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New tour explores Williamsburg's Civil War



The cast and crew for "Trial by Fire: A Civil War Walking Tour of Williamsburg" are, from left to right: Tom Hay, Susan Berquist, Philip Bond, Jean Mitchell, Ken Treese, Gaynelle McNichols, Anne Marie Miller, Willie Balderson and Dennis Cotner.

Photo by Patrick Saylor

Visitors who want to learn about Williamsburg life after 1780 have a new option — an evening walking tour that focuses on the Civil War and its affect on the city.

"We've been doing a Civil War program for three years as part of the Winter Discovery Series," explains Carson Hudson, who developed and manages the new tour. "A lot happened here during the period, but it seems to be a forgotten part of Williamsburg's past."

Hudson says the timing for the new tour is especially good, given the renewed interest in local Civil War history. Newport News' War Memorial Museum recently made the news for its efforts to establish a new museum on a Civil War site. Many Colonial Williamsburg visitors ask for information about the Civil War, Hudson added.

The Battle of Williamsburg was

fought May 5, 1862, as part of the Union Army's peninsula campaign. Most fighting took place near Ft. Magruder, east of town. The main union thrust took place near what is now Frank's Truck Stop. The battle claimed about 2,000 casualties and turned the town into a field hospital for soldiers from both sides.

Hudson says there are many interesting stories, many of which are recounted during the tour. Among them are stories about the murder of a union provost marshal during the union occupation of the town. The officer was shot on the steps of the Vest House by his sergeant, who was drunk. "It was basically an altercation between a boss and his employee," Hudson explained.

Among other little known facts relating to Williamsburg's role in the Civil War:

- The town was the site of the Confederate Army's first military hospital, which was authorized in 1861 by Pope Walker, Secretary of War for the Confederate States. The hospital was on the site of the present capitol; at that time it was the site of a women's academy.
- The confederate cavalry conducted several raids on the occupied city after the battle. Hudson says there apparently was a gun battle between C.S.A. infantrymen and the U.S. cavalry on Duke of Gloucester Street in 1863.
- About 30 C.S.A. soldiers are buried at Bruton Parish Church. More than 200 are interred at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Most are mass graves that are unmarked.
- Almost all Williamsburg residents were sympathetic to the confederate cause. One exception was Lemuel Bowden, the president of the board of overseers of Eastern State Hospital and builder of the Bowden-Armistead House at western end of the Historic Area. Deemed a "Virginia Yankee" by local residents, he was driven out of town to Norfolk, where Union forces made him mayor. Hudson says Bowden's own mother was a secessionist who refused to live with him.
- The most poignant story involves the Ware House, now the site of the Williamsburg Theatre. After the battle, a wounded confederate soldier was taken there, where he died. A union detail was sent to retrieve the body and the officer in charge of collecting the dead and wounded discovered the dead man was his

own brother.

"There are tons of interesting stories," Hudson says. "We have a lot of great resources at our disposal."

"Trial by Fire: A Civil War Walking Tour of Williamsburg," is offered Fridays at 8:30 p.m. through the end of August. Five groups of 30 people each are taken every 15 minutes on the one-hour tours, which start at the Courthouse on Market Square.

Tour leaders discuss Williamsburg's Civil War events, sites and personalities. Along the way participants meet four characters: a union soldier, a confederate soldier, a confederate officer and a civilian woman.

Tour leaders are Jean Mitchell, Philip Bond, Ken Treese, Gaynelle McNichols and Anne Marie Miller. The characters are portrayed by Tom Hay, Willie Balderson, Dennis Cotner and Susan Berquist.

Hudson disagrees with employees who say a Civil War tour doesn't fit with Colonial Williamsburg's mission. "It was definitely a part of the history of our town and should be shared with those who want to learn about it," he says. "We can find many interesting stories associated with the four years of the Civil War and we can tell them well for Colonial Williamsburg's visitors. It was a traumatic time, and it required the town 40 to 50 years for the town to recover from it."

