

Summer is truly upon us. Some days the heat in the barn feels unbearable, and a few times we've cancelled or moved some events, but most of the time with the back window opened up, a nice breeze comes through, and we just have to put up with the occasional interruption from the motorcycles going by. Mary Kay Mann and Matt Dodd gave us amazing performances in June and we have asked them both to return. Matt is scheduled for September 7<sup>th</sup> and will be doing an educational and entertaining program on Old Canal Days. If you missed his first performance you won't



*An idea is born...Future Creekside members gather to enjoy a potluck, August of 2007.*

want to miss the next one. If you were there, I know I won't have to persuade you to make this next one a priority!

We've held two vespers services, and the music provided by Ian and Wellesley Keal has certainly been a highlight of those evenings. What a nice way to wind down after a week of work and re-focus on the people around us! Our boat building will be taking up most of the lower level of the barn all summer, thanks to Gordon McQueen who is leading us in building several canoes. If you stop by on Saturday afternoons you're sure to hear girls working with power tools and families discussing how to paint a canoe so that it most convincingly looks like a pirate ship. My boys have already planned how they can fit in a catapult without losing any seating room.

We've gotten quite a bit of cleaning up done in the basement, and the parking lot has been lined with a stone border. The balcony has a railing and shortly will also have its own staircase. Our sinks are up in a counter now, in the kitchen, even though the plumbing doesn't reach that far yet. We've gotten a large donation of stacking chairs with comfortable cushions. They need a little

cleaning up, but they're in great shape. The bathroom floor has been painted and parts for the shower moved in. The library of books and movies continues to grow. Stop by on coffee house nights and pick up something! We're starting to layer new board walls over the old ones in the open walls of the upstairs so that we can keep the heat and cold out more efficiently, and are looking for donations of insulation of all types.



*Creekside Musicians at work*

Our 501(c)3 paperwork has been finished for some time now, but we're waiting to finish paying Dan Brown for the plumbing he did for us before we send in the check to finalize that status. We hope to be done with that process shortly, and then we'll be working on getting government and corporate grants. I've been busy filling out LOTS of paperwork in preparation for that process. We have a Dunn and Bradstreet number, have been registered as a government grantee, have had profiles created on many foundation websites, and state and local agencies.

We're going to be doing a major membership drive over the next few months so think about who you know who might get involved. And watch your papers and news websites for announcements of events at Creekside! We are now being listed regularly in at least 4 places, and I discover more all the time, that I don't even know how they learned about us! Special thanks to all of the volunteers who make all this happen. I don't know what I'd do without you! Would you like to get involved? See our website for a list of exciting and fun ways to be part of the Creekside family.

Tori



# Calendar

July/August 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1	2	3	4 Vespers 6:00pm	5 Boat Building 3pm
6	7	8	9 Coffee House 6:30pm	10	11 Vespers 6:00pm	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Vespers 6:00pm	19 Evening of Classical Music 7pm
20 Potluck 12:30pm	21	22	23 Coffee House 6:30pm	24	25 Vespers 6:00pm Open Mic Night 7:00PM	26 Boat Building 3pm Teen Video Game night 7pm
27 Nature Awareness 2pm Poetry/Story Circle 2pm	28	29	30	31	1 Vespers 6:00pm	2 Boat Building 10am
3 Potluck 12:30pm	4	5	6	7	8 Vespers 6:00pm	9 Work Day 10am Boat Building 3pm An Evening of Improvational Drama 7pm
10	11	12	13 Coffee House 6:30pm	14	15 Vespers 6:00pm	16
17 Nature Awareness 2pm	18	19		21	22 Vespers 6:00pm Open Mic Night 7:00pm	23 Boat Building 3pm



# Membership

Memberships in the center are \$75 a year for an individual OR a family (two adults and their children under the age of 18 living in the same household) and discounted memberships are available based on family income and volunteer hours. Every member is encouraged to get involved in the center in whatever way interests them.

This organization is NOT run by a small exclusive group. EVERY member has equal input into the programming, policies and procedures, and any other part of the running of the center that they have interest in. All members are invited to attend any meeting of the whole organization or of any committee, and any member who attends a meeting has input into and veto power over any change or new proposal.

## All members will receive:

- A monthly potluck meal, meeting, and entertainment, which is free to members and ticketed to non-members.
- Free admission or reduced admission to additional selected events.
- Monthly e-newsletter.
- An e-mail address "@creeksidecenter.org" for personal use.
- Subscription to the podcast, discussion board, and other website features.

**In addition, there are higher levels of sponsorship available, with benefits for each. The first \$75 of each sponsorship will be considered to be the membership fee. Please see our website for details.**

**Creekside is applying for 501(c)3 status and intends to operate as a non-profit corporation.**

**EIN #38-3777653**

---

## Application for Membership to Creekside Cultural Center

I have read the mission and other information provided in this document, and I understand that this organization is run by the members using a consensus model. I want to participate!

Name of Primary Member \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Type

- Individual
- Family

Number of adults \_\_\_ Ages of children \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership/Sponsorship Level

- Basic (\$75)
- Dove (\$100 and up)
- Red Tailed Hawk (\$500 and up)
- Peregrine Falcon (\$1000 and up)
- Eagle (\$5000 and up)
- Golden Eagle (\$25,000 and up)
- Please contact me about discounted memberships.

Total Amount Pledged \_\_\_\_\_

- Please use the sponsorship portion of my donation where it is needed most.
- I would like my donation beyond the basic membership to go, in part, towards

\_\_\_\_\_

**The Creekside Cultural Center** is a gathering place based on the tenets of the Chautauqua movement - our mission is to address a variety of needs by providing educational, cultural, spiritual, and recreational programming for the broader community. Activities available include music, art, and spoken word performances, family events, potluck gatherings, barn dances, educational, historic and scientific programs and series, after school clubs for young people, worship services, support and play groups, and whatever YOU suggest next!

### **New Activities and Special Events!**

---

- An Evening of Classical Music – A variety of artists performing music from classical composers. July 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Boat Building Class for the summer – 6 Saturdays – Build your own canoe – begins June 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Fourth Friday Open Mics – July 25<sup>th</sup> and August 27<sup>th</sup>
- Second and Fourth Wednesday – Coffee House evening with Solomon and Tirah Keal
- Do-Re-Mi Music Classes for preschoolers
- Friday Evening Vespers Services – 6-7pm most Fridays through the summer
- September 7<sup>th</sup> Stories and Songs of Canal Days with Matt Dodd
- Upcoming Concerts with Eddie Bluestone and Johnny Austin
- In-the-works: Barn Dance, Natural Health Fair
- What do you want to do? Please let us know!



***www.creeksidecenter.org***

***124 Penn Street, Lenhartsville, PA 19534***

*Entrance on Old 22*

***Info@creeksideCenter.org***

***(484) 741-1212***

**JULY/AUGUST NEWSLETTER**