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President's Note

—Ben Kirkup
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The Moyaone Reserve has many interfaces, which may appear placid. The illness and subsequent passing of George M. Garner, Jr. — to my family, he held the redundant title Farmer George — who lived most of his life just outside Moyaone Reserve itself, brought to light a caring spirit and communal concern for this man and his family, and his livestock. Now, residents of Moyaone Reserve are continuing to mourn, but also they are continuing to care for his legacies, and those of his ancestors, in collaboration with his living relatives. Later in the season the Moyaone Association will host a celebration of George's life, replete with food and drink, at the Moyaone Commons.

As the president of the Moyaone Association, I welcome a general discussion of what best represents a celebration of George's life; and in that sense, his family history, his connection with the land, his livestock, and his forms of service. I am open to the full variety of suggestions, including those that somewhat paradoxically feature electronics. Please address any suggestions to moyaonepresident@gmail.com

On another front, diplomatic challenges impact the use of Sanford Road. A conflicting sense of entitlements, responsibilities, and obligations has created ongoing friction. Traffic-calming sheep might have a salutary function here, in fact, but they are not present. The depth of the tension and the importance of that particular outlet from Apple Valley highlights the need for creative solutions. I would like to hear from anyone with something forward-looking to add to the discussion.

Finally, I recommend that everyone from the Moyaone make

Dear Neighbors,

Please know that the pleasures of viewing the late George Garner's pastured sheep and cattle on Old Marshall Hall Road are a current joy, but soon will become memory. We can gather our thoughts, photos, and stories for an upcoming celebration of his life.

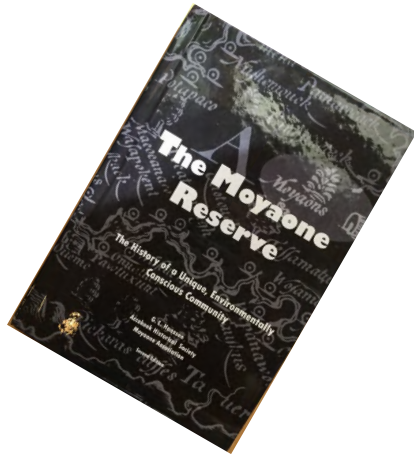
*Respectfully,
Kent L. Hibben
Public Affairs Chair, Moyaone Association*

themselves at least aware of the state of the "Charles Station" Dominion natural gas compressor facility. The first segment of a zoning hearing was held in Charles County and it promises to stretch on for quite some time, at this rate. The next session will occur this September; but there is information regarding the hearings on the Charles County website (<https://www.charlescountymd.gov/public-notices/7-pm-public-hearing-dominion-cove-point-lng>) and information about the federal regulatory process on the FERC website (<https://ferc.gov/resources/resources.asp>).

Thank you for participating both in the heart of the community, and also for your care for the welfare of the folks at or on the margins, showing that your neighborly spirit has open doors.

Moyaone Association Board meeting:

**Tuesday, August 29, 7 pm
Wagner Community Center**



New Printing of George Hanssen's *The Moyaone Reserve*

Ruth Hanssen has enabled a new run of her late husband's book (*The Moyaone Reserve: The History of a Unique, Environmentally Conscious Community*, by G.L.Hanssen) on the Moyaone Reserve to be printed. One hundred copies of the book have arrived, and are recommended reading for anyone with an interest in the forces that formed and continue to shape Moyaone Reserve and environs. Order your house's copy, and find out about the far-sighted folks who helped create this unique neighborhood we call home.

A mere \$25 (which will go back to the Moyaone Association to cover printing expenses) brings this treasure-trove of a tome to your home. To order, email Kent, Moyaone Public Affairs Chair (KentLHibben@gmail.com).

Newcomers to the Moyaone Reserve

—Sheryl Romeo

Please give a big welcome to Rob Chamberlain, Dawn Riddle, and their 7-year-old son, Ian. They are the new owners of 1160 Overlook Drive, the ancestral home of the Hibben Family.

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Sign for the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania where the trail crosses PA Route 233 in Franklin County. Photo by Gerry Dincher (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons.

Moyaone Resident Aims to Complete Appalachian Trail Hike

—Ann Bodling

Many of you do not know us, but some of you do and might be interested in Kurt's resumption of his aborted Appalachian Trail hike, 2 years ago. He had hiked from Springer Mountain, in GA to Great Barrington, MA, about 1500 miles, more or less, when he had to get off the trail due to internal blood loss and the resulting severe anemia. Hale and hearty again, he will resume his hike on Monday, Aug. 14, just outside of Killington, VT, as he has done the intervening miles in the mean time. He will hike from Vermont, into New Hampshire and over the Presidential Range, on into Maine and the Hundred Mile Wilderness and then hopes to reach and summit Mt. Katahdin, in Baxter State Park, 500 miles from Killington, by Sept. 20. For any who would like to follow his progress, his blog address is: <https://kurtbodling.wordpress.com>

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Next DEADLINE: Sept. 6 for Sept. 2017 issue of *Smoke Signals*



(left) The homeschooling program at the Alice Ferguson Foundation's (AFF) Hard Bargain Farm offers participating children a chance to explore.
(right) AFF members and volunteers get together each year at the annual ice cream party. Photos: Alice Ferguson Foundation.

Alice Ferguson August Events

Varya Zhigilei
Communications and Marketing Manager
Alice Ferguson Foundation

Open House for Hard Bargain Farm Homeschool Program, August 15

A free event! Families spend the day with our educators and experience what makes our program for homeschooled students (which features a one full-day class in the fall, winter, and spring each) such an amazing learning opportunity. During the open house, parents and their children will meet our farm animals, tour our green Living Building (just one of 15 such buildings in the world), take a wagon ride to the Potomac River, learn about and sign up for the upcoming homeschool program, and enjoy a campfire with s'mores.

