From the President’s Desk

I’m sure we can all say, “We’re ready for Spring!” Spring is the season we decide to get busy and accomplish all those plans we thought of during the snowy winter. The same is true for the Historic Marbold Farmstead Association.

The prairie winds and weather have taken its toll on the house and outbuildings, but now we are working on some things that will make the house and buildings more secure and weathertight. As you will read in this issue, work is underway.

All this work comes at a cost, so we have launched the 2019 Capital Campaign (read the article on page 3), “The Next Chapter.” Our goal is large, but necessary. As our campaign brochure explains, we need your help to complete this ‘chapter.’ The work involves restoration/replacement of dormers, windows, trim and masonry, as well as installation of electrical, plumbing and HVAC. Our plans are in line with the Historic Structures Report that details priorities for restoration work. Following these guidelines helps us to wisely apply our funds to specific projects.

I’m happy to say we have had a good response from the letters that have been sent to all of you. However, we are a long way from our goal. If you have not committed to support this campaign, please consider donating. All donor names will be published, unless requested otherwise.

To support the 2019 campaign, read about our scheduled fundraising events. All event proceeds will benefit the capital campaign, “The Next Chapter.”

The Historic Marbold Farmstead Association continually works to restore and repair this farm. Since the 2012 purchase of the property, we have made major strides. That has happened because of you—our Founders, members, sponsors, donors, board members, and other supporters. This farm provides education for current and future generations, and it preserves our heritage and farm history. This farm has a story to tell. Be a part of writing the “next chapter.” There is no place like the Marbold Farmstead.

Charlotte Wohler, President
2019 Antique Show & Farm Fest Plans Are Underway

The Marbold Farmstead will come alive on June 22-23 with an array of exhibits for all to enjoy. Gates open each day at 9 a.m. with a $5 admission each day. On Saturday, primitive antiques will be in the house and buildings as well as under the large tent south of the house. Flea market vendors will also be on hand, both Saturday and Sunday (please note this change from the above showcard).

Don’t miss these historic programs: General U.S. Grant, portrayed by Larry Werline, will talk of his recollections and experiences during the Civil War and presidency; and historian Art Wilson will relate how the Underground Railroad operated in central Illinois. Times for these presentations will be posted on our Facebook and website soon.

Tours and history of the farmstead will be given both days. On Saturday only, Stier’s Trolley Express will offer a guided trip into Greenview where a tour guide will explain the town’s history and historic homes.

Craftsmen, demonstrators, vintage tractors, engines, and more will be present, as well as live music and good food! A special treat on Sunday at noon will be chicken and noodles and homemade pie.

This is a ‘rain or shine’ event! Check our Facebook page and website (www.historic-marbold-farmstead.org) for updates and changes. Please note that programs may be subject to change.

2019 Business Sponsors Provide Vital Support to the Farmstead

HMFA is very grateful for the support of the following 22 businesses and 5 in-kind sponsors. Their sponsorship helps provide entertainment, tents, signage, and much more for our events. Let them know how much they are appreciated!

Premier Level
- Alliance Community Bank
- Greenview Village Board
- Indian Creek Farmstead

Gold Level
- Brandt Consolidated
- Killebrew Real Estate Team
- Security Bank

Silver Level
- Casey’s
- Greenview Lodge #653
- Hernan’s Plumbing & Heating
- Prairieland FS
- Schurman’s Auto Body

Bronze Level
- AHW LLC
- Bank of Greenview
- Encompass Grain
- Gillmore-Allen Insurance Agency
- Menard County Historical Society
- Mott & Henning Funeral Home
- Ogden Insurance Agency
- Pat Van Etten Re/Max Professionals
- RiverBank Lodge
- Rohlf’s Implement
- Ty Turek State Farm Agency

In-Kind Sponsors
- Petersburg Observer/Sangamon Valley Graphics
- Photography by Janelle
- Sanert’s Auction Service
- Stier Trolley
- Woods Lawn Service

Annual Meeting Reviewed Past Year’s Achievements and Launched Capital Campaign

January 14 brought together members and guests for HMFA’s annual meeting at the First Baptist church in Greenview. Dinner was provided by Hamilton’s Catering, and Donna Simmering made delicious individual cheesecakes. Greg McKenney emceed the event, and Springfield architect Dave Leonatti (shown at right) was speaker. Diane Masters gave a PowerPoint presentation launching the capital campaign. Pat Sabo, Randy Tomlin, and Kathy Olesen gave eloquent testimonials on why they consider the farmstead to be important. Ruth Dowell, Louise Browne, and Susan Wilson were given letters of appreciation, each having served for nine years as board members. Bricks honoring their service will be installed in the front walkway. Paul White and Brenda Edwards once again displayed their model of the Marbold house, this time with conservatory and roof completed. There was also a display of various artists’ renderings of the home, as well as books relating to the farmstead. Officers for 2019 are: Charlotte Wohler, president; Linda McCaffrey, vice-president; Diane Masters, secretary; and Emily Schirding, treasurer. New members to the board are Kathy Olesen and Jeff Augustine.
Works Begins at the Farmstead

