

**Historic Preservation & Community Engagement: Saving Places that Matter**  
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**Speaker Biographies (in alphabetical order)**

**Mike Barber, State Archaeologist, Department of Historic Resources**

Mike received his BA in Anthropology from the College of William and Mary, his M.A. in Sociology and Anthropology from Kent State University and his Ph.D. in Anthropology from the University of Virginia. His areas of specialty are in the following: Prehistory of Eastern North American, Paleoethnozoology, Lithic Analysis, Public Archaeology, Settlement Modeling, Archaeological Methods, Public Education and Outreach. Mike has been the Virginia State Archaeologist, Department of Historic Resources, Division of State Archaeology Head since 2006. He is responsible for the Archaeology of the Commonwealth including Statewide Research Design, Outreach, State Agencies, Collections, and Public Interface and is also on the Threatened Sites Committee Oversight.

Virginia's Department of Historic Preservation has joined forces with the Archeological Society of Virginia and the Council of Virginia Archaeologists to implement a public education program which trains the vocational community in the methods, theory, and values of modern archaeology. This "Certification" Program has ca. 25 graduates and almost 100 enrollees and has been incorporated by DHR into its Public Field School efforts in partnership with sister state agencies, universities, public school systems, private foundations, and federal programs.

**Deanna Beacham, American Indian Program Specialist, Office of the Governor**

Deanna Beacham is the American Indian Program Specialist for the Governor's Office, and serves on the Advisory Council for the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail. She is also a consultant, lecturer and advisor on Virginia and Chesapeake Bay Indian history and culture for federal agencies, museums, and universities.

**Kate Brady, Principal, Partners for Place**

Kate Brady started Partners for Place with Catherine Redfearn in 2010, to work on projects at the intersection of community development and historic preservation. They began working with Belmead-on-the-James as students in UVA's Urban and Environmental Planning department, and have continued through their firm. They have worked closely with neighbors and alumni to create outreach projects like a website, a docent training program, and an oral history project; and are developing a new productive use for the property and fundraising plan for a roof replacement.

Kate came to Virginia for graduate school in Urban and Environmental Planning, and stayed for the rich preservation opportunities in the Commonwealth. Earlier professional experience included software development, outdoor education, and rural economic development through technology. Her community development approach was further shaped by stints as a rural community organizer for American Lung, with a Resource Conservation and Development Council doing natural resource-based projects in eastern Oregon, and with the Institute for Environmental Negotiation at UVA. She applies a variety of professional experience to her preservation work with Partners for Place.

### **Robert A. Carter (Bob), Director of Community Services, Department of Historic Resources**

Robert A. Carter serves as Director of the Community Services Division of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR), the Commonwealth's state historic preservation office. He is chiefly responsible for directing the work of DHR's five regional offices based in Richmond, Newport News, Roanoke, Stephens City and Sweet Briar College. He also oversees the Department's financial, technical and training assistance programs for Virginia's local governments and private preservation organizations.

Bob has worked at DHR in a variety of positions since 1980 including staff historian, editor, survey and register supervisor, chief of preservation services, chief of staff and director of DHR's Winchester and Capital region offices, before assuming his present duties in 2001.

He holds degrees in history from Princeton University, the University of Edinburgh, and the University of Virginia, where he received his doctorate in American history in 1988. He has taught preservation planning at the undergraduate and graduate level at Virginia Commonwealth University and American history at Lawrence University in Wisconsin and the University of Virginia.

Carter served as principal investigator and author of two major reports to the Virginia General Assembly and published numerous articles in DHR's agency magazine *Notes on Virginia*. More recently he served as a contributing author of *The Chesapeake Voyages of John Smith, 1607-1609*, which was published by the University of Virginia Press in 2007. He represents DHR on the Working Group of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Water Trails Network. .

### **Jonathan Doherty, Assistant Superintendent, the National Park Service's Chesapeake Bay Office and Program Director for the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail**

Jonathan Doherty is Assistant Superintendent of the National Park Service's Chesapeake Bay Office and Program Director for the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail. He also serves as coordinator for the Chesapeake Treasured Landscape Initiative, one of the responses that resulted from the May 2010 Chesapeake Bay Executive Order.

### **April Cheek-Messier, Director of Education, National D-Day Memorial**

April Cheek-Messier is a native of Bedford, Virginia and has been with the National D-Day Memorial since January 2001 and currently serves as the Memorial's Director of Education. She received her BA degree in English and History from Hollins College. She acquired two master's degrees, one in History from Virginia Tech and another in Education from Hollins University. She is the Virginia Association of Museums director for the southern region. She has also been a member of the Kiwanis club of Bedford since 2002 and has served as both Vice President and President. In 2004, she received the "Attraction Employee of the Year" at the Virginia Governor's Conference on Travel and Tourism and she currently serves on the Tourism Advisory Board for Bedford and at one time served on the Tourism Advisory Council for Lynchburg. She periodically teaches as an adjunct professor at CVCC and Lynchburg College.

