



“Along the Gooney”

Browntown Community Center Association

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Upcoming Events

February 7	Battle of the Bowls Chili Cook-Off 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
February 9	BCCA General Meeting 7:30 p.m.

*View the entire online calendar of events at
<https://browntowncommunity.com/calendar>*

Submission Deadline

The customary deadline for content submission for the newsletter is the 24th of the month preceding the month of publication. Send your submissions to Gène at gene.raymond@browntowncommunity.com.

2025 Snowflakes Memories of Loved Ones

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Bruce Baggally
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Georgianna Baggally
Mary Baggally
Mollie Baggally
Osborne Baggally
Stanley Baggally
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Gail Miller
Patricia Miller
Tom Miller
Barbara Poe
Elizabeth Poe
George W. Poe
Jean Poe
Jessie Poe
Kenneth Poe
Rebecca Poe
Sam Poe
Tara Poe
Billy Smelser
Lizzie Smelser
Louie Smelser
Ray Smelser

Given by Jackie Hodgkiss and Betty Shannon:

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Stella Frew
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Kenneth Mathews
Mildred Mathews
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Bobby Williams
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Geraldine Henry Clegg
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William Ronnie Clegg
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Ulysses (Sonny) Clegg, Sr.
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Richard Henry
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Ginger Clegg Reardon

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Correction: Social Committee

Last month we announced the creation of the newly formed Social Committee. The actual name of the group is Community Fellowship and Engagement Committee.

Treasurer's Corner



At the January business meeting, a question was put forth by Patsy Pennington about the possibility of having some kind of summarized financial reporting available in the newsletter, citing community interest in things like how much is made from various fundraising events. Our treasurer, Nancy McDermott, is taking on that challenge. Here are some highlights from her corner: the Treasurer's Corner!

Happy New Year and welcome to the Treasurer's Corner!

Each month I will be providing you with a recap of the Community Center events for the month and a summary of earnings and expenses. First of all, thank you to all the volunteers who work tirelessly to ensure our events are successful and an enjoyment for everyone that attends. We could not do it without you!

As many of you know, we are facing some significant expenses for critical repairs to the building, the first of which is the replacement of the soffits and gutters. We are setting up a special fund for donations to that particular project and will in the future have fund-raisers specifically for that. In 2025, we received approximately \$3,600 in donations that were not earmarked for anything specific. If you would like to donate to any projects specifically, please annotate it in the memo line of your check. Otherwise, your donations will be used where most needed for the community. We are extremely grateful for the donations, whether big or small, and appreciate all the analysis and work of the Building Committee for providing us a way forward. It takes a lot to keep this historic girl in shape!

From March on, the update will be only of the previous month. If you are looking for a specific update, let me know!

2025 Recap – INCOME

- KITCHEN - \$690 profit

The kitchen continues to be a major source of income. The cooks, food donations, and volunteers keep everyone fed and happy. Although, much is donated, there is still a significant expense for paper products and other food items that remain in inventory throughout the year.

- BROWNTOWN MERCHANDISE & RECYCLING \$2,972 profit

Tom's store continues to be the largest source of income for merchandise sold. We greatly appreciate him letting us sell our items there. We had a pretty large inventory from previous years. We only purchased a small quantity of merchandise in 2025. We also receive a small income from aluminum cans brought to the store for recycling.

- VENDOR TABLE & FACILITY RENTALS, NEWSLETTER ADS - \$3,507

Income from the Christmas Bazaar, Redbud Festival, Community Yard Sale, Facility Rental and local business ads in the Along the Gooney Newsletter.

- BEARR GROUP 911 SIGNS - \$270

Sales are slowing but still available for any residents in our area.

- BROWNTOWN CALENDAR/NOTE CARDS - \$2,536 profit

Calendar Advertisement - \$650 and the rest is sales of calendars and calendar note cards.

- CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL SNOWFLAKES - \$810

Thank you to all who donated in memory of a loved one. The complete list is in the newsletter this month.

- SPRING & FALL YARD SALE, REDBUD FESTIVAL, CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - \$16,196 profit

The Redbud Festival generates the most income

with the Fall and Spring Yard Sales a close 2nd.

- WARREN COUNTY BUDGET AWARD - \$2,000

2025 Recap – EXPENSES ~\$20,373

While we have raised a significant amount of funds for 2025, the cost of maintaining a historical building is unpredictable. The majority of the costs fall into these categories:

- Insurance (~\$5,698)
- Electricity (\$2,658)
- Mowing (~\$3,000)
- Propane (~\$2,163)
- Repairs/Maintenance (~\$1,618)
- Miscellaneous Expenses (~\$1,117)
- Website/Internet Service/Telephone (~\$1,303.40)

We have been fortunate to have members in the community to do most of the repair work at no cost, and it is greatly appreciated.

Nancy McDermott
BCCA Treasurer
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Plans Under Development to Renovate BCCA Kitchen

In May 2005, the Building and Grounds Committee added another project to their growing list: updating the center's kitchen. Steve Merz discussed current concepts and fielded questions at the first of three meetings that took place on January 12, 2026. About a dozen and a half people were in attendance. Areas being considered are the ceiling, stove, and lighting. Gène Raymond put a few questions to Steve to give the community members a summary of this ongoing project.

Gène: The kitchen is functional. Why do we need to change it?

Steve: The kitchen update is based around its need to improve safety for its users, and capacity for its many functions. The kitchen will be a safer and more efficient component of our bustling community center.

G. Can you summarize the proposed equipment up-

grades?

S. The updated kitchen will include a new stove with state of the art ignition and ventilation, a renewed washing area, expanded food prep and serving space, and renewed walls and ceilings.

G. What impact will the renovation have on usual center operations?

S. The work will require the kitchen to be closed for a few weeks. Depending on surprises uncovered as the work progresses, it could take 4 – 6 weeks to complete.

G. Funding?

S. The design is being refined to reflect the users' input. Once the plan is approved and submitted for permits and bids, the final pricing can be established. The Board will determine the source(s) of funds, whether they come from current accounts or require special purpose-style fundraising.

G. Any other specific comments?

S. Every effort will be made in the design and planning of this keystone project to retain the character of our community's keystone center. Watch for plans and renderings to come soon!

On a side note, this project is being planned concurrently with a plan to repair the gutters, fascia boards and soffit. Steve indicated that the bids for this project should be available to the BCCA in about three weeks from the meeting date. Thanks to Steve and the Buildings and Grounds crew for their work on both these projects, helping the building serve the community for another hundred years!

Visions of 2026 Redbud Festival Take Root as Organizers Convene

At a second meeting held on the evening of January 12, 2026, Martha Buracker kicked off initial plans for this year's annual Redbud Festival to be held on April 18, 2026. Among the various areas that were touched upon, Martha indicated that a request has been made to [Ryan Jewel](#) to have him perform again this year. She also announced the return of the Barrel Train and that face painting will be available during the festival. She is also working to have the

mobile unit from [C & C Frozen Treats](#) on the premises again.

Emma Bricker will be coordinating the vendors and non-profit groups that will be in attendance. A discounted registration rate was offered to vendors who participated in December's Holiday Bazaar, and an early bird registration fee will be in effect until March 21. Outdoor space is available to non-profit organizations and the registration fee is waived. The online registration form is under development and should be available on the [BCCA website](#) very soon.

Other members have stepped up to coordinate Redbud activities as well. Deb Sutton will be overseeing sales of Browntown-branded merchandise, Patsy Pennington will be coordinating the Bake Sale, and Alan Thompson will be managing the Car Show. Lisa Merz suggested a "Decorate a Duck" activity similar to some of the bra art projects associated with breast cancer awareness campaigns. Such an activity could combine facets of a contest, fundraising, and the existing duck theme.

