

Local History File Index

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Bold and Italic are defunct categories
Non-bold categories are still in progress

Agriculture and Farming

Contains information about farms, farmers and agricultural mainly in the Shenandoah Valley. Also information about historic and non- historic farms and barns, Avian Flu, Cyrus McCormick, Farmers Markets, farmland preservation. See also **Environment & Conservation** for Ag-Forestal district information.

Airport - Shenandoah Valley Regional

Contains information about the Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport in Weyers Cave.

Animal Shelter

Contains information on the Regional Animal Shelter that opened in 2011, after localities ceased working with the SPCA.

Archeology - Virginia.

Contains information about archeological digs mainly in the Shenandoah Valley, including the Dold-White house. There are also some volumes of the Quarterly Bulletin of the Archeological Society of Virginia. For non-human remains see *Geology*.

Architecture

Contains articles about architecture concerning multiple structures in Staunton and surrounding areas. For articles on single houses see the **Historic Houses** section. See also **Historic Buildings, Businesses, and Scenes** for images.

Artists & Musicians

Contains information on individual artists and musicians and shows. See *Community* listings for groups and galleries.

Authors and Books

Contains information about authors in Staunton and the surrounding area. Includes books both fiction and non-fiction, and books about the area by non-locals.

Bridges

Contains information about the bridges in the area, many of them are old or historic, including the Sears Hill bridge. Not Natural Bridge (see **Parks**) or railroad bridges (see **Railroads**).

Business and Industry - Augusta Business.

Contains information about the businesses in Augusta County.
What is business versus industry??

Business and Industry - Augusta Industry.

Contains information about the industry of Augusta County

Business and Industry - Hotels - Staunton and Augusta County.

Contains information of Hotels in Staunton and Augusta County. People who are looking for historic inns and Bed and Breakfasts should check Business and Industry. Staunton. Downtown file.

Business and Industry - Staunton.

Contains information on business and Industry in Staunton, except for the downtown area. People looking for information on Downtown Staunton, Funeral homes, Hotels, or Putnam Organ Company should check the index and the other Business and Industry files.

Business and Industry - Staunton - Downtown.

Contains information on businesses in the downtown and wharf areas. It includes things like inns, restaurants, the Train Station, and many small local businesses.

Business and Industry - Staunton Funeral

Contains information on funeral homes in the Staunton and surrounding areas. It includes things like Henry Funeral Home, Hamrick Funeral Home, and Jones Funeral Home.

Business and Industry - Staunton - Putnam Organ Company.

Contains information on Putnam Organ Company in Staunton.

Business and Industry - Staunton - WTON.

Contains information on WTON, the oldest radio station in Staunton.

Capuchin Monastery

Contains information on the monastery in Staunton. A building was built for the Manch College of Music in 1926, but failed during the depression. It was used as a hospital during World War II, and a hotel. It was torn down in 1977.

Caves and Caverns

Included here are the sink-holes in Staunton and Augusta County. Includes commercial and natural caves. See also **Geology – Virginia** for other caves in the state.

Cemeteries - Augusta County and Waynesboro

Contains information on various cemeteries, especially those not affiliated with a church. See Church files of those cemeteries.

Cemeteries – Fairview

Contains information on Fairview Cemetery in Staunton, a historically African-American cemetery.

Cemeteries - Staunton National.

Contains information on Staunton National Cemetery, also known as the Yankee Cemetery.

Cemeteries - Thornrose.

Contains information on Thornrose Cemetery in Staunton.

Chamber of Commerce

Contains information on the Chamber of Commerce for Augusta County and Staunton.

Churches - Augusta County - Baptist.

Contains information on Baptist Churches not in Staunton.

Churches - Augusta County - Brethren.

Contains information on Brethren churches not in Staunton.

Churches - Augusta County - Lutheran

Contains information on Lutheran churches not in Staunton.

Churches - August County - Methodist

Contains information on Methodist churches not in Staunton.

Churches - Augusta County - Other

Contains information on nondenominational churches and miscellaneous information about churches in general not in Staunton. For information about specific churches, see that denominational file.

Churches - August County - Presbyterian

Contains information on Presbyterian churches not in Staunton.

Churches - Staunton - Baptist

Contains information on Baptist Churches in Staunton.

Churches - Staunton - Brethren

Contains information on Brethren churches in Staunton.

