

Fayette County Cultural Trust

2018 Annual Report



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The mission of the Fayette County Cultural Trust is to enrich the area's quality of life by promoting the cultural, artistic, historic, and natural assets; and to create partnerships to revitalize communities and further economic development.

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2018 saw a growth in the Fayette County Cultural Trust, not only in partnerships, but projects in Connellsville and around the area. Positive initiatives have taken place which include the installation of public art, preservation of historic statues, promotion of the area and partnerships that make a everlasting impact on the region. I am proud to be a part of such a great organization that has very many wonderful and dedicated volunteers and supporters. Thank you to all that made 2018 a fantastic year, not only for the organization, but the area as well!

Daniel Cocks

Daniel Cocks
Executive Director
Fayette County Cultural Trust



**Allegheny Conference
on Community Development**

The Fayette County Cultural Trust would like to thank the Allegheny Conference – Strengthening Communities Partnership. We would also like to thank our Neighborhood Partnership Program Sponsors – UPMC Health Plan; Somerset Trust Company and TriState Capital.

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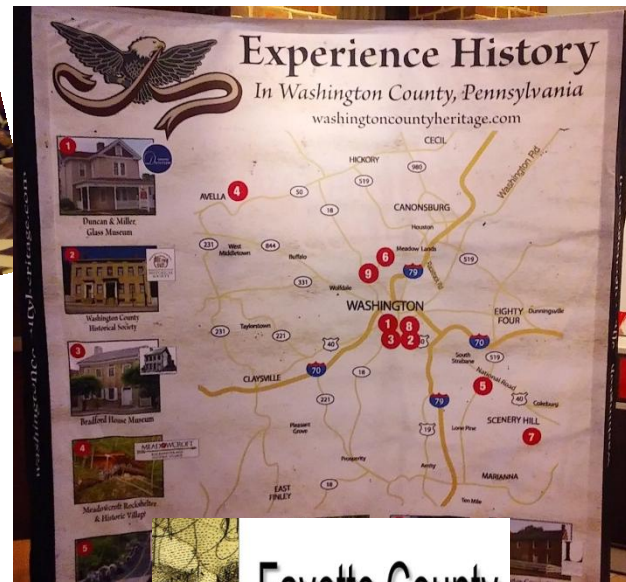
Neighborhood Partnership Program

Thanks to the support of the Allegheny Conference's Strengthening Communities Partnership Program, the Fayette County Cultural Trust was able to be a part of the Neighborhood Partnership Program administered by Pennsylvania's Department of Community and Economic Development. This six year program brings together three businesses that are able to utilize their tax credits in our local community. These businesses are UPMC Health Plan, Somerset Trust Company and TriState Capital Bank. Together they have pledged a total of \$200,000 each year for six years. This is the 4th year in the program. Over the past 4 years, funding has been used for improvements at the Connellsville Carnegie Free Library, supported the food pantry at the Connellsville Area Community Ministries and helped to provide free medical care to low income men and women at the Wesley Health Center. There also have been enhancements to city parks, the downtown business district, and improvements in the quality of life for the residents of Connellsville. Pictured here receiving \$5000 for each of their organizations are from left to right, Kevin Ghost and Rita Smith - Connellsville Community Ministries, Eileen Gallo Beveridge - Connellsville Carnegie Free Library and Margie Eiford - Wesley Health Clinic. Presenting the checks was Daniel Cocks - Fayette County Cultural Trust.



Promoting Fayette County and Connellsville

In January 2018, the Fayette County Cultural Trust represented Fayette County at the annual Westmoreland Conference on Tourism.



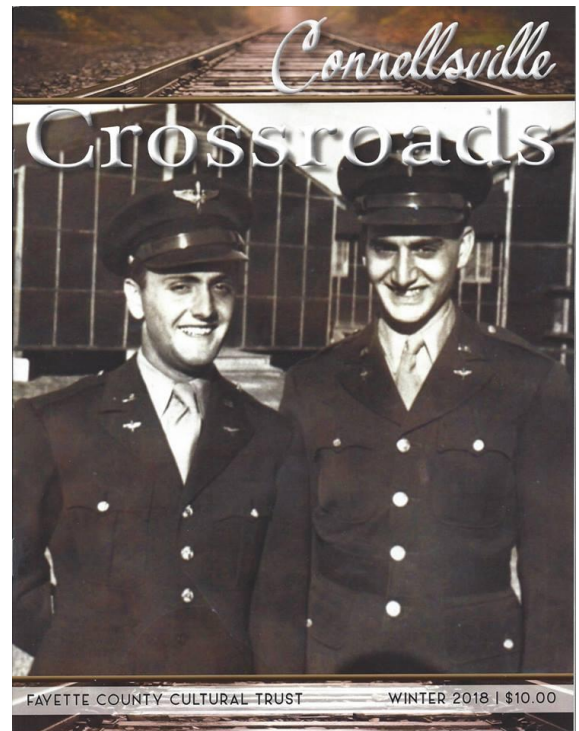
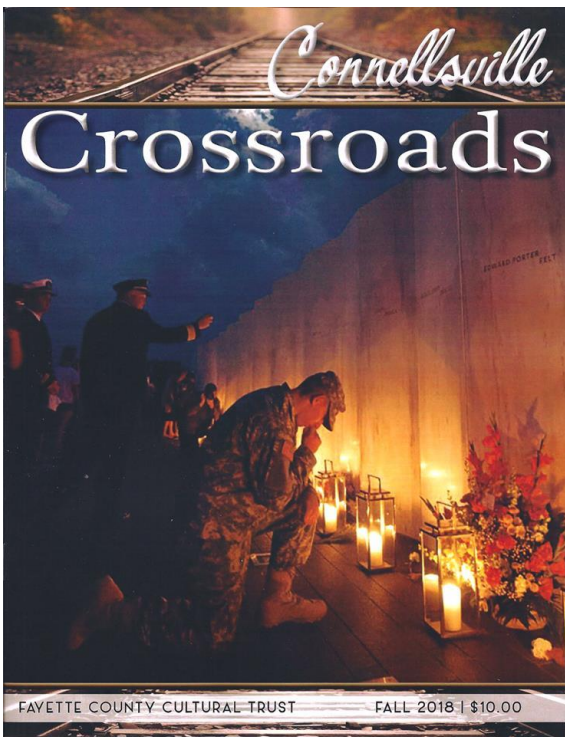
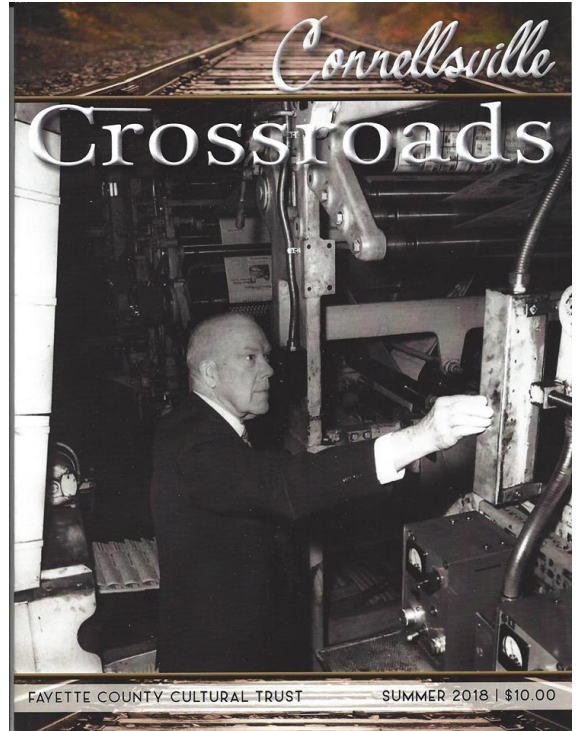
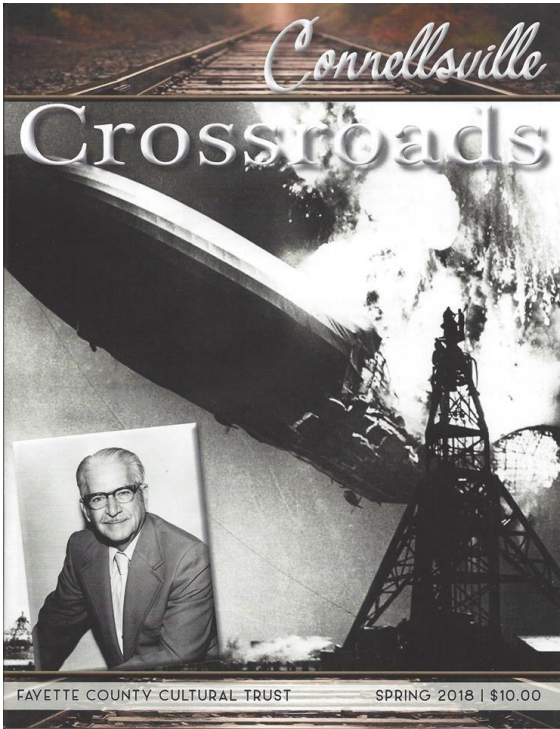
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On May 10th, 2018, the Fayette County Cultural Trust, Daniel Cocks and Connellsville Redevelopment Authority Michael Edwards meet with Wilkinsburg Borough Council President Pamela Macklin - 2nd Ward and Linda Atkins - First Ward. We discussed the progress and exchanged ideas working with the Neighborhood Assistance Program. We had a fantastic time showing them around Connellsville!



