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Progressive Dinner on Diamond Hill for VSA members

A beautiful evening with good food and entertainment. They came ready for a pleasant evening to enjoy drinks and appetizers at Ray's Pulliam residence, wonderful dinner at the Briley's residence and delicious dessert at Marla's and Jeff's Potter home. And it was indeed a beautiful evening for the progressive dinner, as the photographs below indicate. Our thanks to Bill and Mary Kathryn McIntosh for working with us. Thanks also to all of our talented cooks who prepared the spectacular food for the event and to all our volunteers who helped us to make this special evening possible.







November Activities:

Point of Honor & Museum

November 11th—Veterans Day FREE

Jones Memorial Library

November 14th, 2012 History of the E.C. Glass Art Collection For more information call the library @ (434) 846-0501

LHF

December 1st Historic Miller Claytor House Story Time with Santa at 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Santa will arrive for the first reading at 1:00 p.m.; \$5.00 per child limited seating – Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by November 21st. For more information call the Foundation office at (434) 528-5353.

Poplar Forest

November 8 & 13 at 5:30 pm A rare glimpse inside the octagonal walls after dark. Learn how Jefferson and his family passed the time after the sun set. Museum Shop open until 7 p.m. for holiday shopping. \$20.00 Reservations required please call the Museum Shop at (434)534-8120 Tour admission includes matted print of Poplar Forest at night.

November 17 11:00 to 5:00 pm

Raise a glass with Mr.Jefferson, as we celebrate his passion for wine. Featuring Virginia winieries, artisans, local food vendors, and music. Ticket Prices are below and available for purchase here! \$20 advance \$25 at door Non-tasting, \$10 Ages 11 and under are free. All reservations are final. Reduce priced advanced tickets must be purchased before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 16. All tickets sold after 5:00 p.m. Friday will be \$25.

Old City Cemetery

December 1st - 9:30 a.m. Holiday Wreath-Making Workshop Make your own natural holiday wreath with greenery from the Cemetery grounds. All materials provided. Seating is limited. Pre-registration required.

Loose Leaf Collection

Loose leaf collection begins October 29 for all Wards. There is no charge for this service, and no phone call is necessary. Citizens are asked to rake leaves curbside but do not place in leaves in the street. Leaf piles should be free of sticks, rocks and pine cones. City crews will vacuum leaves as promptly as possible. Bagged leaves may be placed at curbside for pickup during regular trash collection; however, each bag must be tagged with a .95 cent trash tag.

For more information, contact Citizens First at 856-CITY (2489).

Imogene Sorrell Freeman

Imogene Sorrell Freeman, 90, of Lynchburg died Friday September 28, 2012, at Virginia Baptist Hospital. She was the widow of Ramon Pittman Freeman. Born October 8, 1921, she was the daughter of the late Roscoe C. and Sue Whitlock Sorrell. She was a member of First Baptist Church and was extremely active with Mended Hearts until she was no longer able. She was a retired long time employee of Miller & Rhodes.

She is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth McConnell and special son-in-law Fred McConnell; two grandchildren, Matthew McConnell and Katharine McConnell; two nieces Ann Hurt (Pete), Martha Sweeny (Sam) and a number of great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews.

A graveside funeral service was held at Spring Hill Cemetery by Dr. Tyler Scarlett.

Imogene Freeman was related to Alice Lee Tanner who lived with her husband Hunter Tanner at 501 Washington St. (The Lee House—circa 1897). After Hunter and Alice Lee died, Imogene inherited their house and lived there for quite a few years.

Our condolences to Mrs. Freeman family and friends.

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Meetings

Business meetings are usually held at 7:30 p.m. on first Tuesdays of each month except June, July and August. Owners of properties in the Diamond Hill Historic District and others interested in supporting historic preservation are welcome to attend.

Membership

Annual dues for Active Members are \$10.00 per person and the initiation fee is \$5.00 (first year). Active Membership is limited to adult members of households owning Diamond Hill property. Annual dues for Associate Members are \$10 per person (no initiation fee). All members receive this newsletter at no charge. Newsletter subscriptions for non-members are \$5.00 per year.

Publisher's Statement

The Diamond Hill Historical Society (DHHS) is a nonprofit historic preservation organization approved under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Its purpose is to preserve and encourage—through the fostering of education, research and restoration—the historical and architectural integrity of the Diamond Hill Historic District. DHHS was incorporated in the Commonwealth of Virginia February 22, 1979. Views expressed in the *Diamond Hill News* do not necessarily reflect the position of DHHS or its officers and directors.



Barbara Guthridge Wilder and Jane Simms owned and lived in the Jones House, 601 Pearl St., before they sold it to Katheryn & Hampton Brown.

