

**45th Annual
Mid-Atlantic Disaster Response**

Auction

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**Handmade
Quilts &
Comforters**



**Baked
Goods
Food & Gifts**



**Handcrafts,
Artwork &
Antiques**



**Plants, Tools,
Furniture
& more**

May 2, 2026

**Carroll County Agricultural Center - Shipley Arena
Westminster, Maryland**

Sponsored by the Church of the Brethren Mid-Atlantic District

Three Indoor Public Auctions

Saturday, May 2, 2026 - 9:00 a.m. Rain or Shine

Handmade Quilts, Comforters, Baby Quilts & Quilted Wall Hangings

Patterns such as:

Pressed Flower Sampler, Pinwheel, Mariners Compass, Giraffe and Turtles, Floral Snowballs, Kaliedoscope, Zoo on a Train, Half Square Triangle, Purple Heart, Busy Cats, Wisteria Cats, Star Climber, Celebrating National Parks, The Village, Sunflowers, Garden in Pink, Owls, 8 Point Star, Butterfly & Flowers, Stars Forever, Rabbits, 9 inch Squares and many more!

Plus

Woodworking tools, handmade crafts, baked goods, folk art, glassware, furniture, garden and hand tools, small appliances, antiques, collectibles, pictures, toys, books, and more!

Plant Sale – 8:00 a.m.
General Auction – 9:00 a.m.
Specialty Auction – 9:30 a.m.
Tools in General Auction – 10:00 a.m.
Children's Auction - 12:00 p.m.
Quilt Auction – 12:30 p.m.



Look for these Specialty Auction Items

New Adult 3-Wheel Bicycle, Vintage Crocks and Jugs, Zirconia Liquidlogic Kayak, Child's Bench, Vintage Milk Glass Candle Holders, Antique Dresser, Makita Table Saw, Wooden Airplanes, Dale Earnhardt 1931 Die-Cast Metal Bank, Antique Oak Bookcase, Presidential Gallery Plate, Compound Sliding Miter Saw, Oak Corner Cabinet, Wooden Barn Toy, Vintage Anchor Hocking Purple Berry Bowl Set, Wooden Chest, and much more!

Food Service

Breakfast 7:00-9:30 Lunch 10:30-2:00 All other food booths open at 10:00 a.m.

Homemade Pies, Donuts, Ice Cream, Soups, Hot Dogs, Vegetable and Fruit Salads, Turkey Barbeque and Country Ham Sandwiches, Dessert Stand, Bake Table, Drink Stands, Food Service, etc.

**All proceeds from the auction go to:
The Church of the Brethren Emergency Disaster Fund and
the Mid-Atlantic District transportation fund for disaster response.**

Terms: cash, check and credit card.

Church of the Brethren Mid-Atlantic District, Robert Wilson, Sales Manager
ATM Machine located in Shipley Arena.

Not responsible for any accidents on premises.

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Thank You!

**\$21,300 was raised through this booklet
for the Disaster Response Auction.**

Thank you to the churches, businesses, organizations and individuals that placed listings or ads in our Auction Booklet. We very much appreciate your support of the Disaster Response programs in this way.

**Please bring
your own
chair, seating
is limited!**



**Mark your
calendar for
next year's
Auction on
May 1, 2027**

Child Care Available

Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

*Be sure to pick up your children for lunch! We appreciate prompt pickup at 3:00 p.m. so the caregivers can clean up.
Thank you!*



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Can you help? Auction Day Volunteers Needed!!

If you want to help at the auction, call Jeff McKee at 443-547-5958 to make arrangements in advance, or, on auction day, go to the information booth to be assigned a task.

Many hands make the work light. Thanks!

Please visit our sister districts' Disaster Relief Auctions

Shenandoah District Disaster Ministries Auction & Sale – May 15-16, 2026
Rockingham County Fairgrounds, Harrisonburg, Va
www.shencob.org/disaster-auction-and-sale

Brethren Disaster Relief Auction – September 25-26, 2026
Lebanon Valley Expo Center, Lebanon, Pa
www.brethrendisasterreliefauction.org

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Show your appreciation for their contribution by **patronizing the businesses** who advertise in this booklet.

Make sure to tell them you saw their ad in this booklet!



The work of Brethren Disaster Ministries is made possible by the generosity of individuals and churches who support the Emergency Disaster Fund. Our prayer is that, through our combined efforts, more and more vulnerable people in helpless situations will be touched by heavenly grace as our vision and stewardship grow.

—Roy Winter, Executive Director for Service Ministries

Please stop by the Brethren Disaster Ministries booth to see the full scope of their ministry.

Quilt Auction



#100 Pressed Flower Sampler
89 x 107 - Green, Purple



#101 Mariners Compass
112 x 116 - Black, White, Mauve



#102 Floral Snowballs
93 x 93 - Multi



#200 Kaliedoscope
86 x 86 - Pink, Aqua



#201 8 Point Star
76 x 78 - Blue, Pink, Cream



#202 Diagonal Descending Blocks
90 x 94 - Pastels

Quilt Auction

KING AND QUEEN QUILTS (OVER 80" X 100")

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
100	Pressed Flower Sampler	89 x 107	Green, Purple	Union Bridge Nimble Thimbles Designed & Donated by Pat Sloan, Internationally Known	
101	Mariners Compass	112 x 116	Black, White, Mauve	Dennis & Joyce Minnick Sponsor: Ed & Brenda Palsgrove	
102	Floral Snowballs	93 x 93	Multi	Michael Sullivan Donor & Piecer: Jackie Callis	
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What Size Quilt Do You Need?

The following sizes are a guide. Please remember that beds differ in height, so make allowances for a higher bed.



Coverlet Sizes

To be used with a dust ruffle

Twin.....68 x 86

Double.....76 x 86

Queen86 x 92

King.....86 x 104

Bedsread Sizes

Reach nearly to the floor

Twin.....81 x 110

Double.....96 x 110

Queen102 x 120

King.....118 x 120

How To Care For Your Quilt

Please realize that quilts should not be stored in plastic bags. It is recommended that they be stored either in a large pillowcase, a sheet, or with tissue paper. New quilts may be washed with care if necessary, but be aware that some dark colors may bleed. Machine wash in cold water, with mild soap and on delicate cycle. Either line dry or use your dryer on air fluff only. Do not use heat settings on the dryer.

Quilt Auction

FULL AND TWIN QUILTS (BETWEEN 68" X 86")

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
200	Kaliedoscope	86 x 86	Pink, Aqua	Amy Ziehm Donor & Piecer-Jackie Callis Sponsor-Brenda Palsgrove	
201	8 Point Star	76 x 78	Blue, Pink, Cream	Union Bridge Nimble Thimbles Donor: Janice Martin	
202	Diagonal Descending Blocks	90 x 94	Pastels	Ann Case & Janet Sowers	
203	Floral Embroidery Blocks	60 x 88	Red/Floral	Ann Case & Janet Sowers	
204	Half Square Triangle	59 x 87	Red, White, Blue	Frederick	
205	Celebrating National Parks	70 x 85	Blue, Brown, Green	Amy Ziehm-Arlington	
206	Sunflowers	64 x 74	Brown, Orange, Yellow	Brownsville	
207	Geishas	74 x 76	Browns	Michael Sullivan Donor & Piecer-Jackie Callis	
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Quilt Auction



#203 Floral Embroidery Blocks
60 x 88 - Red/Floral



#204 Half Square Triangle
59 x 87 - Red, White, Blue



#205 Celebrating National Parks
70 x 85 - Blue, Brown, Green



#206 Sunflowers
64 x 74 - Brown, Orange, Yellow



#207 Geishas
74 x 76 - Browns



#300 Pinwheel
86 x 86 - Blues

Quilt Auction



#301 Purple Heart
84 x 84 - Purples



#302 9 inch Squares
74 x 93 - Purple, Green



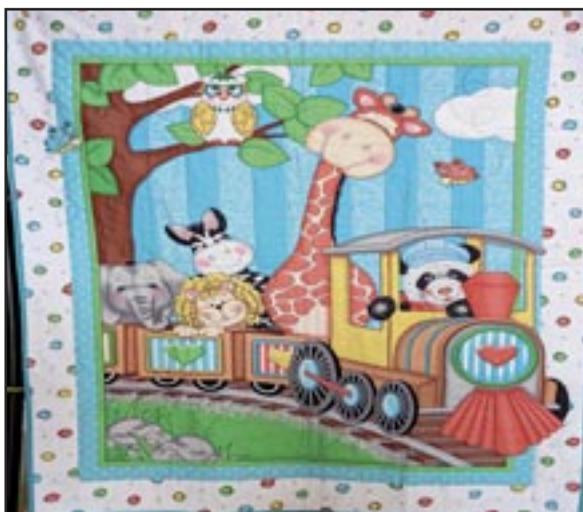
#303 Orange Peel w/Pillow
72 x 80 - Multi



