

# Lavender Fair 2008 Love and Learn

The Fair will have the usual wonderful gourmet food, crafts, workshops and walks and talks on using herbs for crafts, culinary and medicinal purposes, organic gardening, wild edibles, wild mushrooms, massage etc. It takes place in the beautiful and peaceful country setting known as La Paix Herb Farm, which was recently named a **National Historic Landmark**. (May/Kraus Homestead). To order gourmet luncheon, [click here](#). Please note that those pre-registering for the luncheon will be served first to assure that they receive the full luncheon. News! Corridor Magazine will feature La Paix Herb Farm in its June-July 08 issue!

**Lavender Fair 2008: Love & Learn**  
**Saturday, June 28th. Put it on your calendar!**  
**Admission: \$5/person, \$10/family (one car)**

**Menu**

*News! Dale Hawkins, executive chef will feature the recipes used for the Luncheon on six separate spots on WDTV morning and evening news shows in June.*

**Order Gourmet Luncheon Now**  
or phone (304) 269-7681 or mail to La Paix Herb Farm, 3052 Crooked Run Rd., Alum Bridge, WV 26321.  
\$27. each by check or money order: \$28. by credit card (link above or by phone) (reservations limited)

**Root Vegetable Salad with Baby Carrots, Radish, Fennel, Celery Root and Beet Greens Sherry Vinaigrette**

**Summer Tomato Salad and Green Bean Salad Extra Virgin Olive Oil, La Paix Pesto and Balsamic Vinegar**



Maureen Rogers of the Herb Growing and Marketing Network will return in 2008 to speak on "Calendula, Herb of the Year 2008".



The Lavender Cookie Contest will stimulate your taste buds and earn the winner \$25, and fame on the La Paix website!



Bob Maslowski, PhD, will return again to take you through La Paix's woods in search of the edible mushroom!



Dot Montgillion, Smoke Camp Crafts, will return in 2008 to talk on Medicinal Herbs. Photo by Mike Costello



And I'll be back (Myra, The Steward of La Paix) to enjoy the love and laughter and wisdom this Fair seems to engender in all who attend. Photo by Mike Costello

**Butter Roasted Herb Chicken**  
June Vegetable Ragout  
Gratin Dauphinoise Potatoes  
Celery Root Lasagna

**Cherry Almond Tart**  
Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

**Mint & Lavender Iced Tea**  
Complimentary Wine served with full luncheon

\$27./person plus sales tax (4%)  
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To mail reservations (\$28./person), send to:  
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Alum Bridge, W.V. 26321

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There will also be a Food Booth serving Pesto Puffs, Chicken and Vegetarian Wraps and Beverages ala carte.



Dale Hawkins will return for his 6th year of catering the Lavender Fair.

**Sweet Onion Fougasse with Tapenade Herbes de Provence Butter**

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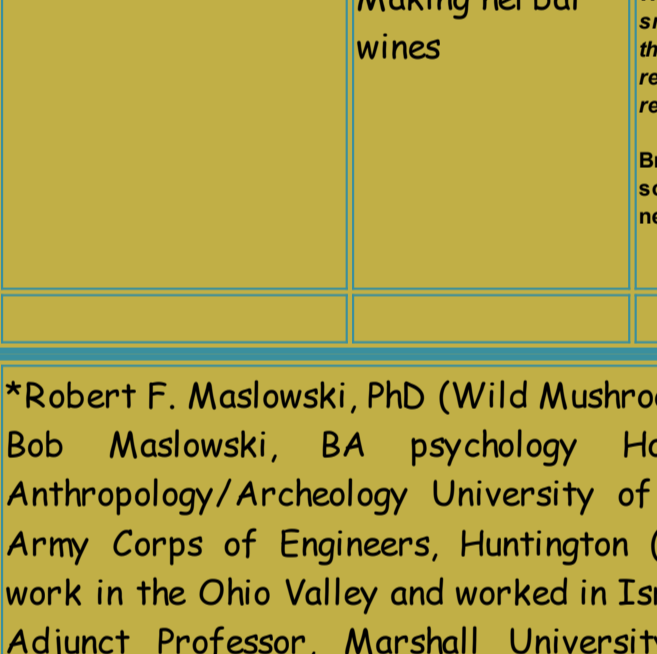
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Melissa Dennison of Garden Treasures will return to give her very popular workshops: Making Lavender Wands and Making Lavender Soap - and I hope her booth of plants, lavender and soap will be sold out again. She was very happy last year!