### **Karen Drake, AICP, Comprehensive Planner, Town of Blacksburg Planning and Engineering**

Karen Drake is the Comprehensive Planner for the Town of Blacksburg. In 2006, she coordinated a year of community input meetings while working with the Comprehensive Plan Task Force to draft the update to the Town's Comprehensive Plan, *Blacksburg 2046*. The update was unanimously adopted by Town Council and also won the 2007 Virginia Municipal League award for communications.

Ms. Drake serves as the staff liaison between the Blacksburg Historic or Design Review Board, citizens and staff. She assisted the 2010 Historic District Task Force that was appointed by Town Council to update the Town's historic district ordinances.

Prior to working with Blacksburg, Ms. Drake worked with James City County, Virginia Planning Department. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. In the spring of this year she served on the Rotary Group Study Exchange Team to Tasmania where she met with local planners and historians. And as a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill, she will pull for the Hokies as long as they are not playing the Heels.

### **David Edwards, Director, Northern Regional Preservation Office, Virginia Department of Historic Resources**

David A. Edwards, a native of Portsmouth, Virginia, graduated from the University of Virginia with a bachelor's degree in architectural history in 1978. From September 1978 until 1983 he was employed by the Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission to conduct surveys of historic architecture in Alleghany, Bath, Highland, Loudoun, and Rappahannock counties. He worked as an architectural historian in the Richmond office of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources from 1983 to 1995. With the establishment of VDHR's Northern Regional Office in 1995, David served as its architectural historian until he became the director of the office in 1998. Since 2006 the regional office has been located in Stephens City. He currently serves as manager of the regional offices for DHR. He also serves on the Boards of Directors for Preservation of Historic Winchester, the Northern Shenandoah Valley Chapter of Preservation Virginia, the Virginia Downtown Development Association, and the Stephens City Historic

Preservation Commission. He and his wife reside in the town of Front Royal and continue to restore an 1889 Victorian house overlooking the South Fork of the Shenandoah River.

**Patrick Farris, Chairman of the City of Winchester Board of Architectural Review**

Patrick Farris graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Anthropology in 1989. Farris received a Language Certificate in Arabic from Kuwait University in 1990 and attended Tashkent State University in Uzbekistan receiving a Language Certificate in Uzbek in 1992. Returning to North Carolina from the former Soviet Union, Farris taught high school social studies for a year at a private high school in Moore County, before receiving his Masters in Anthropology from Indiana University, from which he will be awarded his Doctoral degree in 2011. Farris taught history in Warren County and the City of Winchester from 1998 to 2004, and is currently Adjunct Professor of Anthropology at Shepherd University in Shepherdstown, West Virginia, and at Lord Fairfax Community College in Middletown, Virginia. He is also Executive Director of the Warren Heritage Society in Front Royal and has served on several boards and commissions involved in the development of historical resources and tourism in the Shenandoah Valley, including on the Battle of Front Royal Committee for the Town of Front Royal, the Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War local committee for Warren County, and the French & Indian War Foundation based in Winchester. In the City of Winchester he chairs the Board of Architectural Review and the Tree Commission, and is chair of the Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park Advisory Commission, to which he was appointed by the US Department of the Interior. Farris was appointed by the State of Virginia to the Virginia Bicentennial of the War of 1812 Citizens Advisory Committee and to the Special Subcommittee for the 50th Anniversary of Public School Closings in Virginia, an arm of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission.

**Bryon Lee Grigsby, Ph.D., Senior Vice President & Vice President for Academic Affairs, Shenandoah University**

As the Senior Vice President and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Bryon Grigsby is the chief academic officer responsible for ensuring that all students meet the academic requirements as articulated by the faculty and approved by the trustees. His office oversees all the academic colleges, schools and divisions, the library, Institutional Research and Assessment, the Writing Center, International Education, General Education and First Year Programs, and the Registrar's Office. Grigsby is responsible for the implementation of the institution's strategic plan and serves as the interim president when the president is absent.

Prior to this position, Grigsby has held administrative roles as Provost and Chief Operating Officer, Vice President, and Dean at Centenary College in New Jersey. He has authored one book, co-edited another, and has published articles in *Shakespeare Magazine*, *The Writing Lab Newsletter*, Modern Language Association's *Teaching Medicine and Literature*, *The Connecticut Review*, and *Essays in Medieval Studies*.

