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CMC Looking for a “History Blitz” – Part of Carroll County History Week

Westminster, Maryland (August 24, 2009) – The Community Media Center is looking for memories of Carroll County for “History Blitz 2009” on Saturday, October 3 from 10 am to 2 pm at the CMC, located at 1301 Washington Road in Westminster.

The public is invited to share stories about life in Carroll County including farming, local government, historical events, schools, or the mystery of the old barn in their back yard. Oral histories become part of *Carroll County Remembers* and *Carroll County - Through the Eyes of the Black Experience*, a permanent archive of oral histories collected by the Carroll County History Project, available on the web at www.CarrollHistory.org.

From sharing history to preserving it, the “History Blitz” will cover how to do oral history interviews by Emmy-winning producer and CMC History Project organizer Leo Eaton. Also, throughout the day, staff from the Historical Society of Carroll County will be on hand to give suggestions for saving precious heirlooms.

“History Blitz” is free and open to the public. To schedule an interview or learn more about the Carroll County History Blitz go to www.CarrollHistory.org or call 410-386-4415. This event is part of **Carroll County History Week 2009** presented by the Carroll County History Project from September 28 through October 3, 2009.

Other **Carroll County History Week** events and activities will take place at Carroll County Public Library branches including:

- Displays of local history materials owned by the Carroll County Public Library
- Additional opportunities to share their memories of Carroll County for the oral history archive, *Carroll County Remembers* and *Carroll County: Through the Eyes of the Black Experience*
- Local author Lyndi McNulty will present two programs on her new book *Farming in Carroll County* followed by book signings on Tuesday, September 29 from 6:30 – 8 pm at the North Carroll Branch and Wednesday, September 30 from 6:30 – 8 pm at the Mt. Airy Branch.

Later in the month Jeff Korman, Manager of the Maryland Department at the Enoch Pratt Free Library, will make a presentation on genealogy resources and researching family trees. Join Jeff and members of the Carroll County Genealogical Society at the Eldersburg Library on Wednesday, October 28 from 7 – 9 pm. Additional information about the library’s events can be found at www.library.carr.org or by calling 410-386-4488.

About the Carroll County History Project

The Carroll County History Project was developed by the Community Media Center in partnership with the Carroll County Public Library, Carroll County NAACP, Human Relations Commission of Carroll County, Historical Society of Carroll County, and the Carroll County Genealogical Society. Its purpose is to document the history of Carroll County and preserve the memories of its residents through videotaped oral histories for future generations to use and enjoy.

About the Community Media Center

The Community Media Center of Carroll County provides access to local television programming and production training to local residents and nonprofits. For additional information, please visit www.cmcmd.tv.

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