



THE DOWNTOWN WESTMINSTER MAIN STREET NEWS July/August 2010

"Songs at Six" Concert Series on Locust Lane Returns on July 1st; 1st "Official" Garage Concert on the 8th

Great musical sounds will emanate from the Locust Lane stage every Thursday at 6:00 pm, except July 8th (more on that later), during July, as the *Songs at Six* Concert Series returns to rock the town. Kicking off the series on Thursday, July 1st is *Aspen Run*, an amazing 6-man bluegrass band that performs hard-driving bluegrass. Due to a scheduling conflict, the July 8th *Songs at Six* concert will be held at a different venue than Locust Lane Stage. The band *Twenty Dollar Prophet* will have the honor of performing the 1st officially scheduled concert in the Longwell Parking Deck. This concert will definitely give a new meaning to the term "garage band." *Twenty Dollar Prophet* is a classic/alternative rock band that calls Westminister home. *Songs at Six* returns to the Locust Lane Stage on July 15th with the *Greg Gottlieb Project*. The Project will be jammin' out favorites from Bob Marley to Neil Diamond and everything in between! The popular *Roach Brothers* of Taneytown, MD bring their classic rock styling to the Locust Lane Stage on Thursday, July 22nd. *The Tony Scuito Band* closes out the series on July 29th. The band is making a return visit to the Locust Lane Stage, having previously performed here as part of the 2008 *Lunch on the Lane* Concert Series. The Downtown Westminister Main Street Program and Coffey Music once again sponsor this year's "Songs at Six" Concert Series. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, as permanent seating is limited. As each concert runs from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, come downtown early and have dinner in your favorite restaurant or buy a slice of pizza and a sandwich from one of our downtown take-outs, and come listen to the music while you savor our local flavors.



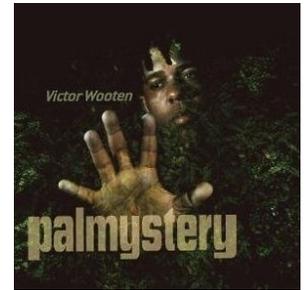
Twenty Dollar Prophet will play the 1st Official "Songs at Six" Longwell Garage Concert on July 8th



The Tony Scuito Band Returns to Play the "Songs at Six" Concert on July 29th



Victor Wooten will present a free music clinic at Coffey Music on Saturday, July 3rd



Acclaimed Bassist Victor Wooten to Present a Free Music Clinic at Coffey Music on July 3rd

Five-time Grammy award winner, Victor Wooten, will present a music clinic at Coffey Music, 31 East Main Street, on Saturday, July 3rd, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Victor is an original member of Bela Fleck and the Flecktones. When the group reorganized into a trio in 1993, Victor developed and displayed a staggering array of fingerboard skills that turned him into a bass hero of epic proportions and helped earn the band their first Grammy. As the result of his uncanny skills and growing popularity, Victor has recorded and performed with artists such as Branford Marsalis, Mike Stern, Bruce Hornsby, Chick Corea, Dave Matthews, Prince, Keb Mo, Gov't Mule, Susan Tedeschi, and the Jaco Pastorius Word Of Mouth Big Band. While he was influenced by bass mentors, Stanley Clarke, Larry Graham and Bootsy Collins, Victor cites his brothers and parents as his main influences. "In music and in life, my parents and brothers were the foundation. They prepared me for life by giving and teaching me love and honesty." Offering CDs, DVDs, lectures, workshops, and camps, Victor Lemonte Wooten is always willing to share his gifts with all who desire to learn and you can catch him at Coffey Music in Downtown Westminister.

