



**Arthur Dale Heritage, Inc.  
October 1, 2007-September 30, 2008  
2008 Annual Report**

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE/MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Arthurdale Heritage, Inc. (AHI) is:

- To acquire, restore, and maintain community buildings as a means of preserving for future generations Arthurdale's unique heritage as the first federal homestead project under Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration.
- To acquire and preserve data and supporting evidence such as mementos, pictures, news stories, audio visuals, crafts, books, manuscripts collections, and pamphlets about the history of the Arthurdale community; and to cooperate with other organizations and projects around the country that focus on projects supported by the Division of Subsistence Homesteads, Departments of the Interior, and its successor agencies, and similar New Deal-era Projects.
- To disseminate information and stimulate public interest in the goals of Arthurdale Heritage, Inc., through the preparation of educational materials, programs, festivals, plays, tours, and other related activities.
- To nurture an interest in the arts and crafts by providing space and teachers for such things as weaving, spinning, pottery, woodworking, blacksmithing, basketry, dance, and drama; to house craft industries, studios, and shops, and for other related purposes set forth in the Charter.
- To manage all AHI collections and properties of any kind in accord with generally accepted professional museum and historic preservation policies, including, but not limited to, acquisition, documentation, and disposition of collections and properties.



## **2008 AHI Board of Directors**

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Arthurdale



## **2008 Programs**

In an effort to fulfill its mission to educate the public about the history of Arthurdale, AHI seeks to provide a variety of quality community programs. The numerous programs AHI sponsors serve two worthwhile purposes—they bring visitors to our historically significant community, while providing much needed funds to cover our operating expenses.

### ***New Deal Festival***

The New Deal Festival was held on July 13, 2008. The day's events included traditional Appalachian music, an artisan market, an antique car and tractor show and a panel discussion. Artist demonstrations included blacksmithing by the Appalachian Blacksmith



Loretta Davis takes first place in the Pedal Pull.

Association and seat weaving by Debbie & Anee Price and Molly Superfesky. AHI continued to host events that have been held in years past, such as a visit by "Eleanor Roosevelt" as portrayed by living history actor Patty Cooper and the Beth Bonner 5K Run and 2-Mile Walk. 2008's Festival also saw the introduction of new events such as the gospel sing held at the Arthurdale Presbyterian Church and the Pedal Tractor Pull held on the grounds of E-15. In addition, 2008 marked the second year in which an admission fee was charged at the gates. This year, however, the Board voted to provide each member of the organization with two free passes to the festival. These passes, provided to members in the newsletter, proved to be well received and, at the Board's decision, will be provided as a standard practice in future years.

### ***Monthly Events***

The AHI Program Committee organized monthly events including dinners, the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Yard Sale and the annual Ice Cream Social. Other events held included the annual Easter Egg Hunt, a Christmas visit with Santa and a Community Cleanup and Picnic.

### ***Swing Into Spring Elimination Dinner***

To help with our general operating expenses, AHI held its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual elimination dinner in April 2008. The elimination dinner was a great success and raised over \$10,000.

### ***WVU Sporting Events***

Arthurdale Heritage continued to provide volunteers as event staff at WVU men's basketball games during the 2007 and 2008 season. Working as ushers and ticket takers, volunteers raised \$7.50 per hour worked per volunteer. This fundraiser contributed over \$4,600.00 towards the organization's general operating income. AHI has already begun to coordinate with Contemporary Services Corporation to continue this fundraising event throughout the 2008-2009 athletic season.

### ***Arthurdale Farmstand***

In 2008, Arthurdale Heritage was approached about organizing a farmer's market and under the direction of Roz Watson, the Arthurdale Farmstand was created. The farmstand operated each Saturday from 9am to 1pm and ran from August 9<sup>th</sup> until October 4<sup>th</sup>. The farmstand generated over \$300 in proceeds for AHI from the sale of local produce, breads and cheeses and the rental of tables to local gardeners. In addition, items totaling over \$150.00 were sold from the Craft Shop inventory. While AHI anticipates greater returns as the farmstand continues to operate and people become more aware of its presence, it is important to note how well it has been received in the short time it has operated thus far. Not only does it benefit the organization financially, it serves an even greater purpose in that it provides members of the community with access to fresh, locally grown produce, while putting money back into the local economy by providing local farmers and gardeners with a venue for selling their goods.

