Carroll County Commissioners

2019

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Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a
modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity
of Carroll County Government, should contact The Department of Citizen Services at
410-386-3600 or by email to ada@ccg.carr.org as soon as possible but no later than
five work days before a scheduled event.
Thank you to our generous sponsors:

Grand Prize: A Laptop
⇒ Carroll Technology Council, Inc.

Additional Prizes:
⇒ Carroll County Public Library — Books
⇒ Union Mills Homestead & Grist Mill— Seasonal Passes
⇒ Carroll Arts Center — Event Tickets
⇒ Carroll County Farm Museum — Week of Summer Camp
⇒ Carroll County Farm Museum — Family Seasonal Passes
⇒ 29th Infantry Division — Prize Pack
⇒ Carroll County Recreation and Parks — Prize Pack
⇒ Carroll County Office of Tourism — Prize Pack
⇒ Boys and Girls Club of Westminster — Summer Camp Prize Pack
⇒ Historical Society of Mount Airy — Prize Pack

More...HISTORICAL MUSEUMS & INFO. IN CARROLL

**Western Maryland Railway Museum**
The Museum complex houses an extensive collection of WM artifacts and memorabilia, a voluminous photo archive, archival material directly from the Western Maryland Railway, and an extensive railroader’s library featuring historical and technical publications about the WM and other roads of the region. A permanent N-scale layout, which represents the Union Bridge to the Twin Bridges (west of Thurmont) section of the East Subdivision of the Western Maryland Railway in the 1950s, is housed in the Museum.

**Address:** 41 North Main Street, Union Bridge, MD
**Contact** Information: 410-775-0150
**Website:** www.westernmarylandrhs.com
**Hours:** Call the museum or visit the website for hours of operation.

**Sykesville Colored Schoolhouse**
This historic schoolhouse has been restored and furnished to its 1904 appearance, but today teaches children of all ethnicities and ages. A variety of field trips and tours are available for students and Scouts, ages kindergarten through grade 12. A nominal fee will be charged for each student. In addition, community organizations may rent the structure upon request.

**Address:** 524 Schoolhouse Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784
**Contact:** 410-795-8959
**Website:** www.sykesville.net/
**Hours:** By appointment only

**Taneytown Heritage and Museum Association, Inc.**
The Taneytown Heritage and Museum Association, Inc. was established in 2014. The museum is dedicated to preserving, sharing and learning more about the history of Taneytown and the surrounding area.

**Address:** 340 East Baltimore Street, Taneytown, MD 21787
**Contact** 443-918-8687 or ThandMA@gmail.com
**Website:** https://taneytownhh.org/
**Hours:** Call for visitor information.
Sykesville Gate House Museum of History
The Gate House Museum is located in the heart of the Historical District of Sykesville. Its mission is to collect, conserve, and document the history of the town of Sykesville and connected communities. The museum also offers a research library and membership opportunities.
Address: 7283 Cooper Dr., Sykesville, MD 21784
Contact: 410-549-5150
Website: www.sykesville.net
Hours: Friday & Sunday 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM and by appointment. Closed all major holidays.

Hoover Library at McDaniel College - Archives
Hoover is an academic library housing more than 370,000 books, periodicals, and U.S. Government documents, and providing access to thousands of full-text databases and online journals. As a member of the Carroll Library Partnership, facilities and some collections are open to the general public; reciprocal borrowing privileges are available to registered users of Carroll Community College and those who have a Carroll County Public Library borrowing privileges.
Address: 2 College Hill, Westminster, MD 21157
Contact: 410-857-2281
Website: https://lib.hoover.mcdaniel.edu/archives-home
Hours: See website for hours

Strawbridge Shrine
Located in New Windsor, MD, the Strawbridge Shrine was the home of Robert & Elizabeth Strawbridge - who established the first Methodist Societies in the US starting in 1760.
Address: 2650 Strawbridge Ln., New Windsor, MD 21776
Contact: 410-635-2600
Website: www.strawbridgeshrine.org
Hours: By appointment only, please call for an appointment