"A Month of Sundays" Concert Series Celebrates Its 15th Summer of Concerts in July

Join "A Month of Sunday" Concert Series in celebrating their 15th summer of bringing great entertainment to the public at Westminister City Park, every Sunday in July, beginning at 6:45 p.m. The concerts are free and open to the public. The concert series is presented in joint cooperation with the Westminister City Recreation and Parks Department, Carroll County Department of Recreation & Parks, and the Human Services Programs, Inc. of Carroll County. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets for comfort and get there early to find a great viewing spot. This year's performers include:

July 4th - Sound Storm (Motown, R&B, Rock, and Funk)
July 11th - Dean Crawford and the Dunn's River Band

July 18th - The Van-Dells (50's & 60's Rock & Roll Show Group)
July 25th - The Reagan Years (80's Pop, New Wave, Heavy Metal)

Donations of diapers, formula, paper goods and cleaning supplies are appreciated and will be collected at each of the concerts to help the homeless and low-income individuals served by the Human Services Programs, Inc. of Carroll County. As always, food and beverages will be available on-site for purchase.



The 2010 "A Month of Sundays" performers include: (l-r) Sound Storm, Dean Crawford & the Dunn's River Band, The Van-Dells and The Reagan Years

The Free Summer Kids Movie Series Continues at the Carroll Arts Center with *The Road to El Dorado* on July 6th

Running through August 10th, the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, will be presenting free kids movies on Tuesday evenings, starting at 7:00 p.m. "*The Road to El Dorado*" continues the series on Tuesday, July 6th. The film follows Tulio and Miguel, a pair of two-bit con men, who believe they have found their path to fortune and glory when they win a map to El Dorado, the legendary City of Gold. After a daring escape from the Spanish explorer Cortez, they make their way to El Dorado. But even as they fulfill their dreams of gold, their friendship and the very fate of El Dorado hang in the balance. The other remaining films in the series include:

July 13th - Monsters vs. Aliens

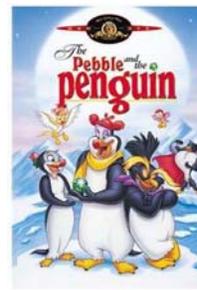
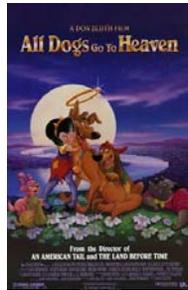
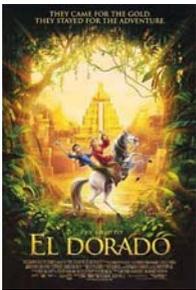
July 20th - Wallace & Gromit: Curse of the Were-Rabbit

July 27th - All Dogs Go to Heaven

August 3rd - The Pebble & the Penguin

August 10th - Spy Kids

No advance reservations or tickets are required. Remember that every Tuesday Movie Night from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., kids, ages 12 and under, are the stars at Harry's Main Street Grille, 65 West Main Street. Harry's will provide one free kids meal with every adult entrée of \$8.00 or more on Tuesday evenings until August 10th. This offer is not valid with other offers.



Catching the remaining free Summer Kids Movie Series flicks at the Carroll Arts Center. The movies are sponsored by Downtown Westminster businesses and the Montessori School of Westminster.

"Some Kind of Wonderful: Art from the Carroll County Artist Guild" Continues in the Community Gallery

The Carroll County Artists Guild presents "Some Kind of Wonderful: Artwork from the Carroll County Artists Guild" in the Community Gallery of the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, through July 30th. This art exhibit features a selection of new works by members of the Carroll County Artists Guild. Visitors will be delighted by landscape, still life, wildlife, abstract art, and sculpture in the newly track lit gallery. Take some time to sit and ponder these wonderful pieces. For gallery hours, call (410) 848-7272.