### ***Craft Shop***

The 2007-2008 fiscal year proved to be another successful year for the AHI Craft Shop Committee. The Craft Shop Committee provided staff coverage for the Craft Shop on Saturdays and Sundays from May to October, as well as hosting its Annual Christmas Open House on Saturdays between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The Craft Shop has seen the addition of many new items throughout the year, the most notable being the Esso Station Cat's Meow. Keeping with its commitment to support the general operations of AHI, the Craft Shop not only paid a monthly rent and electric bill, but they also donated \$4,000.00 to the general operations of the organization. The Board of Directors wishes to extend special thanks and appreciation to the Craft Shop Committee for their dedication and professionalism—both of which contribute to visitors leaving Arthurdale with both wonderful mementos *and* memories.



## **Grants**

AHI received approximately \$31,000.00 in grant funds during the 2007-2008 fiscal year. Grants funded various projects including advertising for the New Deal Festival as well as a project to perform maintenance and restoration work on the Forge, Esso Station and Administration Building. We have submitted grant applications for which decisions are still pending. We are optimistic that the funding agencies will recognize the merit of the proposed projects and that funding will be forthcoming.

## **GRANTS AWARDED**

### **Direct Advertising Grant**

AHI received a grant from the WV Division of Tourism for approximately \$2,000.00 to fund advertising for the New Deal Festival. Print ads were featured in West Virginia newspapers and magazines. Radio ads were ran across the state, carried on West Virginia Public Radio. The grant also paid for signage at the I-70 West Welcome Center in Wheeling featured in June, July, and August to advertise the New Deal Festival and Ice Cream Social.

### **Fairs and Festivals Budget Digest**

AHI received \$6,750 from the West Virginia Division of Culture and History for the 2008 New Deal Festival to be used for programming such as entertainment.

### **West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office**

AHI received \$22,285 from the West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office for a development grant to address drainage and water-related issues affecting the Forge, Esso Station and Administration Building.

## **GRANT APPLICATIONS SOUGHT**

### **Preserve America Mini-Grant**

AHI requested approximately \$5,500.00 in funding to provide signage for historic homes both on the driving tour and throughout the district, to revise the driving tour and to develop a cellphone based tour of the museum buildings and community. Application pending.

### **Bank of America/IMLS American Heritage Preservation Program**

AHI requested \$3,000.00 for archival storage materials. Application pending.



## **Volunteers**

In order to understand the success Arthurdale Heritage has experienced as an organization, one need only look to the volunteers that serve this great organization. AHI has been blessed with an abundance of good people who recognize the difference their involvement with AHI makes in the community. These are people who, to quote Helen Keller, believe that “[they] can do anything [they] want, if [they] stick to it long enough.” AHI wishes to thank the many individuals who donate their time and energy to this organization...their optimism and dedication is greatly appreciated.

### **2007-2008 Volunteers of the Year: Joe & Maryann Wolfe**

AHI has chosen to honor Joe and Maryann Wolfe as the 2007-2008 Volunteers of the Year. Maryann and Joe have spent scores of hours volunteering for Arthurdale Heritage. Whether it is providing tours, being interviewed by journalists or traveling to meet with college classes, Joe and Maryann are always happy to share their memories of growing up in Arthurdale. Many events sponsored by AHI over the past year owe much of their success to Joe and Maryann’s dedication, as well. Joe has helped to coordinate the WVU athletic events fundraiser, while Maryann has helped to organize the Community Wide Yard Sale, the Alumni Dinner and the picture parties. Thank you Joe and Maryann for your commitment to Arthurdale Heritage and to our community.

