

FRIENDS OF MOUNT HARMON, INC.

Spring 2018 Newsletter

MOUNT HARMON ANNOUNCES



2018 SPECIAL PROGRAMS & EVENTS

We are delighted spring has finally arrived and that our Mount Harmon program and special event series is underway. This year we have our annual favorite events, as well as the Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage this spring and a National Revolutionary War Reenactment Festival this fall!

Our season kicks off with the 5th annual Earth Day 5K Cross Country Run/Walk, April 21; Mount Harmon is a featured site on the Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage Cecil County Tour, May 20; the Lotus Blossom Art & Nature Festival is August 4; the National Revolutionary War Reenactment Festival, a wonderful living history event for the whole family is September 15 & 16; Bull & Oyster Roast is October 13; Bring your horse to enjoy the trails at the Mount Harmon Paper Chase November 11; and get into the holiday spirit at the Yuletide Festival December 1 & 2. See our special event flyer (pg. 3) for more information and visit often, bring friends and family, and enjoy Mount Harmon throughout the year.

We also have a fun and educational Program Series planned to keep you coming back to Mount Harmon, including guided kayak paddles, plein air painting and photography programs, as well as a sail aboard the historic schooner The Elf. Spring and summer programs include: The Elf's 130th Birthday Celebration April 28, Artists Open House: Plein Air Painting & Photography Open House, June 2, 10am – 3pm; Blue Heron Kayak Paddle, June 7 at 10am, and a Lotus Blossom Paddle, July 13 at 9:30am. Visit our website www.mountharmon.org for details.

As always, spring brings a flurry of activity with school field trips, our guided tour season opening in May, spring weddings and receptions, and spring cleaning and maintenance projects in full swing.

COLONIAL OUTBUILDING



RECONTRUCTION PROJECT COMPLETE

We are delighted to share our newly reconstructed tobacco barn with visitors this year. Part of a three-phase plantation outbuilding reconstruction project, beginning with the smoke house completed in 2015, the tobacco barn in 2017, and we plan to reconstruct plantation slave quarters. These colonial outbuildings were important working buildings at Mount Harmon and will help to better educate visitors about plantation and colonial history.

MOUNT HARMON WELCOMES SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

Smiles abound at Mount Harmon's School Field Trips as school children learn first hand about colonial and early American history. If you have school age children please recommend our school program to their teachers or visit www.mountharmon.org.

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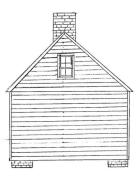
Enjoy history, nature, antiques, and working with people? Join our dedicated team of MHP volunteers and help share Mount Harmon's history and nature with our visitors. Volunteers assist with everything from tours, special events, school programs, garden and grounds, and administrative duties. Email info@mountharmon.org for more info and take part in preservation and education in our community.

PASSING OF THE TORCH

Many thanks to retiring Tour Coordinator, Georgia Renck for managing a record setting 2017 season with style and grace. Georgia expanded Mount Harmon's gift shops and grew membership with her infectious passion for MHP. Please join us in welcoming Joanne Healey as Tour Coordinator. Joanne comes to us from Adkins Arboretum and is looking forward to sharing Mount Harmon's history with visitors.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT





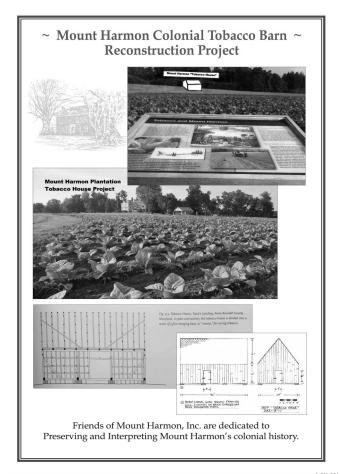
Springtime greetings. As we embark on our 2018 season, we are thankful for our growth and evolution over the years as a valued heritage destination and community resource for the region.

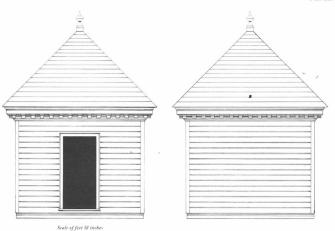
Our Mount Harmon campus and offerings continue to grow and evolve as we reconstruct three important colonial-era historic outbuildings. With the reconstruction of the smokehouse, tobacco barn and soon to be slave dwelling, we have a more complete story of plantation life in the colonial era to share with our visitors. We are also working to research, document, and better showcase the story of the enslaved people who lived and worked at Mount Harmon. Stay tuned, we will be updating our tour and interpretation to better reflect Mount Harmon's enslaved and agricultural history.

This year promises to be exciting with two major events coming to Mount Harmon: the Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage May 20 and the National Revolutionary War Reenactment September 15 & 16. If you have not yet been to one of our reenactment festivals, this one is not to be missed and will be the largest of it's kind this fall.

Our growth and success have been made possible by your participation as annual members and contributors. Through your financial support, our educational programming and preservation mission continues to grow. Spring is the time to renew your Friends of Mount Harmon annual membership, and for us to encourage new Friends to join us and experience all that Mount Harmon has to offer. Your annual membership contribution is a big part of fueling all we do.