New Windsor Heritage Museum & Fountain Shoppe
Discover for yourself the intrigue of the past through the unique lens of local history via historical displays, photographs, maps and artifacts. Walking tours are available for not just the museum, but also for the town of New Windsor.
Address: 207 Main St., New Windsor, MD
Contact: 410-635-2602
Website: www.newwindsorheritage.org
Hours: Open most Saturdays from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM (call to confirm)

Welcome to the Celebrating America Summer Adventure Program! This program is designed for 1st through 9th grade students. It gives you and yours the opportunity to see many of the wonderful sites around Carroll County and learn our rich local history.

To complete the adventure and be eligible to win the grand prize, you must visit at least 8 qualifying sites listed in this guide. At each site, you must take a photograph of yourself either next to the site’s sign or building to show that you visited the site. Use this booklet as a “passport” or guide to track and document your travels.

Once you complete your summer adventure, take your passport and pictures to the nearest Carroll County Public Library branch for verification. Once verified, you will receive a completion award, be added to the list of invitees for the ice cream social in October, and be registered for the grand prize drawing. All passports must be verified no later than September 30, 2019 to be eligible to win prizes.

On October 20, 2019, a celebratory “ice cream social” will be held at Union Mills Homestead where drawings will take place and prizes will be awarded. Eligible participants do not have to be present to win most prizes: however, they must be present to win the GRAND PRIZE.

Celebrating America is a history initiative created by the Board of County Commissioners to promote a greater understanding of American history and historically significant people, events, and places, particularly those within Carroll County.

We hope you have fun and learn a little while participating in this program. Enjoy your summer!
Travel Log: where have you visited? When?

1. ____________________________

2. ____________________________

3. ____________________________

4. ____________________________

5. ____________________________

6. ____________________________

7. ____________________________

8. ____________________________

9.) Go to any Carroll County Public Library branch to register for the Celebrating America ice cream social in October!
FARMERS’ MARKETS

 Farmers’ Markets offer a variety of local meats, eggs, seasonal produce, fresh baked foods, as well as hand-crafted items. Most markets are seasonal, opening from spring to fall and some holidays. *Always check with the individual Farmers’ Market to confirm details as they are subject to change.*

**Carroll County Farmers’ Market**
Carroll County Agriculture Center
700 Agriculture Dr.
Westminster, MD 21157
410-848-7748
Email: ccfm@comcast.net

**Hampstead Farmers’ Market**
The Hampstead Volunteer Fire Department
1341 N. Main St.
Hampstead, MD 21074
Email: hampsteadfarmersmarket@gmail.com

**Mount Airy Main Street Farmers’ Market**
At the Railyard, 3 North Main Street
Mt. Airy, MD 21771
301-829-1983
Email: mamsa788@yahoo.com

**Sykesville Farmers’ Market**
On Baldwin’s Drive by the Fountain Park,
7547 Main Street
Sykesville, MD 21784

**Downtown Westminster Farmers’ Market**
Conaway Parking Lot at Railroad Ave. (Rt.27) and Emerald Hill Lane
Westminster, MD 21157
410-848-5294

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
Infinite Possibilities

Visit your local library this summer to read a book or enjoy an educational program. Celebrating America events and activities are always being added to the library’s calendar, please check the website for the latest activities at [https://ccpl.librarymarket.com/events/month](https://ccpl.librarymarket.com/events/month)

**BRANCH HOURS**
Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 8:45 p.m.
Friday & Saturday 9:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 1:00 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.*

*Eldersburg and Westminster Branches year-round
All other branches open Sundays October - April

