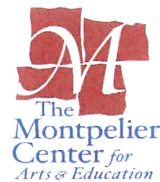


The Canvas



FALL 2017



AN EVENING OF BLUES

The Montpelier Center

**First Saturday in November
Doors Open at 5:00pm**

FEATURING:



Join us for an evening of incredible blues tunes! Food, beer, wine, and soda will be available for purchase.



TICKETS

Advanced Tickets are \$20

Tickets at door \$25

Member Tickets \$15

Children (under 12) \$10

To purchase your tickets, visit montpeliercenter.org or call The Montpelier Center Office at 883-7378.

CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO OUR NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Join us as we excitedly welcome Pauline Sumner as the new Executive Director of The Montpelier Center for Arts & Education. Pauline comes to The Center from Northern Virginia with 25+ years nonprofit experience where she worked at the USO of Metropolitan Washington-Baltimore. She is a graduate of George Mason University. She is thrilled to join The Montpelier Center and looks forward to getting to know everyone. When not working at The Center you can find her binge watching shows on Netflix, working on their house or spending time with her husband, Marc

and their dog. Stop by and say hello so you can meet Pauline!



ALSO INTRODUCING OUR NEW ART GALLEY DIRECTOR

Allyson Catoe has worked in the arts in Richmond for over four years. She holds her Bachelors of Fine Art in Studio Art from the University of Mississippi. She most recently was an corporate art consultant for clients all over Virginia and also is the curator for the H. Scott November Gallery at Westminster Canterbury Richmond. Allyson lives in Richmond with her husband, Bo and is excited to join the staff of Montpelier Center for Arts & Education.

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK SURVEY

We want to hear from you! Help shape The Center's future!

The Montpelier Center needs your help as we look to the future! We want to ensure that we continually provide a vital resource to the area we serve, so we need your insight!

Share your thoughts with us, tell us what your needs are, and what you want to see happening at The Center. Your feedback is so important and will help us shape The Center's focus as we look forward.

Please join us by responding to our survey by visiting: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MCAE>

It takes just 5 to 10 minutes and will help us tremendously. Your responses will remain confidential to The Montpelier Center.

At the end of the survey you will have the opportunity to enter your contact information for a chance to win a \$100 Amazon Gift Card!

The survey will run through October 15th and the winner will be announced on the 16th!

Please consider sharing your voice, we greatly appreciate our community's input!



MISSION

The Mission of The Montpelier Center for Arts and Education is to engage and enrich the community through a variety of cultural and educational opportunities

Create, Explore, Educate, Celebrate!

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THE CABELL FOUNDATION

Double your donation for The Montpelier Center!



The Cabell Foundation has awarded The Montpelier Center for Arts & Education a \$100,000 challenge grant on a 1:1 dollar match.

These grant funds will cover the capital needs of the historical building for the next two years, including a new roof, new heating and air conditioning system, rebuild of all four restrooms, a commercial quality audio/public address system, repainting the interior, refurbishing historic exterior doors, and refinishing the hardwood floors. With these improvements in place, The Montpelier Center will be poised to meet its growing demand for more arts, historical, educational, musical, dance, pre-school, and additional cultural events and programs in our neighborhood.

As a private 501(c)3 non-profit organization, The Montpelier Center must raise \$100,000 before June of 2018 to match The Cabell Foundation grant. The Montpelier Center does not receive government funds, so we are asking people throughout our area to step forward and help us meet this challenge. No amount is too small or too large, It's the community support that has built The Montpelier Center over the past 28 years, and it's all of us pulling together that will propel The Montpelier Center into the next generation of service to our community...where the city meets the country!

If you would like to join us in reaching this challenge match, you can visit our website and donate today at: www.montpeliercenter.org, give us a call us at (804) 883-7378, email us at cabell@montpeliercenter.org, or stop by the office!

