FORT NEW SALEM FOUNDATION, INC.



Passionately Preserving Our Appalachian Legacy

February 2017 1st Quarter

RESHAPE THE FUTURE CAMPAIGN

Started in 2015, our "RESHAPE THE FUTURE" campaign continues this year. To date, we have:

- Relocated the Reynolds House to our campus
- Replaced the roof and conducted structural work on Old Admin Building
- Some electrical prep work
- Taken down, moved and framed up the Block House
- Framed up the Reynolds House

Next Up will be:

Interior finishing of the Block House

We are pleased to report we have posted over 50 donations so far. No donation is too little (or too large).

A FREUDIAN FUN(D)NY THANK YOU

Recently we were updating information on the fort and discovered we had posted a Freudian slip on social media. We were asking all to join us for FUN at an upcoming event but had typed a request to join us for FUND! It was corrected. However, as a non profit 501 C3, the truth is without the fund there is no fun! :-) We exist because of our guests, our supporters, our event sponsors, our individual and corporate donors, our partnering foundations, the granting agencies and our friends in city, county and state government. From the bottom of our heart, THANKS! In 2017, enjoy the fun.

OUR 2017 SCHEDULE

APRIL	22
MAY	13
JUNE	8 - 9
JULY	1, 8, 15, 22, 29
AUGUST	11 –13
OCTOBER	6 - 7
NOVEMBER	25 - 26
DECEMBER	2 - 3

John Randolph Spring Arts Kick Off Appalachian Country Roads Cook Off Hammer In – Workshop Weekend Myths of the Mountains Dulcimer Festival SPECIAL EVENT AT FORT Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains

(Line Up subject to change)

IN MEMORY

Being a living history museum, Fort New Salem preserves the past and educates the future. Our recent past has been impacted by a man and his family who are now indelibly linked to our history. On January 11th, a vehicular accident occurred that changed things. We were saddened to learn of the passing of Steve, Theresa, Paul and Abagail Coleman. Their tragedy prompts sorrow and deeper reflection.

We had the pleasure of working with Steve and his family on numerous projects at Fort New Salem. He was extremely helpful to us. We want to express how deeply we appreciated the support of the Coleman family. They regularly attended our events including our auction; sold items in our gift shop, offered fund raising ideas and provided technical expertise.

Steve's company, did many projects for us. He was a kind and generous man helping people behind the scenes. There was never a time we spoke when there was not a gleam in his eyes, a smile on his face and an idea in his words. He expressed such a positive persona. We are sorry that we only knew the family and specifically Steve for 4 years. At the same time, we were blessed to have known them.

I felt it appropriate to review some accomplishments attained through our partnership. Steve and his crew were the contractors on:

- Storage Shed: renovated the exterior
- Farm House: total renovation
- Jonathan Bee Cabin: new foundation & floor
- Old Admin Building: new roof and facia work
- <u>Block House</u>: took down, relocate and reconstruct (framed and under roof)
- Reynolds House: dismantled & relocated to Fort New Salem, reconstructed (framed and under roof)
- <u>Green Tree Tavern</u>: stabilizing (pending renovation)
 Perhaps, there are more but the above show clearly
 the impact. Our community and the world in general
 lost some GREAT people. Their work in the Salem
 community will be felt for years.

Dr. Joseph Audia Fort New Salem Foundation Chair

HELP BUILD THE FUTURE OF THE PAST

2016 saw major changes in reshaping our future. The Block House was dismantled, moved and reassembled. The Reynold House is now under roof. We added a gofundme account for the Reshape the Future campaign. We function with a dedicated volunteer board of directors, a growing volunteer network and the support of many. We aspire to preserve the heritage of our region and to maintain an experience for our guests that is wholesome, inspirational, educational and fun. We hope you like the direction we are going! We deeply appreciate our supporters and would not exist without their generosity. We invite you to:

[]	Join our volunteer network—Become a member of Friends of the Fort
[]	Make a one-time annual donation towards our general operation fund
[]	Donate to our "RESHAPE THE FUTURE" capital campaign
Name Address Phone Email Signature	è	Check all that apply or contact us for more information.
		(The Foundation is a 501 (C)(3) recognized corporation and contributions to it are tax deductible for qualifying taxpayers)





Those wanting to donate directly via paypal to the general fund or reshape campaign, call 304-695-2220. We also have a "gofundme" account specifically towards aspects of the "Reshape the Future" campaign. We hope you keep us at the top of your list when planning your 2017 donations!

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