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## **President’s Message**

By Laurie Kinnamon, President of the Friends of Kinder Farm Park

This will be my last article as president of the Friends of Kinder Farm Park. This experience has been valuable and I had the privilege of working with many wonderful people at the park and county levels. Thank you to everyone who has stepped up to make this organization successful and helped to implement new projects.

The Zombies invaded Kinder Farm Park on Saturday, October 29 for a 5K run. The zombies’ job was to slow down the runners; however, based on the results they were not slowed down. Thank you to my wonderful committee for all their hard work for this year’s Zombie run. See more about the Zombie Run in a separate article.

We are looking forward to finishing out the year with our favorite holiday celebration, the Jingle Bell Hayride on Saturday, December 3, 2016. Mike Lowman is heading up this event. This is a holiday tradition for our friends and family. Come on out to enjoy a hayride through the park, roast marshmallows, eat snacks and drink hot chocolate, and of course visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Also stop by and tour the decorated Kinder Farmhouse.

Thank you to Carrie Fielder, Rangers Nolley Fisher and Shawna Chesto for heading up the Fall Harvest Festival. Your support is greatly appreciated.

I would like to encourage everyone to get involved in the park and help with your favorite project. We have several board positions open this year and this is great opportunity to get involved in the park.

Wishing everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving and a joyous holiday season. Best wishes for the new year.

## Zombie 5K Fun Run 2016

By Laurie Kinnamon, President of the Friends of Kinder Farm Park

AWESOME, FUN, EXCHILLERATING and SCARY are just some of the adjectives that can be used to describe this year's Zombie 5K Fun Run. The big event occurred on October 29, 2016 with the run starting at 10am. The zombies were scary this year and had their own agenda even getting lost at one point. The runners were excited to get started and face those Zombies. Fancy footwork was the name of the game as the runners zigged, zagged, and dodge the zombies to get past without losing a flag. The fastest runner, Connor May came across in 25:29 minutes, followed closely behind by Michael Bernard in 25:33 minutes. Congratulations to all our finishers, who received a limited edition Zombie Run 5K Medal plus the Zombie antidote both water and ice cream versions.

I had the privilege of serving as the race director and working with a great team this year. Michael Rinker, designed our logo and did make up for the zombies. David Rinker, rounded up the Ham Radio Operators, which proved to be a welcome addition to the race this year. Zakiya Williams helped with volunteers, packet pickup, and planning. Kristin Roemer, helped with flyer distribution and packet pick up. Aaron Keel helped with planning and creating the antidote. Kristin Paddack helped the day of the run and with the planning the event.

The sponsorship and support of the following businesses helped to add a special touch to the event. Eddy Tinnivlioglou and Park Deli provided the planning support, ice cream antidote, snacks and a wonderful location for packet pick up. They were a wonderful asset to our event. Scardina provided advertising for the event on their digital billboard. And Fleet Feet for loaning us the timing clock.

### Congratulations to our age group Winners!

#### 19 and younger

Female: Audrey Flanagan 27:24 and Amanda Amador 31:06

Male: Jack Gogarty 28:41 and Caden Brunatti 30:02

#### 20-29

Female: Desiree Denison 28:42 and Jordan Harpell 34:05

Male: Connor May 25:29 and Nathan Myers 28:44

#### 30-39

Female: Olya Dougherty 29:13 and Jerri Stewart 31:46

Male: Michael Bernard 25:33 and Michael Dougherty 28:48

#### 40-49

Female: Danita Yetter 31:46 and Julie McCarthy 34:11

Male: Perry Mason 36:02 and Jonathon Seibold 41:06

#### 50+

Female: Teresa Jacobsen 39:17 and Nancy Keel 52:02

Male: Michael DeSantis 34:17 and Matt Gogarty 44:57



Congratulations to all our finishers!

Thank you to everyone for your participation and helping to make our 2nd Zombie 5K Fun Run a successful event. To all the volunteers who came out to help with this event, your support is greatly appreciated.

## Membership Renewal for 2017

By Jim Rausch, Membership Chairman

The Friends currently have 160 members including 115 families, 30 individuals, 8 corporate members, and 7 honorary members who are former presidents of our organization. This is the largest membership we have ever had.

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## Membership Renewal for 2017 (Cont.)

Next month we will be mailing out renewal notices for 2017. We hope that every current member will renew for next year, and the earlier you do so the better for you and us. To encourage folks to renew early, we will have a drawing from among those who renew before December 31, 2016. People who become a new member will be eligible for the drawing as well. The winner of that drawing will get a free pass to all Anne Arundel County parks (Kinder Farm Park, Downs, Ft. Smallwood, and Quiet Waters) and receive a full rebate on their 2017 membership fees.

Membership fees for 2017 will be raised for the first time in the organization's history. Family memberships will now cost \$25, individual memberships \$15. We felt it was necessary to raise our fee to help defray the cost of postage, stationery, ink and other administrative costs. Considering that families will still receive 4 free hayride passes (worth \$20) and individuals 2 passes (worth \$10,) the cost of being a member of the Friends of Kinder Farm Park remains extraordinarily low. Combined with all other member benefits, being a Friend is still a really good deal!

So watch for your renewal notices in early December and get those forms and checks in early! Happy Thanksgiving and we hope to see you at Kinder Farm Park soon.

## 2017 Speakers Program: Can you help?

By Rich Tambascio, FoKFP Board Member

The Friends of Kinder Farm Park is re-activating the Speakers Program in 2017. Rich Tambascio has volunteered to head up the effort and will need additional people on the committee to help organize and promote attendance. The committee is also looking for speaker suggestions and contacts.

