

FORT NEW SALEM FOUNDATION, INC.

Passionately preserving our Appalachian legacy

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Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains—Expanded

The air is getting a little nippy which tells us the season of celebration is approaching. This year as Fort New Salem readies itself for our annual *Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains* due to increasing popularity, we have expanded the event to two weekends!

Please join us for a journey back in time to Christmas in the Appalachian frontier of the mid-19th Century with festivities getting 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 each day at dusk.

- Saturday, December 4th
- Sunday, December 5th
- Saturday, December 11th
- Sunday, December 12th



We will be drawing for a limited edition print of “Close Call” by West Virginia artist Glenn Barnes on our final night.

It’s the *Spirit of Christmas in the Mountains* at Fort New Salem! We hope you will join us!

Three Grand Openings Planned

During Spirit of Christmas, we will proudly dedicate the reopening of three more cabins! These will be on Sunday, December 5 at 4 PM.



Interior of the Weaving Room

We are excited to announce that work on the “Weaving Room” is complete. Of note, we replaced the mantle and chimney which were taken off the building many years ago. Check out our new lighting that was hand made in Fairmont, WV. A new fence has been placed around the adjacent garden and the Harrison County Master Gardeners are planting a period correct floral garden to be ready for spring 2011. The “Weaving Room” will serve as our temporary gift shop and welcome center. The rehabilitation of this structure was underwritten by **Mutschelknaus Oil & Gas**.

Our second cabin to be dedicated is the “Apothecary.” This structure was restored via a grant from **Enterprise Foundation**. It features a rebuilt chimney, a new foundation along with a new deck on the back door.

Our final grand opening is the “Tin Smith Shop”. The work on this structure was completed with the support in funding and labor by the **West Union Bank**. It has a freshly completed deck with roof.



A West Union Bank Volunteer at Tin Smith Shop

Grants and Special Sponsors

Allegheny Design Services — Design Services

Enterprise Corporation — Apothecary Sponsorship

Dominion — Continuing Support

Glaspel Lumber — Materials

Hall Drilling, LLC — McIntrye's Cabin Sponsorship

Hartland Planing Mill — Materials

Harrison County Commission — Grant Administration

Harrison County Master Gardeners— Garden Work

Jefferds Corporation — Equipment

Meadowbrook Mall — Continuing Support

Mutschelknaus Oil & Gas — Weaving Room Sponsorship

Provisions Business Communications — Technical Writing

R. Mark Kiger, CPA — Glenn Barnes "Close Call" Print

The Home Depot — Materials

West Virginia Community Partnership Fund — Continuing Support

West Virginia Division of Culture & History — Continuing Support

West Virginia Legislature — Continuing Support

West Union Bank — Tin Smith Shop Sponsorship



Local Clarksburg Enterprise representatives John Romano and Kelley. J .Thorne present check to Chairman Audia.



Magical Night To Give Fund raising event at Meadowbrook Mall



Our Float in the 2010 Apple Butter Parade

Additional State Grant Awarded

We are pleased to announce that we have been awarded an additional grant from the State of West Virginia's Community Partnership Fund. This fund is being used to assist on the upgrade of our gas and electric service to our campus.

We thank the West Virginia Legislature and County Commission for their continued support of Fort New Salem!

From the Chair....

At a recent board meeting, I sprang the news on the board that we envision a day in the not so distant future that we will not need massive volunteer work days. Realistically that was not this year or 2011 but coming soon.

As we accomplish the multitude of things our volunteers have done, we segue into a future when our volunteer network will focus on assisting with mowing and being a part of specific events.

While that new role will certainly be different that what has been done over the

past 4 years, it will still be critical.

To bring this to a point, the scope of our projects are now big. Our speed to accomplish them will be as quick as our fund raising is successful.

We are at an important point in our facilities development. We plan on hosting more special events than we ever have. We enter a critical fund raising phase as our projects increase in scope.

We prepared a DVD which can be presented to interested groups. We unveiled it to the Harrison County

Development Authority and subsequently showed it to the Salem High Class Reunion when they toured our campus, the Doddridge County CEOS and the Doddridge County Lions Club. If your organization is interested in learning more about us, we can arrange a presentation.

We are targeting 2011 as the year that we open the facility even more. As such we need your continued support.

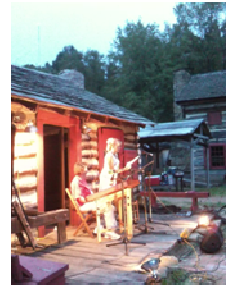
Dr. Joseph Audia
Chairperson

Fort New Salem Foundation

Dulcimer Back on Grounds

After being hosted off site due to campus renovations, we were pleased to host the 20th Annual Dulcimer Festival in August.

We thank Festival Director Linda Sigismondi for her continued leadership in keeping this event vibrant. She celebrated her 20th year with this event!



"The Grumblin' Bed" an original song presented in tribute to Linda Sigismondi

Mark your calendar for our 21st edition to be held August 12-14, 2011

Looking Good

At a volunteer day, representatives of the media were amazed how much work has been accomplished this year in spite of the long and rough winter weather we all faced. While we were complimented, we also took a hard look at our grounds. Call us a building site, a construction zone or a work in progress, regardless we were less than pleasing to the eye. As such we commissioned work to remove our old split rail fencing and replaced it with a stacked split rail that provides an attractive barrier between the parking lot and our main campus. Additionally, we built a temporary fence around the area we use to store work materials. When you next visit, I am sure you will agree it has a major impact on our appearance.



Our new canopy in use at the Salem Apple Butter festival

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)
- Join the NEW 200 Club - I recognize the need to preserve Fort New Salem and its programs, I agree to join the "200 Club" by donating to Fort New Salem Foundation, Inc. a minimum of \$500 per year for each of the next three years - pledge form available on our web site.



Check all that apply or contact us for more information.

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