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John Wesley Church

A Brief History of Waterford

Waterford was settled in 1733 by Amos Janney, a Quaker from Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Janney was soon followed by others and Waterford became the thriving center of a community of small farms. Because the Quakers were grain farmers, a grist mill was very important to them, and the first settlement included a mill near the site of the present structure with a few houses clustered nearby. The settlement that would become Waterford grew around Janney's Mill. From the 1760s onward, Presbyterians, Methodists and Baptists would also establish a presence here.

A few residents took part in the Revolutionary War; surprisingly, not all Quakers who saw service contrary to the Quaker principles on nonviolence were read out of Meeting. After the Revolution, Waterford grew rapidly with a wide variety of businesses, and by the 1830s, Joseph Martin's Gazeteer wrote:

Waterford contains 70 dwelling houses, 2 houses of public worship, 1 free for all denominations, the other a Friends' meeting house, 6 mercantile stores, 2 free schools, 4 taverns, a manufacturing flour mill, and 1 saw, grist and plaister mill, and (in the vicinity) 2 small cotton manufactories. The mechanics are 1 tanner, 2 house joiners, 2 cabinet makers, 1 chair maker and painter, 1 boot and shoe manufacturer, 2 hatters, 1 tailor, &c. Population about 400 persons, of whom 2 are regular physicians.

The Quakers were joined by Scotch-Irish craftsmen from Pennsylvania who were responsible for much of the construction of the village.

While some early residents were slaveholders, the fact that Waterford had a thriving antebellum free Black community was unusual for pre-Civil War Virginia. Waterford's Quaker roots and the abolitionist sentiments of most Quakers may have encouraged Black settlement here.

Today, Waterford's buildings and rolling fields look much as

they did 200 years ago. The village is a Loudoun County Historic and Cultural Conservation District.

Follow the QR code to read more about Waterford history >



Waterford and the Revolution: Looking Back 250 Years

Imagine yourself 250 years ago as the then English colonies on the coast of North America were heading towards revolution. Do you think of Massachusetts with the Minutemen and Paul Revere; or do you think about closer to home in Williamsburg and Patrick Henry's exclamation of



"give me liberty or give me death!"? While there were no Revolutionary battles or skirmishes known here in Loudoun, its residents still found themselves involved and impacted by the events and ideas of the Revolution during the eight years of the American Revolution and beyond, including here in Waterford.

The Waterford that would have heard the news of Patrick Henry's speech in Williamsburg looks different from the Village we know now. First off, if you were to ask someone in Loudoun where Waterford was at the time, they might be a bit confused. The name "Waterford" didn't start appearing until later in the century. People probably knew the area as "Janney's Mill," based on the mill and the road leading to the Village. Many of the landmark buildings we think of here were several decades away from construction, including the John Wesley Community Church, Corner Store, and Chair Factory. The Village had a population of approximately 150, mostly made up of Quakers coming from Pennsylvania and New Jersey as those colonies were filling up, including the influential Hague, Hough, and aforementioned Janney family. Scots-Irish immigrants, merchants, and craftsmen largely made up the rest.

So what was here during the Revolutionary War? As the name suggests, Janney's Mill was most known for milling wheat, making it part of the English colony's breadbasket. Mahlon Janney, son of original settler Amos Janney, had built his grist mill approximately twelve years prior and had placed a dam across the Catoctin Creek to shunt water to his mill and others. His mill would have most likely been somewhere near where the Waterford Mill stands today. Later on, he would also be responsible for the construction of the Schooley Mill before selling it to the Schooley family. Another note of this area's milling prowess comes in Francis Hague and John Hough. These two were among the first flour inspectors in Loudoun County.

The Waterford Foundation is proud to be involved with other history and historic preservation organizations in the County to plan the commemoration of the American Revolution!

Follow the QR code to read more about Waterford and the Revolution >

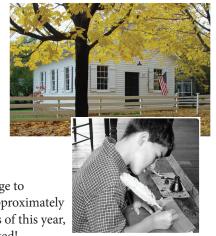
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SECOND STREET SCHOOL E on the map

OPEN ALL THREE DAYS Special Presentation Friday 10:00 & 11:30am

The one-room school on Second Street was built in 1867 to serve as a school and church for Waterford's African-American community. It is the second oldest one-room schoolhouse in Loudoun County.