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

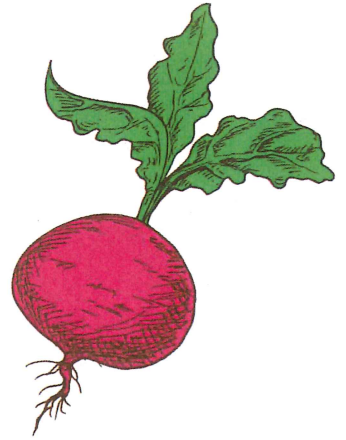
THE MONTPELIER CENTER FARMERS MARKET

2017 Season!

Thursdays 4-7pm, May 4th—October 19th

Holiday Markets: November 16th and December 9th

Have you enjoyed the farmers market so far this season! We hope you'll continue to join us through October as well as for our holiday markets! If you haven't already, you can check out The Montpelier Center Farmers Market Facebook Page for news about your local producers and what is going on at the market every week. You can also find great market pictures and news on The Center's website at www.montpeliercenter.org/farmers-market.html. And don't forget to subscribe to the market email newsletter to stay up to date on the local producers present as well as which special educational guests will be joining us!! There is always something fun to learn at the market!



SKYWATCH WITH THE RICHMOND ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

Date to be announced soon! Check out our website for updates!



Ever wanted to learn more about the night sky? Join us on The Montpelier Center lawn for a program and skywatch presented by The Richmond Astronomical Society. First timers to seasoned gazers welcome! Bring your own telescope or use one kindly provided by our presenters. Come out with us for a fun filled evening! **Call The Center Office at 883-7378 or email info@montpeliercenter.org to sign up!**

BINGO



???Mystery Bingo???

Friday September 22nd at 7pm

Featuring Mystery Prizes! We will also have an auction of homemade cakes and a raffle. Doors open at 6pm. Proceeds benefit The Montpelier Center.

Longaberger Basket Bingo

Friday November 10th at 7pm

A Longaberger Basket is the prize for each game! We will also have an auction of homemade cakes and a raffle. Doors open at 6pm. Proceeds benefit The American Cancer Society.

Admission fee for all games - \$20 per person. Includes snacks, 16 bingo games and a chance for door prizes. Call Betty Brabrand at 883-5008 for more details.

All Events and Programs listed are held at The Montpelier Center, located at 17205 Mountain Rd. (Rt. 33) in western Hanover County.

PROGRAMS & EVENTS CONTINUED

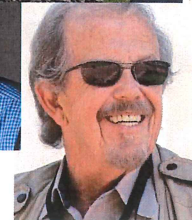
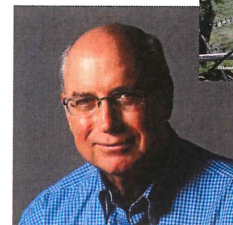
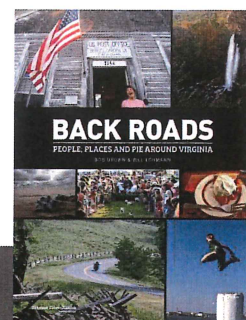
HISTORY RETURNS SERIES

The Center is excited to present a history returns series featuring quarterly speakers! Join us on November 14th at 7:00 pm for the kickoff of this series.

November 14, 2017

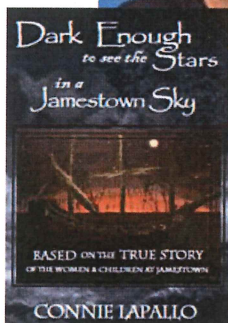
Award winning duo journalist Bill Lohmann and photojournalist Bob Brown of the Richmond Times-Dispatch kick off our History Returns series by sharing their adventures around Virginia's many 'back roads'...with a touch of history and a slice of pie. They travel exploring the people, culture and history across the Commonwealth. Their historical travelogue will provide you with more options to add to your own bucket list.

AND Bill and Bob will be the judges for *A Slice of History*, The Montpelier Center's pie baking contest...who could be better qualified? Stay tuned for more information!

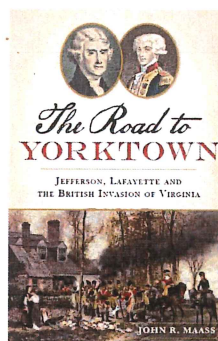


February 13, 2018

11:00 am



Historical novelist and Hanover County resident Connie Lapallo presents a fresh look at the founding of Jamestown for the first time through the eyes of women and children who were there...for transoceanic voyages, hurricanes, starvation. Follow nearly 100 women and children who sailed to Jamestown in 1609. Why so many at one time? Why did they want to come? What was life like on a small ship for several months at a time? Connie's 12th great-grandmother was among the group.