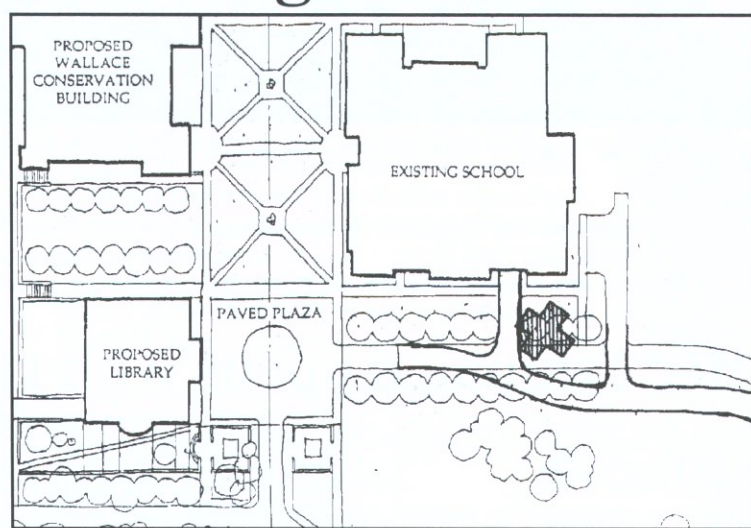
Tickets for "Trial By Fire" and other evening programs are \$10; Patriot's Pass holders and Colonial Williamsburg Good Neighbors receive a 50 percent discount. To reserve tickets, call 7643. Employees are admitted free if space is available.

Archaeology at John Page house site nears completion

When the archaeology is completed this month at the Page house foundation site, they will be covered with a layer of sand and excavated fill to ensure protection and preservation of the foundation.

In addition, the library road will be slightly shifted, about 20 feet, south of the Page house. Once the archaeological site is covered and after construction on the south side of the school is completed in mid-1996, the profile of the foundations will be outlined with bricks fired in the Historic Area and

"X" marks the spot of the 1662 John Page house foundation discovered at the Bruton Heights School Education Center. The schematic drawing indicates shifting the library entrance road about 20 feet to ensure preservation of the archaeological site.



given descriptive signage.

Excavation began at the site more than three months ago when a section of the brick foundation was exposed during library road-way construction.

The archaeology dig has revealed several unusual things about the house. Built in 1662 it was made entirely of brick at a time when most people in the colonies were constructing wooden post-in-ground structures, according to Colonial Williamsburg project archaeologist Dwayne Pickett.

The layout of the house is also unusual. It features two matching square towers on the front and back called porch and stair towers. These projections gave the house a cross

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Western hemisphere defense ministers to meet here July 23 -26

Later this month Colonial Williamsburg will host the Defense Ministerial of the Americas, a three-day conference on hemisphere-wide defense and security issues. Representatives from 34 nations in North, Central and South America will attend the July 24-26 conference, which is hosted by U.S. Secretary of Defense William Perry.

Security arrangements and special programming will prompt a number of closings in and around the Williams-

burg Inn and Lodge, and, for a short time, in the Historic Area. These closings include:

- Sunday, July 23 - Wednesday, July 26 — The Williamsburg Inn and the Williamsburg Lodge will be closed to the public beginning at 3 p.m. Sunday, July 23 through 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 26. This includes all restaurants and the gift shops at the Inn and Lodge.
- The golf courses will remain open,

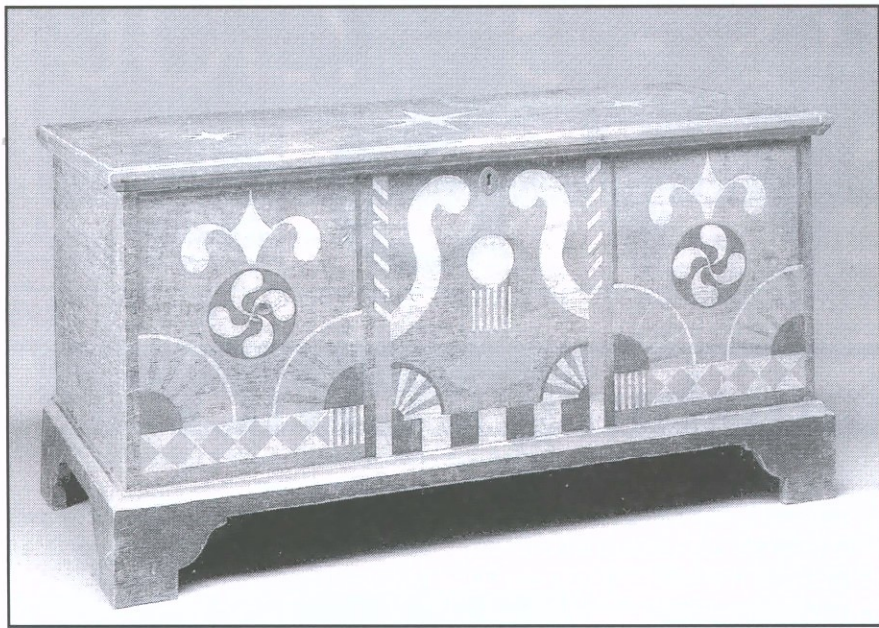
as will the Gold and Green Club-house Grills at the Golden Horse-shoe Courses. The tennis courts will remain open. The Tazewell Club fitness center will be open to members only.