Tuesday, August 15, 9 am–2 pm. For homeschooled children ages 5–12 and their families. Bring a trash-free lunch and an excitement to learn. Hard Bargain Farm, Cafritz Environmental Center, 2201 Bryan Point Rd. For more information or to RSVP please email: worndorff@fergusonfoundation.org

Ice Cream Social for Volunteers, Members

The Alice Ferguson Foundation invites all members and volunteers to our Annual Ice Cream Social! Enjoy refreshing, homemade, hand-cranked ice cream, beautiful views of the Potomac from our historic farmhouse, and a visit with our barnyard animals. If you're not sure if you are a member, or would like to become one, contact Kara: ksheehan@fergusonfoundation.org

Sunday, Aug. 27, 3–5 pm. Alice Ferguson Foundation farmhouse, 2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek. RSVP: specialevents@fergusonfoundation.org

THE ALICE FERGUSON FOUNDATION'S ARTS IN THE WOODS • UPCOMING EVENTS •

**4-19
AUG** **EQUIVOCATION**
Theater in the Woods



**26
AUG** **8 OHMS**
Concert in the Woods



**8-17
SEPT** **BAMBI**
Theater in the Woods



**23
SEPT** **LYNN HOLLYFIELD**
Concert in the Woods

**24
SEPT** **WINE & DESIGN**
Art in the Woods



**6-21
OCT** **THE WEIR**
Theater in the Woods



**07
OCT** **OKTOBERFEST**

**28
OCT** **ROCKY HORROR SHOW**
Fims in the Woods

For more information: fergusonfoundation.org/events



A total solar eclipse, which is when the Moon completely covers the Sun, will occur across 14 states in the continental U.S. on Aug 21, 2017. Photo: NASA

Solar Eclipse Viewing Party at Piscataway Park, Aug. 21

Monday, Aug. 21, 12:30–4:30 pm. Piscataway Park, 3400 Bryan Point Rd., Accokeek. Organizer: Accokeek Foundation (phone 301-283-2113; email: info@accokeek.org)

Celebrate this rare occasion with a bring-your-own picnic on the farm. With 82% visibility, the peaceful and tranquil setting of Piscataway Park is a prime location to witness the sun disappearing behind the moon. Star gazers should begin at the Visitor Center to purchase special solar-themed refreshments and view a live stream of the event. The sky will begin to darken at 1:18 pm with the peak at 2:43 pm but visitors are welcome to drop in anytime. Receive a free pair of ISO-certified solar eclipse glasses with registration. This event is free and open to all. Register online: <https://accokeekfoundation.org/events/solar-eclipse-viewing-party/>

According to a NASA press release, more than 300 million people in the United States potentially could directly view the Aug. 21 total solar eclipse, and NASA wants everyone who will witness this celestial phenomenon to do so safely. That Monday, a partial eclipse will be visible in every state. A total solar eclipse, which is when the Moon completely covers the Sun, will occur across 14 states in the continental U.S. along a 70-mile-wide swath.

Viewers should **not** stare directly at the Sun with the naked eye or risk damaging their vision; that advice holds true for a partially eclipsed Sun. Only with special-purpose solar filters, such as eclipse glasses or a handheld solar viewer, can you safely look directly at the Sun.

Eclipse viewing glasses and handheld solar viewers should:

- Have certification information with a designated ISO 12312-2 international standard
- Have the manufacturer's name and address printed somewhere on the product
- Not be used if they are older than three years, or have scratched or wrinkled lenses
- Not use homemade filters

Ordinary sunglasses—even very dark ones—should **not** be used as a replacement for eclipse-viewing glasses or handheld solar viewers.



Piscataway Park, which celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2018, is home to many species. The Park is also home to National Colonial Farm (pictured above), a historic farm museum that demonstrates 18th century agriculture. Photo: National Park Service.

50th Anniversary of Piscataway Park to be Marked in 2018

The Potomac River Heritage Tourism Alliance (PRHTA) met July 13 at Mount Vernon to explore ideas for celebrating the 50th anniversary of Piscataway Park in 2018. Also in 2018 is the 50th anniversary of the National Trails Act. Dr. Lisa Hayes, President and CEO, Accokeek Foundation, asked Alliance representatives to think of ways to collaborate on marking these two events.

PRHTA, formed in 2012, is made up of about 50 heritage and recreation organizations whose goal is to increase tourism to the heritage and recreation sites along the Potomac River, especially within Prince George's County. According to the PRHTA website, these attractions will enrich tourists' experience of the region and help preserve and promote the rich heritage resources along the Maryland shore of the Potomac River and beyond.

The Alliance includes regional leaders from groups such as the African American Heritage Preservation Group, Maryland Indian Tourism Association, Broad Creek Conservancy, Accokeek Foundation, Alice Ferguson Foundation, Atlantic Kayak Company, Prince George's Arts & Humanities Council, Aeon Preservation, Encore Sustainable Design, Oxon Hill Bicycle and Trail Club, National Park Service-Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail Office, and National Capital Parks-East. The first milestone of the Potomac River Heritage Tourism Alliance was the 2014 opening of the Alliance's Visitor Center located in the Tanger Outlet Mall at National Harbor.

Also present at the meeting were Moyaone Secretary Karen Hoagberg and Smoke Signals editor Ruth Gaumond.

Possible events could include historical and ecological displays, a new Captain John Smith Chesapeake Geocache Trail, an ethnographic study of Piscataway Park, Piscataway seed-gathering festival, kayak tours, and a Moyaone house tour. The various group representatives were encouraged to keep thinking about opportunities and share ideas.