



# Community Bulletin



Teachers and students flock to the park in the spring.

## Summer Teacher Institutes: Learning is Fun!

This summer teachers can register for two Educational Institutes at the park --John Brown: the Road to Harpers Ferry will be June 23-27 and Bridging the Watershed runs from July 7-11.

**John Brown: the Road to Harpers Ferry** - This one-week workshop, June 23 - 27, 2008, guides 4th -12th grade teachers through John Brown's Raid. Who was involved and what really happened? This institute will prepare teachers to use historic documents, images, and new technologies to enhance their teaching and to inspire students with the stories that make history come alive in the classroom and beyond.

This summer institute is limited to twenty-five participants and includes:  
-books and other teaching resource materials  
-field trips to sites in Harpers Ferry NHP and the surrounding area  
-an opportunity for three hours of graduate credit from Shepherd University at a cost of \$105.

There is no charge for the institute however, teachers are responsible for their own lodging, meals, and travel. Information about local lodging is available.

For applications and detailed information on institute programs, visit the

Harpers Ferry Historical Association web site at [www.harpersferryhistory.org](http://www.harpersferryhistory.org). Select "Education Programs" and then select "Learn more" at "Teacher Institute." Questions? Contact Catherine Bragaw, Education Coordinator, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, P.O. Box 65, Harpers Ferry, WV 25425, or [Catherine\\_Bragaw@nps.gov](mailto:Catherine_Bragaw@nps.gov) Applications must be received by Friday, May 2.

Teachers will be notified of their acceptance prior to the workshop. Teachers of grades 4-12 and from all disciplines are welcome to attend.

**Bridging the Watershed** offers a 2008 summer institute at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park and Monocacy National Battlefield Park on July 7 - 11, 2008 for high school environmental science, Earth science, chemistry, biology, integrated physics teachers, National Park Service rangers and volunteers in parks.

Bridging the Watershed (BTW) is an outreach program of the Alice Ferguson Foundation, in partnership with the National Park Service and area schools, whose purpose is to provide personally meaningful, educational experiences that connect students to their place in the natural and cultural world.

During this five-day institute, participants will learn BTW curricula and strategies to implement hands-on activities in the classroom, engage in field studies in national parks, keep a field journaling notebook, and complete a project due at the end of the institute.

Teachers receive a stipend for full participation in the five-day institute plus a follow-up field study with high school students in a national park during September, October, or November 2008. Stipends will be issued in December 2008. This training also qualifies teachers for three graduate credits available from West Virginia University at a cost of \$130. Credit will be issued at end of Fall 2008 semester.

Applications for this training opportunity are available on line at <http://www.fergusonfoundation.org/btw/training.html>. Applicants must pay a \$50 registration fee for the institute.

For further information please contact Jeanne Troy at 301-297-8757 or by email at [jtroy@fergusonfoundation.org](mailto:jtroy@fergusonfoundation.org). Applications must be received by June 1, 2008.

# A Look Ahead: Programs in the Park

## APRIL

### April 19 Workshop from 10 to 4 pm How Does Your Garden Grow?

What are kitchen gardens & heirloom vegetables and how do they differ from today's gardens? Join Master Gardener Carol Anderson for a workshop discussion, hands-on raised beds demonstration, and examination of 19th century garden tools and heirloom garden plants. Fee: \$20.00 per person for instruction, heirloom plants & potting soil. Class is limited to 20. To register call the living history offices at 304-535-6063.

## MAY

**May 3 The Eyes of the Army: The Cavalry Factor** Living History volunteers will demonstrate cavalry riding, weapons firing, sabre drill, and bugling.

**May 17 How Does Your Garden Grow?** What are kitchen gardens & heirloom vegetables and how do they

differ from today's gardens? Join Master Gardener Carol Anderson for a hands-on demonstration and examination of 19th century garden tools and heirloom garden plants at the park's Armory Paymaster Garden.

**May 24-25 Defend and Protect: Arming the American Soldier** Special exhibits and programs highlight the Harpers Ferry Armory, technology, invention and how soldiers used these weapons for national defense and exploration.

## JUNE

**June 7 National Trails Day** Join Harpers Ferry Park and partners for our annual National Trails Day events, America's largest annual single-day trails and outdoor celebration.

**June 14-15 Under Fire: The Battle of Harpers Ferry 1862** Artillery demonstration and program on General Stonewall Jackson's capture of the 12,500-man Union garrison. Visitors are invited to witness the power of artillery that sealed the fate of the federal soldiers. Programs at 12, 2 and 3 pm. Bolivar Heights Battlefield.

**June 21 U. S. Navy Band "Country Current"** will perform on the grounds of Mather Training Center (former Storer campus) on Camp Hill from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Free of charge.

**June 21-22 Workshop from 10 to 4 pm The Art of the Forge: Blacksmithing in the 19th Century** Learn the stock and trade of the early town's craftsmen who took great pride in leaving their mark in the town's industrial history story. Instructor: Professional Blacksmith, David Dufficy. Workshop registration is limited to 6 students. Cost of \$100 covers instruction, coal, and metal. To register, contact the living history offices at 304-535-6063.

**June 28, 2008 - 6:00 p.m.**

**The Seventh Annual Don Redman Heritage Awards & Concert** with Jimmy Cobb, Jymie Merritt & the Howard Burns Quartet on the grounds of Mather Training Center.

**June 28-29 Workshop from 10-4 pm History 3-D: Harpers Ferry in Depth** Join instructors to make your own Civil War era wooden stereopticon 3-D viewer. Workshop registration is limited to 15 students. Cost is \$35.00 per stereopticon kit. Children under 16 must be with a registered parent. Cost covers instruction and stereo viewer and photos. To register, call the living history offices at 304-535-6063.

## JULY

**July 5 America's Picnic: Celebrating The Glorious Fourth** A special living history program on how the 4th was celebrated in America. Experience the patriotic passion of a traditional hometown band concert with the Wildcat Regiment Band.

**Workshop from 2-4 pm**

**July 6 Ices, Creamed Ice, and Custards** Ice Cream Making and Molding Workshop at Roeder's Confectionery. Observers welcomed. Call the living history offices at 304-535-6063 to register. Workshop limited to 20 people: 16 yrs or older \$5.00. Under 16 free with paying adults.

**July 12 Supplied for Survival: Meriwether Lewis at Harpers Ferry** Visitors are invited to follow in the footsteps of Lewis as he prepared for his transcontinental expedition. Enjoy special exhibits and tours, family and youth activities.

**July 12-13 Giving Aid and Comfort: Medical and Relief Work during the Civil War** Living history volunteers, the Frederick Ladies Relief Society, portray the medical and relief efforts that provided aid and comfort to the soldiers fighting during the Civil War.



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The history of Harpers Ferry has few parallels in the American drama. It is more than one event, one date, or one individual. It is multi-layered, involving a diverse number of people and events, decisions and actions that influenced the course of our nation's history. Visit Harpers Ferry and step into history.

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Harpers Ferry NHP Home Page  
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