Grigsby received his B.A. from Moravian College, his M.A. from Wake Forest University, and his Ph.D. from Loyola University Chicago, specializing in Medieval Literature, Early Modern Literature, and the History of Medicine. In 2004, Grigsby completed Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management and Villanova University's Graduate Certificate Program in Project Management.

Grigsby believes strongly in community service and is active in Rotary. He serves on the boards of the Old Town Winchester Development, Shenandoah Valley Technology Committee, advisory board of the National Institute for Technology in Liberal Education (NITLE), the Loudoun Healthcare, Inc. Board of Directors, and on the board of the United Way of the Northern Shenandoah Valley where he is the 2011 campaign chairman.

**Dr. Warren Hofstra, Stewart Bell Professor of History, Director of the Community History Project, Shenandoah University**

Warren R. Hofstra is Stewart Bell Professor of History at Shenandoah University in Winchester, Virginia. In addition to teaching in the fields of American social and cultural history and directing the Community History Project of Shenandoah University, he has written or edited books on various aspects of American regional history including *The Planting of New Virginia: Settlement and Landscape in the Shenandoah Valley* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2004); *A Separate Place: The Formation of Clarke County, Virginia* (Rowman & Littlefield, 1986, 1999); *George Washington and the Virginia Backcountry* (Madison House, 1998); *After the Backcountry: Rural Life in the Great Valley of Virginia, 1800-1900* (University of Tennessee Press, 2000); *Virginia Reconsidered: New Histories of the Old Dominion* (University of Virginia Press, 2003); *Cultures in Conflict: The Seven Years' War in North America* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2007); and *Shenandoah Landscapes and the Great Valley Road of Virginia* (University of Virginia Press, 2010). His long-term research program focuses on the regional history of the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia and its communities from the eighteenth to the twentieth century. As a result he brings the interpretative tools of social, cultural, economic, political, and material culture history to bear on a variety of local studies and employs the analytical methods of disciplines such as geography, archaeology, and architectural history to broaden the scope of these studies to embrace national, transnational, Atlantic, and global perspectives. He asks large questions of small places. His current work ranges broadly and includes an interpretative study of American frontiers in the eighteenth century as a product of European imperial expansion throughout the Atlantic World, a collaborative essay project on Scots-Irish migration, an examination of the global economy of grain and flour production beginning in the eighteenth century as it influenced the Shenandoah Valley, and a cultural history of Winchester, Virginia, in the 1950s as it shaped the career of Patsy Cline and country music.

**John D. Hutchinson V, AICP, Director of Conservation, Shenandoah Valley Battlefield Foundation**

John Hutchinson has been working in preservation, non-profit development, and conservation land use planning for more than two decades. He currently manages the land preservation

program at the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation where he has assisted battlefield landowners and partner groups in planning cooperative preservation programs since 2001. From 2007 to 2009, John worked in private practice where his projects included the Town of New Market Growth and Annexation Plan, the Buckland Mills Battlefield Preservation Plan in Fauquier County, and consulting for local Shenandoah Valley conservation organizations.

Before joining the Battlefields Foundation, John, a Staunton native, worked with numerous regional and statewide non-profit organizations and corporations in Virginia. He was Director of Strategic Planning and Development for the Western Virginia Land Trust and a consultant to the Preservation Alliance of Virginia. He was Special Projects Coordinator for the Valley Conservation Council (VCC) where he oversaw the McDowell Battlefield/Staunton and Parkersburg Pike Project for VCC and the Highland County Chamber of Commerce.

John is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners and is a registered lobbyist with the Virginia General Assembly. He received a Masters in Urban and Environmental Planning from the University of Virginia with a Certificate in Historic Preservation in 2000. He is a 1984 honors graduate of the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, and attended Mary Baldwin College and Saint John's College in Oxford, England.

### **Sonja Ingram, Partner in the Field Representative, Preservation Virginia**

Sonja Ingram started working for Preservation Virginia in 2008. She worked previously as a historic preservation planner for Frederick, Maryland and as a land preservationist in Maryland and Virginia. In another life she was an archaeologist for 10 years working mainly in the Mid Atlantic, southern US and Puerto Rico. She has a Masters in Historic Preservation from the University of Maryland.

### **Kathleen S. Kilpatrick, Director & State Historic Preservation Officer, Department of Historic Resources**

Ms. Kilpatrick has served as Director of the Department of Historic Resources and State Historic Preservation Officer for the Commonwealth of Virginia since February of 2001. Ms. Kilpatrick began at the department as Deputy Director in 1995 with extensive experience in state and federal government and a broad background in natural and cultural resource policy. She was reappointed by Governor Robert F. McDonnell as Virginia's State Historic Preservation Officer in April 2010.