#400 Giraffe and Turtles
35 x 42 - Blue, Gray



#401 John Deere on the Farm
34 x 39 - Green, Yellow



#402 Zoo on a Train
34 x 40 - Multi

Quilt Auction

COMFORTERS

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
300	Pinwheel	86 x 86	Blues	Donor: Carroll Lutheran Village	
301	Purple Heart	84 x 84	Purples	Frederick	
302	9 inch Squares	74 x 93	Purple, Green	Frederick	
303	Orange Peel w/Pillow	72 x 80	Multi	Frederick	
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An Auction of a Different Kind

“Bids from the Heart” Sometime during the quilt auction, we will take a few minutes to give those who don’t have a need for a quilt or other auction items an opportunity to donate a monetary amount. The process is simple, the Auctioneer will start with \$1,000 and go around the room asking for bidders who wish to donate that amount; then repeat the process for amounts of \$500, \$250, \$100, \$50 and \$25. In just a few minutes it is amazing how much we raise together to support Emergency Disaster Relief work. Last year’s “Bids from the Heart” raised \$15,229!!! By giving a donation without receiving any goods or services, your donation is tax deductible. We encourage you to consider this different way of helping people rebuild their lives in difficult times.

Quilt Auction



#403 Animals and Letters
34 x 43 - Pink, Green



#404 Giraffe and Elephant
34 x 43 - Brown, Yellow, Green



#405 Mickey Mouse
44 x 47 - Multi



#406 Busy Cats
40 x 40 - Multi



#407 Cowboy Wool Wool
42 x 42 - Multi



#408 All American
36 x 36 - Red, Blue



#409 Squares
36 x 40 - Multi



#410 Rabbits
35 x 35 - Multi

Quilt Auction

BABY QUILTS & COMFORTERS

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
400	Giraffe and Turtles	35 x 42	Blue, Gray	Long Green Valley	
401	John Deere on the Farm	34 x 39	Green, Yellow	Long Green Valley	
402	Zoo on a Train	34 x 40	Multi	Long Green Valley	
403	Animals and Letters	34 x 43	Pink, Green	Long Green Valley	
404	Giraffe and Elephant	34 x 43	Brown, Yellow, Green	Long Green Valley	
405	Mickey Mouse	44 x 47	Multi	Jean Dippery	
406	Busy Cats	40 x 40	Multi	Jean Dippery	
407	Cowboy Woof Woof	42 x 42	Multi	Jean Dippery	
408	All American	36 x 36	Red, Blue	Jean Dippery	
409	Squares	36 x 40	Multi	Jean Dippery	
410	Rabbits	35 x 35	Multi	Jean Dippery	
411	Crayons	40 x 40	Multi	Jean Dippery	
412	Surfing Snoopy (comforter)	36 x 44	Multi	Jean Dippery	
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#411 Crayons
40 x 40 - Multi



#412 Surfing Snoopy (comforter)
36 x 44 - Multi

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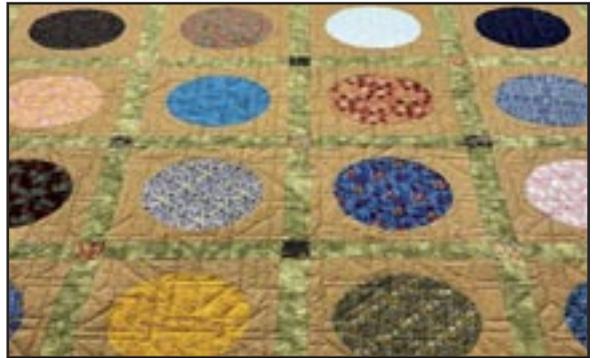
#501 Wisteria Cats
34 x 43 - Blues



#502 The Village
33 x 42 - Red, Multi



#503 Quilting Party Sampler
53 x 64 - Multi



#504 Circles
58 x 58 - Tan, Green



#505 Star Climber
58 x 58 - Multi



#506 Garden in Pink
65 x 65 - Pink, Multi



#507 Song Birds
32 x 48 - Multi



#508 Intersections
38 x 39 - Multi

Quilt Auction

WALL HANGINGS AND LAP ROBES (30 X 30 AND OVER)

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
500	M.A.D. Logo	48 x 48	Red, White, Blue	Mary Bruckhart	
501	Wisteria Cats	34 x 43	Blues	Donor-Dawn Hobbs	
502	The Village	33 x 42	Red, Multi	Union Bridge Nimble Thimbles Donor-Debbie Black	
503	Quilting Party Sampler	53 x 64	Multi	Frederick	
504	Circles	58 x 58	Tan, Green	Frederick	
505	Star Climber	58 x 58	Multi	Amy Ziehm-Arlington	
506	Garden in Pink	65 x 65	Pink, Multi	Cheryl Kotecki Donor & Piecer-Jackie Callis	
507	Song Birds	32 x 48	Multi	Jean Dippery	
508	Intersections	38 x 39	Multi	Jean Dippery	
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Quilt Auction



#600 Cats and Dogs
13 x 19 - Multi



#601 Owls
18 x 21 - Black/Gold



#602 Hospitality
24 x 30 - Multi



#606 Red Butterfly & Flowers
12 x 12 - Multi



#603 Stars Forever
22 x 44 - Red, White, Blue



#604 Folk Art Table Runner
13 x 32 - Red, Green, Black

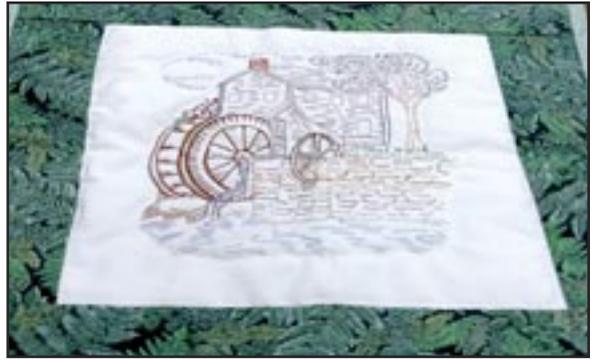


#605 Wildflowers Table Runner
23 x 58 - Multi

Quilt Auction



#607 Pink Butterfly & Flowers
15 x 15 - Multi



#609 Old Mill
15 x 16 - Multi



#610 Birds & Dogwood
12 x 17 - Multi



#612 Flowers Table Topper
18 x 24 - Pink, Blue



#608 Nature's Designs
12 x 23 - Multi

#611 Butterflies
Table Runner
12 x 43 - Multi



#700 Vintage
Cathedral Window
43 x 73 - Multi

Quilt Auction

SMALL WALL HANGINGS, TABLE TOPPERS AND MISC. ITEMS (UNDER 30 X 30)

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
600	Cats and Dogs	13 x 19	Multi	Donor-Dawn Hobbs	
601	Owls	18 x 21	Black/Gold	Donor-Dawn Hobbs	
602	Hospitality	24 x 30	Multi	Donor-Dawn Hobbs	
603	Stars Forever	22 x 44	Red, White, Blue	Donor-Dawn Hobbs	
604	Folk Art Table Runner	13 x 32	Red, Green, Black	Donor-Kaye Horr	
605	Wildflowers Table Runner	23 x 58	Multi	Amy Ziehm-Arlington	
606	Red Butterfly & Flowers	12 x 12	Multi	Jean Dippery	
607	Pink Butterfly & Flowers	15 x 15	Multi	Jean Dippery	
608	Nature's Designs	12 x 23	Multi	Jean Dippery	
609	Old Mill	15 x 16	Multi	Jean Dippery	
610	Birds & Dogwood	12 x 17	Multi	Jean Dippery	
611	Butterflies Table Runner	12 x 43	Multi	Jean Dippery	
612	Flowers Table Topper	18 x 24	Pink, Blue	Jean Dippery	
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VINTAGE OR PRE-OWNED ITEMS (MAY SHOW WEAR AND/OR STAINS) (ANY SIZE)

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
700	Vintage Cathedral Window	43 x 73	Multi	Donor-Jackie Callis	
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Specialty Auction Items



Red Moose Lodge

Enjoy a week (including one weekend) at Red Moose Lodge in beautiful Western Maryland in the Deep Creek Lake Resort area. The lodge includes 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, a large deck with hot tub and gas grill, a well-equipped kitchen, large living areas with 2 gas fireplaces and TVs and a pool table. Includes linen and towels service. Package also includes membership to Community Aquatic Recreation Center for use of its indoor swimming pool and fitness center during your stay. Lodge accommodates up to 10 people. Enjoy hiking the beautiful State Parks or just relaxing in the picturesque mountains, or enjoy boating or canoeing on the large Deep Creek Lake. Package good year-round, excepting July and August, and holiday weekends.