**LOCATIONS**

**Eldersburg**
410-386-4460
6400 W. Hemlock Drive
Eldersburg, MD 21784

**North Carroll**
410-386-4480
2255 Hanover Pike
Hampstead, MD 21074

**Taneytown**
410-386-4510
10 Grand Drive
Taneytown, MD 21787

**Finksburg**
410-386-4505
2265 Old Westminster Pike
Finksburg, MD 21048

**Mount Airy**
410-386-4470
705 Ridge Avenue
Mount Airy, MD 21771

**Westminster**
410-386-4490
50 E. Main Street
Westminster, MD 21157
COUNTY PARKS
410-386-2103
www.ccrecpark.org
ccrec@carrollcountymd.gov
300 South Center St.,
Westminster, MD 21157

Carroll County Department of Recreation and Parks operates nearly 30 parks around the county. Each site offers its own unique features from fishing and boating to athletic fields and environmental education. For a full list of county parks visit www.ccreckpark.org. Below is a selection of county parks:

Bennett Cerf Dog Park
www.bennettcerfdogpark.org
Bennett Cerf Drive
(near Random House),
Westminster, MD 21157

Cape Horn Park
2500 Cape Horn Road
Hampstead, MD 21074

Carroll County Sports Complex
2225 Littlestown Pk.,
Westminster, MD 21157
410-857-4832

Deer Park
637 Deer Park Road
Westminster, MD 21157

Double Pipe Creek
7577 Middleburg Road
Detour, MD 21757

Freedom Park
1111 Raincliffe Road
Sykesville, MD 21784

Hashawha/Bear Branch
306 John Owings Road
Westminster, MD 21158
410-386-3560/386-3580

Hap Baker Firearms Facility
Northern Landfill,
1400 Baltimore Blvd.,
Westminster, MD 21157

Krimgold Park
5355 Woodbine Road
Woodbine, MD 21797

Langdon C. Burns Park
700 Gist Road
Westminster, MD 21157

Leister Park
4134 Black Rock Road
Hampstead, MD 21074

Piney Run Park & Nature Center
30 Martz Road
Sykesville, MD 21787
410-795-5165/795-6043

Sandymount Park
2250 Old Westminster Pike
Westminster, MD 21157

Westminster Community Pond
30 Collegeview Blvd.
Westminster, MD 21157

CITIES AND TOWNS
Carroll County has 8 towns, each of which has its own unique character and charm.

Town of Hampstead
1034 S. Carroll Street, Hampstead, MD 21074
410-239-7408 ● hampstead@carr.org
www.Hampsteadmd.gov

Town of Manchester
3337 Victory Street, Manchester, MD 21102
410-239-3200 ● info@manchestermd.gov
www.manchestermd.gov

Town of Mount Airy
110 S. Main Street P.O. Box 50, Mount Airy, MD 21771
301 829-1424 ● town@mountairymd.org
www.mountairymd.org

Town of New Windsor
211 High Street, New Windsor, MD 21776
410-635-6575 ● info@newwindsormd.org
www.newwindsormd.org

Town of Sykesville
7547 Main Street, Sykesville, MD 21784
410-795-8959 ● mainstreet@sykesville.net
www.townofsykesville.org

Town of Taneytown
17 East Baltimore Street, Taneytown, MD 21787
(410) 751-1100 ● info@taneytown.org
www.taneytown.org

Town of Union Bridge
104 West Locust Street , Union Bridge, MD 217
410-775-2711 ● unionbr@carr.org
www.carr.org/unionbr/

Town of Westminster
56 W. Main Street, Westminster MD 21157
410-848-9000 ● info@westgov.com
www.westminstermd.gov
14 different Fire Companies serve Carroll County, some for over a century. All are Non-Profit organizations that work with a mostly volunteer crew. Many Fire Companies have carnivals. Others have different fundraising events. Always check with the individual Fire House to confirm event details as they are subject to change.

