

Historic Staunton River Foundation

2012Annual Report



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HISTORIC STAUNTON RIVER FOUNDATION

Thursday, March 21, 2013

Prepared by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees:

Janet Johnson, President
J. Shane Newcombe, Vice-President
Grace Elliott, Secretary
Cindy Nichols, Treasurer, and
Korey R. Snead, Trustee

Purpose & History:

The **Historic Staunton River Foundation**, a volunteer, not-for-profit private organization, was formed on December 2, 1994 with the scope and purpose of promoting, developing, and preserving the 1864 Battlefield at the Staunton River Bridge, the Staunton River Battlefield State Park, and the Staunton River and its historical areas. The Foundation also collects artifacts and historical memorabilia for display and works to preserve the integrity of the Staunton River environs and archaeological sites. In addition, the Foundation provides historical, environmental, wildlife, and wetlands education as well as assists in developing programs and events for the general public.

In November 1995, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued a determination letter that recognized the Foundation as exempt from federal income tax; indicating that the organization was exempt under section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and classified as a public charity under section 509(a) 2 of the Code.

Additionally, the State Corporation Commission certified that the Foundation was a corporation existing under and by virtue of laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and in good standing, with a date of incorporation on December 2, 1994.

Mission Statement:

Historic Staunton Liver Foundation

The scope and purpose of the Foundation is to promote, develop, and preserve the following:

- the 1864 Battlefield at the Staunton River;
- the Staunton River Bridge;
- the Staunton River historical areas and environs;
- * Roanoke Station:
- Mulberry Hill, the ancestral home of the Carrington family;
- ❖ 44CH62, the Randy K. Wade Archaeological Site, and any future archaeological discoveries in the area of the Staunton River; and
- the Sappony Indian Nation.

Membership

The Foundation is composed of its members, which is a general non-stock class of membership. The annual dues of \$15 are required, but entitles the bearer to benefits such as a twenty percent (20%) discount in the gift shop at the Clover Visitors Center, a subscription of the Foundation's quarterly newsletter, the *Sentinel*, and the satisfaction of contributing to a caused dedicated to the promotion, development, and preservation of the Foundation's Mission Statement, the Staunton River and the Staunton River Battlefield State Park.

At the end of 2012, the membership roster of the Foundation totaled 46. (2011, 45 members, +1; 2010, 65 members,).

A membership list is attached to this report. Please see page 14.

Giving Levels

In an effort to increasing giving and attract donors, a series of Giving Levels were established. These levels will be officially unveiled in January 2013.

Membership Levels

Student—\$5.00/individual 21 and under **General**—\$15/individual or \$25/couple

Giving Levels

Friends of the Cause—\$50-99/individual/family/corporate

Benefits: Membership, Foundation Coffee Cup

Supporters of the Cause—\$100-249/individual/family/corporate

Benefits: Same as above plus Foundation Lapel Pin or Walking Stick with Battlefield Medallion

Advocates of the Cause—\$250-499/individual/family/corporate

Benefits: Same as above plus framed Mulberry Hill print or Battle for Staunton River Bridge Map, and your name engraved on a plaque to be displayed at the Battlefield

<u>Leaders of the Cause</u>—\$500-999/individual/family/corporate

Benefits: Same as above plus framed Judge Paul Carrington print or Battle of Staunton River Bridge Regimental Series Book by Col. Greg Eanes

Founders of the Cause—\$1,000 and above/individual./family/corporate

Benefits: Same as above plus Life Membership, Private (behind-the-scenes) Tour of Mulberry Hill Plantation & Battlefield, autographed copy of Staunton River Atlas by Dr. Trout and a recognition reception

Organization & Governance:

The Board of Trustees is the legal entity charged with the management, direction, and administration of the Foundation. The Board provides direction and oversight for the scope and purpose of the Foundation. It meets the first Thursday of every month in the Conference Room at the Clover Visitor's Center. The Board consists of not less than eleven (11) members, nor more than twenty-one (21). Currently, nineteen (19) Foundation members from the counties of Charlotte, Halifax, Lunenburg, and Mecklenburg with a wide range of interests and backgrounds varying from educators, lawyers, retirees, and homemakers, to administrators, elected public officials, farmers, self-employed business people, historians, genealogists, authors, and veterans form the Board of Trustees. Members of the Foundation elect the Trustees during the Annual Meeting on the first Thursday of September. Trustees are elected for a three-year term on a rotating schedule with one-third (1/3) being elected annually. Terms begin on January 1 and end on December 31. A list of the 2012 Board of Trustees is attached.

