

Sharpsburg Town Crier





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The Daniel Marker American Long Rifle



This month's Crier focuses on one of the treasured artifacts in the Sharpsburgh Museum of History, a Daniel Marker American Long Rifle in Caliber .50. It's part of the narrative of a prominent family who for three generations made these rifles here in Sharpsburg and vicinity. It is a fine example of the American Long Rifle, showcasing the elegant lines, fine woodwork with finish, and silver and brass inlays typical of the riflemaker's art.





Daniel Marker was born in 1774 and was a first-generation German American. In 1797 he married Christina Beckenbaugh and after her death, married Nancy Dowler. Daniel was a Captain in the 28th Regiment, known as the "Mountain Rangers", during the War of 1812. He had property on the east slope of South Mountain near Turner Gap east of Boonsboro. He moved his shop to Sharpsburg and was the first of a line of three rifle makers, each being apprenticed to his father. In their time, they offered rifles, shotguns, and black gunpowder of several grades (e.g., long gun, pistol, cannon). Records show that at times, they made and repaired door

locks. They also hosted rallies, inviting vicinity shooters to compete in contests of accuracy. Daniel ended his days in Ohio.

James Marker (Daniel's son) was born in 1810 and married Amelia Naeff in 1832. Sharpsburg Lot No. 160 was sold

to James in 1832, It is not known if the stone house now on that lot was James' home. You can visit their gravesites on the southeast side of the Methodist Cemetery on North Hall Street.

Street.

Jacob Marker
(James' son) was born in 1832 and continued his father's business in Sharpsburg. Jacob was active in local politics and became County Sheriff. Jacob and some of his descendants are interred in

There were other gunmakers in the Marker line who went west with the frontier to ply their trade.

Mountain View Cemetery.

The Long Rifle is a uniquely American innovation. It could be built on the frontier out of available materials. Riflemakers had to be skilled blacksmiths, whitesmiths (able to work and finish nonferrous metals), wood workers, wood finishers, and businessmen. The long rifle barrel was used because it allowed the burning powder charge to react on the projectile ball longer, creating a faster muzzle velocity. This long barrel cou-

pled with spiral barrel grooves created a weapon with legendary accuracy. In experienced hands, it was deadly out to 300 yards.

Although used primarily for hunting, Long Rifles saw action in the French and Indian War, the American Revolution, and the Civil War. Advances in metallurgy and ballistics spelled the end of the Long Rifle.



Many thanks to Mr. William Nave who has loaned the rifle to our Museum. Another thanks to Mr. Ed Beeler, Executive Director of the Museum, for allowing hands-on access to this rifle and the Museum's records. Ed wants everyone to know that the Museum now has 501(c)

- (3) status in case you would like to make donations of money, objects, and records.
- Editor



Amelia Naef Marker

From the Town Council In the Town Council Minutes

Mr. David Guiney (Interpretive Direction LLC) reported on plans for the proposed town park on the southwest corner of Main and Church Streets. Specifically, he showcased the ideas that came from the community interactive workshop that brainstormed what form the park should take. See his report on page 7.

If you're curious about the status of the construction of the replacement Antietam Visitors Center and other activity on the battlefield, check our Mr. Chris Vincent's report on page 9.



Memorial Day Plans

The Memorial Day Committee invites you and your organization to enter the parade. You'll find a printable RSVP form in the Attachments, page 13.

The Memorial Day Committee Chairman also invites you to provide content for the Memorial Day Parade Book including individual remembrances and business sponsorships. You can also pre-order the book. See the full information and printable form on page 14.

About the Town

Easter Sunrise Service

The 59th Annual Sharpsburg Area Easter Sunrise Service will be held at The Sharpsburg Park Pavilion near the Little League Ballfield on High Street. The Service will begin at 6:15 AM. The sun is scheduled to rise at 6:31 AM on Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022.



Photo Courtesy of Ms. Coyote

The Sunrise Service will be completely outside with no refreshments. (Please dress for the weather.) In the past, we've had it at the Visitor Center at the Antietam Battlefield, which is currently under renovations. We thank them for their past support and service.

