

# Bridges

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## Sinclair Center Lecture Series Continues

The FHPF will present the second lecture in a series at the new Sinclair Education Center on Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 3:00 PM. The topic, to be given by FHPF president Bob Sinclair, will be *“Salem/Marshall: Capital of Fauquier’s Free State.”* Mr. Sinclair will talk about the basics of the Free State area — where is it, what is it, and how and why it was created. He will delve into the history of the area including its somewhat illusive boundaries, and why when locals are asked for directions to it, they reply that it is *“over yonder.”* Fauquier’s Free State also boasts of *“royalty”* including three locally proclaimed *“kings.”* Their colorful stories and a host of other information about this intriguing part of Fauquier County will make an informative and interesting talk. Mark your calendar today so you don’t miss out.



Charles B. Ashby  
1854-1931

last *“King”* of Fauquier’s Free State

## World War Vets—Remembering



FHPF continues to ask its members and friends for photos, stories and other written information about Fauquier’s WWI and WWII veterans so that they may be added to the collection housed in the Gott Library. Stop in soon to see the collection. Pictured at

left is FHPF board member and long time supporter, Henry Baxley, Jr. in May of 1952.

## Fauquier Poor House Farm Talk

The Mosby Heritage Area Association will host a trio of speakers centering on the Fauquier Poor House Farm. Thomas Payne, current owner of the farm, will be speaking on the history of the farm, Karen Hughes White will speak on the African-American history of the area, and Bob Sinclair will cover county history. The talks will be from 2:00—5:00 pm on Sunday, September 23rd at the Poor House Farm. The Eugene Scheel map at left shows Poorhouse, Poorhouse Graveyard and Poorhouse Branch.

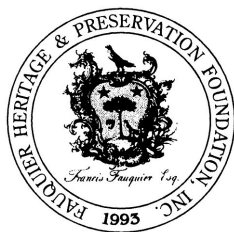


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**Education Center Hours: Each Month, 1st Wed 9:00-Noon; 3rd Tuesday Noon—4:00**

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## Update on 2018 Charitable Giving

### *Best Way to Give Post-Tax Reform: An IRA Charitable Distribution*

Changes in the tax reform bill signed into law on Dec. 22, 2017, may end up limiting charitable gift deductions for some taxpayers. However, if you are at least age 70 1/2, you can obtain the same tax benefits by making your gift directly from your traditional IRA or Roth IRA, even if you will not be itemizing deductions. When you make an IRA charitable distribution to a qualified charity such as the Fauquier Heritage & Preservation Foundation, [a 501(c)(3) organization], the transferred funds are excluded from your income for the year. If you withdrew the funds yourself and then made a gift to FHPE, you would be subject to income tax on the withdrawal. Contact the administrator of your IRA to transfer funds directly from your plan to a qualified charity. Another benefit is that your withdrawal satisfies the required minimum distribution in the year of the gift.