Officers of the Foundation include a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. These officers perform the duties prescribed by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Foundation, where the authority is not in conflict with the bylaws. They are elected annually by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees, at the November meeting of the Board. Newly elected officers shall assume their duties the first day of January of the following year.

The Foundation's fiscal year runs the calendar year: January 1 to December 31. A written narrative of the Foundation's Annual Audit and a Summary of the Financial Report for the Fiscal Year are attached. Please see page 19.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

First Name	Last Name	County Representing	Term Expires	<u>Officer</u>
Joey	Bane	Halifax	31-Dec-13	
Butler	John	Cumberland	31-Dec-12	
Butler	Mary	Cumberland	31-Dec-12	
Caknipe, Jr.	James	Mecklenburg	31-Dec-13	
Elliott	Grace	Halifax	31-Dec-12	Secretary
Epps	Ronald	Person (NC)	31-Dec-14	
Foster	Darlene	Charlotte	31-Dec-12	
Foster	Stanley	Charlotte	31-Dec-12	
Geoghegan	Jean	Charlotte	31-Dec-12	
Graves	Patt	Lunenburg	31-Dec-12	
Graves	Ron	Lunenburg	31-Dec-13	
Gregory	Helen	Halifax	31-Dec-12	
Johnson	Gerry	Halifax	31-Dec-13	
Johnson	Janet	Halifax	31-Dec-12	President
Newcombe	Shane	Charlotte	31-Dec-13	Vice-President
Nichols	Cindy	Charlotte	31-Dec-13	Treasurer
Owen	Holly	Halifax	31-Dec-12	
Snead	Korey	Halifax	31-Dec-12	
Ward	Tom	Halifax	31-Dec-12	

Designated terms begin January 1 and end December 31.

Total Board Trustees: Fourteen (19).

Quorum: Seven (7) Trustees must be present.

Jim Zanarini, Park Ranger

Liaison on behalf of Staunton River Battlefield State Park (nonvoting)

Otis K. Martin, Chief of Sappony Indian Nation

Liaison on behalf of Sappony Indian Nation, Person County, North Carolina (nonvoting)

Representation by Counties:

Charlotte – 5

Halifax - 8

Cumberland - 2

Lunenburg - 2

Mecklenburg - 1

Person County, NC - 1

Nonvoting -2

TOTAL: 21 (19 voting + 2 nonvoting)

2012 EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

The following were *undertakings* of the Historic Staunton River Foundations for 2011. These events, activities, meetings, and programs <u>do not include</u> the 2011 Summer Interpretive Programs and Events sponsored by the Staunton River Battlefield State Park. All events are open to public and free, unless otherwise indicated.

Winter

Crossing of the Dan – Saturday, Feb. 18, The Foundation along with 25 other hereditary, social, and civic organizations paid tribute, by laying and presenting a wreath, in memory of the American Patriots who fought during the decisive American Revolution event known as the Crossing of the Dan in South Boston.



Figure 1: Trustees present the Foundation's memorial wreath in honor and in memory of the American Patriots who fought during the Crossing of the Dan in 1781.

Spring & Summer

Easter Egg Hunt – Sunday, March 31, Clover Visitors Center, 1-3:30PM, \$3/child Children ages 10 and under enjoyed the fifth annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Clover Visitors Center. Approximately, 63 children and 34 adults, for a total of 97 people, participated in the event. Proceeds were \$189.00. Activities throughout the evening included a traditional egg hunting game, live rabbits to pet, egg coloring, tattoos, visits with the Easter Bunny, and miscellaneous children's games. Refreshments were served.



