



Historic Staunton River Foundation

Thursday, August 27, 2015

Dear Foundation Members, Park Personnel, Patrons, Donors, & Friends,

On behalf of the Historic Staunton River Foundation, I would like to invite you to attend the Foundation's **Annual Meeting** on **Saturday, September 12** to be held in the **Roanoke Station Visitors Center** (Randolph on the Charlotte County side) promptly at **6:00 P.M.**

For several years now, the Foundation has been hosting an "annual meeting" for its members, donors, supporters, Park staff, and volunteers. All have proved to be quite successful and well received with a delicious meal, interesting speakers and lectures, door prizes, special recognitions, and reports of the life and sustainability of the Foundation and Park. As a loyal member, donor, supporter, or volunteer of the Foundation, please consider attending this event, and I welcome you to bring a friend or a guest, who are interested in the Foundation, Park, Staunton River, Mulberry Hill, Staunton River Bridge, Walking Trails, Wildlife, War Between the States, Native Americans, Archaeology, Genealogy, or History. There is so much to see, learn, smell, hear, touch, and love at our Park. We continue to build our membership and increase awareness of the Foundation's mission and goals!

Supper for the Annual Meeting will be available; however, in order to feed all those present (members, Park staff, friends, and guests), we are asking **any and all in attendance** to **bring a covered dish** (vegetable, casserole, salad, bread). As with tradition, the meats (ham and fried chicken), beverages, and all paper products will be furnished by the Foundation and its Board of Trustees.

Following the meal, Mr. **David Palmer**, a Virginian native with 37 years of public service and a professional reenactor of General Robert E. Lee for over 16 years, will provide a realistic and historically accurate reenactment of General Lee. His demonstration is first-class and he portrays General Lee with an incomparable first-person presentation. We look forward to this delightful presentation with our close friend and supporter of the Staunton River Battlefield State Park

At the conclusion of the presentation, several brief reports from the Board of Trustees and Park will be presented and nominations to the Board of Trustees will be made and approved by the Foundation's membership. The Board of Trustees will also present proposed amendments to the By-Laws of the Foundation and a copy of those proposed changes, which must be approved by you and other fellow Foundation members, are provided on the reserve of this letter. I hope you will make plans to attend our Annual Meeting, not only to enjoy good food and fellowship, but also to hear an extraordinary guest speaker, and become more conscious of the status of *your* Foundation and the Staunton River Battlefield State Park. If you have any questions, please email info@historicstauntonriverfoundation.org or phone 434.454.7157. Please remember to visit our website (www.historicstauntonriverfoundation.org), and I hope to see you at the Park!

Regards,

Janet E. Johnson
President



Changes to the Bylaws adopted by the Board of Trustees on July 2, 2015

BYLAWS

Historic Staunton River Foundation, Inc.

ARTICLE II, Scope and Purpose of Foundation

- A. The scope and purpose of the Foundation is to promote, develop, and preserve the following:
- a. 1. 1864 Battlefield at the Staunton River
 - b. 2. the Staunton River Bridge
 - c. 3. the Staunton River historical areas & environs
 - d. 4. ~~Roanoke Station~~ *Village of Randolph including Roanoke Station Depot and the 1922 Post Office & General Store*
 - e. 5. Mulberry Hill, the ancestral home of the Carrington family
 - f. 6. 44CH62, the Randy K. Wade Archeological Site and any future archeological discoveries in the area of the Staunton River
 - g. 7. the Sappony Indian Nation
 8. *the historical and political figures connected and related to Randolph, VA and to the Staunton River.*
- B. The Foundation shall collect artifacts and historical memorabilia for display and work to preserve the integrity of the Staunton River environs and archeological sites.
- C. The Foundation will provide historical, environmental, wildlife, and wetlands awareness, as well as assist in developing *historical* programs and events for the general public at the Staunton River Battlefield State Park.

ARTICLE IV, Board of Trustees

- I. ~~Seven~~ *Six* Trustees in attendance at properly designated board meetings shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V, Officers

- C. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Foundation, and preside at meetings of the Board of Trustees.
1. The President shall represent the Foundation at meetings and activities of other organizations or groups.
 2. The care and custody of legal documents and other valuable papers *pertaining to the organization of the Foundation* shall reside with ~~an officer~~ *the President*.
 3. *From within the Board of Trustees, the President has the authority to appoint a Chaplain and a Parliamentarian.*
 4. *The President can appoint a Genealogist and any other positions deemed necessary. Any persons appointed to these positions can be Trustees, Foundation members, or the public. Any person appointed by the President that is not a trustee has no voting privileges.*

ARTICLE VI, Real and Personal Properties

- A. *The Foundation's President shall develop and maintain a complete and accurate inventory of all artifacts, historical documents, letters, or memorabilia and property donated, collated or owned by the Foundation and shall present an updated inventory including location of items to the membership at the annual meeting.*
- B. *The Foundation shall endeavor to secure and preserve a permanent location for all property and documents mentioned in Item A.*
- C. *To access historical documents, permission from the President or Vice-President via written request would need to be granted.*

ARTICLE ~~VII~~ VII, Order for Meetings

ARTICLE ~~VIII~~ VIII, Amendments

ARTICLE ~~IX~~ IX, Restricted Activities

The Historic Staunton River Foundation, Inc. shall neither participate in nor intervene, directly or indirectly, in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office, ~~nor conduct direct lobbying in an attempt to influence legislation.~~ Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this Foundation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of the Foundation.

ARTICLE ~~X~~ X, Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of the Historic Staunton River Foundation, Inc., assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, for a public purpose *of a historical nature most closely related to the scope and purpose of the Foundation.*