Before coming to the department, Ms. Kilpatrick served in state government as Special Assistant for Policy and Legislation to the Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources with oversight responsibilities for historic resources, game and inland fisheries, marine resources, state parks, and recreation. Her federal service includes five years with the U.S. Department of Interior as Senior Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management, and Budget from 1988-93. In 1984, she was confirmed by the United States Senate to a six-year term on the National Council on the Humanities, and served as Chairman of the Committee on General

Programs with policy and grant-making responsibilities for public programs conducted by museums, historical societies, libraries, radio, and television. Ms. Kilpatrick was publisher of *The Yale Literary Magazine*, America's oldest review, from 1980-88, and President of the American Literary Society from 1984-88.

Ms. Kilpatrick is a member of the Governor's Performance Leadership Group. She serves as well as a Trustee of Virginia's two national heritage areas, the Shenandoah Valley Battlefield Foundation and the Journey through Hallowed Ground. Ms. Kilpatrick is also a member of the Policy and of the Property Management committees of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, and a member of the Board of Directors of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers. She is also an advisor to the Virginia Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission and to the Tusculum Institute.

Ms. Kilpatrick is an alumna of Sweet Briar College. A native Virginian who resides on a family farm in Crozier in Goochland County, she has one son and is an avid hunter and horseback rider.

**Robert E. L. Krick, Historian and Cultural Resources Specialist,  
Richmond National Battlefield Park**

Bob Krick has lived or worked on Civil War battlefields almost continuously since 1972. He grew up on the Chancellorsville battlefield near Fredericksburg, and graduated from Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg with a degree in history. He has worked in various historical capacities at several battlefields, including Custer Battlefield in Montana, and Manassas Battlefield. Since 1991 he has been an historian on the staff at Richmond National Battlefield Park. Mr. Krick is widely published on Civil War topics. His first book was a unit history (*The Fortieth Virginia Infantry*). In 2003 the University of North Carolina Press published his biographical register of the Army of Northern Virginia's staff officers (*Staff Officers in Gray*).

**Elizabeth S. Kostelny, Executive Director, Preservation Virginia**

Since 1990 Elizabeth Stanton Kostelny has been a staff member of Preservation Virginia, the country's first statewide preservation organization founded in 1889. She began as its Curator of Collections, overseeing the collection management and exhibit installation for its statewide properties. She was promoted to Director of Museum Operations in 1994, to Director of Administration and Finance in 1997, with the responsibility of overseeing the Preservation Virginia's financial operations, to Acting Executive Director in August 2000, and then to her present position in February 2001 as Executive Director. She is currently responsible for supervising operations for all Preservation Virginia's statewide historic sites, programs, personnel, and collection of fine arts. Under Ms. Kostelny's leadership, Preservation Virginia has expanded its programs and shared its resources and expertise gained from more than one hundred years of experience with a growing professional and volunteer preservation community. Through strategic mergers and partnerships, Preservation Virginia has been able to broaden its scope to help preserve not only the properties within its own portfolio, but also support through

advice and technical assistance a growing number of communities and groups the preservation of historic places across the Commonwealth. With the approach of 2007 and the commemorative events, Ms. Kostelny led the effort for the organization to plan for the new facilities at Historic Jamestowne in partnership with the National Park Service. In addition, she served on the Commonwealth's Steering Committee to organize the eighteen months of events and coordinated with the local committees charged with implementing community and statewide efforts to honor America's 400th Anniversary. The new facilities at Historic Jamestowne and the many of the programs in the region will help to reinvigorate the Historic Triangle as a travel destination and economic engine for the region for years to come.

Ms. Kostelny was with the McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina, from 1986 to 1990. Her education includes the University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina, with an M. A. in Art History; Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Virginia, with graduate classes in English architecture, museum studies, and conservation; and Longwood College, Farmville, Virginia, with a B. S. in Art Education. Her professional memberships are with the American Association of Museums; Southeastern Museum Conference; and Virginia Association of Museums. Her volunteer experience includes leading a VAM Workshop on techniques for traveling exhibits in 1982; serving as a member of the Board of the Longwood Center for the Visual Arts from 1993 to 1998; serving as secretary and member of the Board of Directors of the John Marshall Foundation from 1994 to the present; and sharing her expertise at professional conference on the state, regional, and national levels.

In 2006, she was appointed by Governor Timothy M. Kaine to the Citizen's Advisory Council on Furnishing and Interpreting the Executive Mansion and serves as the treasurer for the Council.

