

# Herr House Happenings

Summer 2007

## Dust off your running shoes!



It's time for the Herr Foundation's annual fundraiser. The Amos Herr 5K Honey Run will be held Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. The event is once again sponsored through the generosity of Dutch Gold Honey. The registration tent will open at 4:00 p.m. on race day and a Fun Run for Kids is scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. on the grass in Amos Herr Park. As always, walkers are more than welcome!

This year's event finds the Herr Foundation partnering with Hempfield Recreation Center. The "Rec Center's" emphasis on family fun and good health as well as close ties to the community makes them a perfect fit. We also welcome back Landisville Family Practice/LGH as a sponsor whose generous donation allows us to have tents in the registration area. A new sponsor for 2007 is Dr. Tom Sardina, a new dentist in Landisville. Dr. Sardina will sponsor the Kids Fun Run.

Now in its eighth successful year, the 5K Run continues to grow and needs an increasing number of volunteers to help prepare. It's our hope that more foundation members and their families will get involved.

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## A Busy June at the Homestead

There was a beehive of activities going on this past June at the 1852 Herr Homestead. The combination of the surrounding gardens in peak bloom and the official opening of the Vintage Clothing Exhibit brought many visitors from near and far.

The Ethel Herr Gardeners hosted a luncheon on Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup> on the porch for the Federation of Lancaster County Gardeners. Twenty-four people enjoyed the luncheon and the tour that followed. Thirty-two members of the Men's Garden Club had an evening tour of the Houses and gardens on Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup>.

If anyone happened by the Homestead on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> and they thought they had really gone back in time, it was because the Red Rose Antique Auto Club arrived in vintage automobiles and had a guided tour of the House. On Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 141 persons took advantage of the free open house to view the Vintage Clothing and Textile Exhibit

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How you can help with the Honey Run...

Help is needed a few days before the race packing and organizing "goody bags" for the Kids Fun Run. Each child that participates receives a coloring book, pencil, fruit snack, honey sticks and coupons donated by area merchants. We would also like a few volunteers to fold and sort the runner's t-shirts. We are currently putting together a set up crew for race day and have additional positions available at the registration area. The commitment is only for 2-3 hours. The more volunteers we have the quicker these tasks can be accomplished. If you would like to join in the excitement, give Sue Bleil a call at 898-0579.

A special thank you to board member Laura Dalton who has truly "gone the extra mile" to make this event successful. Laura has teamed with fellow Hempfield Rec. employee, Jeff Book to solicit sponsorships, write news articles and serve as the liaison between HARC and the Herr Foundation. Also, thanks to all board members who have distributed race entry forms and gathered donations for the runner's bags.

Entry forms for the race are available at the Herr Homestead, Hempfield Rec. Center, Secret Sneaker, and Inside Track. You can register online or download a form at [www.hempfieldrec.com](http://www.hempfieldrec.com). Why not register today? And by all means come out to cheer on the runners on Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>!

**Lecture-Mark Your Calendars-** All lectures are held in the East Hempfield Township Municipal building located at 1700 Nissley Road. They begin at 7:30 p.m. and are free to the public.

"The Daily Activities of Emma Herr from Her Diaries in the 1920's" - a video from May 27, 1997 - will be presented by Eileen Bender Johns on September 25, 2007.

Dr. James W. Kending's lecture "The Doctors of Landisville and Salunga" which was to be presented on this day has brought about a change because of health issues concerning Dr. Kending. His lecture hopefully will be presented in 2008.

### **Birthday Celebration-**

You are invited to help celebrate Amos Herr's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sunday, September 16, 2007 at the Country Fair. Famous Amos cookies will be given to everyone who stops by the Amos Herr House Foundation table during the Country Fair. Amos always liked to walk around the fair and visit with people.



The Fair is held on the grounds of the Amos Herr Park and runs from 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!!!




**Mark Your Calendar!**

**28TH ANNUAL AMOS HERR PARK COUNTRY FAIR**

Sunday, Sept. 16, noon-6 p.m. (Rain date: 9/23)

Mark your calendars for this annual tradition! Browse through the 24th Annual Antique & Classic Car Show sponsored by Landisville Lions Club. Tour the 1852 Herr Family Homestead and see the Vintage Clothing and Textile exhibit for free. Crafters and vendors contact Laura Dalton at [ldalton@hempfieldrec.com](mailto:ldalton@hempfieldrec.com) or 898-3102, ext. 38, for application. Call Bill Ulrich at 898-8122 for car show information.

**Amos Herr Park, Landisville**

**Free Admission • Parking Donation**

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**Amos Herr's 100th Birthday Celebration!**



Members of The Red Rose Antique Auto Club of Lancaster

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At the clothing exhibit, a visitor said, "What a happy house!" It takes many, many, volunteers to make a happy house. Special thanks to everyone who helps to make Herr Homestead a pleasant experience for all who visit.



Agnes Groff and Eileen Johns in 1998

**PASSINGS-** This year has seen the passing of two direct descendants of Henry Rohrer Herr and Elizabeth Brenneman Herr. Henry and Elizabeth built the current Amos Herr Homestead in 1850.

Elizabeth Herr Andrews, cousin once removed of Amos R. Herr, died in May 2006 at the age of 87. Born in southern Lancaster County, she was a frequent visitor to the Christmas open houses held at the Herr Homestead in the 1990's. Elizabeth would spend an hour or more in the parlor proudly telling everyone, "This is my ancestral home."

Agnes Groff, of southern Lancaster County and cousin of Amos R. Herr died in June 2007 at the age of 100 years. The accompanying photograph shows Agnes and long time volunteer Eileen Johns at the Sounds of Christmas open house in 1998.

**New Members:**

We want to extend a hand of welcome to our new members:  
 Gary & Sharon Bender, Stacey Fitzpatrick,  
 Joe & Marie Gochnauer, Dewey & Jem Nelson,  
 and Frederick W. Zipp.

REGISTER FOR THE HONEY RUN AT  
<http://www.hempfieldrec.com/honeyrun.php>

Honey Run - August 26th  
Country Fair - September 16th

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