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October 2015 E-Newsletter

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Postponements

Our two events for the weekend of October 2-4 have been postponed due to weather concerns:

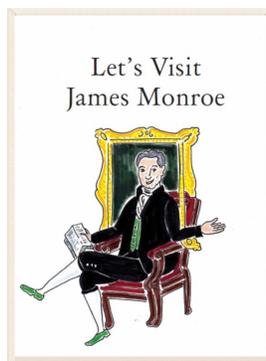
History Trivia Night -

We are planning to shift our final First Friday History Trivia Night of 2015 to the first Friday in November (the 6th). The location is TBD. Keep an eye out for future updates.

"Music for Mr. Monroe" - A Concert of Colonial Music -

Our concert featuring David and Ginger Hildebrand of The Colonial Music Institute has been rescheduled for Sunday, December 6th, at 2:00 pm in Monroe Hall room 116.

Let's Visit James Monroe!



Don't miss next month's newsletter where we will announce a release date for the **James Monroe Museum's new children's book, *Let's Visit James Monroe!*** We look forward to sharing the life and legacy of James Monroe with generations of readers to come, through this lively story of history coming to life during a family's visit to the Museum.

Keep an eye out for details on the **book release party** featuring author and illustrator **Julia Livi!**

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Upcoming Events

**Fri., November 6:
First Friday
History Trivia**

Spotlight: Bowley Scholar Projects

The Bowley Scholars are undertaking several exciting projects this month. In addition to inventory and archive organization, Katie and Melissa are strengthening our labeling system by continuing to take photographs of artifacts. This makes storage and box identification more efficient. The Bowleys are also helping to track our museum environment through our HOBO temperature and humidity monitors.

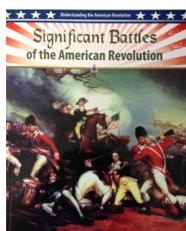


JMM Bowley Scholar Katie Finch

What's In Store?

Greetings from the James Monroe Museum Store! We hope you are enjoying the changing of the seasons and that the shift back to school has gone smoothly for any students in your life.

Our **featured book for October** is part of a series that's new to our Store. *Significant Battles of the American Revolution* (\$10.95)



provides a comprehensive look at the important battles of the war including the Battle of Saratoga, the Battle of Yorktown, and the **Battle of Trenton**, where James Monroe was wounded. It also looks at the battles in the South and the war at sea. The book is part of the series "Understanding the

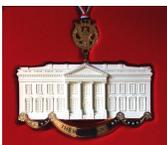
American Revolution." Other books from the series that can be found in our Store are *Causes of the American Revolution* (\$10.95), and *Outcomes of the American Revolution* (\$10.95). The series is recommended for students in grade levels 5-8, and makes a great resource for homeschool students.

We are excited to be able to offer two ornaments in the Store this year from the **White House Historical Association** collection.

This year's **2015 Christmas ornament** (\$23.50) focuses on the administration of **Calvin Coolidge**, who served as the thirtieth president of the United States from 1923 to 1929. The ornament, made of brass plated with nickel and 24k gold, represents the



first National Christmas Tree, featuring ornaments that represent the interests of Coolidge, as well as the events of his life and presidency. Unique to this year's ornament is a tiny light that illuminates the tree! Additionally, available for the first time in our Store is the **Commemorative Ornament, Honoring James Hoban, White House Architect** (\$23.50). This elegant representation of the north and south façades of the White House



has a local connection; it is crafted using Aquia Creek sandstone, which was used in the original construction of the White House, as well as other significant buildings in Washington, D.C.

We hope to see you soon at The James Monroe Museum Store!

Night

with Quizmaster Gaye Adegbalola. Trivia, cash bar, light refreshments, & 50/50 raffle. 6-8 p.m. Free. **Location TBD.**

Mon., November 9: 28th Annual James Monroe Lecture

"Working toward Stability and Subordination: President James Monroe and the U.S. Army Officer Corps." 7 p.m., Historic Dining Room at Seacobeck, UMW campus. Free and open to the public.

Fri., December 4: Holiday Open House

Join us for cookies, hot cider, festive music and decorations. 6 to 8 p.m., JMM. Free.

Sat., December 5: Deck the Halls 2015

Annual holiday decorating presentation by Jan Williams. 9:30 a.m. to noon, 116 Monroe Hall, UMW. \$30/\$25.

Sun., December 6: Music for Mr. Monroe

Colonial Music Concert. 2 p.m., a reception will follow. 116 Monroe Hall, UMW. \$15/\$12/\$5 Students.

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The James Monroe Museum and Memorial Library, located in historic downtown Fredericksburg, Virginia, is the largest repository in the country for artifacts and documents related to the fifth president of the United States. The museum was first opened in 1927 by Monroe descendants as a place to house their own personal collections, which had been handed down through generations of the family. Eventually, the museum and its extensive collections were turned over to the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the museum is now administered by the University of Mary Washington.

The museum belongs to the American Association of Museums, the American Association for State and Local History, and the Virginia Association of Museums. It is also on the National Register of Historic Places and is a National Historic Landmark.

