

Shenandoah Valley Fiber Festival Contibutions to the Community

The Shenandoah Valley Fiber Festival is dedicated to provide an outlet for fiber artists/producers in the region and educational opportunities to the public on various aspects of the fiber industry. However, also within its mission, the festival contributes to other organizations and projects for the enrichment of the community. The following projects in addition to some others have benefitted after the festival the past few years.

SVFF made a generous donation to the the *John H. Enders Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company* in recognition of their support during the festival.

SVFF provides prize money in the fiber arts categories for both children and adults at the *Clarke County Fair* each year.

Generous donations have been awarded for several years to *The Clarke County Ruritans* organization and the *Clarke County Future Farmers of America* chapter.

The *Clarke County 4H* organization has received donations for the sheep club and awards in fiber categories at the Clarke County Fair

The Clarke County chapter of the *Future Farmers of America* has received support in several years.

A local **Boy Scout Eagle project** received funds to refurbish the entrance of the fairgrounds.

A donation was made to the local chapter of the *Linus Project* which is dedicated to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteers. www.projectlinus.org

The *Paw Paw school* of Paw Paw, WV, has received financial support to fund their beginning knitting club and the *Berkeley Springs High School* to support a fiber silk screening business endeavor by students.

The Wellspring Organization of Winchester, VA was awarded a donation to help pay for cancer caps.

The *Barns of Rose Hill* project which is transforming two early 20th-century barns in the Rose Hill Park historic district to create a center for community, arts and education in historic Berryville, Virginia received a sizable donation from SVFF.