



# Community Bulletin



Campbell makes presentation to Dr. Benjamin Hooks and Senator Robert Byrd. Looking on are (L to R) Mayor Addy Lynn Scarlett, Deputy Director Dept. of the Interior, George Rutherford and James Tolbert, WV NAACP.

## Park Superintendent Don Campbell Retires

After 29 years as the superintendent of Harpers Ferry NHP, Superintendent Donald W. Campbell has decided to retire.

He's forged partnerships to help the park expand by hundreds of acres, overseen major events at the park, worked to preserve Murphy Farm from development and insured the restoration of the Harpers Ferry Train Station.

Campbell, 65, said he could have retired 11 years ago but wanted to stay to see these projects to their completion.

Born in Napa, California, Campbell earned a MLA at the University of California, Berkeley. After graduation his first assignment was in Yellowstone National Park. He continued as a planner for parks in the West while stationed in San Francisco. In 1972, he transferred to Seattle, Washington and worked extensively to establish new park lands in Alaska. He came to work in the National Park Service's Washington, D.C. office in 1978.

A year later, Campbell realized his goal of becoming superintendent of a national park when he was chosen to run Harpers Ferry National Historical Park.

Local officials talk about respect, good



relationships and results from Campbell's office. Harpers Ferry Mayor Jim Addy said Campbell has been good to work with on issues like parking and Addy praised the park's work on projects like the Niagara Movement anniversary.

"He's really been a fixture nationally and locally. He's done so much to bring attention to our community. It's just a terrific career," Jefferson County Commissioner Rusty Morgan said. "It's hard to believe he's retiring, really. I think of him as a young man," Morgan said.

Paul Rosa, executive director of the Harpers Ferry Conservancy, said the public-private partnerships Campbell built to acquire land for the park were impressive. "You could see the results in the amount of land that was saved," Rosa said.

Campbell said other highlights of his career at Harpers Ferry were establishing a shuttle bus system for visitors, dealing with three major floods and welcoming national dignitaries that included Sandra Day O'Connor, Nancy Reagan, Al Gore, and President Bill Clinton.

Campbell was the recipient of the prestigious 2007 Stephen T. Mather Award from the National Parks Conservation Association.

Campbell thanked U.S. Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., local elected officials, public and private partners and "my wonderful staff" that made "this beautiful park as we see it today."

Campbell and his wife, Sandy, plan to stay in the Shepherdstown, W.Va., area and enjoy time with their children and grandchildren. They also plan to visit national parks they love.

-Article excerpts from Dave McMillion, *The Herald Mail*

# America's Picnic: The Glorious 4th

On Saturday July 5th, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park invites visitors to experience America's Picnic: Celebrating the Glorious Fourth. For additional information, please call the Information Center at 304-535-6029.

## Programming Schedule for July 5: 12:00 - 4:00 Wonders of the Modern World

The latest and greatest technology of 1860.

## 12:00 and 4:00 Patriotism, Pride, and A Slice of Early America

Hometown band concert featuring the Wildcat Regimental Band.

## 1:00 Celebrating the Glorious Fourth

A ranger-guided presentation.

## 2:00 Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness

A ranger-guided historic weapons firing demonstration.

3:00 Springing to the Call: Our Home Town Defenders  
Join the local militia in their games of skill: the tug-of-war and "bucket brigade."

## Other July Events

**July 6 Workshop from 2-4 pm Ices, Creamed Ice, and Custards**  
At Roeder's Confectionery. Observers welcomed. Call the living history offices at 304-535-6063 to register. Workshop limited to 20 people: 16 yrs or older \$5.00. Under 16 free with paying adults.

## July 12-13 Giving Aid and Comfort: Medical and Relief Work during the Civil War

Living history volunteers, the Frederick Ladies Relief Society, portray the medical and relief efforts that provided aid and comfort to the soldiers fighting during the Civil War.

## July 19-20 Under Fire: The Battle of Harpers Ferry 1862

An artillery demonstration and program on General Stonewall Jackson's capture of the 12,500-man Union garrison. Programs at 12, 2 and 3 pm. Bolivar Heights Battlefield.

July 26 1:00 p.m. **This Scene is Worth a Voyage Across the Atlantic** with Bill Barker as Thomas Jefferson (Lower Town)

3:00 p.m. **The Object of Your Mission: Thomas Jefferson and the Lewis and Clark Expedition** with Bill Barker as Thomas Jefferson (Lower Town)

## July 26-27 A Soldier's City: Harpers Ferry 1864

Living history volunteers of Co. C 10th Vermont will interpret the Union occupation of Harpers Ferry during the summer of 1864. Ranger guided historic weapons, drill and firing demonstrations.

# Meriwether Lewis Returns to Harpers Ferry

Harpers Ferry National Historical Park invites the public to walk in the footsteps of Meriwether Lewis. On Saturday, July 12, the park will present "Meriwether Lewis Returns to Harpers Ferry" a Lewis & Clark commemorative program.

Visitors will be able to join park rangers and Captain Meriwether Lewis as they walk part of the Meriwether Lewis Trail. Those who walk the trail will receive a special Lewis and Clark commemorative cancellation stamp on their brochures.

10:00 - 4:00 **Corps of Discovery Tent** featuring exhibits, archeology displays, sales items, walking tour brochures, and Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail cancellation stamps. (Arsenal Square Tent)

10:00 - 4:00 **The Wilderness Experience of the Corps of Discovery** Living history displays, and demonstrations. (Arsenal Square)

10:00 - 10:30 **Walk with Meriwether Lewis at Harpers Ferry**


11:00 - 11:45 **Meriwether Lewis at Harpers Ferry** Ranger-conducted program (Meet the ranger at Arsenal Square)

12:00 - 1:00 **Supplies for Survival: A Family & Youth Adventure** (Meet the ranger at Arsenal Square)

1:00 - 1:45 **The Object of Your Mission with Dick Cheatham as Meriwether Lewis** (Arsenal Square Tent)

2:00 - 3:00 **A Lewis & Clark Musical Tribute** by Magpie (Arsenal Square Tent)

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The history of Harpers Ferry has few parallels in the American drama. It is more than one event, one date, or one individual. It is multi-layered, involving a diverse number of people and events, decisions and actions that influenced the course of our nation's history. Visit Harpers Ferry and step into history.

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