

# Fluvanna Heritage Trail Foundation

P. O. Box 501  
Palmyra, VA 22963  
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***Dear Heritage Trail Member:*** The Heritage Trail keeps getting better and better with more people using it and its facilities all the time. Your participation as a member has made this progress possible, and we are writing to seek your continuing support.

**I thought it might be helpful for you to have an update on some of our projects:**

- **Eastern Trailhead** – The beautiful new picnic shelters have been very popular and are a great addition to this area of the trail. The shelters, owned and maintained by Fluvanna County, can be used by the public on a first come-first served basis or can be reserved for group outings for a nominal charge by contacting the Fluvanna County Department of Parks and Recreation at 842-3150.
- **Pleasant Grove Summer Kitchen** – In the next few weeks, we hope to be installing the new trail and museum displays in the restored summer kitchen. Designed as a collaborative effort between the Foundation and the county, the banners and displays in this new trailhead will provide information on the Heritage Trail, Pleasant Grove and the Rivanna River. Come take a look.
- **Heritage Rail Trail** – The Foundation is still working on an easement with a local landowner to provide safe and secure access to a new loop trail which will connect the Rail Trail to the new Palmyra mill park with a beautiful new walk along the banks of the Rivanna. This trail will not be open to the public until this agreement is ratified.
- **New Route 15 Rivanna Bridge --** We have had a series of joint meetings with the Fluvanna County Historical Society to begin planning the mill park associated with the new bridge on land owned by the Historical Society. It has been decided to make the design as simple as possible keeping in mind the park's location in the flood plain. The county and Society have received a VDOT grant for planning and building this new park with connections to the Heritage Rail Trail and the planned loop trail. This will be an exciting addition to the list of things to do and see in the Palmyra area.
- **Website --** We have hired a website guru to design our new website. It should be up and running in the next few months. Stay tuned..
- **Western Trailhead** – The Foundation is continuing its efforts with Fluvanna County to improve the area in and around the historic Pleasant Grove House and summer kitchen. The county now has excellent designs and plans for this area providing good vehicular access to the summer kitchen and eventually to the restored manor house. The Foundation is working with the county and the Historical Society on a series of grants from private and public sources to underwrite the revitalization of the house and to convert it into a new center for the interpretation of local transportation and history as well as an art and cultural center.

**Want to Help Out in a Specific Area???:** We are most grateful if you indicated a specific area of interest in the past. We have not been in touch with you due to our concentration on trail construction, but we hope to do so in the future. Please take another look at the form below and check any project in which you would like to become actively involved.

**Annual Membership Meeting:** The Foundation has changed the time of its Annual Membership Meeting from early June to the fall to coincide with the annual Heritage Trail 10K Run, a popular sporting event drawing lots of folks out to the trail. We will be in touch with you about the meeting and hope you can come join us.

**Looking Forward to your Renewed Membership! The Heritage Trail is a membership organization dedicated to providing the best in recreational facilities for the people of Fluvanna County and the area. We need your continuing help and support. Thank you.**



Marvin Moss, President

(Please return this form with your check in the enclosed envelope)

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Please check the appropriate membership category :

**Trailmasters** \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 single and family

**Timberlakers** \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 35

**EagleNesters** \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 and up

**Donation \$** \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish to become active, please indicate your interest below:

Maintaining Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Special Events \_\_\_\_\_ Guided walks \_\_\_\_\_ Publicity \_\_\_\_\_

Historic Sites \_\_\_\_\_ Educational programs \_\_\_\_\_ Equestrian Activities \_\_\_\_\_

Bird Watching \_\_\_\_\_ Flowers and Trees \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_