Figure 2: Children enjoy a visit with the Easter Bunny at the Park's Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Sappony Archaeological Dig – Thursday, May 31, Clover Visitors Center, 6-8:00PM Members of the Foundation hosted a dinner in honor of the Longwood University Archaeological Field School and their director, Dr. Brian Bates. This was an expression of the Foundation's gratitude for the hard work, research, and enduring spirit that the Field School has given the Randy W. Wade Archaeological Site on the Staunton River low grounds. Several artifacts that have been recently discovered where presented by Dr. Bates. Approximately, 30 people enjoyed the social event.

John Randolph Biographer – Saturday, June 9, Roanoke Station, 7PM

The Historic Staunton River Foundation and the Staunton River Battlefield State Park hosted Mr. David Johnson, author of *John Randolph of Roanoke*, on Saturday, June 9 at the Roanoke Station Visitors Center in downtown Randolph. Approximately, 50 people were in attendance to listen to the informative presentation by Mr. Johnson about the eccentric character and distinguished political career of Charlotte County's own, John Randolph. Mr. Johnson's biographical work, *John Randolph of Roanoke*, was released in May and he commenced his book tour in Randolph, a fitting location to honor John Randolph. After his presentation, Mr. Johnson autographed copies of his book; and a reception, catered by Scuffletown Bakers & More was held in Mr. Johnson's honor on the deck overlooking Roanoke Creek. Mr. Johnson is the former Deputy Attorney General for Health, Education, and Social Services for the Commonwealth of Virginia, and currently, serves as University Counsel for Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.





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Figure :. The kickoff of David Johnson's book tour of his biography of John Randolph was held at Roanoke Station in iconic Randolph, Virginia. More than 50 people attended the event.

Commemoration of the Battle of Staunton River Bridge – Friday & Saturday, June 22-23

As with tradition, the Historic Staunton River Foundation in conjunction with the Halifax Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC), and the Staunton River Battlefield State Park, held the annual Commemoration of the Battle of Staunton River Bridge. This year marked the 148th anniversary of the Battle. The day began with a UDC medals presentation (honoring descendants of Confederate soldiers who have served in the armed forces) was held at the monument alongside Fort Hill. It was followed by the Foundation's ceremony with the recognition of descendants of the Battle of Staunton River Bridge. **Mr. Paul Smith** representative from the Army of Northern Virginia's reenactment group presented an insightful and explanatory presentation on the plans for the 150th Reenactment of the Battle of Staunton River Bridge in 2014. Approximately, 45 people attended the lecture. Food and drinks were available for purchase from the Sappony Indian Nation.







Figure 4: Mr. Paul Smith, representative of the Army of Northern Virginia provided a presentation on how to become a reenactor and shared plans about the 150th Commemoration of the Battle of Staunton River Bridge in 2014. Members of the Foundation and the United Daughters of the Confederacy presented wreaths in memory of the soldiers who fought in the 1864 battle and recognized individuals who were active in American's Armed Forces and who have Confederate ancestry and those who are descendants of battle participants.

July 4th Parade – Wednesday, July 4, Scottsburg

For more than 50 years, the Town of Scottsburg (Halifax County) has hosted a 4th of July Parade. For 2012, the Foundation participated in the event with a Float. Volunteers dress in period costumes (ladies dresses and reenactors) and the truck and trailer were loaned by Snead Trucking, Inc. More than twenty volunteers participated in the float, which featured two encampments and cannons that showcased the announcement of the 2014 Reenactment.



Figure 5: The Foundation participated in the 4th of July Parade in the Town of Scottsburg. More than 20 individuals participated on the float or marched alongside the banner announcing the 2014 Reenactment.

Fall & Winter

Annual Meeting – Thursday, September 6, Roanoke Station, 6-9:00PM

Members of the Foundation, Board of Trustees, Park Staff, volunteers, and guests were all invited to the Foundation's Annual Meeting. A potluck supper was enjoyed by all on the deck of the Roanoke Station Visitor's Center. Several brief reports relating to the Foundation and Park were presented. Trustees to the Board were elected by the membership. Dr. Bill Trout, a Foundation member and author of the *Staunton River Atlas* was the guest speaker. His presentation, entitled "Staunton River", focused on the history, environment, and historical mapping of the Roanoke/Staunton Rivers. Approximately, 48 people were in attendance.





