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Nabb Receives Collection from Local Environmentalists



Sean Wenstrup and Aaron Lumpkins, graduate assistants at the Nabb Research Center, are hard at work this fall processing a new collection on environmental issues donated to the Nabb Center by the Fehrer family. The new collection chronicles the work of Ilia and Joseph Fehrer, two leading environmental activists in the Worcester County region. The collection contains large amounts of information about the local environment of Worcester County and its protection, preservation and use as well as an abundant amount of information on the Worcester Environmental Protection Fund, Inc., formerly known as the Worcester Environmental Trust. For much of its existence, this non-profit corporation was headed by Mrs. Ilia J. Fehrer. Prior to taking the co-chairmanship position in 1979, she held numerous positions within the organization. Her husband Joseph W. Fehrer Sr. was the secretary of this organization and his copious records date back to the late 1960s, all of which are now housed at the Nabb Center Archives.

The Worcester Environmental Protection Fund fought to protect the

environment and wetlands, both inland and coastal, from encroachment by modern society. The organization served as a watchdog for these crucial environmental areas, making sure local government enforced Maryland state statutes already on the books. Threats to wetlands came from various parties who violated state law and received only minor fines. The Worcester Environmental Protection Fund (WEPF) stepped up to combat land use violations in Worcester County, bringing attention to these infringements of state laws through letters to state and county agencies, petitions to local companies and other efforts aimed at raising the local consciousness toward environmental protection.

It is undeniable that Joseph and Ilia Fehrer made an incredible impact in Worcester County. Their collection offers valuable insight into the environmental and political history of the area. Wenstrup and Lumpkins will continue to process the collection this fall with hopes that it will be available for patron use early next year. ☺

Princess Anne Turns 275 Years Old

The historic town of Princess Anne will celebrate its 275th anniversary October 17-19 during the annual Old Princess Anne Days Festival and Historic Home Tour.

Princess Anne was founded in 1733, and the two-day festival celebrates the 275th birthday and history of the town. Tours of the town highlight the many historic buildings, farms and plantations in the area and provide examples of numerous historic architectural styles from the early 18th century through the 19th century. In addition to the walking tour, Teackle Mansion serves up examples of 19th century cooking, crafts and exhibits on plantation life. The celebration also includes War of 1812 reenactments as well as period music.

Festival tickets are available at the Somerset County Office of Tourism. Call 410-651-2968 for more information ☺

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New Books for the Nabb Center

The Nabb Research Center is currently soliciting funds to help support the purchase of the following monographs:

- *Virginia Soldiers of 1776 Compiled from Documents in the Virginia Land Office*; by Louis A. Burgess; 3 volumes
- *Scot-Irish Links 1575-1725; 4 volumes* by David Dobson
- *Tombstone Records of Dorchester County*; published by Dorchester County Historical Society
- *The Tombstones of Talbot Col., MD, Vol 1*; published by Upper Shore Genealogical Society
- *The Tombstones of Talbot Col., MD, Vol 2*; published by Upper Shore Genealogical Society
- *The Tombstones of Talbot Col., MD, Vol 3*; published by Upper Shore Genealogical Society
- *The Tombstones of Talbot Col., MD, Vol 1*; published by Upper Shore Genealogical Society

The average price of these volumes is \$30. Your help in supporting these additions to our library is greatly appreciated. If you are interested in making a contribution for one or more of the books listed above, please send a check to the Nabb Research Center. Checks can be made out to Salisbury University Foundation and mailed to the Nabb Research Center, 1101 Camden Avenue, Salisbury, MD 21801. Thanks you for your continued support, with out you we would be history! ☺

Upcoming Events Around the Shore:

Through October 2008

Julia A. Purnell Museum Exhibit

Snow Hill, MD

Exhibits depicting religious life on the Eastern Shore.

Information: 410-632-0515 or www.purnellmuseum.com

Saturday, October 18, 2008

SU Homecoming Game

Come tailgate with the Nabb Center before Salisbury's Homecoming Football Game at 1 p.m. The Nabb Center is showcasing "Salisbury Through the Years, a Photographic Overview" which features images of Salisbury University's past.

October 18-19, 2008

Pemberton Wine Festival

Pemberton Historical Park, Salisbury, MD

Arts, crafts, food, live music and fine wine.

Information: 410-548-4914 or www.autumnwinefestival.org

October 18-19, 2008

15th Annual Accohannock Indian Festival and Pau Wau

Bending Water Park Marion Station, MD

Drumming, dancing, singing, crafts and famous Accohannock seafood

Information: 410-623-2660 or http://skipjack.net/le_shore/accohannock/

Tastes of Spain

An evening featuring the "Tastes of Spain" will be held to benefit the Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture at the Salisbury home of L. Paul Morris Jr.

3:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday, October 11. Tickets for this evening of traditional Spanish cuisine, featuring 12 or more regional Spanish tapas, paellas, postres, six regional Spanish wines, classical Spanish guitar music and good company are \$50 per person and can be reserved by calling the Nabb Research Center at 410-543-6312. Seating is limited to 75 people. ☺