The following 3 local Sharpsburg Churches will be participating in the Service: Christ Reformed United Church of Christ, Sharpsburg Church of the Brethren and the St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Donations collected at this Service will go to the South County Emergency Fund.

Please contact: Lisa Drake via text or call: 240-675-5827 with any questions.

- Ms. Lisa Drake

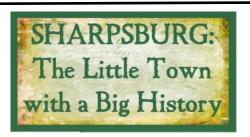


The **Sharpsburgh Museum of History** has a full schedule of events coming up in the months ahead. You can see the schedule flyer on page 11.

Medical Equipment Loan Program

Sharpsburg's Lions
Club is sponsoring a program to get unused medical equipment into the hands of folks in the community who could use it. If you'd like to participate in this important project, check out the poster on page 12.

Sharpsburg Area Emergency Services is hosting a raffle. Check out their poster on page 12..



Community Calendar

April 4 at 6 PM: <u>Town Council Meeting</u>

Sharpsburg Town Hall townofsharpsburg@comcast.net 301-432-4428

April 7 at 3:30pm: <u>Special Story</u> <u>Time</u>

Wear your PJ's for bedtime stories, chocolate milk and cookies.

Sharpsburg Library 301-432-8825

April 9 from 9 AM to 4 PM: <u>Arrow-head Exhibit</u>

Sharpsburgh Museum of History https://www.facebook.com/Sharpsburghmuseumofhistory/301-432-4428

April 17 at 6:15 AM: <u>Sharpsburg Area Easter Sunrise Service</u>

Sharpsburg Park Pavilion, High Street

240-675-5827

April 17 at 11:30 AM: <u>Easter Egg</u> <u>Hunt</u>

St. Paul's Episcopal Church 209 West Main Street priest@stpaulssharpsburg.com April 21 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM: Winter 301-432-5079 Spice Club Picnic

Park on W High Street Sharpsburg Library

301-432-8825

April 23: Spring Symposium Antietam Institute

https://antietaminstitute.org/2022spring-symposium/

April 30: Money Bonanza

Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company Boonsboro American Legion

301-991-2230

https://sharpsburgvfc.org/

April 30 9AM to 2PM: Maryland Poultry Swap and Farmers' Market

Green Hill Farms

https://www.ghfarm.org/

May 14: History of the Sharpsburg Fire & EMS History Exhibit

Sharpsburgh Museum of History 301-800-6877 or Loveshistory.1866@gmail.com

June 1 Through September 7: 2022 Civil War Lecture Series

(More details right here starting in May)

https://jacob-rohrbach-inn.com/ blog/2022/01/2022-civil-war-lecture -series/

Jacob Rohrbach Inn

https://jacob-rohrbach-inn.com/

Under the Pavilion in the Sharpsburg June 11: Sharpsburg Rifles Reunion Sharpsburgh Museum of History 301-800-6877 or Loveshistory.1866@gmail.com

> July 9: Sharpsburg Founder's Day Sharpsburgh Museum of History 301-800-6877 or Loveshistory.1866@gmail.com

Recurring Events 2022

1st Wednesday of the month 1PM Adults: Book Share Sharpsburg Library 301-432-8825

Kid's Zone: Ages Eight and Up Sharpsburg Library anytime we are open

301-432-8825

April: Make an origami bunny to use as a bookmark.

Thursdays at 3:30PM: Storytime Masks are required for those 2 and up during Storytime in the library.

Sharpsburg Library 301-432-8825

Second Thursdays every month, Lion's Club 7PM, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 209 W. Main St, Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Area Churches

dren's Church 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Christ Reformed Church 117 West Main Street Sharpsburg 301-432-6182

Sundays: 9AM

United Christian Fellowship 18823 Shepherdstown Pike, Keedysville, MD 21756 301-432-0110 Sundays: 8:45AM Fellowship, 9AM

Sundays: 8:45AM Fellowship, 9AM Sunday School, 10AM Worship & Children's Church

Sharpsburg Church of the Brethren 123 E Main St, Sharpsburg Sundays at AM, Sunday School at 10:30AM 301-432-4944

St. Paul's Episcopal Church 209 West Main Street Sharpsburg 301-432-7098 Sundays: 10AM