May 8, 2018

7:00 pm

With John Maass as our guide, we'll follow the Marquise de Lafayette and General Anthony 'Mad Dog' Wayne as they skirmish with Cornwallis and Tarleton through Hanover and adjoining counties in 1781 on the way to Yorktown. As an author/historian with the U.S. Army Center of Military History, Dr. Maass accesses original documents of both our Continental Army and the British/Hessian forces. Let John show you where the armies travelled and fought...maybe through your own backyard!



VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

August 14, 2018

11:00 am



Many hidden treasures reside at the Virginia Historical Society founded in 1831, but too few know what or how to find them. Join Jennifer Huff, Reference Department Coordinator at VHS, to learn the secrets of back in the day. She'll highlight materials related to Hanover County...maybe even about your own family ancestors! And bring your laptop if you like as she'll expertly guide you through the online catalog and website, in addition to the voluminous archives which are not yet digitized. What a resource for us here in Hanover, one of Virginia's 'burned counties'.



November 13, 2018

7:00 pm

A professional actor who loves history brings Patrick Henry here to Montpelier. Enjoy Charles Wissinger's portrayal of Hanover County's favorite son from his birth, through his business ventures, the Parsons' Cause law suit that catapulted him to fame, and climaxing with his famous 'Give me Liberty, or Give me Death' speech at St. John's Church during the Second Virginia Convention in 1775. A special extra treat will be a display of historically accurate costumes tailored by Charles whose prior roles have included film, television, commercials and theater.

FALL CLASSES ARE HERE!

ART

BEGINNING KNITTING (New Class!)

Instructor: Marcy George, 5 Week Class

Thursdays, beginning September 7th, 6pm-7pm in the Conference Room

Learn how to knit! Use materials provided by class unless you have your own you'd like to bring. This class is FREE! Space is limited, contact the office at 883-7378 or info@montpeliercenter.org to sign up.

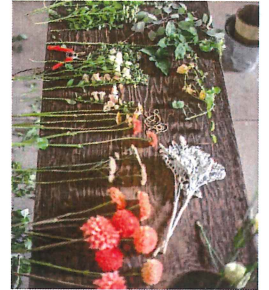


BEGINNERS FLORAL DESIGN (New Class!)

Instructor: Dottie Brunetti, 1 Day Workshop

Wednesday September 20th, 10am-Noon in the Dance Studio

Learn beginning tips and tricks to floral design and arrangement with the guidance of the talented Dottie Brunetti, a retired floral designer. Students will be making a small floral basket to take home! All flowers and supplies are provided, just bring yourself! This workshop is \$25. Register by calling 883-7378 or online at www.montpeliercenter.org/art.html



MIXED MEDIA

Instructor: Betsy Taylor, 6 week class

Tuesdays, beginning September 12th, 10am-12pm in the Art Studio

Techniques of graphite, ink, collage, oil pastel, color pencils, and marker will be explored. Techniques will be combined to create exciting new effects. Some drawing background will be very helpful in this class. \$120 members/ \$135 guests. For more info call Betsy at 798-5470. Register by calling 883-7378 or online at www.montpeliercenter.org/art.html

OIL & ACRYLICS

Instructor: Betsy Taylor, 12 week class

Wednesdays, beginning September 13th, 10am-12pm in the Art Studio

Open to all student levels. This class will explore various techniques using both brushes and the palette knife. Emphasis will be on original composition and the use of light and color. \$243 members/\$270 guests. For more info call Betsy at 798-5470. Register by calling 883-7378 or online at www.montpeliercenter.org/art.html



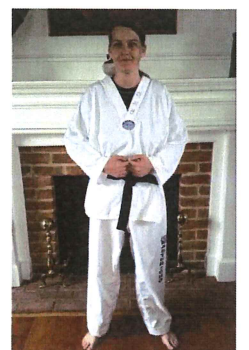
BODY & MIND

TAI CHI (New Class!)