Churches - Staunton - Catholic

Contains information on Catholic churches in Staunton.

Churches - Staunton - Episcopal

Contains information on Episcopal Churches in Staunton, not Trinity.

Churches - Staunton - Episcopal - Trinity

Contains information only on Trinity Episcopal Church. The Virginia General Assembly met here in June 1781

Churches - Staunton - Jewish

Contains information on the Jewish people in Staunton and the Temple House of Israel.

Churches - Staunton - Lutheran.

Contains information on Lutheran churches in Staunton

Churches - Staunton - Methodist.

Contains information on Methodist churches in Staunton.

Churches - Staunton - Other

Contains information on nondenominational churches and miscellaneous information about churches in general in Staunton. For information about specific churches see that denominational file.

Churches - Staunton - Presbyterian

Contains information on Presbyterian churches in Staunton.

Churches - Virginia.

Contains information on churches in Virginia that are not in Staunton, Waynesboro, or Augusta County.

Community – Arts

Contains information about visual art organizations and galleries in the area, including Children’s Art Network

Community - Blue Ridge Area Food Bank

Contains information about the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, a non- profit organization that collects and distributes food to the area hungry.

Community – Booker T. Washington Community Center

This building was built specifically as a black school in 1936. For information on this building as a school see **Schools - Staunton Public Historic.**

Community - Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts

Contains information about the local Boy Scouts and Girl Scout troops in Staunton and Augusta County.

Community - Habitat for Humanity

Contains information on the Staunton/Augusta Habitat for Humanity.

Community – Historic Staunton Foundation

It includes articles on the members of the foundation, as well as events that the foundation has taken part in. See also **Community – R.R. Smith Center** where the offices have been located, **Historic Buildings, Businesses, and Scenes,** and **Architecture.**

Community – R.R. Smith Center

Contains information about the R.R. Smith Center for History and Art, Staunton Augusta Art Center, and events held there. This building is the former Eakleton Hotel, designed by T. J. Collins.

Community - Service Agencies - Staunton Area

Contains information on agencies such as the Center for Abused Adults, the SPCA, Free Clinic, and other organizations that exist to serve the community.

Community - ShenanArts

Contains information about ShenanArts a local theater group made up primarily of youth who perform plays and do dramatic readings.

Community – Staunton-Augusta Art Center

See **Community – R.R. Smith Center**

Community - Staunton's Sister City

Contains information about Staunton's sister city Vişeu de Sus, Romania and Dabas, Hungary.

Community – YMCA: Staunton and Augusta County

Contains information on the YMCA's of Staunton and Augusta County, including the historic building.

Community - Valley Community Services Board

Community - Valley Mission

Contains information on the Valley Mission located in Staunton

Community - VFW

Contains information on the VFW in Staunton

Community - Valley Mental Health Center

See **Community - Valley Community Services Board**

Community Organizations - Other

Contains miscellaneous information about different types of community organizations. For information about a particular organization check the file named for that organization. Includes: Staunton Senior Center

Crime

Contains articles on notable crime events in Staunton and Augusta County, from the 20th century to the present. Earlier crimes are in the **History** folders.

Environment & Conservation

Contains information about ag-forestral districts, farm land conservation, wildlife areas, and stream conservation work. See also **Agriculture and Farming**

Evers MOA Environmental Assessment.

In June of 1996 Evers Air Force Base proposed an expansion of its MOA (military operations area). The new area included Augusta, Highland, and Bath Counties in Virginia, and Pendleton County WV.

Fairs and Festivals – Bicycles, Soap Box Cars, & Motorcycles

Fairs and Festivals – Augusta County

Fairs and Festivals - Music

Fairs and Festivals – Staunton

Fairs and Festivals - Victorian

Fire Department – Staunton

Contains information about the Fire Department for the city of Staunton, and its history.

Folklore

Contains information about folklore in the area and Virginia. It includes ghost stories, haunted houses, and folk songs.

Fort Defiance

Garden Week

Contains information about a state festival known as Garden week, as well as information about the Garden Society of Virginia. It contains some pamphlets about historic Garden Week of Virginia.

Geology

Contains information on caves, caverns, rocks, minerals, fossils, and mining in Virginia. See **Caves and Caverns – Staunton** for sinkhole stories.