Figure 6: Foundation members enjoy a potluck supper on the deck of the Roanoke Station Visitors Center following a cool fall rain. Dr. Bill Trout provided a presentation of his recent work, the Staunton River Atlas.

Keysville Christmas Parade – Friday, December 7, 7:00PM

The Foundation partnered with the Charlotte County UDC and SCV groups to participate in the Annual Keysville (Charlotte County) Christmas Parade. Special attention was given to the Foundation's 2014 Commemoration banner.



Figure 7: The Foundation was represented by members of the Charlotte County Greys Camp 1964 Sons of Confederate Veterans and the H. A. Carrington Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy during the annual Keysville Christmas Parade.

Fundraising Stew – Saturday, December 8, All day

The Foundation's community outreach program was successfully accomplished through the sponsorship of a stew with Charles and Kerwin "Slick" Kunath serving as stew masters. Flyers were distributed through the local community and all quarts of stew were sold and enjoyed. The proceeds were used to fund the Foundation's mission.



Figure 8: Members of the Foundation work together to prepare a delicious stew. Proceeds went to fulfill the mission of the Foundation.

Election of Officers – Thursday, November 1, Clover Visitors Center, 7:00PM

The Board of Trustees met to elect officers for the 2013 term. The following Trustees were elected: Janet Johnson, president; Shane Newcombe, vice-president; Grace Elliott, secretary; and Cindy Nichols, treasurer.

Antebellum Christmas Open House – Saturday & Sunday, December 1-2 Mulberry Hill, \$5/person

An Antebellum period Christmas was celebrated at historic Mulberry Hill Plantation. The ancestral home of Judge Paul Carrington and the grounds were open to ring in the holiday season. Re-enactors provided living history demonstrations and campfire cooking in the boxwood gardens. A historic tour of the main house and its dependencies was given by period-dressed docents. Light refreshments were served. Approximately, 149 people were in attendance (for both days), and proceeds included \$685.00, which was donated to the Overseer's Fund.



Figure 8: For the first time in over ten years, more than 100 people toured Mulberry Hill Plantation for the Antebellum Christmas Open House. Special attention was given to dishes that were labeled as "favorites" of Confederate Generals and Officers. Lawrence Martin presented his collection of surgical tools used during the period.

A REVIEW OF THE 2012 OBJECTIVES:

1. Continue to raise money for the Overseer's Fund.

This fund was established in December 2009 to raise money to renovate the Overseer's Quarters at Mulberry Hill. The amount of \$80,000 is needed for the project.

- Spring Edition of the Sentinel (newsletter) featured an article about the historical connection between Slate Hill Plantation (birthplace of Hampden-Sydney College) and Mulberry Hill.
- ❖ May 4 Grace Elliott, Trustee gave a guided tour of Mulberry Hill and the Battlefield to UDC members.
- ❖ A PayPal donation button was added to the Foundation's website. All donations are tax deductible.
- ❖ Dec 2-3 The Annual Mulberry Hill Christmas Open House was held. The house and grounds were open to the public to tour. Foundation members were available to answer questions, and re-enactors demonstrated a living encampment. Proceeds were donated to the Overseer's Quarters Account.

2. Make the Historic Staunton River Foundation more visible.

Marketing the Foundation will make the public aware of the efforts that the Foundation does to support the Staunton River Battlefield State Park and its surrounding environs. The development of a brochure is being discussed.

