

## SF To Present Band/Choral Concert

The Southern Fulton High School Music Department will present its annual junior high chorus and band spring concert on Saturday, May 2, at 7:30 PM in the high school auditorium. This year's concert theme is "Music Makes the Difference" and features junior high chorus, junior high band, jazz band and selected soloists. The concert is under the direction of Dan Meredith and Mr. Benjamin Arnold. The 54-member junior high



Junior High Chorus



Junior High Band

chorus will present seven songs in a variety of styles

from pop to jazz, classical to multicultural folk music. The 16-member junior high band

will present six selections, including "Suncatcher," "Blues," "Ghost in the Graveyard" and "The Second Storm." The jazz band features seven members and will perform music by Sonny Rollins, Oscar Pettiford and Herbie Hancock. Vocal soloists for the evening include Danielle Lane, Morgan Strait, Leangel Barnhart, Christina Koontz, Melanie Deneen, Jessica Lane, Noah Hykes, and Alenda Fischer.

The public is invited to attend and enjoy the efforts of these talented students. Admission to the concert is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students. Proceeds benefit the band and choral activity funds. Mr. Arnold, Mr. Meredith and the students wish to thank the public for its continued support.

## Conservation Corner

### 2009-10 Cover Crop Sign-Up

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

The sign-ups for the 2009/10 Fulton County Cover Crop Incentive Program (CCIP) are currently underway. The Fulton County Conservation District is offering financial incentives to plant cover crops on corn silage fields. Sign-up deadline is August 28, 2009.

The flat-rate incentive payments for cover crops planted by September 26, 2009, will be \$50/acre and if planted by October 10, 2009, will be \$30/acre. A maximum of 75 acres may be enrolled; the cover crop may be established via no-till or reduced tillage (non-inversion); must achieve 50 percent soil cover by December 12, 2009, and be maintained through April 15, 2010. After April 15th the cover crop may be harvested for silage, grain, green-chopped or sprayed and the next crop planted. The cover crop may be burnt down earlier if approved by District personnel (the cover crop must still have 50 percent ground cover on April 15). Producers are encouraged to no-till plant the next crop into the killed-down or small grain residue. Planting dates are as follows: Oats no later than Sept 10; Barley - no later than September 26; triticale, wheat and rye - no later than Oct 10. The keys to this year's program are that the small grain is planted early and the cover crop must achieve 50 percent soil cover by December 12. Manure from the farm may be applied to the cover crop fields, however it is expected the 50 percent soil cover via cover crop be achieved and maintained through April 15. No commercial fertilizer may be applied until the following spring. To assist you in meeting the new earlier planting dates, the District hopes to have contractors lined up to plant should you desire.

The cost for this planting would be deducted from your incentive payment. For program

details contact Doug Valentine, Ag Specialist, Fulton County Conservation District (FCCD), 717-485-3547, Ext-117. Applications will be available at the Farm Services Agency (FSA) and the Fulton County Conservation District offices located at 216 N. Second Street, McConnellsburg, PA.

### Free Veterans Assistance Available

Jim Krobath of the Governors Veterans Outreach and Assistance Center will visit F&M Trust in Penn's Village Shopping Center, McConnellsburg, on Tuesday, May 12. Free help and advice will be available for veterans and family members from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

A person may be eligible for a pension from the Department of Veterans Affairs if they are a veteran with wartime service or the surviving spouse of one, and you are permanently and totally disabled or 65 years of age or older, and meet the annual income thresholds by law. For those who are "housebound," require the help of another person; in an assisted living facility, or a nursing home, may be eligible under the "aid and attendance" program.

The VA secretary announced that amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), better known as Lou Gehrig's disease, is now a presumptive illness. Any veteran diagnosed with this illness who served 90 days or more of continuous active military service is eligible to receive compensation

benefits. This applies to all claims for benefits received by VA on or after September 23, 2008.

The representative will have answers to questions and provide more information about these and other federal/state benefits. Applicants should bring separation documents or other proof of service to the outreach location. Lost, misplaced or damaged documents can be replaced.

Veterans needing information or assistance at times other than the scheduled visit can call the Harrisburg center, toll free in PA at 1-800-932-0930, e-mail at gvoac@comcast.net or visit gvoac.com.

### NRA Sues Pittsburgh Over Gun Reporting Law

PITTSBURGH (AP) - The National Rifle Association has sued Pittsburgh's mayor and city council over the legality of a city law requiring gun owners to report their lost or stolen guns.

The NRA says that the law "severely restricts and/or infringes" on citizens' constitutional right to keep firearms in their homes. The NRA and four individuals also argue in the suit that the city doesn't have the authority to regulate the ownership of firearms.

The lawsuit was filed Friday in Allegheny County Common Pleas Court. It names as defendants Mayor Luke Ravenstahl and the Pittsburgh City Council.

## Library Corner

New fiction at Fulton County Library includes "Wormwood" by Susan Wittig Albert, "Venetian Judgement" by David Stone, "8th Confession" (large print) by David Baldacci, "Teatime for the Traditionally Built" by Alexander McCall Smith, "Loitering With Intent" by Stuart Woods, "The Book of Love" by Kathleen McGowan, "BoneMan's Daughters" by Ted Dekker, "Take One" by Karen Kingsbury, "Brimstone" by Robert B. Parker, "Mr. and Mrs. Anonymous" by Fern Michaels, "In the Dark" by Brian Freeman, and "Montana Creeds: Logan" by Linda Lael Miller.

New nonfiction includes "Backyard Homestead" by Carleen Madigan, "Stitched in Time: Memory-Keeping Projects to Sew and Share from the Creator of Posie Gets Cosy" by Alicia Paulson, "Macular Degeneration: A Complete Guide for Patients and Their Families" by Michael Samuel, and "Martha Stewart's Encyclopedia of Crafts."


New items at Hustontown Branch Library include "A Cousin's Promise" by Wanda Brunstetter, "First Family" by David Baldacci, "8th Confession" by James Patterson, "Dare to Die" by Carolyn Hart, "Geometry of Sisters" by Luanne Rice, and "Just Take My Heart" by Mary Higgins Clark.

There are still spaces left in the library's computer classes being held on Wednesday, May 20: Keyboarding, Internet Basics, and The Big Three of Internet Fun: Facebook, Myspace, and Youtube (minimum age of 14). Call or stop in at the library to sign up for any of these free classes.

The library will be having its annual book, plant and bake sale on Friday, May 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Proceeds will be matched by the Modern Woodmen of America.

### Marriage License

Justin Willis Reed, 26, Shade Gap, and Nichole Dawn Parson, 26, Fort Littleton, applied for a marriage license at the local courthouse during the past week.



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## Franklin Financial Corrects Case Of Mistaken Identity

Franklin Financial Services Corporation (OTCBB:FRAF) issued a brief statement this week to correct news media reports erroneously identifying Gordon B. Grigg, charged in a federal felony filed April 22, 2009, in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee in Nashville, as associated with Franklin Financial Services Corporation. Mr. Grigg is not and never was, in any way, associated with Franklin Financial Services Corporation.

This error appears to have been derived from an April 22, 2009 press release issued by the Department of Justice identifying Grigg as a "former Franklin, Tennessee financial advisor" and erroneously confusing that statement with Franklin Financial Services Corporation.

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