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# Newsletter

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## SCHS Annual Dinner Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 15th

The 2018 Shenandoah County Historical Society Annual Meeting and Dinner will be held Tuesday, May 15th in Edinburg. This year the dinner will be at the historic Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2447 located on Stony Creek Blvd. at the railroad crossing. A social hour will begin at 6:00 PM, followed by dinner at 6:30 PM. The cost for the dinner meeting is \$23.00 per person.

Immediately after the dinner, SCHS president Barbara Adamson, will conduct a brief business meeting that will include a report on the Society's accomplishments during the past year. She will also conduct the election of members to serve on the Board of Directors for the coming year. The proposed slate of current board members standing for re-election to a two-year term include John Adamson, Bruce Alger, Dennis Atwood, Anne Dellinger, Meg Trott and Janet Wagniere.

The program this year, The Luray Valley Museum Story, will be presented by Rod Graves, Executive Vice President of Luray Caverns. Rod will reflect on why and how he, along with his wife, Isabel, came to create this extensive museum at the caverns complex, about the material culture of the Shenandoah Valley and its early settlement.

A registration form is included with this newsletter and members are requested to use the form to: 1) register to attend the dinner meeting. 2) sign a proxy to represent them if they are un-able to attend. 3) renew their annual membership dues, if appropriate. Non-members are, of course, welcome to attend the dinner as well.

Additional parking is available at the former Sun Trust Bank building across Stony Creek Blvd.

### New Members

David Christovich  
Sally Veach  
Robert Rousch  
Brandon Jones

### New Life Members

William J. Miller

## CCC Legacy Exhibit now at Courthouse Visitor Center



The nation's first CCC camp, known as Camp Roosevelt, was built in the Fort Valley outside Edinburg Virginia in 1933. Portions of the camp still stand. The CCC Legacy museum in Edinburg has installed a new exhibit at the Visitor Center in the Historic Shenandoah County Courthouse at 103 N. Main St. in Woodstock VA.

The exhibit, which will be on display through June 2018, is free and open to the public. In conjunction with the display, two of the CCC handbooks have been reproduced and will be available for sale at the visitor center in the near future.

## 2018 Shenandoah County Heritage Day to Feature World War II



The annual Shenandoah County Heritage Day 2018 will be held Saturday, April 14 at the Charterhouse School in Edinburg from 11am - 3pm. This year's theme is World War II. We're excited about having ample space available at the school and invite all who are interested in exhibiting memorabilia from WWII to request table space. We expect to see uniforms, letters, medals, photographs, family information and other items. We also would enjoy having WWII items from the home front to share. They might include war bonds, newspaper articles, ration stamps, letters, diaries, household items from the 1930s/40s, quilts, photographs and more.

A special feature will be a presentation by Shenandoah County resident, John Billings, about his WWII experiences. Billings was a Captain in the Army Air Corps, flew B-24 Liberators in the 15th Air Force (Mediterranean) and is an Angel Flight

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### ATTENTION

#### ARE YOUR DUES DUE??

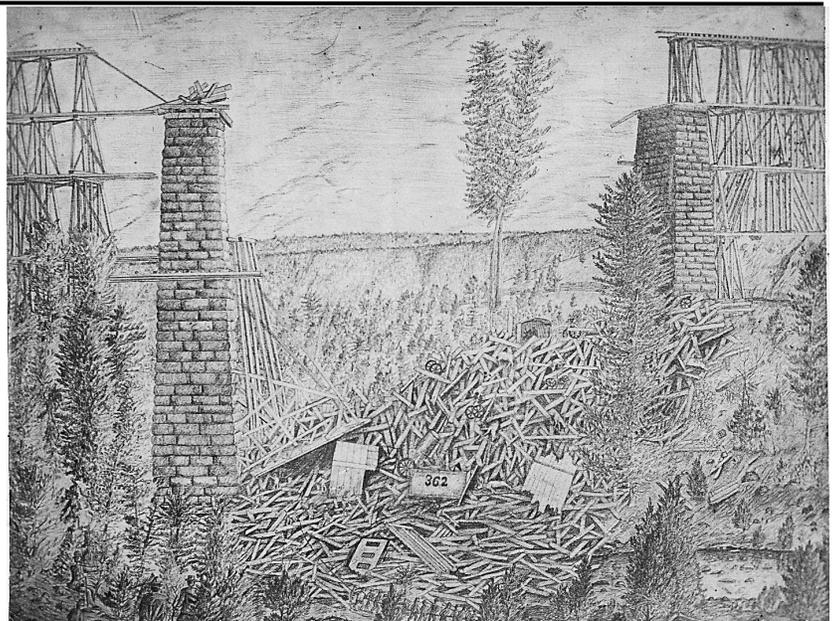
The date beside the name on your mailing label is the month and year your membership is due. We appreciate your staying current.



