



THE CANAL QUARTERLY

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CANAL QUARTERS HONORED FOR PRESERVATION *Program wins Chairman's Award for Achievement*

The Canal Quarters program, which has been increasing in popularity since its 2009 debut, received a major accolade earlier this year when the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) awarded the program with its Chairman's Award for Achievement in Historic Preservation.

The honor was awarded to both the C&O Canal National Historical Park and its official non-profit partner, the C&O Canal Trust. To date, six historic lockkeepers' houses along the 184.5-mile-long C&O Canal National Historical Park have been restored through the program. Lockhouses are available to visitors for one- to three-night stays, providing guests the opportunity to step back in time and experience life as a lockkeeper. Each lockhouse portrays a different period of history, with furnishings and interpretive materials that immerse visitors in the past.



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During the presentation of the Chairman's Award at a March 7 Capitol Hill ceremony, ACHP Chairman Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA, said, "It is remarkable that a project that was conceived only six years ago and began with a pilot project now has provided educational overnight stays for 10,000 people at six restored canal keeper's houses along one of America's original routes west. This creates a model for other historic properties in public stewardship."

The purpose of the ACHP Chairman's Award is to highlight exemplary accomplishments in historic

preservation that can serve as models for others to emulate. In choosing the Canal Quarters program, the ACHP is acknowledging the successful public-private partnership being used to preserve the Park's historic lockhouses through preservation and reuse.

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation is an independent federal agency that promotes the economic, educational, environmental, and cultural values of historic preservation and advises the President and Congress on historic preservation policy. It also influences federal activities, programs, and policies that affect historic and cultural properties.

To learn how to spend a night in one of the Canal Quarters lockhouses, turn to page 6.



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C&O CANAL STAFF, BOARD MEMBERS, AND QUARTERMASTERS POSE WITH NATIONAL PARK SERVICE DIRECTOR JONATHAN JARVIS, TRUST PRESIDENT MIKE NARDOLILLI, AND C&O CANAL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK SUPERINTENDENT KEVIN BRANDT AT THE ACHP AWARD CEREMONY.

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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This spring marks the 60th anniversary of the completion of the famous hike along the Towpath by Justice William O. Douglas that brought national attention to the efforts to save the C&O Canal. Even as Douglas and his companions floated on the Canal Clipper into Georgetown on March 27, 1954, however, much work laid ahead for the advocates of this very special place. It wouldn't be until January 8, 1971 that President Nixon signed the legislation creating the C&O Canal National Historical Park. And, in many respects, that same journey of preservation and education continues today with the C&O Canal Trust.

During this special anniversary year, the Trust has already passed a number of significant mile markers. We recently renewed our agreement with the Park, designating the Trust as the Park's official non-profit partner for another five years. In addition, the Trust and the Park have launched a bench donation program

whereby donors can sponsor a bench in memory of a loved one, to honor others, or simply to beautify the Park. With support from the Trust, the Park's Canal Classrooms program will be expanding to two additional locations this year. Moreover, our Canal Quarters program recently received the Chairman's Award for Achievement from the President's Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Finally, Trust-financed work on the Towpath is scheduled to begin later this spring.

But we need your help to continue to care for this national treasure! Please consider making a donation to the Trust today so that we can continue to be good stewards of the legacy of Justice Douglas and all those who worked to create the C&O Canal National Historical Park. Remember, if you love the Park, help the Trust!



Michael Nardolilli, *President*

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HERE'S MY TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATION

Giving Levels:

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* MAIL TO: **C&O Canal Trust, 1850 Dual Highway, Suite 100, Hagerstown, MD 21740**

ONLINE: **Make a secure donation online at www.CanalTrust.org**

EDUCATION IN THE PARK: *Keeping It Relevant*

With warmer weather dawning, the C&O Canal National Historical Park (NHP) is rolling out exciting new developments in its educational offerings along the Canal. With support from the Trust, the NHP's innovative Canal Classrooms program and the National Park Service's Adopt-A-Class program have both been upgraded, and their popularity is sparking a buzz among students, teachers, and parents.

CANAL CLASSROOMS



All of Canal Classroom's education programs are curriculum-based and relevant to what is currently being

taught in schools. STEM concepts (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) are incorporated into all programs offered by the Park, keeping students engaged and relating old-world ingenuity to modern day practices through hands-on experiences.

A lesson on how a lock structure raised and lowered canal boats demonstrates how engineers in an earlier age coped with the resources available to them at the time. Science is taught through environmental education, and real world experiences from history — such as construction of aqueducts — are compared to today's solutions.

TEACHERS

Visit the Park's website at the address below to view field trip options, curriculum materials, professional development opportunities, and information on how to join the curriculum development teams.