Burnside First Church of God 3904 Mills Rd, Sharpsburg

Sharpsburg Bible Church 5134 General Stuart Court, Sharpsburg 301-432-5309

Sunday School 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM, Sunday Morning Worship & Chil-

Mayor & Councilpersons

Russ Weaver – Mayor
Jacob Martz – Vice Mayor
Mia Parsons – Council
John Hammond – Council
Ed Beeler-Council
Robbie Waters – Council
Joe Kudla – Council

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Mayor & Council of Sharpsburg Meeting Minutes DRAFTED

Monday, March 7, 2022, 6 pm

- I. Call meeting to order and pledge-Ed
- II. Meeting minutes from February and Finances-meeting minutes were electronically sent to members and financial reports were copied and given to members with the agenda. Ed motioned to accept the meeting minutes; Jake seconded the motion all were in favor. February financials and year to date budget were reviewed; Mia motioned and Ed seconded, all were in favor.

In attendance: Russ Weaver, Jake Martz, Mia Parsons, John Hammond, Joe Kudla, Ed Beeler, Carrie Estell, Tim Lung (via phone), Gary Candelaria, Matt Stevens, Perry Jamieson, Jen Bruni, Chris Vincent, Beatrix Gregg, David Guiney and Kaden Snyder

Mowing Bids-Four bids were turned in for the contract, (Shepherdstown Lawns, Leaman & Sons, RW Properties and Grand Lawn Services), submitted sealed bids. Carrie copied bids for council members while Russ reviewed the mayor's report. Mayor and council reviewed the four bids and Russ put the bid #s on the TV monitor. Bids were reviewed and based on the Shepherdstown's Lawn low price and experience, Jake motioned to accept their bid, Ed seconded the motion and all were in favor with the exception of Mia who abstained from voting, (her reason is that she did not have sufficient time to review). Matt will have to get back to the mayor and council for pricing on spraying the chained link fence.

Mayor's Report

Empower Maryland
Town Finances
American Recovery Act
Sustainable Community Application-Planning commission to receive an electronic copy.

Zoning with Tim

Continue to work on obtaining the necessary information to complete the zoning permit application for the Short-Term Rental at 110 S.

Mechanic Street, owned by Gideon Properties. Draft copy of a parking easement plat has been submitted. Waiting for submittal of the recorded parking easement document.

Working with the County in regard to naming of some alleys. Zoom meeting with County staff to occur on Monday March 21.

Will be attending Planning Commission meeting on this Wednesday evening to go over 2022 action items that were listed in my January report.

121 E. Chapline Street. Issued a zoning violation letter of the construction of a fence without a permit and for use of the property as a Short-Term Rental without proper zoning approval and zoning permit. Owner has 30 days to obtain a permit for the fence and shall cease and desist the STR immediately.

Received from Fred Frederick a subdivision plat draft to divide off the town spring from the Hall property on East Antietam Street to be conveyed to the Town. Will review per the Subdivision Ordinance and submit to the Planning Commission for approval.

David Guiney, Interpretive Directive Plans for Park were showcased these ideas came from the community interactive workshop, David briefed the mayor and council in a summarized fashion

Different zones for the park

Children and parents to feel safe-this will be done by a border of hedges

Areas that enter the park, great idea to be part of the Antietam National Park tour, being one of the stops

Entrance and exits with crosswalk-close to the Lutheran Cemetery and National Cemetery

Alley ten towards Tolson's Chapel, town pond and Big Spring

Room for walk ways

Recommendations-street banners, boundaries, informative signage, a place for visitors and residents to enjoy, appealing landscaping, welcoming architecture, parking to be off Church Street, this will be close and have enough space for cars and buses. Handicapped accessible, Dos and Don'ts of the park, traditional/native Sharpsburg/Washington county stone wall, worm fencing and hedges

Visitors will be able to see Piper House, Lutheran Church, there will be connections to the Canal and Route 34-folks will be able to see structures that were present during the Antietam Battle.

State recognized would be very beneficial, a Sharpsburg Battle plaque

Pathway system-a beginning concept perimeter walk, focal point in the middle could include a gathering area, sculpture or monument.

