

# SCOTTDALE FALL FESTIVAL

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# WELCOME TO THE 2009 SCOTTDALE FALL FESTIVAL

Welcome to the 2009 Scottdale Fall Festival. This year will be the 35th year for the festival. Although the festival has had many names over the last 35 years, the principles never changed. The festival has always been a festival for the community of Scottdale. The idea started with the 100 year anniversary celebration of Scottdale. A group of Scottdale citizens created a celebration for the 100 year anniversary Festival. This group of people then decided to have an annual festival called the Scottdale Coke Heritage. This festival was started in 1974. The festival would change names several times over the years until its present day name The Scottdale Fall Festival. The present day name of the Scottdale Fall Festival has been around now for 12 years. This is one of many events that the citizens of Scottdale can be proud of. This festival was created by the community of Scottdale; for the community of Scottdale.

Over the last 35 years the festival has attracted people of all ages and helps promote local businesses in our community. This three day celebration has many events such as a dog show, live entertainment, a race, ethnic foods, children's area, a teen dance, and much more. A list of events, food, and entertainment can be found on pages 4-9. The Scottdale Fall Festival committee thanks you for attending and making this festival bigger and better each year!



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# SCHEDULE

## Friday, Sept. 18

- 6:00pm ..... Opening ceremonies
- 6:20pm ..... Dog Parade
- 6:30pm ..... Dog Show

## Saturday, Sept. 19

- 12:00pm ..... Parade "35 Years of Festival Memories"
- 2:00pm ..... Toddler Race
- 2:30pm ..... 5K/ 10K Run + Walk
- 7:00pm to 10:00pm •• Teen Dance - Standard Bank Parking lot

## Sunday, Sept. 20

- 9:00am to 12:00pm •• Car Show Registration - Rite Aid Parking lot
- 12:00am to 4:00pm •• Car Show - Rite Aid Parking lot
- 1:00pm ..... Cubmobile Race - Stoner Street (behind the Festival Stage)
- 3:00pm ..... Car Show Awards - Rite Aid Parking lot
- 4:00pm ..... Ice Cream Eating Contest - Festival Stage



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# ENTERTAINMENT

Something is always happening at the Scottdale Fall Festival. From the Opening Ceremonies to the end of the Festival, there is music or an event happening on one of our two stages. Activities will originate at the Gazebo unless noted as Festival Stage. The Festival Stage is located on Stoner St., between PNC and the Elks Club.

Gazebo Stage	Festival Stage
<p><b>Friday, Sept. 18</b>  <b>6:30 - 8:00</b> ..... <u><b>American Pie</b></u>            • Sponsored by PNC  <b>9:00 -11:00</b> ..... <u><b>Crazy Cowboy</b></u>            • Sponsored by Aumers</p> <p><b>Saturday, Sept. 19</b>  <b>1:30-3:00</b>..... <u><b>Wizdom</b></u>            • Sponsored by Huffman’s Auto Sales  <b>4:00-5:30</b>..... <u><b>Switch</b></u>            • Sponsored by National City now a part of PNC  <b>6:30-8:00</b>..... <u><b>Joe Grushecky</b></u>            • Sponsored by Mt. Pleasant Auto Sales            • Sponsored by Scottdale Bank and Trust  <b>9:00-11:00</b>..... <u><b>Original Fantasys</b></u>            • Sponsored by C-K Composites</p> <p><b>Sunday, Sept. 20</b>  <b>1:00-2:30</b>..... <u><b>Metro</b></u>            • Sponsored by Armstrong  <b>3:30-5:00</b>..... <u><b>Kardaz</b></u>            • Sponsored by Armstrong.  <b>6:00-8:00</b>.....<u><b>Johnny Angel and the Halos</b></u>            • Sponsored in part by Armstrong</p>	<p><b>Friday, Sept. 18</b>  <b>6:30 - 9:00</b> ..... <u><b>Dog Show</b></u></p> <p><b>Saturday, Sept. 19</b>  <b>11:00-2:25</b> ..... <u><b>Race Registration</b></u>  <b>5:30-6:30</b>..... <u><b>Stoner Street Band</b></u>  <b>8:00-9:00</b>..... <u><b>Stoner Street Band</b></u></p> <p><b>Sunday, Sept. 20</b>  <b>2:30</b> ..... <u><b>Schwartz’s School of Tae-Kwon-Do</b></u>  <b>4:00</b> ..... <u><b>Ice Cream Eating Contest</b></u></p> <p>The Wallenda’s will be performing at Loucks Park at the following times:</p> <p><u><b>Friday, Sept. 18</b></u>            5:00pm - 5:30pm            8:15pm - 8:45pm</p> <p><u><b>Saturday, Sept. 19</b></u>            3:15pm - 3:45pm            5:45pm - 6:15pm            8:15pm - 8:45pm</p> <p><u><b>Sunday, Sept. 20</b></u>            12:15pm - 12:45pm            2:45pm - 3:15pm            5:15pm - 5:45pm</p>

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## American Pie

American Pie is an energetic group of talented musicians that's always ready to perform those good old tunes that keep your toes tappin and your fingers snappin. You just can't help but sing along as the band plays from its extensive oldies repertoire of 50's, 60's and 70's classics. If you have a favorite oldie, chances are you won't be disappointed. American Pie plays everything from The Beatles, Monkees, Elvis and Tommy James to America, Van Morrison, The Eagles and Elton John and a lot of good old selections in between.

