

Harpers Ferry Ornament Included in "Holiday in the National Parks" at the White House

America's national parks are the focus of this year's elaborate White House holiday decorations. The remarkable displays of "Holiday in the National Parks" highlight the majesty, history, and diversity of the country's 391 National Park Service sites.

"It is an amazing honor for the National Park Service to be selected as the theme for the White House holiday decorations by the President and Mrs. Bush," said National Park Service Director Mary A. Bomar. The official White House Christmas Tree in the Blue Room is adorned with hundreds of handmade ornaments depicting national parks. "Each ornament on the magnificent 18-foot Fraser fir was designed by an artist selected by the park," said Bomar.

Harpers Ferry National Historical Park selected long-time volunteer Jay Mauzy, who was recently awarded the Presidential Volunteer Service Award for logging in over 4,000 hours of service at the park. Mauzy created the ornament for the White House tree and depicted three Harpers Ferry icons: the water gap, Jefferson Rock, and John Brown's Fort on the holiday



ornament. "I consider it an honor to have been asked to prepare the park's Christmas ornament for the White House tree," said Mr. Mauzy in his characteristically unassuming manner. The park is indeed very proud to have his artwork representing Harpers Ferry and its rich history.

Images of Mr. Mauzy and the ornament can be downloaded at http://www.nps.gov/hafe/photosmultimedia/index.htm

Park Opens Special Exhibit for Black History Month

Date: February 3, 2008 Time: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Location: John Brown Museum

As part of its African American History Month Celebration, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park invites the public to attend the opening of a new exhibit, Pioneer for Freedom:

Lafayette M. Hershaw. The opening and reception will be held on Sunday, February 3, at 2:00 p.m. on the second floor of the John Brown Museum on Shenandoah Street. The exhibit remembers the life of Lafayette Hershaw, a prominent member of the Niagara Movement.

This special exhibit will be open through the end of February.

Show Your Support: Join Harpers Ferry Historical Association

You are invited to support the park and history of the area by joining the Harpers Ferry Historical Association. Our members are people who care about the Park and want to learn more about its rich cultural and natural heritage. No matter where you live or how often you visit the park, you can help support the programs and activities of this organization. Harpers Ferry Historical Association has over 500 members throughout the United States and Canada.

Membership Benefits

- •All members receive a 15% discount on all purchases from our Park Bookshop. This discount is reciprocal at many other park bookstores operated by cooperating associations in other sites.
- •All members receive our newsletter, *The View*, which features park and association news and activities throughout the year.



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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Visitor Center 304-535-6029

Harpers Ferry Historical Association Bookshop 304-525-6881 or 800-821-5206

Harpers Ferry NHP Home Page www.nps.gov/hafe/

The National Park Service cares for the special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.

- •Higher levels of membership offer additional premiums (see membership application).
- •All members are invited to our Annual Membership Meeting and Picnic held in June.
- •All members are invited to participate in our many educational programs offered during the year.
- All members receive annual "members-only" sale specials.
- •All members are invited to meet authors, artists, and musicians at Author Fest.
- •All members are invited to participate in a variety of volunteer opportunities with the Association.
- •All members receive the satisfaction of knowing they are helping to support an organization that enhances the educational mission of Harpers Ferry National Historical Park and the National Park Service.

You are invited to become a member, learn more about us, and help us fulfill our mission of "Stewardship Through Education."

Membership Categories

- •\$25 Armory Worker Basic membership for a family household. Benefits include a newsletter subscription, a 15% discount on all bookshop purchases, a lapel pin, and invitations to annual meeting and events.
- •\$25 Sarah Jane Foster An alternative basic membership for educators. Benefits include the above plus open house for teachers and discounts on programs for teachers.
- •\$45 Millwright For those members who are frequent visitors to the park. Benefits are the same as Armory Worker category plus a 12-month Harpers Ferry Park entrance pass.

- •\$100 Master Armorer A supporting membership category. Includes all benefits of the Millwright category plus a "My Home Towne" replica, member recognition in our newsletter and at our annual meeting, and a special tour.
- •\$250 Paymaster For businesses, vendors or family donors who wish to contribute to the Association's mission. Benefits include 15% discount on all bookshop purchases; a newsletter subscription; lapel pin; invitations to annual meetings, events, and association-sponsored education programs; a 12-month park pass; "My Home Towne" replica; recognition in newsletter and at annual meeting; special tour; and additional membership card.
- •\$500 Armory Superintendent For supporters (individual and corporate) who wish to perpetuate Association and Park education programs. Benefits include 15% discount on all bookshop purchases, a newsletter subscription, lapel pins, invitations to annual meeting, events, and education programs, "My Home Towne" replica, recognition in the newsletter and at annual meeting, special tour, a National Park pass (for use in all parks) for individuals, and a display plaque for businesses.