## From the County Archives

By Zach Hottel, Archivist

*Ruins of the Narrow Passage Bridge: Scene of the Great Rail Road Disaster, March 7 1876, Herb Parker General Collection, Truban Archives, Shenandoah County Library, Edinburg, Virginia.* →



### Narrow Passage Bridge Collapse in 1876

On the night of Monday, March 6 1876, the railroad bridge spanning Narrow Passage Creek south of Woodstock collapsed. The bridge was constructed in 1868 as a replacement to a previous bridge that was burned in the Civil War. It was primarily constructed of wood with masonry supports.

Atop the structure when it collapsed was an eastbound stock train with 151 head of cattle aboard. The train contained eleven loaded cattle cars, five freight cars, and one passenger coach. It was under the leadership of Conductor James Russell and Engineer T. Cunning.

Local news reports indicate the collapse occurred at around midnight. Upon approaching the bridge the train had slowed and confirmed with the bridge sentry that it was safe to cross. It passed over the center of the bridge when suddenly the center span gave way.

When the bridge collapsed, the train fell 114 feet to the stream bed. Eleven members of the crew were killed. Seven survived. The entire bridge, the engine, and all the cars settled in a mass of debris at the bottom of the bridge. Helped was called for from Edinburg and Woodstock and arrived at around 1:00AM. Doctors Prescott, Belew, Campbell, Magruder, and Carter lead the response.

This collapse remains the worst railroad accident in Shenandoah County history. It took two months for rail service to be restored. A coroner's inquest, led by J.H. Grabill, investigated the crash but was unable to determine the exact cause, though the two most plausible explanations were a broken axle on one of the cars or rotten timbers in the bridge.

This drawing was produced by W.O. Towns of Mt. Jackson following the incident. It was designed for use in local and national media publications. What publications it appeared in, if any, is unknown. However, in an era before mass photography, drawings like this one provide us with the best visual representation of major events such as this.

You can visit the Truban Archives to see this drawing and other images related to our history.

### Message from the President

I hope to see many of you at the annual dinner meeting in May. This is one of those moments when I appreciate the SCHS members who live away from Shenandoah County and support our mission, yet I feel sorry for them because they live too far away to take part in some of our wonderful activities. Please visit! Our annual dinner program will be excellent, I'm sure, as Rod Graves tells the fascinating story of the creation of the Luray Valley Museum, which is part of the Luray Caverns complex. While the museum is not located in our county, the story it tells includes the same Germanic settlers who located here; and Page County was, after all, part of Shenandoah County from 1772 until 1831.

Another enjoyable feature of the annual dinner is the presentation of our Excellence in Historic Preservation Awards. It has become a great pleasure to make these awards and come to realize how much people in our county are doing to preserve history. The personal stories

are wonderful and gratifying for those of us, and there are many, who work hard towards our preservation goals.

We've enjoyed working with Zach Hottel, county archivist, and Jenna French, county tourism director, as we've focused on the statewide commemorations of WWI and WWII. As part of that effort a brochure has been created that highlights the many ways that Shenandoah County was involved in these conflicts and how it affected its citizens. The brochure will be introduced at this year's Heritage Day and copies will be available at the dinner.

In mid-March a well-attended Educational Seminar was held at the Edinburg Mill that benefited local history sites and the volunteers who staff them and interact with the public. Hosted by the Shenandoah County History Council, and organized by Zach Hottel, the seminar focused on three topics: writing labels for museum

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## Life Members

Each year we like to list our Life Members and say Thank You for your continuing support:

John & Barbara Adamson  
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## Shenandoah Herald Reports 1928 Snowstorm

The following article appeared in *The Shenandoah Herald* newspaper about a snowstorm on April 27th & 28th, 1928:

"Unprecedented snow storms for this season of the year visited the Shenandoah Valley and nearby sections of West Virginia last Friday and Saturday, followed by high waters in creeks and both branches of the Shenandoah River. One bridge.....over the River at Red Banks, was washed out. The bridge is of submerged cement and was broken by driftwood hurled against it with force by the swift waters, which, at this point, covered the Valley Pike, making automobile travel dangerous and difficult. There was a similar condition along the Pike south of Strasburg."