- ❖ Feb 18 The Foundation presented a wreath at the annual Crossing of the Dan ceremony.
- ❖ Mar 14 The new South Boston/Halifax County Visitor Center held its grand opening. On display is a dress from the Civil War period and a soldier's uniform. This display was made possible through Foundation efforts.
- ❖ Mar 31 Each year children in the community are invited to enjoy the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. The event builds support among the Foundation, the Park, and the public.
- ❖ Apr 10 A special guided tour of the Battlefield and Mulberry Hill was given to Mr. Terry Jones. He currently is writing a book based on events that took place in Southside Virginia during the War Between the States
- ❖ May 30 The Foundation hosted a dinner meeting with Dr. Brian Bates and his archaeological field school students from nearby Longwood University.
- ❖ June 9 Mr. David Johnson, author of *John Randolph of Roanoke*, kicked off his book tour at Roanoke Station in Randolph. The Foundation hosted a dinner reception in his honor.
- ❖ Jun 23 The 148th Commemoration of the Battle of Staunton River Bridge provided an opportunity for the Foundation to host Mr. Paul Smith of the Army of Northern Virginia and announce plans for the 150th Commemoration of the Battle in 2014.
- ❖ July 4 The Foundation along with the UDC and SCV chapters from Halifax and Charlotte Counties participated in the Scottsburg July 4th Parade. The organization sponsored and manned the float in the event.
- ❖ Sept 6 The Annual Meeting of the Foundation brought together members of the Foundation, the Trustees, park personnel, and the public. A time of fellowship is enjoyed with a potluck dinner. After dinner, annual reports were presented and new trustees were welcomed. A presentation by Dr. Bill Trout on the Staunton River was given.
- ❖ Dec 1-2 The Antebellum Christmas Open House at Mulberry Hill allowed the Foundation to welcome a record-breaking amount of guests to tour to house and grounds and learn more about the Carrington family, the role of Mulberry Hill during the War Between the States and the Foundation's continued efforts to restore and maintain the property.
- ❖ Dec 7 Trustees and members of the local UDC and SCV organizations in Charlotte County worked together to create a float for the annual Keysville Christmas Parade. The 2014 Commemoration Banner was proudly displayed.
- ❖ Dec 8 A community outreach program was successfully accomplished through the Foundation's sponsorship of a stew. Flyers were distributed through local communities and newspapers and all quarts of stew were sold and proceeds were donated to the Foundation to fulfill its mission.

3. Create a database of Civil War documents.

By creating a database at Staunton River Battlefield State Park, local citizens of Halifax, Charlotte, and Mecklenburg counties can research the history of their ancestors. A computer, scanner, and printer are needed for this project. It also is in conjunction and honor of the Virginia Sesquicentennial of the Civil War.

- ❖ Jun 22 The Commemoration of the Battle allowed visitors to share and glean information pertaining to their ancestors and great focus was given to those with ancestors who participated in the Battle.
- ❖ Sept A computer and printer were donated to the Foundation to record and scan documents in order to create a database of related information.
- ❖ Nov A flat file system was created and digital copies of Charlotte County War Department Records were recorded. These files contain vital information to WWI soldiers and their Confederate Ancestry. Copies were distributed to local historical and hereditary societies.

4. Begin planning for the Sesquicentennial Commemoration in 2014

A reunion for the descendants of the old men and young boys and soldiers who fought at the Battle of Staunton River Bridge will be held in June 2014. Efforts to identify and contact the descendants have begun.

- ❖ Apr 4 Several Trustees hosted a dinner meeting with Mr. Paul Smith and Mr. Ken Sewell. They representatives of the 1st Division of the Army of Northern Virginia. They will be conducting the reenactment (tactical demonstrations) portion of the 2014 (150th) Commemoration.
- ❖ July 4 By participating in the 4th of July Parade in Scottsburg, the Foundation was able to begin promoting the 2014 Commemoration
- ❖ Nov 13 After the establishment of the 2014 Commemoration Steering Committee by the Board of Trustees, the first meeting was held. The committee was established with the task of overseeing the activities and events for the 2014 event. Members include people from the surrounding counties, Army of Northern Virginia, and the Park.

4. Begin process of acquiring land and historical artifacts

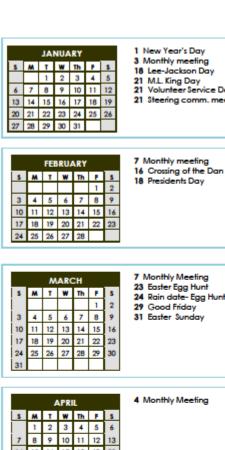
Artifacts and collectibles pertaining to the Battle, Mulberry Hill, the Carrington family, the Sappony Indian Nation, and other aspects of the Foundation's mission will help preserve, develop, and promote the rich history and heritage of the area. By owning property, the Foundation will be better able to construct a building to have for an office and storage space. The property can also be utilized for social events.