### **2007-2008 Volunteers of the Month**

October	Arlene Dolan
November	Elma Dillsworth
December	Joe Wolfe
January	Margaret Stuck & Chuck Collins
February	Kathy & Randy McDonald
March	The Roscoe Family-Dan & Tina, Craig & Donna
April	Shelby Walls & Scarlett Clark
May	Roy & Nellie Britton
June	Matt Sines
July	Sarah Barnes
August	Dick DeGolyer
September	Maryann Wolfe

*We can do anything  
we want, if we stick  
to it long enough.*

-Helen Keller

## **Valley Elementary Service Club**

The Service Club at Valley Elementary continues to be involved with Arthurdale Heritage. This year, the Service Club completed numerous projects for the organization, including planting flowers and weeding flower beds, as well as stuffing Halloween treat bags. AHI wishes to extend a special thanks to Service Club sponsors Susan Bell, Irene Durr, Arleen Dolan, and Marilee Hall for the projects they have successfully coordinated.

## **AHI Committees**

Our standing committees are responsible for the organization's operations and programming.

Special thanks to the following committee chairs:

- Budget & Finance – Irene Durr
- Craft Shop – Donna Summers & Loretta Davis
- History, Education, Library & Museum – Joe Wolfe
- Long Range Planning – Rick Rodeheaver
- New Deal Festival – Marilee Hall
- Program – Wanda Bolyard
- Public Relations – Marilee Hall
- Restoration/Maintenance – Randy Weaver



Valley Service Club members plant flowers outside the Administration Building.



Photograph featured in the *Arthurdale is Born* exhibit which ran from July to September 2008

## **Museum**

### **Exhibits**

#### **Arthurdale is Born**

The New Deal Homestead Museum presented *Arthurdale is Born*, an exhibit of photographs depicting the establishment of Arthurdale—including the construction of roads, homes and community buildings. AHI opened this exhibit at the 2008 New Deal Festival, leaving it on display until mid-September 2008.

#### **Ariel Robinson Exhibit**

The work of Ariel Robinson, former resident of Arthurdale and graduate of Arthurdale High School, has been on exhibition since mid-September in the Administration Building. The exhibit features many depictions of landscapes, wildlife, still life, mosaics, and items of local interest.

## **Donations**

Throughout 2007-2008, the museum received several donations of historic Arthurdale artifacts. The largest collection was given by the family of Annabelle Mayor. This collection consists of numerous items, including 2 weaving looms, woven items (including rugs and clothing), photographs and copper and brass fixtures. AHI plans to open an exhibit of the Mayor Collection mid-summer 2009.

## **Admissions**

The museum had 170 paid general admissions this year. This number represents a 16% decrease from last year's admissions. Of the 170 admissions, 44% paid adult admission, 55% paid senior admission, and 1% paid a child admission. The New Deal Homestead Museum also hosted 8 groups for tours, with a total of 337 visitors, up 9% from the previous year. Group tours included students from Valley Elementary in Arthurdale, Eagle Intermediate in Martinsburg, WV; Mill Creek Intermediate in Bunker Hill, WV; senior groups from Rochester, NY and Cleona, PA, as well as members of the Association of University Architects and their families.

## **Promotion of Arthurdale**

### **Articles/Television/Film**

- Arthurdale Heritage's various monthly events were featured in local newspapers.
- Arthurdale Heritage's 2008 New Deal Festival was featured on local television stations.
- "Wasn't It Great?" Washington Post, 10 February 2008.
- "What a Deal: 2008 marks the 75th anniversary of the New Deal, the federal government's groundbreaking program designed to lift the nation out of the Great Depression, Observer-Report (Washington, PA), 27 July 2008.
- "Arthurdale: Unknown Jewel" by Michelle Liga.
- Footage of Arthurdale was shot during the production of "Soul of the People: Voices from the Writer's Project." The documentary is due to be released early summer 2009.