**Mike Madden, Forest Archaeologist, George Washington and Jefferson National Forests, USDA Forest Service**

Mike Madden has worked as an archaeologist for the forest service and within the Mid-Atlantic for over 20 years and is heavily involved in public archaeology with the Passport In Time program, as well as, working with volunteers for the Archaeological Societies of Virginia, Maryland and Delaware. Mike is a strong believer in public archaeology and preservation partnerships and, has worked with numerous entities on their threatened sites including the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Virginia State Parks, Stafford Public Schools and Battersea Villa. He believes that the only way to preserve Virginia's historic places and archaeological heritage is through the use of public volunteer programs and through creating strong partnerships with other preservation groups throughout the commonwealth.

Mike received his B.S. in Anthropology (Archaeology) from Western Carolina University in 1992.

**Ed McCann, Vice-President for Community Development, Lynchburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority**

Edward H. McCann - Executive Director, Lynchburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority since 1999. Employed with the Authority since 1972. Native of New York. Graduate of Lynchburg College. Directly involved with residential and commercial revitalization programs since 1972.

**Chris Miller, Executive Director, Piedmont Environmental Council**

Christopher G. Miller has served as Piedmont Environmental Council (PEC) President since January 1, 1996. He is an attorney with expertise in environmental and transportation policy. Mr. Miller is responsible for overall management and strategic planning for PEC, including the land conservation program, energy policy, land use policy, smart growth and transportation policies. He is a member of the Steering Committee of the Coalition for Smarter Growth and the Choose Clean Water campaign and serves on the boards of the Virginia League of Conservation Voters, the Virginia Conservation Network, the Chesapeake Crescent initiative, the Journey Through Hallowed Ground Partnership, and the Nonprofit Roundtable of Washington, D.C.

Mr. Miller initially worked for PEC as coordinator of the successful campaign that challenged Disney's America development proposal. In recent years, he has also become a leading advocate for a less transmission-dominated approach to energy planning. Prior to joining PEC, he was Assistant Director for Federal Affairs at the Surface Transportation Policy Project, a national non-profit transportation organization based in Washington, D.C. Until 1993, he was an Associate with the law firm of Beveridge & Diamond, P. C. Mr. Miller also worked for the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, the Environmental Law Institute, and the American Council on U.S./Soviet Relations.

In 2004, Mr. Miller received the Virginia Conservation Network's Blue Ridge Award for outstanding conservation leadership in the Piedmont. He also received, on behalf of PEC, the Quarter Century of Service Award from the Partners for Livable Communities.

He earned his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School and B.A. with honors in Environmental Studies from Williams College.

**Kyle Myer, Community Development Administrator, Virginia Main Street Program**

Kyle Meyer is a Community Development Administrator in the Virginia Main Street Program. Through VMS he provides downtown and neighborhood commercial revitalization technical assistance and resources to designated Virginia Main Street communities and affiliates, CDBG grantees and to any other organizations, city, town or county governments across the state. He coordinates VMS training events and assists program managers in public relations and educational projects, and coordinates special downtown revitalization projects. Prior to joining Virginia Main Street he served as the Tax Act Specialist for the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program, where he developed a keen knowledge of certified historic rehabilitations, the historic registers, and preservation planning. Mr. Meyer

holds a B.S. in Psychology and Studio Art from James Madison University and a B.F.A. in Art Education and a Master of Urban & Regional Planning from Virginia Commonwealth University. He can be reached at 804-371-7041 or [kyle.meyer@dhcd.virginia.gov](mailto:kyle.meyer@dhcd.virginia.gov).

### **Erik F. Nelson, Senior Planner, City of Fredericksburg**

Erik Nelson is the Senior Planner for the City of Fredericksburg and has staffed its ARB since the 1980s. His other duties include preservation planning (both buildings and battlefields), multi-modal transportation networks planning and implementation, and general long range planning.

### **Leighton Powell, Executive Directory, Scenic Virginia**

Leighton Powell is Executive Director of Scenic Virginia. Under her guidance Scenic Virginia has coordinated the multi-agency, multi-year effort to bring the National Scenic Byways program to the Commonwealth. She was recently elected to the Board of Scenic America, the national organization of which Scenic Virginia is an affiliate, and also serves on several local boards in her home city of Richmond.

### **Lynn Rainville, Founding Executive Director, The Tusculum Institute**

Lynn Rainville has spent a decade conducting historic research in Virginia. Dr. Rainville is currently a research professor in the humanities at Sweet Briar College where she directs the Tusculum Institute for environmentally sustainable historic preservation. She studies African American cemeteries and antebellum communities in Virginia. She has also created over a dozen websites to disseminate local history to the public.

### **Catherine Redfearn, Principal, Partners for Place**

Catherine Redfearn and Kate Brady started Partners for Place in 2010, to bring community development and historic preservation closer together. PFP has worked with historic properties, a regional cooperative tourism initiative, and international heritage tourism development. Catherine brings technical skills in both architectural and landscape preservation and an understanding of the nonprofit and governmental sectors to the projects they have done in sustainable regional development and property-level planning.