Purpose of the park to learn about Sharpsburg, map to assist with points of interest highlighted

Due to the land falling away and not being able to dig or build, raising the ground to help with the ascetics

Typical park amenities-benches, water fountain, trash receptacle, bike rack, lighting for night time walks,

Good idea to honor, respect and recognize veterans. Establish donors, Chris Vincent suggested memorial donation bricks for a possible walkway.

Area for Big Spring information, since the park has a small section of the Big Spring, possible to have a small bench with some educational material to learn about the spring

Out Buildings could be staging areas for tours, possible restrooms, living history programs, an outside amphitheater-speakers, performers, history entertainment and/or movies.

Residents/Public Comments

Perry Jamieson-between his house and the Short's residence, the alley appears to be paved with soft filler, (223 East Main Street and East 225 Main Street). When it rains or there is an ice storm or it snows, it deteriorates the alley way. Joe said he would drive by the areas and access the situation.

Matt Stevens, (from Shepherdstown Lawn)-spoke on behalf of the Little League and as an active and concerned parent, he became aware that the town wanted to open the fields for anyone to use. This was not accurate; mayor and council spoke at length with the Little League representatives last meeting. Matt wanted the council to know that a lot of money and volunteer work hours go into maintaining the pristine fields. He feels that vandalism would be a problem.

Christ Vincent-reminded the council and those present that the Sharpsburg Lion's Club is hosting a Dinner at St. Paul's church to assist folks who are 65 or better with services and assistance via MD Community for Life. There's a small fee of \$10 and dinner is provided.

Bea Gregg-wanted mayor and council to be aware of the issue of feral cats in town. There was a dead cat in an alley a couple weeks ago, Carrie said she got a few calls about the cat. There's a large population of the feral cats and as a result there are many liters of kittens. IN certain areas of town their spray and feces leave a very unpleasant smell. Carrie will reach out to Tim if there are any ordinances that could be enforced. There are companies that can be contacted to see if there are any solutions.

Council comments

Joe Kudla-streets, roads & culverts

Bridge work and guardrail repair have been shown to two paving companies, (Craig Paving is still waiting on concrete pricing). D&H Paving does not do any concrete work but Pat Carroll provided Joe with a subcontractor's contact information, Cory B. and he's going to be coming out Wednesday to take a look at the jobs. Will also get bids from him on sidewalks. Read some good feedback on Facebook about Martin Brothers and have reached out to that company as well.

Water Main Break that occurred Feb. 17th Robbie was able to clean up the debris from the break. Residents were very appreciative

Prisoner work program-working on getting an estimate, this could be don't quarterly project

Garbage pick up

Clean gutter pans

Culvert cleaning

Brush trimming and removal are just a few of the tasks slated for this project

Blue Lines to be painted for the handicapped parking areas

We were given the go ahead to get safety fencing for the culvert area near the bank, planning commission will look at options. MDOT is redoing Boonsboro's town square this summer. They will be doing stamped brick. Joe will reach out to his contacts at MDOT to see if there are other areas this type of improvement has been done. This is not service the town will be billed for; it's a service through the state.

Wall survey should almost be finished. The surveyors have been spotted doing their work. Wall improvements/maintenance will be the state's responsibility.

Robbie Waters-parks, railroad station, town operations

Not in attendance-he ordered new swings for the playground park

John Hammond-Building and Infrastructure

Russ, Jake and myself worked on the mowing bid sheet, the year some improvements were pictures of the areas to be mowed Will meet with Russ after tonight's meeting to discuss the next steps on the wells; next steps include meeting with our lawyer and the county's well point person and their lawyer.

John suggested to check Flagger Force for the tree project, Joe stated he has reached out to the company and they have not returned his calls/emails.

Ed Beeler-Historical Planning, town archives, communications, grants

- O January 2022 Attendance: 155 February Attendance: 46
- O Daniel Gregg started as the third intern; Adam Oates was promoted to Lead Intern. Adam will work with the interns & sit in on student in-

tern interviews.

