

Mid-Atlantic District Events

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Press Release

A Night to Remember: A Ken Medema Concert Saturday, February 14 at FCOB

Make this Valentine's Day "A Night to Remember" by attending a concert by pianist Ken Medema on Saturday, February 14, 2015 at Frederick Church of the Brethren (201 Fairview Ave, Frederick) from 7:00PM to 9:00PM. This will include desserts served from 7:00PM-7:30PM and the concert beginning at 7:30PM. The cost is \$10 per person for tickets that can be purchased online or at the door while supplies last. Childcare will be available by reservation with tickets purchased by February 4, 2015. For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.fcob.net.

About Ken Medema:

Across the years, Ken has shared his passion for learning and discovery through storytelling and music with an ever-growing circle of followers around the world. Ken has been performing for over 40 years in many different venues. Though blind from birth, Ken sees and hears with heart and mind, singing stories from his audience. Ken custom designs every musical moment through improvisation and new composition to bring each event to life. For more information on Ken Medema, visit http://kenmedema.com.

For Release Immediately



Shepherd's Spring Cookbook is HERE!!!! The anticipated Shepherd's Spring cookbook has arrived. Guests often ask for recipes for the delicious food they experience at Shepherd's Spring. The cookbook features our most requested recipes and the favorite recipes of SS Friends. Call now and order yours. Funds from sales will go toward refinishing the hardwood floor in the Lodge Dining Room. RADA knives are also still available from the Shepherd's Spring office or through catalog sales to support the floor refinishing project.

52 Annual JFK 50 Mile Run: Volunteers are need to assist in the manning of the race aid station for this event at the Dargan boat ramp along the Canal. The run will be held on Nov 22 and your assistance is needed to help set up, operate and take down the aid station. Aid in the form of runner identification and distribution of refreshments is needed. If you can spare an hour or so of the day to support these runners please contact Glenn Gordon at 301-223-8193 or ggordon@shepherdsspring.org.

<u>Cookie Camp 2014</u>: Treat yourself to some cookies and a hot drink, then head home with your dough. Cookies are ready to bake! When you leave Shepherd's Spring, all cookies are ready to bake any time. The only exception is the Old Fashioned Sugar Cookie. We make the Sugar Cookie dough so you can spend time decorating them while you are at Cookie Camp. These <u>will be baked</u> before you go home. All the other cookies will <u>not be baked at Cookie Camp</u>. Take the unbaked dough home, and then you can bake them when you need fresh baked treats for friends and family. Please bring containers to take your dough home!

<u>2014 Cookie Options:</u> Raspberry Jell-O, Peanut Butter, Chocolate Mint Chip, Old Fashioned Sugar, Monster M&Ms, Snickerdoodles, White Chocolate Cranberry

Choose from one of our many dates and times. There are two time slots for each of the following days; Nov. 29, 30* & December 1 - 3, 6, $7^* - 9$, 2014. Choose either 9:00A – 11:30A or 1:30P – 4:00P for most days, or the 2-4pm time (*Sunday dates are 2:00P-5:00P). Evening times are available for groups of 6 -10. Reservations are needed. Come; enjoy the holiday decorations and cookie making! Call to reserve your place (302-223-8193). The cost is \$48 with advanced registration.

12/12/14 Christmas Dinner: You are invited to bring a new unwrapped toy to be donated to Toys for Tots in the Hagerstown area. Our Staff will share their favorite toys from Christmas past as well as popular items through the years - of course there will be 12 toys to share! And another fabulous 12 layered dessert - all for only \$12! Reservations are requested by XX/XX/2014.

<u>10-11-12/3/14</u>: New this year. 10-11-12/13/14 Join host Ann Cornell and the Shepherd's Spring program staff for 10 special holiday activities beginning at 11 am on 12-13-14! See the attached flyer for the details! Join us for the entire day, or choose your time and activities. As part of our event, we will be traveling to Fahrney Keedy Home and Village to see their Christmas Wreath displays and do some caroling in the halls! Your smiles will make the day complete! Join us! Reservations by Dec 6, please!

Mark your calendars for 2015 Summer Camp Season		
Theme: Power Up! Living in the Spirit		

Date:	Activity:	Date:	Activity:
June 7-16:	Seasonal Staff Training.	July 12-17:	Youth (grades 9-12)
June 9-12:	Harvest Hands (age 18 and older) - NEW	July 19-21:	Grand Camp B (ages 6- 10)
June 14:	Adopt a Staff visit to local congrega- tion	July 19-24:	Junior Wild (grades 5-6)
June 14- 19:	LIT training/ service	July 26-31:	Down on the Farm (grades 6-8)
June 17-19:	Mini Camp (grades 2-3)	August 2-7:	Outdoor Adventure (grades 7-12, divided)
June 21-26	Junior Camp (grades 3-5)	August 9-11:	Creative Arts (grades 4-8, divided) -NEW
June 28/29:	Big and Small (grades K-2)	August 10- 15:	Harvest Hands (age 18 and older) -NEW
June 28- July 1:	All Star (grades 4-5) -NEW	August 14-15:	Family Camp (all ages)
July 5-7:	Grand Camp A (ages 6-10)	August 15	Celebrate Summer Festi- val