It is exciting to see that work has begun at the farmstead! Ken Hawkinson and Jake Castleman, with Damon Dennis of Illinois Builders, have been quite busy working on the windows of the house. The Historic Structures Report identified the windows as a top priority. Currently all windows have been repaired, restored or totally rebuilt. The windows were in poor condition and needed the following: ten panes replaced, panes caulked, window stops replaced, the window sills restored or repaired and the rope pulls repaired and locks replaced. The windows now raise up and down with little effort. Doors will soon be repaired or restored to make the house secure and more weather tight. The effects of weather and extreme conditions will have less impact on the house now that these repairs have been completed.

Soon gutters and doors will be placed on the north annex buildings—summer kitchen, carriage house, smokehouse, wash house and dairy room. With these additions, there will be better protection from the elements. Other work to be done involves repairing the dormers, securing the flashing around the chimneys, chimney caps, replacement or repair of the shake siding, trim work and soffit and fascia repairs.

2019 Capital Campaign

The 2019 Capital Campaign is off and running. The campaign was announced at the annual meeting. Soon after, a press release was sent to the State Journal-Register, Petersburg Observer, Menard County Review, and Banner Times to publicly announce the campaign, “The Next Chapter.” Letters were mailed to members, donors, and others asking for donations for the $250,000 goal. The ‘Next Chapter,’ Chapter Four, is committed to the restoration/repair of the dormers, tuck-pointing, trim work, window repair/replacement, electrical, plumbing, and heating and air conditioning systems.

Spring seems to have finally arrived and it is hoped that the restoration momentum continues. The contractor will work as long as funds are available. That is why help is needed. Please consider a gift toward the capital campaign so work can continue at the Marbold Farmstead. These projects are extremely important in saving the house from further deterioration as the Historic Structures Report states.

We have $21,000 designated for the campaign plus gifts from the generous supporters below. We are ready to add your name to our list. Please consider a donation to support this “Next Chapter.”

$1-$99
Kathy Reaney
James & Michelle Bertalino
Doris Larke
Tom & Marla Entwistle
Bob & Carol Bortmess
Heather Dell & Pat Langley
Dick & Carolyn Randall
Marty & Kelly McAtee
John & Rhonda Grosboll
Tom & Debra Rohls
John & Molly Hall Buehner
Ronda Carter
Anonymous
Karan Stone

$100-$299
Randy Tomlin
Lisa Schnell
Albert & Ann Stier
David & Patricia Morgan

$300-$499
Ben & Beth Kinningham
Evelyn Smith

$500-$999
Kent & Sue Massie
Gary Schechter

$1,000-$3,000
Randy Kincaid
Our Mission
The not-for-profit Historic Marbold Farmstead Association is dedicated to the creation of a living history farm at the Marbold Farmstead south of Greenview, Illinois, by:

- **Educating the public about the historical significance along with the cultural and agricultural heritage through hand-on learning opportunities for children through adults**
- **Preserving, restoring and rebuilding the farm, including the house and remaining outbuildings, and preserving the site in general as an interpretive agricultural and historical attraction circa 1890-1910**

Special Thanks!
- Greg McKenney, Webmaster
- Sharon Porter, Newsletter & Brochures
- Our Founders, members, donors and supporters
- Volunteers

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Charlotte Wohler</th>
<th>Diane Masters</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>President</td>
<td>Secretary</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>217-341-8293</td>
<td>217-632-3144</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Linda McCaffrey</th>
<th>Emily Schirding</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Vice President</td>
<td>Treasurer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>217-787-6867</td>
<td>217-652-1231</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Upcoming Events

**Apr 6**  Work Day at the Farmstead  9 a.m.
**Apr 7**  HMFA Board of Directors Meeting  Athens Public Library  7 p.m.
**Apr 20**  Marbold Dinner and Auction
**May 2**  HMFA Board of Directors Meeting  Athens Public Library  7 p.m.
**May 4**  Work Day at the Farmstead  Athens Public Library  9 a.m.
**May 6**  Hand of Fate Comedy Night
**May 10**  Farm Day for Greenview Students
**June**  Tours Begin  1st & 3rd Sundays  2 & 3 p.m.
**June 1**  Work Day at the Farmstead  9 a.m.
**June 6**  HMFA Board of Directors Meeting  Athens Public Library  7 p.m.
**June 22-23**  Marbold Farmstead Antique Show & Farm Fest

Special Thanks!
- Greg McKenney, Webmaster
- Sharon Porter, Newsletter & Brochures
- Our Founders, members, donors and supporters
- Volunteers

Visit historic-marbold-farmstead.org
Historic Marbold Farmstead Association

HMFA
21722 State Highway 29
PO Box 438
Greenview, IL 62642