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Orange County Tourism Hosts Movies Under The Stars

Press release

Orange County Tourism in partnership with the Orange Volunteer Fire Company and the Gordonsville Volunteer Fire Company will host "Movies Under the Stars" in the Towns of Orange and Gordonsville. "Movies Under the Stars" will offer six free family friendly drive-in movie events throughout the summer into autumn. The community is invited to come together in a safe and comfortable way to enjoy a fun drive-in movie night under the stars.

Orange Fireman Fairgrounds, 205 Caroline Street, Orange.

- Saturday, September 5, 2020 - *The Greatest Showman*
- Saturday, September 12, 2020 - *The Lion King, Live-Action*

Gordonsville Fireman Fairgrounds, 301 E Baker Street, Gordonsville, VA

- *Frozen 2*-date TBA
- *Spiderman-Into the Spider-Verse*-date TBA
- *Lady and the Tramp, Live Action*-date TBA

Gates to the fairgrounds will open at 7:00 p.m. and show times will start at 8:00 p.m. The drive-in movie events are FREE to the community; though tickets are required. Patrons can reserve tickets on Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/movies-under-the-stars-in-the-town-of-orange-va-tickets-113265688724> prior to the show. Attendance will be capped at 250-cars per event. Guests may bring outside food and non-alcoholic beverages; alcohol is not permitted. Concessions will be provided by the Orange Volunteer Fire Company and the Gordonsville Volunteer Fire Company during events.

"The community has experienced so much over these last five months, bringing some free local family fun to Orange County is a perfect way to give the community a boost of "movie magic" to lift everyone's spirits," expressed Orange County Tourism Manager, Lori Landes-Carter.

Details on the Town of Gordonsville event dates and links to reserve tickets will be available on the www.VisitOrangeVirginia.com.

"Spending money in our towns is one of the fastest ways to inject dollars back into our local economy and our communities. Remember to shop local and support local. Make a night out of it and enjoy dinner and a movie or a stroll through town before the movie starts. Orange and Gordonsville business owners will appreciate it and they look forward to seeing you for the drive-in events," said Orange



County Tourism Manager, Lori Landes-Carter.

About Orange County Tourism

Tourism is one of the Commonwealth's largest economic engines, with visitors to Orange County spending more than 51 million in 2018, supporting 613 work opportunities, and contributing 3.7 million in local and state tax revenue. The tourism and hospitality industries have also been among the hardest-hit by the pandemic, experiencing decreased revenue and job loss, along with the temporary closure of many tourism-related businesses. A revived tourism economy can help spur new economic activity and inject critical funds back into Virginia communities.

The Orange County Tourism department functions as the destination marketing organization for Orange County, which promotes Orange County as a leading travel destination in Central Virginia. In 2018, visitors to Orange County spent over \$51 million, which supported 613 jobs and added \$3.7 million in state and local taxes. Orange County Tourism manages a state certified Visitor's Center, fully supported by volunteer staff, located in the historic Train Depot in Downtown Orange. The Visitor Center welcomes visitors to the county, promotes businesses and attractions, and provides community-related information to residents. **To learn more, visit www.VisitOrangeVirginia.com.**

For more information, please contact Lori Landes-Carter with the Orange County Tourism Office at (540) 920-9331 or Lcarter@orangecountyva.gov.



Orange County Golf Course Reopening as Somerset Farms Golf Course

Press release

Orange County Economic Development would like to announce the reopening of Somerset Farms Golf Course located at 35448 Somerset Ridge Road in Locust Grove.

The course, formally known as Rapidan Golf Club, was purchased in early June, by Kenny and Lora Dotson. With the help of New Direction Golf Management (NDGM), improvements were made to the clubhouse and course; and the tee boxes, fairways, and greens were restored. The course is open and ready to welcome golfers.

"Everyone can learn and enjoy the game of golf," stated a representative of

NDGM. NDGM's mission is to grow the game of golf within the community by specifically designing programs and initiatives to create, develop, and sustain interest in the sport. The Dotson's, who also own another golf course in Orange County, understand the time and dedication it takes to make a golf course successful. Mr. Dotson noted, "We will work hard to make Somerset Farms a course to be proud of and a benefit to the community and the region."

Located in eastern Orange County, Somerset Farms Golf Course lies on the historic Somerset Farm property, along the banks of the Rapidan River with views of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The golf course masterfully incorporated the heritage of Somerset Farm's natural terrain into the design, while preserving the natural areas

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Golf carts at Somerset Farms Golf Course.



