

*Preserving the  
'Burg Since  
1955...*



# Annual Membership Meeting

March 9, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

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*Fredericksburg Country Club 11031 Tidewater Trail*

 HISTORIC  
**Fredericksburg**  
FOUNDATION, INC.



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*Founded to preserve, protect, and  
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**Introductions**

# **Welcome from the Board**



## **HFFI Board Nominations**

**David James – President**

**Scott Walker – Vice President**

**Terrie James - Treasurer**

**Nancy Moore - Secretary**

**Adriana Moss**

**Debbie Pederson**

**Leslie Pugh**

**Helen Ross**

**David Woodard**

**Barbra Anderson**



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COMMITTEES

# 2023 HIGHLIGHTS AND PLANS FOR 2024



# ADVOCACY 2023-2024

HFFI works to engage in Preservation at all levels:

- National: awareness of leading Preservation practices and policies, networking opportunities with representatives from federal agencies, national organizations, and leading experts in the field
- State: consultation, coordination, education, and networking with the DHR & statewide organizations, as well as regional leaders in Preservation
- Local: regular communication and coordination with City staff, ARB, related commissions/organizations, local leaders, area preservationists, tradespeople, and residents to learn and share knowledge, best practices, and network to support our community





PART I

**BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY GOALS**

**GOAL 1. DOWNTOWN AS A CENTER FOR COMMERCE, CULTURE, AND COMMUNITY**

Ensure that downtown Fredericksburg continues to serve as a center of commerce, art, culture, recreation, historic amenities, and government, in order to provide economic stability and a sense of community. **Actively pursue the preservation and adaptive reuse of downtown buildings and ensure that mill projects are designed with sensitivity to the City's historic character.**

**GOAL 2. A WELL-BALANCED MIX OF USES IN DOWNTOWN**  
Achieve a sustainable mix of commercial and residential development downtown that **fits the historic character** of the urban core and helps people to live, shop, and work in the city center.

**GOAL 3. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**  
Ensure the City can accommodate and capture its projected share of regional economic growth, by actively recruiting desired new businesses and providing for retail and office space development in areas identified for growth.

**GOAL 4. COMMUNITY CHARACTER**

Preserve and enhance the City's visual appeal by pursuing patterns of development that **respect the City's historic growth patterns** (mixed-use development) and by installing landscaping and street trees (complete streets).

**GOAL 5. MIXED-USES IN CORRIDORS**  
Achieve mixed-use development patterns as development occurs within designated commercial and residential corridors.

**GOAL 6. COMPLEMENTARY TRAILS**  
Ensure that new suburban and connect to the City's nodes, through multi-modal trails that offer a variety of jobs. Strive to create a network of trails.

**GOAL 7. A LIVE HERE, WORK THERE**  
Enhance business development of an educated labor force by providing a variety of business opportunities outside businesses.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GOALS**

**GOAL 1. RESOURCE PROTECTION**  
Ensure that growth and development does not compromise the function of natural ecosystems, by establishing and updating land use policies that identify and manage the cumulative impacts of individual development projects.

**GOAL 2. WATERSHEDS**  
Protect the ecological integrity of the Rappahannock River watershed through stormwater management, in order to ensure the highest water quality and to preserve natural resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

**GOAL 3. NATURAL FUNCTIONS OF RIVERS AND STREAMS**  
Maintain the ecological integrity of the Rappahannock River and its tributaries for their biological functions and wildlife habitat, as well as for drainage, recreational uses, and other purposes.

**GOAL 4. WATER QUALITY**  
Improve water quality through implementation of best management practices for stormwater management, erosion and sediment control, and wastewater treatment that meet or exceed the Commonwealth of Virginia's regulatory requirements.

**GOAL 5. SUSTAINABILITY**  
Strengthen existing policies and develop new ones to actively promote a sustainable future.

**GOAL 6. LIVABILITY**  
Strengthen existing policies and develop new ones to actively promote a sustainable future by promoting clustered and compact development, which would be balanced by additional open space, and redevelopment of land and **expanding of structures.**

**GOALS FOR RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS**

**GOAL 1. NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER**  
Preserve the character of the City's neighborhoods, by respecting and maintaining their functional design (sidewalks, alleys, street trees, etc.)

**GOAL 2. NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY**  
Enhance the quality of the City's residential areas, to promote livability and a sense of community. Livability is defined as safe and walkable, with a variety of housing choices and easy access (walking, biking, transit, automobile) to work, shopping, and services.

**GOAL 3. DISTINCT AND ATTRACTIVE NEIGHBORHOODS**  
Ensure the residential areas of the City continue to comprise a collection of distinct and attractive neighborhoods, each **possessing a sense of place, history, and shared identity.**

**GOAL 4. ADEQUATE PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES**  
Ensure that residential neighborhoods are adequately served with efficient and multi-modal transportation, available parking, street trees, and public services such as trash pickup, leaf removal, and snow plowing.

**GOAL 5. ENHANCED CONNECTIONS**  
Support inclusive neighborhoods for the elderly and persons with disabilities, through multi-modal transportation that enhances connections between affordable and accessible housing, places of employment, other neighborhoods, and services.

**GOAL 6. COMBATIBLE DESIGN AND FUNCTIONALITY**  
Ensure that development and redevelopment compatible with the overall character of the City as functional for all citizens, with visitability that ensure a basic level of access to all uses such as no-step entryways, wide hallways, and ramps that allow homes to be adapted to persons abilities.

**GOAL 7. AFFORDABLE HOUSING**  
All persons who live and work in Fredericksburg have the opportunity to rent or purchase safe and accessible housing within their means.

**GOAL 8. VARIETY OF HOUSING**  
Provide a variety of housing opportunities in the City that respect the character of the community.

**GOAL 9. HOMEOWNERSHIP**  
Encourage homeownership opportunities to achieve a homeownership rate within the City 40 percent.

**GOAL 10. HOUSING MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADE**  
Maintain and protect the City's housing stock through **proper enforcement of state and local codes** to ensure an adequate supply of housing that is safe and healthy.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION GOALS**

**GOAL 1. CITY CHARACTER**  
Protect and enhance the character of Fredericksburg's historic area and city center as a means to preserve the community's sense of place, to promote economic strength, and to ensure the City's continued appeal to residents, businesses, and visitors.

**GOAL 2. REDEVELOPMENT**  
Promote redevelopment of downtown Fredericksburg in a manner that reflects the character of the City as a vibrant and growing community.

**GOAL 3. HERITAGE RESOURCES**  
Continue to recognize, protect, and interpret significant architectural, historical, and archaeological resources that constitute the community's heritage.

PART I



FIGURE 6-2

# ADVOCACY

The environment in which we live defines us. It sets the stage for our everyday lives and reflects our character and values.

Vestiges of Fredericksburg's past manifested in the built environment comprise the most tangible and lasting legacies of our predecessors. Our legacy is what we do with this inheritance.