This veteran crew of talented and entertaining musicians has been performing everything from stage shows to the neighborhood bars in the Pittsburgh area for over twelve years with two to three performances every weekend. Now that adds up to a lot of music put out by four guys, who in that time have shared the stage with such legends as Badfinger, Lou Christy, Chubby Checker, and The Vogues, along with local favorites like Johnny Angel and Pure Gold, just to name a few.



## Crazy Cowboy

Crazy Cowboy is a country/rock band with member roots in the Dawson and surrounding area of Pennsylvania. As a band with musicians that have played in other country bands over the years, Crazy Cowboys brings a high energy musical performance.



## Wizdom

Errol Williams, the founder of Wizdom, came to the USA in 1991 from Kingston, Jamaica with the intentions of creating the Wizdom World Beat Reggae Band. It didn't take long for the band to perfect their music and gain much deserved recognition. Performing all over the Pittsburgh region, in many different states, and in Canada. In 1996 winning the 'Battle Of The Bands' showcase as Pittsburgh's best reggae performers, 1998 brought their first self-released album 'Innocent Blood' with two tracks winning the Billboard Song Awards. Getting back into the studio in 2000 Wizdom finished another self-released album titled 'Rivers Of Love' that has gained radio play for 4 tracks to date. Wizdom is considered by most to be one of the best reggae bands in Pennsylvania.

Today Wizdom is brought to life by Errol 'Wizdom' Williams as lead vocalist and rhythm guitar player Llyod 'Zephania' Willacy on lead guitar and vocals Mike 'The Prime Minister' Orme on drums and vocals, Gerald 'Doggs' Watkins on keyboard and vocals, Greg 'G-Man' Hampton on bass and vocals, and occasionally joined by backup vocalists Norris Reid and Maria Williams along with 'Strings' the saxophone player and Dave on the Bongos. All of the members have an extensive background in the music profession and their performance proves their love for music.

The list of Venues, Festivals and Clubs Wizdom has performed goes on and on and continues to grow. They have built a following of fans that have come from out of state to see them perform.

## Switch

Switch plays a wide variety of music that appeals to a all ages. The band is celebrating their 16th anniversary and hopes to be together for 16 more. Switch has two outstanding vocalist Shawn and Amy. The band continues to please crowds throughout the tri-county area.

**“Get ready to dance in your seat!”**

## Joe Grushecky

As befits this working-class man in this city of blue-collar men and women, Joe and meet in a small diner. He is wearing a Pittsburgh Pirates cap pulled low over his eyes. I jokingly ask him if he is incognito today and smiling, he replies, “That’s one thing that I don’t have to worry about.” He stands tall and broad with a healthy peppering of gray in his hair and goatee, and he talks with a pronounced Pennsylvania accent that reminds me of friends that I have long since lost touch with. Joe seems leery about this interview. He’s cautious about doing an interview for a publication dedicated to covering Bruce Springsteen, Joe has a unique personal and professional relationship with Springsteen that many other artists might be envious of, and I get the impression that Joe doesn’t want to take advantage of that special friendship. Grushecky tells me quite directly, “I’m honored to work with an artist of Bruce’s caliber, but I don’t want to ride on his coattails.”

Bruce produced and played on Grushecky’s 1995 album, American Babylon. More significantly, Joe collaborated with Bruce on two of that album’s tracks, “Homestead” and “Dark and Bloody Ground.” Joe speaks of the working relationship with Bruce as being very easy and comfortable saying simply, Bruce and I are the same age, and we share similar concerns and backgrounds, both socially and musically.



## The Original Fantasys

The Original Fantasys is a six piece show and dance band that specializes in the classic hits from the 50’s, 60’s, and 70’s. Audience participation becomes contagious as these gifted entertainers blend uncompromising harmony, vocals, dynamic musical accompaniment, and light comedy with familiar melodies and irresistible dance beats.

The Original Fantasys travel coast-to-coast performing at national conventions, fairs, festivals, corporate and civic organizations and other prominent events. The group’s show truly captures the concept of family style entertainment making everyone feel they are part of the show.

The Original Fantasys have performed with national acts including Three Dog Night, The Coasters, The Tokens, The Tymes, Tommy James, Bobby Vinton, and Barbara Lewis.

The Original Fantasys’ unique blend of nostalgia, comedy and musical drama can hold an audience spellbound. So, for a full evening of entertainment don’t miss the Original Fantasys. This self contained entertainment package is complete with professional sound and lighting system, capable of covering any size event.



