

# Mt. Gretna Campmeeting News



## **Property Ownership Committee Update**

***Submitted by Committee Chair, Kevin Burd***

### New Campmeeting Members

Please join us in welcoming new Members to the Campmeeting. Please introduce yourselves and share what you love about our community.

- CC and Brian Durrell—600 Second Street

### Short-Term Rental Permits

Regarding short-term rental permits, of the 72 short-term rental permits available, as outlined in Rule 20 and the associated policy, 42 permits are currently granted in the community.

Short-term rental permit holders are reminded that West Cornwall Township (WCT) has created zoning ordinances regarding short-term rental units. It is your responsibility to comply with WCT permit requirements.

### Cottage Resale Certificate

A Resale Certificate is required for all cottage sales/transfers which settle March 15<sup>th</sup> and thereafter. This ensures that the Bylaws, and the Rules and Regulations are given to the buyer, and that the buyer agrees that they are reviewed. This removes the risk from the Campmeeting and its volunteers. New Member Orientation meetings will be encouraged but no longer required.

A Resale Certificate in real estate provides information about a property and its association, which helps buyers make informed decisions.

- Protects buyers: Ensures buyers are aware of any unpaid fees due by the seller.
- Protects sellers: Ensures the buyers are aware of the Charter, Bylaws, and the Rules and Regulations of the MGCA and that the seller's cottage account is paid in full.
- Protects the MGCA: Reduces the MGCA's liability if the seller is not up to date on fees/fines. Ensures the buyer acknowledges that they will abide by the governing documents of the MGCA.

This means that the Resale Certificate and its associated \$200 fee are required for all cottage sales, this includes private sales/transfers, auctions, and those cottages listed for sale with realtors. The seller pays the fee; the fee is applied to the administrative costs associated with cottage sales.

Please contact us at [homerentals@mtgretnacampmeeting.org](mailto:homerentals@mtgretnacampmeeting.org) if you have any questions.

# 2025 MT. GRETTA HERITAGE FESTIVAL

ALL CONCERTS BEGIN AT 7:30 PM

SAT., JUNE 14 -- THE YOUNGERS

SAT., JUNE 21 -- SO WHAT!

SAT., JULY 5 -- COMMON VINE

FRI., JULY 11 -- BASIL & GENE

FRI., JULY 18 -- CROSSING ABBEY ROAD

SAT., AUGUST 2 -- PERRIN & STEINWAY

SAT., AUGUST 9 -- COLEBROOK ROAD

SAT., AUGUST 16 -- WOOD FLOWER

BLUEGRASS BAND

SAT., SEPT. 6 -- HAMMER CREEK

BLUEGRASS BAND

SAT., SEPT. 13 -- THE PERSEVERANCE

BAND

THE TABERNACLE -- 203 THIRD ST -- MT. GRETTA, PA



# “House” Concert, Sunday Afternoon, March 16

Join your neighbors and fellow music lovers for a special afternoon at the Mt. Gretna Fire Company Social Hall on March 16. Scan the code below to reserve your spot!

**SUNDAY  
16TH MAR  
3:00PM**

**HOUSE CONCERT**  
**BOULEVARD ST, MOUNT GRETNA  
MOUNT GRETNA FIRE COMPANY**

**★ BOBBI CARMITCHELL AND FRIENDS ★**



**Bobbi Carmitchell**, a celebrated singer-song-writer from Pennsylvania, has been captivating audiences with her soulful melodies and heartfelt lyrics for decades. Her music seamlessly blends folk, country, and blues, reflecting her deep connection to life's journeys. In addition to her musical career, Bobbi has been deeply involved in supporting and promoting women in music, organizing events such as the Central Pennsylvania Women's Music Festival to create opportunities and highlight women's voices in the industry. (bobbicarmitchell.com)

Joining her is **Ashley McFalls**, a versatile cellist and vocalist whose harmonious contributions add depth and richness to the ensemble's sound.

Completing the trio is **Tammi Hessen**, a dynamic percussionist and vocalist known for her spirited performances. Tammi's rhythmic talents and vibrant energy have made her a sought-after collaborator in the regional music scene. (tammihessen.com)

Together, as **Bobbi Carmitchell and Friends**, this talented trio creates an unforgettable musical experience, weaving stories and melodies that resonate with listeners of all ages.