FLICC presents "*The Messenger*" at the Carroll Arts Center on July 9th

Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) are proud to present "*The Messenger*" at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Friday, July 9th, at 8:00 p.m. *The Messenger* is a powerful film of grief, friendship and survival surrounding the War in Iraq. While on a deployment to Iraq, US Army Staff Sergeant Will Montgomery, played by Ben Foster, is injured when an improvised explosive device goes off within close proximity to him. With the few months Will has left in his enlistment, the army assigns him to a Casualty Notification Team back in the States. Not having a background in counseling, psychology or grief management, he is unsure if he is well-suited to this job. He is partnered with a career soldier, Captain Tony Stone, played by Woody Harrelson, who teaches Will the precise protocol involved in the job. Tony tells Will, who quickly learns by on the job experience, that this job has its own dangers. As Will learns to adapt to the range of emotions of the next of kin, he is unprepared for the reaction of Olivia Pitterson, played by Samantha Morton, whose husband was killed in Iraq. His initial encounter with Olivia leads to him wanting to get to know her better, which may not be in either her or his best interest. Despite being a recovering alcoholic, the more experienced Tony tries to guide Will as best he can under their collective circumstances. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18. For more information and tickets, call (410) 848-7272.

Oh Boy: A Buddy Holly Tribute at the Carroll Arts Center on July 10th

Oh Boy: A Buddy Holly Tribute will be presented at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Saturday, July 10th, beginning at 8:00 p.m. This 4-piece tribute band celebrates the music of the late, great rock & roller Buddy Holly and his back-up band, the Crickets. This fabulous "blast from the past" authentically recreates Holly's music, as well as other rockabilly classics by Richie Vallens, the Big Bopper and Johnny Cash. Band members are Walt Hetfield as Buddy with Barry Eli, Ken Schleifer and Mike Long as the Crickets. Tickets are \$18.00 for adults and \$15.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18. For more information and tickets, call (410) 848-7272.

July 13th's Box Lunch Talk is About the Knack of the Knock

Follow the growth and decline of the tinsmith trade through two centuries of American history. Learn how everyday needs were met with the tinware products of local tinsmiths. Join Jeff and Debbie Leister as they give a presentation on the art of the tinsmith as they practice it today at the Tuesday, July 13th Box Lunch Talk. Presented by the Historical Society of Carroll County, the Box Lunch Talks are a monthly lecture series on topics relating to local history. The talks are held the second Tuesday of each month, from noon to 1 p.m., at Carroll Post #31 of the American Legion at the corner of East Green and Sycamore Streets. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch. Beverages and dessert are provided for all. Admission is \$1.00 for Historical Society members and \$4.00 for non-members.

The Downtown Westminster Farmers' Market is on a Roll This Season

If you haven't visited the Downtown Westminster Farmers' Market, you don't know what you're missing! With 13 vendors, there are many great finds: from raw milk cheddar cheese aged over 60 days in many wonderful flavors, unique jams & jellies, and artisan breads & specialty baked goods to your traditional organic and non-organic fruits, meats, and vegetables. There are even a variety of dog and pet treats available! Additionally, the farmers market is hosting numerous musical and educational events from 10 a.m. until noon. For more information on the Downtown Westminster Farmers' Market, what is available at the market, and its special events throughout the season, check out www.westminsterfarmfresh.com. The market is conveniently located in the Conaway Parking Lot on Railroad Avenue, right across the street from the High's Convenience Store and Duke's Car Wash. Market hours are 8 a.m. to noon, every Saturday, through November 20th. Don't forget to enter the 4th Saturday Market Basket Raffle every month.



Orchard Country & Produce is back for its 5th season



Strings on Wings will perform several times at the market



Truffula Seed Produce is a new vendor this year



Thorne Farm offers wool, along with eggs & veggies



Rare Opportunity Farm is new and offers unique jams & jellies

T.A.C.T.I.C.C. to Present *Princess & The Frog* at the Carroll Arts Center on July 20th

What do you get when you cross a beautiful princess with a funny green frog? A lot of fun! Enjoy this classic fairy tale performed by the talented theatre troupe from T.A.C.T.I.C.C. (The Arts Coming Together in Carroll County) at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Tuesday, July 20th. With the 10:30 a.m. show already sold out, you better hurry and get your tickets for the 1:30 p.m. show ASAP! Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18. For more information and tickets, call (410) 848-7272.