<http://www.nps.gov/choh/forteachers/index.htm>



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while planting the seed for the next generation of Park stewards.

In June, the Great Falls area will host a workshop for current teachers to develop curriculum and further the planning of the Montgomery County program. Site tours of the Canal will also be conducted to help participants determine which resources are a good fit for the program.

While Canal Classrooms was developed to be a cost-effective, scalable educational program, there are still costs associated with the effort, including teacher stipends and bus transportation. The C&O Canal Trust raises money to support the Park's educational programs, including \$50,000 in 2013. To contribute to this great program, use the gift designation choices on our website.

Teachers are recruited from area schools, and retired teachers are utilized in order to implement a flexible and sustainable staffing model. Emphasis is placed on training staff with an eye towards building capacity for the expansion of the program.

This year's Canal Classrooms education program is based in three locations: Allegany County, Williamsport, and Great Falls. A pilot program including new curriculum is in the planning stages for the Allegany County Public Schools, located at the western end of the Park. Area teachers and Park personnel are busy developing compelling lesson plans that will be used along the Canal.

Williamsport, the home of last year's pilot program, will be implementing a revised curriculum to stay current with education requirements and to fully implement STEM. Their program was hugely successful last year, used by over 3,000 students who enjoyed a day of outdoor education. The exposure to the Canal in this educational setting is also aimed at fostering the students' appreciation of their local national park,

*"The Potomac is hurting very bad
Its condition makes me very mad
When I saw it I wanted to scream and shout
Now I will actually help out."*

- anonymous student

*"My favorite part was when we got to
see the two mules, the replica canal
boat, and how the trains got started.
Tell the Rangers they did an awesome
job and thank you for teaching us about
everything."*

- Hunter

ADOPT-A-CLASS PROGRAM



The National Park Service has challenged all of its parks to participate in its Adopt-A-Class program in an effort to inspire the younger generations to love

and appreciate our national parks. The C&O Canal National Historical Park has adopted four grades at Four Locks Elementary School. Through this program, students are treated to curriculum-based recreational outings on the towpath near their home schools.

VOLUNTEERS HELP PRESERVE THE C&O CANAL

Caring for a national treasure

C&O Canal Pride Days, the Park's largest volunteer event, kicks off its seventh year with great opportunities for people of all ages to come and help revitalize our wonderful National Park. Last year alone, 1,225 volunteers helped with the revitalization efforts, and over 6,000 volunteers have contributed in the six years the program has been running.

Canal Pride Days got started with the Potomac River Watershed Cleanup on April 5, and then hosted a clean-up of the Great Falls Tavern area on Saturday, April 26. Volunteers worked on improving the grounds, planting trees, and painting buildings, benches, and picnic tables. The tavern itself and the Charles F. Mercer canal boat also received a good cleaning.

The next site on the Canal Pride Days docket is **Williamsport on Saturday, May 3.**

Volunteers will help clear trails, create a garden, and remove invasive plants.

Our event on **Saturday, May 10 at Little Orleans** has something special to offer. We are

offering **FREE CAMPING** the night before the project to all of our volunteers! Enjoy a night under the stars at the C&O's most picturesque campground, followed by a morning of service to revitalize the area. Projects will include cleaning and replacing grills, painting picnic tables, and maintaining trails. Volunteers for this site are automatically signed up for the free camping option.

Canal Pride Days will wrap up on **Saturday, June 7 at Carderock.** Volunteers will work on mulching the picnic areas, picking up trash, and cleaning the benches and tables.



PHOTO BY CARY BEALL

Volunteers are a vital force in keeping the C&O Canal park beautiful, safe, well-maintained, and fun for both today's visitors and for future generations.

The Trust is grateful for the generous support of this year's Canal Pride Days sponsors: Guest Services, Inc., Minkoff Development Corporation, and the Friends of Historic Great Falls Tavern.

Sign up to volunteer at Canal Pride Days by visiting www.CanalTrust.org. Contact Becky Curtis at 301-745-8889 or curtis@canaltrust.org with questions or to sign up a group.



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EVENTS PROVIDE GLIMPSES BACK IN TIME

LECTURE ON CABIN JOHN

Sunday, May 18, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Learn about historic Lockhouse 10, the Seven Locks of the C&O Canal National Historical Park, and Cabin John. C&O Canal Trust Board Member and park interpreter Judith Welles, author of *Cabin John: Legends and Life of an Uncommon Place*, will lead a tour of the lockhouse and the Seven Locks.

For information, visit www.CanalTrust.org or call 301-745-8889.

HERITAGE DAYS

Saturday, June 28, 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Join us at Lockhouse 25 in Poolesville for Civil War-themed fun as part of Montgomery County Heritage Days (heritagemontgomery.org/heritagedays). Tour Lockhouse 25, furnished in true 1860s style, and in the backyard, enjoy the banjo stylings of Claude Buehling as he plays, sings, and tells stories about the Civil War.