- O 2022 starts our 5th year as a museum; some of our goals were:
- → To be a 501© (3) non-profit
- ♦ To have volunteers to help in museum as of 2022, we have three student Interns, 21 volunteers and a board of six
- ★ To find a home for our museum
- ★ To start a program to involve both public and home school children
- Upcoming events include:
- → Metal Detecting Exhibit is on March 26th from 9-4
- ♣ April 9th will be our Indian Artifact / Arrow Heads Exhibit
- ★ May 14th will be our History of the Sharpsburg Fire and EMS Exhibit
- ♦ We are currently pursuing a new home for the museum; there are a few options, more information next month.
- Russ would like for the museum to be self-sufficient and self-funding. Rent would be their responsibility. The council will continue to offer an annual donation.

Jacob Martz-Vice Mayor, communications, Memorial Day Parade, grants

Memorial Day Parade

Submitted grant application for 10K from Hotel Rental Tax Fund and received, positive recommendations from the county commissioners.

Received 3k grant

Purchased flags to hand out

Sent out invitations and 13 applications have been returned

Grand Marshal is a WWII veteran from the 101st Airborne who landed on Normandy on D-Day and Operation Market Garden in Holland.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday March 15th at 6 pm

Grants-assisted on the MHAA Grand and drafted letter of support

Mia Parsons-Planning-Streetscape, grants

Tree contract with Bartlett

When replacement happens, there needs to be a better variety of species

The price of the trimming, pruning and removal is high, (\$11,676), however if the town is diligent with the trees' care, this will be the largest bill and the billing for maintenance will be less. The high price of this service is due to the lack of care.

Carrie filled out and submitted all the permits and got prices from Traffic companies, (Directional Traffic is 1200/day and they take care of everything while the other company-Flaggers, has not gotten back, (phone, email request).

Mia brought motioned for the council, Joe seconded, all were in favor of the expense

The scope of work for Bartlett and contracting traffic assistance total price to not go over 16K

Planning Committee to meet this Wednesday at Town Hall (March 9th)

Will check in with Mike A. to see the town's response to banner for vets that was in The Town Crier

Will coordinate with Joe on a railing system for culvert near square

Russ spoke at length with Linda Puffenberger, she reached out and wants to assist with a Streetscape Refresh. Joe, Mia and Russ to meet with her soon. Her schedule is a bit restricted and the meeting will need to be in the morning.

Town Partnership Representatives

Chris Vincent-

Discussed The Lions Club Dinner that is being held this Thursday night its focus will be on assisting older persons with help with their independence and well-being while aging in place.

The committee met on Thursday, February 10, 2022, conducted via Zoom.

Board Member Robert Murphy has submitted his resignation from the committee as he will be moving out of Washington County. Superintendent Trail discussed the rehabilitation project of the Visitor's Center. The project is moving along well and is on schedule with a completion date of mid-August. The indoor construction demolition is complete, and work has begun on the additions to the front lobby and the back office and conference room. The plumbing and HVAC systems are currently being installed.

The museum exhibits are currently being reviewed and fabrication will begin soon.

The contract has been awarded for the making of a new orientation film. The new film will be approximately 23 minutes and the concept planning is underway. Filming will be conducted in October. Most of the filming will be off site, near the park except for some filming at the Burnside Bridge. The film is expected to be completed the end of 2023. Part of the film will be used on the video screen that will be in the Visitor Center lobby.

Discussion and planning for the 160th Battle Anniversary is ongoing. Due to the work at the Visitor Center and other projects the event will not be that big, like the 150th. Many of the events and activities will be concentrated around the Visitor Center and the Mumma farm.

Other Projects: HPTC continues to work on the preservation project at the Piper house with the metal roof replacement, window repairs and exterior work. A new HVAC system was also installed. Work has begun at the Pry House with the rehab of the

front portico and windows. Later in the fall work will begin on the D.R. Miller house, focusing on the porch, windows, and the stucco

The artillery carriages at the artillery display be replaced this year and a reproduction of a 20lb Parrot cannon will be placed outside the Visitor Center once completed.