Please complete the [Volunteer Interest Form](#) on the website if you are interested in helping in some way.

Beekeepers to Offer Beginner's Classes

Interested in becoming a beekeeper? The Beekeepers of the Northern Shenandoah (BONS) are offering their Beekeeping for Beginners Class from Feb. through April 2026. The class, taught in Front Royal by Browntown resident Denise Vowell, begins on Saturday, Feb. 21, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Front Royal Community Center. The classes will continue at the same time each Saturday through April 4. For more information about the class, please contact Denise at vowelldk1@aol.com.

Obituary

David Eugene McDermott, age 63, passed away on December 27, 2025, at Winchester Medical Center after a lengthy battle with pancreatic cancer.

Born on December 21, 1962, in New Brunswick, New Jersey, he was the son of the late Eugene Peter McDermott and Margaret Mulraney McDermott. Dave earned his Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Columbia Union College and later earned a Juris Doctor (JD) from the University of Baltimore School of Law. He began working for the Federal Government in 1982 while still in college and quickly achieved positions of increasing responsibility, earning multiple awards throughout his career. When he retired in 2019, he was the Deputy Director for Operations, Defense Finance and Accounting Service.

After retirement, he spent much of his time volunteering near his home in Bentonville, Virginia. He was a Board Member for the Blue Ridge Educational Center (BREC); Assistant Executive Director, Front Royal-Warren County Congregational Community Action Project (C-CAP); Secretary, Warren County, VA Sheriff's Office Community Advisory Council (CAC); Treasurer for the Warren County Economic Development Authority; President, Flint Run Hills Homeowners Association; and President, Scrimshaw II Homeowners Association, Kill Devil Hills, NC. He also enjoyed helping with Browntown Community Center Association events and addressing community needs.

Dave loved gardening, yardwork, and particularly learning about native plants and trees of the Shenandoah Valley. He was passionate about helping and mentoring others in any way he could. He was an avid reader, enjoyed crossword puzzles, collected watches, cooked, and cared for his mother-in-law's beloved Shih Tzu, Holly, until she passed.

Dave is survived by his loving wife, Nancy Quincy McDermott of Bentonville, VA, his mother Margaret Mulraney McDermott of Dayton, MD, his sister Joy McDermott O'Connell (George) of Glenwood, MD, his nieces Jamie O'Connell of Baltimore, MD, Jessica O'Connell of Windsor Mill, MD, and her son, his grandnephew, Jackson David Sparrow.

Donations may be made in Dave's memory to the

following organizations:

Humane Society of Warren County, 1245 Progress Drive, Front Royal, VA 22630

Lustgarten Foundation: Pancreatic Cancer Research, 504 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, NY 11556

World Central Kitchen, PO Box 96538, Washington D.C. 20090

Browntown Baptist Church A Legacy of Faith

*Dedicated to Seeking God
and Serving People*

Browntown Baptist Church (BBC) stands as a symbol of faith and hope in our community, welcoming everyone who seeks solace and inspiration. Our doors are always open to those yearning for spiritual guidance and a sense of belonging. On behalf of BBC, I would like to present an update regarding our recent activities, ongoing initiatives, and future objectives.

In November when there was a potential Interruption of SNAP Benefits (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), church members donated approximately six boxes of non-perishable food for the Warren County Social Services Food Pantry. In January we donated toiletries, toilet paper, laundry detergent, and dryer sheets to The House of Hope. We signed up to prepare, deliver and serve evening meals to the Hope and Rest Temporary Shelter (H.A.R.T.S.) January 24 to January 30; however, due to the snowstorm, we prepared and delivered the meals ahead of the storm for Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Additionally, several events are planned for the coming months, designed to foster community engagement. We are working to keep our website and Facebook page updated with the latest information.