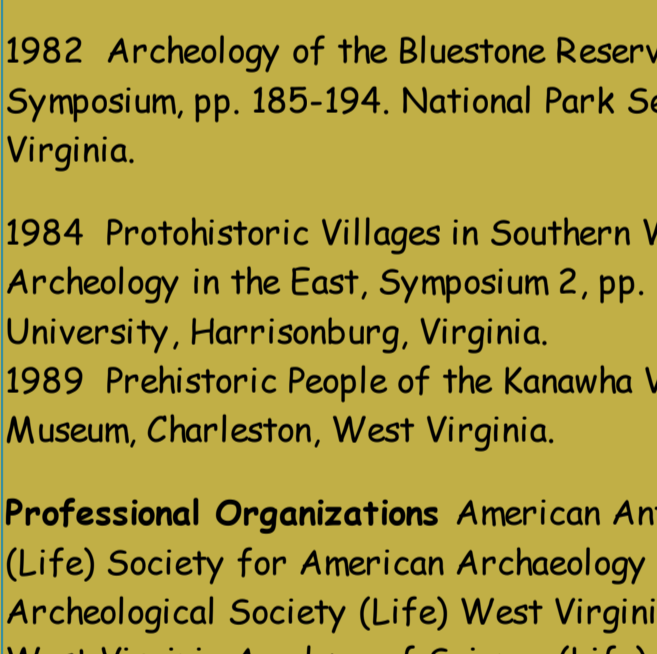
Bonnie McKeown of Barrel House Bonni fame will energize you and entertain you with her Boogie Woogie Blues - from Chicago via Charleston WV!



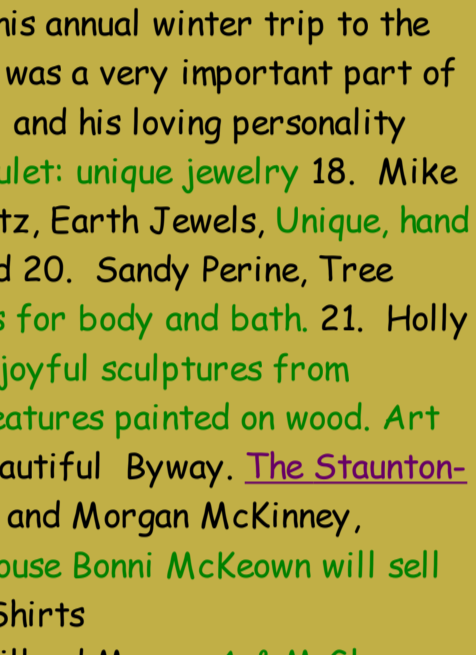
I bought this happy musician from the Hillbilly Artist last year. She returns again with her joyous creations.



Mike Plybon returns again to give his wonderful relaxing massages.



Bracelet made by The Glass Amulet artist, Leisa Null - booth at the Fair



Painting of the Lavender at La Paix by Steward Myra Bonhage-Hale- prints at the Fair! (postcards too!)

Places to Stay:  
[Water Gap Retreat](#)  
Gobblers Ridge Lodge B&B, a peaceful, quiet retreat in the mountains of WV. [www.gobblersridge.com](http://www.gobblersridge.com) (6 miles from La Paix Herb Farm)  
[Stonewall Resort](#) (filled)  
Comfort Inn Weston