- ❖ Jan 16 Several Trustees and Foundation members participated in the Volunteer Service Day sponsored by Virginia State Parks. Documents pertaining to Mulberry Hill were discovered and these documents were digitally archived and placed in the Foundation library. The originals were returned to the Park.
- ❖ Jun 4 A court document belonging to Judge Paul Carrington was purchased at an auction. A copy was placed on the website, and article written and published in the Sentinel, and the original has be properly protected and placed in the Foundation's library.

2012 LIST OF MEMBERS

<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	Address	<u>City</u>	State	<u>Zip</u>
Anderson,	George	1143 Pete's Trail	Clover,	VA	24534
Barksdale,	Seth	29 Afton Parkway	Portsmouth,	VA	23702
Butler,	John H.	109 Swann Road	Cumberland,	VA	23040
Caknipe,	James L.	2274 Esnon Road	Chase City,	VA	23924
Chamlee,	Mr. & Mrs. Robert	12258 North Oaks Drive	Ashland,	VA	23005
Conner,	Bernice	5239 Morton's Ferry Road	Nathalie,	VA	24577
Craddock,	Pickett	Oak Grove Plantation	Cluster Springs,	VA	24535
		P. O. Box 45			
Crowder,	Dr. T. Harold	1303 N. Main Street	South Boston,	VA	24592
Davis,	Dr. Charles S.	879 Saxkey Road	Drakes Branch,	VA	23937
Dickerson,	Raymond	418 Mountain View Road	Pamplin,	VA	23958
Elliott,	Grace	1103 Scottsburg Road	Scottsburg,	VA	24589
Epps,	Ronald	1199 Epps-Martin Road	Roxboro,	NC	27574
Foster,	Darlene	781 Bailey Farm Road	Saxe,	VA	23967
Foster,	Stanley	781 Bailey Farm Road	Saxe,	VA	23967
Geoghegan,	Jean B.	143 W. Academy Lane	Chase City,	VA	23924
Geoghegan,	Jean M.	700 Ridgeway Farm Lane	Brookneal,	VA	24528
Gorenflo,	Charles D.	1170 Ellis Creek Road	Nathalie,	VA	24577
Graves,	Hope Lynne	250 Mt Hawken Lane	Brookneal,	VA	24528
Graves,	Patt	838 Crymes Road	Keysville,	VA	23947
Graves,	Ronald	838 Crymes Road	Keysville,	VA	23947
Green,	Joyce H.	4888 Midway Road	Phenix,	VA	23959
Grey,	Jackie	705 Abilene Road	Charlotte Court House,	VA	23923
Hedrick,**	Julia D.	5474 Scuffletown Road	Randolph,	VA	23962
Holcomb,	H. S.	P. O. Box 40	Franktown,	VA	23354
Hudson,	Esther	2526 Brunswick Road	Blackstone,	VA	23824
Johnson,	Gerald F.	5087 Mount Laurel Road	Clover,	VA	24534
Johnson,	Janet	5123 Hunting Creek Rd	Nathalie,	VA	24577
Lawson,	David		,		
Martin,	Catherine J.	340 Patrick Henry Hwy.	Charlotte Court House,	VA	23923
Martin,	Charlene Y.	6907 Oak Bend Trail	Greensboro,	NC	27410
Miller,	Paul G.	102 Prince Ct.	Goodview,	VA	24095
Newcomb,	J. E. & Elaine	2526 Hebron Church Road	Randolph,	VA	23962
Newcombe,	J. Shane	2300 Carwile Springs Road	Randolph,	VA	23962
Nichols,	Cindy	P. O. Box 92	Randolph,	VA	23962
Nichols,	Joyce N.	122 E. Edgewater Drive	Charleston,	SC	29407
Owen,	Holly	4012 Mount Laurel Road	Clover,	VA	24534
Owen,	Tim	4012 Mount Laurel Road	Clover,	VA	24534
Powell,	Douglas	1074 Lakeshore Drive	Halifax,	VA	24558
Price,	Dorval & Susan	521 Old Cedartop School Rd	Greensburg,	KY	42743
Redwine	Pamela	5001 Swift Ridge Road	Raleigh,	NC	27606
Snead,	Korey R.	3175 Green Level Road	Scottsburg,	VA	24589
St. John,	Cora	9287 Thomas Jefferson Hwy	Charlotte Court House,	VA	23923
Sutphin,	Lester	117 Craddock Court	Boydton,	VA	23912
Sutton,	Dorothy	229 Brrokchase Lane	Richmond,	VA	23229
Swartzel,	Leroy	197 Seven Winds Lane	Drakes Branch,	VA	23937
Yerby,	Chris & Ellen	5808 Freeboard Court	Wilmington,	NC	28409