Donated by Ed and Betsy Beachley, Hagerstown COB



Lemon blueberry pound cake with lemon glaze & fresh blueberries

Donated by Julie's Farmhouse Kitchen
Union Bridge COB



Oak Corner Cabinet

Donated by Lisa and Ralph Blevins, Westminster COB



Tanker Truck Collector Edition

Donated by Alice & Tom Houck
Union Bridge COB



Vintage Wallace "Westward Ho" or "Cowboy Country" Glass Creamer and Sugar Bowls with Leather Holders

Donated by Betty Eyer
Locust Grove COB



Antique American Brilliant Period Cut Glass Set

Donated by Kaye and Steve Horr
Union Bridge COB



Zirconia Liquidlogic Kayak, about 14' long

Donated by Marge Poling and the late COB Pastor Ed Poling
of Hebron Mennonite Church

Specialty Auction Items



Wooden Drop Leaf Table
Made by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



New Adult 3-Wheel Bicycle
Donated by David Bromelo, Westminster, MD
Assembled by Trek Bicycle, Westminster, MD



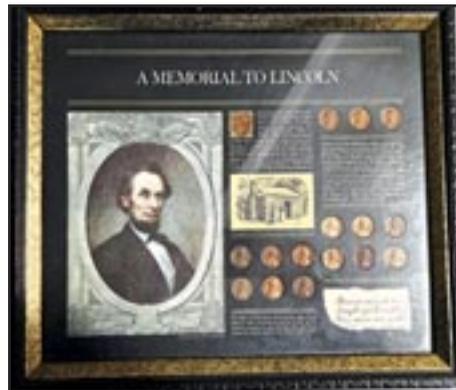
Vintage Crocks and Jugs
Donated by Byron Grossnickle, Union Bridge COB



Wooden Stables with Fence, Paddock, and Track
Made by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



Small Hutch
Made by Ernie Rice
Westminster COB



**Framed "A Memorial to Lincoln",
The New York Historical Society, 1974**
Donated by Betty Eyler, Locust Grove COB



**White Painted
Wooden Corner Shelf
or Plant Stand**
Made by Ernie Rice
Westminster COB



**Vintage Anchor
Hocking Bubble Pattern
Forest Green Glass**
Donated by Betty Eyler
Locust Grove COB

Specialty Auction Items



Wooden Airplanes
 Made by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB
 Painted by Joanne Yingling, Westminster, MD



Wood Coffee Table
 Refinished by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



3 Quilted Pillows
 Donated by
 Alice & Tom Houck
 Union Bridge COB



Vintage 1960's Framed Sea Shore Print
 42" x 30" by Carolyn Blish



Giraffe Carving,
 30.5" tall
 Donated by
 Marge Poling, Hebron
 Mennonite Church



Antique Oak Bookcase
 with 3 Glass Doors
 Donated by Jan Rivera, Flower Hill, COB



Wooden Quilt Rack made from
Antique Wooden Quilt Frame
 Made by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



Vintage Hope Chest
 Donated by Jan Rivera, Flower Hill, COB

Specialty Auction Items



Child's Bench
Made by Ernie Rice
Westminster COB



*5 Custom Silk
Flower
Arrangements*
Donated by
Jolinda & Rob Beers
Union Bridge COB



Antique Jenny Lind Spindle Bed
Donated by Jan Rivera, Flower Hill, COB



Wood Coffee Table
Made by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



*Small Vintage 2.5 oz
Coca-Cola Glass*
Donated by Betty Eyler
Locust Grove COB



Antique Dresser
Donated by Lisa and Ralph Blevins,
Westminster COB
Refin. by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



*Vintage Anchor Hocking Purple
Forest Green Footed Berry Bowl Set*
Donated by Betty Eyler, Locust Grove COB



*White Painted Wooden
Candlestick Stand*
Made by Ernie Rice
Westminster COB

Specialty Auction Items



Cherry Candlestick Stand
Made by Ernie Rice
Westminster COB



Vintage Owens-Illinois Forest Green Depression Glass Salt and Pepper Shakers
4.5" H - Donated by Betty Eyler
Locust Grove COB



Two-wheeled Kayak Carrier
Donated by Marge Poling and the late COB Pastor Ed Poling, of Hebron Mennonite Church



Acadia Perception Kayak, 12'4" long
Donated by Marge Poling and the late COB Pastor Ed Poling, of Hebron Mennonite Church



Vintage Mahogany Chippendale Style Butler's Tray/Coffee Table
Refinished and Donated by Ernie Rice
Westminster COB



Wooden Chest
Made by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



Vintage License Plates
Donated by Eileen Smith and the late COB Pastor Richard Smith, of Hagerstown COB



Vintage Milk Glass Candle Holders
Donated by Betty Eyler, Locust Grove COB



Specialty Auction Items



The Escape

Delight in a week (including one weekend) at The Escape, a mountain getaway, overlooking 18-hole golf course and with snow skiing, boarding and tubing, as well as boating, hiking and more in the 4-season Bryce Resort area of Virginia's Shenandoah region. Cabin includes 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, with clean sheets and towels, equipped kitchen, a gas fireplace, TV, WiFi, pool table, pingpong table, Foosball table, and two large decks. Cabin accommodates up to 8 people. Nearby are Luray, Shenandoah and Endless caverns, several wineries, and Lake Laura, with canoe and paddleboat rentals. Package good through the end of calendar year 2026, only. Donated by Diana and Terry Shepherd, Hagerstown COB.



Wooden Milking Stool 13" x 13" (seat) 40" Tall

Made by Willhyde
Donated by Sandra Grable
Union Bridge, COB



Antique Lady's Vanity

Donated by Jan Rivera, Flower Hill, COB



White Painted Wooden Bookshelf or Plant Stand

Made by Ernie Rice
Westminster COB



Wooden Barn with Fence and Tractors

Made by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



Handmade Horseshoe Christmas Tree

Made & donated by
Nelson Eckstine
Welty COB



Our Presidential Gallery Souvenir Presidential Plate

Donated by Betty Eyler
Locust Grove COB

Specialty Auction Items



3-Shelf Wooden Library Table with Drawer
Made by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



Chocolate cake with peanut butter icing & chocolate ganache drip
Donated by Julie's Farmhouse Kitchen, Union Bridge COB



Antique Oak Rocking Chair with Cane Seat
Donated by Sandra Grable, Union Bridge COB



Vintage Westmoreland Dolphin Milk Glass Candlestick
Donated by Betty Eyler, Locust Grove COB



Dale Earnhardt 1931 Die-Cast Metal Bank
Donated by Alice & Tom Houck, Union Bridge COB



Wooden Bench
40" L x 13" W x 17" H
Donated by Sandra Grable, Union Bridge COB



It's our 2nd Sweet Auction

Come bid on delicious cakes made by some of our COBs' best bakers, all to benefit Brethren Disaster Ministries!!!



Vintage Anchor Hocking Boopie Forest Green Glassware with Clear Bubble Foot
Donated by Betty Eyler, Locust Grove COB

Specialty Auction Items



Mahogany table - 36" x 70" x 28"

Donated by Jolinda & Rob Beers, Union Bridge COB



TOOENJOY Elevating Roof Rack 302

Donated by Marge Poling and the late COB Pastor Ed Poling, of Hebron Mennonite Church



*Yakima LongArm
Truck Bed Extender*

Donated by Marge Poling and the late COB Pastor Ed Poling of Hebron Mennonite Church



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Thank You from the Auction Chair

Our sincere thanks to everyone who has made this 45th annual Disaster Response Auction possible: those who serve on the Auction Committee, work at the auction, make and donate sale and food items, and the attendees who purchase the food and items offered. Together you make the day a success and provide funds to continue the work of Brethren Disaster Ministries (BDM) to help those in need.

We thank the many people that supported BDM through the Pretzel Jars, Booklet and Patron Ads, generous donations, and purchases at the May 2025 Auction. Thanks to your generosity, \$96,000 was donated to disaster response in 2025, the most we have ever made! To see the many ways your financial support is used to help those in need, please see the letter in this Booklet from Roy Winter, BDM Executive Director for Service Ministries.

