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Abstract

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Creator

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ca. 9 Cubic Feet 13 boxes; 7 oversize folders; 1 oversize roll

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Administrative History

Founded in 1889, the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities (APVA) has twenty branches which own and maintain historic properties. In November 1958 the APVA authorized the organization of the Montgomery County branch for the specific purpose of acquiring and restoring Smithfield Plantation, the historic home near Blacksburg in Montgomery County, Virginia, built by William Preston in 1773. In 1959 Mrs. Janie Preston Brockenbrough Lamb, a descendant of Preston, donated Smithfield and 4.5 acres of land to the APVA. Restoration of the building was begun in 1962 when the APVA's Montgomery County Branch raised the funds for renovation and contracted with architects and contractors. Since its foundation, and in more recent years, the organization has had some changes, including the dissolution of branches and the combination of the Montgomery County Branch with the Smithfield Preston Foundation. In 2009, the name was changed to Preservation Virginia.

Smithfield Plantation is the historic home of the Preston family, one of the founding families of Blacksburg and Montgomery County, Virginia. It was built by William Preston (1729-1783), who emigrated from northern Ireland with his family in 1737. He married Susanna Smith in 1761 and settled at Greenfield in Botetourt County in 1769. Preston established himself as a leader in the Virginia frontier by serving in the militia in the French and Indian and Revolutionary wars, in the House of Burgesses representing Augusta County from 1766 to 1768 and Botetourt County in 1769, and as County Lieutenant of Fincastle and Montgomery. He was appointed surveyor of Fincastle County in 1772 and moved his family to that area. He built Smithfield, named in honor of his wife, in 1773. Smithfield was the birthplace and home of three Virginia governors, including James Patton Preston (son of William), and John Buchanan Floyd and John Floyd, Jr. (grandsons of William).

George Green Shackelford, a professor of history from 1954 to 1986 (now Emeritus) at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, or Virginia Tech, which is adjacent to the Smithfield property, spearheaded the restoration by forming the Montgomery County branch and adopting the project of preserving and restoring the Smithfield residence.

The APVA changed their name to Preservation Virginia in 2009. However, since the materials in this collection were created under the previous name, we have retained that for the collection title. Both names

have been added to the corporate names associated with this collection.

Scope and Content

The records largely document the recent history of Smithfield Plantation, ancestral home of the Preston family, focusing particularly on its restoration beginning in 1962. While much of the renovation occurred in the 1960s, many of the records detail other renovation projects done in the 1970s and 1980s.

The collection is organized into seven series: Series I: Correspondence (largely from and to George Shackelford); Series II: Publications, including APVA and Montgomery County branch newsletters and APVA Discovery magazines; Series III: Smithfield Plantation Renovation, including appraisals, reports, and receipts; Series IV: Renovations of other Smithfield Plantation Buildings, including information about the renovations of other structures on the Smithfield property, (the cook's cabin, the miller's log house, and the smokehouse); Series V: AVPA General Files, including meeting minutes, financial reports, and building committee reports; Series VI: Historical Documents from dating from the original Preston family's residence at Smithfield (materials include manuscript account books (1754-1763) of William Preston while residing at Greenfield, manuscript pages detailing work done by a wheelright (1845-1850); and genealogical information about the Preston family); and Series VII: Miscellaneous Documents, which includes materials relating to historic Montgomery County and the Smithfield Plantation. The collection also contains Series VIII: Oversize Documents, containing blueprints and architectural drawings.

Related Archival Material

Virginia Tech Special Collections and University Archives houses a number of other collections containing information on the Preston family and Smithfield Plantation:

John Preston Deed, Ms2005-014

John Preston Papers, Ms1994-034

Preston Family (Alice Preston Moore Collection) Papers, Ms1962-004

Preston Family (Charles Peale Didier Collection) Papers, Ms1985-020

Robert Taylor Preston Papers, Ms1992-003

William Preston Land Grant, Ms1994-027

George Green Shackelford Papers, Ms1983-008

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Preston family (Montgomery County, Va.)

Smithfield Plantation House (Blacksburg, Va.)

Existence and Location of Copies

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged into eight series. Wherever possible, materials are arranged chronologically within each series.