Government - Augusta County

Contains miscellaneous information about Augusta County. Most of the items in are newspaper articles.

Government - Augusta County Annexation

Contains information about the annexation of County property by the city of Staunton.

Government - Augusta County Court House

Contains information about the Courthouse. It does not contain court documents, only historical information about the building. For court records contact the courthouse.

Government - Augusta County Development

Contains information on the Development of the lands of Augusta County
Define development

Government - Augusta County Economics

Contains information on the economic history and the current economic state of Augusta County

Government - Staunton 1730 - 1980

Contains information on the history of Staunton's government from its creation to 1980.

Government – Staunton: 1981 - 1999

Contains information on Staunton's government from 1981 to 1999.

Government - Staunton: 2000 -

Contains information on the history of the government of the City of Staunton from 2000 to present day.

Government - Staunton Coat of Arms

Contains information on the creation of the Staunton Coat of Arms. Mentioned in 18th annual city report, March 31, 1926.

Government - Staunton Development

Contains information on the development of the lands of the City of Staunton.

Government – Staunton: Economic Development

Contains information on the Economic Development Authority and the Staunton Downtown Development Association.

Government - Staunton Reversion. Contains information on the issue of reversion to town status, which was considered in the late 1990's.

Government – Staunton: Urban Renewal. Contains information on Staunton and its attempts at redevelopment of the downtown area in the 1950s and '60s.

Greenville

Happy Birthday U.S.A. Contains information about the Fourth of July celebration in Staunton.

Historical Society - Virginia. Contains information about the Historical Society of Virginia. It includes articles about the Historical Society, its members and society events. The file also contains bulletins that are occasionally printed and distributed by the Historical Society of Virginia.

Historic Buildings, Businesses, and Scenes

Contains images and information from in and around Staunton that doesn't fit under more specific topics. Much of the content is from the "Then and Now" and "A Place in History" newspaper columns. See also **Historic Houses – Staunton** for specific houses, **Hospitals – Dejarnett**, and **Hospitals - Western State**.

Historic Houses - Augusta County

Some of these homes include Buckhorn Inn, Belmont Plantation House, as well as cabins, etc. See also **Agriculture and Farming** for information on farms and barns, **Historic Houses – Staunton** and **Mills**.

Historic Houses – Staunton

Contains information on historic homes in Staunton. These houses include the Stuart House, Selma, Oakdene, and more. See also **People - Collins, T.J** for his work.

Historic Houses – Virginia

Contains information about historic houses in the commonwealth. Some of the homes included are Monticello, Montpelier, and Mount Vernon.

History - African American

Contains information on the history of African Americans in Staunton and Augusta County, and the annual African-American Heritage Festival. Also includes articles on the Effie Ann Johnson Day Nursery. See also **Cemeteries – Fairview**, **Orphanage – Hayes Memorial Orphanage & Mrs. Queen E. Miller**, **Community – Booker T. Washington Community Center**, **People - Green, William W.**, **People – Davis, Ralph**

History – Augusta County Communities

Contains information on the history of communities in Augusta County, including Verona, Deerfield, Augusta Springs, Fishersville

History - Augusta County: 1700s

Augusta County was established in 1738 in honor of Augusta of Saxe-Gothe, mother of King George III. Due to sparse population, formal government was not enacted there until 1745. Contains information on the history of Augusta County from the creation of Beverly's Manor to the end of the 1700s. See also **Churches - Staunton - Episcopal – Trinity** about the meeting of the Virginia General Assembly there in 1781.

History - Augusta County: 1800s

Contains information on the history of Augusta County from 1800 through 1899. For information on Augusta County during the Civil War also see the history files on the Civil War.

History - Augusta County: 1900s

Contains information on the history of Augusta County from 1900 to present day. It includes World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and many other important events.

History - Civil War: Staunton & Augusta County

Contains information on Augusta County and Staunton during the Civil War, the 5th Virginia Infantry, part of the Stonewall Brigade. For information on the Valley Campaigns see the files titled Valley Campaign of 1862 and 1864, as well as the files on Civil War Battlefields. See also the files titled **People - Jackson, Thomas Jonathan (Stonewall), People - Hotchkiss, Jedediah, People - Mosby, John, and Stonewall Brigade Band.**

History - Civil War: Valley Campaign 1862

Contains information on Stonewall Jackson's famous Valley Campaign of 1862.

