

# The Laurel Historical Society's Educators' Newsletter

## February 2010

### Upcoming Events

February 11, 7pm

Looking at What Isn't  
There: The Sadler Photo-  
graphs, *Lecture*

March 6, 6pm

An Early 20th Century  
Night on the Town—  
Laurel Style, *Dinner and  
Theatre in Historic Laurel*

March 11, 7pm

Apart Before Death, *Lecture*

March 21, 1-4 pm

Spring Back In Time: Visit  
Our Community 100 Years  
Ago, *Kids Day at the Laurel  
Museum*

### For More Information:

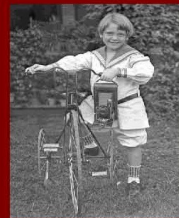
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## Grand Opening



### SNAPSHOTS IN TIME

#### OUR COMMUNITY IN 1910 AND 2010



This Sunday our new exhibit opens. The exhibit uses photos from the Museum's historic Sadler Collection taken in the early 1900s and contemporary photos to challenge visitors to examine how they define community.

The exhibit contains four interactive stations that will appeal to families, schools, scout groups, and more.

One station asks visitors to think about how they see themselves. Are you studious? Are you athletic? Are you both? Visitors are then encouraged to create a self-portrait at the station which displays important characteristics about themselves. The portraits can then be hung as part of the exhibit.



Throughout the exhibit is Diven, our children's guide to the Laurel Museum, to help children through the exhibit in a friendly way.

## A Black History Month History's Mysteries in Laurel

Have you ever heard of the Maryland Industrial and Agricultural School for Colored Youths?

Founded in 1902, it once trained black youths in carpentry, cookery, dressmaking, freehand and mechanical drawing, housekeeping, laundering,

and needlework, as well as English instruction.

It stood on 85 acres in Howard County Laurel, but most people in Laurel have never heard of it.

This history mystery was once a thriving school teaching black youth agricultural and industrial pursuits.

The Laurel Historical Society has solved some of the mystery and would like to share the story.

To hear more about this mystery and others, contact us. Your scout or school group can help us as we try to solve the mystery!