The Second Street School program, staffed by volunteers, is offered at no charge to Loudoun County fourth grade classes. Approximately 1,500 students are registered each year. As of this year, more than 50,000 students have participated!





Best Demonstrating Artisan of 2024 Harriet Giles

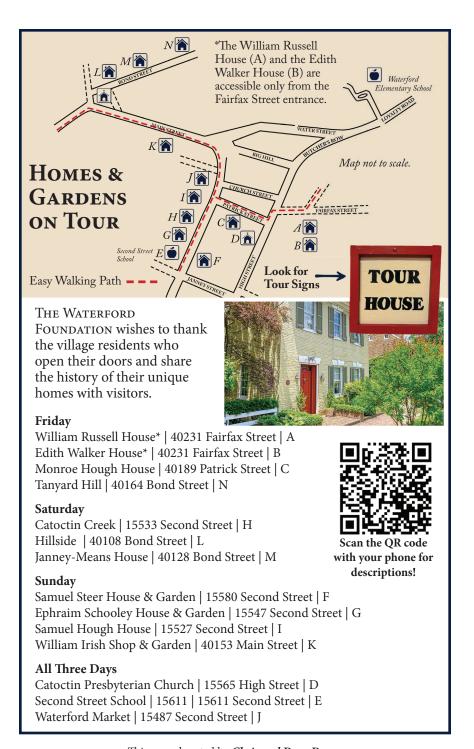
Harriet Giles is a professional hand weaver who creates beautiful, historically-inspired and contemporary rag rugs. She taught herself to weave in 1973 and began weaving professionally in 1981.

Working near Slate Mills, Virginia, Harriet designs and weaves custom, room-size rugs on her wooden handlooms, using the same techniques that weavers have used for centuries. Her work focuses on the sophisticated interplay of color, design, and woven structure. She cuts fabric into strips—including both floral and printed as well as solid fabrics—to achieve a rich color blend. She then weaves them into a groundwork of loom-controlled threads, creating unique rugs that range from densely warped bold stripes to subtle, intricate twills.

In addition to room-size rugs, Harriet also produces a line of smaller area and throw-size rugs, as well as totes.

Stop by her tent in the Bond Street Barn Area to see her unique woven creations and learn more about her work.

Category: Mixed Media



DEMONSTRATING ARTISANS BY MEDIUM

Clay

- Eugene, Winton & Rosa | E10
- # Hughes, Bob & Sally | E9 Kennedy, Selinda | B4
- Kesler, Jonathan | E10
- Kirk, Roger | B4
- Mills, Maureen & Zoldak, Steven | E10
- Oliver, Amy | E10
- Piazza, Anne & Joe | E10
- Savely, Clay | B2
- Steinberg, Lorene | E10
- Steinhagen, Janice & Erich | E10
- Supraner, Vicki & Scott | B4

Fiber/Textiles

- Boglioli, Loring | E10
- Giles, Harriet | B4
- Hall, Marian | E11
- Hazelton, Carolyn | E11
- Lavorgne, Maureen | A/B4 Lindamood, Lodema ("Beth") | B4
- Mihills, Cheryl | E10
- Proctor, Jeanne | B4
- Ratcliffe, Kathie | E10
- Robinson, Gary & Jeannette | E10
- Staton, Amy B2
- Waterford Ouilters | E10
- Withnell, Susan | E10
- ₩ Wychock, Karen | B2

Furniture

- Kauffman, Justin | E10
- Stanik, Alex | Old Mill Outside | C2-3
- Stanik, Mike & Ruth | B4

Glass

- Aylward, Michael | E1
- Clark, Altvn | B4

Heritage Foodways

- Anderson, Maureen | D7
- Botchlet, Heather | E9

Jewelry

- Cantilo, Icka | B2
- Hollenbaugh, Kelly & Gary | B4
- Jobe, Jeffrey | E11
- May, Christie | E10
- Niskala, Nurit | C2

