

# FORT NEW SALEM FOUNDATION, INC.

Passionately preserving our Appalachian legacy

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4th Quarter



**Fort  
New  
Salem  
Foundation**

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## Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains

As the temperatures cool and the season of celebration approaches, Fort New Salem readies itself for our annual *Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains*.

Please join us as we journey back in time to Christmas in the Appalachian frontier of the mid-19th Century.

The festivities will get under way at 3pm each day. We will have food, music provided by area choirs including the Clarksburg Madrigals, gifts for sale, the Belsnickle for the children and a traditional tree lighting using candles.

Please make plans to visit us Saturday, December 12th and Sunday, December 13th. It's the *Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains* at Fort New Salem.

## Grand Opening— Blacksmith Shop

On Saturday, December 12, we will cut the ribbon and fire up the forge for our the grand opening of our newly renovated Blacksmith Shop at 2 PM. This building features a completely new brick floor and forge and has been expanded to over twice the original size. The project would have never been accomplished without the massive number of volunteers including groups such as Upward Bound of Salem International University, the WV Department of Corrections, Miracle Meadows and Energy Express and the financial support of the State of West Virginia, Dominion Resources and Energy Express.



### Quick Facts

- *Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains*
- Saturday, December 12th  
Sunday, December 13th
- 3—6 PM
- General Admission \$3  
Under 12 is free
- Vendors
- Tours, music, food, tree lighting and more
- Fun for the entire family

## Thank You

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST QUARTER



### **THANKS VOLUNTEERS!**

**We made the call. Our volunteers answer it!**

**In the past quarter we have had over 100 volunteers participate in our work days and activities! Contact us if you individually or your company want to be involved in our volunteer network.**



### **THANKS APO!**

**We thank the Alpha Phi Omega fraternity from Salem International University for selecting us as a project for their volunteerism! When we needed help preparing our grounds for the Christmas season, APO partnered with us.**



### **THANKS AREA MEDIA !**

**We have been blessed by continued media coverage of our projects. During this quarter, we have been on WBOY-TV 12 news, WDTV Channel 5 News and the Morning Edition on talk radio WAJR-FM 103.3 as well as featured in the Clarksburg Exponent-Telegram.**

### **Meadowbrook Mall**

### **THANKS MEADOWBROOK MALL & THE MAGICAL EVENING TO GIVE!**

**We just concluded our most successful participation in the Magical Evening to Give EVER! We thank Meadowbrook Mall for the opportunity to participate in this event and all those supporters who bought tickets from us!**

## From the Chair....

In December, we will mark our fourth anniversary of ownership of Fort New Salem. We have come so far but have a long road ahead of us.

Like any organization, things change. In 2009, we have expanded our board of directors to twelve members.

We welcome Bobby Samples and Tim Brady to our board as our newest members. You can find

more about them, as well as all our directors on our web site.

As increasing attention focuses on the economy, we certainly understand the cautiousness which donors look at making a contribution.

We deeply appreciate the support we have received and aspire to **maximize our projects while being frugal** with our expenses.

We hope you like the progress we are making.

We thank all who donated materials, services, money, labor and time. Without you, we would not be where we are today.

However, we need your support now more than ever as the magnitude of our projects increase in scope and importance.

Our board has worked diligently over the past 3 months accessing where we are, what needs done and how to get there. The result is a 5 year comprehensive plan.

We will divulge more about the plan in our next newsletter.

The details are huge and exciting!

Dr. Joseph Audia  
Chairperson  
Fort New Salem Foundation

## We Now &

Information about Fort New Salem is now available on twitter.com. Our address is [www.twitter.com/fortnewsalem](http://www.twitter.com/fortnewsalem).

Twitter is a service that enables us to send messages in real time to individuals who want the lat-

est information on events, volunteer opportunities and activities at Fort New Salem.

If you already twitter, please sign on to follow us. Others may sign on for a free twitter account at [twitter.com](http://twitter.com)

We are excited to share news about volunteer work days, special events and generally share our announcements and progress with you through twitter.

Additionally we also have a group on facebook.



Side view of new Blacksmith Shop

## How You Can Help

In the current economy, experts point toward the personal rewards of volunteerism. We hope you keep us at the top of your list when planning your time and donations for 2010 and invite you to:

- Join our volunteer network
- Partner your business to do a special work day
- Have your family, church, group or business adopt a cabin
- Make a one-time annual donation (all amounts are welcomed)



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