"The depth of snow varied ....from 13 inches to two feet....."

"Following a cold, dreary rain early Friday morning the snow storm started with flakes of immense size, the largest ever seen in this section, that kept falling steadily all of Friday and until noon Saturday. If some of the snow had not melted as it fell conditions would have been most disastrous. Telephone and telegraph lines were put out of commission by the heavy weight of snow and high winds and it was feared that the fruit would be frozen. However conditions were not so bad as at first expected and the loss from the snow will not be so great to the fruit except in the breaking down of many trees. The apples are said to be uninjured. More snow fell on Friday and Saturday than during the entire winter, the three winter months having been almost devoid of snow. It will be remembered that in 1926 there was snow on April 13 and 18 and that year produced the biggest fruit crop on record."

"The Shenandoah River at Woodstock rose over thirteen feet, and the rich farming lands along its course will suffer loss."

"But the beautiful sunshine and usual fine weather of the Valley have replaced the snow and rain and "God's in His Heaven, All's well with the world."

## Genealogy Research Service on Temporary Hiatus

The SCHS Genealogy Research Service, offered through the website, which has proved to be a quite popular resource for those throughout the country doing family histories is taking a hiatus for at least a year.

The Board has been seeking someone to help with this task for the past couple of years and nobody has come forth to date. The entire project has fallen on one person who now needs to take a break.

Unfortunately, the Truman Archives in the Shenandoah Room at the Shenandoah County Library in Edinburg does not have staff to offer this service either. They will try to assist those who come to the library.

Anyone willing to help in this area should contact SCHS at 540-459-1795.

## Bookcase Installed in Memory of Diane Ferguson



Unfortunately, as the years go by, all of us experience the passing of friends and family. Often we express our regard for someone no longer with us with a financial donation in their name to an entity that was important to that person. Such was the case after the passing of Diane Lowe Ferguson in May 2017. Diane began, with the SCHS, as a Morrison Photographic Project volunteer in 2005; our group spent many mornings processing Morrison glass negatives, exclaiming over a cute baby or an outrageously large hat, and frequently enjoying lunch together afterwards. She served on the SCHS board from 2007-2017 and was treasurer from 2007-2014.

When Diane passed, her partner, Patrick Murphy, designated SCHS as the recipient of memorials made in her name. We received many donations from friends here in Shenandoah County, but were surprised at the numerous memorials received from elsewhere. Clearly Diane had an extensive network of devoted friends and family from other parts of the US. The SCHS board decided to remember Diane with the creation of custom bookcases, made by Shenandoah Woodworks in Maurertown, for the Historic Courthouse Visitor's Center. She loved books and reading, and, we believe, would be pleased to see the bookcases, now installed, displaying to great advantage the many local history books we offer. A brass plate will be installed with an appropriate inscription in memory of Diane.

## Presidents Message

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objects; interpreting for the public difficult history, specifically slavery in the Valley; and recruitment of volunteers needed to make our museums possible. Presenters included Nancy Huth from the Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, Shannon Moeck from the Cedar Creek & Belle Grove Historical Park, and Sharon Barocelli from the Shenandoah County Chamber of Commerce.

✦ Continuing Series on Historic Buildings in Shenandoah County ✦

# THE FOLTZ-HOLLAR HOUSE ❁ AN EARLY LOG FLURKUCHENHAUS

When new Rotary member Crystal Hollar joined my Strasburg club, I found an opportunity to sit with her at one of our regular Tuesday lunch meetings. The conversation turned to where Crystal grew up and I learned that she lives west of Edinburg on Swover Creek Road in an old house. The “old house” comment caught my attention, and I asked her to tell me more. Crystal explained that she is a member of the NINTH generation to live in the same house. Doing some quick arithmetic I guessed that her house must be about 260 years old – and it is!

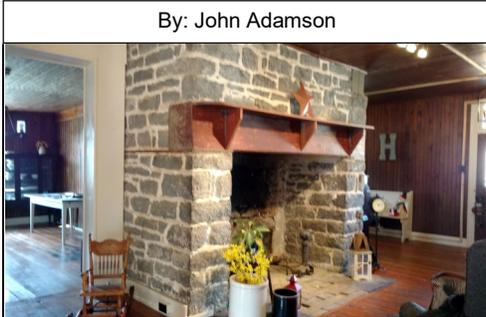
Crystal graciously agreed to let me see her house for the purpose of writing about it for the SCHS newsletter. I wasn't sure what I would find, but she said her home has been a working farm through all the generations and that the property included an old barn. My excitement at seeing her home was growing.