We invite you to join us for worship and fellowship every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Since November 2020, Pastor S. Kaipha Brown has provided leadership to our congregation, offering spiritually inspired messages and demonstrating a strong commitment to the well-being of the community.

Be hopeful and blessed.

Tina Presley
Clerk of Browntown Baptist Church

Google Tools for the BCCA

Many people are familiar with Google as an internet search engine. Others are equally familiar with Google for their email application, Gmail. Google makes a number of online collaborative tools, which it bundles into a suite known as Google Workspace. There are different versions of the bundle available to specific demographics. One such grouping happens to be Google Workspace for Non-Profits. Through the efforts of Mike Prosise, the BCCA was approved to have access to this suite of collaborative tools. While it is impossible to describe all the features available to us here, the common thread is to be able to better share information between organization volunteers, members, and the public. A good example that Gène Raymond has been promoting over the past month is Google Groups. This tool allows the BCCA to create virtual groups for a defined purpose; in this case, for the electronic version of the newsletter. Individuals who wish to receive the newsletter simply join the group. When they no longer want it (but why would that happen?), they can leave the group. Both actions can be done by the member simply by sending an email to a specific address: no human intervention is generally necessary. The concept can be used for other mail lists; for example, a list that included people involved in the planning of the Redbud Festival. When an email needs to go to all members, you send it to a single address that refers to the list. That address remains the same whether there are four members or a dozen members. In other words, one need not have any knowledge of the individual members' email addresses.

Google Photos is another tool available to us, similar to Flickr. This tool allows us to create themed photo albums. Some of the newer albums available through the BCCA website are actually links to Google Photos albums. If you haven't seen them yet, I highly recommend checking out the new This 'n' That album. An album created for individual and small sets of photos that aren't quite enough to justify their own album, it includes some beautiful photos of a sunrise over Browntown, taken by our own Nancy McDermott.

A final mention here is Google Meet, a tool similar to Zoom or Webex, allowing people to create virtual meetings where they can work together on shared documents at the same time while being in different locations. Gène has already used this a couple of

times to work remotely with Emma Bricker on the development of online forms (also another Google tool) for the Community Fellowship and Engagement Committee.

Stay tuned as we introduce more ways to benefit from these valuable resources.

(An online version of this article created using the Google Docs tool is available [here](#).)



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President's Message

Dear fellow Brownowners,

Well, here we are smack dab in the middle of winter and hoping you've all dug out of last week's snow. We've got lots going on at the Community Center, so here's this month's update.

Our Trustees and Buildings and Grounds Committee have been hard at work over the last few months assessing our building and making sure we stay up to date with maintenance. Some of these items are "Big Ticket" items that we plan to have fundraisers for. You will see in future newsletters, website updates and Facebook posts for the items we are raising money for and an estimate of cost and how much money is in that particular fund. If you make a donation to the Community Center and want your money to go towards a certain fund, please put a note on the memo line.

The first big project will be our soffits and gutters that need to be replaced. Sounds simple, but it's a big job and costly. Initial estimates are in the \$25K range, but we are still collecting estimates. If you know a licensed insured contractor who would be interested in the work, we are looking for a gutter contractor and a contractor with crew for the soffits and fascia. Please contact Steve Merz at swmerz57@gmail.com for scope of work. After that our kitchen needs an update to make it a more workable space. Again, this is a big ticket item including a new range and vented hood fan as well as a center island. Future plans include a new metal roof. We hope to accomplish this in the next 5 years.

As for events, next up is our Browntown Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, Feb. 7 at 1pm! This is a no charge event. Entry forms are available on our Facebook page and website www.browntowncommunity.com. Contestants make their best chili and the guests sample and vote! Music by the Browntown Boys. Desserts and cornbread as well as drinks provided. Join the fun, enjoy the chili, fellowship and music! There will be Browntown merchandise for sale, so if you missed out at our bazaar, here's a chance to grab some great items. Some will even be on Clearance Sale!