History - Civil War: Valley Campaign 1864

Contains information on the Union Campaign of 1864 to destroy the Shenandoah Valley and cease its production of war materials.

History - Civil War: Battlefields

Contains information on the battlefields of the Civil War. It includes many local battlefields as well as information on all the rest of the battlefields in the Commonwealth.

History – Great Valley/Wagon Road

History - Staunton: Newtown

History - Staunton: 1700s

Contains information on the history of Staunton from the creation of the original survey to the end of the 1700's. It includes information on how the town decided on its name and the creation of the first town government. Also see the government files for Staunton.

History - Staunton: 1800s

Contains information on the history of Staunton from 1800 through 1899. It includes information on local businesses, factories, and buildings of the times. It includes limited information on the Civil War. For information on Staunton during the Civil War see **History- Civil War**

History - Staunton: 1900 - 1949

Contains information on the history of Staunton from 1900 to 1949. It includes Staunton during World War I, The Great Depression, and World War II. See also **Military & Veterans** for WWII

History - Staunton: 1950 - 1999

Contains information on the history of Staunton from 1950 to 1999. This was a time of large growth for the town and the period which Staunton's revitalization of the downtown area occurred.

History - Staunton: 2000 -

Contains information on the history of Staunton from 2000 to present. It includes a lot of information on Y2K in Staunton and includes a look back at some of the major events that brought Staunton into the 21st Century.

History - Staunton Rifles

See **Military & Veterans**

History – Staunton: 250- year celebration

Contains information on the celebration of the City's 250th birthday. The celebration occurred in the summer of 1997.

History – Staunton: Woodrow Wilson Centennial

The Centennial took place in 1956

History – Virginia: 1600 - 1799

Contains information on Virginia from the settlement of Jamestown to the end of the 1700s. It covers the colonial period, revolutionary War, and the early years of the Commonwealth.

History – Virginia: 1800- 1899

Contains information on Virginia from 1800 through 1899. It covers the antebellum and post civil war periods in Virginia. For information on the Civil War see the History. Civil War files.

History – Virginia: 1900- present

Contains information on the Commonwealth from 1900 to present day. It covers World War I, the Great Depression, World War II and the time period of the Cold war. Also see History - World War II

History - Virginia –Flood of 1969

In the fall of 1969 Hurricane Camille brought the greatest natural disaster in the regions history. The flooding was the worst in Nelson County Virginia.

History. War in Iraq.

Contains information on the War in the Persian Gulf in 1990.

History - Waynesboro

Only very few items about Waynesboro are kept. Items about churches, historic houses, floods, etc. in Waynesboro may be kept in those files with Augusta County headings.

Hospitals - Augusta Health

Contains information on the medical facility in Fishersville. Augusta Medical Center was built in the early 1990s and was created when Kings Daughters Hospital in Staunton and Waynesboro Hospital merged. The file also contains some information on Augusta Hospital Cooperation and Augusta Health Foundation. See also **Hospitals - Kings Daughters**.

Hospitals – CCCA

The Commonwealth Center for Children & Adolescents is an acute care, mental health facility for youth under the age of 18 years operated by the state of Virginia. For its early history see **Hospitals – Dejarnette**.

Hospitals - Dejarnette

The DeJarnette Sanatorium opened in 1932 as a special pay unit of the Western State Hospital until 1946 when it separated from WSH. In 1975 the name was changed to The DeJarnette Center for Human Development and it was converted to a children's mental hospital run by the state. In 1996, a new complex was constructed, and in 2001 the Virginia Assembly renamed it the Commonwealth Center for Children and Adolescents due to Dr. DeJarnette's support of eugenics. The file also contains information on the old Dejarnette building and the attempts to preserve them. Virginia Memory and Claude Moore Health Sciences Library at UVA have good online articles about DeJarnette. See also **Hospitals – CCCA** and **Hospitals - Western State**

Hospitals - Kings Daughters

Contains information about the Hospital and its history. KDH was inspired by a train accident in Staunton in 1890. In April 1951 it moved to a new location on Augusta Street; there were many newspaper articles at the time. The hospital closed in the early 1990s when KDH and Waynesboro moved into the new Augusta Medical Center.