## Kardaz

Kardaz is a seven member pop/rock band styled from the Look and Sound of the 1960s and early '70s. They have performed at many festivals, fairs and concert venues throughout the western Pennsylvania area as well as many clubs and private parties. The collective talents of the members adds a wide variety of vocal and musical sounds. They replicate flawlessly the harmonic vocals and visual perspectives of the American and British pop/rock scene of the era. The band has received a standing ovation from the audience at the I.C. Amphitheatre at the opening of the show for The Beach Boys and have appeared at Heinz Field with The Monkees.



## Metro

Metro is a dynamic 5 piece band featuring 3 lead vocalist/instrumentalist backed by a driving rhythm section. The band was formed in 1989 out of a shared love of music and a passion to entertain fans with dance music, while having a great time doing it.

With an eclectic mix of music encompassing R&B, Funk, Motown, and Rock the captivate a listening audience while performing high-energy dance music and lively party songs that make Metro one of the most unique and entertaining dance bands around.

The dynamic five-piece ensemble consists of Elisha Costello (vocals), Babe Wilson (guitar, vocals), Chris Caruso (bass, vocals), Jim Lishego (keyboard, vocals) and Bob Breakiron (drums, percussion).

Metro performs over 100 shows a year including night clubs, weddings, private parties, and fairs and festivals.

A truly diverse band, Metro's members each bring unique talents to the stage and deliver high-energy shows that make their faithful fans want to dance all night. Metro's fun-loving spirit and undeniable musical talent come together to give you a fantastic experience that you won't soon forget.



## Johnny Angel and the Halos

The group actually had three origins. The first was on the street corners of the Northside of Pittsburgh where Johnny and Bubba grew up singing a cappella together with some of their childhood friends. The second was in Al's bedroom where he and Ricky practiced their guitars together. And' the third was in Sewickley where Pinky played guitar for a group called the runaways". Three different bands, from three different cultures, with three different ideas, with three different styles of music but, all with something in common. That commonality was the future meeting and life long friendship of what was soon to be... Johnny Angel and the Halos".

It was May 28th, Johnny's birthday, and a call from his cousin, Jim Ehrhardt, invited him to go to a friends house in Westview, who coincidentally was also celebrating a birthday. Johnny agreed and off they went. When they arrived they heard two guitars blasting from within the house. They walked in and found Al and Ricky playing some pop and rock. Johnny and Jim, coming from strong R & B backgrounds, were not impressed with the material being played but thought that it could be integrated with the sounds they knew and loved.

We added horns, sound engineers, lighting techs., and stage crew and a whole lot more props and equipment. There, now you have the band as it is today, ten singer/musicians and three technicians.



## LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO EAT? HERE IS A LIST OF VENDORS AND WHAT THEY WILL BE SERVING DURING THE FESTIVAL.

**Aumer's Hot Sausage:** Hot sausage, steak hoagies, Pepsi.

**Ted Aumer:** Chicken on a stick, egg rolls, and rice.

**Court Yard Specialties (Gene):** Curly fries & veggies, pizza, lemonade and Pepsi. (Vaughn): Steak supreme (on pita). Chicken divine (on pita). Soft pretzel. Pepsi. Water.

**Dell's Dessert Hut:** Ice cream, shakes, and cones.

**The Funnel Cake Man:** Cinnamon--Almonds, pecans and cashews.  
Sno cones. Candy apples.

**K & J Concessions:** Funnel cakes, corn dogs, and lemonade.

**The Pie Shoppe, Inc.:** Baked goods.

**Ye Old Kettle Korn, LLC:** Kettle korn.

**Simon's Concessions:** Gyro sandwich, apple dumpling, chocolate covered fruit, and Pepsi.

**D's Mini Donuts:** Walking tacos, Chocolate molten lava cake, Sweet tea, Pepsi, Coffee, Water.

**Fudgie-Wudgie:** Fudge.

**Scottdale Community Pool:** BBQ burger, chili and roll, nachos and cheese, chili and cheese, coffee, pop.

**Churches:** Calvin United Presbyterian Church—Cabbage & noodles, rolls, pierogies, Pepsi and coffee.  
Scottdale Mennonite Church—Pie, gobs, hot & cold beverages.

**Christner's Farm:** Produce. Mums.

**Scottdale Fall Festival Food Booth:** Hamburgers, hot dogs, pop.

## The World Famous Wallenda's

The most famous family in circus history, the Wallendas, introduces an all-new troupe of performers in a death-defying pyramid with the youngest girl in history to present the fabled chair balance. Rick Wallenda, eldest grandson of founders, Karl and Helen, proudly presents his troupe of daredevils. Wallenda celebrates more than forty years on the highwire with his latest student.

Ten-year-old Bri headlines the act by performing the chair pyramid. Bri practices at the Wallenda training facility in Sarasota, Florida. The celebrated circus family traditionally trains others in the art of highwire, and now offers this youngster in a spectacular recreation of the feat made famous by the original Wallenda troupe.

The troupe offers many traditional turns in this stellar routine, culminating with the chair pyramid. Bri refuses to limit her training, insisting that Mr. Wallenda teach her all the tricks. Bri has also successfully topped the seven-person pyramid in practice, and the original Wallenda "double-double" pyramid standing on Mr. Wallenda's shoulders while he stands on the pyramid.