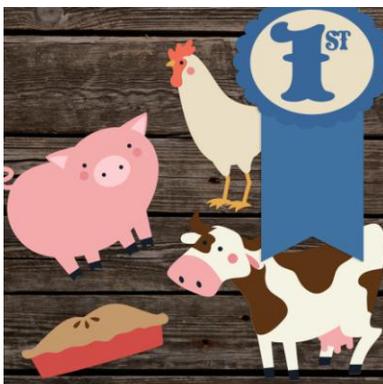


The first speaker will be in February at our monthly meeting (Wednesday, February 8th). The plan is to shorten the meeting and have the speaker immediately thereafter. This program will continue at the April or May meetings, again in August and possibly November. As in the past, the Speakers Program will be free for members and a nominal fee will be charged for non-members.

If you would like to serve on the the Speakers Program committee or share some speaker suggestions, please email Rich Tambascio at [rmtambascio@verizon.net](mailto:rmtambascio@verizon.net).

## 4-H Club Members Win Big at This Year's County Fair

By Ben Eisinger, Reporter for the Kinder Farm Park 4H Livestock Club



This year's Anne Arundel County Fair was held from September 14-18 at the fairgrounds in Crownsville. This was the 64th annual county fair and as usual, the Kinder Farm Park 4-H Livestock Club was well represented and did Kinder Farm Park proud in many areas of competition at the fair! Here are some of the results.

Four club members took home Best in Show honors in Livestock categories; Joanna Brosey for Market Hogs (her hog was born and raised at the park), Danielle Heffner for Dairy Goats, Keith Ivey for Turkeys, and Kendyl

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## 4-H Club Members Win Big ...(Cont.)

Underwood for Meat Goats. In addition to these victories, club members took home 13 Grand Champion and 8 Reserve Champion ribbons for livestock, not to mention many more first, second, and third prize ribbons.

Not all the award-winning action happened in the livestock rings. Club members also demonstrated their skills in a wide variety of ‘Indoor’ exhibits. These exhibits included everything from oil painting to cut flowers to delicious cookie creations. Grand Champion winners in these indoor categories included; Joanna Brosey for 4 categories (!), Crocheted Clothing, Decorated Cake, Landscape Photo, and Non-decorated Cake; Priscilla Brosey for Floral Arrangement; Jennifer Eisinger for Asian Brush Painting; Sadie Fishburne for Oil & Pastel; Jacob Green for Peanut Butter Fudge; and, Tyler Green for Charcoal Drawing. Finally, club member Jennifer Eisinger won the title of Anne Arundel County Poultry Princess 2016.

The club members are already looking forward to next year’s fair!



## Farm Education Livestock Report

By Roy Fielder, Leader of the Farm Education Livestock Groups

As we are making preparations for the coming cold of winter, we are also getting ready for the 2017 birthing season. We currently have three sheep bred and expect also to have five goats giving birth in the spring. We expect to start welcoming the lambs and kids in mid-March. I am proud to say that our Kinder Farm Park will have plenty of livestock for the park's visitors to enjoy through the winter, and the public can look forward to greeting lots of babies with us in the spring!

Dot the pig has been moved to the sheep barn. She’s been quite the popular attraction, and she sure loves all the extra attention.

Tyler Green has started construction on the new animal barn, with hopes that it will be finished before the worst of winter comes our way. We're excited to see the program growing and continuing to give so many opportunities for the public to enjoy and learn about the animals.

## Anne Arundel Bird Club Meets at Kinder Farm Park

By Barbara Johnson, President, Maryland Ornithological Society

The Anne Arundel Bird Club (AABC) is grateful to Friends of Kinder Farm Park for its offer to host three of the club’s monthly meetings, January through March 2017.

AABC, now in its 62nd year, serves to introduce the public to the fun of bird watching, and to promote the study, appreciation and conservation of birds and bird habitat. AABC includes community members of all ages, many professions, and all levels of birding expertise. People new to the club find a welcoming group of bird-lovers who are eager to share their skills. It’s a great way to learn to identify the birds of our region, and to explore parts of our county and state with other nature enthusiasts. AABC meets September - May, and hosts frequent bird walks and workshops led by proficient birders.

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## AABC Meets at Kinder Farm Park (Cont.)

Kinder Farm Park, with ponds and trails through fields and woods, is valuable bird habitat and a favorite birding spot. FKFP members Alan and Sue Young lead a monthly Kinder Farm Park bird walk. (Alan recently produced a checklist of birds of Kinder Park, available in the visitor center.) Upcoming field trips are on third Saturdays, at 8:00 AM (half-day). Meet at the athletic fields, turning left before the gate house. Bring binoculars and sturdy footwear. **Check [www.aabirdclub.org](http://www.aabirdclub.org) for current info on field trips.**

AABC monthly meetings (held this season at Quiet Waters Park and Kinder Farm Park) feature expert speakers offering lively audio-visual presentations on many bird and nature-related topics. Our parent organization, the Maryland Ornithological Society, supports an enthusiastic youth organization with local and state-wide field trips. AABC is a non-profit membership organization, but welcomes all to its trips and meetings (of course, we hope you'll like it enough to become a member!) Please check [www.aabirdclub.org](http://www.aabirdclub.org) for more information on field trips, bird walks, meetings, membership, and all that AABC has to offer, and please join us when we meet in the Harvest Hall on:

- **Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 7:00 - 9:00 PM**

### "Colonial Nesting Bird Islands in the Coastal Bays" with Dave Wilson

Former Maryland Coastal Bays Program Executive Director Dave Wilson will discuss the history and management of colonial nesting bird islands in the bays behind Ocean City and Assateague, the process undergone to restore them, the fight to protect them from human disturbance, and the current state of both the islands and the seabirds that breed there.