Trail Rehab Project will begin again soon. The trail crew will focus on the southern end of the field looking at the Burnside Bridge, Final Attack and Snavely Ford area. A trail along the historic Piper Lane will be added and crossing point across MD 34 to connect to the southern trails. Two waysides will be placed along the Miller pasture trail in the general location where the Alexander Garner photos were taken.

Land Acquisition: The Park is still working with the American Battlefield Trust to acquire the old Katie Poffenburger property that sits just across from the Visitor Center. Another property that the Park is working with the ABT to acquire is the Longerbean property that the ABT recently purchased at 5828 Sharpsburg Pike. This property may provide an access point for future interpretation and walking trails on park property west of MD Route 65.

The public review of the Land Use Management Plan / Environmental Assessment is schedule for June. This plan and EA define the framework for the treatment of the battlefield landscape and describe specific guidelines and tasks aimed to maintain and enhance the park's historic character.

The purpose of this Landscape Management Plan is to develop comprehensive, sustainable land use strategies that will preserve significant landscape elements and integrate natural and cultural resource values, including a framework to:

Sustainably manage agricultural uses and forests.

Protect critical view sheds from surrounding development.

Restore historic viewpoints, currently obstructed by overgrown vegetation.

Protect witness trees that were standing at the time of the Battle of Antietam.

Stabilize eroding shorelines and trails.

Advance watershed stewardship goals.

Increase resiliency to climate change impacts; and

Improve opportunities for park visitors to learn about the battle's events and significance.

More information about the plan can be found at: https://parkplanning.nps.gov/projectHome.cfm?projectID=104934
Details on the now meeting will be posted on the website.

The Memorial Illumination on December 4, 2021, went very well and a new volunteer parking pattern was developed for future events.

Mr. Vincent will contact Krista Hart to get applications that are on file for individuals that may wish to fill openings on the advisory board.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2022

- Mike Arant-Town Crier Not in attendance
- Officer Peyton Report February (not in attendance, submitted electronic report)
- O Normal dedicated checks: Park 9, Little League 6, School 9, Antietam Station 12
- O 1.5 hrs. foot patrol
- O 6 hrs. traffic enforcement 2 citations, 4 warnings
- O responded to disorderly call resulting in criminal arrest, resolved a trespasser at Battleview Market, and a wild animal assisted the county with 2 crashes, and a domestic

Old Business/ACTIONS

Big Spring acquisition-ordinance review and approval of subdivision-Russ gave an overview of the purchase of the Big Spring purchase; he summarized the ordinance and asked council for a vote on the purchase, Jake motioned for the purchase of the Big Spring property and Joe 2nd the motion and all were in favor of the purchase of the Big Spring for 5K.

New Business

Korean War Veterans Museum "The Forgotten War" at Ft. Ritchie

This will be the theme of next year's Memorial Day parade, 2023 and if any councilmembers know of residents who served in the Korean War, let Jake know.

The Washington County Commissioners donated 10K, Jake motions for a donation of 1k to the museum, Joe 2nd the motion and all were in favor of the town donating to the museum.

Design and development phase of the park

Jake and Russ met with three landscape architects to get ideas and feedback.

The cost is 50K but will be shovel ready with plans, two design concepts will be provided

As of today, we have a commitment from many individuals and organizations of at least 8k.

Chris Vincent suggested getting the community involved by doing a memorial brick fund raiser

David Guiney also mentioned that there is a lot of money from historical organizations and many who he has spoken to about the project are excited for the park.

Fred Siebert will do any civil engineering that is required

With the high cost of this project, it is contingent on the town receiving matching funding. The funding as of now required to move forward is 12,500. Jake motioned for the expenditure; Joe seconded the motion.; all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38, all were in favor.



Sharpsburgh Museum of History March thru July Schedule of Events

March 26th - Metal Detecting Exhibit

April 9th - Spring Native American Artifacts & Arrow Head Exhibit

May 14th - History of the Sharpsburg Fire & EMS History Exhibit

June 11th - Sharpsburg Rifles Reunion

July 9th - Sharpsburg Founder`s Day

All events are held on the second floor of the Sharpsburg Town Hall at 106 East Main Street. And are from 9-4 sponsored by the Sharpsburgh Museum of History & the Town of Sharpsburg & Laura Oates Designs

The schedule for our Founder's Day Event will be posted at a later date

Any questions please call or email at: 301-800-6877 or Loveshistory.1866@gmail.com



Medical Equipment Loan Program



Do you have medical equipment you'd like to donate? Do you need a temporary loan of medical equipment?