Jewelry

- O'Mara, Kade | E9 Ray, Dennis, Don, Edith Ann | E10
- Stribling, Candace | E10
- ✓ Van Hart, Linda | E10
- W Yang, Mary & Jon | E11

Leather

- Madigan, Cindy | E10
- Pittman, Jessica & Ty | E11

Metal

- Grotheer, Jacob & Simpson, Tim | E9
- W Hart, Ian | E11
- Sulmonte, Giancarlo | B4

Mixed Media

- Banker, Ellen | E10
- W Darr, Richard | B4
- DeWald, John & Chandra | E9
- Helberg, Kristin | E10
- Jeffords, Barbara | E10
- Kriebel, Donna & Ted | E10
- W McKellar, Judith | E10 Miller, Shelley | E11
- Rochford, Grace | E10
- Sareshwala, Khadija | E10
- Sauerdeick, Rebecca | E10
- Wertheim, Peggy | E10
- ₩ Witmer, Amy & Joseph | E10
- Wolf, Susan | B2

Paper

- Grabman, Marie-Helene | E10
- Kulbeth, David | E11
- Shriver, Alison | E10 Smith, Andy | E9
- Spangler, Donna | B2

Wood

- Armistead, Jeff & Ben | D7
- Carson, Joe | E9
- Dabbs, Laurel | D7
- ₩ DeWitt, Robert & Dominique | B2 Foster, Jackson | B2
- W Kara, John & Carol | B4

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DEMONSTRATING ARTISANS BY LOCATION

Bond Street Barn Area

- Bognar, Carole & Tom | Mixed Media | B4 🖐 Botchlet, Heather | Heritage Foodways | E9
- Darr, Molly & Richard | Mixed Media | B4 / Carson, Joe | Wood | E9
- Giles, Harriet | Fiber/Textiles | B4
- Hollenbaugh, Kelly & Gary | Jewelry | B4
- Kara, John & Carol | Wood | B4
- Kirk, Roger | Clay | B4
- Lavorgne, Maureen | Fiber/Textiles | A/B4 Lindamood, Beth | Fiber/Textiles | B4
- Proctor, Jeanne | Fiber/Textiles | B4
- Stanik, Ruth & Mike | Furniture | B4
- Sulmonte, Giancarlo | Metal | B4
- Supraner, Vicki & Scott | Clay | B4

John Wesley Church

- Clark, Altyn | Glass | B2 Kennedy, Selinda | Clay | B2
- Spangler, Donna | Paper | B2
- Staton, Amy | Fiber/Textile | B2

John Wesley Churchyard

- Cantilo, Icka | Jewelry | B2
- DeWitt, Robert & Dominique | Wood | B2 🤟 Piazza, Anne | Clay | E10 Foster, Jackson | Wood | B2
- Savely, Clay | Clay | B2
- Wolf, Susan | Mixed Media | B2
- Wychock, Karen | Fiber/Textiles | B2

Next to Old Mill

- W Niskala, Nurit | Jewelry | C2
- Stanik, Alex | Furniture | C2-3

Old School Inside

- Aylward, Michael | Glass | E1
- Banker, Ellen | Mixed Media | E10 Boglioli, Loring | Fiber/Textiles | E10
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Old School Outside

- ₩ De May, Robert | Mixed Media | E11
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- May, Christie | Jewelry | E10
- McKellar, Judith | Mixed Media | E10
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- Pittman, Jessica & Ty | Leather | E11
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- Steinhagen, Erich & Janice | Clay | E10
- Withnell, Susan | Fiber/Textiles | E10
- Witmer, Amy & Joseph | Mixed Media | E10
- Yang, Mary & Jon | Jewelry | E11

Old School Porch

- Madigan, Cindy | Leather | E10
- Sauerdeick, Rebecca | Mixed Media | E10
- Waterford Quilters Guild | Fiber/Textiles | E10

Village Center

- Anderson, Maureen | Heritage Foodways | D7
- Armistead, Jeff & Ben | Wood | D7
- W Dabbs, Laurel | Wood | D7
- = Children's activities

WORLD CLASS PERFORMANCES

Kate M. & Paul

George J. & Brad K.

