

McCoy Farm & Gardens NEWSLETTER

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Visit With Sally McCoy Garland in Virginia

On April 11, Joe and Margha Davis and Mickey Robbins drove to meet Sally McCoy Garland at her beautiful farm outside Charlottesville, Virginia, and to pick up several pieces of family furniture. The items included a chest of drawers and a bed as well as a cider press.



Pictured with the horses at the U-Haul trailer are, left to right, Joe and Margha Davis, Sally Garland, two of the UVA law students, and Mickey Robbins.

Sally's horses watched with curiosity as several University of Virginia law students helped load the furniture into a U Haul trailer. Afterwards Sally entertained the threesome on her veranda with its view of the Blue Ridge Moun-

tains. They then were treated to a pleasant meal in the family dining room.

The next day Margha and Joe attended a wedding, and Mickey drove the furniture back to McCoy Farm & Gardens on Signal Mountain. The McCoy Board is thrilled to receive the attractive family pieces, which will be placed in the main house for all to see and enjoy.

Farmers Market Activity

See what's offered at McCoy Farm & Gardens every Thursday afternoon between 3:30-6:30 by Signal Mountain Farmers' Market vendors: *Bluewing Farm*, seasonal vegetables grown on Signal Mountain; *New Dawn Farm*, 100 % grass-fed beef and farm fresh pork; *Healthy*



The Farmers' market is situated in the internal gravel parking lot and was well received on the first two Thursdays.

Kitchen, seasonal produce, bread, eggs, carob balls; *Blue Flamingo*, turmeric, sourdough bread, fresh herbs; *Dixie Soaps*, goat soaps and lotions, woolen dryer balls, felted soap, eggs; *Hidden Haven Farms*, whole chickens, eggs, elderberry syrup, jams, bath and body products; *Nourishpoint*, baked goods and snacks, bone broth, individual and family prepared meals; *Natural Affinity*, natural bath and body products including Jewel weed soap for poison ivy.



A special Summer Celebration will be held Thursday, June 6 featuring: **Bluegrass music** provided by Carl Towns; **Garden tours** led by Master Gardeners of Hamilton County. **Baby goats and lambs** for petting. **Craft vendors** including nature inspired pottery and jewelry. **Food, snacks and samples**. As a special treat, Nourishpoint will bring their prized mango sorbet and other "hot weather foods."

The Mission of McCoy Farm & Gardens is to restore, enhance and preserve the historic McCoy homeplace so that it may serve the community as an arboretum, natural area, and venue for public and private events.

Memorial Day Picnic Fun

A large crowd enjoyed the fifth annual Memorial Day Picnic at McCoy Farm & Gardens on Monday, May 27. The weather was delightful, and the food prepared by members of the Signal Mountain Lions Club was delicious.



Volunteers selling tickets enjoyed the crowd while performing a very useful service. Thanks to ticket booth chairman, Larry Mick, and to Dan Reynolds for the photo.



Docents Annette Wildman, Rorie Fore, and Gail Tate of Walden's Ridge Guild watch the festivities. Photo by Tom Williams.



Centennial fan Rita Irvin. Photo by Tom Williams.

Gary Humble and Mac Cauthen of Signal Mt. Lions Club man the Coke Wagon. Photo Tom Williams.



The shade of an apple tree is as pleasant as the beach after the exhausting fun of a picnic. Photo by Tom Williams.



Renaissance Man / McCoy Board Member / Grounds Chairman Dr. Andrew Jones takes his chain saw to a giant pine log in pursuit of a native wood bench. The photo was taken Sunday, May 12 by Grounds Helper Mickey Robbins.



This photo by Dan Reynolds shows the new log bench in place under the shade awning at the Blacksmith Shop on Memorial Day. It provided a good view and is a great asset.

Garden Treasures to Find

McCoy Farm & Gardens is now on the map of CHAPP (Chattanooga Area Pollinator Partnership.) What beautiful and interesting things can you see in the gardens this week?

Upcoming Events

- Farmers' Market Thursdays 3:30-6:30 pm
- The calendar is filling up with private events, so be sure to check the website to make your plans as soon as possible.

To schedule your own special event go to www.mccoypwalden.org

Hours, Access & Information

The 1.1 mile long walking and running trail is open during daylight hours, seven days per week. Access the trail at the 1604 Taft Highway entrance and park in the first gravel lot located outside the gate.

The McCoy grounds are open to the public Saturdays and Sundays, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm. Please enter through the Taft Highway entrance and park in the main gravel lot. A handicapped accessible portable toilet is located in the gravel lot. Dog waste pickup bags are at trail head.

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McCoy Farm & Gardens is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. All contributions are charitable and tax deductible to the maximum extent allowed by law.

The 38 acre parcel contains the Bachman-McCoy home, pavilion, carriage house, barn, blacksmith workshop, apple house, and various other structures and gardens. Volunteers are very important to the organization in all areas. Your donations are welcome and will be used to improve the structures and gardens.

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