- **Wednesday, February 15, 2017, 7:00 - 9:00 PM — Speaker to be Announced**
- **Wednesday, March 15, 2017, 7:00 - 9:00 PM**

### "A Traveling Tented Safari in Botswana and South Africa" with Larry Zoller

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to take a traveling safari in Africa? Larry Zoller, a past president of AABC, will share his experiences during a safari to Botswana and South Africa. Botswana is an arid country with a small population of people but rich in a variety of wildlife. Come see lions, leopards, elephants, rhinos and a wide variety of birds that congregate near the Okavango Delta and the Choba River.

Larry taught science and environmental education for Anne Arundel Public Schools for 36 years and volunteered for an additional 4 years. In retirement, he and his wife Diane have been traveling the world to learn from other cultures and of course to see as many kinds of birds as possible.

For more information, contact Barbara Johnson at 410-703-4664 or [barbarajohnson222@gmail.com](mailto:barbarajohnson222@gmail.com)

### *Photos from recent AABC Bird Walks*

*Taken by Alan Young*



## November and December Bird Walks

By Sue Young, Member Anne Arundel Bird Club

Beautiful birds are heading south for their winter homes and some great birds settle in Kinder Park. White-throated Sparrows and Dark-eyed Juncos have arrived and we are waiting for the magnificent Hermit Thrushes, Brown Creepers and Fox Sparrows to show up! Beautiful Hooded Mergansers should arrive any day now. And there are still migrants passing through such as Palm Warblers and Ruby-crowned and Golden-crowned Kinglets. Please join the Anne Arundel Bird Club for their monthly walk to look for these special birds as well as our many year-round residents!

The group will meet on Saturday, November 19th and Saturday December 17th at 7:30 AM. Please come to the upper parking lot on the athletic field side of the park. If you want additional information, call Alan Young at 410-991-8300 or e-mail [alnmyoung@aol.com](mailto:alnmyoung@aol.com).

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## The Kinder Farm Disc Golf Club is Growing

By Mike Peyton, Board Member of the KFDGC

The Kinder Farm Disc Golf Club has grown to 50 members and is rapidly gaining support from the community. If you would like to join the club, please visit our newly designed website, [KFDGC.org](http://KFDGC.org) and click on the “Join Now” tab. Each new member will receive a custom designed club dry fit tee-shirt, 2017 bag tag, and a microfiber towel for drying or cleaning your disc during your round. Joining the club also puts you on our email list so we can keep you updated on the important issues concerning our club and this beautiful course. All KFDGC members can vote each fall, for the following year’s board.

We have a few exciting events planned for 2017. Our 1st event of the year will take place Sunday January 22, 2017. The Kinder Nice Bowl is a charity disc golf tournament and represents the club’s spirit to give back. Our 2nd tournament of the year will be the Kinder Lickin’ Good fundraiser on June 24th. Then, later that fall, Kinder Farm’s 1st PDGA Sanctioned event, the Kinder Krusher, will land October 22nd.

Thanks to the generosity of the many people who have donated both money and time, tee-pads will soon be under construction. Yellow “beginner” pads have already been installed. Please join us for scheduled workdays which will be posted on our website and on Facebook.



*KFDGC President Neil Thompson and Vice President Shawn Johnson volunteer their Saturday and give a demonstration for one of the local boy scout troops. The Kinder Farm Disc Golf Club remains committed to the community and to growing this great sport!*

## ATTENTION: Families With Children!!!

By Janet Clauson, Master Gardener and Apprentice Garden Lead

Would your family like to learn about growing vegetables by doing?

At the Community Gardens at Kinder Farm Park, the University of Maryland Extension Service Master Gardeners sponsor the Apprentice Garden program dedicated to teaching families with children how to grow their own vegetables organically. During the season, April through September, we meet every Wednesday at 6:30PM to plant, weed, water, debug, fret over, learn much and harvest garden-grown vegetables, fruits, and herbs. We use no-till gardening techniques; no pesticides are applied; and only Leaf-gro and organic fertilizer are used monthly.

The Apprentice Garden can host 8 families who are assigned a personal 3' by 10' garden space to plant their own unique choice of seeds and sets, and they share in the common garden areas where together we plant and share more tomatoes, sweet and hot peppers, cucumbers, squash, potatoes, lettuces, and lots more! Plus, we share a strawberry patch and an herb garden.

Come and peek over the fence – the Apprentice Garden is the first garden as you enter the community gardens from the gate by the Visitor's Center. You will see that the summer debris has been removed and composted, and a cover crop of crimson clover has been planted. The cover crop will prevent weeds from growing in our planting areas and will help nourish the soil. Newspaper covered with straw covers the pathways and prevents weed growth too.

Planning is underway for the Apprentice Garden for 2017. If you are interested in more information, or would like to join us next year, please contact Janet Clauson ([janetclauson@hotmail.com](mailto:janetclauson@hotmail.com)). Families are chosen on a first-come, first-served basis; University of Maryland Extension programs are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, gender, disability, religion, age sexual orientation, marital or parental status, or national origin.