Since the City's founding in 1728, the citizens of Fredericksburg have overcome many challenges, created the character of the City, and ensured its extraordinary role in our Nation's history. During our stewardship of this great City, we resolve to build on this heritage and add our mark on the City's history. The City Council's vision for Fredericksburg at its 300th Anniversary is:

- To be a city animated by a sense of its unmatched, irreplaceable history;
- To be a city characterized by the beauty of its riverfront, the vibrancy of its downtown, and its safe and attractive neighborhoods;
- To be a city inspired by active arts, cultural, and education communities;
- To be a city shaped by civic involvement and economic vitality; and
- To be the city of choice for people of many income levels, cultures, ethnicities, and physical abilities to live, work, and play;

Select images excerpted from the current Comprehensive Plan (2017); highlighted text contains language and subject matter directly tied to the practice and policies of Historic Preservation.



# ADVOCACY

Supporting City Council's 2036 Vision Statement to be "A Proven Leader in Historic Preservation"

June 2023: City-sponsored study examined local Historic Preservation Economic Incentives for the prevention of blight & demolition by neglect of historic assets

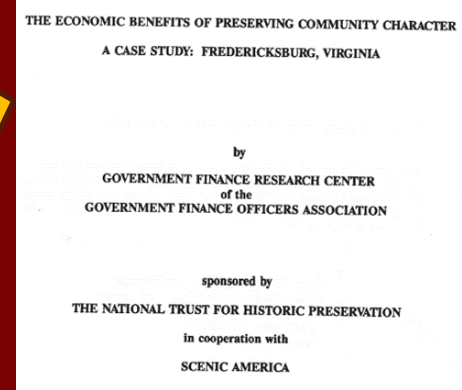
Key economic incentive recommendations:

1. Sponsor a Historic Preservation Economic Impact Study focused on Fredericksburg
2. Increase local "Rehab Tax Credit" program up to 50% exemption of rehab cost (& change name to describe its function as a partial exemption from real estate taxes)



**Historic Preservation Recommendations:  
Economic Incentives  
and  
Spot Blight / Demolition by Neglect**

Title page from the ground-breaking study that laid the foundation for all Preservation impact studies since 1991!



## EVALUATION OF EXISTING PROGRAMS

City staff provided information on existing programs for consultant review. A Strengths-Weaknesses-Opportunities-Threats (SWOT) survey prepared by the consultant was distributed by staff to stakeholders. A follow-up discussion session with stakeholders was held to review and discuss conclusions gleaned from the SWOT surveys. State codes and City ordinances were reviewed. Research was conducted to explore incentive programs provided through the State of Virginia and a sampling of Virginia local governments and non-profit organizations.

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Some photos from this years student choice lecture given by Donovan Rypkema.







# ADVOCACY in 2024

Join HFFI in urging members of City Council and the City Manager to follow through on achieving longstanding goals and Preservation priorities ASAP:

- 1) Establish the standing Preservation Advisory Committee to ensure persistent dialogue and support high-quality Preservation policies & practices with City-owned historic assets
- 2) Conduct a Preservation Economic Impact Study
- 3) Strengthen local incentives for those who choose to preserve/rehabilitate our historic assets

**\*TAKE ACTION: Sign our petitions before you leave today & share the news online!\***

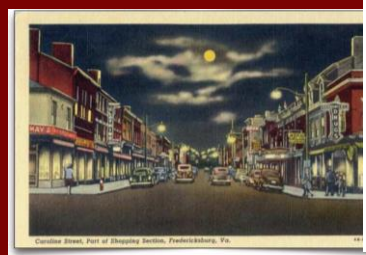
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| City Council 3 Year Priorities - Task List   |          |            |            |               |                               |
| Priority #19: Continue to build a community that capitalizes on its greatest historic assets and embraces its physical and cultural diversity and diverse perspectives on the past.  | 7/1/2021 | 12/31/2022 | 0%         | Kate Schwartz | Chuck Johnston                |
| 1. Establish a committed and knowledgeable standing advisory group that reviews the City's progress, and works toward the goals identified in the Comprehensive Plan. The group should include citizens, professionals, and stakeholder representatives.     | 7/1/2021 | 12/31/2021 | 0%         |               |                               |
| City Council 3 Year Priorities - Task List   |          |            |            |               |                               |
| Priority #21: Enhance incentives and non-regulatory tools for preservation   | 1/1/2022 | 12/31/2023 | 0%         | Kate Schwartz | Chuck Johnston/Bill Freehling |
| City Council 3 Year Priorities - Task List   |          |            |            |               |                               |
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| 1. Create a steering committee to develop and implement a comprehensive economic development strategy focused on investment in historic preservation, including investigating tools to offset the impacts of new construction on historic resources.         | 1/1/2022 | 6/30/2022  | 0%         |               |                               |
| 2. Expand/modify the existing real estate tax exemption program (City Code §70-98 through §70-99) in accord with Virginia Code 58.1-3219.4 to encourage greater use for rehabilitation projects. Conduct outreach to ensure public awareness of the program. | 4/1/2022 | 6/30/2023  | 0%         |               |                               |
| 3. Create an economic impact study to quantify the value of historic preservation in Fredericksburg and provide direction in the development of incentives.  | 1/1/2023 | 12/31/2023 | 0%         |               |                               |



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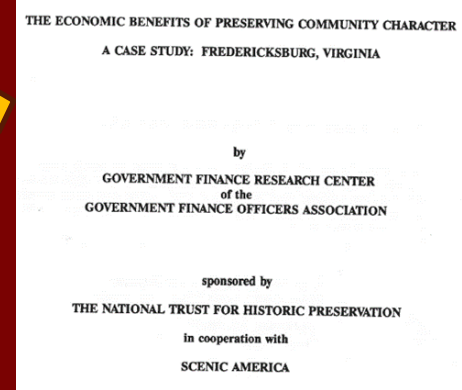
HFFI is supporting City Council's Vision to remain "A Proven Leader in Historic Preservation" in 2036:

- Making Demolition "an absolute last resort" (page 125 of the HFD Design Guidelines)
- a Historic Preservation Economic Impact Study for the City of Fredericksburg
- Increasing economic incentives to support Preservation by raising the local "Rehab Tax Credit" to 50% exemption of rehab cost



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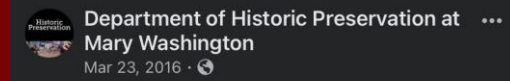


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# HFFI & the Renwick

Past efforts of HFFI volunteers to educate, promote, and preserve the Renwick Complex remain as relevant as ever!