**🎵 New Location 🎵**

Mount Gretna Community Music Collective is excited to host our March House Concert at the **Mount Gretna Fire Company** Boulevard Street, Mount Gretna.

Donations accepted at the door. **Reservations are encouraged.**



Scan to reserve

**🎵 MORE FROM THE MOUNT GRETNA COMMUNITY MUSIC COLLECTIVE 🎵**

<b>HOUSE CONCERTS</b> New dates coming soon	<b>SINGALONGS</b> New dates coming soon	<b>MARCHING BAND</b> Friday, February 28 <sup>th</sup> Saturday, May 24 <sup>th</sup> Friday, July 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday, August 16 <sup>th</sup>
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[mountgretnacollective.com](http://mountgretnacollective.com)



Pictures from the  
Krewe d’Kazoo  
Mardi Gras Stroll on  
Friday, February 28  
Pictures submitted by  
Michelle Shay



# Guardian of the Arts: A New Legacy for Mount Gretna

## *From Chautauqua Talk*

A stunning new addition is coming to the Mount Gretna Playhouse! Thanks to a collaboration between the Pennsylvania Chautauqua, Mount Gretna Arts Council, and the Mim Enck Charitable Foundation, *Guardian of the Arts*, a breathtaking 12-foot bronze sculpture and water feature, will take its place at the Playhouse's northeast corner on May 24, 2025. This tribute honors those who have dedicated their time, talent, and resources to the arts in our community.



## ***About the Sculpture***

Commissioned and graciously donated by the Arts Council and the Mim Enck Charitable Foundation, this remarkable work by internationally acclaimed Mount Gretna artist Cory Wanamaker encapsulates the grace and sophistication of Mim Enck. Water — a motif integral to Mim's life and artistry — gently cascades from its wings and hands, symbolizing purity, healing, and the transformative spark of creative inspiration. As a cherished, longtime resident of Mount Gretna, Mim's enduring legacy is eloquently celebrated in this evocative tribute.

More than a personal tribute, *Guardian of the Arts* honors all who have championed the arts in Mount Gretna — those who founded our arts organizations, rebuilt the Playhouse after its 1994 collapse, and continue to preserve and promote artistic expression today.

The sculpture is being expertly cast by A.R.T. Research Enterprises, a world-class foundry based in Lancaster, known for restoring bronze features at the U.S. Capitol and other significant works of public art. Landscape artist Ryan Fretz, another friend of Mim, will enhance the setting to complement the sculpture, ensuring it harmonizes with its natural surroundings.



## Mim Enck: A Life of Art, Elegance, and Influence

Mim Enck was a woman of remarkable taste, talent, and influence. Raised in Lancaster County, she built a celebrated career in the culinary arts, working as a food stylist and studying under legendary chefs such as Julia Child, Diana Kennedy, and Marcella Hazan. Her passion for food and culture led her across the world, culminating in a deep appreciation for tea and coffee.

After marrying Walter Progner, founder of East Indies Coffee & Tea Company, Mim became one of the world's foremost authorities on tea, earning international respect in a traditionally male-dominated industry. She was also a tireless advocate for women in business.



Beyond her professional achievements, Mim was a dedicated supporter of the arts. A longtime board member and patron of Gretna Music, she championed the belief that “business needs to support the arts.” Her generosity extended to providing coffee, tea, and accessories for the Playhouse concession stand and supporting arts organizations near and far. In 2022, she was posthumously inducted into the Lebanon County Women’s Hall of Fame for her contributions to the arts.

## About the Artists



### Cory Wanamaker

A Fulbright Scholar and internationally recognized artist, Cory Wanamaker has lived and worked across the globe but considers Mount Gretna home. His work, found in collections worldwide, focuses on storytelling through sculpture, blending cultural heritage with artistic innovation.

In his studio, Airy Hill Studio, he continues to create thought-provoking works that celebrate history, nature, and artistic heritage.

### Ryan Fretz

A Mount Gretna native with a background in fine art and landscaping, Ryan specializes in harmonizing nature and art. His deep reverence for the natural world is evident in his designs, making him the perfect collaborator for this project.