The Fayette County Cultural Trust and the East End United Community Center, Uniontown, had a lunch meeting, in March 2018, about partnerships and collaboration. Pictured here are Michael Edwards, Daniel Cocks - Fayette County Cultural Trust and Matthew Crutchman, Terry Burden - East End United Community Center.

Connellsville Crossroads – Connellsville Crossroads is published quarterly by the Fayette County Cultural Trust. Connellsville Crossroads has over 200 subscribers around the world. The 2018 winter issue was our 39th!



Rural Arts Collaborative (RAC)

The mission of RAC is to form a collaborative network of local Teaching Artists that represent 25 School Districts. The Rural Arts Collaborative was made possible through a grant from the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation.

Schools & Artists

Bentworth Middle/High School
Washington County, Pennsylvania- Attack Theatre

Burgettstown High School
Washington County, Pennsylvania - Calvin Stemley

Burgettstown High School
Washington County, Pennsylvania - Bricolage

Fort Cherry Middle/High School
Washington County, Pennsylvania - Hiromi Katayama

Ringgold Middle School
Washington County, Pennsylvania - Diane Adams

Trinity Middle School
Washington County, Pennsylvania - Diane Adams

Washington High School
Washington County, Pennsylvania - Michelle Sabol

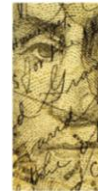
Laurel Highlands Middle School
Fayette County, Pennsylvania – Bricolage

Brooke Middle School
Brooke County, Nancy Tirone

John Marshall High School
Marshall County, West Virginia - Michael McKowen

Weir High School
Hancock County, West Virginia - Robert Villamagna

Bellaire High School
Belmont County, Ohio - Rebecca Kiger



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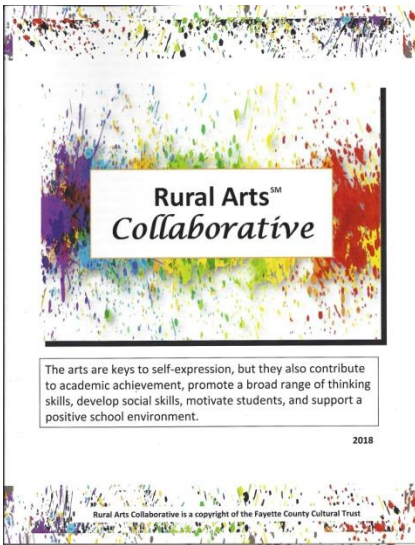


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FOUNDATION**



Camelle Nickens
RAC Project Manager





The Fayette County Cultural Trust produced a 28 page Rural Arts Collaborative Magazine that was distributed to schools that participated in the program. This magazine showcased the Artists, Students and Schools.



Collaborative Outreach Initiative

On May 31, 2018, the Fayette County Cultural Trust visited the Connellsville High School to talk about collaboration projects and partnerships that would both benefit the High School Students and other organizations. Pictured here are Michael Edwards, Executive Director Connellsville Redevelopment Authority; Lindsay Ketterer Gates, Executive Director Touchstone Center for Crafts; Carmelle Nickens, Manager Rural Arts Collaborative; James Denova, Vice President Benedum Foundation; Daniel Cocks, Executive Director Fayette County Cultural Trust; Justin Gunther, Executive Director Fallingwater and Amy Witt, CASD Assistant Director of Technology. Connellsville is very lucky to have such a high caliber school that is full of technology learning opportunities for its students



Achievement in the Arts – Fundraiser – 2018 Spring Concert

Eva Sepp Lypson- Isn't She Lovely, Good Morning Baltimore from "Hairspray"

Echo Shaffer- Poor Wandering One from "The Pirates of Penzance", Ireland from "Legally Blonde"

Halee Hart- Jar of Hearts, Dream a Little Dream

Riley Artis- Sweeter than Roses, Zombie

Lily Flesik- Maybe this Time from "Cabaret", The Man That Got Away

Taney Basinger- Tight Rope from "The Greatest Showman" No Good Deed from "Wicked"

Chelsea Ritenour

Mia speranza adorata W.A. Mozart

Brentano Lieder R. Strauss

Ich wollt ein Sträußlein binden
Säus'le, liebe Myrte!
Amor

Three Songs Rorem

Pippa's Song
Cradle Song
The Silver Swan

Chansons Pour Les Oiseaux Beydts

La colombe poignardée
L'oiseau bleu
Le petit serin en cage

Till There Was You Meredith Willson



The Fayette County Achievement in the Arts mission is to recognize, reward and encourage the advancement and achievement in music, theater and visual arts among high school students in Fayette County.

Three students from each of the Fayette County High Schools are recognized for outstanding accomplishments each year.

The Achievement in the Arts Awards is made possible through a partnership of The Fayette County Cultural Trust and Rotary.

Endowment

Currently there is an endowment fund with the Community Foundation of Fayette County to support future Achievement in the Arts Awards.

This endowment fund is a permanent, self-sustaining source of funding. The Achievement in the Arts endowment is invested each year and a portion of the value of the fund is paid out to support the arts. Any earnings in excess of this distribution are used to build the fund's market value. In this way the fund can grow and continue to recognize deserving students in Fayette County.

When you support this endowment, you help create a permanent legacy of support for the arts.



Please join us for a reception following the concert in the Susanna Wesley Room.

Spring 2018 a concert was held raising funds for the Achievement in the Arts Endowment.

Spring Concert
Sunday, April 29, 2018
Wesley Church
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Reception to Follow



Donations accepted to support the Fayette County Achievement in the Arts

Chelsea Ritenour

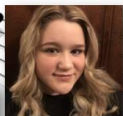
Echo Shaffer



Riley Artis



Lily Flesik



Taney Basinger



Leila Geary



Levi Graft



Eva Sepp Lypson



Wesley Church
417 South Pittsburgh Street
Connellsville

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A Summer Concert was sponsored in June as a fundraiser for the Fayette County Achievement in the Arts initiative.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about Old-Time fiddle music in this region, please visit the exhibit featuring the lives of Dan Kelly, John Shal, and the Pennsylvania Old-Time Fiddlers at the Connellsville Historical Society, Gibson House, 217 W. Patterson Ave., Connellsville.

Please also visit the Connellsville Canteen's website featuring John Shal's life and work as co-founder of Old-Time Fiddlers Association and local fiddler and fiddle-maker: www.connellsvillecanteen.org/john-shal

CHAMPIONS

Dan Kelly, Grand Master Fiddle Champion
 Joe Faidley, Mid-Atlantic Grand Fiddle Champion

FRIENDS OF DAN & JOE & RUTH

Ray Coen—guitar
 Paul Ferry—banjo
 Victor King—bass

OLD-TIME FIDDLERS HOUSE BAND

Rich Hardy—guitar, vocals
 Perry Russell—guitar, vocals
 Mark Hamilton—steel guitar
 Joe Faidley—fiddle
 Tom Workman—guitar
 Tom Lough—stand-up bass
 Ed Gould—keyboards

YOUNG-AT-HEART BAND

Alene Mancini—vocal
 John Mancini—vocal, guitar
 Ruth Schambura—lead fiddle
 Janet Parkerson—fiddle
 Nicolette Cloutier—fiddle
 Ed Fabian—banjo
 Mike Testa—banjo
 Ray Matthews—guitar
 Tom Workman—guitar
 Tom Lough—stand-up bass
 *and jammers from the
 "Old-Time Jam at the Library"



A Tribute to the Roots and Branches
 of Traditional Music in America

**Connellsville Summer
 Celebration Concert**

Sponsored by
 Fayette County Cultural Trust

Wesley United Methodist Church
 June 9, 2018



WELCOME by Michael Edwards, President,
 Fayette County Cultural Trust

INTRODUCTION by Janet Parkerson,
 daughter of the late Mary and John Shal,
 local fiddle maker and co-founder of
 Old-Time Fiddlers Association

DAN KELLY
 Grand Master Fiddle Champion
 Ashokan Farewell (Jay Ungar)
 How Great Thou Art (Carl Boberg)
 Fire on the Mountain
 Forked Deer
 Leather Britches
 Grey Eagle Hornpipe

YOUNG-AT-HEART BAND
 Bury Me Beneath the Willow
 Soldier's Joy
 Red Wing (Kerry Mills and Thurland Chattaway)

JOE FAIDLEY
 Mid-Atlantic Grand Fiddle Champion
 Road to Columbus (Ruby Jane Smith)
 Rubber Dolly Rag (Jens Bodewalt Lampe)
 Up Jumped the Devil
 Down Yonder (Lewis F. Muir and L. Wolfe Gilbert)
 East Tennessee Blues (Charlie Bowman)

DAN KELLY and JOE FAIDLEY
 Orange Blossom Special (Ervin T. Rouse)

JOE FAIDLEY
 Golden Slippers (James A. Bland)

THE OLD-TIME FIDDLERS HOUSE BAND with:

PERRY RUSSELL
 Let the Church Roll On (Louise Certain and Gladys Stacey Flatt)

RICH HARDY with DAN KELLY
 The Touch of the Master's Hand (Myra Brooks Welch)

PERRY RUSSELL
 Because He Lives (Gaither Vocal Band)

JOE FAIDLEY and RUTH SCHAMBURA
 Faded Love (Bob Wills)

RICH HARDY
 Farmer's Daughter (Merle Haggard)

PERRY RUSSELL
 Let's Chase Each Other Around the Room Tonight (Merle Haggard)

RICH HARDY with ED GOULD
 God Bless the USA (Lee Greenwood)

**RICH HARDY, DAN KELLY, JOE FAIDLEY,
 MARK HAMILTON, ED GOULD**
 Milk Cow Blues (Kokomo Arnold)

GRAND FINALE
 I'll Fly Away (Albert E. Brumley)

SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Janet Parkerson for facilitating and hosting this event
 Musicians—for generously volunteering their time and talent
 Wesley United Methodist Church for providing this lovely venue
 Fayette County Cultural Trust for sponsoring this and so much more!