Catherine has worked in rural historic and landscape preservation since completing her bachelor's degree in Architectural History and Historic Preservation. At Monticello, Catherine analyzed the property's viewshed, identifying the surrounding private landholdings where development would degrade the context of the site. She also helped manage a major visitor center construction project for the Foundation. Catherine holds a Masters Degree in Urban and Environmental Planning with a concentration in Urban Design from the University of Virginia.

### **Megan Rhyne, Executive Director, Virginia Coalition for Open Government**

Megan Rhyne began working part-time for the Virginia Coalition for Open Government in 1998 and became its executive director in 2008. A Williamsburg native, Ms. Rhyne received an undergraduate degree in Radio, Television and Motion Pictures from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a law degree from the University of Colorado at Boulder. She worked for four years in Dallas as an editor for a newspaper for lawyers, and upon returning to Virginia, she has taught media law at Hampton University and been a freelance writer and editor for several publications and public relations firms.

### **J. David Rives, Senior Vice President-Fossil & Hydro, Dominion**

J. David Rives is senior vice president-Fossil & Hydro. Rives' team oversees the operation of Dominion's 21,750 MW coal, oil, gas, hydro, renewable and NUG generation portfolio across seven states in both merchant and regulated utility markets.

Rives joined Dominion in 1981 as an engineer in Power Station Engineering & Construction. He has held varied positions in engineering and operations, including operations superintendent at Chesterfield Power Station, director-Technical Training Center, and station director at Mt. Storm, Bath County and North Branch power stations.

He was named managing director-Fossil & Hydro Merchant Operations in January 2003 and vice president-Fossil & Hydro Technical Services in January 2004. He was named vice president-Fossil & Hydro System Operations in April 2005 and assumed his current position in October 2007.

Rives serves on the boards of the Virginia Commonwealth University Business Alumni Society and the Virginia Capital Region of the American Red Cross. He is a certified professional engineer in Virginia.

A graduate of Virginia Tech with a degree in mechanical engineering, he received his MBA from Virginia Commonwealth University.

### **John Reynolds, Retired, Deputy Director, National Park Service**

John Reynolds retired as deputy director after 39 years in the National Park Service, and lives in Crozet, Virginia. He is currently the Virginia Citizen Representative to the Chesapeake Bay Commission, and Chair of both the Flight 93 National Memorial Federal Advisory Commission and the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail Advisory Council. He is a board member of the Presidio Trust, the Shenandoah National Park Trust, the Chesapeake Conservancy, and the Student Conservation Association.

### **Pamela A. Schenian, Acting Director, Architectural Historian, & CLG Program Coordinator, Department of Historic Resources**

Pamela Schenian is the acting director and architectural historian for the Department of Historic Resources' Tidewater Regional Preservation Office, as well as the CLG Program Coordinator for the state. She was the Cultural Resource Manager for Fort Monroe for seven years; is cross-trained in archaeology; has attended courses, seminars, and conferences on cultural landscapes; and authored a nomination for a historic turnpike segment from a cultural landscape perspective.

### **M. Catherine Slusser, Deputy Director, Virginia Department of Historic Resources**

Raised in Lexington, Virginia, Catherine Slusser earned a BA degree from the College of William and Mary, a Master's degree from Eastern New Mexico University and a Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Binghamton. She is also a graduate of the Virginia Executive Institute, a public policy and management training program for state agency leaders.

Currently serving as Deputy Director of Virginia's Department of Historic Resources, Slusser serves in a broad policy and planning role for the department overall. Key accomplishments of 18 years in leadership roles at DHR include: initiating Virginia Archaeology Month, producing *First People: The Early Indians of Virginia*, leveraging satellite field trips on Virginia prehistoric and historic archaeology, shaping legislation and permit regulations that bring consistency to archaeological excavations involving human burials, coordinating research programs that have documented numerous threatened archaeological sites, enabling state grants to preserve the Thunderbird PaleoIndian Site, and initiating a Time Crime program (in cooperation with the Department of Criminal Justice Services) that trained law enforcement officials in legal issues surrounding historic preservation law. She was also instrumental in coordinating multi-organizational partnerships that resulted in Virginia TimeTravelers (a "passport" program for students and families visiting Virginia historic sites) and a Community Preservation Awareness Campaign reaching out to all Virginia localities. In more recent years, she has administered DHR's grant program that has protected more than 2,000 acres on 20 different Civil War Battlefields.

Prior to returning to Virginia as State Archaeologist, Slusser served as archaeologist for the District of Columbia's historic preservation office. She worked in the private sector for a planning firm in San Francisco overseeing archaeological survey of hundreds of thousands of acres in Utah, Nevada, and New Mexico. She has also taught anthropology at Northwestern University in Illinois, Wilkes College in Pennsylvania, SUNY Binghamton in New York and Virginia Commonwealth University and Randolph-Macon College in Virginia.