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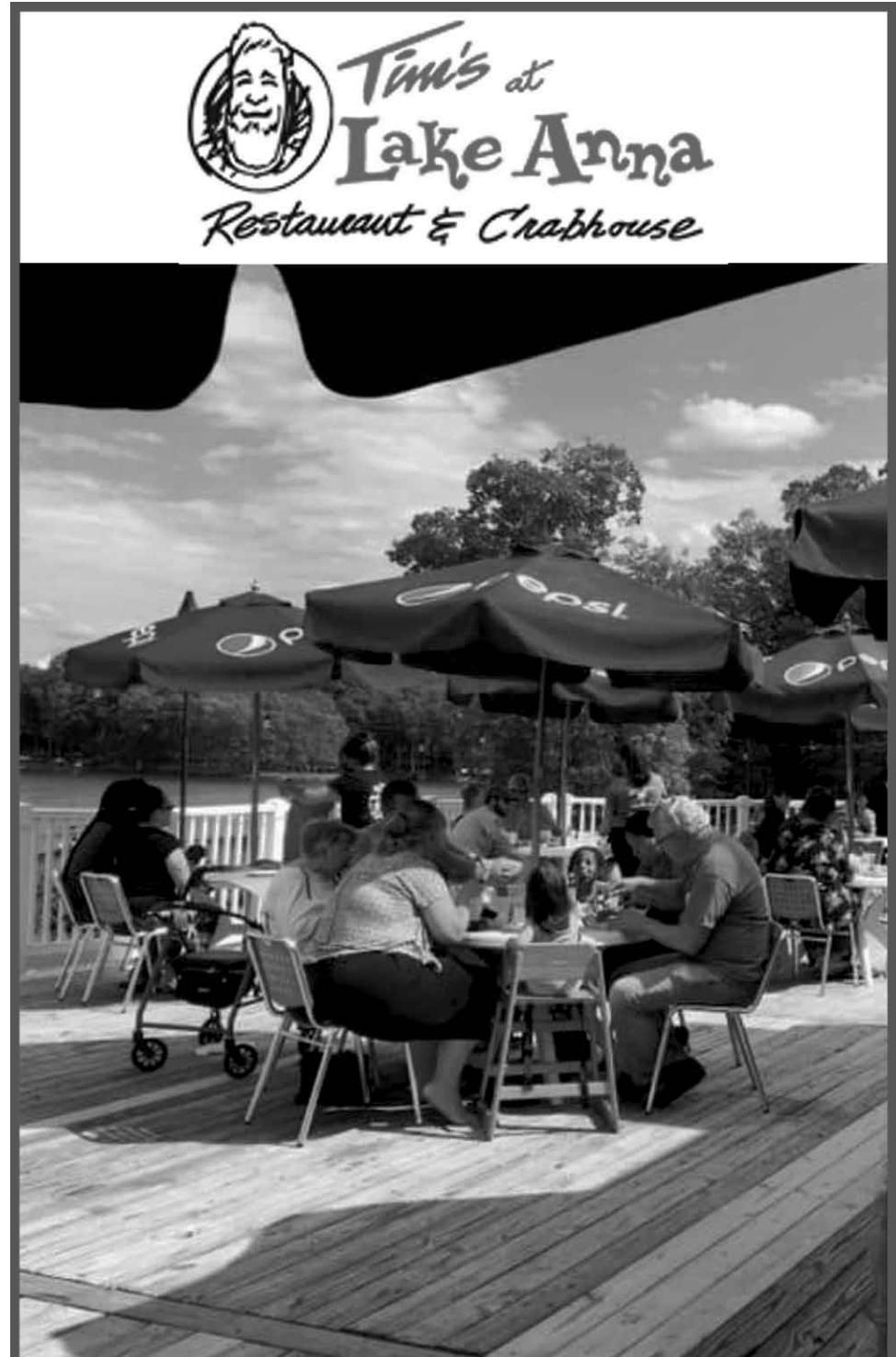
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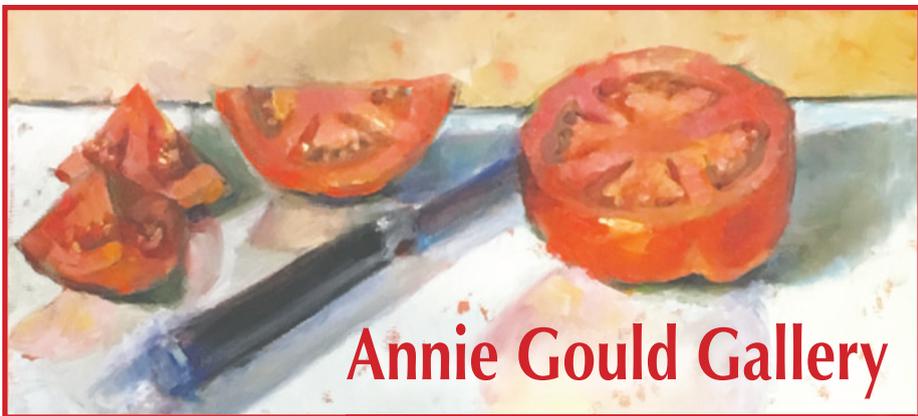
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and wetlands of the property. The property boasts a 6,500-plus-yard course with 18 Signature holes, as well as traditional and links style play. Somerset Farms is located off Route 3, just 16 miles west of Fredericksburg and less than a one-hour drive from Washington, D.C. and Richmond. To book a tee time or learn more about Somerset Farms Golf Course go to <https://www.somersetfarms.golf/>.