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## Woodland Garden

By Bonnie Pavlak, Master Gardener

This fall, the Woodland Garden received a grant from Unity Gardens to purchase 5 Pitch Pines, 5 Sweet Bay Magnolias, 3 Red Chokeberries, 10 Cardinal Flowers, 10 Baptisia, and 5 types of ferns: Ostrich, New York, Interrupted, Autumn Brilliance, and Autumn Radiance Ferns. The garden may be the only place in Kinder Farm Park with ferns. Begun in 2009, the Woodland Garden is about 1 acre in size, found at the intersection of the North Gate Trail and the Perimeter Path, and contains many native trees, shrubs, and perennials purchased

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## Woodland Garden (Cont.)

with grants from Unity Gardens, Four Rivers Garden Club, Chesapeake Bay Trust, and Friends of Kinder Farm Park.

If you would like to volunteer to work in the garden, there are lots of tasks, including planting, weeding, and watering (in the summer), to be done. If interested, contact [bonnie@pavlak.net](mailto:bonnie@pavlak.net).

## KFP Pollinator Garden is Put to Bed for Winter

By Meg Kauder, Master Gardener

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2016, several determined Master Gardeners helped put the Kinder Farm Park Pollinator Garden to bed for winter. This task, which included weeding, laying newspaper, and then 3 bales of straw, took 3.5 hours, and was completed by stalwarts, Sandy Patterson, Kay Stringfellow, Samantha Stallybrass, Paul & Babs McCauley, and Meg Kauder.

We were very much rewarded to see the large number of pollinators fluttering about and inhabiting the garden, drawing nectar late in the season from late bloomers, New England Asters *Aster novae-angliae*, and Goldenrod *Solidago rigida*. There also was at least one chrysalis found, located on the garden fence, possibly a Brush Footed butterfly. There may be others, but more difficult to find.

Future plans include identifying, grant writing, and planting best native groundcovers that will thrive in this garden and be attractive to native pollinators.



*Pollinator Garden at Kinder Farm Park*



*Chrysalis*

## Kitchen Garden Added to the Pollinator Partnership

Submission by the Chartwell Garden Club

We have more exciting news about our Kinder Farm Park Kitchen Garden. Chartwell Garden Club's Co-Chairman Jill Breen announced in the 2016 Summer Edition of *Down on the Farm* that our garden was Bay-Wise certified. We are now pleased to let you know that our garden has also been included on the Pollinator Partnership's Million Pollinator Garden Challenge Map. The map is part of a multifaceted campaign to educate the public about pollinators, such as bees, birds and butterflies. Our pollinators need us to provide food and habitat by planting pollinator friendly plants. They also need us to protect the ecosystem that supports them.

Anyone can join the challenge and we encourage you to do so. The fall is a great time to add pollinator friendly spring blooming bulbs. Our club favorite is deer resistant daffodils. Daffodils are generally unfussy and can be

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## **Kitchen Garden Added to the Pollinator Partnership (Cont.)**

planted anytime once the soil cools, but before the ground freezes (the Washington Daffodil Society suggests waiting until the soil nears 55 degrees and this year they are estimating that mid-November will be the optimum time).

There are many different daffodil sizes and colors to choose from. There is even a pink daffodil that was hybridized by Elise Havens of Mitsch Daffodils and named in 2011 after one of our club members, Marie Coulter. This tribute was made possible by Liz Williams (Past Club President and Past District II Director) in recognition of Marie's extensive and practical knowledge of daffodils, her dedication and devotion to our club, and many years of service to Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, Inc., Central Atlantic Region and National Garden Clubs, Inc. ("NGC"). It is aptly named "Marie's Garden".

You can work these versatile daffodil bulbs into your existing garden and landscape or even plant a container garden or window box with fall blooming annuals and a mix of bulbs to give you some instant impact and a burst of color in the spring. Once your spring bulbs finish you can replant your container to provide pollinator friendly plants through the summer and fall and repeat the cycle again (pollinator.org provides an informative planting guide). These are great projects that get us outdoors, enjoying nature and helping to sustain our pollinators. You can even join us on the Million Pollinator Garden Challenge Map by registering at pollinator.org. It's easy to do. When you register your project, we would appreciate you selecting NGC as the organization that referred you. If you wish to learn more about our pollinators, their habitat and ways to help download the NGC "Pollinator Power" book at [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org). It is also a wonderful book to read to children and grandchildren.

### **Philadelphia Flower Show Bus Trip**

We are accepting reservations for our annual bus trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. The theme of this year's show is "Holland". What a great way to learn more about spring blooming bulbs! The bus will leave the Millersville Park & Ride on Veterans Highway at 10am (with a 2nd stop at the I-95N Exit 74 Joppa Road & Mountain Road Park & Ride). The bus will depart Philadelphia at 7pm. To make a reservation send your check for \$80 to Donna Sakenes at 55 St. Andrews Road, Severna Park, MD 21146. Please include your home and cell numbers on your check for contact purposes. The cost includes transportation, show ticket, driver's gratuity and light snack. For more information contact Donna Sakenes at 410-987-0643/[chloefinster@verizon.net](mailto:chloefinster@verizon.net) or Shirley Santora at 410-647-4624/[shysanta@verizon.net](mailto:shysanta@verizon.net). No refunds will be given unless a wait list replacement fills the seat or if the trip is officially cancelled by the club.