We rely on donations and encourage people to bring items to be included in the Auction to the Carroll County Agricultural Center, Shipley Arena, on Friday, May 1, 2026. The Auction Committee will be at the Shipley Arena from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Friday to receive donations. This allows more time to arrange the items before the Saturday rush. The Agricultural Center Shipley Arena will open at 6:30 am on Saturday, May 2, for those who cannot deliver items on Friday. All sale items should be at the Shipley Arena before 8:30 a.m. Saturday, since the sale begins at 9:00 a.m. Stop by and have breakfast in the dining hall starting at 7:00 am Saturday morning! PLEASE read the Auction Donation Guidelines on page 47 for items that can and cannot be donated. Thank you!

The Committee thanks all those who make this Auction a success: the auctioneers, clerks, cashiers, quilters, cooks, bakers, gardeners, food providers, volunteers, and those who purchase the many items offered. We also want to recognize all those individuals, businesses, and churches that purchased ads and make the booklet a major source of income. The booklet ads bring in approximately \$20,000 each year.

The Committee is always in need of volunteers and would welcome new members to help plan and carry out the Auction. There are many areas where volunteers are needed to make the Auction happen. We can use help the day before to set up, and the day of the Auction to set up, clean up, and help move auction items.

A big thank you to everyone who helps make this year's Auction a success! Your contributions make a difference!

See you at the Auction on May 2, 2026!

Jeff McKee

Chairperson, Disaster Response Auction Committee

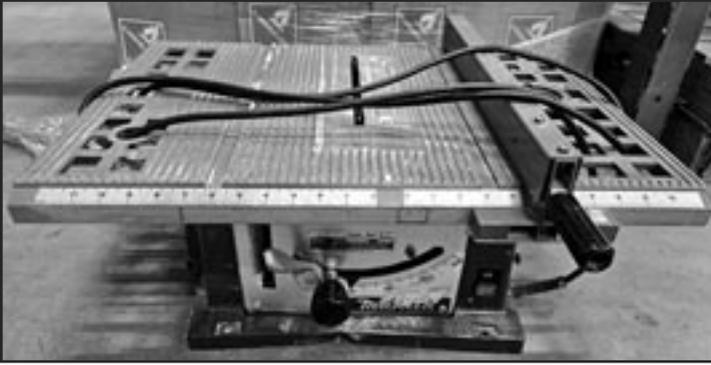
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Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction Record

Grand Total given to the Emergency Disaster Fund
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1981.....\$17,986	1990.....\$33,700	1999.....\$64,000	2008\$64,900	2017.....\$60,000
1982.....\$15,336	1991.....\$38,553	2000.....\$51,500	2009\$58,000	2018.....\$68,000
1983.....\$17,129	1992.....\$32,000	2001.....\$68,500	2010\$63,500	2019.....\$60,000
1984.....\$22,118	1993.....\$34,000	2002.....\$70,000	2011.....\$61,500	2020.....\$36,000
1985.....\$31,480	1994.....\$33,655	2003.....\$62,000	2012.....\$67,000	2021.....\$72,000
1986.....\$32,046	1995.....\$33,561	2004.....\$65,000	2013.....\$66,000	2022.....\$73,000
1987.....\$29,150	1996.....\$33,800	2005.....\$60,000	2014.....\$65,000	2023.....\$85,000
1988.....\$44,165	1997.....\$43,800	2006\$73,000	2015\$58,000	2024.....\$72,000
1989.....\$44,637	1998.....\$62,000	2007.....\$72,600	2016.....\$62,000	2025.....\$96,000

General Auction Tools



Makita Table Saw
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New Automobile Emergency Tool Kit
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Stihl Chain Saw
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*Porter Cable 150 hp
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*Work Bench with Multi-jaw Rotating
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Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Mid-Atlantic District,

...Serve one another humbly in love (Gal. 5:13 NIV)
...You shall love your neighbor as yourself... (Mark 12:31 NRSVUE)
Serve the Lord with Gladness.... (Psalm 100:2 NRSVUE)

These verses exemplify the love and service that flow from the volunteers, supporters, and partners of Brethren Disaster Ministries (BDM) as they bring hope and healing to survivors of disasters in the US and around the world. We count the Mid-Atlantic district and auction among those cherished servants whose compassion and dedication are indispensable to our ministry.

The year 2025 provided many opportunities to “serve with gladness”. BDM is blessed with volunteers who leave the comfort of their homes, for a day or up to months and sometimes with very little notice, to serve those whose lives are upended by disasters. From the first Children’s Disaster Services (CDS) deployment on January 1 to the year-long dedicated service by the Rebuilding Program in Kentucky, from the compassionate support and funding of global partners responding to disasters and crises to the last CDS response in Washington in December, BDM has shown up to care for our neighbors and to serve them humbly with love.

Last year provided several opportunities to focus on the larger picture of BDM’s work and impact. A conference in May brought BDM staff and disaster leaders from Church of the Brethren districts together to exchange ideas and experiences, learning from each other and encouraging communication and collaboration on shared ministries. A strategic planning process gathered a broad range of information about BDM’s current work and impact, and to envision how it can be improved and extended in order to serve more disaster survivors.

The primary location for volunteer support through the Rebuilding Program in 2025 was in Eastern Kentucky, repairing homes and building new houses on reclaimed mining land in a higher ground community to help families impacted by flooding in 2022 in the area. This work, with partner HOMES Inc., ran from January to December and will continue through at least March 2026. Short-term responses which brought relief to survivors of 2024’s Hurricane Helene consisted of two weeks in the spring to Spruce Pine, N.C., and two months in the fall in Johnson City, Tenn.

A massive rain event in May caused flooding in Allegany County, Md., among other places. We are grateful that the Mid-Atlantic District partnered with the West Marva District and the Western Maryland Long Term Recovery Group to respond by sending volunteers to help with the initial damage survey and by contributing \$10,000 toward the recovery process.

In December, a new Construction Assessment Team was formed after the initial team training was held in Allegany County, Md., following the May flooding. This team of five is now equipped to deploy to disaster impacted areas where they can perform damage assessments on homes to determine the work and cost needed to complete repairs.

Children’s Disaster Services (CDS) responded to seven disasters in 2025, sending 61 volunteers to care for a total of 759 children. Critical Response Childcare Teams cared for children after a truck attack in New Orleans, La., in January and following catastrophic flooding in Texas in July. When wildfires devastated large areas of the Los Angeles, Calif., region in January, CDS sent three

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volunteer teams to serve in Multiagency Resource Centers (MARC) and one team to a local California assistance center, where they cared for 515 children in five weeks. After multiple tornadoes passed through Missouri in April and May, CDS responded with four teams to three MARCs, a shelter, and a Disaster Assistance Center. In mid-September, a CDS team from La Verne, Calif., responded for one day to a Local Assistance Center after a fire in Sonora. In December, after heavy rains caused flooding and evacuations in Washington State, CDS responded with a local team to serve in two shelters for a total of four days.

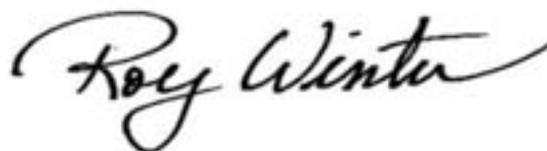
For many years, the Church of the Brethren international disaster response has been concentrated on support for global churches and partners in conflict areas. In 2025, nearly 16 percent of global EDF grants (\$163,350) were in response to natural disasters. This included flooding and storm damage in Venezuela and Uganda. When Hurricane Melissa brought extensive damage in the Caribbean in the fall, a unique opportunity emerged to support churches in Cuba with emergency relief through their relationship with the Church of the Brethren in Venezuela. An EDF grant also supported agricultural recovery programs of the Church of the Brethren in Haiti following the storm, in areas that received little international attention.

The majority of international grants in 2025 supported relief and recovery programs in response to conflict by Global Church of the Brethren Communion members in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Nigeria, and the Church of the Brethren Mission in South Sudan. The ongoing conflict in the DRC between the national army and the rebel group M23 has created destruction, chaotic conditions, economic hardship, and food insecurity which spilled over to the neighboring countries of Rwanda and Burundi, with the latter receiving many refugees. EDF grants have helped Brethren leadership in DRC and Burundi to serve church members and neighbors. In South Sudan, BDM has partnered with the Global Mission office on strategic planning, while concentrating on humanitarian relief to support families impacted by flooding and by escalating conflict between the two major power groups in the government.