Series I: Correspondence

Series II: Publications

Series III: Smithfield Plantation Renovation

Series IV: Renovations of other Smithfield Plantation Buildings

Series V: AVPA General Files

Series VI: Historical Documents

Series VII: Miscellaneous Documents

Series VIII: Oversize Documents

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Correspondence

Unit Date 1958-1988

Correspondence to APVA members

Unit Date 1961-1970

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Correspondence about the Civil War Centennial

Unit Date 1958-1964

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Correspondence and Photographs to/from Howe P. Cochran

Unit Date 1962-1964

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Charles W. Crush

Unit Date 1962-1964

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Correspondence to/from and Newspaper Articles about the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), 1962-1964, and DAR May 1961 and August-September 1963 Magazines

Unit Date 1961-1964

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Preston Davie

Unit Date 1961-1965

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Virginia Drewry

Unit Date 1960-1965

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Virginia Farrier, Marion Fuller, Mary Fray, and Preston Fox III

Unit Date 1960-1963

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Correspondence to/from and Newspaper Articles about the Garden Club of Virginia

Unit Date 1969-1984

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Preston P. Joyes

Unit Date 1960-1965

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Mrs. Lamb (includes newspaper articles about her death)

Unit Date 1958-1965

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Brockenbrough Lamb Jr. (includes newspaper articles about his death)

Unit Date 1960-1964

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Correspondence on Cyrus Hall McCormick Historical Site

Unit Date 1958-1959

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Correspondence to/from William Tayloe Munford (Smithfield Plantation interior decorator)

Unit Date 1963-1965

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Correspondence about the National Trust for Historic Preservation

Unit Date 1959-1963

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Sarah Caperton Preston and Nelly C. Preston

Unit Date 1961-1964

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Marguerite Stuart Quarles

Unit Date 1958-1960

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Correspondence about the National Trust Summer School (summer study abroad programs)

Unit Date 1958-1964

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Correspondence to/from Mrs. W. Taliaferro Thompson

Unit Date 1963-1965

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date 1957-1959

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date 1960

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date 1961

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford (includes photographs of paintings, misc.)

Unit Date 1962

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date 1963

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date 1964

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date 1965

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date 1967-1970

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date 1975-1979

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford (includes obituaries of William P. Mounfield)

Unit Date 1980-1988

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Container 3 (folder)

Miscellaneous Correspondence to/from George Shackelford

Unit Date n.d.

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Container 4 (folder)

Series II: Publications

Unit Date 1959-1989

Newspaper Articles about Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1959-1969

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Container 5 (folder)

Copies of Newspaper Articles about Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1960-1963

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Container 6 (folder)

Newspaper Articles about Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1970-1973

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Newspaper Articles about Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1980-1984

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Container 8 (folder)

APVA Discovery Magazines, [Fall 1977; Spring and Fall 1978; Spring and Fall 1980; Summer 1981; Fall/Winter 1982; Winter 1982; Winter 1983; 1984-85 annual reports; 1986-88; and Centennial 1989]

Unit Date 1977-1989.

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Container 9 (folder)

APVA Newsletters (Vol. I, no. 1 through Vol. VI, no. 3)

Unit Date 1983-1988

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Container 10 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Newsletters, [Jan. 1981; Feb. 1983; Jan. 1984; May 1985; Jan. 1986; Mar. and Oct. 1987; Mar., Jun., and Nov. 1988; and Jun. 1989]

Unit Date 1981-1989.

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Container 11 (folder)

Series III: Smithfield Plantation Renovation

Unit Date 1899-1989

Photographs and Negatives of Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1899-1967

box-folder 4 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Titles, Copies of Deeds, Appraisals, and Plats

Unit Date 1904-1963

box-folder 4 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Acquisition of Smithfield Plantation Property (initial proposal, APVA acceptance, Montgomery County Branch APVA Constitution & By-Laws)

Unit Date 1958-1962

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Container 3 (folder)

Correspondence to/from G.E. Trout & Sons, General Contractors at Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1959-1963

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Container 4 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Historical Information, Restoration Plan, and Budget Plan for Operations

Unit Date 1960

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Container 5 (folder)

