



Community Bulletin



Student Conservation Association Crews Assist Park

Three crews from the Student Conservation Association (SCA) will be working in the park this summer. The first crew arrived on June 14 and will be in the park until July 13, they will install 1.2 miles of new trail on School House Ridge South, place five new steel interpretive signs on School House Ridge North, and if time allows, they'll install 600 feet of worm fence on School House Ridge North along Bakerton Road.

The second crew will be in the park July 5 to July 27 and the third group from July 26 to August 25. These crews will focus their efforts on the upper armory preparing for future archeology.

These students are 15 to 18 year old high school students from across the country who sign on for 30 days labor to improve our environment and pre-

serve state, county and federal lands. They receive credit towards volunteer hours to enter college and expenses paid by the SCA regional office in Washington, D.C. We are very fortunate to have three crews this summer working to improve the National Park in Harpers Ferry, WV. For further information on the SCA call 603-543-1700 or log onto the SCA website at <http://www.thesca.org/>



SCA Crew One

Front Row: Jeff Goodman, Colorado

Middle Row (L to R): Lisa Picconi, Crew Leader; Brigid Rau, Wisconsin; David Pankhurst, Texas; Katie Racette, New York; Sarah Piper, Florida; Rachel Batman, Illinois; Greg Catron, Virginia; Steven Diesburg, Crew Leader.

Back Row: Mark Salza, Florida.

Park Buildings and Walkway Get a Facelift

The heat and humidity of summer and extreme temperature changes of winter are hard on us all. Park buildings and walkways are no exception, so this spring and summer they are getting a facelift. As part of a cyclic maintenance schedule, areas of the park are slated for rehab and repair.

This spring and summer the porch on the John Brown museum is receiving new deck boards, while the railing, windows, doors and shutters are secured and repainted. This project



falls in the capable hands of park wood workers and painters who receive assistance from the WVCCC crew. We commend John Hammond, Marty Barger, Larry Moore, Greg Deffenbaugh and Tom Spence for their eye for detail and excellent work.

The walkways beside the Industrial exhibit and to the rear of the Lower Town Information Center have been and are being paved with brick pavers to improve handicapped accessibility and to match historic materials and sidewalk patterns on Shenandoah Street. Bill Bonsall and Chuck Manero, park masons, are completing this intricate work. Their efforts make handicapped accessibility easier for many of our visitors. Keep an eye out for their beautiful craftsmanship and thank them for a job well done.



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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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July Events

July 7-8 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 14-15 Giving Aid and Comfort: Medical and Relief Work during the Civil War Living history volunteers Frederick Ladies and 20th Maine portray the medical and relief efforts that provided aid and comfort to the soldiers fighting during the Civil War.

July 14 White Lye. . . Soap!: The Truth about Lye Soap Join the laundresses and make your own soap at Mrs. Stipes Boarding House. Workshop registration is limited to 10. Fee: \$5.00 per person covers materials and

instruction. Observers welcomed. Call the living history offices at 304-535-6063 to register. Pre-registration ends July 13.

July 21 Under Fire: The Battle of Harpers Ferry 1862 An artillery demonstration and program on General Stonewall Jackson's capture of the 12,500-man Union garrison. Programs at 12 and 2 pm.

July 28 1:00 p.m. This Scene is Worth a Voyage Across the Atlantic with Bill Barker as Thomas Jefferson (Lower Town)
3:00 p.m. The Object of Your Mission: Thomas Jefferson and the Lewis and Clark Expedition with Bill Barker as Thomas Jefferson (Lower Town)