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## **Fort Meade WWII POWs Connection: Part 2**

*During WWII the German POWs from Fort Meade were employed at the Kinder Farm to help. The following is the second of two parts of an article by Kevin Leonard and Barbara Taylor which originally appeared in "History Matters" an occasional column rediscovering Laurel history. Part one of this article appeared in the Summer 2016 edition of this newsletter (available online at <http://www.kinderfarmpark.org/newsletter.html>).*

### **Security challenges**

When the POWs first arrived at Fort Meade, they had to be segregated from the hard-core Nazi crew of the S.S. Odenwald, who had been sent to the camp with the internees. The Odenwald crew intimidated and terrorized the internees until they were separated from the rest of the camp. Fort Meade officials were not going to make the same mistake again with German Wehrmacht troops who were mostly content to sit out the war. The ship's crew was transferred to New Mexico shortly after the POWs arrived.

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## **Fort Meade WWII POWs Connection: Part 2 (Cont.)**

Prisoners of war were issued denim shirts and pants with "PW" stenciled on them. They were allowed to keep their uniforms to wear to church and were escorted to the post chapel to attend Protestant or Roman Catholic services, which must have been a startling sight for Fort Meade families.

The German and Italian troops had to be segregated, since there was no love lost between the Axis partners. This was demonstrated after Italy surrendered to the Allies in September 1943, and one month later declared war on Germany. According to the New York Times, "Italian hatred of the Germans unquestionably grew as the fighting spirit waned, and episodes between German and Italian soldiers and civilians before and after the armistice have shown pretty clearly a complete and incontrovertible end of all sympathy between the former Axis partners."

The Fort Meade Post reported the reaction of Italian POWs on Oct. 15, 1943: "Italian prisoners of war held at this post are ready right now to join in their country's fight against Germany." The Baltimore Sun reported a prisoner shouted "We Allies now, we Allies." In May 1944, the former Italian POWs at Fort Meade were activated in the Army as three Italian Service Companies with quartermaster duties at the fort.

At the conclusion of the war, the long process of repatriating the POWs began, and Meade's Enemy Prisoner of War Bureau played a major role. According to a Department of Defense report titled "Historic Context: World War II Prisoner-of-War Camps on Department of Defense Installations," some German POWs were dismayed by the U.S. policy of repatriation at the end of the war: "Some Germans liked America and even asked permission to remain in the United States and become citizens. All were denied. It was a firm American policy that all POWs must be repatriated back to the nation in whose army they were captured."

A small section of the post cemetery contains the remains of 33 German and two Italian POWs who died during the war. According to the Anne Arundel County Historical Society, the POWs died from a variety of causes, such as diphtheria, heart disease, meningitis, tuberculosis, skull fractures while working or suicide. But the grave of the only officer buried there doesn't tell his story.

German submarine commander Werner Henke was so highly decorated he received one of his decorations from Hitler himself in 1943. Henke's story is told in Timothy P. Mulligan's book, "Lone Wolf, The Life and Death of U-Boat Ace Werner Henke."

U-Boats under Henke's command sank 22 Allied ships, including the passenger liner Ceramic in November 1944. Allied propaganda about the incident alleged that Henke had the survivors gunned down in their lifeboats, which was not true. The rumors persisted that he was wanted as a war criminal.

His U-Boat was sunk and his crew captured in April 1944. Separated from his crew, Henke was sent to a highly classified interrogation center in Fort Hunt, Va., near Mount Vernon. He spent six weeks at Fort Hunt, and his interrogators used the rumors as leverage. Convinced that he would be hanged as a war criminal, Henke committed suicide by attempting to escape in front of the guards. Ignoring repeated commands to halt, Henke scaled the first barbed-wire fence and was climbing the second when the tower guards opened up on him with their machine guns. He died hanging from the top of the fence.

As Mulligan tells it in his book, "Even in death, Werner Henke remained a thorn in the side of the Allies." His death presented a problem: "even acknowledging the shooting would compromise the center's secrecy."

His body was transferred to Fort Meade for burial in the POW cemetery.

"Thereafter, all official records, including the formal response in November 1944 to German inquiries, testified to Henke's death at Fort Meade. Henke's internment there furthered the deception."

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## Fort Meade WWII POWs Connection: Part 2 (Cont.)

### Kinder Farm Park in Millersville Connection

Below is a copy of a photo taken of a POW from Ft. Meade that was working on Henry Kinder’s farm in Millersville during WWII. In addition to helping with regular farm work, POWs also helped construct a brick house on the property. After the war one of the POWs gave the Kinders a painting in appreciation of their time at the farm. The photo, painting and the house can all be seen at Kinder Farm Park.



POW from FT. Meade (notice PW on pants)



House Built by POWS



POW Painting in Kinder Farm House

## It’s More than Just an Old Tractor

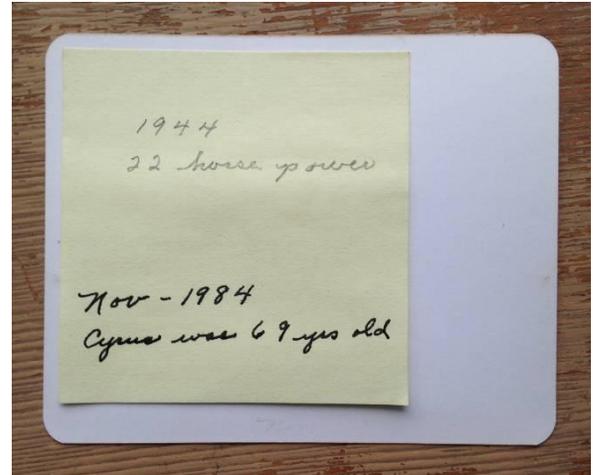
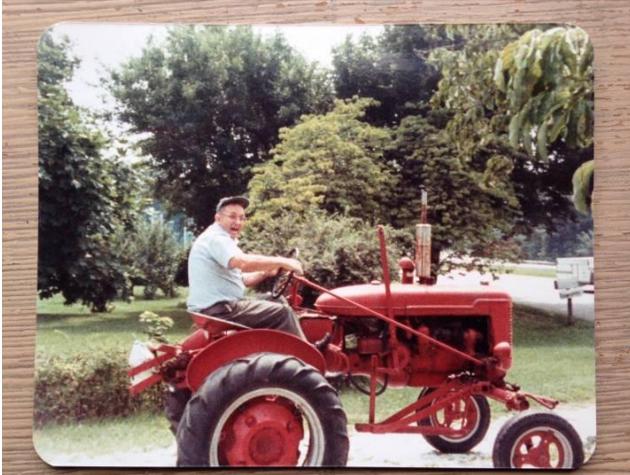
By Mike Lowman, Member of the FoKFP Historical Society