Wallenda has performed on three continents during his forty-year career, and on more than one occasion participated in a recreation of the gigantic pyramid. As the patriarch, he leads this troupe to each destination as his grandfather once led the original group. Thrilled spectators anxiously seek autographs from these young performers after every show. They will appear at the Scottdale Fall Festival September 18-20, 2009.

You can learn more by contacting the Scottdale Fall Festival, and visiting the only official home of The World Famous Wallendas, [www.wallendaentperprises.com](http://www.wallendaentperprises.com).



# Dog Show

The Scottdale Fall Festival is holding their 5th annual Dog Show this Friday, September 18, 2009 at the Festival Stage. Returning this year is the Red Carpet Dog Walk for the "Divas" and "Studs" (costumes preferred). Pet parade will be returning, along with the following categories: Best Dressed, "Paw"ternal Twins (Pet-Owner Look Alike), Best Trick(s) (up to 3). Measurement categories this year are: Longest ears and Shortest legs. Muddy Paws Pet Supply of Mount Pleasant will again provide doggie bags for registered pets and Pampered Pet Palace will provide category prizes. There will also be door prizes. Top Diva and Top Stud will receive prizes, as well as the 2009 "Top Dog". The continued support and amazing treats provided by PAMPERED PET PALACE and MUDDY PAWS PET SUPPLY are greatly appreciated! One-half of Dog Show proceeds will be donated to a local nonprofit animal charity.

## Prize Categories for 2009:

- Best Dressed
- "Paw"ternal Twins (Pet-Owner Look Alike)
- Best Trick(s) (up to 3)
- Longest Ears
- Shortest Legs
- Top Diva and Top Stud with additional prize for Top Dog 2009!

**ALL DOGS ARE WELCOME, BUT MUST BE ON A LEASH!**



So, bring out your best friend for a "howling" great time!

## NEW FOR 2009 "CUTEST CAT" PHOTO CONTEST

New this year is a photo contest for our feline friends!. Entry fee is \$5, with photos on display for voting (50¢ per vote) at the Festival Information Booth. Registered cats will receive a kitty bag. Further details at Info Booth. Information on local cat support groups is also available. As with the Dog Show, one-half of the proceeds will benefit the same local nonprofit animal charity. So come over and cast a vote (or votes!) for your pick for our 2009 "Cutest Cat"!



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In 1997 SCCIA assumed the task of building a Railroad Station for tourism purposes. The county controlled the tracks and the land adjacent to the tracks, but were not interested in building a station in Scottdale. Laurel Highlands RR had acquired the tourism contract in 1995 and had just three seasons remaining in the contract. At this point the owner said the tourism RR could not operate another season without a home but also he could not build a station. Those involved in the community at that time were convinced a station was needed to complete the tourism picture as Scottdale again was the natural hub with runs to Mount Pleasant, Youngwood, and occasional runs to Connellsville. With just two and one half years remaining on the contract, it was felt the risk was too great to assume financially. Therefore a community group was formed for fundraising and when all was said and done twenty-five percent of the project was raised. With time being of the essence and SCCIA as general contractor, groundbreaking took place in March of 1998, and the Railroad operated the 1998 season with a Grand Opening on July 4 of that year. Two seasons went by and at the end of 2000, the county did not renew the owner's contract for the tourism train. A couple groups operated for short periods of time after that.

However, freight was growing during this time period, so Southwestern Pennsylvania RR (SWPRR) after a short period of time leased the station for its shortline operations and continues to do so. Currently, we are anxiously awaiting a new group from the Hunker Railroad club to once again run a tourism train. We are optimistic after a feasibility study is completed, the tourism train will once again run the tracks. It will run on a limited basis. It is planned for the station facilities to be shared by both the tourism and the freight railroad. The same tracks as the original Colonel Thomas A. Scott Railroad once used will be utilized yet again as the Colonel Scott Excursion Railway.



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The Fall Festival is pleased to once again present activities that will keep the young ones busy. The Children's Area is located between the Scottdale Bank parking lot and Standard Bank. The petting zoo and inflatable rides will be in the grassy area beside the Scottdale Manor Apartments.

For our younger visitors, we will again have a petting zoo, moonwalk, trackless train and craft area. Our smallest visitors will enjoy the toddlers play area and toddlers race (2:00pm Saturday). Our visiting moms will appreciate the baby changing station and rest area.

For visitors of age, we are introducing a scavenger hunt, with our local merchants participating. It will highlight Scottsdale's rich history and future potential.