Hospitals - Western State

Contains information about the state mental hospital in Staunton, both the current site and the old location. Western State opened in 1828 at Staunton. Western State moved to a new facility in Staunton in the 1970s and the original Hospital is now a historic landmark. The property also served as the Staunton Correctional Center until 2002, and is now known as the “Villages at Staunton”. See also **Hospitals - Dejarnette**

Library - Staunton Public: 1876 - 1959

Deals with the history of the Staunton Public library from its days in the YMCA building to its time at Kalorama.

Library - Staunton Public: 1960 - 1969

Deals with the history of the Staunton Public Library from 1960 to 1969. The Library was still located at Kalorama and completed an addition.

Library - Staunton Public: 1970 - 1989

Contains information on the history of the Staunton Public Library while it was located at Kalorama from 1970 to 1989.

Library - Staunton Public: 1990 - 1999

Contains information about the history of the Staunton Public Library during the 1990s. During this time the library moved from Kalorama to the old Thomas Jefferson Elementary School at 1 Churchville Avenue.

Library - Staunton Public: 2000 -

Contains information about the history of the Staunton Public Library from 2000 to present.

Lincoln Family

The ancestors of Abraham Lincoln came from Rockingham County.

Maps – Staunton & Augusta County

Contains maps of Staunton and Augusta County. More are contained in the map cabinet.

Massanetta Springs

A resort that was a very popular place to stay during its heyday in the mid 1900s

Military & Veterans

Contains Avenue of Trees, Staunton Rifles, National Guard Armory, the 116th Virginia Infantry beginning with the origins of the regiment in the Revolutionary War to the present day, and veterans of all wars. See also files on cemeteries and **People - Howie, Thomas D., People - Green, William W.** Also see 11 scrapbooks “Citizens of Staunton and Augusta County in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, World War II” in the Rare Book collection.

Mills

Located in Augusta County mostly. Most if not all of the mills are closed today but many of them are historically registered properties.

Movies – Staunton Area

Contains information about movies that have been made in Staunton, among these movies are *Hearts in Atlantis* and *Gods and Generals*.

Museums - Frontier Culture Museum

Contains information about the Museum of American Frontier Culture. The Frontier Culture Museum was opened in the 1980s and shows the everyday life of the settlers who came to the Shenandoah Valley in the 1700s.

Native Americans

Contains information about Native Americans in Virginia, specifically here in Augusta County. Contains articles about local Indian burial grounds and villages.

Newspapers - Staunton News Leader

Contains information about the News Leader, Staunton’s only daily newspaper.

Newspapers – Staunton - Old

Contains information about the history of the newspapers that served Staunton. Also some facsimiles of early papers.

Nursery - Effie Ann Johnson Day Nursery

See History - African American

Orphanage – Hayes Memorial & Mrs. Queen E. Miller

The Hayes Memorial Orphan Home changed its name to the Hayes Memorial Industrial School and Orphan's Home on September 9, 1918. It suffered a devastating fire in 1955. Mrs. Queen E. Miller is buried in Fairview Cemetery.

Parks – National Forest

Jefferson and George Washington National Forest: Augusta Springs Wetlands

Parks - Shenandoah National Park

Contains information on Shenandoah National Park, the Blue Ridge Parkway and Skyline Drive.

Parks - Staunton

It mainly contains information about city parks, picnic areas, Betsy Bell and Mary Gray, and articles talking about more than one park. See also **Parks – Staunton: Gypsy Hill** and **Parks – Staunton: Montgomery Hall**.

Parks – Staunton: Gypsy Hill

Contains information about Gypsy Hill Park in Staunton, and Gypsy Express train.

Parks – Staunton: Montgomery Hall

Parks and Natural Attractions - Virginia

Information about state and other parks and other places including Grand Caverns, Natural Bridge, Natural Chimneys, and the Appalachian Trail.

People - Collins, Francis

Francis Collins was born in Staunton and is famous for his gene research and his writings. He is currently President of the Human Genome Research Institute.

People - Collins, T.J

Includes articles specifically about his buildings and houses.

People - Dewitt, Lew

Lew Dewitt was born in Waynesboro and was one of the founding members of the Statler Brothers. He was forced to retire from the group in 1982 because of illness.

People - Green, William W.

1st Lt. William W. Green was a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School in Staunton. In World War II Green was a famous fighter pilot.