- The Craft House at the Inn will remain open.
- Monday, July 24 — The Governor's Palace, wheelwright and gardens will close at 3 p.m. There will be no evening programs. The Palace will

return to its regular schedule Tuesday morning, July 25.

- Tuesday, July 25 - Wednesday, July 26 — On Tuesday, July 25, the Capitol will open at 10 a.m. and close at 6 p.m. It will reopen at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 26, and then will close again at 6 p.m. There will be no evening programs Tuesday or Wednesday. The Capitol will return to its regular schedule Thursday, July 27.

Gallery exhibits Deyerle auction purchases



The DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery features this recent acquisition, a circa 1800 chest believed to be decorated by Johannes Spitler, a Shenandoah Valley artisan, in the exhibition "Virginia Furniture, 1680-1820." The chest was acquired at auction from the collection of the late Henry P. Deyerle and his wife, Mary.

Colonial Williamsburg adds an important hand-painted dower chest and portrait to the exhibition, "Virginia Furniture, 1680-1820," at the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery. The objects were acquired at a Sotheby's auction of 18th- and 19th-century American art that captured headlines internationally, netting \$4.6 million, the largest ever for an estate sale.

Graham Hood, vice president of

museums and collections, describes the Spitler chest as "a masterwork of American furniture. Some experts believe it to be the most important piece of American painted furniture of the 18th century," he said. "It is of exceptional quality and adds a masterwork of Virginia furniture to our already important collections."

Ronald Hurst, curator of furniture, echoes Hood's sentiments, adding,

"The Spitler chest is an important addition to our Virginia furniture collection because it addresses the substantial Germanic culture that was such an important part of early Virginian society. Our collections have numerous examples of Anglo-inspired eastern Virginia furniture but relatively few examples of this quality from Germanic western Virginia."

The chest, with its red, white and blue patterns of stars, fleur-de-lis and quarter fans, is believed to be decorated about 1800 by Johannes Spitler, a Shenandoah Valley artisan. Spitler was one of the best known of the 18th-century immigrant furniture decorators who worked in western Virginia. The chest will be exhibited with another Spitler chest the foundation owns.

The painting, a circa 1791 oil portrait of Martha Payne, features the great-granddaughter of the colonial governor of Virginia Colonel Alexander Spotswood. The subject, Martha Payne of Goochland County, was born in 1773, the second child of Archer and Martha Dandridge Payne. She is depicted outdoors, presumably on the grounds of "New Market," Archer Payne's plantation in Goochland.

Describing the importance of the portrait, Hood said, "Virginia portraits of the last two decades of the 18th century are not common. The 'Payne Limner' group contains probably the most important portraits painted then.

"The portrait of Martha we've just acquired is a luminous and lovely example of a Spotswood descendant so we're very pleased to add this dimension to our collections," he said.

Laurie Suber, curatorial specialist in paintings, noted, "More than any other painting in our collection, the portrait of Martha Payne takes me back to rural Virginia in the 1790s. It evokes what it was like to want to make portraits of friends and family but to be too isolated from any art school or professional painter to learn how.

"This painter relied on his or her own creative sense," she said, "and perhaps on colonial portraits in the area, to make a very successful image."

The sale was of the collection of Henry P. Deyerle, a Harrisonburg surgeon, and his wife Mary. In addition to the chest and painting, Colonial Williamsburg acquired a small green English Tudor earthenware jug, a 1793 Sussex red earthenware tea canister and silver cover, an 1818 hand-colored aquatint, a 1782 engraved pewter charger, a circa 1775 pewter sundial signed by Goldsmith Chandlee and a circa 1770 William Byrd III walnut cellarette-on-stand from Williamsburg.

The exhibition "Virginia Furniture, 1680-1820," illustrates the local styles and regional differences in the products of Virginia cabinet and chair makers.

Employees are welcome to view the exhibition daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sacrifice and commitment typify slave marriage and romance

They weren't sanctioned by the church or recognized by their masters, but slave marriages were common place during the 18th century. So were affairs between slave women and their masters. Two reenactment programs of Colonial Williamsburg's department of African-American interpretation and presentations focus on the intimate feelings involved in the relationships.

"Jumpin' the Broom" investigates 18th-century slave marriages in Virginia while focusing on traditional African matrimonial practices and the hardships faced by slave couples. Following an introduction, visitors see slave women talking to the bride (Ester) about keeping secrets, slave men talking to the groom (Manuel) about something the groom just found out about the bride and what manhood is to an enslaved man, and the wedding couple discussing the importance of truth in marriage and the love they share. A final scene features the wedding ceremony attended by slaves, free blacks and the couple's master.

