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A youngster tackles a tractor on Harvest Day.

## Cross Roads funding needs

Can you help with these urgent funding needs?

- ▶ **Exhibit Area** (with 14 large panels) \$15,000
- ▶ **Video and Sound Equipment** (for presentation room) \$2,500
- ▶ **Entrance Sign** (for CrossRoads) \$3,500
- ▶ **Painting** (of center's exterior) \$3,000
- ▶ **Furniture** (for offices and volunteer area) \$5,000
- ▶ **Video and Sound Equipment** (for bus groups) \$2,500
- ▶ **Utility Lines** (to Burkholder-Myers House) \$10,000
- ▶ **Paving** (lane and parking lot) \$30,000

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Alice Geiman, who ably chaired our Harvest Day planning committee, reported that 78 people volunteered their time that day and 37 individuals and businesses supplied tents or food or other items. CrossRoads enjoys an amazing network of support!

CrossRoads also enjoys the support of financial contributors. In addition to donors who are giving to our fall capital campaign, over 100 people signed up for our 2005-06 membership plan soon after we announced it this fall. Their membership dues totaled nearly \$20,000.

You can still become a member. See the response box on this page. Remember, a membership of \$100 or more entitles you to a special insert in this newsletter, called Legacy Alive. It is full of interesting historical information about Mennonites and Brethren in the Shenandoah Valley.



Steve Shenk, Executive Director

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*A Task Force headed by Kenneth J. Weaver is spearheading the restoration of Turner's Mill along Brenneman's Church Road. Earlier this year the Lantz Construction Company of Broadway, Va., installed braces to preserve the deteriorated south wall of the mill. Water from the overshoot wheel, especially during winter freeze and spring thaw, has eroded mortar from between the stones and bricks. A capital campaign now seeks funds to rebuild this sagging wall and restore the mill. Once operational again, the mill will illustrate for students, tourists, and valley residents a slice of the Valley's rich agricultural heritage.*

## 2005 lecture series ends

Nancy Bondurant Jones, author, writer, and storyteller, shared insights into the remarkable life of Roberta Webb during a lecture on August 27 at Sunrise Church of the Brethren in Harrisonburg. Working from taped interviews, Jones illustrated how Webb overcame barriers of race and culture to become an outstanding teacher, musician, and community caregiver. In a lecture on November 12 at Dayton Church of the Brethren, Sara Wenger Shenk, professor at Eastern Mennonite Seminary, discussed "Remembering Who We are from Generation to Generation"

*Yes, I want to support the CrossRoads Vision. Enclosed is my gift of*

\$25     \$100     \$250     \$1000     \$\_\_\_\_\_

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