For more information, please contact Rose Deal, Project Manager at (540) 672-1238.

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The Everly Brothers Experience
October 24 at 7:30pm • \$30

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About Us

Somerset Farms is located off Route 3, just 16 miles west of Fredericksburg and less than a one-hour drive away from Washington DC and Richmond.

The Antebellum setting of the golf course offers the relaxed, refined lifestyle of traditional Virginia, along with today's finest leisure options. The property's historic manor house was built in 1834, by James S. Somerville, and used to shelter pickets of General Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia during the Civil War.

Challenging for all levels

Today, Somerset Farms retains much of its history, as the semi-private/public golf course winds through gently rolling woodlands and wetlands, while offering unspoiled views of the Virginia countryside. Somerset Farms' 6,500-plus-yard course offers 18 Signature holes with traditional and links style play. A slope rating of 138 makes the layout one of the most challenging in Virginia, yet four sets of tees provide "play-ability" and challenge for golfers of every level. The course was designed by Tulsa-based architect Jerry Slack, who masterfully incorporated the heritage of Somerset Farm's natural terrain into the design, while preserving the natural areas and wetlands of the property. The character and traditions of yesterday live on at Somerset Farms Golf Course.



The historic manor house was built in 1834.

Bounce Back Orange Small Business Grant Program

Press Release

Orange County Economic Development Office is pleased to announce grant awards totaling \$277,725.50, to thirty-nine (39) business and non-profit organizations through the Bounce Back Orange Small Business Grant program.

The Bounce Back Orange Small Business Grant program was funded using federal CARES Act funds provided to Orange County and was administered by the Community Investment Collaborative (CIC). The CARES Act spending plan was authorized by the Orange County Board of Supervisors as part of a multifaceted effort to help the community mitigate the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. "We are pleased with the interest we received in the grant program and are excited to be able to provide much needed relief to various organizations throughout Orange County who have experienced business disruption from COVID-19.

While we know these grants will never replace the loss of revenue businesses have experienced, it is our hope that the funds will provide short-term relief to assist them in remaining open and operational far into the future," noted Rose Deal, Project Manager for Orange County Economic Development.

If your business or organization missed out on this funding opportunity, please contact the Office of Economic Development to discuss other available funding sources. We encourage businesses to reference our COVID-19 Resources for Local Businesses page, at <https://www.thinkorangeva.com/covid19-resources>, to stay up to date on various business assistance programs.

For more information, please contact Rose Deal, Project Manager at (540) 672-1238.

Orange County Offering PPE Kits for Small Businesses

Press Release

Starting in mid-September, Orange County Economic Development will offer small businesses and non-profits, with fifty (50) employees or fewer, free personal protective equipment (PPE) kits in an effort to enhance support to organizations who have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The kits contain one (1) box of gloves, one (1) box of disposable masks, one (1) bottle of hand sanitizer, a window cling, and information on the proper use and care of PPE. The kits will help organizations offset unexpected supply expenses and ensure a safe environment for employers, employees, volunteers, and customers.



Effective May 26, 2020; Executive Order 63 requires all patrons in the Commonwealth aged ten (10) and over to cover their mouth and nose with a face covering, as described and recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), when entering, exiting, traveling through, and spending time inside buildings. Additionally, the Executive Order requires employees working in customer-facing areas to wear face coverings over their nose and mouth.

Please contact the Office of Economic Development at (540) 672-1238 or email rdeal@orangecountyva.gov to reserve your complimentary PPE kit.



