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September 2015 E-Newsletter



First Friday Trivia Night: Friday, September 4



September's Celebrity Quizmaster is **Dee Daniels**, host of B.101.5's "Dee Daniels in the Morning!" Join us to test your knowledge of presidential quotes.

First Friday Trivia Night is from 6 to 8 p.m. Admission and participation are free! There is a cash bar and a 50/50 raffle.

UMW Family Weekend and Welsh Festival

If you're a UMW parent attending Family Weekend celebrations on **Saturday, September 19**, look for us! JMM will have a pop-up Museum and Store on Ball Circle between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The Museum's tent will also feature two performances of colonial music and presentations by James Monroe himself.



Visit the UMW Family Weekend [website](#).



Local band Moch Pryderi will perform at the 2015 Welsh Festival

Also on Saturday, September 19, the Welsh Society of Fredericksburg will sponsor the 26th annual Fredericksburg Welsh Festival in the 900 block of Charles Street (in front of the Museum), from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Craft and food vendors; live music; and presentations on

Welsh culture, language, and history are part of this downtown tradition.

Visit the Welsh Festival [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).

Welcome the 2015-16 Bowley Scholars!

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Fri, 4 Sep: First Friday History Trivia Night.

Trivia, cash bar, light refreshments, & 50/50 raffle. 6-8 p.m. Free.

Saturday, 19 Sep: Family Weekend

Pop-up Museum and Store, live music performances, and visit by James Monroe on Ball Circle (UMW campus). 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free.

Sat, 19 Sep: Fredericksburg Welsh Festival

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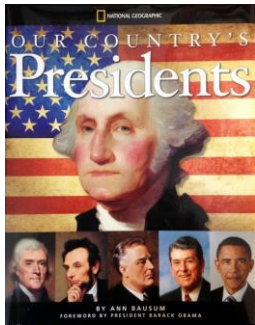
We welcome Katie Finch (left) and Melissa Parent (right) as our Bowley Scholars for the 2015-16 academic year. Katie and Melissa are both Historic Preservation majors at UMW.



Katie was also our summer 2014 Bowley scholar, making her the first ever Double Bowley! She also works at the Museum as a guide.

We look forward to working with Katie and Melissa this year!

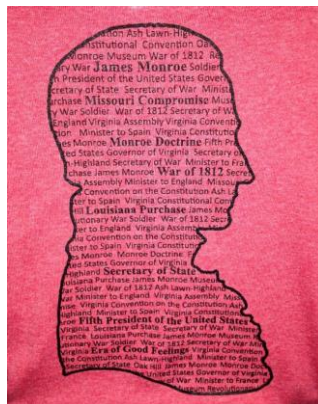
What's In Store?



Summer may be winding down, but at The James Monroe Museum that just means we are gearing up for a full slate of exciting fall and winter programs! Come by the Museum and pick up one of our program cards today, so you won't miss a single event. While you're here be sure to take some time to look around the Store!

We are ready for back to school with the Store's featured book for September, *Our Country's Presidents* (\$21.00). The children back-to-schoolers in your life will be at the head of the class with this in-depth and beautiful book from National Geographic Children's Books. The book features interesting facts, quotes, memorable moments, important events, political struggles, successes, and more for each president. It also includes information about presidential landmarks, political parties, campaign strategies, and election results. As you would expect from any book by National Geographic, the book it also contains beautiful photographs. *Our Country's Presidents* is recommended for children in grades five through nine.

If you haven't picked up your James Monroe Museum t-shirt yet (\$14 Youth L-Adult XL and \$16 for Adult XXL), come on by and get yours today. They are a fun, colorful way to share the highlights of James Monroe's extensive political career (see left).



We hope your autumn gets off to a lovely start, and we hope to see you soon at The James Monroe Museum Store!

Scott Harris Joins AAMG Board of Directors

AAMG James Monroe Museum director Scott H. Harris has joined the board of directors of the Association of Academic Museums and Galleries (AAMG) as representative for the nine-state Southeast Region. During his three-year term, Harris will represent the region as a voting member of the board of directors; work with state representatives in the region to promote activities that advance the AAMG mission; and address major challenges and needs within the region to build a stronger national AAMG organization.

culture & history of Wales. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., 900 block of Charles Street. \$5.

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Adele Uphaus-Conner Joins Newspaper Staff

The James Monroe Museum is sad and glad at the same time to announce that Membership and Special Events Coordinator Adele Uphaus-Conner is leaving her position after seven years. In September Adele will start work as a reporter on the staff of the *Quantico Sentry*, the official newspaper of United States Marine Corps Base Quantico. The Corps already plays a big part in Adele's life - her husband, Owen Conner, is Uniforms and Heraldry Curator at the National Museum of the Marine Corps, adjacent to the base.

The Museum is grateful for Adele's years of dedicated service, and wishes her well in her new endeavor.

[Contact the James Monroe Museum](#)

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.