“Drive up behind the house and come to the back door” Crystal said to me. That invitation made me feel like an old friend. The back door is actually in an addition to the original house and I came into the kitchen where I had a chance to talk to Crystal and her grandmother, Helen Foltz. In our conversation, I learned that the first owner of the house was Ulrich Waggoner who had daughters, but no sons. When his daughter married, she wed a Foltz and the property stayed in the Foltz family for eight generations. Crystal married John Hollar, so now their little boy, Wilson Hollar, is the tenth generation in direct descent from Ulrich Waggoner to live in the same house. What a Shenandoah County tradition!

As we talked about the house, I learned that the original house was of log construction and may have been built as early as 1760. In the mid-1800s, a summer kitchen was added to the east side. Later, that kitchen area was expanded to create a modern kitchen and given a second floor. The enlarged east wing was where I had entered. Other changes to the original house include various front porches, the current one dating from about 1900. A few years ago, an old one-story back porch was replaced with a two story addition. At some time, a decorative center gable was



Exposed yellow pine logs. Originally an exterior surface, now enclosed in the modern addition.



By: John Adamson

Original cooking size fireplace in the interior. A key feature of the “flurkuchenhaus” architecture.



Rear view of the house showing the wing added to the east. The off-center limestone chimney is evidence of something very old underneath.



Original cube of the house on its limestone foundation is clearly seen. Note the addition to the back of the house.



A gorgeous hand forged 260 year old strap hinge with decorative finial.



Second floor fireplace adjacent to a single panel, hand-planed wall.

260 year old limestone chimney tapers in the

added to the roof. All of these changes make the house graceful for modern living and tend to conceal the original log core.

When Crystal led me into the original part of the house, the first thing I saw was a massive cooking fireplace served by a limestone chimney in the interior. I had just stepped into a true flurkuchenhaus! That is a German term that translates to “hall-kitchen house”. This form of very early settlement architecture was brought to America by German speaking settlers from the area of the upper Rhine River in what is now Germany and Switzerland. This architectural form is rarely seen after about 1760 or so in the Shenandoah Valley and I believe the Foltz-Hollar house dates from that time.

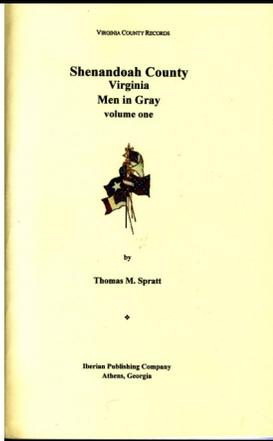
A flurkuchenhaus is a nearly square house with a massive interior chimney offset toward one side of the house. The open cooking fireplace faces the narrow side of the house and forms the kuche (kitchen). The area on the other side of the interior chimney is usually divided into two rooms a stube (parlor) and a kammer (bedroom). Walls between these rooms are single panel partitions. A small stairway to the second floor is usually encased in a corner of the kitchen. Over the years, the Foltz-Hollar house had an open stairway built next to the chimney, but there are replaced floorboards in one corner of the kuche showing where the original stairs had been.

The second floor is divided into four bedrooms with much of the original single panel walls still in place. A door with beautiful hand forged strap hinges still provides access to one of the bedrooms. The modern two story addition on the back of the house provides the space for a large master bathroom, closets and laundry room outside of the footprint of the original flurkuchenhaus. Compared to the typical log cabin of this early period, the Foltz-Hollar house is quite large, the interior of the original log house measuring 32 feet long by 27 feet wide. [Cont. → ]



Circa 1820 cut nails in an attic cross-tie – probably used to dry plants.





## Shenandoah County Men in Gray

By Thomas Spratt

This 2-volume set reproduces the service record of the Confederate soldiers from Shenandoah County who served in all the theaters of combat. It also gives valuable information regarding the soldier's family. Whenever possible, the author has listed birth and death dates, with places when known, the wife's name and her vital statistics; parents' names; children, and their spouses, and a wealth of other information. Several appendices contain the soldiers' names with their unit designations for quick reference; soldiers buried in the county; a listing of county cemeteries with finding directions and an extensive bibliography. Soft Cover. Single volume, \$30. Members: \$29 2-volume set, \$55. Members: \$53.