Orange County Street Festival Has Been Postponed Until:

Saturday October 17, 2020, Orange, Virginia

The 45th Annual Orange Street Festival will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2020 along Main Street in historic downtown Orange, Virginia from 9am to 4pm.

This eclectic festival is free and open to the public, and features over 200 vendors offering a wide range of items including local artwork, handmade crafts, jewelry, products and services, specialty food and drinks and children's activities. Our Kids Zone will have fun and educational activities for the whole family! NEW this year, you can now stroll through the festival enjoying a cold beer or award-winning wine from our Beverage Garden!

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Enjoy a cold beer or an award-winning wine from our Beverage Garden brought to you by Germanna Community College

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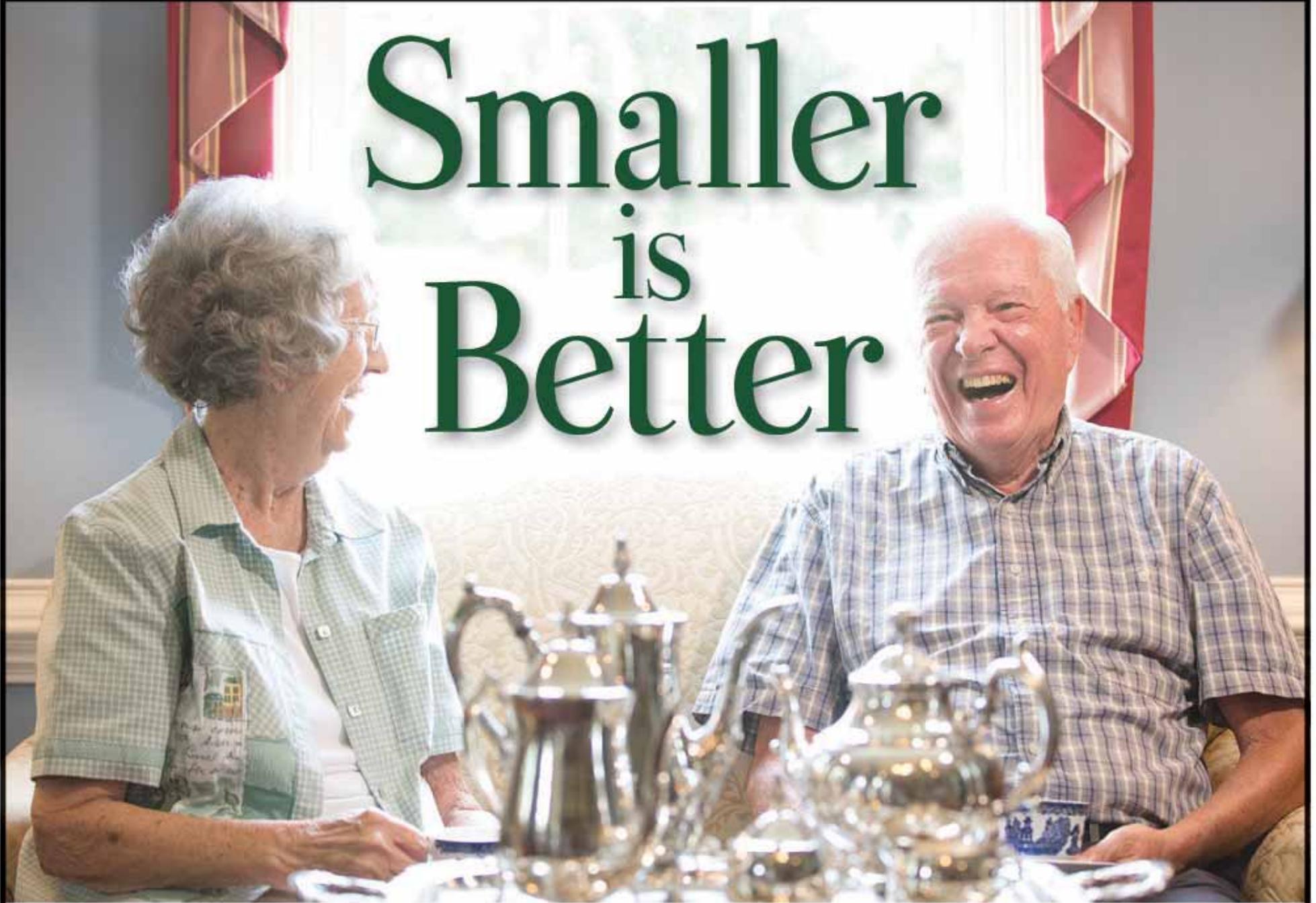


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