Visitors participate in the final scene as wedding guests and are invited to join in the wedding dance, the JUBA. The program ends with a question and answer session.

The program, based on research



"Jumpin the Broom" explores the uncertain alliances of slave marriages in 18th-century Virginia.

Photo by Lorraine Brooks

from "African Religions and Philosophy" by John S. Mbiti and "The Black Family in Slavery and Freedom" by

Herbert Gutman, is presented Saturdays at 7 and 8:30 p.m. through Sept. 2 at Carter's Grove Reception Center

theater and the Slave Quarter.

"Affairs of the Heart" examines a gentry marriage and its effect on the extended households of the groom and his intended bride. Visitors meet William, who has a child by his slave, Rachel, as he thinks about marrying and carrying on the family name. For the first time, visitors see and hear Billy, the child of William and Rachel.

The program consists of an introduction, four scenes and a questions and answer period. One scene shows William and Rachel discussing his plans for their son, Billy. Another shows three slaves' views of William's upcoming marriage and the time they spent growing up with him. The third scene presents William's intended bride as she decides the fate of her own "married" slave maid. A fourth scene portrays William and his bride discussing the disposition of Rachel in which the bride tells William she suspects the slave's son is his.

This program is based on the 18th-century diaries of Philip Vickers Fithian, William Byrd II and Landon Carter, and the Daniel Custis letters. It is presented at 7 and 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Oct. 31 at the George Wythe House.

United Way Pacesetter campaign opens with rally August 1

Colonial Williamsburg jump-starts its tradition as a United Way Pacesetter organization at a kick-off rally Aug. 1, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the North Ballroom of the Williamsburg Lodge. This year's theme is "Lead the Way—Help Your Community."

Every year, United Way assembles a dedicated team of volunteers from local businesses, individuals, government and nonprofit human care organizations to raise funds, study community needs, and distribute funds where they will do the most good.

Each year, more than 20,000 people—about one in three people living in the Greater Williamsburg area—are helped by a United Way agency.

"It's important that people realize that their contributions are used locally

to provide help where it's needed," said Miriam C. Saguto, United Way marketing services director.

United Way organizations work to combat domestic violence, teenage violence, homelessness and drug and alcohol abuse. Volunteers have focused on strengthening families and youth-at-risk as target areas for funding programs that provide guidance, care and counseling including the Boy Scouts, Big Brothers & Big Sisters and the Salvation Army.

Information and referral is also an important part of this nonprofit organization. "There is such a wide spectrum of need," said Carolyn Kincaid of the United Way. "We get calls daily from

people who say 'I'm a battered wife' or 'I have four children and no food' or 'I'm a senior citizen and my electricity is about to be cut off.'"

According to Kincaid, United Way has received 201 calls this year for help with heat or electric, 191 calls for help with rent or mortgage and 47 calls for help with shelter.

United Way supports 39 human service programs locally. The programs include emergency shelter, child and youth development, help for the disabled, medical care for the indigent, debt counseling, services to the elderly and adult literacy training.

Nearly 40 volunteers for United Way, representing a broad range of

backgrounds, workplaces and neighborhoods, work hard to ensure that money is spent wisely. People who live in the community and understand the community's needs make funding decisions for the United Way through a citizen process called allocation.

They assess agency requests and recommend distribution amounts for the money raised during the United Way campaign. A volunteer board of directors is responsible for the final decisions on all funding requests.

Your United Way contribution helps ensure assistance is available in your community when it's needed.

The next issue of the Colonial Williamsburg's News will have more details about the foundation's United Way Pacesetter campaign.



News from the hotels and restaurants

Employees suggest two dozen winning ideas

Nineteen employees emerged with 24 winning suggestions in the latest Employee Idea System awards. Kim Litvin submitted three winning ideas and Kevin Bennett, William Bailey and Ellen Bridgeforth garnered two each.

Litvin, who works at King's Arm Tavern, suggested three winning ideas: a pair of level three suggestions and one level two suggestion. She won \$25 for proposing the placement of colonial pictures above the table four in the back of the lobby, enhancing the appearance and adding to the ambience of the room. Litvin's suggestion to cover the air conditioning unit in the John Coke Office with a checkered curtain that blends in with the period decor was worth another \$25 prize. Her level two idea for placing a recycling barrel for guest use in front of the tavern won her a tavern dinner for two.

Ellen Bridgeforth of the Cascades won two \$25 awards for suggesting the Cascades gift shop sell more than one size and color of pantyhose and proposing new paint for the wrought iron furniture on the Cascades deck.

Kevin Bennett from the Governor's Inn front desk staff won \$25 for each of his two proposals: a caution sign for the Governor's Inn parking lot to warn drivers of guests and children playing around the pool and guest rooms and a "Private" sign to prevent guests from wandering into the manager's office at the Governor's Inn.

