

LANCASTER WOMAN WINS “ENCORE: THE FESTIVAL” TICKETS

Tickets still available for June 4 event

NEW HOLLAND, Pa. — May 14, 2011 — Garden Spot Village announces that Audrey Skilton, 58, of Lancaster, won two tickets to “Encore: The Festival”, a day-long celebration of vitality, which will feature presentations by best-selling author Dan Buettner and theologian Leonard Sweet, workshops, a food court, artisans and other vendors, as well as a variety of entertainers, including the Grammy® Award-winning gospel group The Blind Boys of Alabama.

Skilton won the tickets in a Fig® Giveaway promotion sponsored by Garden Spot Village and Fig®.

“I’ve never seen the Blind Boys, but I love their music. They were just on a PBS TV show about the music of the civil rights movement. I was excited to learn that they were coming here,” said Skilton. “I’m so excited to win the tickets. I finally get to see the Blind Boys. The rest of the festival sounds right up my alley, too, since I’m a Boomer.”

“Encore: The Festival” targets Baby Boomers and beyond, with content designed to inform and inspire. Keynote speaker Dan Buettner has traveled the world studying pockets of populations where people regularly live active lives past the age of 100. He will talk about his book, *The Blue Zone: Lessons for Living Longer From the People Who’ve Lived the Longest*, and share what he has learned about adding quantity and quality to life. Age-focused workshops will offer expert insight on topics ranging from low-impact exercise to exploring spirituality, from understanding technology to going green, to finding inner strength and giving back through volunteering. Attendees will hear from local experts on travel planning, managing finances, caring for aging parents and shaping your own legacy.

In addition to The Blind Boys of Alabama, musical guests will include blues guitarist Toby Walker, Christian jazz/fusion band Salt & Light, and Christian singer/songwriter Jerry Duncan and friends.

“Encore: The Festival is scheduled for Sat., June 4, from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. on the Garden Spot Village campus at 433 S. Kinzer Ave. here in New Holland. Tickets for the general public are \$43 per person in advance; \$49 per person the day of the event. Admission includes parking; all workshops, speakers and entertainment, including The Blind Boys of Alabama concert; and a tethered hot air balloon ride. Group discounts are available.

Events will take place rain or shine under the big-top on the community’s 104-acre campus. Shoppers can browse fine crafts along Artisan Alley, and restaurant-quality food will be available.

For more information and registration, visit www.EncoreTheFestival.org.

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