People - Haines, William

William Haines was born in Staunton and eventually became an actor in Hollywood. Haines became an interior decorator later in life. At one point in his career during the early 1930s he was the most sought after actor in Hollywood.

People - Hotchkiss, Jedediah

Jed Hotchkiss was a businessman in Staunton. During the Civil War he was the chief cartographer for General Stonewall Jackson.

People - Howie, Thomas D.

Thomas D. Howie was an English teacher at Staunton Military Academy who became famous in World War II. Howie was commander of a battalion in the 116 Virginia Infantry (Stonewall Brigade). He was killed at the Battle of St Lo. See also **Military & Veterans**

People - Jackson, Thomas J. (Stonewall)

Stonewall Jackson was a professor of artillery and military tactics at the Virginia Military Institute before the Civil War. During the war Jackson became famous for his brilliant victories among the most famous is his Shenandoah Valley Campaign of 1862.

People - King, Fannie Bayly

Fannie Bayly King owned the house that became the first permanent home of the Staunton Public Library. Mrs. King's home, Kalorama was originally built by William Beverly in the late 1700s.

People - Lewis, John

John Lewis was the first known settler in Augusta County. He came to America from Ireland in the very early 1700s. Lewis built his home east of Staunton on what is now New Hope Road. See also the Family File in the Genealogy Room for descendants

People - Mosby, John S.

John Singleton Mosby was a colonel in the Confederate Army; he is nicknamed the gray ghost. Mosby's small force of Rangers wrecked havoc on union supply lines and raided union towns in Maryland and Pennsylvania.

People – Moses, Anna Mary B. (Grandma)

Grandma Moses is a famous artist who was discovered late in life and who lived in August County. Also includes information on her home "Mount Airy", near Verona.

People - Statler Brothers (3 files)

The Statler Brothers left Staunton and arrived in Nashville in 1964, they became regular cast members on Johnny Cash's TV show. The Statlers released multiple hit albums in the 1970s and 80s. The Statler Brothers retired in November of 2002.

People - Wilson, Woodrow

Woodrow Wilson was born in Staunton in 1856. He was elected President in 1914 and served as President through World War I. File here items about his life and visits to Staunton. See also **Woodrow Wilson: Birthplace & Celebrations** concerning events after his death.

*****Note about People – please use full last name on pages to make organization easier*****

People: A- B

Contains information about local Citizens who have last names that begin with A- B.

People: C

Contains information about local citizens who have last names that begin with C.

People: D- F

Contains information about local citizens who have last name that begin with D- F.

People: G- H

Contains information about local citizens who have last name that begin with G- H.

People: I- L

Contains information about local citizens who have last name that begin with I- L.

People: M- N

Contains information about local citizens who have last name that begin with M- N.

People: O- R

Contains information about local citizens who have last name that begin with O- R.

People: S

Contains information about local citizens who have last name that begin with S.

People: T- V

Contains information about local citizens who have last names that begin with T- V.

People: W- Z

Contains information about local citizens who have last name that begin with W- Z.

Performing Arts. Music.

Contains information about different musical events that have taken place in Staunton and musical groups that have performed in Staunton.

Performing Arts – ASC & Blackfriars Playhouse

Contains information about the American Shakespeare Center and Blackfriars Playhouse. Formerly known as Shenandoah Shakespeare.

Performing Arts - Theater

Contains information about different theater groups in Staunton and Augusta County including Oak Grove and Staunton Performing Arts Center. See separate files **Community – ShenanArts** and **Performing Arts – ASC & Blackfriars Playhouse.**

Police Department - Staunton

Contains information on the Staunton City Police Department. It traces from the Department's beginnings to the present.

Post offices. Staunton and Augusta County.

Contains information on the post offices of Staunton and Augusta County.

Prisons & Jails– Staunton and Augusta County

Contains information about local centers including Middle River Regional Jail, Augusta Correctional Center, Juvenile Detention Home. See also **Hospitals - Western State** for the use of that property as a correctional center.

Railroads

Contains information on railroads and stations in the Staunton area. It includes the Buckingham Branch, B & O, C & O, Virginia Central, Shenandoah Valley, Amtrak, and CSX Railroads; the Blue Ridge Tunnel, and other railroad bridges and tunnels.

Schools - Augusta County Public

Contains information of a historical nature about public schools in Augusta County.

