



Homestead Highlights

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A Day of Remembrance



To commemorate the events of April 16, 2007 in a partnership that encourages students, teachers, parents and the community to honor the memories of those whose lives were tragically lost on that day, the Reynolds Homestead asks all to show support for the university community to which we belong by contributing to the Patrick County Food Bank, an organization that uplifts life and community in support of those who might need a helping hand.

During their March 13, 2008 meeting, the Patrick County School Board adopted a resolution recognizing that April 16th be designated as a Day of Remembrance for the victims of the tragedy at Virginia Tech.

On Wednesday, April 16, 2008 students, staff, parents, and community members will be asked to make a donation of a non-perishable food item to the Patrick County Food Bank in

support of the Virginia Tech community and in honor of those families whose lives were tragically altered by the events of one year ago. Monetary donations are also welcome. In addition, we encourage each person to wear a symbol of Hokie pride: a t-shirt, ribbon or the color maroon or orange on that day.

The Patrick County Public Schools, the Reynolds Homestead, and the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service will partner together to promote, collect and distribute donations to the Patrick County Food Bank.

With the assistance of service clubs and other volunteers, each school will collect items and money for the food bank on April 16, 2008.

Community contributions may be made anytime between now and April 16th to one of the collection sites in the county: the Reynolds Homestead, the Patrick County Chamber of Commerce, Cash to Payday and Fun Facts Radio, Patrick Henry Community College, and WHEO radio station.

Monetary donations from the community may be mailed directly to the food bank c/o Becky Kipreos, Patrick County Community Food Bank, PO Box 912, Stuart, Virginia 24171. The Reynolds Homestead will also accept monetary donations for the food bank.

The food bank is committed to eliminating

In Memory.....



Pat Seawell, our dear friend and patron, passed away after a short illness on March 21. We all will miss her art, her humor, and her kind and generous heart.

hunger in our county. Please help us commemorate April 16 by helping those in need in our own community.

A Word from Our New Director



Kay Dunkley

Dear Friends of the Homestead,

It is an honor for me to be chosen as the new director of the Reynolds Homestead and to become a resident of Patrick County. The staff and I are passionate about preserving the history of the Reynolds Family, as well as providing life-long learning educational and cultural opportunities for the region. Building and expanding

partnerships is vital to our success and we are positive in making this commitment.

In step with the university's mission of learning, discovery, and engagement, we honor and celebrate you-our "community of friends" who give us ideas and suggestions on programs and services. We extend the entrepreneurial spirit of the Reynolds Family and stand

ready to listen and learn from our supporters.

Come by and visit anytime or feel free to contact me at kdunkley@vt.edu so that we can explore, research, and grow together!

Sincerely,

Kay Dunkley



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5 Quilters Exchange 2:00
6	7 Super Monday 9:00 Photo Club 6:30	8 AARP 9:00	9 AARP 9:00 Postcard Club 6:30	10	11	12
13	14 Fitness Group 6:30 Sterling Edwards Class	15 Great Books 6:30	16 VT Day of Remembrance	17 Dinner & Movie Night 6:15	18	19
20	21 Decorative Painters 9:30 am	22	23	24 Stained Glass	25 Stained Glass	26 Stained Glass
27 Stained Glass	28	29	30			

Art Is the Word For April

World-renowned watercolor artist Sterling Edwards returns to the Homestead this month to teach "Beginning Watercolor" for artists of all skill levels on April 14-18.

The five-day workshop will begin each morning with a complete demonstration of watercolor painting, followed by an afternoon of participant painting. A wide variety of subjects and painting styles will be discussed and demonstrated.

The fee for the weeklong course is \$250, which includes 140# paper for use in class. Lunch is available for an additional \$8 each day. Advance registration is required.

The class will meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day in the lower level of the Continuing Education Center. Call to register.

Emily Booth, glass artist and owner of Glass Acts Studio in Galax will be conducting

beginner and intermediate stained glass classes April 24-27.

For those who have taken stained glass classes in the past, two intermediate workshops will be offered. Each workshop is \$50 and will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Four beginner stained glass classes will be offered from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., and a different project will be completed during each session. Each session is \$30 with a \$10 material fee. Call for more details.

Make Plans for Summer Camp

The Homestead will be hosting four youth camps this summer that underscore our mission to emphasize history, science, and art. As a partner with the Virginia Tourism Corporation and the Department of Education, we will have a TimeTravelers Camp (June 17-19, ages 9-14), where students will visit local historic sites and earn a t-shirt and certificate signed by Governor Kaine. Kids can take an "Art Safari" at our Youth Art Camp (July 7-11, ages 5-9) instructed by Patrick County art teachers Linda Daumen and Grace Helms. Back by popular demand is our Living History Civil War Camp (July 18-20, ages 9-14) where students can learn what life was like as a Civil War soldier. Finally, for those interested in learning to carry on the art of quilting, Quilt Camp (July 18-August 1, ages 10-17) will teach hand quilting and appliqué. Please call to receive more information about summer camp!

Spring Frolic!

Mark your calendars now to attend the annual Spring Frolic on Saturday, May 3rd from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This event showcases the art and talents of our local students with an art exhibit in the CEC and performances by the PC Dancing Arts Center, the PCHS band, and the county chorus. A concert featuring the Marcie Horne Band will be on the lawn from 1-3, and there will be fun events and games for kids throughout the day. Southern Traditions will be here with their terrific barbeque, and the Quilters and Weavers exchanges will have exhibits and demonstrations. Admission is only \$1!

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Schedule Your Event Now!

The Reynolds Homestead is the perfect place for your spring and summer events: weddings, class and family reunions, church celebrations and banquets. The Homestead has very competitive rates and serves as a beautiful setting for your special event.



Enjoying the Maypole at Spring Frolic

AARP Driver Safety Class

It is not too late to register for the AARP Driver Safety Class offered April 9 and 10. The 8-hour refresher course will be taught 4 hours each day and is designed for drivers 50 years of age and older. The cost of the course is \$10, and some insurance companies offer a discount for completion.