The Nigeria Crisis Response, a partnership between the Church of the Brethren and Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria (EYN, Church of the Brethren in Nigeria) since 2014, provided food distributions, medical assistance, livelihood training centers for widows and orphans, distribution of seeds and fertilizer, new wells for drinking water, education assistance for orphan children, trauma workshops, and home repairs for the most vulnerable during 2025, and continuing through 2026 after which this program will end.

Several staffing changes early in 2026 saw Michael Scalzi retiring as the CDS program assistant and Jenn Dorsch-Messler resigning to work with another disaster response organization. Hopefully by the time of the auction new staff will be hired.

The vital work of these important ministries is made possible by the generous gifts of time, talents, and treasure by our volunteers and supporters, like those at the auction today. Your support reaches close to home in the US and around our hurting world. Thank you for supporting this auction and Brethren Disaster Ministries.



Roy Winter, Executive Director for Service Ministries *On behalf of BDM staff: Sharon Franzén, Kim Gingrich, and Carolyn Neher*

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Thanks to all the volunteers who have given of their time and talents supporting Brethren Disaster Ministries (BDM) over the years at many sites around the country! Your willingness to help with childcare, rebuild homes, provide household support, cook meals, or help support BDM and its volunteers through your prayers, encouragement, donations, auction purchases, or by any other means, have made a tremendous difference to those whose lives have been impacted by natural and man-made disasters.

A special thanks to those who volunteered, many over several weeks, to repair or rebuild the homes and enable homeowners to return to their homes. The Mid-Atlantic District (MAD) Church of the Brethren continues to be well represented by its volunteers who worked on BDM rebuild project sites in Letcher County in Eastern KY (flooding response) in 2025. In addition, District volunteers assisted in clean-up and repairs of homes that were damaged by the May 13, 2025, rain event which brought over 5 inches of rain in a very short period and caused flash flooding in Westernport, MD and surrounding areas of Allegany County, MD.

Brethren Disaster Ministries provides help to people in need of assistance to regain use of their home after it has been damaged or destroyed by natural disasters. The program provides a helpful and safe environment for volunteers to assist in repairing or rebuilding homes and to provide childcare and hope for the homeowners. This is a great opportunity for people to use their talents and gifts, to teach others construction and household skills, and to learn new skills, all while enjoying the comradery of fellow volunteers and helping those who are hurting and in need. Meals and volunteer housing is provided, often at local churches or community buildings, where weekly volunteers and leaders stay, eat, and become more connected with the community. Volunteers DO NOT have to be Church of the Brethren members and DO NOT need to be skilled construction craft people. If you have a heart for service and Disaster Relief or a desire for a new challenge, please contact us and we can acquaint you with what to expect during a volunteer week and get you started toward a very rewarding experience.

If you wish to volunteer or be notified of upcoming volunteer opportunities, please contact your church Disaster Coordinator or me at my contact information below. More information on BDM and current work locations may be found online at: www.brethren.org/bdm or by calling 800-451-4407.

We still need to fill the weeks listed below in 2026. We are also taking requests from groups as back-ups in case a scheduled group cannot participate. Full groups are limited to 15 volunteers, half groups are limited to 7 volunteers. Weeks not listed below have already been assigned, but there may be openings for individuals or small groups within those weeks. If you have the desire to volunteer for a specific week, please let me know and I'll check on availability.

2026 Date	Group Size	Location	2026 Date	Group Size	Location
June 28 - July 4	7	TBD	September 6 - 12	15	TBD
July 26 - August 1	15	TBD	September 20 - 26	7	TBD
August 9 - 15	7	TBD	September 27 - October 3	15	TBD
August 30 - September 5	15	TBD	December 13 - 19	7	TBD

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The Disaster Response Auction needs your donations, but please read this first...

The Mid Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction Committee is deeply grateful for the many generous donations that make each year's auction possible and profitable. We know that those who give have a sincere desire to contribute to a greater good. However, there are times when what is donated is not sellable. All leftover items must be disposed of and this costs the auction money—money that could go to Disaster Relief. The following lists will give you an idea of what/what not to donate.

Items to Donate:

- Antiques
- Collectibles
- Coins
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- New or like new household items
- Theme baskets
- “Brethren-related” items
- Services [i.e., voice lessons, spa treatment]
- Vacation home rental
- Ltd. ed. Artwork [especially local interest]
- Hand & power tools [power equipment marked with tag “WORKS”]
- Vehicles, tractors, mowers, campers [in running condition with as much info as possible]
- Lawn & garden items
- Hunting gear/clothing [no guns/ammo]
- Toys
- Furniture [no upholstered furniture]
- Small household appliances [i.e., mixers, blenders, microwaves, but only if they are new in box]

Contact Robert Wilson, Auction Manager, rwilsonauctioneer@gmail.com or 240.344.3573 regarding your specialty item or with any questions concerning donations.

Items that CANNOT be accepted:

- Appliances [i.e., washers/dryers, refrigerators, freezers]
- Tires, wheels, unidentified automotive parts
- Pianos/organs
- Upholstered furniture
- Mattress sets
- Yard sale “leftovers”
- Exercise equipment
- Chipped, stained, or incomplete sets of china/glassware
- Blinds, drapes, window treatments
- Car seats, playpens, cribs
- Paints, stains, household chemicals
- Electronics [unless less than two years old and in box with all original manuals and parts]
- Guns and ammunition

NOTE: All items donated should be clean, complete, and in good condition. Please no soiled, stained, damaged, broken/in pieces, or incomplete items.

We need to be able to refuse any item(s) that we deem unacceptable or unsellable. By reserving this right, we will make the auction more enjoyable. But, most importantly, it will be more cost effective and, therefore, more beneficial for those who need it most.

—Thank you from the Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction Committee

If at all possible, please bring donations in on Friday, May 1, between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. On Saturday, May 2, please bring donations before 8:30 a.m.

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Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ!

Last year, I had the opportunity and honor to attend the annual Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Auction for the first time, since I had started in my role after the 2024 event. It was a wonderful day of seeing our district gather to raise funds to support the important work of disaster response across our country and across the world. I am looking forward to attending again this year to see the enthusiasm and support that we bring to this important mission!

The work of disaster response is one of the ways that we as a denomination live into our compelling vision of "Jesus in the Neighborhood." The funds raised at the disaster auction enable the Church of the Brethren to continue to engage in this important ministry that attends to those who have been affected by various disasters.

This year, I'm encouraging you to extend invitations to come and experience the wonderful atmosphere of this important annual event. You can renew connections with others across the district and perhaps even make new connections as you support the important work of disaster response. This event, and the work it enables, shows the Mid-Atlantic District and the Church of the Brethren at its best: working together to minister in response to the impact of disasters across the world. I look forward to seeing you on Saturday, May 2 at the Carroll County Ag Center in Westminster, MD.

Your brother in Christ,

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Brethren Disaster Ministries 2025 Rebuilding Responses

Project location	Disaster type	Weekly volunteers*	Work days	Hours served	Value of service**	Families served
Rebuilding Projects						
Letcher County, Ky.	flooding	542	4103	32,824	\$1,141,946.96	30
Johnson County, Tenn.	Hurricane Helene	109	735	5,880	\$204,565.20	11
BDM Short-term Responses						
Spruce Pine, N.C.	Hurricane Helene	25	209	1,672	\$58,168.88	1
TOTAL		676	5,047	40,376	\$1,404,681.04	42

*Includes repeat volunteers **Estimated Value of Volunteer Services for 2025 is \$34.79/hr. per IndependentSector.org

Children's Disaster Services 2025 Response Statistics

Location	Disaster type	Volunteers*	Total work days	Hours served	Value of service**	Children served
New Orleans, La. †	truck attack	6	42	336	\$11,689.44	5
Los Angeles, Calif. (multiple locations)	wildfires	26	208	1,664	\$57,890.56	509
Missouri (multiple locations)	tornadoes	8	36	288	\$10,019.52	65
St. Louis, Mo.	tornado	10	80	640	\$22,265.60	157
Kerrville, Texas †	flooding	4	40	320	\$11,132.80	0
Sonora, Calif.	wildfire	3	3	24	\$834.96	0
Monroe/Auburn, Wash.	flooding	4	10	80	\$2,783.20	23
7 RESPONSES - TOTALS		61	419	3,352	\$116,616.08	759

*Includes repeat volunteers **Estimated Value of Volunteer Services for 2025 is \$34.79/hr. per IndependentSector.org †Critical Response Childcare response

Children's Disaster Services 2025 Trainings

Date	Location	Type of training	Participants	Trainers*	Volunteer trainer hours	Value of service**
2/28/2025	San Diego, Calif.	Program Manager	8	2**	40	\$1,391.60
3/28/2025	Elkhart, Ind.	Level 1	11	2	40	\$1,391.60
4/5/2025	La Verne, Calif.	Level 1	18	2	40	\$1,391.60
5/2/2025	McPherson, Kan.	Level 1	9	3	60	\$2,087.40
9/26/2025	Warrensburg, Mo.	Level 1	8	3	60	\$2,087.40
10/17/2025	Elizabethtown, Pa.	Level 1	27	3	60	\$2,087.40
TOTALS			81	15	300	\$10,437.00

*Includes repeat trainers **One staff member was also a trainer ***Estimated Value of Volunteer Service for 2025 is \$34.79/hr. per IndependentSector.org

These financial charts came from the Bridges Newsletter, Winter 2026 edition, Sharon Billings Franzén, editor.