### **Exhibits**

- Arthurdale was chosen as the spotlighted community at the 2008 Buckwheat Festival. AHI placed a display at the Festival as part of the Buckwheat Pride Display exhibition located at the Kingwood Elementary School. This display, entitled, "The 75th Anniversary of the Homesteading of Arthurdale," won first prize, contributing \$200 toward the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary fund.



## ***Special Funds***

The Tractor Restoration Fund started with a balance of \$654.23. This fiscal year, donations to the fund totaled \$500.00, leaving an ending balance of \$1,154.23. The Maintenance Committee has put the tractor on display at this year's New Deal Festival, Farmer's Day in Bruceton Mills and the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Preston County Antique Tractor, Machinery and Vehicle Show.

In 2005, Ruth Garlow donated \$10,000 to establish The Stockdale Endowment Fund. Income generated from this account is to be used specifically for display and maintenance of the Stockdale Collection of Arthurdale furniture, donated by Jeanne Rymer. In 2007, the account's fair market value was \$10,818.01. Currently, the fund is valued at \$10,995.29.

In 2008, AHI established the E-15 Maintenance Fund to assist in the maintenance and preservation of the museum's model homestead. To date, two member families of the organization have contributed \$2,000 to the fund. A third member family has pledged \$1,000 to the fund, to be paid bi-monthly. The fund is currently valued at \$2,166.67.



AHI acquired the three Arthurdale School buildings in 2002. In order to maintain the buildings currently in use at that time, the Board of Directors voted not to spend any money out of the general account on the schools. In 2007, a new account was created to pay for projects at the school. In one year's time the balance for this account has grown from \$755.64 to \$1386.39.

## **Endowment Fund**

The Staff Salaries/Maintenance Endowment Fund, established in 2000, serves the primary purpose of ensuring the continuation of the organization, its buildings, and artifacts. Any income generated from this fund is to be spent solely on maintenance and staff salaries. \$6,745.00 was added to the account this year, leaving the Endowment Fund with a balance of \$81,451.23. The following is a list of donors to the fund from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008:

### **\$500-\$999**

Betty Atkins  
David & Marilee Hall  
Robert & Deb Miller  
Carol Myers

### **\$100-\$499**

John & Janet Cherry  
Seth & Any Crissman  
Bill Davis  
David Day  
Jack & Mary Forman  
\$100-\$499  
Kerry Hartsell Grantham  
Sandra Landis  
George & Ann Lyons  
Michael Mayor  
David & Eloise Milne  
Deloris Rankin  
Reedsville Dairy Queen  
Walter & Jodell Rockenstein  
Rick Rodeheaver  
James Storrow  
Carl Taylor  
Valley Pharmacy  
Joe & Maryann Wolfe

### **\$50-\$99**

William & Barbara Bauer  
Al & Marjorie Born  
George & Velma Bucklew  
Jean Bucklew  
Elaine Davis  
James & Polly Davis  
Loretta Davis

### **\$50-\$99**

David Day  
Terry & Gabrielle Day  
Sandy Ennis  
Paul & Maxine Friend  
John & Marlene Fullmer  
Irma Goff  
\$50-\$99  
Glenn & Sue Holmes  
John & Judy Kolibab  
Lydia Main  
Dale & Carolyn McVicker  
Glenn & Kathleen Miller  
Sherry Mooney  
Rita Mozeleski  
Cecil "Dutch" Myers  
Chuck & Phyllis Ord  
Darrell Radabaugh  
Robert Radabaugh  
Ariel Robinson  
Lee Shields  
Glenn & Helen Snyder  
Larry Starcher  
Kermit & the late Betty Stuchell  
Martha Summers  
Jessie Sypolt  
Wade & Juanita Taylor  
Gary Toothman  
Dozier Vanden Bosche  
Randy & Lorraine Weaver  
Alice Whittaker  
Geraldine Wolfe  
Kevin & Andrea Yockey



## **Donations**

The following is a list of general, memorial, membership, in-kind, and event donors to AHI from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008 All donors are listed according to their donor club level, indicating all donations since 1985. Thank you for your support!