Donations may be made to support the annual "Fayette County Achievement in the Arts" awards to Fayette County students for excellence in music, art, and theatre. Supporting the future artists and artisans of Fayette County!

www.fayettecountyculturaltrust.org/Achievement-in-The-Arts.html



Fayette County Achievement in the Arts

2018 Awardees

The Fayette County Achievement in the Arts mission is to recognize, reward and encourage the advancement and achievement in music, theater and visual arts among high school students in Fayette County. Three students from each of the Fayette County High Schools are recognized for outstanding accomplishments.

The Achievement in the Arts Awards is made possible through a partnership of The Fayette County Cultural Trust and the Rotary clubs of Belle Vernon, Brownsville, Chestnut Ridge, Connellsville, Point Marion & Uniontown.



Albert Gallatin High School
Music – Bailey Turner
Theater – Daniel Nuttall
Visual Arts – Isabella Locke

Brownsville Area High School
Music – Alison King
Visual Arts – Emily Brown

Connellsville Area High School
Music – John Crochetti
Theater – Taylor Mickey
Visual Arts – Caleb Holden

Frazier High School
Music – Anthony Strickler
Visual Arts – Destiny Humbert

Geibel Catholic Junior –
Senior High School
Music – Grace Goodwin
Theater – Joseph Philippi

Laurel Highlands High School
Music – Elizabeth Rockwell
Theater – Garrett Adams
Visual Arts – Starr Yauger

Uniontown Area High School
Music – Chloe DeVincent
Theater – Jordyn Dowling
Visual Arts – Kayla Hay



Fourth Annual
Fayette County
Achievement in the Arts
Awards Presentation
06 May 2018
Murphy Hall, Connellsville



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Art/Youth Engagement Project

The Fayette County Cultural Trust has teamed up with CAL-U Social Work students to offer art therapy to seniors at the Connellsville Senior Center & Connellsville Towers.

Connellsville Towers
Saturday 17 March 2018

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Today Social Work Class student Audra McFadden provided coloring pages and made butterflies out of coffee filters, cloths pins and pipe cleaners.



Connellsville Senior Center
Friday 16 March 2018

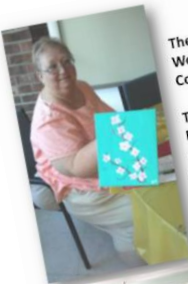
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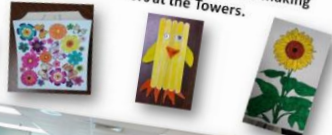
Connellsville Towers
Saturday 10 March 2018

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Today Social Work Class students Audra McFadden and Alexa Bernhardt along with Liz Jones provided a Paint & Sip (Sparkling Cider) to the residents of the Towers. After the class we had spaghetti provided by the Connellsville Canteen.



Connellsville Towers
Saturday, 07 April 2018

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Today Social Work Class students Audra McFadden & Alexa Bernhardt were making greeting cards and doing other art projects with the seniors at the Towers.



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Connellsville Towers
Saturday 24 February 2018

Michael Edwards
Sheri Boyle – CAL U - Instructor
Audra McFadden – Student
Alexa Bernhardt – Student



CAL U – Social Work Class Students offers art therapy to seniors at the Connellsville Senior Center & Connellsville Towers.
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Public art key to Connellsville community

By CHRISTINE HAINES

The importance of art and artists in the community was emphasized this week during an evening program at the Connellsville Canteen.

Representatives of various art organizations in the city and across the county were on hand to discuss their own initiatives and to welcome a new artist to the community.

“In Fayette County, we have public art pieces all along the Great Allegheny Passage Bike and Hike Trail. These public art pieces show our residents and visitors what a welcoming county we have. Art stirs the imagination, causing us to pause, think and reflect,” said Daniel Cox, executive director of the Fayette County Cultural Trust.

The trust recently commissioned the students at the Connellsville Area Career and Technical School to build decorative metal benches to be placed in downtown plants that what looked like a simple project to be carried out by the metal shop students actually needed to be a cooperative project involving a design class, the metal shop and the auto body shop which painted the structures.

Cox said a similar level of cooperation is needed between the various artists and art communities in Fayette County to impact the world around them.

“The arts are very important in community building,” Cocks said. “To have a passion and love art, you must be a creative change difference. Art is our diplomacy. Use it to make a world around them.”

Touchstone Center for Crafts has been making a difference in Fayette County and beyond for more than 40 years, starting in 1972 as the Pioneer Crafts Council. Today, the center on Wharton Furnace Road in Farmington provides arts and crafts programming spring, summer and fall in areas such as blacksmithing, pottery, glass.

“People of all ages and all levels come there to make art. My first week there I saw a 17-year-old working with a 75-year-old.

What emerges is a special relationship among artists,” said Dean Simpson, the marketing manager for Touchstone. “People have told me it’s like summer camp for adults.”

Simpson said the center draws participants from all over, not just regionally. “We have cabins and dorms and camping available, and we have a chef available. If you come for a week, you have no decisions to make except for your artwork. Everything else is taken care of for you,” Simpson said. Touchstone also offers summer camp for teens.

Stephanie McClain, president of the Uniontown Art Club, said the organization celebrated its 90th anniversary last year. With its new home at 96 W. Main St., there is space for local artists to display their work for sale, McClain said. It also offers the organization an opportunity and the need to hold fundraising activities to cover its expenses.

“We’re starting craft and sips,” McClain said. “The non-alcoholic events are a chance to introduce new people to the world of creating art while raising funds for the group.”

“We’re always looking for new members,” McClain said.

Membership is open to artists over the age of 18 regardless of location. Monthly meetings and activities throughout the year give artists a chance to share their views and skills with one another.

Shirley Roseberger, co-owner of the Appalachian Creativity Center in Connellsville, said the gallery offers a location for more than 100 artists and crafters to show off their work.

“We offer classes in a variety of media, and seven to eight classes a week, and we also have things that have to do with self-empowerment, such as vision board classes,” Roseberger said.

Roseberger said that after some of the artwork got moved to the sidewalk to make room for a project she was working on, artist Alisa Rawls, who recently moved to Connellsville with her family, poses with one of her paintings at the Connellsville Canteen.



Artist Alisa Rawls, who recently moved to Connellsville with her family, poses with one of her paintings at the Connellsville Canteen.

The Fayette County Cultural Trust held a “Meet the Artist” event at the Connellsville Canteen to help foster different art organizations working together.



Meet the Artist Event
Wednesday March 7, 2018
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Connellsville Canteen

Come and meet Alisa Rawls, award winning artist and the areas newest talent who just moved to the scenic Laurel Highlands. As an artist, her paintings are infatuated with capturing emotions with her work. She likes for the audience to leave with a bit of her, whether it be from the colors, movement, or from the theme of the piece itself. Her goal is to awaken your spirit, captivate your mind, and entice you with provocative thoughts.

Special presentations by the Touchstone Center for Crafts, Appalachian Creativity Center, the Uniontown Art Club and Connellsville Mayor Greg Lincoln.



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131 West Crawford Avenue
Connellsville, Pennsylvania 15425
www.connellsvillecanteen.org
Please RSVP by calling:
724-603-2093



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A public art project located under the Memorial (Route 119) bridge at Yough River Park, was partially funded by FCCT. This mural is next to the new Connellsville Cobblestone Hotel and adjacent to the Great Allegheny Passage Bike Trail. The local artist is Brandi Bee.



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Public Art Project – June 18th - Yough Park – Connellsville, Pennsylvania

Crawford statue restoration completed to commemorate the statue's 100th Anniversary.



The Fayette County Cultural Trust spearheaded the restoration work of the Bronze Col. Crawford Statue that stands in front of the Connellsville Carnegie Free Library.



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The Fayette County Cultural Trust worked with the National Purple Heart Foundation and was able to have Connellsville designated as the 2nd Purple Heart City in the state of Pennsylvania.

Connellsville Daily Courier

Connellsville becomes Purple Heart City

By **CHRISTINE HAINES**

Connellsville is now officially the second city in Pennsylvania to be declared a Purple Heart City.

City council made the proclamation at the start of the meeting Tuesday with a number of veterans and Purple Heart recipients in attendance.

Fayette County Cultural Trust Executive Director and veteran Daniel Cocks had done the research and prompted the city to approve the proclamation in support of those who have been wounded or killed in battle.