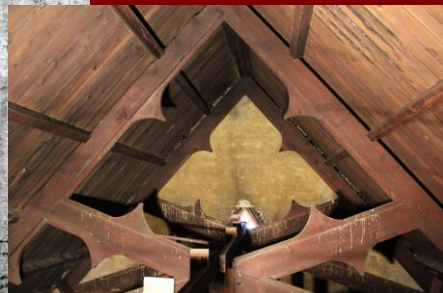
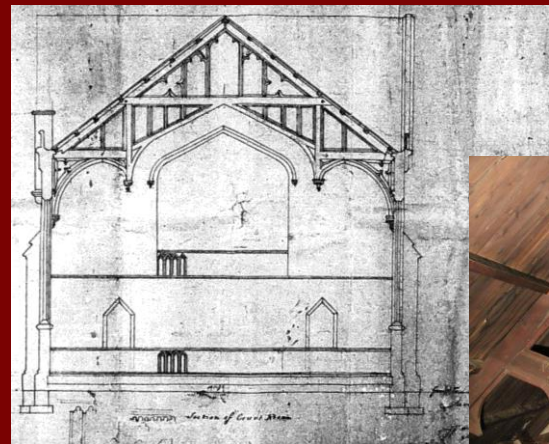
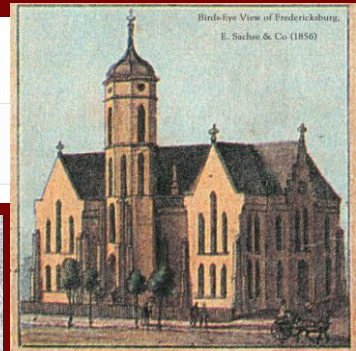
Renwick Working Group - Important Findings & Recommendations:

- Courthouse has national-level historic significance for its design and use during the Civil War
- Deferred maintenance needs immediate action
- Further investigation and monitoring needed, particularly at Courthouse

HFFI remains willing to support City staff in every aspect to properly preserve and rehabilitate the entire Renwick complex!



Celebrating the Renwick: A Courthouse Fan Page



| Locality          | Date of Construction | Ownership/Current Use | Individually Listed on NPS? | More information  | Comments/Notes   |
|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|
| Accomack          | 1899                 | Public/Courthouse     |                             | <a href="https://www.virginia.org/listing/historic-accomack/5127/">https://www.virginia.org/listing/historic-accomack/5127/</a>                   | <a href="http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/acc/">http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/acc/</a>  |
| Albemarle         | 1803; 1879           | Public/Govt offices   | in HD                       | <a href="http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/albemarle-county/">http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/albemarle-county/</a> | Houses Court Clerk's office & records  |
| Alexandria (City) | 1871                 | Public/City Hall      | Yes                         | <a href="http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/alexandria/">http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/alexandria/</a>             | Court functions remained in the building until 1981, r   |
| Alleghany         | 1910                 | Public/Courthouse     |                             | <a href="http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/alleghany-county/">http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/alleghany-county/</a> | C[harles] A. Robinson, architect   |
| Amelia            | 1923                 | Public/Courthouse     |                             | <a href="http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/amelia-county/">http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/amelia-county/</a>       | Cooper Lai, architect  |
| Amherst           | 1872                 | Public/Govt offices   |                             | <a href="http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/amherst-county/">http://www.courthouses.co.us-states/vz/virginia/amherst-county/</a>     | Kirpatrick & Smith, architects. New courthouse (addi the 1990s; local tax data indicates that it is publiclly government for office/court admin purposes   |
| Appomattox        | 1892                 | Public/Courthouse     | in HD                       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Appomattox_Court_House">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Appomattox_Court_House</a>                   | RFP out now for Reno & Adaptive Reuse into Bo space: <a href="https://www.appomattoxcountyva.gov/Home/Components/RFP/RFP1056/29">https://www.appomattoxcountyva.gov/Home/Components/RFP/RFP1056/29</a> |



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# CANDLELIGHT

## TOUR 2023

- This year's Candlelight Tour looked a little different. Due to unforeseen circumstances we were unable to hold the 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Candlelight Tour and instead hosted a Holiday Open House at the Lewis Store.





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# CANDLELIGHT

## TOUR 2023

- Featuring multiple walking tours, a pop up museum, arts & crafts, live music, and more we engaged the community with our mission through a fun family friendly event.
- We also filled TWO boxes for Toys for Tots





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# CANDLELIGHT

# TOUR 2023

## Sponsors

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# CANDLELIGHT

## TOUR 2024

The Candlelight Tour is coming back for 2024!

We already have 7 houses committed with a possible 8<sup>th</sup>.

407 Fauquier

504 Fauquier

615 Fauquier

1205 Charles

1202 Prince Edward

1203 Prince Edward

1213 Winchester





# Outreach







# Oral History

## PRESERVING THE STORIES OF FREDERICKSBURG'S PAST

Ambassador Pamela Bridgewater interviewed Lawrence A. Davies and Janice P. Davies (Oral History Committee chair Beth Daly transcribed the interview)



HFFI's Oral History Project Started in 1997 to capture the stories of those who made significant contributions to Fredericksburg's history and historic preservation, covering important topics like religion, politics, business, integration. Join us.



# Oral History

Beth Daly interviewed Charles G. McDaniel and Mary Wynn McDaniel.



The Sentry Box now



and during the Civil War



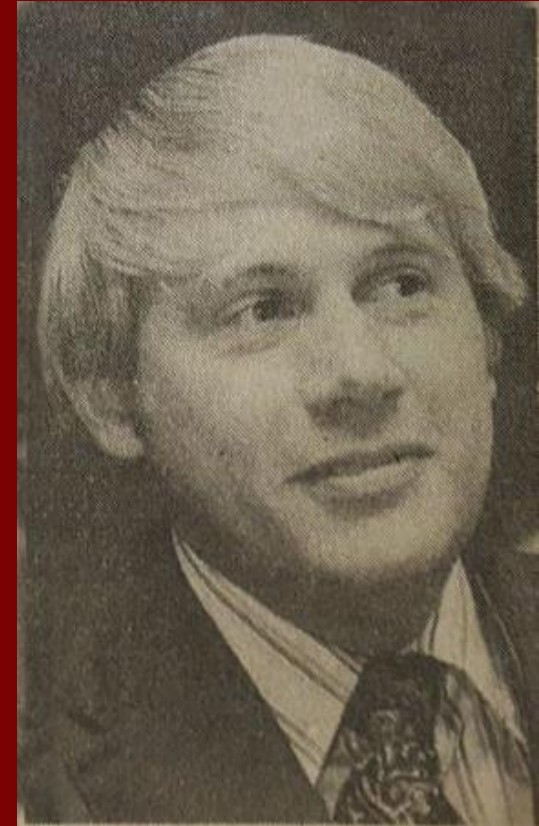
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Education & Research

## Oral History

Upcoming Project: "HFFI Past Presidents"

Join in the effort & volunteer with us!



Dr. John W. Willhide



## Publications: Front Porch

# Front Porch articles

HFFI is a regular contributor to the Front Porch magazine. Here's a list of the articles we ran in 2023:

**February—Fredericksburg's Black Businesses by Gaila Sims.** This article promoted tours co-sponsored by HFFI and the Fredericksburg Area Museum.