### **Elizabeth Paradis Stern, Chief of Interpretation, Richmond National Battlefield Park**

Beth Stern joined the staff at Richmond National Battlefield Park in July 2011, where she is responsible for public relations, visitor services operations, long range planning, and general supervision of the park's complex collection of battlefield and historic sites scattered throughout the Richmond area, and working with external partners and community groups on park initiatives and joint projects.

For nine years, Beth managed the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation's public policy work, fostering strong working relationships with public agencies and officials and private partners to further the Foundation's preservation mission. She also coordinated the organization's public outreach efforts, including partner development, public affairs, and marketing. Prior to joining the Foundation in July 2002, Beth spent more than 15 years in public policy and communications, coordinating public relations and grassroots outreach efforts, performing public policy research, writing and designing publications, and coordinating public events.

Beth attended the University of Virginia and Virginia Commonwealth University's School of the Arts where she received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Scenic Design for Theatre.

### **Stephanie Smith Toothman, Ph.D., Associate Director for Cultural Resources, National Park Service**

Dr. Stephanie Toothman has been serving as the Associate Director, Cultural Resources and Science, National Park Service since July 2010. Prior to coming to Washington, Dr. Toothman served as the Chief, Cultural Resource Programs, of the NPS' Pacific West Region, which includes Idaho, Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Hawaii, and parks in American Samoa, Guam and Saipan. As Chief she oversaw programs supporting park cultural resource management and regional partnership programs. She is particularly proud of her role in supporting a multi-state partnership, the Pacific Northwest Preservation Field School, which involves the State Historic Preservation Offices and State Park systems of Idaho, Washington and Oregon, and the University of Oregon's historic preservation program, and hosted its 15th summer session this year. Prior to serving as Chief, she served as Regional Historian, Pacific Northwest Region, NPS, and Regional Architectural Historian for the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service. She started her career in Washington, DC, as a historian and planner with the National Register and State Plans and Grants Programs. Dr. Toothman was educated at Smith College (B.A., magna cum laude, American Studies) and the University of Pennsylvania (M.A. and Ph.D., American Civilization) where she was a University Fellow. More recently she completed the Department of the Interior's Senior Executive Service training.

### **Lacy Ward, Jr., Director, Robert Russa Moton Museum**

Lacy Ward, Jr. is director of the Robert Russa Moton Museum in Farmville, Virginia. The museum honors the role that Prince Edward County played in ending racial segregation in America's public schools, including the 1951 Moton High School student strike; the 1954 and 1955 *Brown v. Board* U. S. Supreme Court decisions; the 1959 Prince Edward County public school closings; the 1963-64 Prince Edward Free Schools; and the 1964 public schools' reopening. It is under Ward's leadership that the museum is installing *Moton 2011* an 8,500 square foot permanent exhibit of the Moton Story. Ward, a recognized leader in heritage tourism, serves as president of Preservation Virginia. In 2010 Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell appointed him to the boards of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources and the Virginia

Foundation for the Humanities. Ward is a member of the Virginia Advisory Committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and is a Virginia Advisor to the National Trust for Historic Preservation. He is a graduate of Lead Virginia, class of 2009

Ward's varied professional experiences include serving as Vice President for Marketing and Communications at Tuskegee University, teaching at Longwood University and in the Virginia Community College System, and serving as superintendent of the Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site. Ward served nine years on active duty as a Naval Flight Officer commanding the Grumman E-2C Hawkeye, where he logged more than 1,000 military flight hours, and completed over 200 carrier-based missions. A veteran of the Gulf War, Ward also participated in combat operations in the Libyan and Iranian theaters.

Ward's political experience includes a run for the Alabama House of Delegates and serving on the staffs of two Virginia congressmen. In 2002, he was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve on the Brown v. Board of Education 50th Anniversary Commission.

Ward considers himself a semi-native Virginia; although born in Philadelphia his family has lived continuously in Prince Edward County since the Colonial Era and he is a graduate of the Prince Edward County Public Schools, Virginia State University and Virginia Tech.

Ward is married to the former Ardeania Wesley, a graduate of Saint Paul's College and Hollins University. They have five adult children and reside in Prospect, Virginia.

### **Larry B. Wenger, Professor Emeritus, University of Virginia Law School**

Larry B. Wenger served as a law librarian and professor of law at the Law School from 1976-2002, and now teaches Historic Preservation Law. Wenger came to Virginia after spending two years at the Harvard University Law School and seven at the State University of New York at Buffalo, where he was law librarian and associate professor of law. He has served as a consultant to the Indiana Supreme Court, the Virginia attorney general's office, and the law schools and law libraries of several institutions, such as Cornell, Loyola, and Ohio State.