Chatham Rabbits Duo

Furnace Mountain Trio

Included in your Fair ticket! Entertainment at the Waterford Fair highlights

traditional American performances and music at the Main Stage and around the village.

Friday | MAIN STAGE

11:00am	Old Dominion Chorus
12:30pm	Kate MacLeod and Paul Hammerton
1:30pm	George Jackson/Brad Kolodner
2:30pm	Kate MacLeod and Paul Hammerton
3:30pm	George Jackson & Brad Kolodner

Saturday | MAIN STAGE

11:00am	Celtic Rhythm School of Dance
12:45pm	Down Valley Ramblers Trio
1:30pm	Furnace Mountain Trio
2:30pm	Down Valley Ramblers Trio
3:15pm	Furnace Mountain Trio

Sunday | MAIN STAGE

3:30pm

11:00am	Dance Academy of Loudoun	
12:30pm	Kate MacLeod and Paul Hammerton	
1:30pm	Chatham Rabbits Duo	
2:30pm	Kate MacLeod and Paul Hammerton	

Chatham Rabbits Duo

FRI 11:00am Laura E. Christiansen, Thomas Balch Libra

SUN 12:30pm Susan Manch, President, Waterford Foundation

A Brief History of Waterford

SUN 2:00pm Jacob Grotheer, Pewtersmith, Georgia Colony Smith

Pewter and Spoons in Colonial America

TENT TALKS

Waterford Craft School Tent | Old School Area (back lawn, E12)

ı	110 11.00am Ladra E. Christiansen, momas baien Elorary		
	-1		After the War: Documentation of Revolutionary War Veterans
	FRI	12:30pm	Susan Manch, President, Waterford Foundation
			A Brief History of Waterford
	FRI	2:00pm	Rebecca Suerdick, Historian Mary Randolph's Virginia:
			"The Virginia House-wife" Culinary History
	SAT	11:00am	Krag Buck, Historian, Njörðr's Wanderers
			Women, Textiles and Magic in the Viking Age
	SAT	12:30pm	Sons of the American Revolution, Sgt. Maj. John Champe Chapter of
			the Virginia SAR The Story of John Champe
	SAT	2:00pm	John DeWald, Master Horner, The Horn & Needle
ı			Beyond the Blade: Scrimshaw vs. Engraving Explained

ENGAGE with History

r		1 300
	LIVING HISTORY and Exhibits	16.
	250 Exhibit: Loudoun & the American Revolution Old School (lobby)	E10
	African American Experience of Waterford Display Bond Street Barn Area	
	(Liggett Street stone wall)	B3
	Chesapeake Region Lace Guild John Wesley Church (lower level)	B2
	Eugene Scheel, Mapmaker Map Shop	E6
ı	Explore an 1880's Classroom Second Street School	
ł	Glenn McIntyre, Gunsmith Gun Shop	E6
	Hessian Regiment Von Huyn John Wesley Churchyard	B2
Į	Jeff Ball, Earthly Host Cemetery	F12
H	Njörðr's Wanderers Old School Area	
ł	Rebecca Suerdick, Historian & Perfumer Old School (porch)	E10
ı	Smocking Arts Guild of America John Wesley Church (lower level)	
I	Sons of the American Revolution Bond Street Barn Area	B3
	Entertainment & Education throughout the Village	
ı	Friday	
ı	Dominon Four Barber Shop Quartet Strolling	Strolling
	Harnessed Working Horses Demonstration Village Center (next to Red Barn)	D/E5
	Madame du Vent Chaut & her fool Tribou Strolling	Strolling
	Friday & Saturday	
	Slim Harrison, Children's Jug Band Old School Area (back lawn)	E12
ı	Terry Bender, Organ Grinder Bond Street Barn Area	C3

Sunday	
Charlotte Crittenden & Jonathan Hearne	Sheep Shearing Demonstration:
Then & Now Village Center (near Re	ed Barn)