**April—Charles Mallam, city mayor during Reconstruction, by Matt Kelly.**

**June—The Renwick Courthouse by Danae Peckler.**

**August—History of Jews in Fredericksburg by Nancy Moore.**

**October—Fredericksburg Archaeology by Adriana Moss.**

**November—HFFI's Holiday Open House by Beth Daly.**

**December—James Mercer Family Tree by Susan Fennell.**

### OUR HERITAGE

FXBG ONLY FOREIGN-BORN MAYOR

BY MATT KELLY

Gen. Ambrose Burnside and his 9th Corps Staff at Cold Harbor in 1864. Charles Mallam is one of the unidentified officers. This is the only known photo of Mallam.

### OUR HERITAGE

A TRADITION OF BLACK ENTERPRISE

BY DR. GAILA SIMS

It became the first Black 20 on Fredericksburg when the church and nearby Baptist Shop and The Soda Fountain were purchased by the church. It established the first Black-owned business in Fredericksburg a year later. Fredericksburg High School All Stars basketball team, founded in 1948, is the only team from the surrounding region. Tony Chase was sent to Vietnam in 1964 and killed in action on February 21, 1968, a decorated veteran and a Black community leader.

Who not always hostile to Black entrepreneurs, Fredericksburg has long benefited from the success of Black-owned businesses. In 2020, other contributions of local Black entrepreneurs were the church and nearby business houses in FOXBG, a Black-owned business in the historic district, 800 Prussia Lane Street, Joy County, founded by Rev. Dr. J. Edgar Moore, and the ever-changing, ever-expanding historic district at the heart of the restaurant's success. Group graduated from the culinary course at the art Institute of Atlanta and started KOCOS as a breakfast operation in 2020, other partnering with Beth Black in 2011, the beautiful into the historic National Bank Building where John M. Washington, another important Fredericksburg Black African American entrepreneur, had been

### VA Archaeology Month

CITY DIGGING NEW ORDINANCE

BY ADRIANA T. MOSS

Fredericksburg has a rich and varied history. The city's archaeological resources are being protected and preserved through the passage of a new ordinance. The ordinance requires that any excavation or construction project that involves digging in the ground must first obtain a permit from the city. This ordinance is a significant step in the city's commitment to preserving its archaeological resources for future generations.

More recently, the city has been successful in securing funding for archaeological excavations. These excavations have uncovered a wealth of information about the city's history, including the location of the city's first settlement and the site of the city's first school. The excavations have also helped to identify the locations of the city's first Black-owned businesses and the site of the city's first Black-owned school.

### OUR HERITAGE

PUBLIC HISTORY OF RENWICK COURTHOUSE

BY DANA PECKLER

The Renwick Courthouse is a landmark building in Fredericksburg, Virginia. It was built in 1876 and is one of the best examples of the Italianate style in the state. The courthouse has a long and interesting history, and its public history is being explored through a series of articles and tours.

The courthouse was built on the site of the old Fredericksburg Courthouse, which was destroyed by fire in 1862. The new courthouse was designed by the architect John M. Washington, who was also the architect of the city's first Black-owned school. The courthouse was dedicated in 1876 and has since served as the seat of the city's government.

### OUR HERITAGE

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

BY BETH DALY

The Holiday Open House is a special event that takes place every year in Fredericksburg, Virginia. It is a chance for the community to come together and enjoy the sights, sounds, and tastes of the season. The event is held in a historic building and features a variety of activities, including live music, food, and shopping.

The Holiday Open House is a tradition that has been celebrated for many years. It is a time when the community comes together to celebrate the season and enjoy the sights, sounds, and tastes of the season. The event is held in a historic building and features a variety of activities, including live music, food, and shopping.

### OUR HERITAGE

JAMES MERCER FAMILY TREE PROJECT

BY SUSAN FENNEL

The James Mercer Family Tree Project is a collaborative effort to research and document the family history of the Mercer family in Fredericksburg, Virginia. The project is led by Susan Fennell and involves a team of volunteers who are working to uncover the stories of the Mercer family and their descendants.

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JEWISH FREDERICKSBURG

BY NANCY MOORE

Jewish Fredericksburg is a community of Jewish people who live in Fredericksburg, Virginia. The community has a rich and diverse history, and its members are working to preserve and promote their heritage. The community is active in many ways, including through religious and cultural organizations.

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## Marker Reports Completed in 2023

**1320 Caroline Street** — Maggie Burke and Duffie Miller  
[researcher: Donna Stanton]

Marker reads: 1887

Built for William H. Thomas,  
Merchant



**815 Hanover Street** — Beth Black and Joy Crump  
[researcher: Roger Engels]

Marker reads: 1933

Built by E.G. Heflin for Solly  
Ventura Founder of Fredericksburg  
Distributing Co.





## Marker Reports Completed in 2023

**306 Hawke Street**—Laura Ann Fazzaro  
[researcher: Susan Fennell]

Marker reads: 1816  
Stable Built for Robert Stanard



**306 Herndon Street**—William R. and Jean F. Mitchell  
[researcher: Suzan Mastin]

Marker reads: 1915  
Built for Bessie K. Arnold, Silk Mill Forewoman





## Marker Reports Completed in 2023

**1228 Payne Street**—Mark and LaLana Roupas  
[researcher: Janet Waltonen]

Marker reads: 1938  
Built for Leonard & Leona Chittum  
Sears Dover Model



**810 Sylvania Avenue**—Mark Liersch and Maria Ross  
[researchers: Brian Carrico and Donna Stanton]

Marker reads: 1937  
First Occupants Harry & Anne Sager  
Once Part of Kenmore Farm & E.G. Heflin Co





## Marker Reports Completed for the 2023 Candlelight Tour

**407 Fauquier Street**—Leah and Robert Courtnage

[researcher: Donna Stanton]

Proposed Marker wording: 1925

Designed by Architect Philip N. Stern

For Houston and Mary Sweetser



**504 Fauquier Street**—Kevin and Judith Cannon

[researcher: Janet Waltonen]