"It's not by their choosing that they received this award. It was by their willingness to make the ultimate sacrifice,"

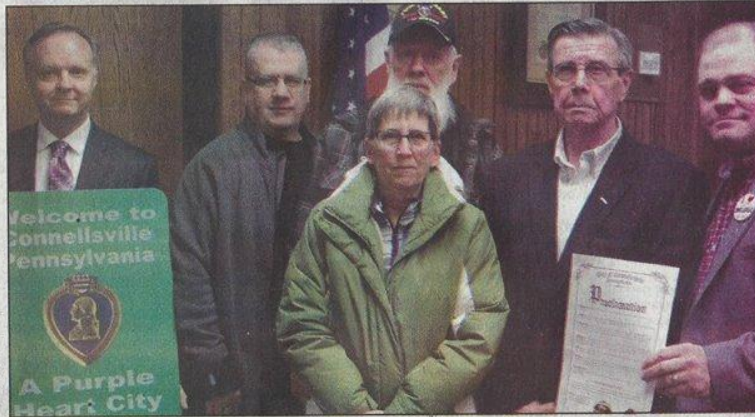
Cocks said.

Cocks said that of the 57 cities in Pennsylvania, only Bedford and Connellsville have declared their support for combat-wounded veterans by becoming Purple Heart cities. As part of the designation, seven signs depicting the Purple Heart medal will be posted at the entrances to the city.

Bernie Caffrey of Chapter 5 of Rolling Thunder thanked the city for taking the action in support of veterans. Copies of the proclamation were given out to the Purple Heart recipients in the audience.

In other matters, council approved a request from Girl Scout Troops 5307 and 5305

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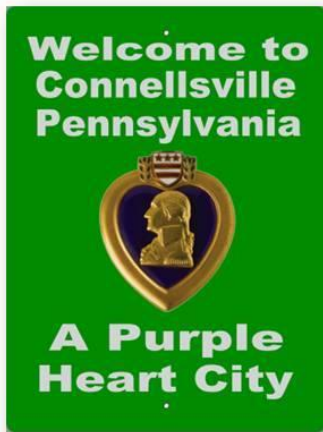
Daniel Cocks, of the Fayette County Cultural Trust, holds the sign that will be put up at each of the entrances to the city now that Connellsville is a Purple Heart City. Pictured with Cocks are Virginia Beecher (front), the mother of Purple Heart recipient Sgt. 1st Class Joshua Garlick, who remains on active duty, and Purple Heart recipients Brian Sheetz, Richard Camp, and James Scarry, along with Mayor Greg Lincoln, who is holding the proclamation.

Tndav's

Carol Board Connellsville

Melvin J. Malik Sr. Scottdale

Tndav's Weather



Connellsville City Council Meeting
Tuesday, 17 April 2018
6:00 pm

Connellsville City Hall
110 North Arch Street
Connellsville, Pennsylvania 15425

Connellsville Daily Courier

By **CHRISTINE HAINES**

Dawson has become the first borough and the third municipality in the state of Pennsylvania to become a Purple Heart Community.

Dawson Mayor Sandy Newell presented the proclamation Tuesday evening at the monthly borough council meeting. She then gave copies of the proclamation to Barb Swink and her daughter Amy Hone. Swink's husband, the late Edward Swink, received the Purple Heart after being wounded in Vietnam.

As part of the recognition of Purple Heart recipients, Dawson will place signs at the two entrances to the community noting its participation in the Purple Heart program.

Connellsville City Council adopted a similar ordinance.

See DAWSON on A2

Dawson joins ranks of Purple Heart towns



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 Purple Heart Community proclamations are presented to Amy Hone (left) and her mother Barb Swink (right) by Dawson Mayor Sandy Newell. Swink's late husband, Edward Swink, received a Purple Heart medal after being wounded in Vietnam.

All Veterans are welcome to attend, as the Mayor and Connellsville City Council sign a proclamation extending an expression of gratitude to the sons and daughters of our area who gave their lives or were wounded in combat defending the freedoms that all Americans enjoy. Connellsville will become only the second city in the State of Pennsylvania to recognize such exceptional citizens.



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The Fayette County Cultural Trust has also worked with the Borough of Dawson Mayor Sandy Newell. They were awarded the status of the first borough in Pennsylvania to become a Purple Heart borough.

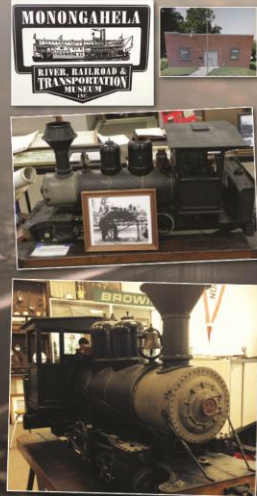
Fayette County Train Days

Fayette County Train Day Celebrates all those railroad model builders and the different railroads that crisscrossed this area. This year we have 7 train displays open to the public on Saturday, 12 May from 10 am - 4 pm. This event was FREE to the public.

MONONGAHELA RIVER, RAILROAD & TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM

412 Church Street
Brownsville, PA 15417
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The free museum will be featuring a G-scale side-train layout by the Pittsburgh Garden Railway Society.



MILLSBORO RAILROAD MUSEUM

Rear 119 Lark Avenue
Millsboro, PA 15348
724.366.4963
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

1902 Victorian railroad station built using a copy of original F&E blueprints. Displays include a model of the Connellsville B&O train station, artifacts from the West Penn Railways, and more.

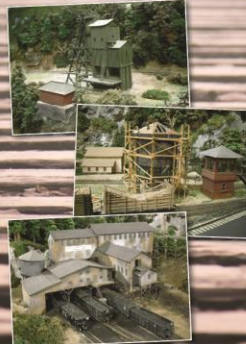


The 2019 Fayette County Train Day will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

If you have a display located in Fayette County you'd like to include in the tour, please contact:

Fayette County Cultural Trust
139 W. Crawford Ave.
Connellsville, PA 15425

Email fcctrust@zoominternet.net or call 724-320-6392.



FAYETTE COUNTY Cultural Trust

ART - CULTURE - HISTORY - EDUCATION
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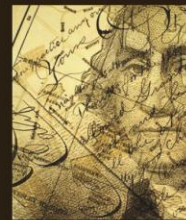
Connellsville Canteen Café & Museum

- ❖ Café open Tue - Sat., 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- ❖ World War II Museum
- ❖ Model Railroad Display

Laurel Highlands Native American Interpretive Center

- ❖ Open Tue - Fri., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- ❖ Groups welcome

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FAYETTE COUNTY TRAIN DAY

Saturday, May 12, 2018

★ Open Houses ★

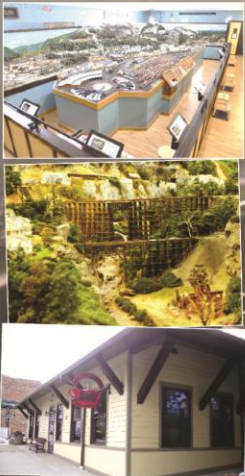
FREE ADMISSION!



HARRY CLARK'S INDIAN CREEK VALLEY RAILROAD DISPLAY

Connellsville Canteen
131 West Crawford Avenue
Connellsville, PA 15425
724-603-2093 | ConnellsvilleCanteen.org
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

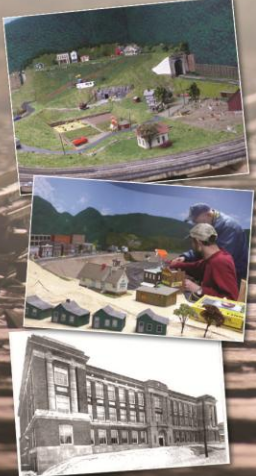
If I took Harry Clark 40 years to produce this phenomenal display. Everything is scratch-built, including the tracks! Seeing this 25' x 55' display will take you back to a simpler time.



HOBO CLUB RAILROAD DISPLAY WEST VIRGINIA NORTHERN

Connellsville Community Center
201 East Fairview Avenue, Room 112
Connellsville, PA 15425
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Hobo Club started in 1953, and the display at the Connellsville Community Center is it's 4th. The track layout depicts the route, businesses and scenery from Connellsville to West Virginia.



CARTER HIGBEE RAILROAD DISPLAY B&O RAILROAD

215 West Cedar Avenue
2nd Floor Garage
(Not Handicapped Accessible)
Connellsville, PA 15425
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

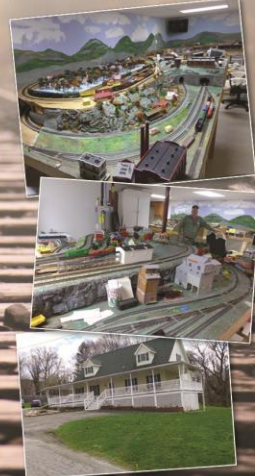
Carter's display takes up nearly the whole 2nd floor of a building to the left of his home. You will see ships docked, moonshiners, large cities, country roads, small towns and of course trains.



DAVID GARLICK RAILROAD DISPLAY HO SCALE

209 W. Allegheny Ave.
Basement (Behind Lynn's Pub & Grill)
(Not Handicapped Accessible)
Connellsville, PA 15425
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

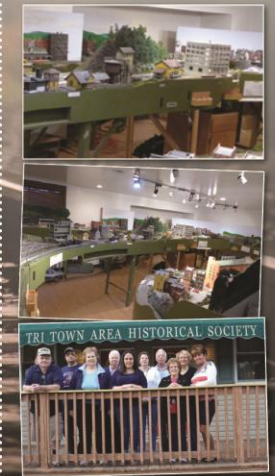
Although still under construction, the trains are running on David Garlick's HO scale layout. See Dave's different method of benchmark for supporting the track right-of-way on his layout.