Balloon game, Duck Pond game and Cork game

- presented by Nicholas Games
- Teen Dance-Saturday  
7:00pm to 10:00pm
- Moonwalk- A.R.M.
- Confetti Eggs
- Craft Area
- Sandbox, Big Wheels, etc.\*
- Petting Zoo
- Trackless train Sunday
- \* free activity



**New for 2009:**

- Ice cream eating contest  
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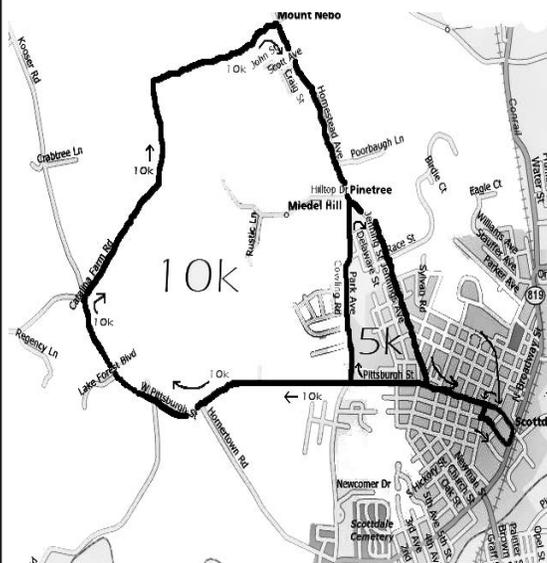
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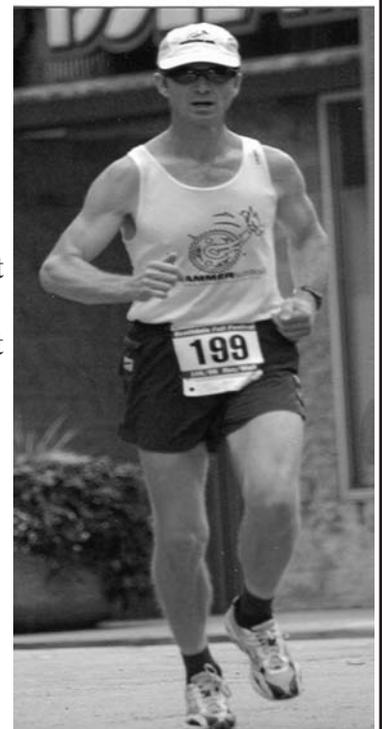
# 10K / 5K RUN and 5K COMPETITIVE WALK

This year is the 12th anniversary of the Scottdale Fall Festival race. The race began in 1998 with a 5K Run/Walk on a mostly flat course. In 2003 the 10K was added and the 5K was changed to a more challenging course. In 2004 the start and finish were moved to its present time and location on Pittsburgh Street



This is the fifth year for cash awards and this year the awards are increasing. Race date is Saturday, September 19 at 2:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$16 (before 9/22) and \$19 on race day. Please call Race Director, Charlie Ellis, at 724-867-7899 for application(s) and more information.

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# SCOTSDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Scottsdale Historical Society, Inc., incorporated July 1987, was reorganized in 2005. The founding board initiated the Coal and Coke Festival and purchased the Peter Loucks Homestead with the proceeds from that festival. It also bought the ground and built the Gazebo in downtown Scottsdale.

The current board has an ambitious goal of maintaining the Loucks Homestead and Greystone Manor and preserving the community's historic artifacts, stories, and properties.

Scottsdale is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. This listing is the first step in preserving what was once one of the richest towns in America. The historical society would like to help formulate preservation ordinances and raise awareness of the many historically significant properties. We hope to work with area organizations to promote our beautiful town with its tree lined streets and walkable neighborhoods and gather and save for future generations the personal stories of our past.

The society's mission statement is:

To collect, preserve and archive the Scottsdale area's rich cultural, industrial and architectural history for the enjoyment and education of present and future generations.

Five years ago, the society board developed a vision for what had become a run down and unkept Loucks Homestead. The volunteer fire department was called on to inspect the home's roof as part of a ladder training event. The department also needed chain saw training and volunteers removed old pine trees that leaned toward neighboring homes. The volunteer effort only grew.

The society placed a sign in the front yard and an article in The Independent-Observer encouraging people to help clean the property. Thirty-two people arrived and removed overgrown plants, revealing circular windows on the side of the house and the stone staircase on the front porch. The volunteers cleaned and swept and removed tons of debris.

Soon the board developed a vision for the property as a Bed and Breakfast and possibly a museum.

The community has been a vital support to this effort. Volunteers seem to magically appear for every function whether to bake cookies, scrub the floors, mow the lawn, paint or even sew period specific draperies.

- Sherwin Williams donated \$3,200 of wallpaper and borders.
- Wilson and Son Painting and Decorating has wallpapered and painted much more than the amount they have submitted for payment.
- The Rotary donated money for the purchase of a commercial refrigerator and commercial gas stove as part of the goal to open a bed and breakfast.
- The Laurel Highlands Tourism Bureau has made grants available towards the renovation of both the first and second floors.
- Community Foundation of Westmoreland County grants have allowed the completion of three bathrooms and a new heating system.
- The Marilyn Kiefer Foundation has supported our efforts yearly.
- Levin Furniture has donated bedroom furniture, including mattresses, three queens and one king bed and matching nightstands.

All of this support is complemented by countless donations from the community in volunteer hours and direct financial support.

