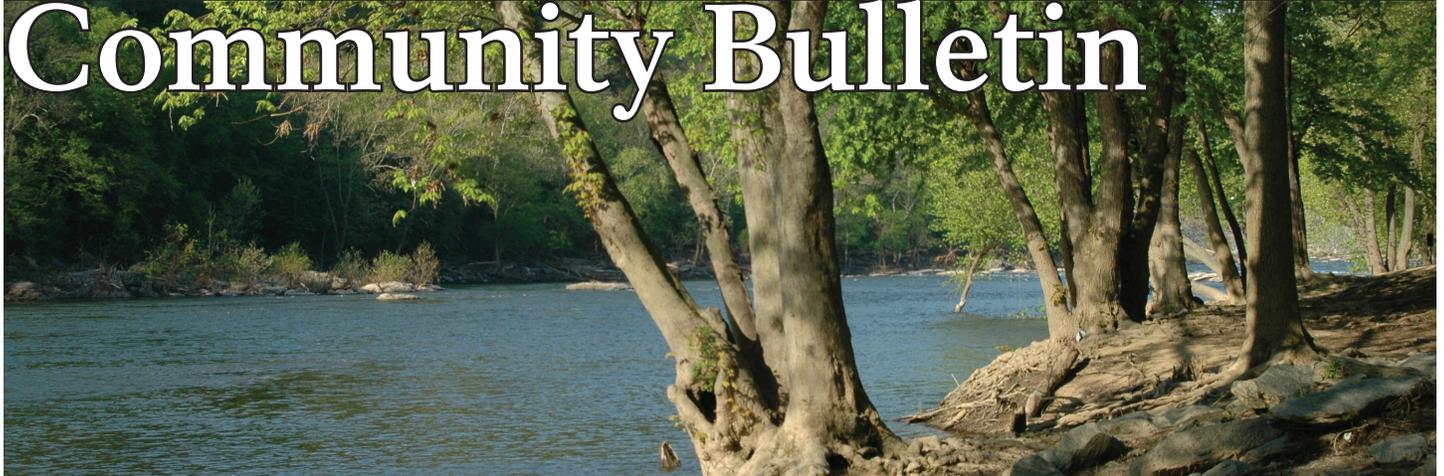




Community Bulletin



Volunteers Needed For River Cleanup

Join us on Saturday, April 14, from 9:00 a.m. to noon, rain or shine, to clean up the shoreline of the Potomac River. Harpers Ferry National Historical Park and River and Trail Outfitters, BTI Whitewater and River Riders staff have two Potomac River clean-up sites planned for this day. They are:

Potoma Wayside, across from the intersection of Hwy. 340 and Rte. 671. Please meet/park in the gravel lot upstream and across the highway, next to the gas station. Debris will be collected along the Potomac shoreline in a concentrated location. Debris will be hiked up a short, yet steep bank from the cleanup site.

Potomac Street Extended, meet in the train station parking lot. Debris will be collected along the shoreline of the Potomac River and carried to the edge of Potomac Street (extended). This portion of the cleanup includes a 2 mile hike along the shoreline to pick up debris.

It is recommended that all volunteers wear long pants and boots and be prepared to get dirty. Trash bags will be provided. Please bring work gloves and refillable water bottles for your drinking water.

This annual event, sponsored by the Alice Ferguson Foundation, is the

largest single watershed cleanup in the region and a unique cooperative effort of federal, state, county and city governments working with a variety of groups and concerned citizens.

Why have a watershed cleanup? Rivers are a symbol of the health of our community. What does it say about us when we allow trash to line the river shoreline and lodge in streambeds? Last year's haul included: tons of recyclables, plastic bags, over 80 tires, bicycles, shopping carts, metal and plastic barrels, TVs and refrigerators! How did most of this trash get there? As water washes down our sidewalks and streets and into storm drains, the runoff carries with it whatever is in its path. Storms then dump the water into nearby drains and tributaries, or directly into the river itself.

Join the fun and share the good feelings that come from doing your part to help clean the Potomac watershed and to protect the Chesapeake Bay. We all live downstream. Join us on April 14th. It's time to take out the trash!

For more information about the clean up at Harpers Ferry, contact Samantha_Zurbuch@nps.gov or 304-535-5017. For information the day of the event, call the park Information Center at 304-535-6029.

Upcoming Events

April 28-29

Bateaux on the Rivers: Highways of Trade 1812

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Lower Town

Join Virginia Canals and Navigation Society & Park Living History rangers for special exhibits, demonstrations, bateau and boatman camp and period music.

May 26 – 27

Stonewall Stopped: Jackson's 1862 Valley Campaign

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Lower Town

Learn about Gen. Rufus B. Saxton's successful defense of Harpers Ferry during Stonewall Jackson's Valley Campaign in 1862. Activities include: living history, ranger-led programs and family/youth activities.