Mark your calendars:

Shepherd's Spring Information Meetings for Ambassadors, Pastors and Curious People March 14, 15, 21 and 22, 2015. Locations will be announced.
May 1st - 3rd, 2015 Bird watching "Tweet" Retreat
June 15, 2015 Golf Tournament at Black Rock Golf Course

2014 Road Scholar Season ends:

444 Adults from across the country as well as Canada, Australia, New Zealand and England have participated in the programs offered at Shepherd's Spring. Hiking the Appalachian Trail continues to be our most popular program. A new program hiking the AT in Maryland, gained 24 new participants! We had several returning participants and some of those have become valued volunteers as guides or hosts and in some cases both. Rick Burkhart, our Road Scholar coordinator was busy with <u>10</u> different programs over <u>23</u> weeks for a total of <u>30</u> programs. Looking ahead to 2015, we will be hosting 35 programs over a period of 26 weeks.

2014 Heifer Global Village Season ends:

For another year our Global Village programs saw over 1,000 participants come from all over the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic United States to discover a little bit more about what life might be like for those less fortunate living in the U.S. and around the world. We gladly welcomed the new addition of Alpacas to our livestock crew, which serve as valuable teachers in explaining Heifer International's goal to end hunger and poverty through the gift of livestock. Our livestock are also an appreciated feature in several sessions of Summer Camp and even in a few Road Scholar programs. Two seasonal interns also gave their time and talents to making these programs a success – evidenced by there being already 5 groups with nearly 100 people signed up for Global Village programs in 2015.

Press Release

Fahrney-Keedy Home & Village

Contact: Michael Leiter, VP of Marketing/ Community Development Fahrney-Keedy Home & Village www.fkhv.org Phone: (301) 671-5015 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE January 29, 2015

Fahrney-Keedy's CEO/President Announces Retirement

Fahrney-Keedy Home & Village, Boonsboro, announces the retirement of its CEO/President, Keith Bryan. Bryan, who has been the chief executive since 2010, recently informed the Board of Directors of his decision, effective December 31, 2015. Bryan shared "The time has come for me to begin planning for my retirement this decision does not come without prayer and discussion with my family."

Commenting on Bryan's retirement, the chair of the Board of Directors, Lerry Fogle, commented, "during his tenure as CEO/President, Keith has guided us through some challenging times. He has returned the organization to financial soundness, restructured and worked on operational efficiency, strongly networked Fahrney-Keedy with the larger community, worked to strengthen the executive team and the board, and played a significant role in developing strategic and master plans for future expansion and development. Fahrney-Keedy is a better community because of Keith's valued leadership. We will be looking for a chief executive to continue strong leadership, strategic thinking and overall excellence for the community into the future."

The Board of Directors has begun an executive search.

A continuing care retirement community, Fahrney-Keedy is along Route 66, a few miles north of Boonsboro. With nearly 180 full-time, part-time and contract associates, it serves a resident population of more than 200 women and men in independent living, assisted living, and long and short-term nursing care. Fahrney-Keedy's mission is *enhancing the lives of seniors through caring quality service*.

Fahrney-Keedy Home & Village

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE January 19, 2015

Resident Donates New Piano for Fahrney-Keedy's Parlor

A new Wurlitzer baby grand piano has taken its place in the Parlor at Fahrney-Keedy Home & Village, Boonsboro, and the retirement community has resident Florene Ritchie to thank for it.

'It's simple,' she said; 'I went and bought it; I just knew they needed it.'

The piano was purchased at Kramer's Piano Shop in Keymar, MD, and Ms. Ritchie says the store offered her a discount because the instrument would be coming to a retirement community. Given the choice between receiving a digital piano and an acoustic model, she said, Fahrney-Keedy executives advised her that they preferred an acoustic one.

Until this time, an antique piano dating from 1920 has been the Parlor's main instrument. It has numerous problems resulting from its age, Ms. Ritchie said. 'This lovely baby grand needs a lot of work,' she said, motioning toward the older piano. 'A good musician probably wouldn't want to play on it.'

Ms. Ritchie said she made her donation because, 'I know that people here love music – for their comfort, and to be happy.' In December, she said, she heard that a young piano prodigy scheduled to perform during the Festival of Wreaths event had not wanted to play the older piano in the Parlor, opting for one elsewhere in the building. 'He said he didn't want the Parlor piano to make him sound bad,' Ms. Ritchie said. That realization provided her the motivation to donate the piano.

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Florene Ritchie sits at the baby grand Wurlitzer piano she bought and donated to Fahrney-Keedy Home & Village, Boonsboro, where she is a resident.