## How You Can Help



### Donate Green Wine Bottles

The base of the sculpture will feature crushed green wine bottles, a tribute to Mim and Walter’s renowned wine collection. We need **200 clean, label-free bottles by mid-March**. Drop-off locations will be announced soon.



Submitted by Mary Dougherty

## Support the Conservation Fund

To ensure *Guardian of the Arts* remains a lasting legacy, the Mount Gretna Arts Council is establishing a **restricted conservation fund** for maintenance, supplies, and insurance. Your donation will provide both immediate and long-term support for this important piece of public art.

Checks can be made payable to **Mount Gretna Arts Council - Arts Conservation Fund** and sent to:

**Mount Gretna Arts Council, PO Box 513, Mt. Gretna, PA 17064**

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, all donations are tax-deductible.

## Join Us for the Unveiling!

Celebrate the arts and honor Mount Gretna's creative legacy at the unveiling of *Guardian of the Arts* on **May 24, 2025, at 2:30 PM** during the **Mount Gretna Summer Kickoff**. We hope to see you there!

## Remembering Mary Hernley – Mt. Gretna's "Flower Lady"

For those of you who are not aware, Mount Gretna's cherished "Flower Lady", Mary Hernley, passed away last month. Her presence brought beauty and warmth to our community, and she will be deeply missed. Our hearts go out to her family and friends during this difficult time, and we extend our sincerest condolences. Her obituary is posted on the Buch Family of Funeral Homes website.

### Mary Kathryn Hernley

**July 10, 1935 – February 21, 2025**

Mary Kathryn Hernley, (The Flower Lady), 89, of Manheim went home to be with her Lord on Friday, February 21, 2025 at Hospice & Community Care, Mount Joy. Born in Lititz, she was the daughter of the late Elam and Susan Graybill Sensenich. She was the loving wife of Peter A. Hernley and they observed their 69th wedding anniversary in January. Mary Kathryn was a member of White Oak Church, Manheim and served alongside her husband as a Deacon and taught Sunday school for many years. SHE had a heart to be the hands and feet of Jesus. She walked this out by tirelessly serving others through sewing and gardening. For over 55 years, Mary Kathryn is most remembered for the flowers she grew, arranged and sold.

Surviving in addition to her husband are six children, Becky wife of Dennis Frey of Lebanon, Deb wife of Mark Bucker of Maine, Dave husband of Crystal Hernley of Bedford, Beth wife of Kevin Lynn of Indonesia, Mary wife of Kevin







Longenecker of Bethel and Marci wife of Vern Baum of Manheim; 19 grandchildren, 38 great grandchildren and two siblings, Bob husband of Marian Sensenich of Lititz and Martha wife of Jesse Copenhaver of Lebanon.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Mary Kathryn's Memorial Service at White Oak Church, 1211 North Penryn Road, Manheim on Sunday, March 9, 2025 at 4:00 PM and again at the church on Sunday immediately following the service. Interment will be private in the adjoining church cemetery. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may send contributions in Mary Kathryn's memory to Green Meadow Farm, 1130 Creek Road, Leola, PA 17540 ([greenmeadowfarm.org](http://greenmeadowfarm.org)) or Maharashtra Fellowship for the Deaf ([mfdindia.org](http://mfdindia.org)).

*Wake up from Winter's Slumber!*  
at the  
**Friends of Governor Dick  
Winter Potluck!**

**March 8<sup>th</sup>**  
3pm until 6pm  
Mount Gretna Fire Hall

Bring your favorite potluck dish to share  
Beer by donation  
Live music  
Silent Auction  
Water/Lemonade/Iced Tea provided

NEW DATE

Come hear what we've been doing and what's up for 2025!