Proposed Marker wording: 1909

Built as a Gift to Mary L. Junkin

Former Missionary to Korea



**1203 Prince Edward Street**—Ryan and Sarah Schradin

Update of 1994 Marker Report







## Marker Reports Being Researched in 2024

**822 Caroline Street—Jarrell Properties, Inc. [researcher: Nancy Moore]**

**901 Caroline Street—Jarrell Properties, Inc. [researcher: Bill Shorter]**

**1002 Caroline Street—Jarrell Properties, Inc. [researcher: Roger Engels]**

**211 Princess Anne Street—Hans Hasnay [researcher: Susan Fennell]**

**915 Sophia Street—Jarrell Properties, Inc. [researcher: Sue Stone]**

**1304 Sophia Street—Cynthia Stubits [researcher: Danae Peckler]**

## Marker Report Research for Candlelight Tour 2024

**1205 Charles Street**

**615 Fauquier Street: update**

**1202 Prince Edward Street**

## Marker Reports Wait List

1. 1004 Caroline Street—Jarrell Properties, Inc.
2. 107 Amelia Street—Chris Fines
3. 806 Princess Anne Street—John A. Nere, Jr.
4. 309 Pitt Street—Brian Carrico
5. 916 William Street—Patricia K. Paquette for BLC Rentals LLC
6. 1312 Winchester Street—Jay Hurst and Lisanne Anders
7. 1305 Littlepage Street—Matt and Maureen Aylward
8. 230 Princess Anne Street—Andre Pineda and Carol Ann Kando-Pineda
9. 1310 Prince Edward Street—Courtney O’Connell
10. 809 Weedon Street—Kevin and Donna Leahy
11. 1309 Hanover Street—Cynthia and Matthew Kelly
12. 302 Pitt Street—Raymond and Bobbie Worthington
13. 914 Monument Avenue—Bonnie L. Akkerman – Crawford
14. 1507 and 1509 Princess Anne Street—Steve Barron
15. 1306 Winchester Street—Laurie Bendall and James Tharp
16. 501 Caroline Street—Adam Johns
17. 1001 Princess Anne Street—David Whitley
18. 214 Princess Anne Street—Mary M. Deadman
19. 1416 Stafford Avenue —David and Jill Andrews



## HFFI EVENTS 2023

**Grub in the Burg Lecture** and tour of Fredericksburg Square in March.



## Irish Pub Tour in March





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# EVENTS

## HFFI EVENTS 2023

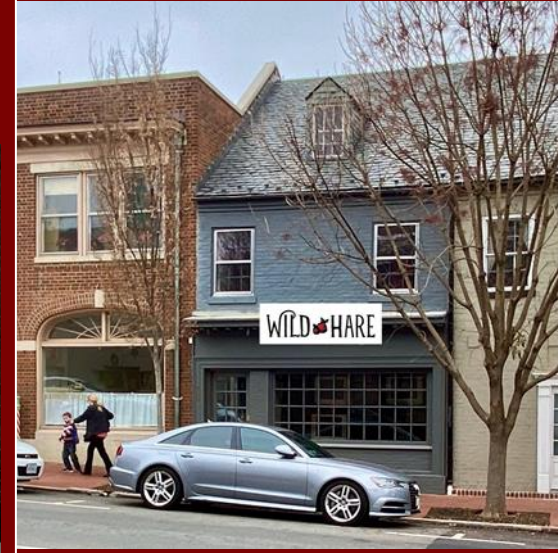


Right up Your  
Alley  
Walking Tour in  
June

Preservation Walking  
Tour in May



Historic  
Happy Hour  
at the Wild Hare  
in September



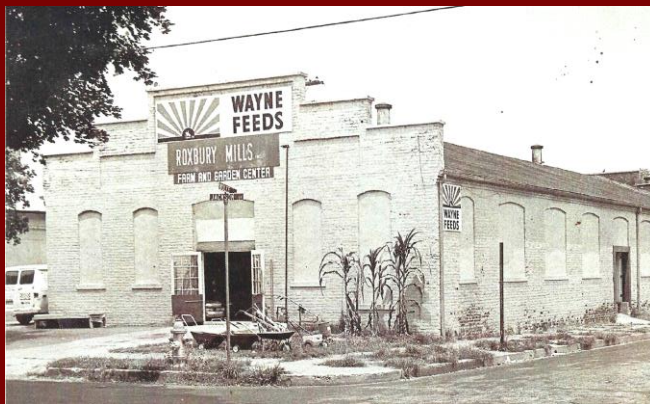


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EVENTS

# HFFI EVENTS 2023

Warehouse District  
Tour in October





# HFFI EVENTS 2023



**Bombed in the Burg  
Pub Crawl  
in February**

**Jewish History  
Walking Tour  
in October**



**Spirits & Spirits  
Pub Tour  
in November**



# Upcoming Events in 2024

**March** Architecture 101 Walking Tour

**April** Tunnel Tours

**May** Preservation Month

Speaker Series

**May** Normandy Village: Mid-Century Extravaganza

**June** Dressing Women through History

**July** Civil War Tour: Fairground to Battleground

**August** Historic Happy Hour at Spirits

**September** Walking Tour: The Other Side of the Tracks

**October** Mill District Tour: Powering Fredericksburg

**November** Route One Trolley Tour

# Upcoming Events in 2024



Architecture 101  
Walking Tour  
Saturday,  
March 30  
1:00

Half-price  
tickets  
today only!

Tunnel Tours in April!



# Upcoming Events in 2024

## Lafayette Bicentennial Commemoration



Honoring the 200th anniversary of General Lafayette's visit to Fredericksburg in 1824

### Speaker Series:

Thursday Night Lectures at the Library

June 13: Fredericksburg, 1824: The City and its People  
with Scott Walker and Barbra Anderson

**The Main Event: Saturday,  
November 23**

Recreation of his visit at Market  
Square





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# FINANCIAL

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Income                        | \$48,894    |
| Income from Light Investment: | \$39,600    |
|                               | <hr/>       |
| Total income                  | \$88,494    |
| Expenses                      | -\$66,370   |
| Total Income                  | +\$22,124   |
| Portfolio Balance             | \$2,079,840 |





## Goals for 2024

- Enlist and expand committee
- Develop an Emergency Plan
- Prioritize and revise (as needed) existing policies



# REAL ESTATE 2023-2024

Do you own a historic asset that was rehabilitated by HFFI OR an eased property that is historically significant and worth preserving?

Sign up to volunteer on HFFI's Real Estate Committee!

- **HFFI's Easement Program: Supporting the preservation of 43 area historic properties**
- **Providing technical support to property owners and collaborate with preservation tradespeople, local and state preservation partners**
- **Supporting and advocating for the use of state and federal Historic Tax Credits and long-term benefits of preserving the built environment**
- **Researching best preservation practices and common maintenance needs at the local level in keeping with national guidelines and standards Practicing what we preach in ongoing improvements at the Lewis Store**



# REBECCA LIGHT BEQUEST

- **Continued Endowment Credit**
- **Required Maintenance**
- **Separate Funding**
- **Even trees: Witness Trees**
- **Working to highlight the ruins**





# FUNDRAISING 2023-2024

**Special Project:  
“The Fort”**





# Historic Cemetery Consortium

**One of our signature accomplishments in 2023 was signing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Historic Cemetery Consortium.**

HCC's goal is to preserve the historic legacy of Fredericksburg in an area not often given its due attention. The stories of those interred tell the personal narrative of local history. The preservation of the cemeteries, their gravestones and grounds is an ongoing enterprise; one that can be enriched through shared practices. The value of these undeveloped lots is essential as our city expands. The HCC will not change the autonomy of each member cemetery. HCC can be reached at [CemeteryConsortium@hffi.org](mailto:CemeteryConsortium@hffi.org)