Military veterans Honor Ceremony (12:30 pm)	
Cemetery (behind the Old School)	F12

ı	Saturday & Sunday
ı	John McLaughlin, Illusionist Second Street Schoolyard (Sat. 1:30 & 3:30, Sun. 1:00 & 3:00)H5 Rivenwool Farm Rescue Sheep & Goat: Meet & Greet, Wool Handicrafts
ı	(Sat. 1:30 & 3:30, Sun. 1:00 & 3:00)H5
I	Rivenwool Farm Rescue Sheep & Goat: Meet & Greet, Wool Handicrafts

	All Three Days	
۱	Donna Nomick, Hammered Dulcimer Old School (porch)	E10
ı	John DuRant & John DuRant Ir Old World Troubadours	Strolling

Parks & Rec on the Go for Kids	Old School Area (back lawn)	E12
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Snap these QR codes with your cell phone to see the schedule.



Village Center (near Red Barn)...







..D/E5

Watch, Try, Learn,



Activities abound for kids of all ages! Look for the "hand" symbol on the artisan listings for artisans with special activities for kids. See the entertainment schedule for times and locations of the activities listed below.

GREAT ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS!

Enjoy the Organ Grinder's Music (C3) Play with Old World Clowns Dance to the Music at the Main Stage (F9) Watch a Sheep being Sheared (Sat, D/E5) Play "King of the Hay Bale Mountain" (E12) Sheep & Goat Meet & Greet (Sat/Sun, D/E5) March with the Hessians Learn about Lace Making (B2) Meet a Working Team of Horses (Fri, D/E5) Hear Cool Stories at the Cemetery (F12)

Learn about the Njörðr's Wanderers (E12) Play in a Jug Band (Fri/Sat, E12) Explore Fine Crafts with Artisans

Take in a Dance Demo (F9)

Take in a Magic Show (Sat/Sun H5)

Learn how to Carve a Decoy (Old Jail, D7)

Complete the Cryptogram Passport

Talk to a Painter (D/E5)

Learn about the Revolutionary War (B3)

Sing Silly Songs with the Troubadours

Play games at Parks & Rec Tent (E12)

Make a Bitty Broom

(Waterford Craft School Tent, E12) Visit a One Room Schoolhouse (H5)







Fine & Faire Food

Heritage Foods & Farm Market

O .	
Butler Hill Maple Farm, maple candies, nuts & syrup	Bond Street Barn Area C3
Cannabreeze Hemp Farm, CBD oils, edibles & more	Old School Area F10
Catoctin Presbyterian Church, apple butter	Old School Area G8
DMK Naturals, reusable beewax food wraps	Old School Area F10
Loose Leaf Tea Company, loose leaf teas	Old School Area F10
Savanna Institute, fresh & roasted chestnuts	Old School Area F10
Sweet Harmony Farm, lavender bundles, soaps & more	Old School Area F10
The Southern Beekeeper, confectionary and beauty items	Old School Area F10
Vale of the Blue Ridge Maple Farm, maple syrup	Old School Area F10

Faire Foods

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Big Cheese*, grilled cheese sandwiches	Old School Area F11-12
Bruster's real Ice Cream*, ice cream & treats	Old School Area F11-12
Colonial Kettle Corn*, sweet popcorn	Village Center D6
Cousins Maine Lobster*, seafood	Old School Area F11-12
E-san Thai*, Thai food & drink	Old School Area F11-12
Good Day Crepe*, sweet & savory crepes	Old School Area F11-12
Gyro Brothers*, Mediterranean & American fusion	Bond Street Barn Area C3
Lexi & Friends, gluten free & keto baked goods, coffee & more	Old School Area F10
Lisa's Lemonade & More*, sweets & treats	Bond Street Barn Area C3
Luke & Son For Global Food*, freshly pkg. salads & dips	Old School Area F11-12
The Salt Pot Kitchen*, brazen brats	Old School Area F11-12
Troop 969*, American, burgers, sweets & coffee	Old Mill Area C2
Two Smooth Dudes*, salads, wraps & specialty tots	Old School Area F11-12
Waterford Elementary PTO*, drinks & waffle with ice cream	Old School Area F11-12