## Historic Building [from Page 4]

. The attic has full standing headroom and was a useful part of the house. Cut nails that appear to date from the 1820s were driven into one of the cross ties and were probably used to hang plants and herbs in the driest part of the house. Exposed logs in a few places in the interior all appear to be yellow pine as are the floorboards. The foundation, which includes a half cellar with full standing headroom, is made of cut limestone, neatly laid by skillful stonemasons 260 years ago.

The flurkuchenhaus architecture was not popular for long in the Shenandoah Valley. By the 1770s, almost every house larger than the simplest log house was designed using English "Georgian" architecture: central doors, evenly spaced windows and chimneys located at the gable ends of the house. It was an unexpected treat to find such a well-cared for example of this early, early Valley

## 9th Annual Symphony of Stitches Symposium

Saturday, May 12th is the date for this year's annual day-long event at the St. Paul's Heritage Center in Edinburg which is a fund-raiser for the Edinburg Heritage Foundation.

This year, the event will be held over the Mother's Day weekend and will provide a fun opportunity to do something WITH Mom and/or treat her to a fun day! Of course, the men are welcome, too, and are encouraged to come and join in the fun.

This year's theme is "Home Life in World War II" and really has something for everyone: a USO show with live music, a session on the hand crafts popular during the war, a talk by retired officer (and VMI graduate) Jimmy Kilbourne, Jr. -- who has more credentials than we have space to list -- a period to share stories about the war years handed down through families and personal recollections, a 1940's era luncheon, a patriotic sing-a-long, and the popular silent auction.

The Committee (Sandra Armentrout, Susan Beazley, Gloria Boone, Kathy Gwyn, Shelby Hollar, Juanita Leisch Jensen, Robin Layman, Jean Martin, Sallie Raynor, Joan Reistetter, Janet Wagniere and Polly Wetzel) is already in action finalizing plans for what should be a fun and interesting day.

The Committee is already asking for donations of items to put into the Silent Auction and we hope this year there will be even more items to bid on. If you have items for the auction, please contact Susan Beazley (540-984-9504) or Joan Reistetter (571-215-3215) and arrangements will be made to pick them up.

A registration form is available on the Edinburg Mill web site: [www.edinburgmill.com](http://www.edinburgmill.com) or at the Edinburg Town office.

After I had seen this exciting house, John Hollar led me out to look at the old barn. But that is a story for another time...

## More Sites for Genealogy Research Assistance

### New York Times Site

The *New York Times* Article Archive allows you to search the complete archive of newspapers from 1851 to the present - more than fourteen million articles total.

The archive is divided into two search sets: 1851 - 1980 and 1981 - present. If you find an article of interest, you can purchase a high resolution image for \$3.95. <http://www.nytimes.com/ref/membercenter/nytarhive.html>

### Irish History Online

Part of a European network of national historical bibliographies from 14 countries, it is hosted and managed by the Royal Irish Academy Library.

It contains bibliographic information on books and pamphlets, articles from journals published in Ireland or internationally, and chapters from books and essays, and is free of charge to users.

The Irish History Online search screens have recently been updated, with enhanced search capabilities. The initial search screen allows keyboard searching across the full Irish History Online database. The advanced search screen is available for more specific searches. Many more fields in the database are now searchable. More info at: [www.ria.ie/](http://www.ria.ie/)

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## Virginia and The Great War

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I, The Clarke County Historical Association will present historian Lynn Rainville who will discuss her latest research on the impact Virginian's had on The Great War.

The event will take place on Sunday, May 6th from 2 PM to 4 PM at the VFW Hall, 425 S. Buckmarsh St., in Berryville VA. \$10 for CCHA members/ \$15 for non-members. Info: 540-955-2600

## Annual Meeting

May 15th ★ 6:00 PM

### Edinburg VFW

101 Veteran's Way,  
Edinburg VA  
(Across RR track from Dollar General)

Program:  
Rod Graves will talk about the Valley Museum

## Mt. Jackson House Tours

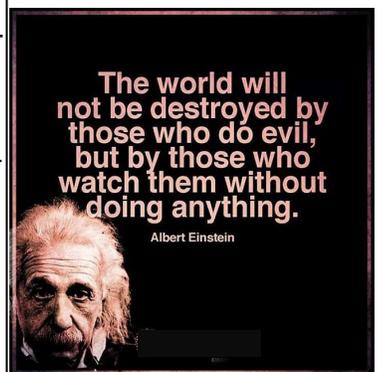
The Mt. Jackson Museum and Mt. Jackson Garden Club will be sponsoring House Tours of several historic houses in Mt. Jackson on Saturday, April 28th from 11 AM to 3 PM, with a rain date of Sunday, April 29th from 1 PM to 5 PM. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Union Church.