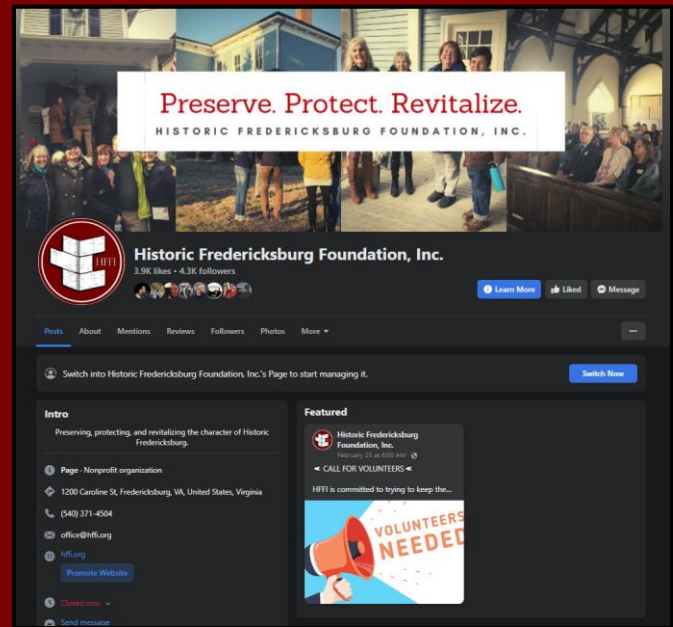


# SOCIAL MEDIA

- Administering HFFI's social media accounts: Facebook and Instagram
- Creating and posting content related to HFFI's mission and goals

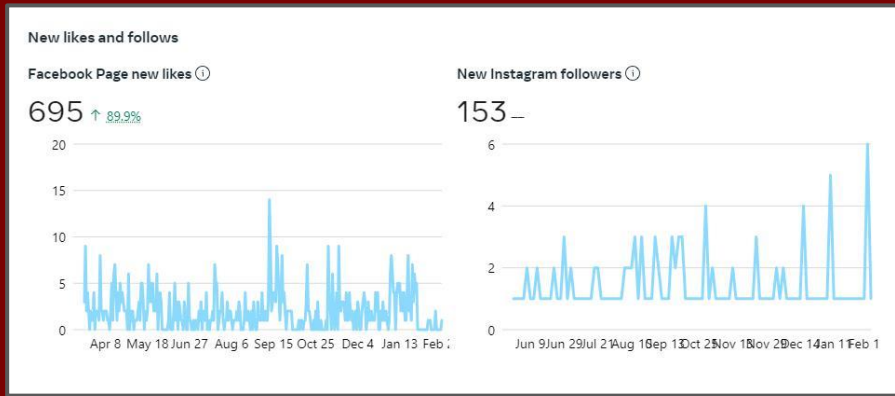
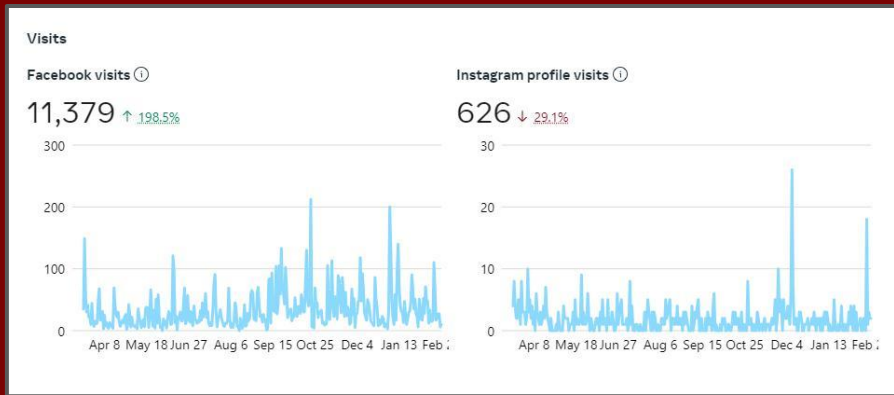
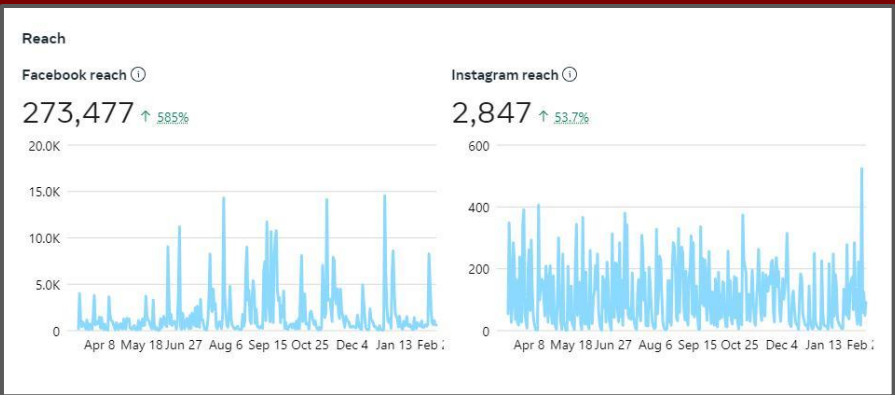
**Top-performing organic posts**  
Here are posts that have performed well over the last 90 days. Understanding what's working can help you decide what to create and share next, so you can keep up the great work.

| Highest reach on a post ①   | Highest reactions on a post ①   | Highest comments on a post ①  |
|---|---|---|
|  <p>Facebook post<br/>1201 Princess Anne Street - Shepherd House - Built 181...<br/>Jan 4, 2024, 3:30 AM</p> |  <p>Facebook post<br/>1201 Princess Anne Street - Shepherd House - Built 181...<br/>Jan 4, 2024, 3:30 AM</p> |  <p>Facebook post<br/>1201 Princess Anne Street - Shepherd House - Built 181...<br/>Jan 4, 2024, 3:30 AM</p> |
| <p>This post's reach (25,889) is <b>3,859%</b> higher than your median post reach (654) on Facebook.</p>  | <p>This post received <b>2,550%</b> more reactions (477 reactions) than your median post (18 reactions) on Facebook.</p>  | <p>This post received <b>3,100%</b> more comments (32 comments) than your median post (1 comment) on Facebook.</p>  |





# SOCIAL MEDIA







# MEMBERSHIP

- **Increase Membership**
- **Update Membership Perks**
- **Engage more with Membership**
- **Add new Corporate Sponsors**
- **Increase Revenue**

In 2023 we had 361 members and 11 Corporate members

**INDIVIDUAL**

**FAMILY**

**SUPPORTING**

**PRESERVATION PARTNER**

**BENEFACTOR**

**LIFE**

**CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**NON-PROFIT MEMBERSHIP**

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**GOLD CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP**