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TALBOTT'S TAVERN on the Lawn



Old School Area | E12

8 Chains North Winery Carriage House Wineworks Domaine Fortier Vineyards Good Spirit Farm

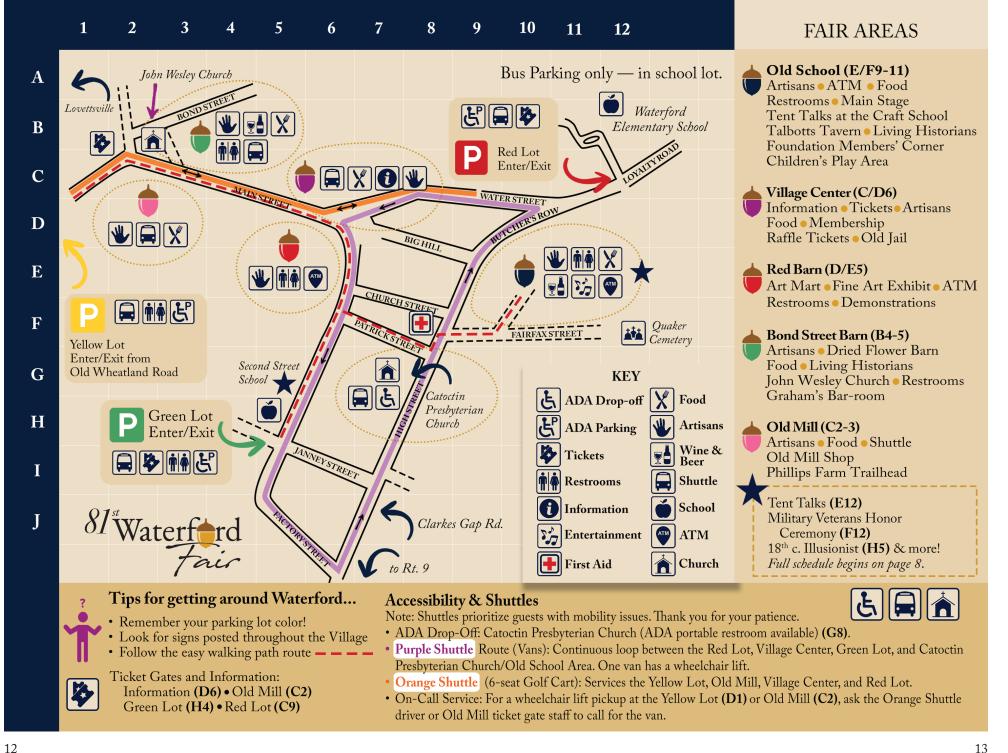
Two Twisted Posts Winery Willowcroft Farm Vineyards Wheatland Spring Farm + Brewery



BEER AND WINE by the Glass



Bond Street Barn Area



THE OLD MILL C2 Where it all began...

Built in the 1820's, the Old Mill supported Waterford area's agrarian economy as a grist mill until operations ceased in 1939.

The existing brick mill replaced earlier wooden sawmill & gristmill buildings that produced lumber and flour during the 18th & 19th centuries.



The Old Mill features three floors of quality handmade crafts representing over 80 local and regional artisans including:

- Baked Goods
- Pottery
- Baskets
- •Woodenwares
- •Household Linens
- Americana
- •Waterford-themed Goods
- Candles

- Books
- Jewelry
- Fashion & Accessories
- •Dolls
- •Children's Items
- Soaps
- •Gifts for Everyone

ART MART & FINE ART at the Red Barn D/E5

An enormous collection of local works representing a variety of media is available for purchase at the ArtMart (lower level). The Fine Art Exhibit is the site for judged exhibition and sale of contemporary art of all media including sculpture and paintings (upper level).



Entries will be judged in each media category for Best in Show, Best in Waterford Scene, and Best Loudoun County Artist. Works may be for sale at the discretion of the artist.