There have been some incredible functions held at the homestead. The board wanted the community to see this hidden gem so five years ago it opened the mansion for a cocktail party and placed in on the Christmas House Tour.

Last year 150 people celebrated with Scottsdale's Kathryn Geyer when she turned 105. This year we are celebrating her 106th birthday with a small private tea in the dining room.

Working with Chef Don Bell, owner of Bell's Steak and Seahouse, the society is offering the area's first and only Prix Fixe dinners. The five-course dinners are limited to 24 reservations and cost \$50 per person. Currently they are being held monthly, but the demand may change these to more frequent.

The society sponsors a Christmas House Tour every year - the first Sunday in December — opening up a minimum of five area homes decorated for the holiday. This year the society held its first garden tour and included seven homes in the area.

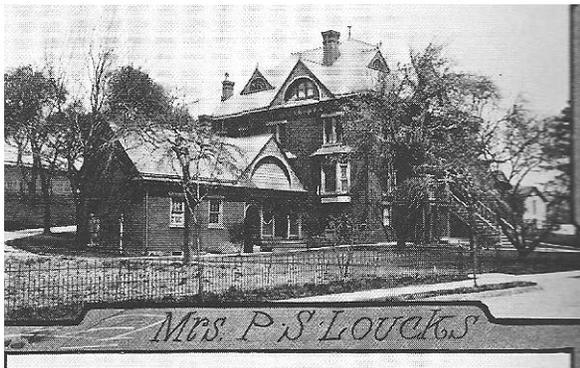
Last year the Scottsdale Historical Society acquired Greystone Manor. It too is in dire need of renovation and the board is in the process of making decisions on the future of this property that is listed on the National Register.

Also last year, this board was instrumental in saving the Armory — listed on the National Registry — from the wrecking ball. The new owner, Jack Davis has already installed a new ceiling and insulated roof and reconstructed the peaked roof that had been destroyed by water damage and neglect. Work is currently being completed on removing and repairing the severely damaged flooring.

The society is developing an educational collaboration with the Southmoreland School District that will allow children from the elementary and middle schools behind the homestead to visit for tours of the summer kitchen, smoke house, spring house and carriage house along with the renovated home.

The society is seeking membership in the Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations and is developing a plan for growth in the coming years. Volunteers will be the key to that growth and community members are encouraged to attend monthly meetings and provide input and support year round.

Ask any board member how you might be able to help. For more information visit [www.scottdalepa.net](http://www.scottdalepa.net) or email [scottdalehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com](mailto:scottdalehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com).



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# The History of West Overton Village

The story of West Overton Village begins with Henry Overholt, his wife and twelve children emigrating from Bucks County, PA to the Jacobs Creek area of Westmoreland County, PA (West Overton Village) in April, 1800. They settled with other Mennonites who were in the area. The first business conducted at the village was distilling rye whiskey in a very small distillery built from logs. By 1803, Henry owned 260 acres along what is now Route 819 between the communities of Scottdale and Mount Pleasant.

Henry's son, Abraham, was a master weaver who then became a Bishop and an elder in the Mennonite church. He also began the commercial distilling operation at West Overton which included Old Farm Pure Rye Whiskey. As the industry continued to develop, the village became completely self-sufficient and there was zero waste as part of the distilling industry.

In 1846, Abraham hired John W. Frick, a Swiss immigrant, to work in the grist mill located in the village. While working, he met Abraham's daughter, Elizabeth, and they were married in 1847. On December 19, 1849, their son, Henry Clay Frick was born in the springhouse located adjacent to the homestead in which Abraham and Mariah Overholt lived.

Henry Clay Frick spent the first thirty years of his life at West Overton. It was here that his grandfather taught him the importance of a strong work ethic and the inner workings of business which included shrewd bargaining and the importance of taking risks. He eventually went into the coal and coke business when he established the H.C. Frick Coke Company in Scottdale and became one of the largest coke producers in the country. Partnering with Andrew Carnegie, he eventually led the Carnegie Steel Industry as a result of the business partnership that evolved out of Carnegie's needs to purchase coke. This business partnership would eventually end and Frick and Carnegie became bitter enemies.

Henry Clay Frick passed away in 1919 and left his fortune to his daughter, Helen Clay Frick. She purchased West Overton as a way to memorialize her father.

Today, West Overton Village consists of the remaining eighteen buildings and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is currently going through the process of being named a National Historic Landmark.



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## Cubmobile Race

Cub Scout Pack 160, Braddock Trails District, of Everson, is sponsoring the annual Cubmobile Race behind the Festival Stage on Stoner Street. Registration inspection of cars begins at 1PM and racing starts at about 2PM. A concession stand will be available.

All proceeds benefit Pack 160.



## Train Rides

The Colonel Scott Excursion Railway, Inc will be holding train rides on the old railroad tracks. The train rides will travel to Tarrs and will last about 1 hour round trip. The train will load to the left of Sheets and all are welcome.