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Awards

# PRESERVATION AWARDS



## The E. Boyd Graves Preservation Award

Presented to

**Seacobeck Hall, University of Mary Washington**

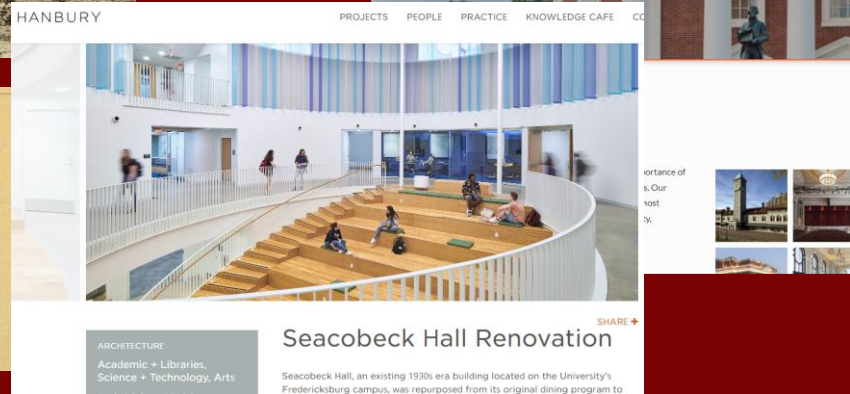
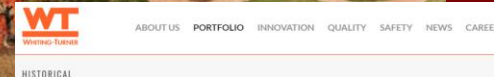
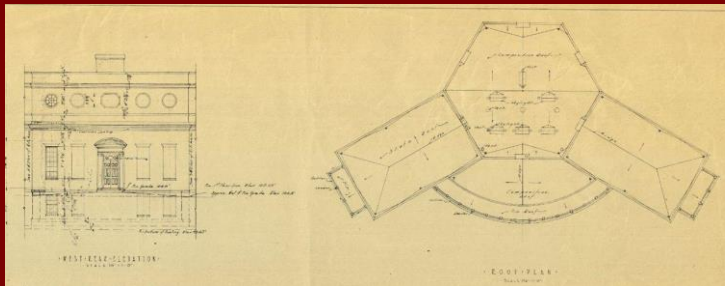
For the preservation and sensitive rehabilitation of Charles  
Robinson's 1931 historic dining hall



## E. Boyd Graves Preservation Award Seacobeck Hall, UMW

Project Partners  
Hanbury;  
Whiting-Turner

1931 photograph of Seacobeck Hall under construction; & Charles M. Robinson's "Seacobeck Hall Elevations and Roof Plan," Special Collections and University Archives, Simpson Library, University of Mary Washington.





## Preservation Spark Award

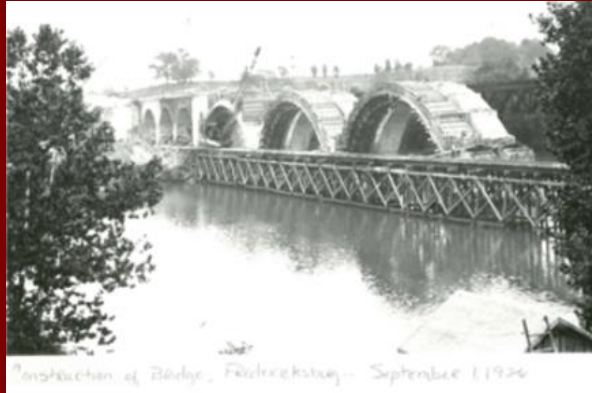
Presented to

**Virginia Railway Express (VRE)**

For the conservation and sensitive rehabilitation of  
Fredericksburg's historic RF&P train station platform and  
overpasses

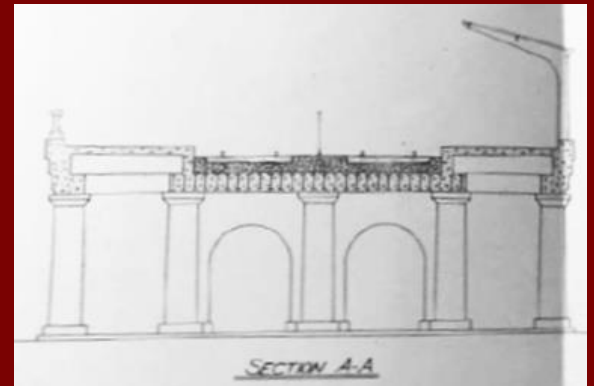


## Preservation Spark Award Virginia Rail Express



1926 photograph of Rappahannock bridge  
designed by John E. Greiner & Co.

John E. Greiner & Co. proposed 1924 section  
drawing of elevated platform and overpasses  
in Fredericksburg





## Preservation Spark Award Virginia Rail Express

South Elevation, Charles Street Overpass



West Elevation,  
Princess Anne Street  
Overpass

South End of Station at Ground  
Level, Looking South







## The Lillian D. Reed Volunteer Award

Presented to  
**Mayo Carter**

For support of local history education, HFFI events, and  
connecting the public to the past



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# Marker Furthers UMW Mission on Freedom Rides' 60th Anniversary

MAY 4, 2021 BY JILL LAIACONA

Sixty years ago today, 13 men and women – seven Black and six white – departed Washington, D.C., on Greyhound and Trailways buses. Led by civil rights icon James L. Farmer Jr., these Freedom Riders embarked on a quest to desegregate interstate travel.

Their first stop? Fredericksburg, Virginia. The riders visited the bus station terminal and lunch counter, once located at the corner of Princess Anne and Wolfe streets, where the fire station stands today.

The bus depot was torn down years ago, but this afternoon, a historical marker was erected in its place, thanks to the tireless work of University of Mary Washington staff, faculty and students, in partnership with the City of Fredericksburg. Their efforts are part of a greater campaign to share the history of the region's Black residents, as well as UMW's commitment to keep alive the legacy of the Freedom Riders and Dr. Farmer.



Today, on the 60th anniversary of the start of the Freedom Rides, a temporary historic marker was unveiled at the site of the former Fredericksburg bus station, where the



Lonella Johnson Photography



## The President's Exceptional Service Award

Presented to  
**Linda Billard**

For unflagging support and invaluable copy editing for HFFI.



## President's Exceptional Service Award **Linda Billard**

Linda Billard is one of HFFI's most important assets. A professional editor, she has written and edited countless HFFI publications. We know we can call on her, even at the last minute, to improve our work.





## President's Special Recognition Award

Presented to  
**Dr. Keith Littlefield**

For generously sharing his in-depth knowledge and research  
of local history.