This will be the first time house tours have been offered in Mt. Jackson since 1990. Admission will be \$10 per person.

Homes open will be the Pennybacker House, Strathmore House, Union Church, Widow Kip's Country Inn, Marilyn Peck Home and the Shearer Home. Light refreshments will be available at the Town Hall.

Advance tickets may be purchased at the Museum, the Mt. Jackson Town Office or from members of the Museum and Garden Club. They will also be available on the day of the tours.

For more information, call: 540-335-3373.



## SCHS COMPLETE BOOK LIST

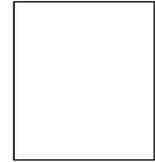
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Lifetime (Individual): \$200

Lifetime (Family): \$300

Send Fee to address above.

Renewal Date is beside name on  
mailing label →

## Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 21st - 10 AM to 4 PM  
**28th Annual Brock's Gap Heritage Day** will take place at Fulks Run Elementary School, 11089 Brocks Gap Rd. in Fulks Run, VA. Three special programs will be given and over 140 photo displays of Brocks Gap scenes & people will be available, in addition to research opportunities. For info: 540-662-1475

Friday & Saturday, April 27th & 28th  
**Virginia Genealogical Society's Spring Conference** "Exploring Your Family's Past - One Page at a Time" will be held in Richmond, VA at the Library of Virginia and the Four Points by Sheraton. Three speakers will participate. For detailed information and registration forms, go to: <https://www.vgs.org/conferences> and to the link for Conference Brochure.

Sunday, May 4th - 2:00 to 3:00 PM  
**Pocahontas in Image & Myth** will be the subject of a lecture at the Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, 901 Amherst St. in Winchester by Dr. Karen Sherry, statewide faculty member of the VMFA. Free, public is invited. To register or for info: 540-662-1473, Ext. 240.

Wednesday, May 9th - 6:00 PM  
**Fort Valley Museum Annual Appreciation Dinner** will take place at the Fort Valley Fire Hall. Social time is at 6 PM and catered buffet dinner is at 6:30 PM. The theme will center around Fort Valley during World War II and will feature historical vignettes by Con Burch and others performing music from that era. Info: 540-933-6332 or 933-6690

May 19th & 20th - 10 AM to 5 PM  
154th Annual Reenactment of the Battle of New Market held on the original battlefield located at 8895 George Collins Parkway in New Market VA. Living history demonstrations. Admission Fee: \$10.00 for ages 10 and older. Advance tickets are available by phone: 866-515-1864

Thursday, May 24th - 7:00 PM  
**Virginia Iron: The Evolution of the Iron Industry and its Impact on Southern Decorative Arts.** Come and learn about the history of the iron furnaces which are in the area, and how the iron industry evolved, as Rod Graves, of Luray Caverns, illustrates the historic intersection of industry and art. The program is free and sponsored by the New Market Historical Society. It will be held at the New Market Town Council Chambers at 9418 John Sevier Rd. in New Market VA. Info: [nmhs@newmarkethistoricalsociety.org](mailto:nmhs@newmarkethistoricalsociety.org)

Sunday, June 3rd - 2 - 4 PM  
**A History and Tour of the Historic 18th Century Dosh House in Strasburg** will be hosted by the Strasburg Heritage Association. Free and Public invited. Light refreshments will be available. For more Info: [strasburgvaheritage.org](http://strasburgvaheritage.org)

**Heritage Day** - [Cont. from Page 1]  
pilot. His service included 39 missions for the OSS (Office of Strategic Services)." His talks will be at 11:30 AM and 2:00 PM at the school.

While WWII is the primary focus this year we encourage anyone who would like to exhibit their family history, history of houses or other buildings, farms, businesses, church or cemetery history, or any local history to bring their material to share. This joint effort is intended to bring attention to the commemoration of WWII while adding to our knowledge of the era. Information may be scanned and included in the archives of the Shenandoah County Library and/or the Library of Virginia for future generations.

Anyone who would like to participate with an exhibit, or who would like to help prepare an exhibit, are asked to call the SCHS at 540-459-1795 or by email at [schs.va@gmail.com](mailto:schs.va@gmail.com). There is no fee for exhibiting or requesting a table.

**MORE EVENTS ON WEB SITE**

A new shorter web site address:  
[www.SCHS1795.com](http://www.SCHS1795.com)