2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- 1 New Year's Day 3 Monthly meeting
- 18 Lee-Jackson Day 21 M.L. King Day 21 Volunteer Service Day
- 21 Steering comm. meeting

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- 2 Monthly Meeting 12 Mother's Day
- 27 Memorial Day
- 30 Dinner with Dr. Bates & students

7 Monthly Meeting
11 Veterans Day
28 Thanksgiving Day

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- 6 Monthly Meeting 16 Father's Day
- 21-22 Commemoration
- 5 Monthly Meeting 7-8 Mulberry Hill Christmas Open House 25 Christmas Day

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2013 EVENTS

> Spring:

Saturday, March 23: **Easter Egg Hunt**, Clover Visitors Center, 1-3:30PM; \$5/child Here comes Peter Cottontail, but that's not all, you will have the chance to visit with the Easter Bunny, enjoy story time with Mother Goose, run in a sack race, participate in an egg hunt and race, pet live bunnies, play pick up ducks, get temporary tattoos, and much more. So don't miss out on all the excitement. Bring your baskets and bring a friend. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. and the Easter Egg Hunt will be held from 1:15 until 1:45. Other activities will be held from 2:00 - 3:30. Don't forget you cameras! Cost of admission is only \$5.00 per child. Children ages 10 and under need to be accompanied by an adult. In event of inclement weather the rain date will be Sunday, March 24.

> Summer:

Saturday, June 22 – **Commemoration of the Battle**, Clover Visitors Center & Fort Hill- Saturday 9-3:00PM - We honor the "young boys and old men" who gave so much to defend their bridge on that hot summer day knowing that victory would keep the supplies flowing to Petersburg. There will be a Confederate encampment, musket firing, music, UDC medal presentation, interpretive programs, guest speakers and more. So, if you are a Civil War enthusiast or you would like to know more about our nations' history from a local prospective, come by for a truly eventful day here in Southside. Programs will begin at 9 a.m. and there will be events throughout the day.

There are **many interpretive programs** offered at the Park from May to August. Such events include the history of the battlefield, life as Civil War soldiers, period gardening, bird/wildlife identification on the nature trails and wetlands, and many other environmental and historical programs. Check the local newspaper or our website at www.historicstauntonriverfoundation.org for the different programs and times.

> Fall:

Thursday, September 5: **Annual Meeting,** Roanoke Station Visitors Center, 6-9PM Covered Dish Dinner (meat & drinks provided by the Foundation) Members who attend are asked to bring a vegetable dish, salad, or dessert. Annual Reports Presented, Election of Trustees, Volunteer Recognition, and Special Speaker. Open to all Foundation members.

> Winter:

Saturday & Sunday – December 7-8: **Christmas at Mulberry Hill,** Randolph, 1-4PM; \$5/person Come and enjoy an Antebellum period Christmas at Mulberry Hill Mansion during the evening. Enjoy touring the historic home, refreshments; even enjoy a visit from Santa Claus.

2013 OBJECTIVES & GOALS

1. Continue to make plans and support the sesquicentennial commemoration.

A reenactment and living history will be presented for the 150th anniversary in June 2014 of the Battle of Staunton River Bridge. The reenactment is being organized by the 1st Division of the Army of Northern Virginia. The living history will include historical organizations from Halifax, Charlotte, and Mecklenburg counties. By coordinating with other groups, the Foundation will become more visible, grow stronger, and increase membership.