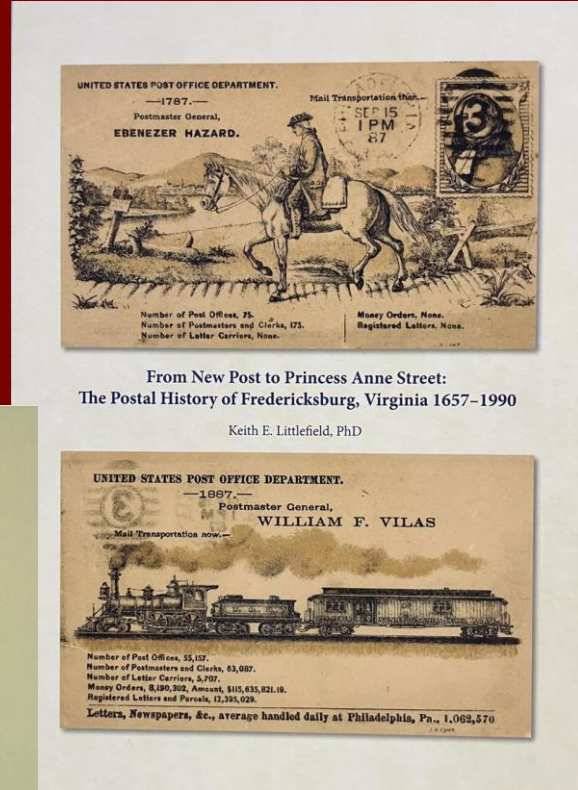
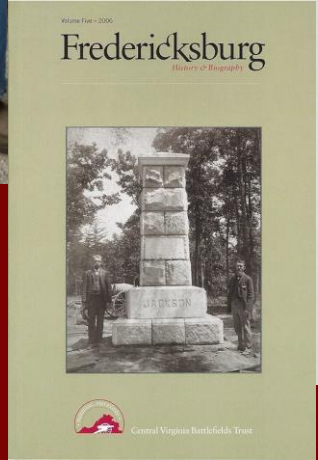
## Special Recognition Award Keith Littlefield, PhD

### Select Publications:

"Economic Challenge And Mercantile Enterprise In A Southern Urban System: A Case Study Of Fredericksburg, Virginia, 1835-1880" (1999)

"From New Post to Princess Anne St: The Postal History of Fredericksburg, Virginia 1657-1990" (2022)

"Fredericksburg Politics and Infrastructure: The Fredericksburg and Valley Plank Road, 1850-1862," *Fredericksburg History and Biography*, Vol. 5 (2006)



From New Post to Princess Anne Street:  
The Postal History of Fredericksburg, Virginia 1657-1990  
Keith E. Littlefield, PhD



## President's Special Recognition Award

Presented to

**Michael Way**

Project Manager,

Island Architects, Richmond, VA

For providing professional expertise and support for in the architectural documentation of Fredericksburg's Renwick Courthouse Complex.



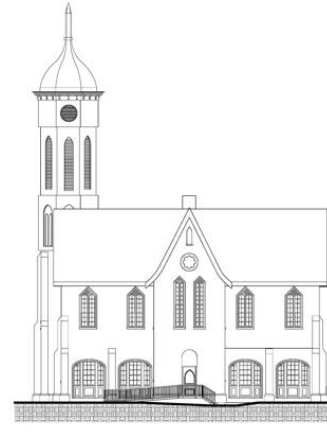
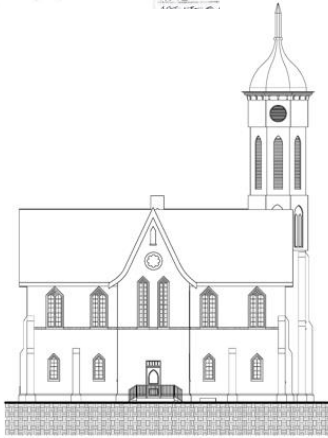
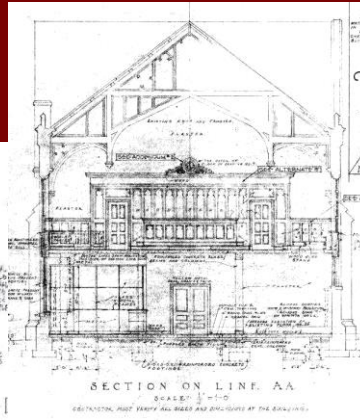
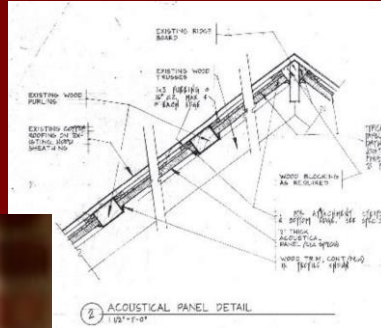
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# Preservation Awards

## Special Recognition Award

### Michael Way

Island Architects



Measured drawings produced by Commonwealth Architects (2015-2016)





## The Dr. Edward Alvey Jr. Education Award

Presented to

**Noel G. Harrison**

Cultural Resource Specialist,

Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park

National Park Service

For exemplary scholarship, mentorship, and advancement of  
Fredericksburg-area history, historic sites, and preservation



## The Dr. Edward Alvey Jr. Education Award Noel G. Harrison

### Select Publications:

*City of canvas: Camp Russell A. Alger and the Spanish-American War* (1988)

*Chancellorsville Battlefield Sites* (1990)

*A walking tour of Civil War sites on the campus of Mary Washington College* (1993)

*Fredericksburg Civil War Sites - Volume I & II* (1995)

“Alternative to Aquia: Sandstone-Cutting in the Fredericksburg Area,” *Historic Fredericksburg Foundation, Inc.* (1993)

“Southern Exposure: Southern Exposure: Fredericksburg Hosts a Spanish American War Training Camp,” *Fredericksburg History & Biography* (2009)

“A Quarter-Century of Research on Fredericksburg’s ‘Burial of the Dead’ Photographs,” *Mysteries & Conundrums: Exploring the Civil War-era landscape in the Fredericksburg & Spotsylvania region*, NPS (2016)

“Southern Exposure: A Rare Map of the Second Battle of Fredericksburg,” *Fredericksburg History & Biography* (2017)





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# Preservation Awards

## Dr. Edward Alvey Jr. Education Award Noel G. Harrison



In accordance with its educational mission, Historic Fredericksburg Foundation seeks to collect and disseminate information about the city's past. The enclosed article is an expanded transcript of a program presented during the Foundation's 1991 summer lecture series. This monograph focuses on two Fredericksburg buildings saved by the Foundation's intervention: the Market House/Town Hall (Market Fair Square site) and the Stone Warehouse.

ALTERNATIVE TO AQUIA: SANDSTONE-CUTTING IN THE FREDERICKSBURG AREA  
by Noel G. Harrison

Stonecutters utilized the products of Fredericksburg area quarries during the course of two centuries. This discussion focuses on sources and uses of sandstone, also known as "freestone," the principal object of their efforts during



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