The Spring Yard Sale will be held on March 13 and 14, and yes, we are still looking for additional donations. Please call Patsy Pennington at 540-635-5568 to schedule a drop off. Sales from our yard sales pay the bills at the BCCA, so please know that your donations support this awesome historic building in our community!

Plans are also in the works for our Redbud Festival scheduled for Saturday, April 18, so Save the Date! If you would like to be involved in the Redbud Festival in any way, send me an email to marthaburacker@gmail.com. We are looking for Bake Sale donations, Silent Auction items or Gift Baskets, parking lot attendants, Duck Race help, set up help, Browntown Merchandise sales, Duck Race ticket pre-sales, sponsors for Car Show, Duck Race, music, main event (more info on this in next newsletter). Vendor assistance for locations on the day of the event and more! And we'd love your input as well. We are always looking to improve or for something new and unique. It takes our whole village to make this event a success, so we appreciate all help!

Don't forget to follow our [Facebook page Browntown Community Center Association, Inc.](#) and sharing our posts on your personal page helps us get the word out there at no cost! Also, our website www.browntowncommunity.com has our current newsletter and past newsletters, plus minutes from our meetings as well as lots of other tabs to explore.

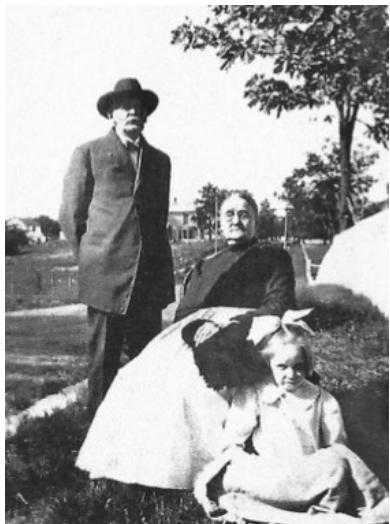
Finally, I want to extend our deepest sympathies to our treasurer Nancy McDermott, who in December lost not only her mom, but her wonderful husband Dave. I met Dave and Nancy when they bought the farm next to mine and they volunteered to help "feed the team" during the Homes for Our Troops 3 day construction Build Brigade for SSgt. Arthur "Bunky" Woods back in 2010. We've been friends ever since and a welcome part of our community. Dave was always at our events to help in any way needed, and also volunteered for many other Warren County organizations. I will miss his friendship, and his presence at our meetings and functions. Pancreatic cancer took him way too soon, and I sincerely hope that sometime in the near future there will be a cure for this devastating disease. And please keep Nancy in your thoughts and prayers.

Our next BCCA Community Meeting is February 9 at 7:30 p.m.; hope to see you there!

Martha Buracker, President BCCA

Gooney Valley History Club

The John Andrew and Mary Katherine Baublitz Story- Part I



This photo was taken about 1910 in Stephens City. It shows three generations of the Baublitz family, who relocated in 1883 from Carroll County, MD. to Browntown. The man is John Andrew Baublitz (1846-1924), with his wife Mary Catherine Matthias Baublitz (1849-1917) and granddaughter, Virginia Baublitz Shrylock. This family portrait was most likely taken on the lawn of the 8-acre lot in Stephens City that Virginia's grandparents bought in 1906. Virginia was a favorite granddaughter and lived very close to them. We know that in 1919 Virginia traveled with her 73-year-old grandfather by train to DC to visit family.

How the Baublitz Family Came To Settle In Browntown

Franklin Pierce Cover (1854-1903), who ran the Mt. Vernon Tannery in Browntown during the late 1800's, likely encouraged Baublitz to move to Browntown – both were from Carroll County MD and related by marriage.