Instructor: Diane Causey, 6 week class

Mondays beginning September 11th, 7—8pm in the Dance Studio

Tai Chi is a gentle form of exercise that can help maintain strength, flexibility, and balance, and could be the perfect activity for the rest of your life. Tai Chi is an internal Chinese martial art that focuses on mental and spiritual aspects integrated into movement. A few of the benefits of Tai Chi practice include: relieves physical affects of stress, promotes deep breathing, reduces bone loss in menopausal women, improves lower body and leg strength, helps with arthritis pain, and reduces blood pressure. \$82 Members/\$90 Guests. Register by calling 883-7378 or online at www.montpeliercenter.org/body-mind.html



MARTIAL ARTS

Instructor: Diane Causey, 6 week class

Thursdays beginning September 7th , 7—8pm in the Dance Studio

Instruction in martial arts for ages 3 to adult. Uniforms are included with registration fee! Each session is just \$82 for members/\$90 for guests. Register by calling 883-7378 or online at www.montpeliercenter.org/body--mind.html

FALL CLASSES CONTINUED

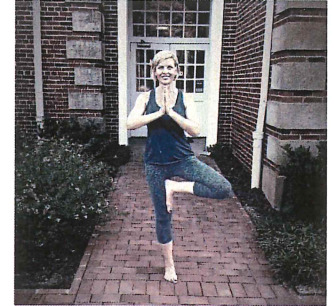
BODY & MIND

HATHA YOGA

Instructor: Wendy Phillips, 6 week class

Wednesdays, beginning September 13. 6:30—7:45pm

This class is a restorative practice focusing on breathing, hip, and shoulders where a lot of stress is stored. \$80/members \$85/non-members \$15/drop ins Must have 3 or more full session participants for class to make. Call Register by calling 883-7378 or online at www.montpeliercenter.org/body--mind.html



DANCE FITNESS CONNECTION

Instructor: Christie Tripp

Wednesdays, starting in September

6:00pm to 6:30pm: Pump & Shred Cardio/Strength Training Class

6:30pm to 7:20pm: Cardio Kick Boxing with Strength Training

Contact info@dancefitnessconnection.com or (804) 306-1668 to register. Visit www.dancefitnessconnection.com for class descriptions.



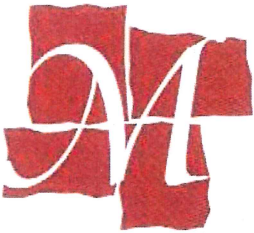
DIANE HALE SCHOOL OF DANCE

Every Tuesday (during the school year) in the Dance Studio

Contact The Diane Hale School of Dance at 798-3011 for class schedule, tuition, fees, and registration. Info available at dainehaleschoolofdance.com.



CALLING ALL INSTRUCTORS



The Montpelier Center seeks talented instructors to join our team! Share your passion with our community by teaching inspiring classes or workshops. If you are interested in becoming a contracted instructor at The Center, contact us in the office by calling (804) 883-7378 or emailing info@montpeliercenter.org to set up an interview.

VOLUNTEER HAPPENINGS

We love our dedicated volunteers! All of their hard work has been essential to what we have been able to accomplish this summer. In the last few months alone, our unstoppable volunteers have helped us put on our two Music Under the Stars concerts, helped maintain our beautiful building and grounds, make corrections to our irrigation system, hang exhibits in our gallery, get some of our historic records organized and stored, and even put together some of the great things you've received in the mail. They are on fire!!

We are so appreciative of all of the wonderful volunteers that assist us. If you have volunteered before or are interested in joining us for the first time, please let us know! You can email the office at info@montpeliercenter.org, give us a call at (804) 883-7378, or stop by and see us in the office. We can't wait to hear from you!



IN OUR GALLERY

The Ever-Changing Beauty of the Seasons

Tanya Broderick

September 1st—27th

View the ever changing beauty of the seasons in this exhibit by Tanya Broderick.

Tanya began painting in early 2010, without formal art training, and she credits God with her natural talents and her ability to capture minute details of a given scene. Tanya's passion for creating beautiful artworks drives her to continuously develop her skills as an artist.

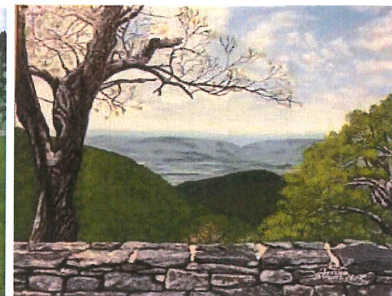
Tanya's art has been featured in galleries within Virginia. Her art has received awards along the way as she participates in art shows and other events throughout Virginia. You may have even seen her work displayed at The Montpelier Center where she won first place in our 2016 South-Atlantic Juried Exhibition.