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SAVE THE DATE!

September 20, 2014

Everyone loves a great party — especially one hosted in the beautiful C&O Canal National Historical Park! This year, the C&O Canal Trust's Fourth Annual Park After Dark fundraiser promises great food, tasty libations, and lively music that will keep attendees charmed late into the night.

This yearly event, a hot ticket for its unique atmosphere and historic touches, serves as the Trust's largest fundraiser. Proceeds of the event fund the many activities and education programs of the C&O Canal Trust and the C&O Canal National Historical Park. Last year's event raised \$156,000.



PHOTO BY SARAH VOISIN

Start making your plans to attend this year's Park After Dark now, where you can kick up your heels to the live music, stroll by the water's edge, visit one of the mules, bid on silent auction items, eat, drink, and imagine a time gone by. Whatever your pleasure, there is something for everyone!

Park After Dark tickets will go on sale this summer. Watch www.CanalTrust.org for more information.



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Corporate Sponsors help make Park After Dark a success...

If you are interested in becoming a Corporate Sponsor for the Fourth Annual Park After Dark fundraiser, please contact the C&O Canal Trust's Development Office at 301.714.2211 or siler@canaltrust.org.

BENCH PROGRAM PROVIDES RESPITE & SUPPORT

Come...sit for a spell...enjoy the beautiful views of the canal...

Sitting and soaking up views will soon be a reality for many more towpath travelers as the C&O Canal Trust ramps up a new program in partnership with the C&O Canal National Historical Park aimed at installing benches up and down the canal. In addition to providing hikers and bikers a place to rest, the benches will also help raise money to support the ongoing preservation efforts of the C&O Canal National Historical Park.

Each bench is available to be sponsored for \$2,500. Although the donor's name will not be engraved on the bench due to national park regulations, the Trust will allow donors to select the location of their bench from a variety of options along the towpath. A small plaque will indicate that the bench is sponsored by a friend of the Park and will include a link to a Trust web page, where full recognition of the donor will be listed.



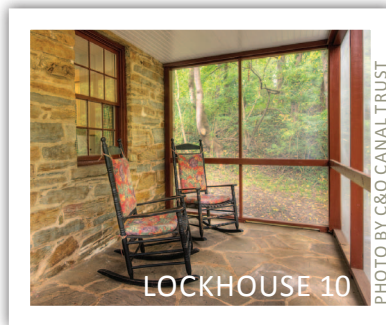
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If you are interested in sponsoring a bench, please contact the C&O Canal Trust's Development Office at 301.714.2211 or siler@canaltrust.org.

BOOK YOUR LOCKHOUSE FOR 2014

If you haven't booked your stay in one of our award-winning Canal Quarters lockhouses yet, you should do so soon! Spring and summer dates are filling up quickly, so log on to pick your date and lockhouse now!

When you stay in a restored historic lockhouse, you step back in time to the days of the lockkeepers who worked the canals. Plus, all six houses are furnished in a different time period, so each of your stays will be different! Each lockhouse can sleep a group of 7 or 8, so bring your family and friends with you!



BOOK NOW!

www.CanalTrust.org/Quarters

CANAL QUARTERS OPTIONS

Lockhouse 6 - mile marker 5.4
Near Brookmont, 1950s time period

Lockhouse 10 - mile marker 8.8
Near Cabin John, 1930s time period

Lockhouse 22 - mile marker 19.64
Near Potomac, 1830-1840s time period

Lockhouse 25 - mile marker 30.9
Near Poolesville, 1850s/Civil War

Lockhouse 28 mile marker 48.93
Near Point of Rocks, 1840s time period

Lockhouse 49 - mile marker 108.72
Near Clear Spring, 1920s time period

2014 Visitor Center & Boat Hours

Visitor Center hours and boat schedules are subject to change throughout the season.

CUMBERLAND: Open 7 days a week, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Western Maryland Railway Station, Room 100, 13 Canal St., Cumberland, MD 21502; 301-722-8226.

HANCOCK: Closed for the 2014 season.
439 E. Main St., Hancock, MD 21750; for information, call the Williamsport Visitor Center.

WILLIAMSPORT: Open Wednesday thru Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
205 W. Potomac St., Williamsport, MD 21795; 301-582-0813.

BOATS: The electric launch will run, pending staff availability, from Memorial Day thru Labor Day weekend.
Beginning May 24 Saturday and Sunday, 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:00 p.m.

FERRY HILL: Open Friday thru Sunday, Memorial Day thru Labor Day, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (pending staffing).
16500 Sharspburg Pike, Sharspburg, MD 21782; for information, call the Williamsport Visitor Center.

