful car show.

Boy Scouts

Two new Eagle Scout projects are on going: a restoration of a storage shed behind the Community Center and installation of a flag pole at Gladen. Four additional Eagle Scout projects are planned by year end. Our district has a record of 70% of its scouts achieving Eagle Scout status! This is at least 10 times the national average!

Open Air Burning Ban

The open air burn ban is still in effect due to the extremely dry conditions. All outside burning is prohibited. If you have any questions, please call 703-777-0637. 🐾

Community Center Advisory Board

The Lucketts Community Center Advisory Board (LCCAB) is looking for volunteers who would like to make a difference in their community. The LCCAB is a 501(c)(3) organization that sponsors the Lucketts Fair, Lucketts Bluegrass, and supports programs and activities that enrich the Lucketts Community and the Community Center. Meetings are the third Tuesday of each month at the Community Center at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to the public. For more information, please call the Community Center at 703-771-5281.

Furnace Mountain and Faith Chapel Presbyterian Churches

Everyone is invited to Sunday services at either of these churches. Furnace Mountain services are held at 9:45 am and Faith Chapel is at 11:00 am on Sundays.

Lucketts Ruritan Club

The **Lucketts Ruritan Club** invites all those interested in serving their community to explore the opportunities provided by membership and participation in club activities. Club fund raising efforts return over \$20,000 to the community annually. Dinner meetings are held the **second Tuesday** of each month at 7:30 pm at the Lucketts Community Center.

Our club was chartered in May, 1979. Ruritan National, headquartered in Dublin, Virginia was founded in 1928 in Holland, Virginia and is the leading community service organization in the United States. Ruritan is committed to creating understanding among people and, through volunteer service, to making our communities a better place to live and work. Come meet others in your community, share a meal and listen to guest speakers discuss a topics of interest to the community. 🐾



Lucketts Community Center
News & Events

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Monday, 7 am–8 pm; Tuesday–Thursday, 7 am–9 pm;
Friday, 7 am–6 pm; Saturday: 9:30 am–12:30 pm

NOW THIS!

NOW THIS! is coming to the Lucketts Community Center! They present an interactive musical childrens' theatre show. If you can imagine it, NOW THIS! can sing about it.

Friday, October 19, 2007

7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

\$5.00 at the door

Wear your Halloween costume. Refreshments served. Visit them on the web at www.nowthisimprov.com

To register, or for more information please call the Community Center at 703-771-5281



Call the community center for more information or to register for any event. 703-771-5281.

October 28 Community Pot Luck Dinner
5–7 pm *Bring a dish to share!*

November 11 Waterford Concert Series at Lucketts
4 pm *Daedalus Quartet*

November 21 Senior Pot Luck Luncheon
11 am–1 pm *Bring a dish to share*

December 2 Tree Lighting Sunday
5–7 pm *Musical group OMNI will be performing. Free, but donations are greatly appreciated and benefit The Shepherd Alliance.*

December 19 Senior Pot Luck Luncheon
11 am–1 pm *Bring a dish to share*

December 14 Parents Night Out...
6–9:30 pm *...and let your kids have a night out too! Pizza, games, fun and a movie for them and you can be on your way to have some fun as well. \$25.00/1st child. \$15.00 ea. add'l.*

February 17 Reptile World
2–3:30 pm *Join us for an exciting show featuring Reptile Man and his many friends.*

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