Be sure to renew or join today, and enjoy Mount Harmon all year round. Mount Harmon's landscape has more to offer than ever before. Our dock, walking trails, historic buildings, and picnic areas make the perfect backdrop for outdoor activities. A \$100 Family membership includes a Year Round Access





Pass to enjoy Mount Harmon throughout the year. Upper level memberships include VIP only events and many other benefits. See the enclosed membership form for details or join online.

Your annual membership is tax deductible, and helps to keep Mount Harmon preserved, maintained, and operate our visitor and educational programs. Please join us in taking an active role in preserving our region's colonial and natural heritage, and send in your membership contribution today.

~ Steve Isaacson, President FOMH Board of Directors

Mount Harmon 2018 Special Events You Won't Want to Miss!

Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage - Sunday, May 20th, 10am-4pm Tickets On Sale Now!

Earth Day 5K Cross Country Run/Walk Lotus Blossom Art & Nature Festival Saturday, April 21st, 9am-12noon Saturday, August 4th, 10am-4pm



Earth Day 5K Cross Country Run/Walk Refreshments, Prizes, Tours, Earth Day Exhibitors & Children's Activities. Registration: In Advance: \$20, Day of: \$25

National Revolutionary War Festival September 15th & 16th, 10am-4pm



British & Rebel Encampments & Battle, Colonial Marketplace, Hearth Cooking, Living History Demonstrations, Manor House Tours, Food Vendors & More! Admission: \$5, FOMH Members and 12 & under Free

Mount Harmon Paperchase Sunday, November 11th, 10am-1pm



Calling all horseback riders - come and enjoy riding on some of Maryland's most scenic and historic trails at the Mount Harmon Paper Chase! Manor House House Tours, Refreshments & Prizes Admission: \$30 per rider



Nature-inspired Fine Arts & Crafts Vendors, Manor House Tours, Plantation Wagon Rides, Children's Activities, Food Vendors & More! Admission: \$5 FOMH Members & Children, 12 & under Free

Bull & Oyster Roast Saturday, October 13th, 5pm-9pm



This favorite fall event features a traditional Eastern Shore Bull & Oyster Roast, silent & live auctions, manor house tours, live music, and more. Come and join in the fun and support this important fall fundraiser. Advance Tickets: \$65 per person

Mount Harmon Yuletide Festival December 1st and 2nd, 11am-3pm



Holiday Decorations and Greens Sale, Hearth Cooking, Children's Holiday Crafts, Inspired by Colonial Williamsburg. Sponsored by Greenfingers Garden Club.

Admission: \$10, FOMH Members \$5

MOUNT HARMON PLANTATION - A Scenic And Historic Treasure

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Membership in Friends of Mount Harmon is annual and benefits include free admission to the manor house, grounds and nature trails during visitor hours; newsletters, invitations and discounts to Mount Harmon special events, and listing in the contributor's report.

Your membership is tax deductible and, most importantly, helps to maintain and preserve Mount Harmon Plantation. Every membership is important and is an investment in the future of this historic and scenic treasure. Visit www.mountharmon.org for more info.

ALL MEMBERS RECEIVE:

- Free Admission to manor house, grounds, and nature trails during visitor season hours: May ~ Oct., Thurs. ~ Sun., 10am ~ 3pm
- Listing in Contributor's report.
- Invitation and discounts to Special Events.
- 10% discount at museum gift shop.

ANNUAL MOUNT HARMON MEMBERSHIP LEVELS & BENEFITS

\$35.00 Individual Membership

Membership benefits for one.

\$60.00 Couple Membership

Membership benefits for two.

\$100.00 Family Membership

Membership benefits for you and your immediate family, plus two guest passes and year-round access pass to plantation grounds and nature trails. Includes access to the Mount Harmon canoe and kayak landing!

\$100.00 Equestrian Membership * New!

Equestrian Members receive year round access pass for horseback riding on Mount Harmon nature trails (weather and footing permitted), call or email for details.

\$250.00 Sassafras Steward

Full family membership benefits (year-round access pass for plantation grounds, kayak and canoe launch), & four guest passes to Lotus Blossom Festival.

Plus invitations to special VIP Only Events.

\$500.00 Garden Sponsor

Full family membership benefits (year-round access pass), admission for two to Bull & Oyster Roast. Option to use Boxwood Garden for function for up to 25 guests. Plus invitations to special VIP Only Events.

\$1,000.00 Plantation Benefactor

Full family membership benefits (year-round access pass), four tickets to Bull & Oyster Roast. Option to use Manor House Terrace or Garden for function for up to 50 guests. Plus, invitations to VIP Only Events.

~ FOMH Members at \$100 & Above Levels Receive ~ YEAR ROUND ACCESS PASS TO THE PLANTATION GROUNDS & NATURE TRAILS!

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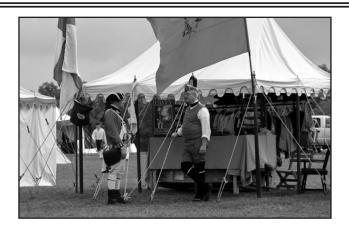
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