Wenger is active in a number of organizations involved with issues pertaining to law libraries and legal information, particularly the American Association of Law Libraries and the International Association of Law Libraries. He served as president of the International Association of Law Libraries from 1995-2001, and as a member of its Board of Directors from 1991-2004. In those roles, he worked to diversify the membership of the organization and encouraged law libraries in developing countries.

Wenger has been involved with historic preservation law for approximately 25 years, and has taught or co-taught the seminar on historic preservation law since 1992. He is currently executive director of the National Center for Preservation Law.

### **Marion Forsyth Werkheiser, Attorney at Law, Cultural Heritage Partners, LLC**

Marion F. Werkheiser is an attorney, educator and nonprofit director. She has researched and published on myriad issues related to cultural heritage preservation, including the looting of Iraq's antiquities, the protection of shipwrecks, criminal prosecutions of theft from U.S. archaeological sites, and the international trade in art and antiquities. For four years she taught an upper level seminar on international and domestic cultural property law at the College of William and Mary Law School, and she has presented her work at conferences of the Archaeological Institute of America, the Society for American Archaeology, US/ICOMOS and the World Archaeological Congress. Closer to home, she has worked with preservation organizations in Virginia to protect sites through local historic preservation ordinances, conservation easements, and adaptive reuse.

Marion previously practiced corporate, regulatory and international trade law in the Washington, D.C. office of Baker & Daniels. She also served as a legal fellow in the office of U.S. Senator Evan Bayh, briefing the Senator on issues relevant to his service on the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and coordinating hearings for the Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance.

She has edited several legal volumes published for both students and practitioners, including *Legal Perspectives on Cultural Resources* and *Presenting Archaeology in Court*. Marion was a contributing editor of the *Yearbook of Cultural Property Law* and co-founder of the Lawyers' Committee for Cultural Heritage Preservation. For four years she served on the Cultural Property Legislation and Policy Committee of the Archaeological Institute of America, and she is a member of the U.S. National Committee of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (US/ICOMOS).

In March 2011, she was appointed Senior Advisor to the Mason Center for Social Entrepreneurship at George Mason University, a university-wide, multi-disciplinary initiative that positions Mason at the vanguard of the social innovation movement. Marion is co-founder of the Phoenix Project, a non-profit organization aligned with the Mason Center that for five years has promoted sustainable solutions to social and economic problems by educating and empowering emerging social entrepreneurs and building community support for social innovation. Marion, with her partner, Greg Werkheiser, led growth of the Phoenix Project from startup to winner of the Governor's Award for Volunteerism and Community Service in just four years.

Marion earned her J.D. from Harvard Law School and is licensed to practice law in Virginia and the District of Columbia. She is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Indiana University, where she earned her B.A. degree in political science and classical civilization with an emphasis in classical art and archaeology.

### **Erik Wishneff, Vice President & General Counsel, Brian Wishneff & Associates**

Erik is Vice President & General Counsel in the Washington, DC office of Brian Wishneff & Associates. In his role at BW&A, he has been involved in the financing and development of tax

credit projects exceeding \$1 billion and involved over \$200 million in tax credit equity. Erik has extensive experience in working with the historic preservation tax credit, including the financing, syndication and development of historic rehabilitation projects. He is a frequent speaker at numerous tax credit and historic preservation industry sponsored conferences and workshops.

Prior to his time with BW&A, Erik worked both as an attorney in private practice representing real estate developers and lenders and for a national developer as in-house counsel and Director of Acquisitions. Erik is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University with a BS in Finance. He received his JD from George Mason School of Law. Erik is also a member of the Virginia Bar.

### **Sarah Whiting, Director of Community Resources & Outreach, Preservation Virginia**

Sarah joined Preservation Virginia in 2006 as the Revolving Fund Program manager. The Revolving Fund Program is dedicated to saving Virginia's endangered historic properties from demolition and severe neglect. Sarah's other duties include acting as project manager for the Preservation Virginia's annual conference and workshops.

In April 2011 Sarah was promoted to Director of Community Resources & Outreach as a result of her efforts to promote Preservation Virginia's mission through social media outlets. Sarah creates "How-To" videos on historic preservation topics for Preservation Virginia's YouTube channel as well as oversees Preservation Virginia's Facebook and Twitter accounts. She still manages the Revolving Fund Program.

Sarah worked for Historic Richmond Foundation from 1999 to 2006 where she held the following positions: Project Manager, Director of Development and Special Projects, and Managing Director. Sarah received a BA in Art from the University of the South in 1989.