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HERITAGE AREA QUARTERLY UPDATE

Welcome to the first edition of the Mountain Maryland Gateway to the West Newsletter. This is the first of what we hope will be a quarterly publication that will help to keep you informed of the happenings in and around our wonderful Heritage Area. If you would like to continue receiving this newsletter, please subscribe above by clicking "Join Our Mailing List".

As you may know, our initial Heritage Area Manager, Deidra (Dee Dee) Ritchie, has moved on and we are in the process of finding a replacement. It is our hope that we will have someone in place by mid-July.

In the meantime, we are awaiting word from the State Heritage Area Authority Board regarding our application for funding for our various projects and for our local operations. We have also requested from the State Board that we be allowed to carry over the funding in this current fiscal year (ending June 30, 212) for our Mini-Grant projects. If that is approved

and we feel that it will be approved, we will have two rounds of mini-grant funding - one in the late summer/early fall utilizing FY 2012's allocation and one at a later date utilizing the funds we hope to get for FY 2013 (beginning July 1, 2012).

Finally, as you will see in this newsletter, there are lots of things happening in Garrett County. Summertime is the time for our towns to host their own heritage festivals and homecomings. Be sure to mark your calendar with these events. Until next time, take a moment to enjoy the beauty and heritage of our wonderful county - Mountain Maryland's Gateway to the West.

Sincerely,
Peggy Jamison, Chairman
Garrett County Heritage Area Advisory Board
[Mountain Maryland Gateway to the West](#)

Upcoming Heritage Events

- June 29-Aug 31 [Little Yough Music Festival](#)
 - June 30 [Mountain Fresh Farmers' Market](#)
(Every Wed & Sat 10:00-1:00)
 - July 4 [Accident Homecoming](#)
 - July 4 [Fire on the Mountain](#)
 - July 5-7 [Chautauqua MD & the War of 1812](#)
 - July 5-Aug 4 [Theatre on the Lake](#)
 - July 13 [Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra](#)
presented by GLAF
 - July 21 48th Annual Friendsville Fiddle & Banjo Contest
 - July 27-28 Friendsville Days
 - July 28 Kitzmiller Days
 - July 28-Aug 4 [56th Annual Garrett County Fair](#)
 - Sept 7-9 [DCL Art and Wine Festival](#)
 - Sept 21-22 [Barn Quilt Tour Festival](#)
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