

# Huntley Headlines

Friends of Historic Huntley

Summer/Fall 2013

## **Special Member Event**

Thursday, July 25 • Free 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. • Historic Huntley

Beat the summer sizzle by joining other FOHH members for the coolest members-only event ever! Partake of **light refreshments** as the sun takes its leave and unwind by enjoying the **spectacular view overlooking Hybla Valley**. There will be **games for children** and **Charlotte Brown, author of the just-published** *Groveton* will sign your book (available for purchase with a 10% member discount).

Bring your friends and have them join that evening! Membership information is available at www.historichuntley.org and at Huntley Meadows Park.

The house and grounds will be open to enjoy, but no formal tours will be given. **RSVP by July 22** to 703.768.2525, or by email to FOHHuntley@aol.com. ❖

## **HMP Manager's Letter**

Somany wonderful events and programs are taking place at Historic Huntley this summer! Camps, tours, family events, landscape/site care, national partnerships—it's both exciting and rewarding to see so many goals and projects coming to fruition. We're lucky to have the support of dedicated volunteers, interns, Friends board members, and visitors. Their energy and expertise support the park staff in bringing success to Historic Huntley, just one year after the grand opening!

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## Groveton Neighborhood Gathering & Book Signing

Saturday, September 21 • Free
4:00 to 6:00 p.m. • Historic Huntley
FOHH board member Charlotte
Brown, a local historian whose family
has lived in the area for generations,
is the author of *Groveton (Images*of America), recently published by
Arcadia Publishing. The book covers
Groveton's history and local family
genealogy from George Washington and
George Mason, through the Harrisons
and Amlongs, to the Beacon Field
Airport and beyond. Fascinating period
photographs include many of Historic
Huntley and its outbuildings.

Join us on September 21 to celebrate the publication, share your neighborhood memories, and enjoy light refreshments. Purchase a copy of the book and have it autographed by the author, who has gracously donated all royalties to FOHH. Members receive a 10% discount at the Huntley Meadows Park shop or an FOHH event. Consider arriving early to join the last house tour of the day at 1:30 p.m. (\$5/\$4/\$3). ❖

## Norma Hoffman Visitor's Center

The Huntley Meadows Park Visitor's Center is now the "Norma Hoffman Visitor's Center." This well-deserved recognition of Norma's many years of support was celebrated on May 5 during Wetlands Awareness Day with speeches, flowers, and many hugs and cheers. ❖

## Adopt-a-Highway

Saturday, September 28

9:30 a.m. • Huntley Meadows Park
FOHH participates in the Adopt-aHighway program for Harrison Lane
by periodically cleaning up trash along
the sides of the road. Friends of Huntley
Meadows Park (FOHMP) will clean
up Lockheed Boulevard the same day.
Meet in the HMP parking lot; wear
long pants and closed toed shoes. Bags
will be provided. To volunteer, call
703.768.2525. ❖

## **FOHH Annual Meeting**

Thursday, November 7

7:00 p.m. • Norma Hoffman Visitor's Center, Huntley Meadows Park

Members and guests are urged to attend the **Annual Meeting of the Friends of Historic Huntley**. There will be an election of the Board of Directors for 2013-2014 and a recap of the year's activities. ❖

## **Summer Intern**

For the third summer FOHH is sponsoring an intern. Lauren Bowdren is a second year master's degree student at George Mason University. She will be designing tours for students that tie the agricultural and familial history of Historic Huntley to the state's Standards of Learning (SOL) requirements. Drop by on Saturdays for her tours of Historic Huntley. We are delighted to have her with us and look forward to another rewarding summer intern project. ❖

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#### **Huntley-Related Web Sites**

www.historichuntley.org www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/histhunt/ www.friendsofhuntleymeadows.org

## Manager Letter continued ...

Help us build on that momentum by spreading the word about Saturday tours of Historic Huntley (10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon, 1:30 p.m.), telling every teacher you know about fall school programs, and directing people to FCPA and FOHH web sites for program information. Have a wonderful summer and fall, and please schedule at least one visit to Historic Huntley and Huntley Meadows Park. ❖

Kevin Munroe, Park Manager Huntley Meadows Park

## Camps, Badges, & Homeschooler Programs

Look out for expanded program offerings this year at Huntley Meadows Park and Historic Huntley. Geoffrey Cohrs, our historian, has created innovative experiences for children of all ages interested in learning about history and cultural resources. Each program helps diversify and enrich the Huntley experience. To register, go to:

### www.fairfax county.gov/parks/huntley-meadows-park/calendar.htm

#### **Summer Camps**

Tracks and Traces: ages 8-12, July 29-August 2, August 26-30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The Modern Historian: ages 15-18, August 12-16, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Dig It! Archeology Adventures: ages 12-14, July 15-19, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Badges: Archaeology Merit Badge: September 15, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Homeschoolers at Huntley:** Six-week program from September 24,2-3:30 p.m. ❖

## Join Friends of Historic Huntley today!

Support Historic Huntley by joining this group of history- and historic preservation-minded people. Members receive the newsletter, an invitation to a members-only event, and a 10% discount on FOHH merchandise. FOHH is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. Membership dues and contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. With your volunteer efforts and financial support, we can make a difference.

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City, State, Zip:		
	Family □ \$10 Student/Senior ip □ Additional donation	
☐ New Member ☐ Rend	ewing Member Total enclosed	
I'm interested in volunteering in the following area(s): HH (work with staff at HMP): □ Docent □ Greeter □ Research FOHH: □ Fundraising □ Program Planning □ Public Relations □ Special events		

**Send completed form with check payable to** *Friends of Historic Huntley* to: FOHH, P.O. Box 7241, Alexandria, VA 22307-0241

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