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Bluemont Citizens Association Monthly Meeting

October 1, 2025

MINUTES

Attendees:

Bill Bogard, John Constant, Judy and Tim Hall, Melissa Hess, Kim Hurst, Mike Jackwood, Cynthia Morris, Maria Nicklin, Hans Schenk, Scott Seeberger, Lori Seeley, Tyler Steele, Jen Stone, Peter Weeks, Rachel Wetherill, Carolyn Young

Bluemont Fair 2025 News:

- Peter and Cynthia expressed thanks to all the Fair Chairs for volunteering and for all their hard work in making the Fair a major success.
- Feedback has been excellent with many glowing comments.
- Some attendees came from far away (including one from Richmond).
- Vendors did very well selling their goods.

Bluemont Heritage:

- At the fair, the grounds around Snickersville Academy were transformed beautifully to include several tables of activities or crafts for children.
- Peter recognized all the various individuals who made donations that helped to get the renovations completed before the Fair and thanked them for their generous donations.
- On behalf of Bluemont Heritage, Peter received awards (an engraved, crystal stand and two certificates) from the Loudoun Preservation Society (LPS) for ongoing restoration of Snickersville Academy. In addition, LPS awarded a \$2500 check for ongoing renovations.
- Bluemont Heritage also was a blue ribbon winner from the Architectural Review Board of Loudoun County.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors:

- We need to remember the Thanksgiving gift cards this year. We missed them last year.
- Please let Ruth know the name of anyone who needs a gift card.

Bluemont Community Center

- Open Mic Night is October 10 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
- Bingo Night will take place on October 17 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
- The annual Bluemont Craft Show is November 29.

Snickersville Turnpike Association (STA):

- The STA newsletter has been sent out.
- The website has been updated and many new changes have been made. Members now have the ability to pay dues electronically through the website. You can also purchase merchandise on the site.
- Check out the new updates and changes. We would love your feedback.

Old Business:

- Update on Snickersville Academy fundraising: We spent \$48,000 and have raised \$20,000 so far.
- We received a forestry grant for \$5000 for plantings at the academy. Abernethy and Spencer (A&S) came out to give recommendations and locations for plants have been mapped out. We will get 27 trees and shrubs (all native). Mary picked out three Dogwoods. A&S will plant the trees. Everything needs to be completed by November 30. We will need to give 100 volunteer hours for the grant.

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting will be on November 5 at 7:00 p.m.