### *Arthurdale Dreams, over \$10,000*

Tom & Dyanna Bonnette  
Dave & Marilee Hall  
James McNelis  
Bob & Deb Miller  
Carol Myers  
Randy & Lorraine Weaver

### *Franklin & Eleanor Roosevelt, \$5,000-\$9,999*

Clear Mountain Bank  
John & Marlene Fullmer  
Glenn & Kathleen Miller  
Ruby Weaver  
Jack & Rae Delgado Wimer  
Joe & Maryann Wolfe  
Carolyn Zinn  
Jeff & Cathy Zinn

### *J.W. Ruby, \$2,500-\$4,999*

Iris Allsopp  
Belldina's Pharmacy  
Ed & Carol Bucklew  
Richie & Suzie Davis  
Vada Davis  
David & Eloise Milne  
Mylan Charitable Foundation  
Valley Pharmacy  
Alice Whittaker  
Gerald & Maxine Zinn

### *Jennings Randolph, \$1,000-\$2,499*

84 Lumber  
Betty Atkins  
The late Richard Bias  
Al & Marjorie Born  
John & Janet Cherry  
Sherry Coker  
Wils & Jane Cooley  
Seth & Any Crissman  
Harry & Virginia Davis  
Jim & Polly Davis  
Loretta Davis  
David Day  
Bob & Edna Day  
Roger & Diane Greaser  
Robert Hornyak  
JENNMAR Corp. of WV  
Sandra Landis  
Gerold & Nancy Lininger  
Glenn & Dot Luzier

Michael Mayor  
Donald McNair  
Mountaineer Family Care Center  
Rita Mozeleski  
Cecil & Marilyn Myers  
Leroy & Lucille Myers  
Wade & Elizabeth Neely  
Mike & Amanda Penix  
Robert Pugh  
Charles & Priscilla Quinn  
Dorothy Riley  
Ariel Robinson  
Walter & Jodell Rockenstein  
George & Effie Rogers  
Greg & Linda Sypolt  
The Late Carl Taylor  
Joseph & Jennifer Volk  
Wal-Mart #2083  
Geraldine Wolfe  
Richard & Dorothy Wolfe

### *Richard Arthur, \$500-\$999*

Advanced Land Services  
John & Rebecca Armbruster  
Joel Beane  
Mary Lou Beltz  
Jean Bucklew  
Chuck & Janet Collins  
Dick DeGolyer  
Irma Goff  
William & Kerry Hartsell Grantham  
T.G. & Joyce Griffith  
Glenn & Sue Holmes  
David & Darlene Bolyard Huxtable  
Hobart & Rosalie King  
Kingwood Family Dental  
George & Ann Lyons  
James & Iretta Luzier  
Lydia Main  
Robbie Hartsell Martin  
Dale & Carolyn McVicker  
Jack Murphy  
Beverly Peddicord & John Ziegler  
Phil & Sue Perroots  
Deloris Rankin  
Robert & Caroline Richmond  
Rick & Stacey Rodeheaver  
Delores Wolfe Smith  
Snyder Motor Co.  
Glenn & Helen Snyder, Jr.  
James Storrow

Kermit & the late Betty Stuchell  
Jessie Sypolt  
Wade & Juanita Taylor  
Phil & Carolyn Turner  
Oscar Whipkey  
Larry Williams