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# The Independent-Observer continues 130-year tradition in Scottsdale

As the Fall Festival celebrates its 35th year, Scottsdale's weekly newspaper is marking its own milestone, continuing a 130-year tradition of publishing Scottsdale news.

Newspapers began in the Scottsdale area with a small sheet published occasionally by B.F. Hubbs, owner of a small print shop on the corner of Pittsburgh and Broadway. Its history is linked to the first weekly newspaper, Miners Record, published by John R. Byrne and a partner. The "Miners Record" changed its name to the "Scottdale Independent" in 1879, with Byrne as editor.

A few years later, W. Newton Porter the former borough burgess became Byrne's partner as publishers of The Scottdale Independent.

H.B. Strickler purchased the publishing plant and he and Scott Lane ran the paper for a few years.

Later, Strickler assumed complete control of the paper, and moved the plant to the Null-Bryan Building on Pittsburgh Street near Chestnut. He installed a steam-operated press, to replace the hand press. Strickler sold the paper to W.N. Porter, who published the paper for a few years, and then, in 1888, sold the plant to W.L. Kelly who moved the plant to the Trump Building on Broadway.

Shortly after the turn of the century, the Independent Publishing Company, owned by Rev. J.W. Moody and Rev. Aaron R. Loucks acquired the Independent. The plant operated from the Overholt Building. The newspaper issued daily, and about 1905 moved to a building on Grant Avenue with E. F. Doorley as proprietor, publishing under the name Scottdale Printing Company. The paper was issued weekly.

The Scottdale Observer premiered in 1900 as a weekly paper. It began in a plant on Bridge Street, established by a publisher with the surname Donaldson. H.C. Wilson later purchased the paper and located the plant in the Rutherford Building. Howard Cramer bought the paper and moved the plant to Spring Street in the Parker Building.

The paper consolidated with another paper, The Scottdale News, in 1923, to create The Scottdale News-Observer, with Ivan Hernley as managing editor.

On Jan. 26, 1926, Hernley bought Doorley's interest in the Scottdale Independent, to begin The Scottdale Independent-Observer.

On Jan. 1, 1958, J. Wilbur Peterson, C.R. Hernley Jr. and Ralph P. Enberg purchased the Scottdale Printing Company. On Jan. 1, 1966, The Laurel Group Newspapers purchased The Independent-Observer. At the time The Laurel Group published The Mount Pleasant Journal and The Ligonier Echo. The Laurel Group located its offices in the Marion-Eicher Building at 229 Pittsburgh Street, the current location of The Independent-Observer office.

H. Ralph Hernley was the publisher at the time the newspaper celebrated a 100-year history of newspapers in Scottsdale with The Independent-Observer's March 21, 1979 edition. Joseph F. Soforic joined Hernley as a partner to publish the paper and then served as publisher of The Laurel Group until the sale to Trib Total Media on April 1, 2007, when Richard M. Scaife became the publisher.

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## Laurel Art Club member Gwen Stamm designs 35th anniversary T-shirt for the Fall Festival

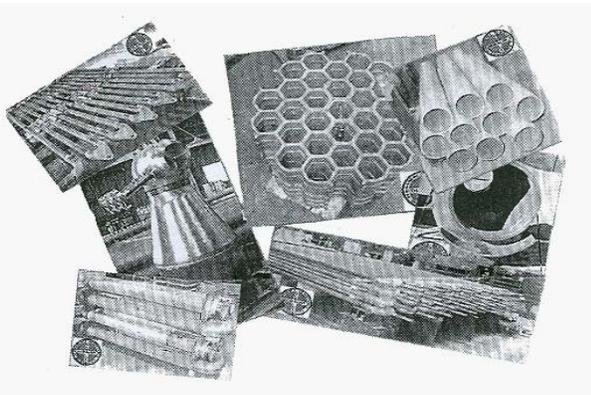
The Laurel Art Club is pleased to be part of the 35th Anniversary T-shirt design process. Club member Gwen Stamm, one of the few members who includes graphic design in her skills set, created the design following the invitation by the Fall Festival Committee. We are happy to be part of the process of celebrating 35 years of celebrations!

Another activity of the art club includes the Fall Festival Art Show. We hope you will stop by the historic Scottsdale Bank and Trust building to see the many pieces of art created by Scottsdale residents and our other neighbors. Media includes photography, oil and water color paintings. The awards jurist is retired Southmoreland art teacher Dawn Sherwood. She has selected winners in each media, including the piece she feels is the outstanding portrait of the show. This piece is awarded a cash prize as the "president's portrait award". Copies of the Laurel Art Club Newsletter are available for those who are interested.

The regular meetings of Laurel Art Club are held at the Scottsdale Public Library. It is primarily for members, but anyone interested in creating art is welcome. Recent demonstrations at the meetings have included portrait lighting, choosing framing and matting, illuminated alphabets, and architectural stenciling.

The club also coordinates a group exhibit and sale at Miss Martha's Tea Room the upstairs gallery, and exhibits by club members the community room at Woodcrest and at the Scottsdale Public Library.