Friends of Governor Dick



# PORCH SALE

**MAY 24, 2025  
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**MOUNT GREटना  
CAMPMEETING**

**HAVE NICE ITEMS TO SELL BUT CAN'T HOST YOUR OWN  
PORCH SALE?  
CONSIDER CONTRIBUTING ITEMS TO THE MGCA WHO  
WILL BE SELLING ITEMS TO SUPPORT MGCA COMMUNITY  
ACTIVITIES!**



**TO DONATE  
ITEMS  
CONTACT THE  
OFFICE**





Experience a watershed moment at

# Lebanon County Community Water Day

Learn about our water resources, stream health, and water quality

**Saturday, March 29, 2025, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm**

**Mount Gretna Firehall, 41 Boulevard Avenue, Mount Gretna, PA**

*Engage in hands-on activities for all ages | Attend a rain barrel workshop*

*Meet local organizations and talk with local experts*

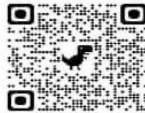
*View demonstrations of water quality tests | Learn practical conservation tips*

## Hands-on Activities:

Paint a rain barrel, fish for trash, make an aquatic insect, and more!

## Rain Barrel Workshop:

Learn about the benefits of rain barrels to conserve water. To pre-order a rain barrel for pick up at the event, scan our QR Code:



## Demonstrations:

Learn how surface waters are tested to assess stream health. Investigate the impact of stormwater runoff with Penn State's Rain to Drain curriculum. Test the benefits of riparian plantings to reduce erosion and protect streams.

## Meet Scientists Studying Our Watersheds:

Talk with scientists from Penn State, U.S. Geological Survey, and others about what they do and what they are discovering about our local watersheds, river basins, and the Chesapeake Bay.

## Connect with Local Organizations:

Talk with local watershed and conservation groups about what they do and what events are planned.

## Practical Tips:

Discover what you can do to protect and conserve our water resources at home and in your community.

## Sponsors:



## Partners:

- Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance
- Doc Fritchey Chapter of Trout Unlimited
- Lebanon County Conservation District
- Lebanon Valley Conservancy
- Penn State College of Agricultural Sciences
- Penn State Extension Master Watershed Steward Program
- Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)
- US Geological Survey

For more information, go to <https://swatarawatershed.org> or <https://conewagocreek.net> or email Margaret Hopkins at [hopkins242@gmail.com](mailto:hopkins242@gmail.com)





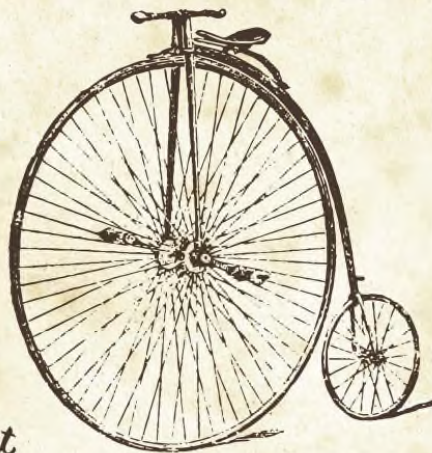
# ANTIQUES APPRAISAL FAIR

HOSTED BY THE MOUNT GRETNA AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

9AM TO NOON

**\$5**  
PER ITEM  
**3**  
ITEM LIMIT



REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Register at URL  
[tinyurl.com/historyappraisal](http://tinyurl.com/historyappraisal)  
or SCAN QR Code



*Join us at*

MOUNT GRETNA FIRE COMPANY SOCIAL HALL  
BOULEVARD STREET, MOUNT GRETNA

*What's it worth? Have you ever wondered if that old painting, heirloom china, or yard sale find is worth more than you think? The Antiques Appraisal Fair offers a chance to uncover hidden treasures. For just \$5 per item, you can have up to three items appraised by experts! Don't miss this opportunity to learn the history and value of your antiques while contributing to a great cause – all proceeds benefit the Mount Gretna Area Historical Society!*

Appraisals by Jane Seibert from  
**CORDIER AUCTIONS**

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## March Trash & Recycling Pick-Up

Regular trash and recycling collection will occur throughout the month of March.

If you are ever uncertain if “this week” is a recycling week, just check the “Calendar of Events” on the MGCA website at: <https://mtgretnacampmeeting.com/local.shtml#calendar>. Recycling and trash pickups are clearly listed.

*And the final photographs for our March photo album...*



*Submitted by Kevin C. Wells*



*Submitted by Dermot Somers*

## Are You Connected to News & Info in Campmeeting?



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NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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