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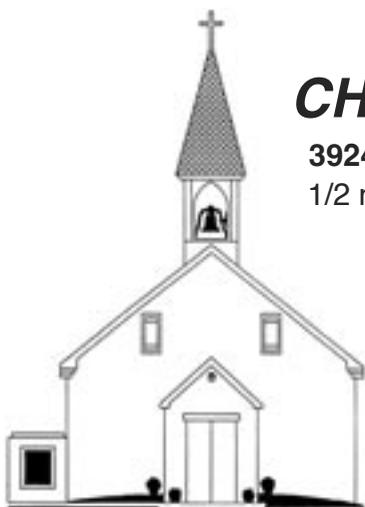
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Disaster Auction 2026

Dear Friends in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ. It is with a deep sense of gratitude that I bring greetings to you during your disaster auction—gratitude for your ongoing efforts to support emergency disaster work with your time, talents, and resources.

We are living in times marked by uncertainty and strain. Across our communities and around the world, we witness conflict, division, economic pressure, and deep human suffering. Public discourse is often shaped more by outrage than understanding, and many feel isolated, overwhelmed, or weary. In such a time as this, the witness of the Church of the Brethren is both urgent and essential.

Bonded to Jesus Christ, we move together toward God's new creation. This shared journey grounds us when the world feels fractured. In our diversity, we celebrate our unity in the person and work of the Savior, praising the God who makes us one. We remember that we are not simply individuals navigating difficult times alone—we are the people of God, formed into one body through Christ.

In a culture that often elevates independence, self-interest, and going it alone, we choose a different way. We choose interdependence and community. The church is called to embody a life together that resists isolation and fear, offering instead belonging, mutual care, and shared purpose.

The early church in Acts 4 gives us a vision for faithful living in uncertain times. They devoted themselves to teaching, fellowship, prayer, and the breaking of bread. Their life together was marked by a radical generosity, gladness, and awe—and even amid uncertainty, God was at work, adding to their number and strengthening their witness. This was not a perfect community, but a faithful one, shaped by devotion to Christ and love for one another.

The Apostle Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians that the church is one body with many members, carefully arranged by God. Each part matters. Each person belongs. God's desire is that there be no division within the body, but that the members have the same care for one another. When one member suffers, all suffer together; when one is honored, all rejoice together. This shared life calls us to notice one another, to bear one another's burdens, and to celebrate one another's gifts.

Let us live out this calling together within the Church of the Brethren. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, may we seek to follow Jesus faithfully, trusting that every expression of the church—local and trans-local—has a role in God's reconciling and renewing work. May our faith legacy live on as we risk adventuresome acts of radical discipleship reflecting Christ's body at work in the world: united, compassionate, and alive with hope. Together, let us venture forth boldly serving others and bearing witness to the God who makes all things new.

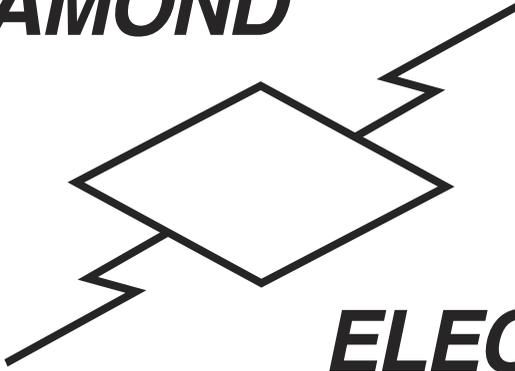
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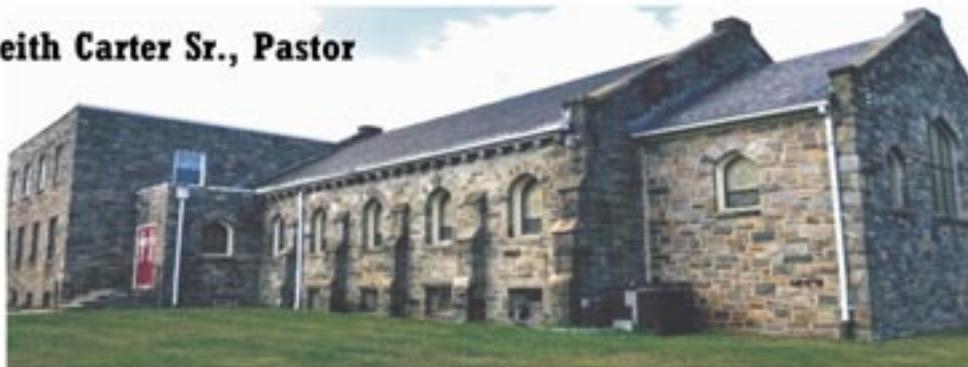
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Morning Praise
Worship
8:30 AM

RETRAT

Why Shepherd's Spring?

- Convenient to Washington, D.C., Baltimore, MD, and the Mid-Atlantic region, and just 12 miles south of Hagerstown, MD.
- Wooded beauty - 220 acres on C&O Canal & Potomac River
- Great meals - dining hall seating for 80-120
- Main Lodge - 24 lodge-style rooms. Accommodating 48 double or 71 triple occupancy
- Seasonal Cabins - Accommodating 60-72 people
- Poplar Village Pavilion - Seats 70 people
- Outdoor Areas for relaxing and team building, hiking, biking, canoeing, low-ropes challenge course, reflection, and nature study
- Seasonal 24-meter swimming pool with pool house
- Heifer Global Village education center featuring culturally representative houses from around the world

CAMP

Visit Shepherdsspring.org to learn about Camp 2026!

Adventures and community that build lifelong relationships with one another and allow for growth and reflection throughout their time at Shepherd's Spring. We strive to be full of both grace and truth in all that we do and instill Christ-centered traits throughout camp..

GLOBAL

Check out our Global Village!

Participants delve deeper into the causes and effects of hunger and poverty, focusing on issues such as health, clean water, nutrition, economic disparity, and lack of education.

In this role-playing simulation, participants become "citizens" of a particular house for the evening and must work together to trade for food with the other houses, build a fire, and cook their meal, before spending the night in the global village. It looks fun and easy, but success is not guaranteed! Wrap up the experience with a debrief that keeps the group moving, reflecting, and thinking critically.



VILLAGE

Interested in Volunteering at Shepherd's Spring?

We would love to have you onboard with helping us on various projects and needs!

Email:

info@shepherdsspring.org to find out how you can get involved today!



16869 Taylors Landing Rd.,
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www.shepherdsspring.org
info@shepherdsspring.org



Downsville Church of the Brethren

**8228 Dam #4 Road
Williamsport, MD 21795**

Location: 7 miles south of Hagerstown via 632
1/2 mile south of Downsville on Dam #4 Road
Closest Church to Shepherd's Spring

Wilkie Nunn, Pastor

9:30 a.m. Church School
10:15 a.m. Coffee & Conversation
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

Our congregation is active
in community outreach programs
including the wider work of our denomination.

*“For the glory of God
and our neighbor’s good.”*

Westminster Church of the Brethren



19 Bond Street

Westminster, Maryland 21157

410-848-8090

email: office@westminsterbrethren.org

web: www.westminsterbrethren.org

Sandi Evans Rogers
Interim Pastor

*We are a biblically grounded community committed to
Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together. By:*

- creatively worshiping God with a unified Spirit;*
- expansively studying what it means to be Christian;*
- willingly reaching out to others in service, locally and globally;*
- intentionally supporting each other; and*
- honoring Christ's call to be peacemakers.*

WORSHIP INFORMATION

Worship – 9:30am

Morning Mingle – 10:30am

Sunday School – 11:00am

Elevator accessible Electronic assistance for hearing impaired

Come, worship, learn and serve with us!