The Laurel Art club has been getting artists together since 1949 to refine individual art skills and develop cooperative projects. To receive more information about activities or to become a member, call Vice-President Sharon Yoder at 724-887-4335. Newsletter editor, President David Hiebert.



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To this day we do everything as my grandparents taught us. Dough and sauce are made fresh daily using their recipes. We even cook, cut and box the pizzas as they did. Using the same building, and the same telephone number (724-887-8660). We even used the same oven when we reopened on August 8, 2008! We still use the same type of oven, but updated to a larger one so we can have your pizza in less than 30 minutes.

Everyone who walks through our doors has a memory of my grandfather and his shop---all good---and heartfelt for us. You see, we at Scottdale Pizzeria not only think your pizza should be excellent, but you should have a great sensory experience because we specialize in pizza and pizza only. So stop by and try one of our pizzas. Same delicious, mouth watering pizza; original recipe offering many toppings; the only difference is the new generation owner, grandson---Todd Centofanto

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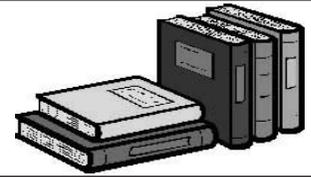
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Below is a picture of the Scottdale Public Library as it appeared when housed on the second floor of the Eicher Building. Please visit the new library at 106 Spring Street and take advantage of the many programs and services available to you.



# Food Drive

All donations will be given to the Scottdale Food Pantry, which will help people with in our community. This is the third year that the festival has raised food for the community and we hope that this year is even better. Bring all donations to the information booth.

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# Scottdale Fall Festival Scholarship Winner

The 2009 Scottdale Fall Festival Scholarship is awarded each year to one high school student who is involved in community activities. This person has leadership qualities, shows dedication and is actively involved in the community. This year the scholarship has been awarded to Andrew Dzambo, Southmoreland Class of 2009.

Throughout his high school career Andrew was involved in many activities. Andrew was a member of many clubs and organizations including Student's for Life's Choices, Science Club, Spanish Club, Chess Club, Reading Team, Varsity Club, National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society and ALPHA. Also, Andrew was Co-Captain of the Golf Team and member of the Academic Quiz Team.



During his time at Southmoreland High School, Andrew played a vital role in the community. He is a representative of the Everson Junior Council and also founder of the Everson Junior Civics Organization. Andrew also volunteered for the Everson VFW Bingo, Scottdale Fall Festival and Picnic in the Park.

Since graduation Andrew has been accepted at Penn State University Park campus and will start classes in the fall majoring in Meteorology.

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# Geyer Performing Arts Center

The Geyer Performing Arts Center is a flurry of activity during scheduled rehearsals and shows. Voices and music drift from the stage upstairs to the second floor office. Sound, prop and lighting crews are busy preparing for a performance at Scottsdale's Little Off Broadway Theater. Later, curtains swing open and the stage comes alive!



The 109 year-old theater at 111 Pittsburgh Street, Scottdale, has changed names and owners five times during its illustrious history. From 1900-1912 Andrew Geyer, son of a local hotel proprietor, ran the theater as the Geyer Opera House. In 1912 ownership transferred to the Scottdale Theater Company. By the 1940's the name changed to the Strand Theater and operations reverted to former manager John C. Bixler. The Strand operated mainly as a movie house through 1959. Thereafter, the theater opened only for special occasions from 1969 - 1971. In 1971, it closed completely and remained empty until 1987 when purchased by the non-profit Scottdale Showtime, Inc. Once again it began providing live entertainment by its main anchor, Actors and Artists of Fayette County. In fall 2005, Scottdale Showtime chose to revert to the Geyer name, becoming the current Geyer Performing Arts Center. Marilyn "Tottie" Kiefer, Millard Hess, Mary Beistel, along with other original supporters began a theater revitalization and renovation project that still continues.



Today, an elected Board of Directors, theater manager, many volunteers and a small office staff run the Geyer. Both GPAC and AAFC along with private individuals and commercial companies continue to host audiences with a variety of entertainment. Stop by and visit us during the Scottdale Fall Festival.

By: Kathleen Clark/GPAC

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### PLANNING FOR 2010



The Scottdale Fall Festival committee works all year planning for this three day celebration and the committee members are currently planning for the 2010 festival. To improve the festival we need your input, we would like to know what was fun and what needs to be improved.

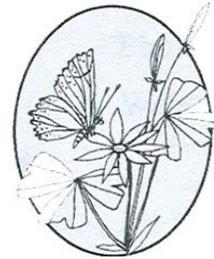
If you have an input or suggestion that you think would make the festival better, let us know. Also, if you are interested in getting involved with the festival please visit us at the information booth or call the Scottdale Borough.

The Scottdale Fall Festival has been a community festival, which has grown into a tradition for the people of Scottdale. Your support is greatly appreciated. Festival meetings are held at the Scottdale Bank & Trust Community Room and the committee meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7 PM. To contact a committee member call the Scottdale Borough at 724-887-8220 and they will direct you to the proper committee member.

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