William Bailey, also from the Governor's Inn, was awarded dual prizes for his suggestions. Bailey won \$25 for proposing a guest service improvement at the hotel by replacing Sanka with decaffeinated coffee. He won a day off with pay for his level two suggestion to keep large area maps of Williamsburg, the peninsula and the state at the hotel front desk and gift shop for use by guests.

The unit submitting the most winning suggestions was the Governor's Inn with six. King's Arms Tavern followed with five. The Cascades contrib-

uted four winners and Woodlands maintenance came through with a trio of winning ideas. The Lodge maintenance crew tossed in two winners. The Lodge front desk, the reservations office at the Woodlands, Chowning's Tavern and the Laundry each contributed a single winner.

The winning group at the Governor's Inn included Rossi Legrand who won \$50 for his level two safety suggestion. He proposed a light to illuminate the caution sign near the sidewalk in the Governor's Inn main building at night to lessen the possibility of injury to guests.

Steve Bailey, also from the Governor's Inn won \$25 for suggesting purchase of a utility cart for transporting heavy air conditioning and heating units at the hotel.

Loren Roller and Steven Bennett contributed a winning idea each to complement Litvin's trio of

winners from the King's Arms Tavern. Roller won a tavern lunch for two by proposing ceiling hooks for hanging ice buckets, replacing the current practice of stacking and storing the buckets on the floor. Bennett won a tavern dinner for two for suggesting a stack of firewood to route guests away from the service door that opens into the alley between the tavern and the Wigmaker's Shop.

Complementing Bridgeforth's ideas from the Cascades, Melvin Press won \$25 by suggesting the removal of ashtrays from the Cascades employee

locker rooms.

Sheryl Kendall contributed the Cascades' fourth winning idea. She won a tavern lunch for two by proposing a bottle opener and a small waste container for the double bar windows in the Cascades' newly renovated lounge to help bartenders and the wait staff expedite beer orders.

Bill Jones, Mark Haynes and Chuck Lucress submitted the trio of winning ideas from the

Woodlands maintenance department.

Jones won a day off with pay for his level two proposal to install a new 125-amp electrical panel box in the basement of the Woodlands to supply adequate power to the sidewalk booths.

Haynes won \$25 for his idea to install bins in the Woodlands maintenance shop for the flare nuts, couplings, fittings and various other small parts.

Lucress won \$25 for

his suggestion of a simple metal pin to secure the wash and rinse access door on the dishwashing machine at Chowning's Tavern.

Charles Brown Jr. in the Lodge maintenance department won \$25 for his suggestion to reroute the generator exhaust in the Lodge maintenance shop to prevent carbon monoxide exposure in the shop.

Donald White, also in Lodge maintenance, won \$25 for proposing a basket strainer to catch grass clippings and sediment that collects in the drain troughs when golf carts are hosed off

at the Green Course Clubhouse.

Stacey Smart at the Lodge front desk won a tavern dinner for two for a suggestion to designate more non-smoking guest rooms in the Tazewell and West wing of the Lodge.

Renee Ashlock in the reservation office at the Woodlands won a tavern lunch for two for proposing development of a more efficient training manual for the lodging and dining reservations office.

Barbara Bowden at Chowning's Tavern won \$25 for her proposal to list all ingredients on items prepared in the Commissary's cook/chill operation and the bakery. The lists would help wait staffs serve guests with allergies to certain foods or ingredients.

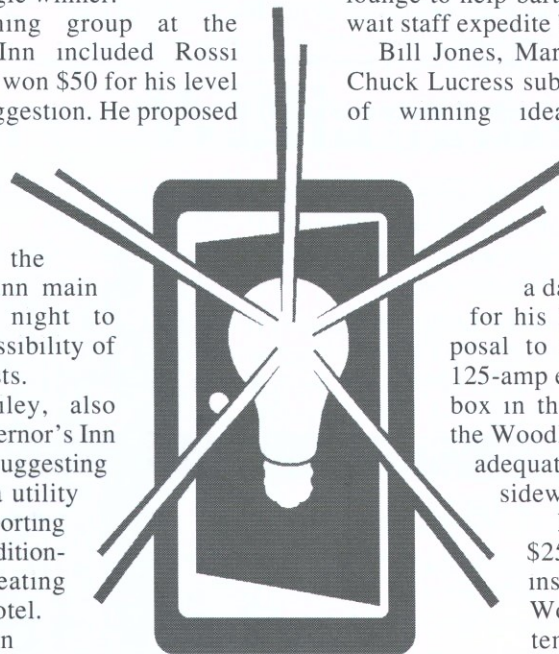
Doris Morris at the Laundry won \$25 for her suggestion to install a fire extinguisher in the Laundry's employee break room.