During August I received an email from Jack Lehr asking about a 1944 Farmall tractor that his grandfather, Cyrus Pumphrey had owned. Thanks to the Historical Society’s database of artifacts I was able to locate the original Deed of Gift for the the tractor which was donated to the Friends of Kinder Farm Park in 2006. I shared several photos of the tractor and a copy of the Deed of Gift with Jack and he sent us the following photo and note about the tractor and his grandfather.

“The tractor was purchased second hand in 1949. He (Cyrus) used it to grow tobacco on a field just off Elvaton Road. One season his crop was actually stolen, taking away any earnings he could have made from the crop. Here is a photo of him enjoying his tractor.”

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## It's More than Just an Old Tractor (Cont.)



Here is what the tractor looks like today



It's a beautiful old tractor that still runs and now it has a little more of a story to share.

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# The Friends of Kinder Farm Park

## *2016 Life in the Park*

### *Photo Competition*



**Categories:** Flora, Fauna, Landscapes and People

**Prizes:** \$50 Gift Card to 1<sup>st</sup> place in each category

A 2017 Pass to the Park for 2nd place in each category

**Deadline:** December 31, 2016

**Photos must be taken after January 1, 2016 within the boundaries of Kinder Farm Park and reflect aspects of the beauty and/or life in the park**

- A panel of judges will select two winning photos from each category, and winners will be notified by email or phone
- For competition rules and entry instructions see the back of this flier or visit our website at: [www.kinderfarmpark.org](http://www.kinderfarmpark.org)

This contest is cosponsored by the Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks



# PHOTO COMPETITION RULES AND ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

1. The categories for this photo competition are: **Flora** (flowers, trees, plants, etc.); **Fauna** (all animals including fishes, birds, insects, etc.); **Landscape**; and, **People** in Kinder Farm Park.
2. Photos must be taken within the boundary of Kinder Farm Park between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016.
3. Entrants may submit up to a total of four photos in the competition, in any of the categories, either as digital images or prints in color or black and white.
  - Photographs can be submitted in digital format (preferably JPG), with a maximum of 10mb per email.
  - Photographs submitted in print form should be no larger than 8" X 10". Note: Prints will be digitally scanned for judging purposes.
4. This competition is intended to encourage amateur photography in the county parks. Photography is just one of the many activities enjoyed by park visitors. Contest entries will not be accepted from professional photographers.
5. All entries must be original work and must not have been previously published. The entrants must be the sole owner of copyright in all photos entered and must have obtained permission of any people featured in the entries.
6. **Each entry must be marked with or accompanied with the following information:**
  - **The photographer's:**
    - **Name and address**
    - **Telephone number**
    - **Email address**
  - **Photograph title**
  - **A description of where and when the photo was taken**
  - **The category in which each photograph is being entered (only one category per photo)**
  - Notes:
    - Entries will be returned if they lack any of the above requested information.
    - Personal details will only be used for the purpose of administering the competition and will not be published or provided to any third party without your permission.
7. Entries can be submitted in two ways:
  - By email to mike\_lowman@verizon.net with the subject line of "2016 KFP Photo Contest"
  - By mail to:

2016 KFP Photo Contest  
1001 Kinder Farm Park Road  
Millersville, MD 21108
8. **All entries must be received by December 31, 2016.**
9. No entries can be returned and proof of posting is not proof of receipt. The organizers accept no responsibility for entries lost, damaged or delayed in the post.
10. All entries will be judged by a panel of judges who will select the best photographs in each category. The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence can be entered into.
11. By entering, entrants will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by these rules.
12. By entering the competition, entrants grant the right for The Friends of Kinder Farm Park to display the photographs at Kinder Farm Park; publish and exhibit the submitted photographs in print or on the Friends of Kinder Farm Park website.

# Jingle Bell Hayride

## Saturday, December 3, 2016

Come join us in the Holiday Fun from 10:00 AM to Noon at Kinder Farm Park!

Enjoy a festive hayride, snacks, warm drinks, roast marshmallows, and

### Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus!

Cost is \$5.00 per person  
(Children 3 and under Free)

Tickets may be purchased at the Kinder Farm Park Visitors Center on these Dates & Times:

- 10AM -1PM on Sat. & Sun.— Nov. 5 & 6, Nov. 12 & 13, Nov. 19 & 20, Nov. 26 & 27
- 1PM - 4PM on Mon., Nov. 28, Wed, Nov. 30, & Thu. Dec. 1 or until tickets are sold out.

Friends Members may use their Free Hayride coupons by registering and trading them in for Jingle Bell Hayride tickets.