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2nd Tuesday - 7:30 PM**

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(M & M's)

The group meets the second Thursday of each month in the Fellowship Hall of the Union Bridge Church of the Brethren. We provide a time of fellowship for the seniors of the church and for the residents in the community. Home cooked food, entertainment and informational programs of many different topics.

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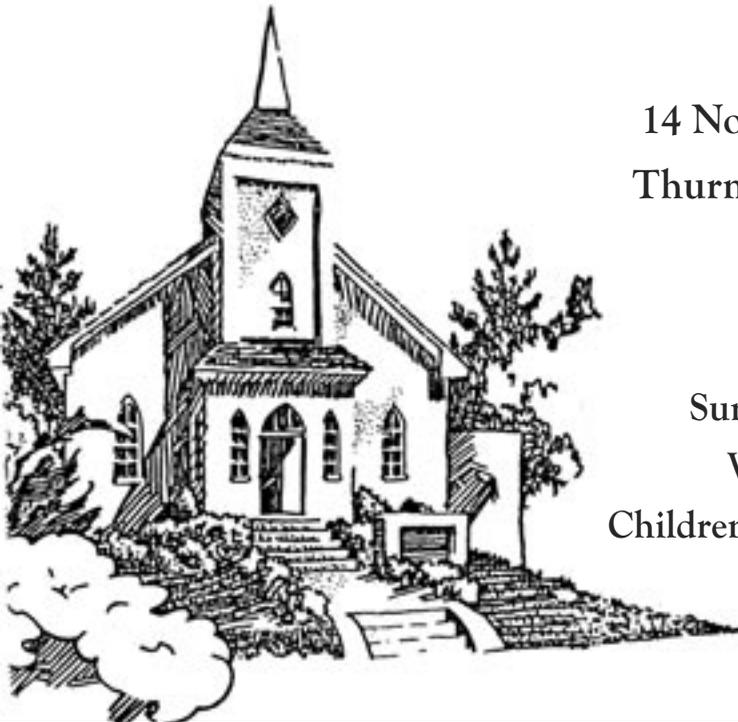
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14 North Altamont Avenue
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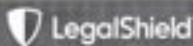
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Sunday School 9:00 am

Worship 10:00 am

Children's Church 9:00-11:00 am

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Help Protect Your Identity and Legal Rights After a Natural Disaster

In the wake of a natural disaster, the need for a lawyer may be the last thing on anyone's mind. However, disasters pose a great deal of legal issues and increase the risk for identity theft.

Common Disaster Legal and Identity Theft Issues

Housing Matters

- Property damage/habitability issues
- Rent/agreement disputes
- Lease liability for destroyed/uninhabitable premises
- Government condemnation

Insurance Claim/Tax Issues

- Assistance applying for government support
- Property claims
- Casualty and theft losses

Contractor/Vendor Matters

- Contractor disputes over work/cleanup
- Review/preparation of contract agreements
- Repair/clean-up work scams

Identity Theft Matters

- Charitable scams to steal PII
- Government disaster relief fraud
- Stolen personal documents

5 Types of Disaster Fraud

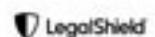
- Charitable Solicitation Fraud
- Price Gouging
- Forgery
- Contractor/Vendor Fraud
- Property Insurance Fraud

Reach out to an independent associate for full details or to become a member.

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Kinley Simmers, Pastor
Worship - 10:30 am



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Sunday: 10:00 am



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Friendship Class

*...that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven
and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge
that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

Phillipians 2:10-11 (NIV)



Bible Study for
adults of all ages.



Bush Creek Women's Fellowship

*Join us for quarterly luncheon and meeting - 2nd Wednesday of March, June, Sept., Dec.
All Ages Welcome*

Activities throughout the year include:

Service projects & Disaster response

Cleanup Buckets

Health & School Kits

Prepare & serve funeral luncheons

Bake sale at our Turkey/Ham/Oyster dinners – October & March

Annual Bazaar 2nd Saturday in November

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Chair:

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301-663-3164

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Bush Creek Church of the Brethren
4821A Green Valley Road, Monrovia, MD 21770

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on our
responsibilities, and
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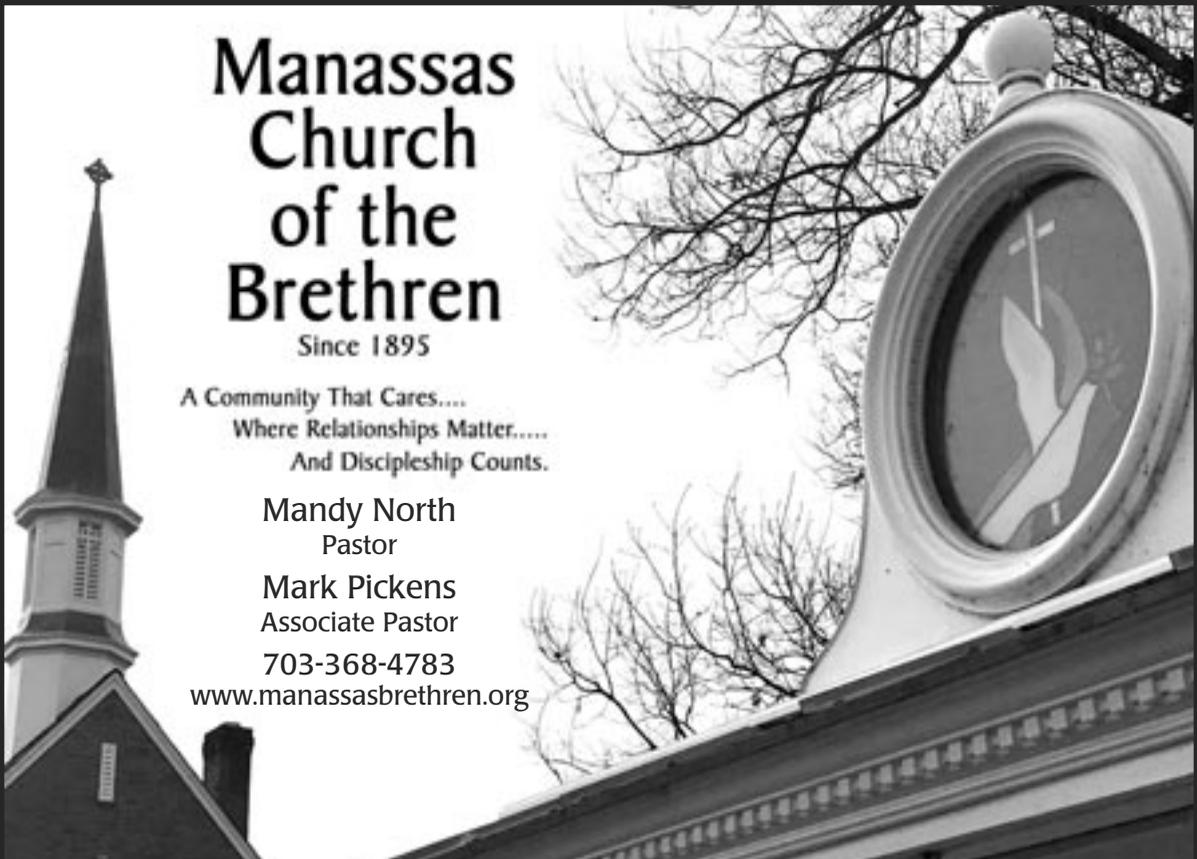




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CHRISTIAN WORSHIP NIGHT
at The Great Frederick Fair

Thursday, September 24th, 2026

— Artist to be Announced —

TheGreatFrederickFair.com

**Turkey, FRIED Oyster &
Country Ham Dinner**

**Bush Creek Church of the Brethren
4821A Green Valley Road, Monrovia, Maryland 21770
Rt. 75 Between Rt. 80 and Monrovia
301-865-3013**



Saturday, October 24, 2026



12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Menu includes mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, sauerkraut, cranberry sauce, dressing, cole slaw, rolls, butter, ice tea, hot tea and coffee. (in-house menu)

Adults - \$35 *

Cash or check only – no credit cards

Children 6 – 12 - \$12 Under 6 – Free

Carry-Out - \$31

Ticket sales begin @ 11 am.

***Subject to change depending upon market price of oysters**

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Stan Diehl
Pastor

Worship:
10:15 a.m.

All are
welcome!