TRI TOWN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY S SCALE

201 Main and Howell Streets
Dawson, PA 15428
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Scale-S modeler Sam Powell modeled his display after Southwestern Pennsylvania. Donated by his family, the layout was moved from Galtherburg, MD to Dawson in 2016.



The 7th Annual Golden Reunion was held at Connellsville's East Park on Sunday 27 May 2018. This event brings together former area students who want to reconnect with each other. This year Project Talent Workshop had their stilt walkers perform a segment honoring veterans.



**Fayette County
Cultural Trust**
www.fayettetrust.org

**7th Annual
Golden Reunion
Sunday 27 May 2018
East Park
1 pm – 4 pm**



Food available from
Keedy's Pizzeria



Special appearance by
Project Talent Stilt Walkers
3:30 pm



Entertainment by
TK the DJ
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

**REUNITE
REVISIT REUNION '18**

Prizes, Surprises and More....

\$10.00 – Offsets cost of park rental, entertainment & transportation

**Bus transportation from Fairview Avenue parking lot.
Advance payment can be made at the
Connellsville Canteen – or pay at the event.**

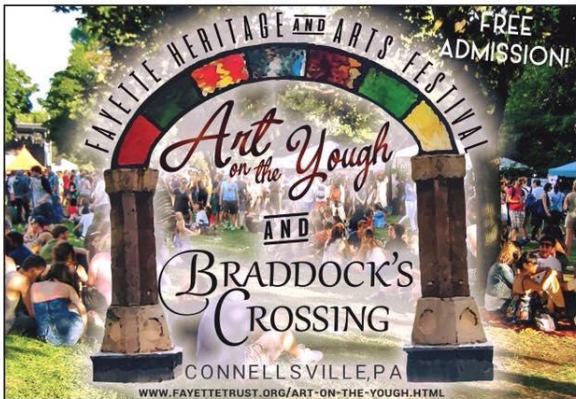


**This event will be a Tribute to Veterans,
and a special Tribute to
Florence Shutsy Reynolds and
Virginia Eberharter**





Art on the Yough - 2018



SATURDAY AND SUNDAY JUNE 23-24, 2018
10 A.M.-5 P.M., YOUGH RIVER PARK, CONNELLSVILLE, PA
 LIVE ENTERTAINMENT | ART & CRAFT VENDORS | HISTORICAL REENACTORS
 FOOD VENDORS | CHILDREN'S CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES | FAMILY FUN & MORE!



<p>BRADDOCK'S CROSSING CROSSING OF THE YOUGH PRESENTED BY THE CONNELLSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY</p> <p>SATURDAY 11 a.m. Opening Ceremony 1 p.m. River Crossing* 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tour Col. Crawford's Cabin, stroll the grounds and visit our vendors</p> <p>SUNDAY 1 p.m. River Crossing* 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tour Col. Crawford's Cabin, stroll the grounds and visit our vendors</p> <p><small>*Weather permitting</small></p>	<p>CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES Face Painting, Crafts, and more! SATURDAY 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. SUNDAY 12 - 5 p.m. Face Painting, Coloring Pages, Children's Crafts, and more!</p> <p>ART VENDORS AND CRAFT VENDORS! SATURDAY 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. SUNDAY 12 - 5 p.m. Be sure to visit the artists and vendors. Many will be demonstrating their craft!</p> <p>LET'S EAT! Don't go hungry! Visit our food vendors on both sides of the festival!</p>	<p>LIVE MUSIC! YOUGH RIVER PARK STAGE Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the live music on Yough River Park stage!</p> <p>SATURDAY 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Katelyn Ritenour 1 - 3 p.m. Kristin Leigh Markitell 3:30 - 5 p.m. Project Talent Lip Sync</p> <p>SUNDAY 12 - 2 p.m. Arctic Glass 3 - 5 p.m. The Del Sols</p> <p>Strolling entertainment by the Project Talent Still Walkers!</p>
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BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE CONNELLSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY @ THE FAYETTE COUNTY CULTURAL TRUST



Art on the Yough – 2018 Yough River Park Bandstand Connellsville

Entertainment
 June 23 & 24 2018

June 23
 Katelyn Ritenour
 10 am – 12 pm

Kristin Leigh Markitell
 1 pm – 3 pm

Project Talent – Lip Sync
 3:30 pm – 5 pm

June 24

Jen the Band
 12 pm – 2 pm

Del Sols
 3 pm – 5 pm



The Fayette County Cultural Trust sponsored several “Fiddler’s Jams” at the Connellsville Carnegie Free Library featuring the Fayette County Old Time Fiddler’s Association.



CONNELLSVILLE SUMMER CELEBRATION CONCERT!
—sponsored by Fayette County Cultural Trust

Saturday, June 9, 2018

Doors open at 6:00 P.M., concert 6:30-8:30 P.M.

Wesley United Methodist Church
417 S. Pittsburgh St., Connellsville

Open to the public —spread the word!

Donations are encouraged to support the important things the Cultural Trust is doing for Fayette County, including its annual “Achievement in the Arts” awards in music, art, and theater. Supporting the future artisans of Fayette County.

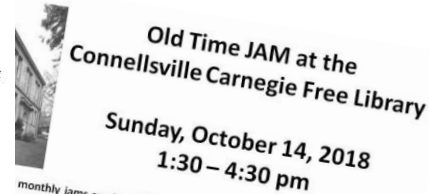


Old-time, Gospel, Bluegrass, and Country, with lots of singing!

Summer Celebration of the rich cultural and musical heritage enjoyed in this region for centuries! Program will trace the history of these musical styles as they influenced one another over time.

Special Guests!

- Grand Masters National Fiddle Champion **Dan Kelly**—grew up in Connellsville
- Pennsylvania Regional and Mid-Atlantic Grand Fiddle Champion **Joe Faidley**—Blairsville
- Old Time Fiddlers House Band
- Young-at-Heart Band
- and other excellent musicians from here to West Virginia!



monthly jams are for children and adults, students and teachers, and supporting professionals. The purpose of these jams is to provide a friendly and supportive environment for those who would enjoy learning to play old-time music with others. **THESE ARE NOT PUBLIC PERFORMANCES.** These are fun learning sessions. Parents and other accompanying players are welcome.

Location: Connellsville Carnegie Free Library, 299 South Pittsburgh Street, Connellsville, in the newly renovated upstairs Auditorium. Elevator, stairs. Enter through side door.

Sponsored by Fayette County Cultural Trust Connellsville Carnegie FREE Library



OLD-TIME JAM AT THE CONNELLSVILLE LIBRARY!
—sponsored by Fayette County Cultural Trust

Auditorium, Carnegie Free Library, Connellsville

FIRST JAM, Sunday, June 3, 2018, 1:30-4:30 pm
led by local teacher/performer “Fiddlin’ Ray” Bruckman

Beginning on July 8, 2018, jams on **SECOND SUNDAYS**
1:30-4:30 pm, led by various musicians

These monthly jams are for children and adults, students and teachers, amateurs and supporting professionals. They are for all those more or less experienced players of acoustic (*not electric*) fiddle, mandolin, banjo, and guitar.

The purpose of these jams is to provide a friendly and supportive environment for those who would enjoy learning to play old-time music with others. These are not public performances. They are fun learning sessions. Parents and others accompanying players are welcome.

Location: Carnegie Free Library, 299 S. Pittsburgh St., Connellsville, in the newly renovated upstairs Auditorium. Elevator, stair lifts. Enter through side door to the right.

Old Time Jams will be from 1:30-4:30 on Sundays:
June 3, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11, December 9.

For more information or to be placed on the email list, contact:
Dan Cocks, Fayette County Cultural Trust
Telephone 724-320-6392
fcctrust@zoominternet.net

Donations accepted





TAKE A BITE OUT OF
CRIME

Connellsville Crime Watch

A “Stop Bullying” presentation was held at the Connellsville Canteen as part of the Trust’s “Connellsville Crime Watch” program. This presentation featured several professional speakers.

STOP BULLYING

STAND UP. SPEAK OUT.

During this evening we will explore and identify signs of bullying, Understand the role each person plays in bullying, different ways to build self esteem and strategies for stopping a bully. Get motivated to live a peaceful, fulfilling and meaningful life!

Rob Oliver is an award winning speaker and best-selling author. His personal experience shows the power of choice and of personal responsibility. Dealing with limitations and obstacles is part of being human. Success in life comes not from what we do, but from who we are and the relationships we form.



Mary Drelisak’s motivational presentations inspire change. The speaker, podcast and cable television host, blogger, and author wants you to know that your story can’t be defined by someone else’s view. She’s on a mission to empower you to live your purpose and to be extraordinary.



Ethan Keedy, a motivational speaker, entrepreneur, and servant leader, knows first-hand the impact of bullying and suicide. How he chose to respond is making all the difference in his life and in the lives of others.



Please RSVP – FREE Event
Seating is limited
Connellsville Canteen
131 West Crawford Avenue
Connellsville, PA 15425
724-603-2093



www.connellsvillecanteen.org



TOGETHER

we can achieve **GREAT** *things*



Fayette County
Cultural Trust
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Together We Achieve More - On 01 August 2018 MJ Callaway facilitated a meeting discussing grant proposals with the Community Foundation of Fayette County. During the session, we went over possible partnerships and strong grant proposals. The following organizations were in attendance: Fayette County Cultural Trust, Connellsville Redevelopment Authority, Connellsville Community Ministries, Connellsville Rotary, Wesley Health Clinic and the Connellsville Historical Society.