Although none of the suggestions attained level one designation, five were level two ideas with the remaining 19 designated level three. Six of the winning ideas were guest related. Eight suggestions addressed safety concerns and 10 were placed in the "other" category for consideration.

Suggestions submitted to the Employee Idea System are classified in several categories. Level one safety suggestions correct life-threatening or severe injury safety hazards. Level two safety ideas correct safety hazards that present potential injury to guests or employees. Level three safety proposals are worthy safety-related ideas.

Level one guest suggestions help the unit exceed guest expectations. Level two guest ideas help the unit meet guest expectations. Level three guest proposals are worthy guest-related ideas.

Level one suggestions in the "other" category save the unit or the company money or manpower. Level two "other" ideas increase productivity of employees and level three ideas in the "other" category make CWHPI a better place to work.



Employee IDEA System

COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG
HOTEL PROPERTIES, INC.

HealthCare Plan card use important

Employees who participate in the Colonial Williamsburg HealthCare plan which replaced the Trigon Blue Cross/Blue Shield KeyCare plan on January 1 should have received a new medical care card and a prescription card in December of last year.

The medical care card is white and burgundy and carries a "Colonial Williamsburg CW HealthCare" imprint. The prescription card is blue and white with "Caremark" imprinted on it.

When visiting a doctor or pharmacist, an employee enrolled in the CW HealthCare plan should show their new card and ask the healthcare provider to change the employee's records so that the provider can file insurance claims properly.

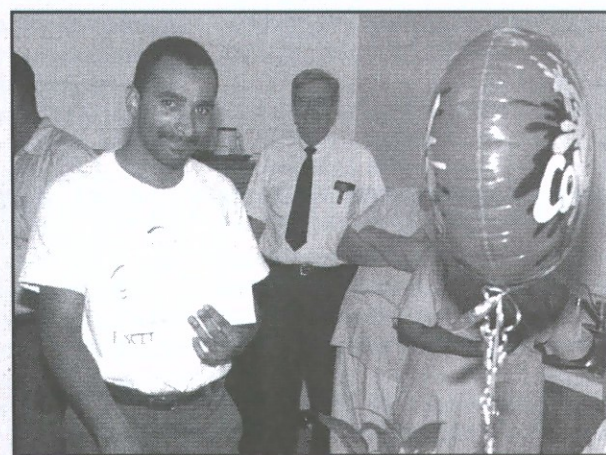
If an employee's healthcare provider has not made the change, the employee may receive a notice from Trigon Blue Cross/Blue Shield that

the claim has been disallowed because the employee is no longer enrolled.

Employees receiving these notices should contact the healthcare provider's office and ask them to re-submit the claim to Provident Life and Accident Insurance Company, the administrator of the CW HealthCare plan. The address is on the back of the card.

The human resources division's compensation and benefits office urges any employee or dependent who still has a KeyCare card of a Paid prescription drug card to destroy the expired cards at once. The cards are of no further use and use of the card may delay processing a HealthCare participant's claims.

Questions about CW HealthCare claims should be directed to Provident's toll-free telephone number, 1-800-887-9204.



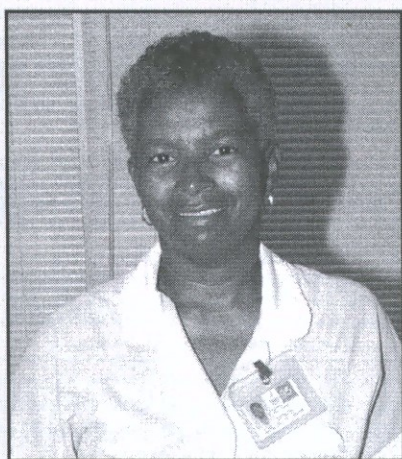
LAUNDRY EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER—Andre Jones works as a flatwork finisher at the Laundry and also serves as part-time valet on weekends at the Williamsburg Inn and the Lodge.

Photo by Jim Bradley



WOODLANDS EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH—Housekeepers Katie Dobson (left) and Phyllis Jones (right) are the Woodlands Employees of the Month for June. Also nominated: Lou Spruell, Bianca Carter, Anthony Ross, Jamie Norman, Essie White, Lam Nguyen.

Photos by Jim Bradley



Recycling thought for the week

It takes just a moment to remove staples, paperclips and "stickies" from discarded office paper. Please remove carbon paper and NCR (no-carbon-required) paper from your recyclables.

Colonial Williamsburg
Recycling Committee

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RECYCLES

Questions? Comments? Suggestions? Call the recycling hotline: 2333!