Westminster's Own Darcel Harris to Read Her Poetry at the Carroll Arts Center on July 22nd

OneTree Productions is pleased to feature Darcel Harris at its monthly Thursday Evenings of Poetry at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Thursday, July 22nd, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Admission is free and complimentary refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Christina Collins-Smith at onetreemanybranches@gmail.com.

1st Annual Carroll Dance Collaborative Showcase Happens at the Carroll Arts Center on July 24th

The 1st Annual Carroll Dance Collaborative Showcase will take place at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Center Street, on Saturday, July 24th, beginning at 2:00 p.m. An outstanding gathering of elite dance talent awaits you at this new event. The event will feature top dancers from studios and programs throughout our County, including the Carroll County School for the Performing Arts, d.a.n.c.e.Inc., Reflections in Dance, Tami Gee Studio of Dance, and the Winters Mill Dance Program. Ticketholders can celebrate with the dancers at a reception following the show. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18. For more information and tickets, call (410) 848-7272.

Kidsinger Jim Presents *The Zoo in My Room* at the Carroll Arts Center on July 27th

Kidsinger Jim comes to the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Tuesday, July 27th, to present two performances of "*The Zoo in My Room*." Jim will rock the house with his feel-good music and his big and friendly barnyard puppet partners. Performing exclusively for children and families in the mid-Atlantic region since 1992, Kidsinger Jim has performed over 3,000 concerts to date. Before becoming a full-time performer for children in 1999, Jim was a music teacher at a K-8 school for six years and a youth athletic coach for many years. With his 10:30 a.m. show already sold out, you better hurry and get your tickets for the 1:30 p.m. show before it's too late! Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18. For more information and tickets, call (410) 848-7272.

Downtown Businesses to "Paint the Town Purple" through August 20th

To add a little color to Downtown Westminster during the "dog days of Summer" while celebrating the 15th anniversary of the Baltimore Ravens Training Camp at McDaniel College, Downtown Westminster businesses will be competing in the "Paint the Town Purple" Storefront Decorating Contest. The highly decorative storefronts and window displays will be showcased from July 26th through August 20th. Awards for this contest will be presented in four categories on Thursday, July 29th, on Locust Lane Stage, prior to the last "Songs at Six" Concert at 6:00 p.m. Awards will be given for the best window display, best storefront, best Ravens - oriented display, and the most unique purple item. Kids can have fun at the awards ceremony and the last "Songs at Six" concert by playing with the Ravens Tailgate Toss bean bag game, provided courtesy of Exchange Professionals.



Purple flowers are already appearing in one block of West Main Street in the tree pits



Could the cow in front of The Pit at 57 West Main be an entry for the most unique purple item?



Can anyone top the Queen of Purple & Green at Totalee Funkee in the use of purple?

The Baltimore Ravens Open Their 15th Training Camp at McDaniel College on July 27th

The Baltimore Ravens kick off their 15th consecutive training camp at McDaniel College with two practices for Ravens rookies, quarterbacks, and injured veteran players on Tuesday, July 27th. The first full-squad practices open to the public will be on Friday, July 30th, at 8:45 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. The team breaks camp on Friday, August 20th, although their last public practice is on August 19th. All told, The Ravens have scheduled 37 public practices over their 26-day camp. All practice sessions are open to the public, *except* on Thursday, July 29th, the morning practice only on Monday, August 2nd, Wednesday, August 11th, and Friday, August 20th, which are mainly administrative and pre-game walk-through days. The Ravens will host numerous special event days throughout the training camp, including Purple Day on August 5th, Ravens Rookies Day on August 6th, Baltimore Football Alumni Day on August 10th, and Club Seat Holders Day on August 14th. As the training camp schedule is subject to change, please feel free to call 410-261-RAVE for updated information on practice times during Training Camp. Also, feel free to visit Downtown Westminster and its shops, eateries and pubs between and after practices, as it is a short 15-minute walk down Main Street from the practice field.