Rain/Blizzard Date for Event is Saturday, Dec.10, 2016 from 10:00 AM - Noon

Gate Fees Apply





## Friends of Kinder Farm Park (FoKFP)

### 12 Month Calendar

November 2016 (rev. B)

#### **November 2016**

- 19 — Bird Walk sponsored by the Anne Arundel Bird Club at 7:30 AM at the upper parking lot on the athletic fields' side of the park, for more information, call Alan Young at 410-991-8300 or e-mail [alnmyoung@aol.com](mailto:alnmyoung@aol.com)
- 19 — Jingle Bell Hayride Ticket Sales at the Visitors Center from 10:00 AM -1:00 PM
- 20 — Jingle Bell Hayride Ticket Sales at the Visitors Center from 10:00 AM -1:00 PM
- 26 — Jingle Bell Hayride Ticket Sales at the Visitors Center from 10:00 AM -1:00 PM
- 27 — Jingle Bell Hayride Ticket Sales at the Visitors Center from 10:00 AM -1:00 PM
- 28 — Jingle Bell Hayride Ticket Sales at the Visitors Center from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
- 30 — Jingle Bell Hayride Ticket Sales at the Visitors Center from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

#### **December 2016**

- 1 — Jingle Bell Hayride Ticket Sales at the Visitors Center from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
- 1 — Jingle Bell Hayride Planning Meeting at 6:30 in the Visitor Center Conference Room, to volunteer to help with this event go to <http://www.kinderfarmpark.org/vols.html#jinglebell>
- 3 — **Jingle Bell Hayride** 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, preregistration required, rain date: Saturday Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- 3 — Holiday Decorated Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 10:00 AM-1:00 PM
- 10 — Holiday Decorated Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 14 — FoKFP Annual All-Hands Meeting at 6:30 PM in Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 17 — Bird Walk sponsored by the Anne Arundel Bird Club at 7:30 AM at the upper parking lot on the athletic fields' side of the park, for more information, call Alan Young at 410-991-8300 or e-mail [alnmyoung@aol.com](mailto:alnmyoung@aol.com)
- 26 — First Call for Winter 2017 Newsletter articles (email articles to [mike\\_lowman@verizon.net](mailto:mike_lowman@verizon.net) )
- 31 — Deadline for entries in the 2016 Life in the Park Photo Competition.
- 31 — Renew membership or join the Friends of Kinder Farm Park for 2017 by Dec. 31 and be entered in a drawing to get your membership fee refunded and a 2017 pass to the park.

#### **January 2017: FoKFP membership fees are due**

- 1 — Kick off of the 2017 Life in the Park Photo Competition which will run through December 31, 2017
- 11 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall (early membership renewal drawing)
- 14 — Holiday Decorated Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 18 — First FoKFP Historical Society Meeting for 2017 at 4:30 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 18 — Anne Arundel Bird Club Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Harvest Hall – Speaker: Dave Wilson  
Topic: Colonial Nesting Bird Islands in the Coastal Bays
- 21 — Deadline for the Winter 2017 Newsletter articles (email articles to [mike\\_lowman@verizon.net](mailto:mike_lowman@verizon.net) )
- 22 — The Kinder Nice Bowl a charity disc golf tournament, for more information visit [www.kfdgc.org](http://www.kfdgc.org)

**February 2017**

- 8 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 8 — Publish the Winter 2017 *Down on the Farm* Newsletter
- 11 — Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 15 — FoKFP Historical Society Meeting at 4:30 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 15 — Anne Arundel Bird Club Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Harvest Hall – Speaker to be announced

**March 2017**

- 8 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 15 — FoKFP Historical Society Meeting at 4:30 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 15 — Anne Arundel Bird Club Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Harvest Hall – Speaker: Larry Zoller  
Topic: A Traveling Tented Safari in Botswana and South Africa
- 17 — First Call for Spring 2017 Newsletter articles (email articles to [mike\\_lowman@verizon.net](mailto:mike_lowman@verizon.net) )
- 22 — Kick-off meeting for the 2017 Fall Harvest Festival Committee at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center

**April 2017**

- TBA — Meet the Kids: meet the newborn animals at the farm
- TBA — FoKFP Volunteer Picnic (attendance by invitation only)
- 8 — Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 12 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 19 — FoKFP Historical Society Meeting at 4:00 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 22 — Deadline for Spring 2017 Newsletter articles (email articles to [mike\\_lowman@verizon.net](mailto:mike_lowman@verizon.net) )
- 25 — Fall Harvest Festival Committee Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall

**May 2017**

- TBA — First Zombie 5K Fun Run Committee Meetings for 2017 at 6:30 PM
- 10 — Meet and Greet FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 10 — Publish the Spring 2017 *Down on the Farm* newsletter
- 13 — Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 17 — FoKFP Historical Society Meeting at 4:30 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 24 — Fall Harvest Festival Committee Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitor's Center Harvest Hall

**June 2017**

- 3 — A Walk in the Park sponsored by the Happy Wanders Event at Kinder Farm Park – details to be announced
- 10 — Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 14 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 21 — FoKFP Historical Society Meeting at 4:30 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 23 — First Call for the Summer 2017 Newsletter articles (email articles to [mike\\_lowman@verizon.net](mailto:mike_lowman@verizon.net) )
- 24 — The Kinder Lickin' Good Fundraiser Disc Golf Tournament, for more information visit [www.kfdgc.org](http://www.kfdgc.org)