One of the outcomes of these meetings was the partnership between the Fayette County Cultural Trust and the Connellsville Historical Society. The Fayette County Cultural Trust was able to obtain a grant through the Laurel Highlands Visitors Bureau – Hotel Fund Program – and match that with a smaller grant that the Historical Society received from the Community Foundation of Fayette County. These funds were used to create 27 metal signs from the Historical Society’s “Pride in Connellsville” contest with school children. Their posters were reprinted and placed along the Great Allegheny Passage Bike Trail in Connellsville.

Entertainment

Thursday, 6 September 2018

Sponsorship Levels

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Sammy Brooks
Chelsea Ritenour
Scott Blasey
Levi Graft
Chris Higbee



\$75 per person

Includes Buffet Dinner
Dessert
Coffee, Tea
Entertainment

Event Starts at 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:30 pm

Cash Bar
Live Auction

Aaron's Building
139 North Pittsburgh Street
Connellsville, Pennsylvania 15425

Yes! I have enclosed my sponsorship of:

- _____ \$500 - Includes 2 Tickets
- _____ \$1000 - Includes 4 Tickets
- _____ \$2500 - Includes 6 Tickets
- _____ \$3000 - Includes 8 Tickets
- _____ \$5000 - Main Event Sponsor
- _____ Other Amount \$ _____

_____ I cannot attend but would like to make a donation of \$ _____

Yes! I would like to purchase Tickets:

_____ Number of Tickets @ 75 each

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

_____ I have enclosed a check made payable to the "Fayette County Cultural Trust."

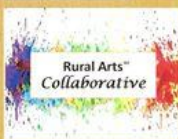
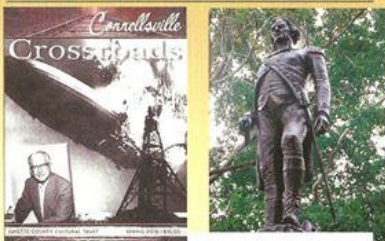
Please return to:

Fayette County Cultural Trust
139 West Crawford Avenue
Connellsville, Pennsylvania 15425

The Fayette County Cultural Trust fundraiser was held on 6 September 2018. Over 200 people were in attendance.



Fayette County Cultural Trust
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Fayette County Cultural Trust

The mission of the Fayette County Cultural Trust is to enrich the area's quality of life by promoting our cultural, artistic, historic and natural assets and by creating partnerships to revitalize communities and further economic development.

Achievement in the Arts

Laurel Highlands Ambassador Program

Cameron Court Project

Col. Crawford Statue Rehabilitation Project

Connellsville Canteen

It's A Connellsville Christmas Event

Connellsville Crossroads Magazine

Connellsville Flower Planters & Benches

Connellsville Historic Walking Trail

Connellsville Soup & Chili Walks

Connellsville War Memorial Lighting

Downtown Connellsville Farmers Market

Downtown Connellsville Initiative

Dunbar Coke Oven Rehabilitation Project

East Park Project

Golden Reunion

McGruff Crime Watch Program

Mum Festival

Laurel Highlands Native American Center

Potomac Allegheny Heritage Corridor

Public Art Garden Projects

Rural Arts Collaborative

Tourist Attraction Strategy

Veteran's Memories



FAYETTE COUNTY CULTURAL TRUST



11TH ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISING EVENT

THURSDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2018

AARON'S BUILDING

Fayette County Cultural Trust
139 West Crawford Avenue
Connellsville, Pennsylvania 15425

www.fayettetrust.org



The official registration and financial information of the Fayette County Cultural Trust, Inc. (EIN 65-1283985) may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania 1-(800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



Downtown Connellsville Committees

Design Committee

Michael Edwards

Leo Rudnik

Organization

Bryan Kisiel

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Pat Stefano

Father Bob Lubic

Economic Vitality

Gerry Browell

Dave Marchewka

Laurie Hensel

Downtown Beautification Bird House Planter Project



The Connellsville Area Career & Technical Center Students created 7 metal bird houses that are located throughout downtown Connellsville. Thanks to Janney Montgomery Scott LLC, Uniontown, for sponsoring their trip to the Connellsville Canteen and providing them with lunch. Also, thanks to the CACTC for all the projects that you do for the community and area.



Downtown Connellsville sponsors two downtown walks per year. The Simply Soup – Soup Walk in the Spring and the Chili Walk in the fall. These events have proven popular and a big draw to bring people into our downtown from outside our area.



4th Annual **Simply Soup** Soup Walk

Tickets are \$10 each
4 ounce serving from each establishment

Saturday, March 10, 2018
11 am – 2 pm

- Trinity Church – 126 East Fairview Avenue – Chocolate Soup/Mulligatawny Soup
- El Canelo – 130 West Crawford Avenue - Sopa de Elote – Mexican Corn Soup
- Connellsville Canteen – 131 West Crawford Avenue – Irish Red Ale Bacon & Potato Soup
- Appalachian Creativity Center – 139 West Crawford Avenue – Cheesy Mayan Potato Soup
- Clubhouse Pizzeria – 141 West South Street – Cheeseburger Soup
- Spark’s – 315 West Crawford Avenue – Italian Wedding Soup
- Greenhouse Winery (Rotary) – 316 West Crawford Avenue – Tortellini Soup
- Kickstand Kitchen – 507 West Crawford Avenue – Vegetarian Kale, Bean & Farro Soup
- Keedy’s Pizzeria – 512 West Crawford Avenue – Chicken Santa Fe Soup

Tickets on sale at Appalachian Creativity Center, El Canelo & the Connellsville Canteen



Downtown Connellsville Chili Festival
Saturday – 03 November 2018

11 am – 2 pm

Participating Establishments

- Keedy’s Pizzeria
- Ruvo’s Italian Restaurant
- Kickstand Kitchen
- Wavie & Janes Emporium
- Connellsville Canteen
- O’Donnell’s Pub
- Greenhouse Winery
- Appalachian Creativity Center
- Trinity Lutheran Church

Tickets are just \$10 each and are now available at each establishment above.



Ticket will let you try a 4oz serving of chili at each stop.
Additional chili will be available for purchase.



Downtown Connellsville publishes a Downtown Connellsville newsletter twice a year. These newsletters are mailed out to all the businesses in Connellsville to keep them up to date on matching fund opportunities, events and new businesses.

**Around Downtown
Connellsville**

Downtown Connellsville is an initiative of the Fayette County Cultural Trust

VOLUME IX ISSUE 1 SPRING 2018

Downtown Connellsville Welcomes New Businesses!



Kickstand Kitchen
507 West Crawford Avenue
Scheduled to open Spring 2018



Kisiel & Associates, PC—New Location
164 West Crawford Avenue
Scheduled to open Spring 2018



Travel Channel - Mysteries at the Museum

Be sure to watch the episode "*Terra Australis, Operation Underworld and Heroine Hostess*" - which features the Connellsville Canteen.



Coming Soon
Johnson Accounting
131 East Crawford Avenue
(Former WCVI Lot)

This property, located on the lot that once housed Sidewinders Bar, is going to be apartments. This lot is located near the Amtrak Station, City Hall and Post Office.

Downtown Connellsville

Connellsville
Events—2018
Soup Walk
March 10
11 am—2 pm
Fayette Train Day
May 12
Geranium Festival
May 26
Lions Concert Series
June 10—Aug 26
Sundays 7—9 pm
Braddock's Crossing
Art on the Yough
June 23 & 24
Downtown Farmers Market
June 30—Sept 29
Saturdays
8 am—12 pm
Mum Festival
September 8
8 am—5 pm



**Around Downtown
Connellsville**

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VOLUME IX ISSUE 2 FALL 2018


Downtown Mixer

Wednesday, 17 October 2018


6 pm—8 pm

View the Draft of Connellsville's
Comprehensive Plan


Downtown Connellsville
Welcomes New Businesses!



West Side Graphics
310 West Crawford Avenue
724-707-4297



Youghiogheny Coffee Company
130 West Apple Street
724-603-3033



Dray & Sons

172 West Crawford Avenue

Downtown Connellsville

Connellsville
Events—2019
Soup Walk
March 09
11 am—2 pm
Fayette Train Day
May 11
Geranium Festival
May 25
Lions Concert Series
June 09—Aug 25
Sundays 7—9 pm
Braddock's Crossing
Art on the Yough
June 22 & 23
Downtown Farmers Market
June 29—Sept 28
Saturdays
8 am—12 pm
Mum Festival
September 7
8 am—5 pm
Chill Fest
Nov 2
11 am—2 pm
Connellsville Christmas
Dec 7 & 8

Through the Downtown Connellsville initiative of the Fayette County Cultural Trust, we have been able to raise funds through donations and grants to benefit business owners. This year we continued our \$500 match for downtown signage projects and \$1000 match for façade work. New this year, a grant from the Allegheny Foundation that allows us to match up to \$10,000 for historic façade work on downtown buildings that are over 50 years old.