Booths to date May 20, 2008: 1. Maureen Rogers, Herb World (cd's of Herbalpedia, Herb Business information, 2. Peter Gail, Dandy-Lion King, Books, dandelion tea, wild edibles, 3. Melissa Dennison, Garden Treasures (lavender plants, soaps), 4. Michelle McCune, Briarwood in the Mountains (Aromatherapy), 5. So-Lux Candles, 6. La Paix Herb Farm Shop, Passionate Gardener's Hand Cream, Paintings of La Paix, Lavender Hoodbooks and more., 7. Dot Montgillion WV Herb Association, cookbooks, information, 8. Smoke Camp Crafts, plants, teas, herbs, 9. WV Environmental Council, environmental information, 10. The Maslowski's, Mud River Pottery (wild plants, homemade wine samples, Wild Mushroom CD's), 11. Bill Church (wild plants CD's), 12. Mike Davis, Water Gap Retreat (shibori fabric), 13. 14. [дорисмелотт@earthlink.net](mailto:дорисмелотт@earthlink.net) quilts, recycled fabric creations, 15. Amanda's Photos, 16. Art Dignan's Wild West artifacts, jewelry and drawing instruments, Sadly, Art died in April 2008 while dowsing for treasure on his annual winter trip to the Far West. He will be sorely missed for he was a very important part of the Fair and my life. His kindness, his skill and his loving personality were unique. 17. Leisa Null, The Glass Amulet: unique jewelry 18. Mike Plybon and student, Massage, 19. Rose Wirtz, Earth Jewels, Unique, hand made Semi Precious Gem Stone Jewelry and 20. Sandy Perine, Tree House Herbs 33 organic herbal products for body and bath. 21. Holly Hinkle, The Hillbilly Artist, fun, creative, joyful sculptures from recycled wood, as well as loving musical creatures painted on wood. Art that will make your soul smile! 22. The Beautiful Byway, The Staunton-Parkersburg Turnpike 23. Patrick Patrick and Morgan McKinney, Morganna Fair Trade Booth 24. Barrel House Bonni McKeown will sell her CD's and Charleston Blues Society T Shirts <http://www/barrelhouseblues.com> 25. Willard Moore, A & M Glass, 26. 27. David Phoenix Nutter, Sacred Mountain Feng Shui\*\*\*\*\*, selection of Feng Shui supplies to enhance any area of your home, garden or business (see bio\*\*\*\* below) 28. Denise Poole, Poole's Antiques and Collectables, soy wax candles, antique jewelry. 29. Eve Van Deck, Great Spirit Herbs. 31. Healthberry Farms: Stacey, Ben and Cora McKean - honey and beeswax. 32. Envirosox: Amanda Hussian: reusable shopping bags. 33. Young's Baskets (award winning, juried hand crafted baskets).

**Lavender Cookie Contest!**  
Bring your recipe, your cookies and let us know you are coming! [Email us](#).

**SCHEDULE OF DEMOS, WORKSHOPS, TALKS, WALKS & EVENTS on June 28th**  
**LAVENDER FAIR AND MORE 2008**  
**La Paix Herb Farm, Alum Bridge , West Virginia**

Time	Workshop/Walk	Workshop/Walk	Demonstration
9:30-10:15 a.m.	Dot Montgillion Smoke Camp Crafts Medicinal Herbs	Robert F. Maslowski, PhD Wild Edible Mushroom Walk (bio below)	
10:30-11:15 a.m.	Marie Koon, Apprentice 2007 Essential Oil Distillation & Growing Lavender	Peter A. Gail, PhD** Wild Edible Plants - "Dinner at Your Doorstep" Walk & Talk bio and description below**	
11:30- 11:45	Lavender Cookie Recipe Contest	Silver Labyrinth Walk Pamela Martino 11:30 - Noon	
Noon - 1:30 p.m.	Gourmet Luncheon	Dale Hawkins, Executive Chef, Stonewall Resort Culinary Demonstration	11:45 - 12:15 Bonnie McKeown with Boogie Blues
1:00-1:45 p.m.	David "Phoenix" Nutter, Sacred Mountain Feng Shui for the Garden	Maureen Rogers: Herb Gardening and Marketing Network The Herb of the Year: Calendula	
2:00-2:45 p.m.	Melissa Dennison: Making Lavender Wands \$2. each	Bill Church***: The Five Voices of the Birds - Walk and Talk	
3:00-3:45 p.m.	Melissa Dennison: Making Lavender Soap	Elaine Ferry: Eat What's Good For You!	3 p.m. - Bonnie McKeown with Boogie Blues
4:00-5:00 p.m.	Dr. Robert Maslowski PhD: * Recipes for Wild Edible Mushrooms - Making herbal wines	Michelle McCune: Meditation under The Psychic Tree a guided meditation into love, light & healing Michelle will lead a relaxing guided meditation in the mystical forest of La Paix Herb Farm at the Lavender Fair this year. We will start out by smudging & clearing then concentrating on reaching a place of total relaxation and love. <small>Bring a towel or something to sit on if needed.</small>	

\*Robert F. Maslowski, PhD (Wild Mushroom Walk)  
Master, Reiki Master, and is Certified as an Instructor in both Tai Chi and two schools of Karate. He started studying ancient cultures and metaphysics over 30 years ago and draws on his comprehensive knowledge of these subjects in his writing and teaching. He has the unique ability to make even the most complex concepts easy, understandable, and fun.