Cardinal Awaiting Spring



Virginia Countryside at Henrico County



Crescent Rock Overlook at Shenandoah

In Memory Of Barbara Duke Jones...Artwork From All Over The World

October 1st—31st



In March 2016, The Montpelier Community said goodbye to Barbara Duke Jones. We here at The Montpelier Center for Arts & Education owe Barbara a debt of overwhelming gratitude for her vision and leadership in developing the idea and resulting vision of an arts center to serve Western Hanover County and its surrounding communities. Through the tireless efforts of Barbara and those who shared her incredible vision and passion, the Center rose from the dilapidated ruins of the once vibrant Montpelier School to the magnificent building and grounds that stand today.

In addition to her incredible work for The Montpelier Center, Barbara was also an accomplished artist. Her work received many awards in juried art shows on the east coast and is in numerous corporate collections in the United States and private collections throughout the world. She both took and taught art classes throughout her life and encouraged others of all ages to explore their own interest and talent in art. Her passion for art and art education for all was apparent in her involvement with the Center and with the local and regional art communities.

Join us for an exploration of her incredible work, inspired from scenes throughout her life and travels.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

MAH JONGG

Meets Mondays in the Conference Room from 1-4pm. Email Marcy George at marcyg2009@gmail.com for more info.

THE SCHOOL HOUSE INVESTORS CLUB

Meets first Monday of the month in the Conference Room. Contact Doug Kittle at 883-7860 for more info.

THE MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

Run by the Montpelier Branch of the Pamunkey Regional Library. This club meets on the second Monday of every month in the Conference Room from 6:30-8pm. Call 883-7116 for more info.

OPEN STUDIO THURSDAYS

Every Thursday, 9 – 2pm. the Art Studio is open to Center member artists, beginners-advanced, to drop by, paint, and chat with other artists. Come get inspired!

THE HERB GUILD

Meets on the third Monday of every month in the Conference Room at 7pm. Contact Suzanne Flint at (804) 306-8705 for more info.

CRAFTY DAYS AT THE CENTER

Meets second Tuesday of the month in the Conference Room from 1-3pm. Come to be inspired! Bring your crafts and join in with neighbors while you work on a craft. Email Diane Jadowski at djadski@gmail.com for more info.

FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

Meeting aptly after its namesake on the fourth Tuesday of the month in the Conference Room from 1-3pm. Come and join in! Email Diane Jadowski at djadski@gmail.com for more info.

RECENT HAPPENING AT THE CENTER

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

A Summer Concert Series on The Montpelier Center Lawn

We had such a fun time at our Music Under the Stars concert series this summer! It was wonderful to celebrate our community with local music and time with all of our neighbors. And what a turnout it was, over 550 people attended these two shows!

We hope you were able to join us for one or both of these concerts, but if not we have included some great pictures for you!

We have a lot of people to thank for making this series so successful! Thank you to **The Windbags** and **East of Afton** for sharing their music with us!

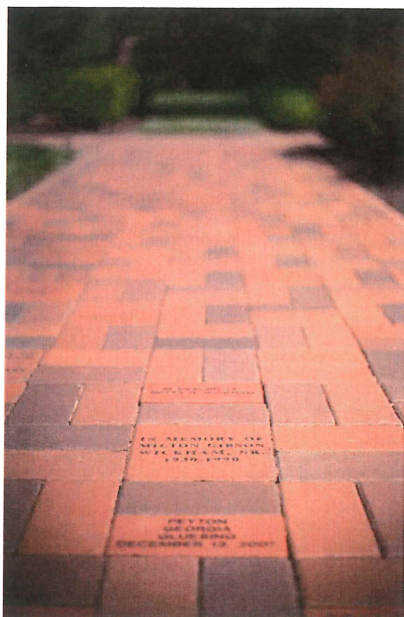
Thank you to our incredible local sponsors. **Montpelier Physical Therapy** and **M&M Auto & Tractor Parts (NAPA)** sponsored our July 21st show and **Aldred Family Dentistry** was the sponsor for our August 25th show. Their support made these events possible so give them a thank you when you see them!