Scenes from last year's training camp - Troy Smith getting ready to pass; Joe Flacco looking over the defense; 1st practice crowd & Capt. Defense

Mr. Dave Thomen of D's Magic Performs Two Shows at the Carroll Arts Center on August 4th

Mr. Dave Thomen brings his spectacular show of magic, music, comedy and lots of fun to the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Wednesday, August 4th for performances at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Mr. Dave is a fantastic entertainer and a dazzling magician, capable of amazing adults and children alike. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18.

Life with "Auntie Mencken" is the Subject of the August 10th Box Lunch Talk

Anna Gertrude Mencken, sister of the famous H.L. Mencken, had a home in Frizzellburg. Join Judy and Walter Brillhart as they recount stories about their close friend "Auntie Mencken," her home and her influence on their lives at the Box Lunch Talk on Tuesday, August 10th. Presented by the Historical Society of Carroll County, the Box Lunch Talks are a monthly lecture series on topics relating to local history. The talks are held the second Tuesday of each month from noon to 1 p.m. at Carroll Post #31 of the American Legion at the corner of East Green and Sycamore Streets. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch. Beverages and dessert are provided for all. Admission is \$1.00 for Historical Society members and \$4.00 for non-members.

8th Annual Arts Council Members' Show to be Held at the Carroll Arts Center Beginning August 12th

The Carroll County Arts Council will present its 8th Annual Members' Show at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, from August 12th through October 2nd. This art show is an annual favorite. The walls of the Tevis Gallery and the Community Gallery will be filled with an inspiring display of work from many of their members who are artists. Professional art work balances perfectly with that of the beginner. Up to 18 artists will receive Excellence Awards from the Arts Council for their works. An opening reception will be held on Thursday, August 12th, from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Carroll County Arts Council Presents Its 1st Annual Members' Talent Show on August 12th

Following the opening reception for the 8th Annual Arts Council Members' Show, the Carroll County Arts Council will present its 1st Annual Members' Talent Show on the stage of the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street. Member musicians and entertainers will take to the stage for this inaugural event, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Sandy Oxx, Executive Director of the Carroll County Arts Council noted that "... for 7 years our members have had the opportunity to display their artistic ability at our member's exhibit. We think it's time to show that our members have performing talents too!" Admission to the Talent Show is free.

FLICC presents "Body Heat" at the Carroll Arts Center on August 13th

Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) will present the film *Body Heat* at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Friday, August 13th at 8:00 p.m. This film is about an unhappily married, gold-digging socialite, played by Kathleen Turner, who in the midst of a steamy affair with a dimwitted lawyer, played by William Hurt, convinces the lawyer to kill her husband. This study of complicity and sexual obsession, told with a masterful flair for dialogue and a feeling for character, is a fascinating and powerful drama. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18.

Annapolis Bluegrass Coalition Picks Their Way on the Carroll Arts Center Stage on August 14th

Enjoy an evening of traditional toe-tapping bluegrass favorites performed by the Annapolis Bluegrass Coalition at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Saturday, August 14th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The Annapolis Bluegrass Coalition is a top-notch bluegrass band from Annapolis, Maryland and one of the hardest working bluegrass bands in the mid-Atlantic area. With musical roots that are deeply planted in the traditional, the Annapolis Bluegrass Coalition thrills audiences with their unique blend of traditional and contemporary bluegrass music. Tickets are \$13.00 for adults and \$10.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18.

Area 51: The Musical Invades the Carroll Arts Center August 20th-21st

Catch the extraterrestrial extravaganza *Area 51: The Musical* at the Carroll Arts Center on Friday, August 20th and Saturday, August 21st, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Deep in the depths of space, a monstrous evil has awoken, an evil so powerful its influence can reach beyond the stars. That evil finds a home in Area 51, the world's largest, and most secret, military complex. In a race against time, Rick Adams, head of the base's top secret scientific research facility, must find a way to halt the alien invasion before all of humanity succumbs to the extraterrestrial onslaught. This exciting new musical stars talented high school singers and actors. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$7.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over, and students under 18.