Allegheny Foundation

One Oxford Centre
301 Grant Street, Suite 3900
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219-6401
(412) 392-2900



Daily Courier
24 October 2018

Allegheny Foundation continues historic preservation work in city

By KILEY FISCHER

The Allegheny Foundation is continuing its work of historic preservation in Connellsville with a \$125,000 grant to the Fayette County Cultural Trust.

Funds from the grant will allow the trust to provide up to \$10,000 in matching funds for historic facade renovation and preservation in Connellsville's downtown.

Connellsville Redevelopment Authority Executive Director Michael Edwards said the funds won't be available to just anyone. The buildings must be at least 50 years old, though they don't need to be on the historic registry. Residential buildings are not eligible for the funds, and a match must be provided. Both non-profit and for-profit organizations and businesses are eligible.

Work will need to be approved through an

application process, and Edwards said the work needs to fit the timeline of the building.

The requirements are strict, he said, but the program is an incentive to get work done to preserve historic buildings.

Applications are available through the authority's office, and those applications can be started now.

The Allegheny Foundation has done plenty of work with Connellsville in the past, including the Gibson House, the redevelopment authority, East Park and the Connellsville Canteen.

The regular facade and signage program is still available which matches funds up to \$500 for signs or \$1,000 for facades.

Kiley Fischer is a Daily Courier staff writer. She can be reached at 724-628-2000, ext. 111, or kfischer@dailycourier.com.

It's A Connellsville Christmas – 01 December 2018
Christmas Concert fundraiser for
the Fayette County Achievement in the Arts Awards.

TONIGHT'S MUSICIANS

OLD-TIME FIDDLERS HOUSE BAND
 Rich Hardy - vocals, guitar
 Mark Hamilton - vocals, steel guitar
 Perry Russell - vocals, guitar
 Eric Harvey - vocals, guitar
 Ed Gould - vocals, keyboard
 Joe Faidley - fiddle
 Tom Workman - guitar
 Tom Lough - bass guitar

FAMILY AND FRIENDS
 Alene Mancini - vocals
 John Mancini - vocals, guitar
 Eric Harvey - fiddle
 Dale Clawson - fiddle
 Molly Clawson Ball - fiddle
 Ray Matthews - guitar
 Janet Parkerson - hammered dulcimer
 Tom Lough - bass

CHELSEA RITENOUR
 with Maria Dennison, Lena Miller,
 Bailey Rosensteel, Hanna and Halle Detwiler

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Shallenberger Construction Company for sponsoring
 Rich Hardy and Janet Parkerson for organizing
 Wesley United Methodist Church for hosting
 Musicians for contributing time and talent
 Ed Gould for providing and managing the sound system
 and Fayette County Cultural Trust

JAMBOREE!

Please feel welcome to stop by the Old-Time Fiddlers for their monthly Jamboree, third Sundays, March-December, 1:30-4:30 p.m. (Exception: in June, it's on the second Sunday.)
 For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/paoldtimefiddlers/>
 Or email Rich Hardy: richh15431@zoominternet.net



*It's a
 Connellsville Christmas
 Concert 2018*

Wesley United Methodist Church
December 1, 2018
Doors open 5:30 p.m.
Concert 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
followed by a reception

An initiative of the Fayette County Cultural Trust
 Sponsored by Shallenberger Construction Company



"I'm Gettin' Nuttin' for Christmas"

*I'm gettin' nuttin' for Christmas
 Mommy and Daddy are mad
 I'm gettin' nuttin' for Christmas
 'Cause I ain't been nuttin' but bad*

DONATIONS

may be made to support Fayette County's annual "Achievement in the Arts" awards to Fayette County students for excellence in music, art, and theatre:
www.fayetetrust.org/Achievement-In-The-Arts.html



6:00 P.M.

WELCOME

by Michael Edwards, President,
 Fayette County Cultural Trust

OLD-TIME FIDDLERS HOUSE BAND

Christmas In Dixie, Rich Hardy
 It's So Close To Christmas, Eric Harvey
 Christmas Island, Eric Harvey
 Santa Claus Is Coming To Town, Rich Hardy
 Leroy The Red-Neck Reindeer, Rich Hardy
 I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus, Eric Harvey
 Solo guitar medley, Tom Workman:
 It Came Upon A Midnight Clear, Jolly Old
 Saint Nicholas, What Child Is This, Jingle Bells

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Beautiful Star Of Bethlehem, Alene and John Mancini
 What Child Is This
 Nothing But A Child, Alene and John Mancini
 Go Tell It On The Mountain
 O Holy Night

OLD-TIME FIDDLERS HOUSE BAND

He Washed My Eyes With Tears, Perry Russell
 One More Time, Eric Harvey
 Mercy Walked In, Perry Russell

CHELSEA RITENOUR

with
 Maria Dennison
 Lena Miller
 Bailey Rosensteel
 Hanna and Halle Detwiler

OLD-TIME FIDDLERS HOUSE BAND

Winter Wonderland, Rich Hardy
 White Christmas, Rich Hardy
 Silver Bells, Rich Hardy

GRAND FINALE

Silent Night, Perry Russell





The Downtown Connellsville Promotions Committee is a branch of the Fayette County Cultural Trust. This year they planned several festivals and events in Connellsville including the Connellsville Mum Festival and It's a Connellsville Christmas.



Connellsville Canteen

café & museum

131 W. Crawford Ave., Connellsville, PA 15425
724.603.2093 • ConnellsvilleCanteen.org



The Connellsville Canteen has provided for many opportunities in 2018 including educational programs, job training and entertainment.

Saturday - 10 November 2018

The Connellsville Canteen will offer FREE admission to any veteran who wants to visit Harry Clark's Indian Creek Valley Railroad Display.

Thanks for your service to our country.



Promoting Fayette County through the Connellsville Canteen



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Armstrong has been filming "Late Shift" at the Connellsville Canteen. This talk show features events, people and places that make Fayette County great!



Mysteries at the Museum Connellsville Canteen



Watch and see what mystery they uncovered in Connellsville, Pennsylvania!

Mysteries at the Museum Film Crew with Michael Edwards episode narrator.

The Travel Channel – Mysteries at the Museum filmed a segment at the Connellsville Canteen in the fall of 2017. That episode entitled Heroine Hostess aired at the beginning of 2018.



NBC Channel 4 new anchor Coleen Marshall, from Columbus, Ohio, filmed a segment for their news cast about John Woodruff for Black History Month.

Show Times & Dates
2018
Thursday
Feb 8 – 10 pm
Friday
Feb 9 – 1 am
Sunday
Feb 11 – 11 am



Promoting Fayette County – 4th Annual Laurel Highlands Ambassador Program Connellsville Canteen

LAUREL HIGHLANDS AMBASSADOR PROGRAM – 2018 – 4TH ANNUAL



All Lectures are from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Doors open at 5:30 pm
\$5.00 Donation

March 5	Donna Myers	Dunbar Historical Society
March 12	Annie Quinn	Jacobs Creek Watershed Association
March 19	Muriel Nuttall	Redstone Foundation - Tourism
March 26	Brian Reedy	Faces of Fort Necessity - 1754
April 2	Chris Buckelew	Fayette County Historical Society
April 9	Aaron Hollis	West Overton Village
April 16	Donna Holdorf	National Road/Sheepskin Trail
April 23	Jared Bundy	Laurel Highlands Visitors Bureau
April 30	Amanda Peters	Coal & Coke Heritage Center
May 7	Ceane O'Hanlon-Lincoln	Fayette County WWII
May 14	Clay Kilgrove	Washington County Historical Society



Reservations:
Connellsville Canteen
131 West Crawford Avenue
Connellsville, PA 15425
724-603-2093
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EXPLORE
YOUR WORLD

Laurel Highlands Ambassador Program
Monday, 26 March 2018
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Connellsville Canteen – RSVP 724-603-2093

Brian Reedy
The Changing Face of Fort Necessity - 1754



Since the time of its destruction in 1754 to the present, Fort Necessity has changed. Competing interpretations and current events shaped the site's development. This constant change reflects evolving history, with controversy, but importantly tells a story of us, those involved in the process. The program will highlight the park site over time and the search for better interpretation. The speaker will be Mr Brian Reedy.

\$5.00 donation requested
light dinner included



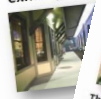
Laurel Highlands Ambassador Program
Monday, 09 April 2018
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Connellsville Canteen – RSVP 724-603-2093

Aaron Hollis
West Overton Village

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West Overton will be featured from the Heinz History Center. He will discuss West Overton Village and its Southwestern Pennsylvania history. The exhibit, so co



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Muriel Nuttall
Redstone Foundation



Muriel will talk about the Redstone Foundation's initiatives to foster tourism in Fayette County. Fayette County has such an abundance of natural, historical and recreational opportunities not only for our residents, but also visitors to our area. This positive approach to tourism will help strengthen the bond between those who are working for a brighter future.

The mission of the Redstone Foundation is to provide financial support for the educational and community development activities and programs sponsored by the Fayette Chamber of Commerce, and to promote and develop the economic, civic, cultural and social welfare of the citizens of Fayette County, Pennsylvania, through education and outreach projects available to all county residents and citizens of the Redstone Foundation. Programs supported through The Redstone Foundation will be undertaken as collaborative activities with partner institutions. Programming and economic development agencies.



The Laurel Highlands Ambassador Program
presents an evening with
Annie Quinn – Jacobs Creek Watershed Association

Monday, March 12, 2018
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Annie Quinn will host a presentation about the Jacobs Creek Watershed Association, their projects and events.