JULY 15 - 21

HAPPENINGS AT COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG

SATURDAY, JULY 15

Prime Time History Hour. Guests from 1774 tell their stories and discuss with the audience what unites us as a country today. 4 p.m. in the Hennage Auditorium of the Wallace Gallery.

SUNDAY, JULY 16

Anheuser-Busch Golf Classic. Final round of Williamsburg's PGA Tour event at Kingsmill.

Summer Cooler. "Building Colonial Williamsburg" presented by William Perry. 4 p.m. at the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery.

MONDAY, JULY 17

Summer Cooler. "Estate Auction." 2 p.m. at the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery.

Felicity's Tea Parties. Children enjoy special offerings from Felicity's Tea menu at 3:30 - 5 p.m. daily in the Regency Lounge at the Inn.

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Colonial dance classes. Instruction in English country dancing for employees, family members, friends and Good Neighbor cardholders is held in the exercise room of the Tazewell Fitness Center of the Lodge at 7:30 p.m. Dress is casual. For more information, call dance mistress Marcy Wright at 7362.

TUESDAY, JULY 18

Summer Cooler. "Reeling Through Time" 2 p.m. at the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery.

Summer Breeze concert. Natural Blend plays popular jazz and rhythm and blues 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. on Duke of Gloucester Street at Merchants Square.

A Grand Medley of Entertainments. 7:30 p.m. at the Playbooth Theater on Palace Green. Weekly through Sept. 26.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

Children's tennis lessons. Free beginning tennis instruction for children aged four to eight is available weekly at the Inn Tennis Center. Space must be reserved for each class. Call 7794.

Summer Cooler. "Pulling Teeth" 2 p.m. at the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery.

Prime Time History Hour. Guests from 1774 tell their stories and discuss with the audience what unites us as a country today. 4 p.m. in the Hennage Auditorium of the Wallace Gallery.

Order of the Pineapple reception. The Hospitality and Courtesy committee honors the winners of Colonial Williamsburg's highest award. 4 - 6 p.m. at the Cascades.

THURSDAY, JULY 20

CWHPI pay day.

Skin Wellness Workshop. The Foundation for Health presents a half-hour program on prevention of skin cancer. Noon - 1 p.m. in the second floor classroom of the Williamsburg Woodlands administration building. Bring your lunch, if desired. Session is limited to 30. Call Michelle Messina at 7044 to register.

Summer Cooler. "Reeling Through Time" 2 p.m. at the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery.

Employee Idea System reception. Annual awards ceremony for CWHPI's suggestion system. 3:30 - 5 p.m. at the Lodge.

FRIDAY, JULY 21

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Summer Cooler. "Costumes at Colonial Williamsburg." 2 p.m. at the DeWitt Wallace

Decorative Arts Gallery.

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IN THE MUSEUMS ...

At the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Center:

"Moving" with Mattie Lou O'Kelley"

"German-Made in America"

"Views of Slavery"

"Amanda at 150"

"Folk Sculpture of Our Century"

At the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery:

"Tools: Working Wood in 18th-Century America"

"British Delft from Colonial Williamsburg"

"Designed to Deceive: English Pottery Fakes"

"Needle and Bobbin: Needlework and Lace at Colonial Williamsburg"

"Almost a Deception" ... John Singleton Copley and Company in Williamsburg"

"Virginia Furniture, 1680 to 1820"

"To Your Health! Silver Drinking Vessels, 1601 to 1818"

UPCOMING EVENTS ...

Defense Ministerial of the Americas Conference. The defense ministers of 34 Western Hemisphere countries meet in Colonial Williamsburg July 23 - 26.

Send your calendar items via interoffice mail to "CW News - GBO," or fax them to 7702. Please send items by noon Friday, two weeks in advance. Call 7281 for information.

ARCHAEOLOGY

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shape commonly referred to as a cross plan. "This is a wonderfully crisp, intact footprint of a 17th-century high gentry American house related to Bacon's Castle and a handful of other early cross-shaped houses surviving in the old English colonies," Ed Chappell, director of architectural research said.

The intricate details Page put on the outside of his house are unique. "Several decorative bricks have been found including five that feature raised characters and symbols," said Pickett. "The letters 'P' and 'A', the date '1662' and a heart makeup a set of bricks with the initials of John and Alice Page and the date the house was constructed."

Artifacts found in the full English cellar, which contained four unheated

rooms, one underneath each tower and two in the main section, include broken wine bottles, some of which still had the corks intact and a concentration of burned wheat seeds. Broken stoneware storage jars and earthenware flower pots were found in the porch tower above a cache of wine bottles that sat on the tile floor.