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2012 Historic Trades and Music Academies

These workshops require pre-registration and payment with the Harpers Ferry Historical Association at www.harpersferryhistory.org or 304-535-6881. Email confirmations and any updates will be sent to participants prior to the workshop. For further information contact Living History Ranger Melinda Day at 304-535-6063 or melinda_day@nps.gov.

Title: "Apple Pie: As American as the Industrial Revolution"

Date: March 31st & April 1st

Time: 11-1 pm 1st class
2-4 pm 2nd class

Location: Roeder's German Confectionery Exhibit on High Street

Instructor: Susan Journell, Public Historian and Park Foodways Expert

Description: Learn how to bake the 1860 way. Enjoy a slice of hot fruit pie that you've made.

Workshop Fee: \$10.00 per adult covers instruction and baking ingredients. Children under 6 years of age free with attending registered adult.

Class Size: 10 attendees per class



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The history of Harpers Ferry has few parallels in the American drama. It is more than one event, one date, or one individual. It is multi-layered, involving a diverse number of people and events, decisions and actions that influenced the course of our nation's history. Visit Harpers Ferry and step into history.

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P.O. Box 65
Harpers Ferry, West Virginia 25425

Visitor Center
304-535-6029

Harpers Ferry Historical Association Bookshop
304-525-6881

Harpers Ferry NHP Home Page
www.nps.gov/hafe/

The National Park Service cares for the special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.

Title: "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread"

Date: April 28th & 29th

Time: 11-1 pm 1st class
2-4 pm 2nd class

Location: Lower Town Masonry Bee Hive Oven

Instructor: Susan Journell, Public Historian and Park Foodways Expert

Description: Learn to make bread the early 19th century way in the park's Bee Hive Oven.

Workshop Fee: \$10.00 per adult covers instruction and baking ingredients. Children under 6 years of age free with attending registered adult.

Class Size: 10 attendees per class

Title: "Tinware for the Masses: Bright, Shiny, Decorative"

Date: May 5 & 6

Time: 10-4 pm

Location: Lower Town Blacksmith Shop Exhibit

Instructor: William McMillen, Master Tinsmith

Description: Join master craftsman, William McMillen of Glenmont, New York, one of the country's premier tinsmiths, for this two day workshop. Make your own traditional tin ware with period methods & tools.

Workshop Fee: \$150.00 per person.

Deadline to apply is April 29th

Class Size: 8 attendees

Title: "Living Antiques! Heirloom Vegetable Seedlings & Seed Fair"

Date: May 12th & 13th

Time: Garden open 11 am to 4 pm

Location: Lower Town 1810 Paymaster Garden

Instructor: Carol Anderson, Heirloom Kitchen Garden Horticulturalist

Description: Annual seedling and seed sale sponsored by the Harpers Ferry Historical Association, partnering with Jefferson County High School and the Park's Living History Branch 1810 Paymaster Garden program.

19th century plants and seeds limited to 60 pre-paid, registered attendees!

Pre-register for plants and seeds to be picked up May 12th or 13th at the park's historic 1810 Paymaster Garden.

Workshop Fee: \$20.00 includes planting and organic gardening suggestions from our expert and period heirloom plants and seeds

Class Size: 60 attendees

Title: "The Art of the Forge: Blacksmithing in the 19th Century"

Date: June 9th & 10th

Time: 10-4 pm

Location: Lower Town Blacksmith Shop Exhibit

Instructor: Dan Tokar, Master Blacksmith

Description: Learn from a professional blacksmith the stock and trade of the early town's craftsmen. Observers welcomed!

Workshop fee: \$100.00 includes expert instruction, supplies and materials. Deadline to apply is June 1st.

Class Size: 6 attendees

Title: "Ices and Creamed Ice"

Date: June 30th & July 1st

Time: 11-1 pm 1st class
2-4 pm 2nd class

Location: Roeder's German Confectionery Exhibit on High Street

Instructor: Carol Anderson, Historic Foodways Expert

Description: Ice cream making and molding workshop at Roeder's Confectionery. Observers welcomed.

Workshop fee: \$5.00 per person, children under 6 years of age free with registered attending adult.

Class Size: 15 attendees per class

Title: "While Visions of Sugar Plums Danced in Their Heads"

Date: December 1 & 2

Time: 1st class 11-1pm
2nd class 2-4pm

Location: Roeder's German Confectionery Exhibit on High Street

Instructor: Carol Anderson, Historic Foodways and 19th Century Confections Expert

Description: Learn Confectioner's Yuletide trade and treats.

Workshop Fee: \$5.00 per person, children under 6 years of age free with registered attending adult.

Class Size: 10 attendees per class