A New Life Begins In Browntown

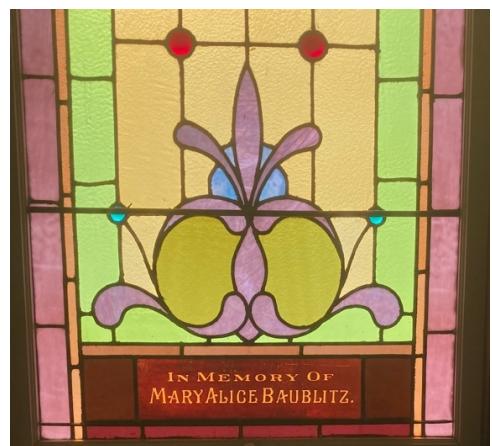
The Baublitzes became one of the most well-known and influential families in Browntown during the 22 years they lived there. The store and post office they operated would have been central to the everyday life of local farming families and tannery workers. They played a particularly important role in the religious life of the community through their volunteer work for the local Lutheran Church.

The Lutheran Church

After Mary Catherine and John Baublitz and their five youngest children, Laura, Annie, Minerva, Luther and Ada, moved to Browntown in 1883/84, the whole family quickly became involved in its religious life. Until 1897, Lutherans were limited to holding their services every fourth Sunday in the small Union Church built in 1882. They eventually tired of this arrangement and, in 1897, Frank Cover and John Baublitz were responsible for having Jacob Masemer build the Ebenezer Lutheran Church – the only one in Warren County at that time. This church continued services for many years, but as older folks died and the tannery closed, many young people moved away to obtain work. The congregation eventually died out and the church was closed and sold to the Baptists in 1943.

All of the Baublitz family were involved in the running of the new Ebenezer church. Like most small churches at this time, they did not have a resident pastor, but relied on support from pastors based in nearby communities. This meant great reliance had to be placed on local volunteers. John Baublitz played a particularly important role as he was its superintendent for many years as well as being a Sunday School teacher. Mary, his wife, and three of their children, Mary, Ada, and Luther, were also Sunday School teachers. Ada, who clearly was very talented, also served as church organist and music teacher.

We can get an idea of the Lutheran families who were strong supporters of the church from the names inscribed on its beautiful stained



glass windows. The surnames of those memorialized include Updike, Masemer, Cover, Baublitz, Nossett, Patterson, Watkins, and Lillard.

*This “Baublitz” window in the former Ebenezer Lutheran Church memorializes Mary Alice, the second youngest of John and Mary Baublitz’ children, who died aged 9 in 1882.

(To be continued.)

See our website (gooneyvalleyhistoryclub.com) to learn more about the history of Browntown

Preserving the Spirit: Browntown History!

On January 15, the Gooney Valley History Club, represented by Roger Tomhave, Brian Wilkinson, and Tom Lacombe, presented a program on the history of Browntown. Sponsored by the Warren Heritage Society, the presentation ran a little over an hour and a half and was held at the Marigold Arts Center on Main Street. The room was packed, with attendees from across the area. Brian prepared more than 40 slides showcasing a sample of the research the club has been working on. The presentation sparked a lively discussion, with many questions from the audience and many requests for another Browntown program.

Since the event, Brian and I have both received emails from attendees with follow-up questions, including topics we had not previously researched. We’ve already begun making progress on some of those leads. One inquiry, in particular, concerned Dr. John E. Craig, who served the community in the mid to late 1800s. Our current focus is learning more about the Craigs and locating what was known as the “Craig Place”.



Browntown Baptist Church

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Check out Browntown Baptist Church's [website](#):

- Watch/listen to sermons
- Send in a prayer request
- Log on to Bible Study every Wednesday night
- Read about the history of our church
- See calendar of events

Cool Spring Church of God

Pastor: PG Coverstone
Sunday School at 9:30 and Worship at 10:30.

Limetton Community Church

9 Limeton Main St., Bentonville, VA
Pastor Lorne Fyfe
Sunday School at 10 and service at 11

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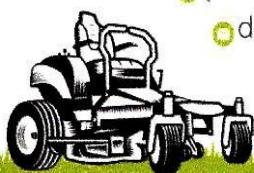
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