John Page was a wealthy aristocrat who came to Virginia in 1650. Page quickly rose to prominence in local politics, becoming a member of the House of Burgesses in 1655, High Sheriff of York County in 1677, and a member of the Governor's Council in 1680. His wealth and political appointments allowed him to accumulate more than 10,000 acres of land in several different counties including 330 acres in Middle Plantation, the community that preceded Williamsburg.

NewsBriefs

Program offered on skin cancer prevention

The Foundation for Health, Colonial Williamsburg's wellness program, offers a skin wellness program next week on the prevention of skin cancer. The program devotes attention to the effects of sun exposure, the proper use of sunscreens and a discussion of the warning signs of skin cancer.

Two programs are scheduled noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, July 20 and Friday, July 21 in the second floor classroom of the Williamsburg Woodlands administration building. Each session is limited to 30 participants. Call Michelle Messina at 7044 to reserve your space.

Order of the Pineapple recipients honored at reception

The Hospitality and Courtesy committee hold its annual reception honoring current and past recipients of the order of the Pineapple 4 to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 19.

The invitation-only affair is in the Cascades Room and Terrace of the Cascades Conference Center.

Marketplace

For Sale: One pair of Ross Hurricane full range speakers, great for band or DJ. Priced to go at \$550 or best offer. Call before 9 p.m. 877-6557 or ext. 7776.

For Sale: Fiberglass rowing skiff. Excellent condition, \$800. Call Hunter at ext. 2840 or 727-9789.

For Sale: Hardly used futon (folds 3 ways) \$120, handmade wooden dressers \$50 and \$85, 27" Zenith TV w/remote \$200, assorted tables, recliner (like new) \$85, VCR \$40, fireplace screen, grate, etc. \$60 for set, refrigerator \$160, stove \$120. Call 229-7478 evenings or 220-7337 days.

For Sale: Solid pine four poster bed w/canopy \$650, 24" antique marble top table with oak base, \$425, 16" antique marble top table with oak base, \$375, solid oak dining table with four chairs and bench, \$295, oak china cabinet with beveled glass doors, \$650. Call anytime 259-0314.

For Sale to a good home: Three month-old male ferret. He's been handled since he was an infant and is quite a sweet animal. I hate to sell him but I just can't keep him any more. Please help me find him a good home. Asking \$65 but will negotiate with a good new owner. Call Colleen at 253-1431 and leave a message.

For Sale: 92' Oakwood Mobile Home 14 X 80, 3 bedrooms, 2 full bath (one with step up shower and garden tub), large deck, large fenced in yard. Nice trailer park near Williamsburg. Contact Robert 2582 or 258-9339 after 4 p.m.

House for Sale: Less than 2 miles from Williamsburg city limits, located in Bruton District of York County. Two story, 1,630 sq. ft., vinyl siding, 1/3 acre of land. Asking \$69,450, will negotiate. If interested call Douglas or Synthia 253-2438.

For Sale: 1985 Sea Ray Cuddy 18'6" w/120Hp Mer-Cruiser I/O, custom seats and sunbrella top, VHF, pullout stereo, depthfinder, dual batteries, many extras. \$7,000 negotiable. Call 642-4605 or 200-7037.

House for Sale: Two-story house, ten minutes from CW, York County schools, living room, dining room, den, 4 bedrooms, 1-1/2 bath, \$85,000. Call 220-6723 in the evening.

For Rent: To responsible individual private apartment in large old house close to Historic Area and college. Must love cats and be willing to share upkeep of large beautiful yard. Quiet non-smoker preferred. Current rent \$310 plus utilities. Available September. Call 220-0265.

For Rent: 1607 Townhouse at 705 London Co. Way. 2 bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths, huge kitchen and good-size living room plus much storage space and fenced back yard. Near pool. \$575 month. Call 229-1308 after 6:30 p.m.

Needed: Small house or condominium for young couple beginning mid-August for one year. The man will be working as an intern in Furniture Conservation. Call Peggy Howells ext. 7211.

Needed: The Wallace Gallery is looking for host families for the nights of Oct. 26-27, 1995. If you are able to accommodate 2 or more boys from the American Boychoir, please call 220-7984. Additional details will be provided.

Wanted: Advertisements for the Marketplace. Ads are free and available to Colonial Williamsburg employees only. Submit ads in writing to Sandy Belan (GBO-132) in person, by interoffice mail or FAX them to 220-7702. Include your name and work unit. However, your name and work unit are not included in the ad unless requested. Advertisements run for one week. If you wish to renew an ad, you must do so weekly in writing. No phone calls, please. Ads are repeated as space allows. New ads and renewals must be received by 5 p.m. Friday.

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