

Notes from Evergreen



Quarterly Update

- Frostburg State Cultural Event Series and EHC Partner for the 2nd Year
- Halloween at Evergreen debuted on Oct 28th
- Evergreen Barn now available for events

From Sea to Sky!

On November 7th and 8th, the Frostburg State University Cultural Event Series and the Evergreen Heritage Center partnered to provide an educational enrichment program for Western Maryland elementary school children. First the children watched the play, *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*, a story about a cold-hearted china rabbit who travels on an odyssey spanning decades while gaining a heart. Then the students participated in a 90-minute adventure from *Sea to Sky*, sponsored in part by the Maryland Arts Council, Frostburg State University (FSU) Cultural Event Series, and the Evergreen Heritage Center (EHC) Foundation. As part of this post-play adventure, students participated in a dance improv session “under the sea” that was conducted by Mountain City Center for the Arts. EHC instructors then taught the children how to navigate using the constellations and how to create three-dimensional renderings of the rabbit Edward Tulane before and after his journey.



Students Exploring and Dancing Under the Sea

Evergreen Heritage Center Hosts Three Fall Events!

Evergreen had a busy fall hosting three events on the property, a Murder Mystery, the Annual Fall Harvest Open House, and a Halloween Barn Dance. The Murder Mystery entitled *"Bullets & BBQ"* was sold out with over 100 attendees. This fun-filled September fundraising event featured a three-act mystery while participants also enjoyed a BBQ dinner feast prepared by Chef Paul's Kitchen and Catering. Event sponsors included Allegany College of Maryland, Armstrong Insurance, The Belt Group, Frostburg State University, and Hillegas Construction.

On September 30th, a beautiful afternoon welcomed a record crowd of over 250 to Evergreen for the *Fall Harvest & Plant Sale* where visitors enjoyed tours of the house museum, historic barn, and the native plant gardens. Plants and local produce were also available for purchase. Children's activities included making crafts using natural materials. In addition, apples were offered to make fresh apple cider with Evergreen's antique apple press, giving participants a hands-on experience making the cider on-site. Live music provided by Ian Robinson was enjoyed by everyone. Evergreen wishes to thank the Sponsor of the event, CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield, who made this free public event possible.

Finally, Evergreen added a new event: a *Halloween at Evergreen Barn Dance*. Held on Sunday, October 28th, the Halloween event invited guests to share a beautiful autumn spread with appetizers and soups provided by Chef Paul's Catering. Attendees danced to music arranged by DJ Connor Norman and participated in a costume contest with winners in five categories. Maggie Pratt won best costume award for her witch regalia.



From left to right:

Cindy & Champ Zumbrun won Most Romantic as a western frontier doctor & his wife;
the Scariest prize went to Sue Rudd as a spider;
Maggie Pratt won for Best Costume as a witch;
the Most Historical prize went to George Plitnik and Jean Jones as a Lord and his Lady;
and Most Unique Costume to Brian and Jane Trimble dressed as Gilligan and Mary Ann.

Help Grow Our Kids
Make a Difference in the Life of a Child

HELP GROW OUR KIDS. Give a child the precious gift of discovery by being a *Friend of Evergreen* and making a contribution to the Evergreen Heritage Center (EHC) Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public charity dedicated to changing lives through hands-on learning experiences.

The EHC Foundation, located in Allegany County where 75% of elementary school children qualify for USDA's Free and Reduced Meal program, provides **award-winning education programs** designed to help overcome poverty. The Foundation currently serves over 8200 children & families annually.

Based at the historic 130 acre Evergreen Heritage Center in Mount Savage, the EHC Foundation offers quality hands-on field trips and in-school programs (all aligned with the Maryland State Curriculum). These enrichment programs create learning excitement, enable active exploration of science and the arts, and **increase student science and art literacy by 25 to 50% per class.**

Although grants and partner contributions help, many grants require matching community dollars. As a *Friend of Evergreen*, 100% of your **tax deductible donation provide those matching funds** that can make a difference in the life of a child. *Friends of Evergreen* are also eligible for discounts on EHC programs including its popular summer camp.

Whether you sponsor one child (\$25), four children (\$100), or ten children (\$250), **your contribution will Help Grow Our Kids.** You can also honor or remember a loved one or animal companion with a *Friends of Evergreen* donation in their name.



Kindergarten students investigating seeds from tomatoes they harvested from the EHC Children's Discovery Garden

Friends of Evergreen donations made by **December 31st** will be **matched dollar for dollar** by our Foundation Board, enabling your contribution to help twice as many children!

To learn more about the EHC, visit www.evergreenheritagecenter.org.

Yes, I want to be a *Friend of Evergreen* with my tax deductible contribution of _____.

My Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

My donation is in memory or in honor of: _____

Please mail this form and your check payable to the EHC Foundation to:
EHC Foundation, 101 Braddock Heights, Frostburg, MD 21532-2345
For more information, visit our website www.evergreenheritagecenter.org,



We Host Events!

With the completion of the renovation of the historic Evergreen Barn, Evergreen Heritage Center announces the availability of our facility to accommodate your wedding, event, or meetings of **up to 150 people**. Nestled in the Mountains of Western Maryland, Evergreen provides a scenic setting for your special occasion. At over 2500 square feet on the main level of the Evergreen Barn, as well as other areas on the picturesque grounds available for use, Evergreen is a unique and peaceful setting for your private event. Other charming spots at Evergreen include the main pavilion which accommodates up to **75** and the picturesque pond and its wooden dock. Our green facility provides the picture-perfect location to host a variety of occasions. Let us assist in planning your next function.

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