Gamber & Community Fire Company
(410) 795-3445
www.gambervfd.org
3838 Niner Road
Finksburg, MD 21048

Harney Volunteer Fire Company
www.harneyfire11.org
(410) 756-6464
5130 Harney Road
Taneytown, MD 21787

Manchester Volunteer Fire Company
www.manchestervfd.org
(410) 239-2286
3209 Main Street
Manchester, MD 21102

New Windsor Fireman’s Building
www.nwfd10.org
(410) 635-6373
101 High Street
New Windsor, MD 21776

Reese Volunteer Fire Company
www.reesevfc.org
(410) 848-7172
1745 Baltimore Blvd.
Westminster, MD 21157

Taneytown Volunteer Fire Company
www.tvfcs5.org
(410) 751-0506
39 E. Baltimore Street
Taneytown, MD 21787

Westminster Fireman’s Building
www.westminstervfd.org
(410) 848-1800
28 John Street
Westminster, MD 21157

Hampstead Volunteer Fire Company
(410) 239-4280
www.hampsteadvfd.org
1341 North Main Street
Hampstead, MD 21074

Lineboro Volunteer Fire Department
www.lineborovfd.org
(410) 374-2197
4224 Main Street
Lineboro, MD 21102

Mt. Airy Volunteer Fire Company
www.mavfc.org
(410) 795-8055
702 North Main Street
Mt. Airy, MD 21771

Pleasant Valley Community Fire Co.
www.pleasantvalleyfire.org
(410) 848-1977
2030 South Pleasant Valley Road
Westminster, MD 21158

Sykesville Freedom District Fire Dept.
www.sykesvillefire.org
(410) 795-9311
6680 Sykesville Rd.
Sykesville, MD 21784

Union Bridge Fire Company
www.ubfc8.org
(410) 775-7422
Fire Company Grounds
Union Bridge, MD 21791

Winfield Community Volunteer Fire Dept.
www.winfieldvfd.org
(410) 795-1333
1320 West Old Liberty Road
Sykesville, MD 21784

Every day after school, kids fill our Club to do their homework, play in the Games Room and Computer Lab. But more than that, our members are having fun in a positive environment. Supported by qualified staff members who complete annual training requirements, our members grow up with a variety of proven after-school programs.

Address: 71 E. Main St., Westminster, MD 21157
Administrative Hours: 10 am – 6 pm
Contact: 410-386-0135
Website: http://bgcwestminster.org/
Carroll County Farm Museum
The Carroll County Farm Museum presents rural life as it was in the 19th Century. The 140-acre museum includes barns, a smokehouse, springhouse, blacksmith shop, craftsmen's workshops and exhibit areas that contain an abundance of early farm memorabilia. Farm animals add to the authenticity of the setting. Recreational facilities include picnic tables, pavilions, and horseshoe pits.

Address: 500 South Center Street, Westminster
Hours: Monday - Friday from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Saturdays & Sundays from 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Website: www.carrollcountyfarmmuseum.org
Contact: 410-386-3880 or 1-800-654-4645

Carroll Arts Center/Carroll County Arts Council
The Carroll County Arts Council is located in the magnificently renovated Carroll Arts Center, formerly the Carroll Theater in downtown Westminster. The art deco building now houses a 270-seat theater, two galleries, art classrooms and offices. The Carroll County Arts Council’s Mission is to enrich our community, both culturally and economically, by presenting, promoting and supporting a wide variety of arts opportunities for our residents, visitors, and artists. The Carroll County Arts Council offers many family friendly shows and events all year-round.

Address: 91 W Main St, Westminster, MD 21157
Hours: 10:00-4:00 pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday
10 am - 7 pm Tuesday & Thursday
Contact: 410-848-7272
Website: http://carrollcountyartscouncil.org/

Historical Markers
Historical Markers can be found throughout Carroll County, both in the towns and in the countryside. Historical markers have been a familiar sight on Maryland’s roadways for more than half a century. Launched in 1933, the roadside historical marker program has proven an effective way to draw attention to the many events, people and places that have contributed to the richness of our state and nation. For more information, or to find locations in Carroll County, please visit Maryland Historical Trust website.