Donations of \$5 – Dinner included
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Jacobs Creek Watershed Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to the conservation of our natural resources, rehabilitation of the creek and watershed, environmental education and recreation.



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The Laurel Highlands Ambassador Program
presents an evening with
Donna Myers – Dunbar Historical Society
Monday, March 5, 2018
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Donna Myers will host a presentation
on the history of Dunbar, Pennsylvania.

Donation of \$5 – Dinner included
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Promoting Fayette County - Carol Love Tours - Connellsville Canteen

Carol Love Mystery Tours at the Connellsville Canteen! This year Carol Love brought in a couple of tours to Connellsville from as far away as New York! These tours usually average 40 people and after touring the Canteen we offer a historic driving tour of Connellsville.



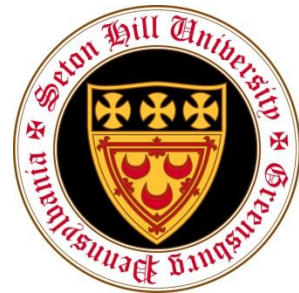
Seton Hill University – Dr. Tim Crain

In 2018 Dr. Tim Crain offered 3 lectures at the Connellsville Canteen.

13 March – The Arab & Israeli Conflict – Part 1

27 March – The Arab & Israeli Conflict – Part 2

4 December – Lyndon B. Johnson: an American Life



The Connellsville Canteen Presents:
The life of
Lyndon B. Johnson
by Dr. Tim Crain
Thursday, November 15, 2018
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Doors open at 5:30 pm
Donation \$10.00 - Dinner

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Lyndon B. Johnson was the 36th president of the United States; he was sworn into office following the November 1963 assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Upon taking office, Johnson launched an ambitious slate of progressive reforms aimed at creating a “Great Society” for all Americans. Many of the programs he championed—Medicare, Head Start, the Voting Rights Act and the Civil Rights Act—had a profound and lasting impact in health, education and civil rights. Despite his impressive achievements, however, Johnson’s legacy was marred by his failure to lead the nation out of the quagmire of the Vietnam War. He declined to run for a second term in office, and retired to his Texas ranch in January 1969.



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Through partnerships with various organizations including the Connellsville Redevelopment Authority, Connellsville Chamber of Commerce, Small Business Administration and Seton Hill University Wukich Center, the Trust has been able to sponsor several Lunch & Learn's and Dinner and Dialogue's. These events brought together business people in a professional setting to learn about different organizations and resources geared to helping expand and grow their businesses.

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Lunch AND LEARN

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Tuesday, August 21 • 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

"What's New With Chamber Choice"
Presented by Craig Pitts, Senior Sales Executive
JRG Advisors



About Craig
Craig joined JRG Advisors in 2007 after 10+ years of working in the finance industry. He started his new career with JRG Advisors as a part of the Client Resource Center. As he learned the insurance industry solving issues and responding to client requests, he also acquired his licensing in Accident and Health, Life and AD&D. Craig moved into a sales role where he continues to help the business community. Craig is appointed to sell individual products, Medicare, and employer sponsored benefits.
"The best part of my job is forming meaningful client partnerships that extend beyond the initial sale of products and services. Carefully listening to my partners helps me to support their objectives and achieve success in our constantly changing economic climate."

He currently sits on the Board of Directors of P.A.A.G.E. - Pittsburgh Association of Group Executives, is the Chair Person of the Board of Directors for the Beaver County Chamber of Commerce, and is active in the community as a High School Football Official and volunteer firefighter. Craig's focus is to help clients understand the nuances of the insurance industry and find the health insurance and benefits solutions that control costs.

Affiliations

- Pittsburgh Association of Group Executives - Board Member
- Beaver County Chamber of Commerce - Chair Person of the Board of Directors
- West Penn Football Officiating Association - Member since 2004

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Dinner AND DIALOGUE

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Join us at the Connellsville Canteen for our Dinner and DIALOGUE seminar. Network, enjoy dinner, and learn from top professionals.

Wednesday, October 24 • 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

"The Power of Parents"
presented by Lee Winterhalter, Fayette County Drug & Alcohol Commission



Chores.
A great way to teach your kids about responsibility.



Saturday errands.
A perfect moment to talk about alcohol.

74% of kids
say their parents
are the **#1** influence
on their decisions
about drinking.

Geared to parents of middle school and high school age kids, this workshop will give you tips and tools for talking to your teens about alcohol - preparing you on what to say, and how and when to say it.

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Tuesday, December 18 • 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

"Creating a DRUG Free Workplace"
Presented by Lee Winterhalter, Fayette County Drug & Alcohol Commission

Anyone Can Become Addicted. Anyone.



Not only are small businesses more likely to hire and employ people who misuse drugs, they are also more dramatically affected by the consequences. In an effort to reduce drug and tobacco use at your place of employment, and in your community, the Fayette County Drug & Alcohol Commission will offer advice on creating drug and tobacco free policies.

Employers will learn:

- Why it is important to create a tobacco and drug free workplace policy.
- How to create a tobacco and drug free policy.
- The importance of employee education.

• General employee wellness and its impact on your business
• Your impact as a business owner in the community
• The importance of putting wellness into practice
• The science behind effective wellness techniques
• As an employer, you can improve your company culture - and your bottom line - by taking steps to address at risk opioid use and opioid addiction.

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The Fayette County Cultural Trust partners with many organizations to sponsor the Farmer's Market in the downtown.



Connellsville Farmer's Market
 PNC Parking Lot
 2018 Schedule
 Saturday's 8 am – 12 pm

- July 28
- August 4
- August 11
- August 18
- August 25
- September 1
- September 8
- September 15
- September 22
- September 29

FREE Zumba Toning Classes
 8 am
 FitFam Studio



Amish Donuts
 Saturday
 July 28
 August 18
 September 8
 September 29
 October 20
 8 am – 4 pm

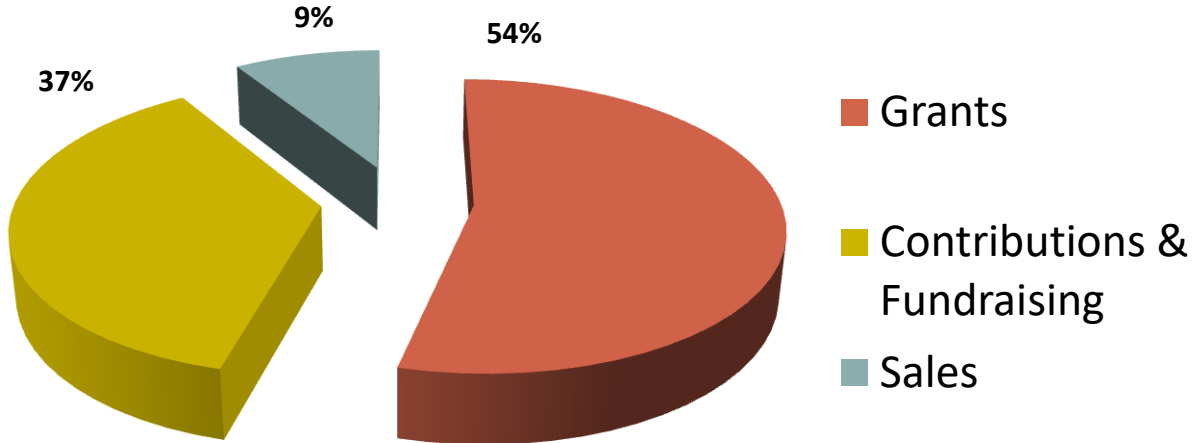


<http://www.downtownconnellsville.org/Farmers-Market.html>

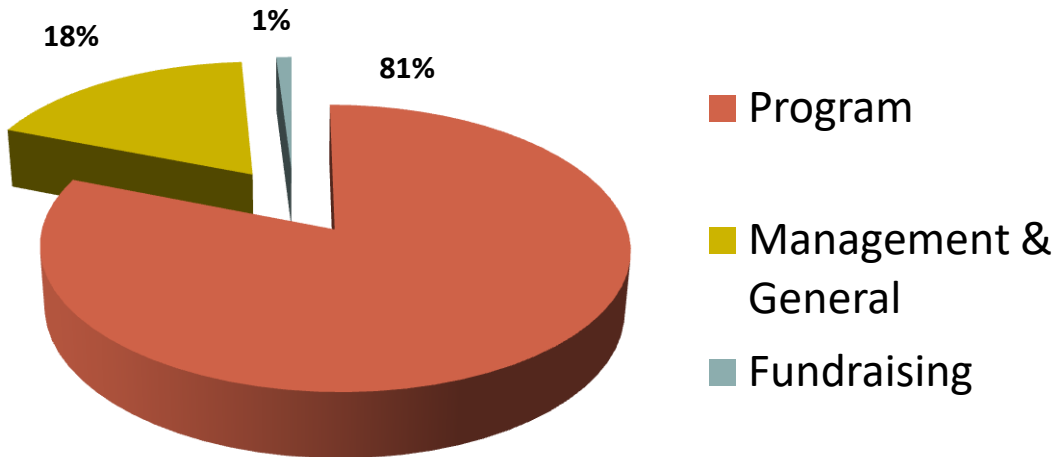


Fayette County Cultural Trust – Financials - 2018

Revenue & Support \$1,216,949



Expenses \$586,215



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