2. Create a database of battle participants, both confederate and union.

Many "old men and young boys" from the surrounding counties participated in the Battle of Staunton River Bridge. Some of these soldiers remained at the bridge to guard against other possible attacks while other returned home. The union soldiers retreated after several unsuccessful attempts of destroying the bridge. Creating the database of all participates would allow a complete story to be told.

3. Continue efforts to raise money for the Overseer's Fund.

This fund was established in December 2009 to raise money to renovate the Overseer's Quarters at Mulberry Hill. The amount of \$80,000 is needed for the project. Ways of making the public aware of the project are being done through the use of the internet and special events.

4. Continue process of acquiring land and historical artifacts.

Artifacts and collectibles pertaining to the Battle, Mulberry Hill, the Carrington family, the Sappony Indian Nation, and other aspects of the Foundation's mission will help preserve, develop, and preserve the rich history and heritage of the area. By owning property, the Foundation will be able to construct a building to have an office and for storage space. The property can also be utilized for social events.

5. Create a memorial garden.

Many people have contributed to the success of the Foundation and to the establishment of Staunton River Battlefield State Park. A memorial garden would recognize these special people for their efforts.

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Clover Visitor's Center, Hours of Operation: Battlefield & Trails open til dusk Monday-Saturday 9:00AM-4:30PM Sunday 1:00PM-4:30PM

Roanoke Depot, Randolph, Hours of Operation:

Saturday 9:00AM-4:30PM Sunday 1:00PM-4:30PM

FINANCIAL STATEMENT & FIGURES

During the calendar year of 2012, the Historic Staunton River Foundation **raised** \$6,185.78 This figure includes membership dues, donations, gift shop sales, and admission fees (when applicable).

The Foundation dedicated to the preservation, promotion, and development of the Staunton River Battlefield State Park **expended \$5,505.54** during the 2012 calendar year. Expenses include the miscellaneous costs of hosting and operating the many events held at the Staunton River Battlefield State Park (advertising, supplies, props, etc.) and donations made directly to the Park by the Foundation.

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Despite a rough economic year, the Foundation was able to operate fiscally sound and ended the 2012 year with \$680.24 balance.

ATTENDANCE NUMBERS

For 2012, the attendance numbers at the Staunton River Battlefield Park totaled to $\underline{30,635}$ (for $^{12}-30,636$; $^{11}-30,224$; $^{10}-30,039$).

The average attendance figure for the last five years totaled to 30,355.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Friends, Members, Trustees, and Volunteers, of the Historic Staunton River Foundation logged approximately **2,509 volunteer** (combined) hours for 2012 ('12 – 2,509; '11 – 547; '10- 2,079 hours). We attribute this decline in volunteer hours to the deficiency of volunteers not recording and logging their volunteer time. In addition, generous donors and sponsors provide monetary and in-kind **donations** valued at **\$2,021.85**. This amount is not included in the income generated or received by the Foundation in the Financial Statement and Figures as printed above.

Based on the Virginia Officer of Volunteerism "volunteer value" of \$20.53/hour, the volunteer efforts channeled through the Foundation contributed **\$42,271.27** to the Staunton River Battlefield State Park; saving valuable tax payer's dollars and contributing to the betterment of the Commonwealth of Virginia (for '12 - \$42,271.27; '11 - \$10,786.84; '10 - \$40,997.88)

IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS

Federal Tax & Employer ID Number: 54-1742829

Commonwealth of Virginia Corporation ID Number: 0437467-4 Commonwealth of Virginia Tax ID Number: 001725399-9

This 2012 Annual Report is submitted on bel of the Historic Staunton River Foundation ,		tees and the Membership
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Developing, Promoting, and Preserving:

- 1864 Battlefield at Staunton River;
 - the Staunton River Bridge;
- the Staunton River historical areas and environs;
 - the Roanoke Station;
- Mulberry Hill Plantation, ancestral home of the Carrington family;
- ♦ 44CH62, the Randy K. Wade Archaeological Site and any future discoveries; and
 - the Sappony Indian Nation.