**July 2017**

- 4 — Antique Tractors and 4H Livestock Club participate in the Severna Park Independence Day Parade
- 8 — Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 12 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 19 — FoKFP Historical Society Meeting at 4:30 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 26 — Fall Harvest Festival Committee Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 26 — Deadline for Summer 2017 Newsletter articles (email articles to [mike\\_lowman@verizon.net](mailto:mike_lowman@verizon.net) )

**August 2017**

- 9 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 9 — Publish Summer 2017 Newsletter
- 12 — Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 16 — FoKFP Historical Society Meeting at 4:30 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 23 — Fall Harvest Festival Committee Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall

**September 2017**

- 9 — Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 13 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 20 — FoKFP Historical Society Meeting at 4:30 PM at Kinder Farmhouse
- 21 — Jingle Bell Hayride Committee meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Conference Room
- 27 — Fall Harvest Festival Committee Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 27 — First Call for Fall Newsletter Articles (email articles to [mike\\_lowman@verizon.net](mailto:mike_lowman@verizon.net) )

**October 2017**

TBA — **Kinder Farm Park Annual Fall Harvest Festival**

TBA — Fall Harvest Festival Committee Follow-up Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitor's Center Harvest Hall

TBA — **Annual Zombie 5K Fun Run**

- 11 — FoKFP Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Visitors Center Harvest Hall
- 14 — Kinder Farmhouse Museum is open to the public, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- 19 — Jingle Bell Hayride Planning Meeting at 6:30 in the Visitor Center Conference Room
- 28 — The Kinder Krusher PDGA C Tier Disc Golf Tournament, for more information visit [www.kfdgc.org](http://www.kfdgc.org)
- 25 — Deadline for Fall Newsletter articles (email articles to [mike\\_lowman@verizon.net](mailto:mike_lowman@verizon.net) )

**Farmer's Wisdom**

- Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.
- A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere tractor.
- Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
- The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with, watches you from the mirror every mornin'.
- If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.
- Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment.
- Life is simpler when you plow around the stump.

## **Fiends of Kinder Farm Park BRICK FUNDRAISER**

### **"PROTECT, PRESERVE & PROMOTE HAPPY MEMORIES!"**

#### ***PROTECT... HISTORY***

Kinder Farm Park is named for the German-born Kinder family who over the course of 80 years expanded initial land acquisitions into a large scale agricultural operation.

During the early 1900's the Kinders focused on produce sales and also sold milk, eggs and ice to neighbors. They took their produce to markets in Baltimore by horse and wagon and later by truck. After World War II, the long hours and dropping profits at the markets led to their expansion into raising hogs, turkeys and later exclusively beef cattle. In 1979 the Kinder brothers sold 288 acres to Anne Arundel County in the interest of preserving open space and farm history.

This land became Kinder Farm Park

#### ***PRESERVE... THE PARK***

By purchasing a Personalized Brick, you are not only creating a lasting mark on the park but you're helping to preserve its facilities, sponsor events and activities, and other important preservation efforts around the park. Proceeds may go towards:

- Environmental + Agricultural Educational Programming
- Restoration of Historical Artifacts + Displays
- Promote "Friends" Activities
- Aid in the Restoration/ Addition of Buildings
- Development of New Programs + Events for the Community to Enjoy!

#### ***PROMOTE... HAPPY MEMORIES***

For almost two decades, families have been enjoying Kinder Farm Park events such as the annual Fall Harvest Festival, Jingle Bell Hayride & Free Friday Flicks. Educational adventures inspire visitors through the Behind the Scenes tour and the displays featured in the Farmhouse, Historic Tobacco Barn & Visitor Center. People of all ages enjoy the park's playgrounds, trails, natural areas and farm animals. Our pavilions and picnic areas are home to many special gatherings celebrating life events. Members of the community learn about quilting, woodworking, blacksmithing and gardening from our various volunteer groups.

Let's continue these traditions for your family and the community. Celebrate your Happy Memories by purchasing a brick today. Use the order form on the next page.

Please direct questions to the Friends of Kinder Farm Park at [contact@kinderfarmpark.org](mailto:contact@kinderfarmpark.org).



**These are a great Holiday  
gift idea!**



# Buy a Brick Order Form

Instructions: To begin, complete the required fields indicated by the \*, then enter your inscription. Please enter the text exactly as you want it to appear on the brick. You do not need to center the text; the laser software will automatically center the inscription.

### Please Print

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Last Name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Email\* \_\_\_\_\_

Phone\*\* \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address\* \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Address (Ste./Apt#) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State\* \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code\* \_\_\_\_\_

### Indicate the quantity of each brick you desire:



4X8 Engraved Brick Admiral Red \$75.00

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4X8 Engraved Brick Wheatfield \$100.00

QTY.\_\_\_\_

On the next page you will indicate the inscription as you would like it to appear on the brick(s) you are ordering. Each brick can contain three lines of text, with 16 characters per line including spaces and punctuation.

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**Note:** If you are ordering more than three bricks, please print additional copies of this page as needed and include them with the completed form.

**Please mail your completed order form with a check (made out to: Friends of Kinder Farm Park) for the brick (s) to:**

**FoKFP Buy a Brick Fundraiser  
1001 Kinder Farm Park Rd.  
Millersville, Md. 21108**

## **Business Community Support**

The Friends of Kinder Farm Park would like to encourage our members and friends to support these businesses to show our appreciation for the various types of support provided to our organization and Kinder Farm Park:

### ***Scardina Home services***

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Millersville, MD 21108  
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### ***Park Deli***

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Severna Park, MD 21146  
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### ***Fleet Feet Sports***

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Severna Park, MD 21146  
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