On September 18, 2012, Barbara died after an eight year battle with breast cancer. Barbara was born on October 8, 1940 in Baltimore, MD and grew up in Towson, MD. She was the daughter of the late Donald and Edith Guthridge. She spent her summers between Ocean City, MD and the Eastern Shore with her grandparents, Edith and Edgar Brooks, where she became adept at catching crabs with a string, turkey neck and net. Growing up and graduating from Towson High School, she attended the University of Maryland and then began working at Johns Hopkins University. She moved to Lynchburg in 1968, and thought she had been dropped off at the end of the world. She vowed never to stay. She later completed her B.A. at Randolph Macon Woman's College and her M.Ed at Lynchburg College. She worked as a Human Resources Manager for fifteen years, respectively, at Progress Printing and Parker Hannifin. After the death of her son, Barbara returned to Lynchburg College for further graduate education in Mental Health Counseling and received her License in Professional Counseling in 2005. She worked in private practice for a short time before joining the Emergency Mental Health Department at Lynchburg General Hospital, where she has worked for the past eight years, as an LPC and Mental Health Consultant. She loved her job and the team with whom she worked. She loved animals and supported animal rights. She rescued several dogs and cats, some against her better judgment, however they have been the better part of her heart for many years. She leaves behind, Phoebe, a Yorkie mix, Snoopie, a fox hound mix, and Cotton, a Westie. A rescue dog or cat is forever loving and grateful.

Barbara leaves behind many wonderful friends, and wonderful times. She is known for her sense of humor and quick wit, love of life, and always being able to get up after she fell down. She was a true adventurer and survivor.

She was predeceased by her husband, Ronald Wilder and her son, Scott Andrew Martin. Her aunt and uncle, Mil an Ogle Hess, are still living in Wilmington, NC at the age of 91. Surviving relatives include her sister-in-law, Florence Wilder and two nieces, Stephanie Wilder Deasey and Jody Wilder Rook. Cousins, Carol Taylor and Bob Guthridge of Baltimore, MD, and Gail Marquet of Charleston, SC. She is also survived by a special friend, Jane Simms, who has shared the past twelve years with her. Her remains were placed in The Columbarium at the Old City Cemetery and a memorial service was held in its Chapel Monday, September 24, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Our heart felt condolences goes to Jane Simms, friends and relatives.



Vote on November 6th and proudly wear your "I Voted" sticker to the DHHS meeting that evening.



What exactly is historic preservation?

It's much more than saving old buildings! Historic preservation champions and protects places that tell the stories of our past.

It enhances our sense of community and brings us closer together: saving the places where we take our children to school, buy our groceries, and stop for coffee – preserving the stories of ancient cultures found in landmarks and landscapes we visit – protecting the memories of people, places, and events honored in our national monuments.

Historic preservation is also about getting involved in saving these monuments, land-scapes, and neighborhoods. It doesn't have to be complicated – it can be fun! For example, have you ever...

Taken a house museum tour? Shopped in local stores on a Main Street? Volunteered at a historic site or community

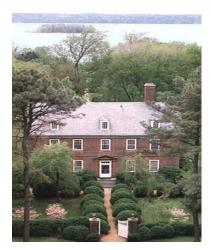
Stopped to appreciate great architecture? Detoured from the highway to follow the historic site markers?

If you have, then you've been part of preservation.

There are many ways you can get involved in historic preservation and save places that matter in your life. The important part is that you recognize the places that are meaningful to you, and to our nation's heritage, and that they deserve to be around for future generations. That's what preservation is all about.

Explore the National Trust for Historic Preservation and learn how you can help save America's historic places.

Together we are protecting America's heritage for future generations.



Virginia Thanksgiving Festival at Berkeley Plantation

Celebrate the 1619 landing of the original colonists at Berkeley Plantation. Join the site of the First Official Thanksgiving in America, for a day dedicated to history, food and fun with tours of the 1726 manor house, walks in the colorful autumn gardens and a formal living history program.

Venue: Berkeley Plantation

Address: 12602 Harrison Landing Road

Charles City, VA 23030 Region Hampton Roads Locality Charles City

Date(s)/Time: Sunday, November 04,

2012 (12:00 PM-4:00 PM) Phone: (804) 829-6018 Toll Free: (888) 466-6018

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On Main Street

♦ The 2012 Lights, Camera, Lynchburg!

Video competition is underway. Submit your best short videos for a chance to win a share of over \$4000 in cash awards. The deadline for entry is 5:00 pm Friday, November 16, 2012.

♦ Date Night

The Lynchburg Symphony Orchestra and James River Conference Center present "Date Night! With Strings Attached" on Friday, Nov. 2, at 7:00 p.m., at the James River Conference Center. This is a First Fridays event, so visit the galleries and afterward join us for "Date Night!" For more info, please call us at 434-845-6604 or visit our website at

www.lynchburgsymphony.com.

♦ Oktoberfest at Main Street Eatery

The Main Street Eatery and Catering Co. is hosting the 31st.th annual Oktoberfest starting on Monday, September 17th until Saturday, November 17th, 2012 with traditional German foods menu, beverages, and music. Regular dinner menu is also available.

♦ Pancake Jamboree

November 2, Lynchburg City Armory 6:00 am to 8:00 pm

Advance tickets \$7.00, \$8.00 at the door (25 tickets or more \$6.00 each). Includes coffee, milk or soft drink and sausage.

Nominating Committee

The committee has been formed and it is composed by Kat Becker, Nancy Zehmer and Josi Alvarenga. The slate of officers and directors will be voted on in the January Meeting.



November Meeting

Tue., Nov. 6th 7:30 pm.

at the

Langhorne-Beck House (C.1852)

305 Washington St

Hosts: Martha & Ray Stokes