RAFFLE

Early American Document Box

A note from Kristin Helberg, Donor of this Piece

Growing up in the York/Lancaster area of Pennsylvania, my mother took us along on her search for antiques for our old house. I remember seeing an old document box at an auction. That image stayed with me. As I recall, it was rather plain with some images of birds painted on it and it had wonderful bun feet.

I had my cabinet maker create two smaller reproductions of a document box with feet. Circling the box on all four sides is a diorama of trees and Tickets Available at the Welcome Tent (D6)
\$5 or 5 for \$20



Outside dimensions are 10 ¼" H x 12" W x 7" D. Inside dimensions are 7" H x 10" W x 5 ½" D

lawn, inspired by the murals of the early American painter, Rufus Porter. The sides are all hand painted with vinegar paint.

On the lid, I have created a fine house that would have existed in the Early American era. The entire box was then finished with a vinegar paint patina and varnished. I wanted the box to represent a glimpse into Early American life and art.

What will you keep in this box?

-Kristin Helberg, 2025

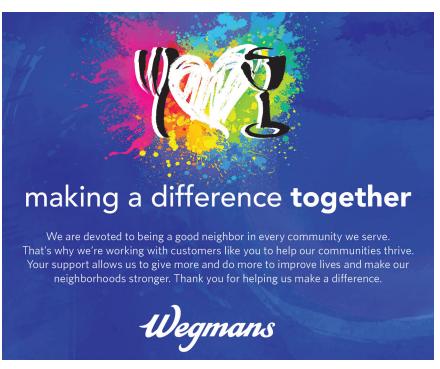


DRIED FLOWERS

at the Bond Street Barn A/B4

Working with flowers and greens they have grown or gathered, local gardeners and foragers craft wreaths and centerpieces that bring the season's beauty indoors. Each creation is made with care and creativity, ready to brighten your home.

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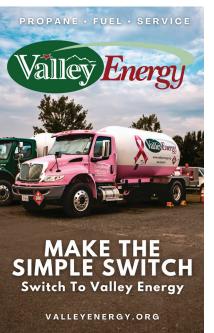




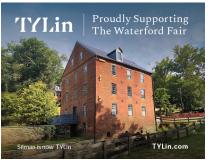






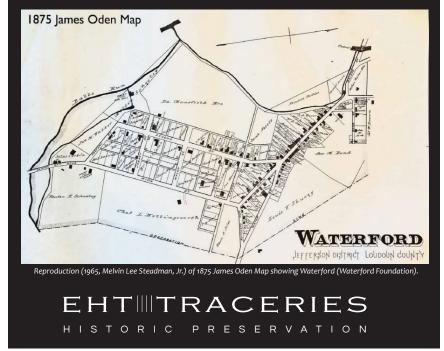












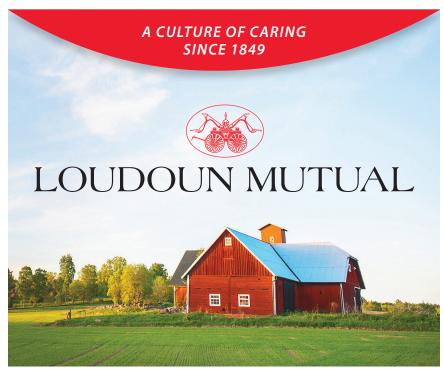
























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SAVE THE DATES!

FIRST ANNUAL WATERFORD BICYCLE CLASSIC

October 26, 2025 - Enjoy an unforgettable ride through Northern Loudoun's countryside, hosted at Wheatland Spring Farm & Brewery, supporting the Waterford Foundation.

More info at www.waterfordclassic.org



Mark your calendar for the 9th Annual Historic Waterford Trail Run on **May 9, 2026.**

See waterfordfoundation.org for registration information early in 2026.



Find classes in painting with fiber, basketry, stained glass, floorcloth making, and more!

craftschool.waterfordfoundation.org







We look forward to seeing you at the

2026 Waterford Fair

October 2 - 4, 2026

Thank you to all our volunteers, patrons, & supporters who helped make Fair magic this year!

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