

Whitehurst-Buffington House Foundation



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Officers: Phyllis Sawyer, President; Leslie Rawls, Vice President; Margaret Moore, Treasurer.
Board of Directors: Susan Kellam; Mary Ann Schmidt; Donn Lee.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS:

Holiday Open House on Sunday, December 8th

A FEW WORDS FROM PHYLLIS

As I look out my window and see the bright skies and sunshine, I feel the long, hot summer is behind us. And beautiful fall color lies ahead. With our successful Fall Festival concluded, we now look forward to welcoming autumn visitors to share the house and grounds.

December will find us busily preparing for our Holiday Open House with the assistance of Council of Garden Clubs members. We hope to see you all there!

FALL FESTIVAL 2024

The Whitehurst- Buffington House Foundation welcomed the approaching autumn with its annual Fall Festival on Saturday, September 14th.

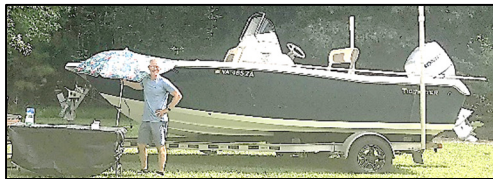
The weather was warm, wonderful and rain free. We were grateful to be joined by so many visitors- old friends and new ones, families, & supporters. Close to 100 of our visitors toured our historic home!

We want to thank & highlight our guests who share their time and knowledge with visitors to our event every year.

The Tidewater Blacksmith's Guild, dedicated to preserving the craft of blacksmithing, is always one of our most popular guests. They share history of the craft and create impressive wares on site.



Erik Moore, Moore to See Photo Expeditions, is a Captain who shares the beauty and history of the North Landing River. He is also a published author who creates stunning nature photography.



Both the City of Virginia Beach Public Library and Farmers Market, along with Beachy the Cow, bring new fun activities every year. And they share information about all the latest programs and newest resources now available.



The Regency Society of Virginia offers knowledge of topics during the years 1790 -1820. Demonstrations cover activities like coopering, sewing, weaving, millinery, games, dancing and more.



Council of Garden Clubs members represent the Bee City Committee. They partner with Va. Beach Landscape Services to improve pollinator habitats in our city.



This year we had 13 booths featuring local crafters and artists. So much talent and so many treasures from which to choose!

We are thankful to all of our guests, participants, and visitors for making this Fall Fest one of the best we've ever had.

(Like the pictures? See more in the Past Events 2024 Album on our FaceBook page)



The Whitehurst-Buffington House is open 1:00- 4:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

DONATIONS

Judy Singer donated a squirrel cage swift to Phyllis Sawyer for the WBHF. Dating to the 18th century, the yarn unwinds vertically instead of horizontally.



HAPPY TRAILS

Suzanne Moss, owner of the Nature Bus, seeks to expose individuals to the benefits of nature and hosted a group visit on Saturday, September 28th.

The "What's Edible in the Forest" walk was conducted by Vickie Shufer, local naturalist and herbalist from Wild Woods Farms. She started the review with some of her famous Yaupon tea served with scones that she baked with wild blueberries and locally sourced black walnuts.

Along the West Neck Creek Natural Area trails adjacent to the Whitehurst-Buffington House, participants learned to



identify some edible plants and ways in which certain native flora can be both useful and beneficial.

After a brown bag lunch on the back porch, the group enjoyed a tour of the historic house with WBHF board member Mickey Moore.

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Interested in Volunteering?

Help us with:

___ Greeting Visitors

___ Gardening

___ Serving on a
Committee

___ Cleaning

___ Leading Tours

___ Special Events

___ Clerical Work

___ Other: _____

Call the Whitehurst-Buffington
Foundation President
at 757-427-1151
for more information.



Holiday Open House

Sunday, Dec. 8th ~ 1-4 pm

Period Decorating courtesy of the
Va. Beach Council of Garden Clubs

Live Music

Cookies and Cider

Admission is free



Donations are appreciated

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The Whitehurst-Buffington House Foundation, a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization, is dedicated to the preservation of this historic home as a living example of early American life in Virginia.