"Wondrous Love"

2015 Lenten Services Area 5 Church of the Brethren

Services are based on the hymn "What Wondrous Love Is This"

Congregational Hymn Sing @ 6:45 pm (No Hymn Sing prior to the 3/22 Love Feast Service) Worship Service Starts @ 7:00 pm

<u>Date:</u> Feb. 22 <i>,</i> 2015	Host Church: Union Bridge COB	<u>Service:</u> Musical Service (*), Led by Mr. Eric Hess, Music Director at Union Bridge COB	
Mar. 1, 2015	Edgewood COB	Speaker: Rev. Stan Diehl, Piney Creek COB	
Mar. 8, 2015	Meadow Branch COB	Youth Service (**) Guest Speaker: Rev. Mike Kenny Mid-Atlantic Sr. High Youth Advisor & Brownsville COB Youth Advisor	
Mar. 15, 2015	Piney Creek COB	Speaker: Mr. Billy Horton, Sam's Creek COB	
Mar. 22, 2015 Bush Creek COB Clergy to lead this service include: Rev. Glenn McCrickard, Westminster COB Rev. Tom Richard, Meadow Branch COB Rev. Paul Leatherman, Jr., Sam's Creek/Edgewood COB Rev. Melissa Barnes, Bush Creek COB Rev. Gene Hagenberger, Mid-Atlantic COB District Executive			
Child Care will be provided by the Host Church at each service. Refreshments will follow each service with the exception of the Love Feast Service. (*) Combined Choir to gather at 5:30 pm to practice. (**) Youth and families are to gather at 5:00 pm for practice and pizza party. Offerings designated to Mid-Atlantic District Meat Canning Project			
Come and learn more about the "Wondrous Love" our Lord and Savior has for you!			

Mid-Atlantic Disaster Response Auction Needs Your Help!

Do you have a special item of high value that you would be willing to donate to the Disaster Auction on May 2, 2015?



Antiques



Fine Woodworking



Valuable Crafts



Such as...



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Gift Baskets

Please call John at 410-635-6342 or Jeff at 410-775-2976.

Or send or email a photo with description to 24 Hilltop Lane, South Elgin IL 60177 / auctionbooklet@comcast.net. If you contact one of them by February 27th, your donation will be published in the booklet!

2015 Disaster Response Auction Booklet Patron Ad Sign Up Sheet

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Tired of Driving to NOAC?

We are trying to see if there is enough interest in the M.A.D. to support a bus to NOAC.
TO: NOAC at Lake Junaluska Conference Center
DEPARTURE DATE: Sunday afternoon, Sept. 6, 2015. Time to be determined
DEPART FROM: To be determined
OVERNIGHT LODGING: To and from the conference. Final cost will include Hotel and 2 breakfasts.
COST: Approximate final cost will be between \$350 -450(includes security deposit). Cost will depend on number riding the bus. We will need at least 30 people to make the trip feasible.
RETURN DATE: Saturday, Sept. 12, early afternoon
CONTACT PERSON: Audrey Bowman (410-775-2047) or email alblack48@aol.com
Trip Committee: Barb Groff, Pat Ecker, and Audrey Bowman

I/We ______ would be interested in going on the bus to

(Print name/names)

NOAC. I/We have enclosed a security deposit of \$100*(by March 1) to reserve a seat/s on the bus. Make your check payable to Mid-Atlantic District and mail to Mid-Atlantic District, PO Box 480, New Windsor, MD 21776. Please remember to include your return address.

Signature

Return Address:

*Deposit will be returned if bus is cancelled.



Elhu Vedder, "Prayer for Death in the Desert," 1857

LIVES OF DEVOTION Biblical approaches to spiritual life

Led by Bob Neff and Christina Bucher

April 29, 2015 • 9:00 am - 3:30 pm Elizabethtown College, Susquehanna Room

Biblical spirituality ranges from passionate pursuit of God to heated confrontation, from aching lament to simple prayers of petition. Biblical scholars Bob Neff and Christina Bucher take us beyond the Psalter to delve into the Bible's devotional texts and their varied spiritual "dispositions." How do these ancient expressions of piety compare to the modern ones we know best? How can the biblical examples enrich our own spiritual lives? How can they help us to understand religious expressions different from our own?

Participants will study Jeremiah n - 20, Job 38 -42, Song of Songs, and prayers in I and II Chronicles (especially the "prayer of Jabez"). Corinne Ware's work on spirituality in later Israel will be used to guide reflection. The format will include both lecture and discussion, with some questions posed to participants in advance.

Teachers will reference the Bible and the following resources:

- Bailey, Wilma Ann and Christina Bucher. Lamentations, Song of Songs. Believers Church Bible Commentary. (Herald Press, 2015).
- Ware, Corinne. Discover your Spiritual Type: A Guide to Individual and Congregational Growth (Alban Institute, 1995)
- Wilkerson, Bruce. The Prayer of Jabez: Breaking through to the Blessed Life. (Multnoma Books, 2000).

Participants are encouraged, but not required, to purchase these texts.

Cost: \$60 (includes light breakfast, lunch, and .6 CEUs)

Mail completed registration form and payment for Lives of Devotion to:	REGISTRATION FORM			
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