Thank you also to our dedicated team of volunteers for their work in planning and working during these concerts! Their hard work made for two incredible nights of fun. Also thanks to Doug Kittle and Pat and Jim Wigfield for lending their talents in photography to capture the experience.

And thank you to all who attended Music Under the Stars in 2017! We look forward to continuing this series next summer in 2018!



BUY A BRICK



Another great way you can support The Center's matching grant efforts with The Cabell Foundation is to purchase a brick in our lovely Village Green!

Celebrate your life, your family, your friend, your company, or your pet, and support The Montpelier Center at the same time!

The Montpelier Center website will now also offer the opportunity to feature the story of your brick! This way you can share with others what your brick means.

Bricks are available in two sizes:

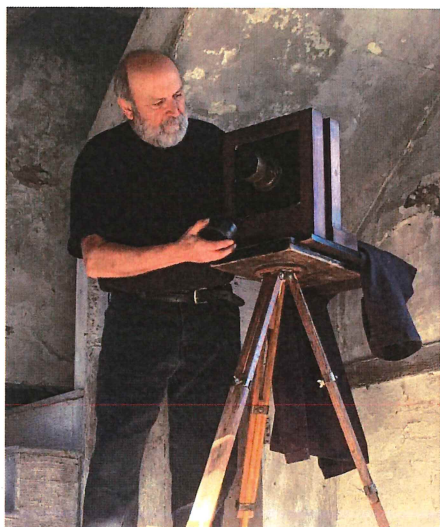
4x8 Brick	\$125
8x8 Brick	\$230



For more information about purchasing a brick, visit our website at www.montpeliercenter.org or email The Center office at info@montpeliercenter.org. We look forward to assisting you in giving the gift that lasts a lifetime!

MEET ROBERT SZABO

If you have seen our new publication about our brick program, you might have noticed the beautiful photos of our Village Green and brick pathways. These shots are thanks to the incredibly talented photographer Robert J. Szabo. Thank you Robert for capturing the beauty of The Montpelier Center Village Green! Get to know Robert Szabo below.



Robert J. Szabo has been a photographer for more than 40 years. His love of history first brought him to Virginia from his native state of Ohio. After several years of involvement with living history groups, he leaned on his own past as a commercial and portrait photographer and embraced the history of photography. Robert's artistic vision enables him to peer through his camera and see a window to the past. Whether an historic scene or a modern image, his work evokes romanticism, yet rests on a sense of strength and stamina. The merging of times seems complete. The camera long ago gave the world a dynamic new view of itself, and his camera today gives us a quiet, soft, reflective present.

Robert has exhibited extensively at historic sites across Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Wyoming and California with the National Park Service. He has displayed his work for private historical associations in Virginia such as the John Singleton Mosby Heritage Area Foundation, Middleburg Beautification & Preservation, Inc., Aldie Mill, the Waterford Foundation, and Historic Sandusky in Lynchburg. He has lectured for The Handley Library, Winchester VA; The Yosemite Foundation, Yosemite CA; the Lincoln Cottage, Washington DC; and at Fort Casper Wyoming. Robert's work has been shown all across the United States. Robert now makes his home in Montpelier, VA.

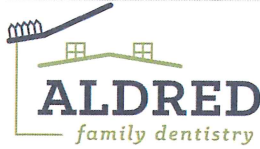


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From the President

Members, Neighbors, and Community,

It was wonderful to bring back the summer concert series to the Center. The Village Green space was a perfect venue. I hope you can join us for our next concert, An Evening of Blues, on Saturday November 4th.

This newsletter will touch on many things that are going on at the Center. Together, our organization is having a big, positive impact on the quality of life in our community. And we need your help!


We need more member volunteers. As a private non-profit organization, members are the life blood of our organization. If you are a member, thank you. If not, please send in your dues today. And, volunteering is fun.

We need your financial support. We get no local, state or federal funding. Your financial contributions are critical. And with the recent Cabell Foundation Matching Grant (see the article in this newsletter), your contributions are doubled.

Thanks for your support of the Center. I hope you will take advantage of the many opportunities to join us.



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