 Birthplace of William Henry Rinehart
 Bridgeport
 Corbit’s Charge
 German Church
 Hdqtrs. 2nd Corps Army of the Potomac
 Henryton Center
 Henryton School of Practical Nursing
 Hood’s Mill
 Manchester
 Meade’s Headquarters
 Pipe Creek Meeting
 Robert Strawbridge
 Spring Garden
 Strawbridge Log Meeting House Site
 Terra Rubra
 1st County Rural Free Delivery Service
 The First Reaping Machine
 Union Mills
 Westminster

For more information on National Historic Places please visit the National Park Services, National Register of Historic Places website.

Ellsworth Cemetery located at 895 Leidy Road
Westminster, Maryland

The Ellsworth Cemetery was founded by African-American Civil War Veterans in 1876. In 2018 several community groups made major improvements and maintain the cemetery.
Carroll County Genealogical Society

Carroll County Genealogical Society (CCGS), providing the Carroll County community and beyond assistance to research their family’s history. We provide genealogical resources, educational programs, speakers and local expertise year-round. Share your genealogical experiences and engage us in conversation about your family research. Visit us at our website https://ccgsmd.org/ or in person at the Westminster Branch of the Carroll County Public Library on Thursdays from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. Our general meeting dates are available on the website. Get active, get creative, learn how your ancestors impacted your life. CCGS supports the community, join today and make a difference.

Carroll County Genealogical Society meetings are an eligible location for the Summer Adventure! Please confirm meetings by visiting the CCGS website.

**Summer Adventure CHALLENGE!!**

Completing this task counts as an eligible Summer Adventure individual location!

Enter the Landon C Burns Park using the entrance on Gist Rd. Make the very first right turn and at the end of the 1st parking lot you will find Potters Field.

Take a picture of the Potters Field marker and answer the following questions:

When did the first residents move into the Almshouse? __________________

What was the purpose of Potters Field? ________________________________

The Potters Field marker is in Westminster and can be found from Gist Road west of South Center Street, on the grounds of Landon C. Burns Park. Marker is at or near this postal address: 555 South Center Street, Westminster MD 21157.

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Carroll County 4H/FFA Fair at Carroll County Ag Center

2019 is the 120th Anniversary of this 4 H Fair which showcases local 4-H & FFA members many skills and talents. It is open to the public with events, food and fun for the whole family.

- **Date:** July 27th—August 2nd, 2019
- **Address:** 700 Agriculture Center Dr., Westminster
- **Website:** www.carrollcountyfair.com

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Historical Society of Carroll County

The Historical Society of Carroll County offers a taste of small city life in the 1800’s in counterpoint to the agricultural life portrayed at the Carroll County Farm Museum. The Society offers several tours discussing a wide range of topics. The tours are appropriate for young people as well as for adults.

- **Address:** 210 East Main St., Westminster
- **Hours:** Varies, call ahead for details
- **Contact:** 410-848-6494
- **Website:** www.hssc.carr.org
Memorial Garden at Westminster City Hall

The Memorial Garden is an eligible location for the Summer Adventure. It is located on the grounds of Westminster City Hall, 1838 Emerald Hill Ln, Westminster, MD 21157.

Private Jerome L. Day served in H Company of the 29th Division, United States Army. Members of H Company, including Private Day, were assigned to the Westminster Armory and deployed from that location during World War I. Private Day was killed in action on October 8, 1918 in the Battle of Malbrouck Hill, France, becoming the first casualty of WWI from Carroll County.

Longwell Avenue Armory Building

Longwell Avenue Armory Building is also an eligible location for the Summer Adventure. Located down the street from City Hall at 11 Longwell Ave, Westminster, MD 21157.

The 29th Division Association is an organization dedicated to keeping the history of the 29th Infantry Division alive. The Association is open to anyone devoted to that purpose including veterans, their descendants, currently serving 29ers, and all those inspired by the Blue and Gray. For more information visit www.29thdivisionassociation.com.