The Sharpsburg Lions serves as a conduit for those with medical equipment to share to get it into the hands of those who need it in our community. We will ensure that all equipment is clean, disinfected, and in good working order when it is picked up.

Our used medical equipment program provides wheelchairs, walkers, hospital beds, bedside commodes, shower chairs, crutches, and canes. These items are distributed throughout the community free of charge with only the request that the items be returned when no longer needed.

If you would like to borrow or donate any medical equipment, please contact Lion Delancy Catlett at 301-582-1728 or email us at sharpsburglions@gmail.com

We are in need for knee walkers and shower chairs.









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March 1, 2022

Greetings!

The Sharpsburg Memorial Day Committee is pleased to invite your organization to participate in the 155th Sharpsburg Memorial Day Parade. The parade will be held on Saturday, May 28, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Parade participants should plan to report to the Sharpsburg Elementary School parking lot and check in with the parade marshal by no later than 1:30 p.m. Please be advised that traffic usually travels slowly through town, so please allow your group enough time to arrive and check in.

Following the parade, military and classic vehicles are invited to participate in a vehicle display that will be located on North Mechanic Street, near the town square.

If you are interested in participating, please complete the bottom portion of this form and return by email at townofsharpsburg@comcast.net, with "Memorial Day Parade" in the subject line, or mail to the address listed above, and if you have any questions, please call Town Hall at (301) 432-4428. Submissions must be received by April 15, 2022.

Thank you for your support of this historical event.

Jacob Martz
Vice Mayor & Memorial Day Committee Chairman

2022 Memorial Day Parade Participation RSVP Slip

Please print your name/name of organization exactly how you would like it to appear in the Parade book

Name of Individual/Organization

Contact Name

Phone:

Email:

I will be (please circle one): Walking in the parade Riding in a vehicle/float in the parade

Number and type of vehicle(s)

**How many spaces will your vehicle(s) and/or float(s) require for staging? (one space = 25 feet)



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Individual and Business Sponsorships and Memorials

March 15, 2022

Greetings!

The Sharpsburg Memorial Day Committee is currently in the process of preparing the commemorative book for the annual Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade, and is now accepting requests for individual remembrances and business sponsorships to be featured in this year's issue. Submissions should be written or typed in block style exactly how you would like it to appear in the parade book, and be formatted in the following fashion:

Sample format:

In loving memory of Sgt. Robert Q. Sample, US Army, WWII, By his family, children Joe and Jane, and grandchild William A great man who will be missed by all who knew him

To have your personal message included in this year's parade book, you may send a check, made out to Town of Sharpsburg, along with your submission, to Town Hall at:

Memorial Day Parade Book 106 E Main St. P.O. Box 368 Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Or simply drop it off in person at the address listed above, at which time you will also have the option of paying with cash; the price for an entry is \$2.00 for forty (40) words or less. A copy of the parade book may also be reserved at this time for an additional \$3.00. Large groups, such as churches or other civic organizations, may select a designated representative to deliver their entries. Submissions must be received by April 15, 2022.

Be a part of history, and help us to continue this time honored tradition!

Regards,

Jacob Martz

Vice Mayor & Memorial Day Committee Chairman



P.O. Box 368 Sharpsburg, MD 21782 Phone: 301-432-4428 townofsharpsburg@comcast.net http://sharpsburgmd.com/

Remembrance/Sponsorship & Parade Book Request Form

Mail to or drop off at Town Hall at the address listed above, and please include contact information.

Price for entry is \$2.00 for 40 words or less. For book orders only, complete the bottom portion of this form.

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ine 2:	
ine 3:	
	Contact Information
ame:	
hone:	Email:
Number of Parade Book	s (\$3/ea., books will be available in Town Hall after May 23 rd):
	Method of Payment Cash Check
	Cash Check