Schools - Augusta Military Academy

Contains information on the Augusta Military Academy.

Schools - Blue Ridge Community College

Contains information on Blue Ridge Community College located in Weyers Cave VA. BRCC is part of the Virginia Community College System.

Schools - Mary Baldwin

Contains information on Mary Baldwin College located in Staunton, and its previous incarnations. It started as Augusta Female Seminary. See also **Schools – Staunton: Historic** for information about that era.

Schools – Other

Contains information on private and other schools in the Staunton, Waynesboro, and Augusta County area. Information is historical in nature. Look here for article mentioning multiple schools, Vo-Tech, the former Lee High building, Genesis, Dunsmore Business College, etc.

Schools – Staunton: Historic Academies, Institutes & Seminaries

Contains information about schools active in the 1800's that are no longer in existence. Included here are Staunton Academy, Augusta Female Seminary, Virginia Female Institute, Wesleyan Female Institute, Staunton Female Seminary, and others. SMA and AMA have their own folders. This does not contain information on public schools.

Schools - Staunton Public

Contains information on Staunton Public Schools, after 1970.

Schools - Staunton Public Historic

Contains information on public education in Staunton prior to 1970. See also **Booker T. Washington Community Center** for use of that building after it was a school.

Schools - Staunton Military Academy

Contains information on the Staunton Military Academy located on Coalter Street just north of Mary Baldwin College. SMA is closed now and Mary Baldwin owns the buildings.

Schools - Stuart Hall

Contains information about Stuart Hall School. It began as Virginia Female Institute. See also **Schools – Staunton: Historic** for information about that era.

Schools - Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind

Contains information about VSDB.

Sherando.

A community in Southeastern Augusta County. Sherando is east of Stuarts Draft and situated against the western slope of the Blue Ridge. There is a large recreational lake at Sherando.

Singers Glen.

Contains information about the Singers Glen Orchestra and the Singers Glen Cornet Band. It contains photographs that date back to the early 1900s.

Staunton Braves

The Staunton Braves are part of the Valley Baseball League. College baseball players come to the valley in the summer and play ball for 2 months. The Staunton Braves have won the Valley league pennant many times.

Stonewall Brigade Band

The oldest continuing musical organization in the country. The band traces its roots directly to the Augusta County's 5th Virginia infantry which served with distinction with the Stonewall Brigade in the Civil War.

Stonewall Jackson Hotel

Swannanoa

Contains information about the school at Swannanoa and the house. There are several pictures of Swannanoa.

Theaters - Movie

Contains information about the movie theaters in the Staunton area. It includes the Dixie, Visulite, New, Wayne, and others no longer in service.

Tourism – Staunton

Contains information on tourism in Staunton. It includes pamphlets on attractions as well as newspaper clippings.

Transportation

Contains information on roads and public transportation in Staunton and Augusta County. Includes the Rt 262 loop, Parkersburg Turnpike, streetcar and trolley service over the years. See also **Railroads** and **Airport - Shenandoah Valley Regional** for non-road transportation.

Trinity Point Project

Contains a booklet, which explains the Trinity Point Project.

Water [was Water Supply] – Staunton & Augusta County

Contains information about the water supply for the City of Staunton and Augusta County. Also includes Lewis Creek project and other stream and river programs. *Note: this might be better in Environment & Conservation?*

Weather

Includes things like hurricanes, tornados, floods, and blizzards. It does not include the flood of 1969, for information regarding that see **History - Virginia –Food of 1969**

Wildlife Center of Virginia

Woodrow Wilson: Birthplace, Library & Celebrations

Contains information about the Woodrow Wilson Birthplace and Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library which is located on the corner of Frederick and Coalter Streets on Staunton's historic Gospel Hill. Also contains information on local celebrations in honor of Woodrow Wilson. See **People - Wilson, Woodrow** for accounts of when he was alive.

Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center

Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center is located between Fishersville and Staunton. The Center aids in the rehabilitation of people who have been disabled by accident or disease. Includes articles about people that have been patients at the center as well as some of the staff at the Center.

Youth - Staunton.

Contains information about the youth of Staunton. It includes youth homes, youth organizations, and activities in which youth are involved.

Guidelines:

We usually don't cover local school sports, accidents, or minor crime as there is too much. Records of legislative votes can be found on government websites.