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410-756-2820

Apple Butter/Fall Festival

October 3, 2026

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Apple Butter, Baked Goods,
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Contact Jan Meier 410-346-7130 for info

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13517 Motters Station Road, Rocky Ridge, MD 21778

info@monocacychurchofthebrethren.org

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Church Office
(301) 271-3588

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

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Worship-9a.m.



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Mission Statement: Keep the word of God alive by sharing the joy, peace,
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Pastor Dawn Weller

office@bushcreekchurch.org – Church office

<https://www.facebook.com/BCCoB1855> - (Facebook live each Sunday - past or present services)

Sunday School – 9:30 – 10:15 am (children & adults)

Worship – 10:30 am – 11:30 am (Children’s Church Worship weekly)

CENTRAL VISION FOR BUSH CREEK CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

***Because of our commitment to Jesus Christ,
we are a spiritual family who loves all people.***

IN Memory
of
Marvin S. Curtis
1960-2025

Marvin was a friend of the
MAD Disaster Relief Auction,
always willing to help.
Auctioneer, Gentleman
& Brethren



**In appreciation
to our
Volunteers**

**In memory of
Suzette Dotterer**

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\$5,157 raised for
Disaster Response at 2025's

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PLEASE label each plant.
Suggest a price. Bring all
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Friday, May 1, or early
a.m. Saturday, May 2.

THANK YOU!!!

Questions? Arn Platou at Arnwrite@myactv.net





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Breakfast	Lou Gloyd	Glade Valley, Bush Creek and Locust Grove	Lou Gloyd
Lunch	Doretta Dorsch	Frederick	Myrtle Sturtz
Ice Cream	Jimmy Weller	Thurmont	Jimmy Weller
Vegetables/Fruit Salads	Jeff McKee	Flower Hill	Margaret Hansen
Water/Candy	Bruce Hollenberg	Union Bridge	Bruce Hollenberg
Crafts	Alice Houck	Union Bridge	Alice Houck
Turkey BBQ	John Laudermilch	Frederick	UB Fellowship
Dessert	Jeff McKee	Westminster	Marilyn Ebaugh
Books	Jeff McKee	Sam's Creek	Dorothy Saville
White Elephant	Doretta Dorsch	Frederick	Doretta Dorsch
Country Ham Sandwiches	Lou Gloyd	Frederick	Lou Gloyd
Specialty Theme Baskets	Alice Houck	Union Bridge	Alice Houck
Pretzel Jar	John Laudermilch	Union Bridge	John Laudermilch
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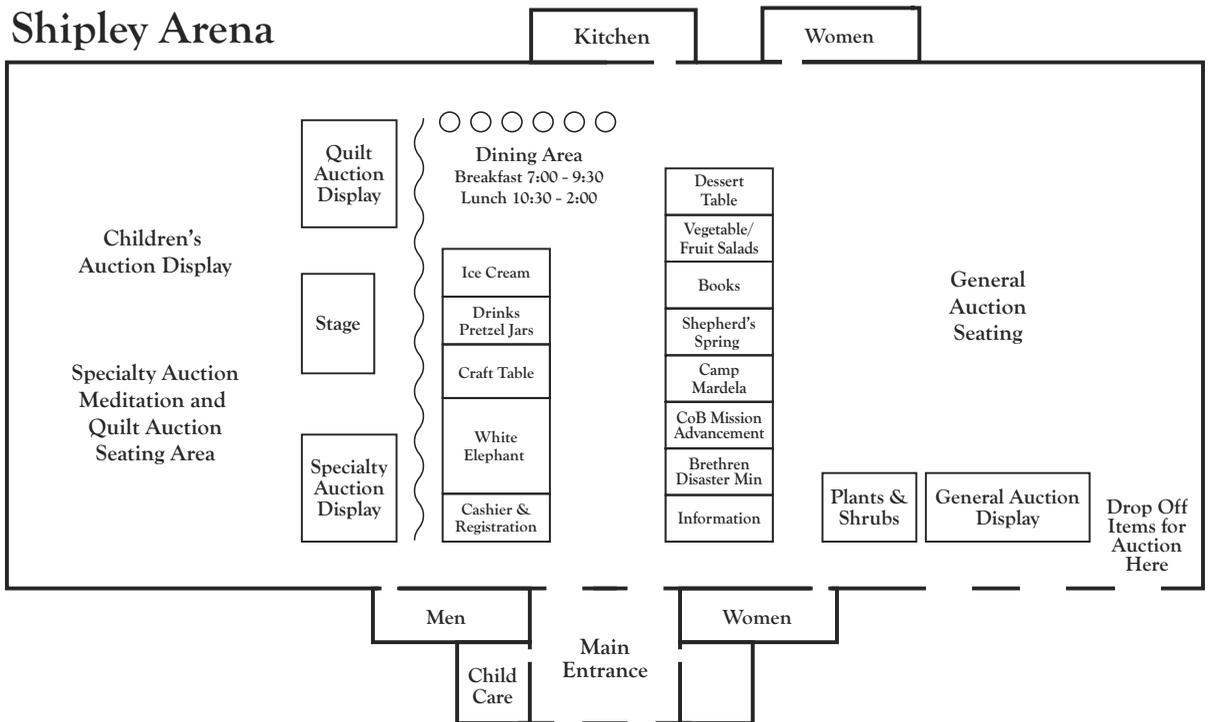


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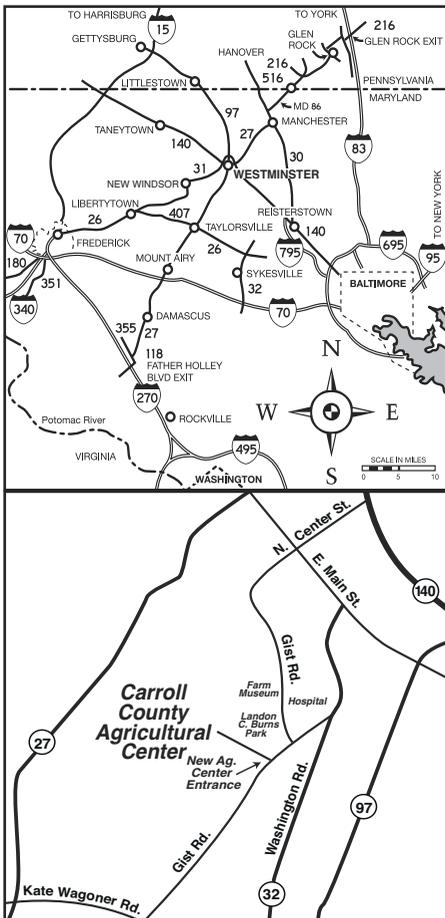
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Auction Floor Plan

Shipley Arena



Driving Directions to the Auction



From the North:

(directions given from Hanover, PA to the Ag Center) Take Rt. 94 South (becomes MD Rt. 30 at the state line). Follow 30 to Manchester and turn right on Rt. 27. Follow Rt. 27 to Rt. 140 East (in Westminister). Turn left onto the ramp to 140 East and travel to the first traffic light. Turn right onto Center Street. Take Center Street through two traffic lights to Gist Road. Turn right on Gist Road and follow signs to new entrance. Turn right onto Ag Center drive.

From the South:

Take Interstate 270 North to Rt. 27. Follow Rt. 27 to Kate Wagner Road. (Kate Wagner Road intersects Rt. 27 before you reach the city of Westminister.) Make a right onto Kate Wagner Road (which intersects Rt. 27 at a traffic light) and follow approximately 1.2 miles. Turn left onto Gist Road. Continue on Gist Road until you reach Smith Ave at stop sign. Continue on Gist Road about 1/2 block and make left at Ag Center entrance,

From the East:

From Baltimore Beltway 695, take Interstate 795 north toward Westminister. Follow the signs onto MD 140 and take 140 into Westminister. Turn left onto Center Street. Take Center Street through two traffic lights to Gist Road. Turn right on Gist Road and follow signs to new entrance. turn right onto Ag Center drive.

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photos by Jenn Dorsch-Messler

Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction

Carroll County Agricultural Center Shipley Arena

706 Agricultural Center Drive, Westminster, MD 21157

May 2, 2026

Events

- Breakfast.....7:00 – 9:30 a.m.
- Plant Sale8:00 a.m.
- General Auction Begins.....9:00 a.m.
(Tools to be auctioned at 10:00)
- Specialty Auction.....9:30 a.m.
- Child Care.....10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- All Food Booths.....10:00 a.m.
- Lunch10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Children’s Auction12:00 noon
- Meditation12:15 p.m.
- Quilt & Comforter Auction12:30 p.m.

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Directions to the Auction inside this page

Please bring your chairs!