“Corbit’s Charge”
The Civil War in Carroll County
156th Anniversary Civil War Encampment

June 29th & 30th, 2019
1838 Emerald Hill Lane
Westminster, Maryland

Free Admission
Parade and Memorial Program at the Corbit’s Charge Monument
Memorial Program at Civil War Veterans’ Graves
Guided Battle Site and Cemetery Tours
Military Demonstrations and Skirmishes
Period Wedding Service
Union Mills Homestead

3311 Littlestown Pike * Westminster, MD 21158 * 410-848-2288 * www.unionmills.org

Union Mills Homestead and Gristmill

Regular Hours: June – August, Tuesday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday 12:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The Union Mills Homestead and Gristmill is open to guided tours during operational hours. The tours feature the eleven room Homestead, and also the restored Grist Mill. Many different events will be taking place over the course of the summer, so make sure to check in often for a more detailed schedule.

Civil War Encampment and Living History
Saturday & Sunday, July 20th-21st from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday Evening Civil War Dance at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Civil War Religious Service at 10:00 a.m.

Two days of special events commemorate Civil War history along Meade’s Pipe Creek Line in Union Mills, at the actual encampment sites of J.E.B. Stuart’s Cavalry and Sykes’ U.S. V Corps. Features Cavalry, Infantry, and Artillery drills, Civil War Living History and skirmishes as visitors get a front row view of the military forces of 150 years ago and the effect on civilians at the Union Mills Homestead. On Saturday night a Civil War era barn dance will be held in the Tannery.

48th Annual Old-Fashioned Corn Roast Festival
Saturday, August 3rd from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Come enjoy an old-fashioned meal featuring corn roasted in the husk, served at your table. Meal ticket buys a serving of chicken, applesauce, roll, sliced tomatoes, a beverage... and all the roasted corn you can eat!

Historical Society of Mount Airy

The Mount Airy Museum is located in the Mount Airy Train Station at 1 North Main Street. To date, the museum collection includes many pictures, old newspapers and clippings, business items, signs, tools and items distinctive to the Town of Mount Airy. There are collections related to Mount Airy commerce, transportation, education, manufacturing, and the history of the B&O Railroad in Mount Airy. There is also a vibrant train display depicting Mount Airy around 1900.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS OPPORTUNITY

For the summer, the Mount Airy Museum is seeking volunteers with historical interest to help with the museum and our collections. Middle and high school students can receive community service hours for this work.

Historical Society of Mount Airy
P.O. Box 244
Mount Airy, MD 21771
mountairymuseum@earthlink.net
301-801-9956 or 301-703-1427
www.mountairymuseum.org

Hours: Saturdays and Sundays 12-4pm
Wednesdays during the Farmers Market (May 15-Sept 25) 3-7pm
JOIN US AT THE 3RD ANNUAL CELEBRATING AMERICA HISTORY EXPO—WINTER 2020

Carroll County’s Celebrating America committee, in partnership with Carroll County Public School, holds an annual history expo at the National History Day (NHD) local competition. In the winter of 2020 we invite you to join us at the 3rd Annual Celebrating America History Expo* where a variety of local exhibitors share artifacts, knowledge and a passion for history, while NHD participants compete to move on to state and national competitions.

★ LEARN about local and national history
★ Experience interactive EXHIBITS
★ SPECIAL PRIZES for NHD contestants
★ LIVE Music
★ Local FOOD VENDORS
★ Lots of FUN!!

For more information about National History Day:
www.celebratingamerica.info
www.nhd.org
www.carrollk12.org

Follow CELEBRATING AMERICA—CARROLL COUNTY on FACEBOOK for event details and daily history postings

*Details for the 2020 NHD/EXPO to be determined. Receive event updates by following Facebook or by contacting the Carroll County Commissioners Office at 410-386-2043.