### *Homesteaders, \$250-\$499*

Alan Karlin & Associates  
William & Barbara Bauer  
Jack & Susan Bell  
George & Jeanne Bucklew  
Chico Enterprises  
Beverly Dalton  
Bill Davis  
Terry & Gabriele Day  
Irene Durr  
Sandy Ennis  
Jack & Mary Forman  
Paul & Maxine Friend  
Gas N' More  
GEC, Inc.  
Michael & Melissa Groves  
Hartley Insurance  
Virginia Mayor  
Bob & Wendy McLaughlin  
Sherry Mooney  
PARCs Equipment  
Beverly Peddicord & John Ziegler  
Darrell Radabaugh  
Robert Radabaugh  
Rainbow Tire  
Max Millian Rieser  
Craig & Donna Roscoe  
Richard & Janet Scott  
Roger & Melinda Shroul  
Ivar Stakgold  
Martha Summers  
Lantz & Lucille Temple  
Bruno Tress  
Dozier Vanden Bosche  
VFW & Ladies Aux # 1589  
Bo Ward  
WesBanco  
Natasha White

### *Black & Gold, \$100-\$249*

Danny & Dixie Adams  
Carol Bowland  
Roy & Nellie Britton  
Tim & Darla Brown



Frank & Patricia Carper  
 Patsy Costello  
 Crown Homes  
 Elaine Davis  
 Roger & Linda Day  
 Matt & Leanne Deitz  
 Field Funeral Home  
 Fraley Publishing  
 Richard & Carol Garlitz  
 Richard & Millie Gruber  
 Carol Hamblen  
 Heldreth Motel  
 Velma Dolores Walls Tennant Hipke  
 Hunter Truck Sales & Service  
 JC Associates  
 Vicki Jenkins  
 John & Dana Keefe  
 Sharon Kees  
 John & Judy Kolibab  
 Alisa LaRue  
 Lewis & Burge, Inc.  
 Lumberport Shinnston Gas Co.  
 J. Burnell & Nancy Lynch  
 Masontown Block  
 Mel's Truck Service  
 Carolyn Miller

Harlon & June Pell Maxwell  
 Jim & Lou Ann Mohrman  
 Alan Mollohan  
 Howard Myers  
 David Parr  
 Preston Silver Eagle  
 William & Betty Shepherd  
 Matt & Mary Ellen Smith  
 Sam Stack  
 Stone Soup Productions  
 Street's Store  
 Sunset Memorial Gardens  
 Norma Turner  
 Katherine Vollenweider  
 Lewis Zeigler

*Pioneer, \$50-\$99*  
 Jessica Adair  
 Alpine Lake Property Owners Association  
 Arthurdale Singles  
 Janice Bagby  
 Mark & Aubry Bennett  
 Bolyard Funeral Home  
 John & Wanda Bolyard  
 Donald & Linda Duley

Kenneth & Linda Honchell  
 Kingwood Pharmacy  
 Leading Ladies  
 Leslie S. Mead  
 Oliver Eckert  
 Chuck & Phyllis Ord  
 PC's Pizza  
 Preston Sanitation  
 Michael Proops  
 Roger Radabaugh  
 Kim Riley  
 Dan & Tina Roscoe  
 Vivian Rutherford  
 Dave & Lisa Shaffer  
 Larry Starcher  
 Agnes Summers  
 Joyce Taylor  
 Gary & Lisa Toothman  
 Valley Fuels  
 Kevin & Andrea Yockey  
 Patty Work Young

**AHI Finances**  
**2008 AHI Income and Expenses**

AHI is currently in the process of identifying an accounting firm to perform a review of its financials for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. Once this financial review is complete, the final income and expenditure totals will be provided. The 2009 fiscal year budget will be created after the final financial report for the 2008 fiscal year is complete. Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of these financial statements, may contact AHI.

**ESTIMATED 2009 AHI BUDGET**

AHI has estimated its budget for the 2009 fiscal year, basing it upon the ending income and expenses for fiscal year 2007.

*INCOME*

DONATIONS 36.8%  
 PROGRAMS 55.2%  
 RENTALS 6.8%  
 TOURS 1.1%

*EXPENSES*

ADMINISTRATIVE 26.8%  
 PROGRAMMING 29.1%  
 MAINTENANCE/UTILITIES 13.5%  
 PUBLIC RELATIONS 5.7%  
 DIRECTOR WAGES & TAXES 24.7%