The Municipal Band to Perform an Old-Fashioned Band Concert at Belle Grove Park on August 22nd

Come enjoy a lovely summer evening of great band music performed by Westminster's own award-winning municipal band on Sunday, August 22nd, at 6:00 p.m. in Belle Grove Park. Bring your lawn chair and get there early, as the park fills up quickly with fans of the band and music lovers alike. Belle Grove Park is located at the corner of Bond and West Green Streets.



You have seen them perform in parades and in support of others, like Santa Claus; now catch the award-winning Westminster Municipal Band perform in concert at Belle Grove Square Park on August 22nd

August Evening of Poetry to Feature a Trio of Poets at the Carroll Arts Center on August 26th

OneTree Productions is pleased to feature the trio of Shawn Mara Lockhart, Gabriel Amon, and Nathan Turner at its monthly Thursday Evenings of Poetry at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Thursday, August 26th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Admission is free and complimentary refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Christina Collins-Smith at onetreemanybranches@gmail.com.

Downtown Business Happenings:

Great Things to Check Out in Downtown

- Don't forget! To get more bang for your buck, go to **Harry's Main Street Grille**, 65 West Main Street, for dinner every Summer Kids Movie Series Night this summer. From 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. those Tuesday evenings, kids age 12 and under are the stars at Harry's! Mention this ad and get a free kid's meal with every adult entree of \$8.00 or more purchased. The offer is valid on Tuesdays until August 10, 2009. Not valid with other offers.
- **O'Lordans Irish Pub** at 14 Liberty Street will have live music on certain Saturday nights from 9:00 p.m. to Midnight during July and August. The current performance schedule is as follows: July 10th - Ben Sherman and Elena Martin; July 24th - NUA; August 7th - Finnegan's Woo; August 21st - Ben Sherman; and August 28th - Ron Kraft. Also, don't forget that traditional Irish music sessions are held the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The sessions are open to all levels and all traditional Irish and Celtic musicians and listeners. For O'Lordan's great menu and updated performance information, go to <http://www.olordansirishpub.com>.
- Culinary delights will once again astound at **Giulianova Groceria & Italian Deli**, 11 East Main Street, with cooking classes in July and August. On Thursday, July 15th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Chef Billy Schroeder will show you how to enjoy "Summertime in Maryland," by preparing Maryland crab soup, stuffed Italian Rockfish and blueberry cobbler. The cost of the July class is \$35.00 per person. On Thursday, August 19th, Billy will honor his wife Jane's birthday with some of her favorite meals including crab fluffs and filet Stephanie plus a couple of secret items. The cost of the August class also is \$35.00 per person. To sign-up for both of these classic culinary events, call Billy at (410) 876-7425. Also, now through Labor Day on Fridays and Saturdays, Giulianova is offering an oven ready half rack of spare ribs and a crab cake to go for \$16.95.
- Check out **Papa Joe's Restaurant's** new festive outdoor dining area at 27 East Main Street (Rear), along with its great food!