BRUNSWICK: Open Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sunday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
40 West Potomac Street, Brunswick, MD 21716; 301-834-7100.

GREAT FALLS: Open Wednesday thru Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
11710 MacArthur Blvd., Potomac, MD 20854; 301-767-3714.

BOATS: The mule-drawn canal boat at Great Falls will run, pending water levels.
April 1 to June 28 Wednesday thru Friday, 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, 11:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:00 p.m.
July and August No runs.
Beginning September Wednesday thru Friday, 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, 11:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:00 p.m.

GEORGETOWN: Closed for the 2014 season.
1057 Thomas Jefferson St., NW, Washington, DC 20007; for information, call the Great Falls Tavern Visitor Center.

TOURING THE CANAL BY CANOE



From **May 5-17, 2014**, two friends of the C&O Canal Trust will be canoeing from Cumberland to Washington, DC, while exploring all the towpath has to offer. Joe Hage and Mary Kearney (pictured) will be documenting their entire journey on their blog canalbycanoe.com. Safe travels Joe and Mary!

CANALLERS & GROWLERS EVENTS

Treat your tastebuds & help the Trust

In honor of the 60th Anniversary of Justice Douglas' 184.5 mile hike along the C&O Canal, we have scheduled two Canallers & Growlers events. Join us at these lively hot spots near the canal and support the programs of the C&O Canal Trust!

SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 5:00 P.M. - 28 SOUTH in HAGERSTOWN

The first "Canallers & Growlers" event is **Sunday, June 8 at 5:00 p.m.** at 28 South, a contemporary American restaurant in Hagerstown, MD. Executive Chef E. Jay Zuspan III has paired each course with a beer selection from Flying Dog Brewery in Frederick, MD.

The evening's menu:

First Course: Hefeweizen

Cajun fried baby shrimp tossed in zesty aioli aloft chopped endive

Second Course: Pale Ale

Paired with Emerald Valley Artisans Fromage Blanc infused with agave and finished with a blood orange infused Tequila reduction

Third Course: Gonzo Imperial Porter

Pan-seared petite pork medallions topped with caramelized shallots, carrot shavings & sweet gonzo reduction

Final Course

Oyster & sweet chili infused chocolate mousse

The meal is \$60, with \$15 going to the Trust. There are only 60 seats available, so reserve yours today by calling 240-347-4932. All reservations must be made by May 30.

LOCATION: 28 South: 28 South Potomac St., Hagerstown, MD 21740

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 5:00 P.M. - OLD ANGLER'S INN in POTOMAC

JUST SCHEDULED! Our second "Canallers and Growlers" event is a happy hour on **Thursday, June 12 at 5:00 p.m.** at historic Old Angler's Inn in Potomac. Enjoy great appetizers, cold beers, and mixed drinks on the beautiful garden patio, while learning how the history of the Inn is tied to the canal! The event is \$35 per person, with a portion of the proceeds benefitting the Trust. Please RSVP by May 30 at info@canaltrust.org or 301-714-2211.

LOCATION: Old Angler's Inn, 10801 MacArthur Blvd., Potomac, MD 20854



Thank You to our
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In March, we celebrated the 60th anniversary of Justice William O. Douglas' walk of the entire 184.5 mile C&O Canal, which helped preserve it for our continued use today. Read the entire story on our website. *From the HOMEPAGE, click NEWS.*



Through our Canal Discoveries web section, you will learn why people hid in this cave in 1862 and how you can see it yourself on the towpath today. *From the HOMEPAGE, click CANAL DISCOVERIES, then PLACES TO DISCOVER, then KILLIANSBURG CAVE.*

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Make a gift that will help protect, restore, and promote the extraordinary resources of the C&O Canal National Historical Park by visiting www.CanalTrust.org today!

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

C&O CANAL TRUST CALENDAR

Saturday, May 3rd

- Williamsport Canal Pride Day, 9 AM - 12 PM

Saturday, May 10th

- Little Orleans Canal Pride Day, 9 AM - 12 PM

Saturday, May 17th

- Bird Walk at Lockhouse 22, 8 AM

Sunday, May 18th

- Tour of Lockhouse 10 and the Seven Locks, 12 PM - 2 PM

Saturday, June 7th

- Carderock Canal Pride Day, 9 AM - 12 PM

Sunday, June 8th

- Canallers & Growlers Event at 28 South, 5 PM - 7 PM

Thursday, June 12th

- Canallers & Growlers Event at Old Angler's Inn, 5 PM - 7 PM

Saturday, June 28th

- Heritage Days at Lockhouse 25, 12 PM - 4 PM

Saturday, September 20th

- Fourth Annual Park After Dark, 6 PM



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