David is the author of two books on Feng Shui. His first booklet was entitled "Feng Shui Basics - Make Your Home Your Home" by ETC Publishing House in 1997 where he first copyrighted his use of minerals, gemstones, and crystals in Feng Shui. His new book, which was published in August of 2002 by Perfect Harmony, Inc, is entitled "The Basics of Feng Shui." This book, with step by step instructions, is considered the easiest book to read and understand ever written on the ancient art and science of Feng Shui.

David has done hundreds of Feng Shui consultations on homes and businesses over the last 20+ years and has hundreds of testimonials from satisfied clients. He has been interviewed on TV, radio talk shows, and newspapers (most recently in the Dominion Post in February of 2003 for being 24 out of 27 in getting homes sold which would not sell). His record is now 26 out of 29 (89%). He has held lectures, workshops, and classes throughout the United States, and worked with many professional architectural, building, and real estate firms.

David is available for Feng Shui consultations, book signings, and speaking engagements. He teaches classes on all levels of Feng Shui, Tai Chi, and Reiki. In addition, David also teaches classes in Chi Gong, Karate, Men's and Women's Self-Defense, Men's and Women's Self Empowerment, Taoism, Crystal Awareness, Crystal Healing, Relationships, and Prosperity.

This Letter to the Editor appeared in the July 4th, 2007 edition of the weekly Weston Democrat

*Lavender Fair Thrills Visitor*

To the Editor:

It is a truism that the outsider oftentimes compels us to prize our treasures at hand or within ourselves. I am such an outsider to your community, but consider your area a spiritual or second home and seek out any reason to spend time with you. One such occasion was the Lavender Fair at the La Paix Herb Farm on Crooked Run, the hidden jewel of Myra Bonhage-Hale, who considers herself simply as steward of that restored May/Kraus homelace.

Friends near Weston recommended the annual fair. I was more than surprised; delighted at such hospitality, beauty, the overt valuing of the past and noted energy to assure the future. Hundreds gathered from far and near. Gently sheltered booths offered handcrafted products and foods in a random fashion in seemingly uncultivated glades.

There were cooking demonstrations featuring many of the herbs growing there - I remember especially the lavender and lemon thyme - all conducted by passionate and interesting persons, some local, such as Geoff Kraus.

Your own Dale Hawkins and his team prepared a gourmet buffet that even enticed young people to try and to enjoy "real" food for a change. His genius was praised by all in the crowd. All food is better tasting and more nourishing, I am convinced, when prepared with love.

The atmosphere was very much like visiting with friends. Strangers were united by the meal consumed in small groups with others who soon became friends.

Table fellowship here was very unique, but fellowship it was, which is always the true nourishment. It is to Myra that credit goes for uniting a deep understanding of our heritage with the cultivation of our hopes to come. This is the gift of this outsider, the vision that she brings to us.

News of revamping the convention and visitors bureau has been in the Democrat of late. I do hope the bureau will search out and publicize this rare gift to Lewis County.

James F. Mullooly  
Tridelpia, W.V.

**Directions to La Paix: *Please do not visit before the Fair - let us prepare!***

- From Interstate 79
- Take Exit 99
- Turn left to Weston
- Go through Weston to Route 33 West
- Drive approximately 15 miles on Rt. 33 W to Alum Bridge
- (landmarks: Alum Bridge School on left)
- Continue on Rt. 33W about 2 miles to
- Crooked Run Rd. on left (sign on right)
- Turn left over concrete bridge on Crooked Run
- Travel 2-1/2 miles to first left signs will be there)
- Turn left, continue about 1 mile to Parking and Registration
- You are here! Welcome-

- Stinging Nettle Project
- Herb Workshops
- Herb Products
- Lavender Fair 2014
- Lavender Fair 2009
- Apprentice Program
- Interactive Peace Museum
- Lavender in WV
- WV Essential Oil Project
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