- Rafael's popular monthly deck parties continue in July and August with great food and fun times for all. The deck parties run from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with live music beginning at 4:00 p.m. Spiral will perform on July 11th while Number 1 Cause will play at the August 8th party. You can find Rafael's at 32 West Main Street. Of course, there are more things happening than deck parties at Rafael's, so check out their events calendar at <http://rafaelsrestaurant.com/vcalendar/> or call (410) 840-1919 to find out what else is happening.
- Wine Me Up, 61 ½ East Main Street, invites you to join them for a spoken word and poetry reading event, hosted by local author, R.J. Ridgley, on Wednesday, July 7th, from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. All are welcome to come and listen or sign up to read your favorite words or own poetry! To get an up-to-date listing of performers in July, August and beyond at Wine Me Up, go to <http://www.winemeupshoppeandtavern.com/events.html>.
- A Little Bit of Tuscany, 84 East Main Street, invites you to enjoy authentic Tuscan food with delicious Italian wines in a warm & welcoming atmosphere while listening to smooth jazz on Saturday, July 24th, and Saturday, August 28th, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The jazz will be provided by the internationally renowned Eric Byrd Trio. Please call (410) 857-4422 for reservations to ensure you get a table for these evenings.

New Faces or Different Places

- Family Funtopia, 77 John Street, has recently opened **Bamboutique**, a family-oriented boutique, featuring products from Little Chameleons, Scentsy Candles, A Little Annafaith, and others. To see what it is all about, check out their website at <http://www.TheFamilyFuntopia.com>, or, better yet, visit them in person at 77 John Street.
- Totalee Funkee Thrift Shop has relocated to a larger space at 2-C Bond Street.
- Bill's Seafood and Pit Beef is now open weekends at 2 Washington Road.
- Carroll Street Solar is now located at 12 Carroll Street. To learn what Carroll Street Solar has to offer, visit <http://www.carrollstreetsolar.com/>.
- Ice Shack Shaved Ice is now open at 257 East Main Street.
- Westminster New & Used Furniture has recently opened a second location at 31 West Main Street.

Coming Soon...

- Birdie's Café, 233 East Main Street, is slated to open on or around Monday, July 12th. Located at the old Pour House Café location, Birdie's Café will offer fine coffee, tea and espresso drinks, soups, sandwiches and baked goods. Free wi-fi will be available as you enjoy your beverage and food. Check out Birdie's website at www.birdiescoffee.com for events and menu items. Hours of operation will be Monday through Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Room for Friends is a face-to-face social networking service expected to open on or around August 1st at 11 Liberty Street. Owner Laurie Precht said "Room for Friends is like Facebook, but live and in-person." Find out more about Room for Friends at www.roomforfriends.com.

Kudos to...

- Jordan Ratti, daughter of Artworks and Apparel Boutique owner Nikki Ratti, for winning the 2010 Youth Entrepreneur of the Year Award for the Maryland Region, presented by Ernst & Young and Junior Achievement of Central Maryland. Jordan, who is 16 and works part-time at Artworks and Apparel Boutique, was honored for founding Limsicle Productions, LLC. Limsicle specializes in graphic and web design services and has recently added print work and multimedia projects to its list of services. Jordan founded Limsicle Productions, LLC in 2009 with the mission of providing professional quality designs at reasonable and affordable prices. She began her design work at age 12 and had her first professional client at age 14. By the age of 15 Jordan obtained her LLC and started Limsicle. Her original client base was in Carroll County, Maryland, but Limsicle is currently serving clients across the country, including one from Los Angeles, CA. More information about Limsicle Productions Inc. can be found at www.limsicleproductions.com.
- Beth Rex CFMG, CFCG of Mariah-Belle Grooming, 2-D Bond Street, for winning the Feline Fantasy creative grooming competition at Intergrroom, an international conference of pet groomers. Using Mr. Toes, a blue domestic shorthair owned by Kevin and Christina Cornell of Towson, MD, Beth delighted the crowd by clipping and coloring Mr. Toes to show him being swallowed by a shark. Beth competed against other cat groomers from the East Coast in the class sponsored by NY Pet Fashion Week and judged by National Cat Groomer's Institute of America's founder, Danelle German. Mariah-Belle Grooming is downtown's premiere pet grooming shop.



Beth Rex and Mr. Toes receiving their award

If you have a business happening you want to share with the Westminster Main Street Community, please feel free to email Stan Ruchlewicz at sruchlewicz@westgov.com with the information for inclusion in a future issue.