

# CATOCTIN FURNACE

*The Catoctin Crier*

Sharing Catoctin Furnace news and events with historic village residents

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## Fall Fest at Catoctin Furnace

Please join us on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for Fall Fest! We will be continuing the village tradition of apple butter boiling! There will be blacksmithing demonstrations, delicious hot soup, homemade cornbread, and more! The Forgeman's House will be open for tours. Museum of the Ironworker, 12610 Catoctin Furnace Road. Admission is free.



## Spirits of the Furnace

Just in time for Halloween! Plan to join us on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. for a guided night tour through the historic Catoctin Iron Furnace and Village, with stops in historic structures and along the landscape. Refreshments will be served. **The tour is free for village residents** (Non-residents pay \$10 per adult and \$5 for children 12 and under.) **Reservations are required.** Please call 443-463-6437 to reserve your spot!



## Work Day

On October 9<sup>th</sup>, Catoctin Furnace Historical Society will be hosting a general clean up and work day at 10 a.m. (followed by the October monthly meeting) at the log house. Please feel free to stop by to help or just say hello!

## Crowd Sourcing and our Everyday Treasures program

Catherine Comstock will conduct an orientation for our Forgeman's House "Everyday Treasures" crowd sourcing project at 10:30 am on Tuesday, October 9 prior to our monthly meeting. Catherine will bring photos of the items as they would have appeared in their original form (e.g., she will have photos of the complete plate for which we only have a sherd). A wonderful TRIPP grant provides funds to purchase these complete items—the list includes lamps, cups, plates, toys, etc. After we find intact objects and purchase them, we will have the items on display in the completed Forgeman's House, alongside a notebook with photos and informational text about the corresponding artifact. Catherine will introduce a system for reimbursement to members (yes, we need your help finding these items!) thus ensuring that we do not have overlap in our purchases. If you are interested in participating in this exciting project but cannot attend the kick off meeting, please let us know!



### Oral History Volunteers Needed!

We want to hear your story! If you are interested in having your family stories and memories included in our Catoctin Furnace Oral History project please let us know. CFHS member Tracy Lewis is currently conducting interviews (she'll come to you!) and we'd love to include your family's rich history in the story of Catoctin Furnace Village.

### Monthly meetings

The Catoctin Furnace Historical Society invites you to attend our monthly meeting in the log house. We begin with a light lunch followed by the meeting. Please join us! Our upcoming meetings are Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, both at noon. All are welcome!

### Social Media Update

In order to bring you more news and information, we are now posting on Instagram! Please follow us @catocctinfurnace.



### Upcoming Calendar 2018

October meeting - Tuesday, October 9, noon

Fallfest - Friday, October 12 and Saturday, October 13

“Catoctin Voices” Evening of Poetry w/ David Salner, Friday, October 19, 7 p.m.

Spirits of the Furnace - Saturday, October 20, 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. (\$ but free for village residents)

November meeting - Tuesday, November 13, noon

Traditional Village Christmas – Saturday, December 1, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Museums by Candlelight - Saturday, December 8, noon to 5 p.m.

December meeting - Tuesday, December 11, noon

January meeting- Tuesday, January 8, noon

### Contact us

The Catoctin Furnace Historical Society website [www.catocctinfurnace.org](http://www.catocctinfurnace.org) & Facebook page are updated regularly with news and events. Please check them out or call 443-463-6437 for general information and specific questions. All events are free (Spirits of the Furnace is a paid event for the public but is free for all village residents).

The historical society officers are also available via phone or email:

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