Roof Shingles for Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1960

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Container 6 (folder)

Financing for the Restoration of Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1960-1963

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Container 7 (folder)

Process of Renovation at Smithfield Plantation (architect and contractor correspondence)

Unit Date 1960-1964

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Container 8 (folder)

Photocopies of Layouts and Blueprints for Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1960-1982

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Container 9 (folder)

Correspondence about Refurnishing Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1961-1981

box-folder 4 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Notepaper and Postal Cards for Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1962-1963

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Correspondence from Guerrant & Mounfield, Architects for Smithfield Plantation Restoration

Unit Date 1962-1964

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Restoration Correspondence, Sketches, and Photographs

Unit Date 1962-1964

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Restoration Bills and Correspondence

Unit Date 1962-1965

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Information about Furniture (appraisals, gifts, purchases, shipping orders, and photographs)

Unit Date 1962-1965

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Container 5 (folder)

"Specifications for Restoration of Smithfield Plantation House," Copy 1, by Guerrant & Mounfield, A.I.A. Architects

Unit Date 1963

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

"Specifications for Restoration of Smithfield Plantation House," Duplicate of Copy 1, by Guerrant & Mounfield, A.I.A. Architects

Unit Date 1963

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Container 7 (folder)

"Proposed Landscape Plan for Smithfield Plantation" by Philip John Markham

Unit Date 1967

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Archeological Project at Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1967-1975

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Container 9 (folder)

"A Report on an Excavation at Smithfield Plantation House" (trench excavation along the south side of the main house and office excavation) by K.R. Bonnett and J.D. Lahendro, and Quarterly Bulletin of Archeological Society of Virginia

Unit Date 1975-1976

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Smithfield Plantation Proposal for Public Restroom Sites

Unit Date 1977

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Container 1 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Accessions Committee Report. Accessions are of Furniture, "Janie Preston" Doll, Rugs from Howe Preston Cockran, and Indian Artifacts, Donated to Smithfield

Unit Date 1980

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Container 2 (folder)

"Archeological Testing of 44MY97, Smithfield Plantation" (location of cultural deposits on grounds north of main house) by Herbert G. Fisher

Unit Date 1982

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Container 3 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Capital Funds Drive

Unit Date 1982

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Container 4 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Improvements for Water and Sewer

Unit Date 1982

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Reconstruction Notes and Fees

Unit Date 1982-1984

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Restroom Project

Unit Date 1982-1986

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Container 7 (folder)

"Archeological Testing of Walkway Feature 44MY97, Smithfield Plantation" by Herbert G. Fisher (includes slides and photographs)

Unit Date 1983

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Container 8 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Building Committee Report

Unit Date 1984

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Container 9 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Building Committee

Unit Date 1984

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Container 10 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Contracts with Don Loop, Inc., Masonry and Building Contractor

Unit Date 1984-1986

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Container 11 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Air Conditioning Correspondence (includes photographs)

Unit Date 1984-1989

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Container 12 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Storm Window Specs and Catalogs; Possible Donations for Windows

Unit Date 1985

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Container 13 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Organization and Operations

Unit Date 1985

box-folder 7 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Building Committee (includes photographs)

Unit Date 1985-1986

box-folder 7 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Budgets and Plans

Unit Date 1985-1989

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Container 3 (folder)

"Air Conditioning Study for Smithfield Plantation Main House" by Mills, Oliver, & Webb, Inc., Architects

Unit Date 1986

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Container 4 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Curator Contract

Unit Date 1986-1988

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Container 5 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Building Committee

Unit Date 1986-1990

box-folder 7 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Pest Control Records

Unit Date 1986-1990

box-folder 7 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Well Abandonment, Roanoke Pump Sales & Service

Unit Date 1987

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Container 8 (folder)

**"Central Chimney Base Excavation, Smithfield Plantation" by Woods River Construction Co.
(includes photographs)**

Unit Date 1987

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Container 9 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Beam Reinforcement (includes photographs)

Unit Date 1987

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Container 1 (folder)

Information on Cedar Shingles and Shakes for Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1987

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Container 2 (folder)

**"New Air Conditioning System, Smithfield Plantation" by Mills, Oliver, & Webb, Inc.,
Architects**

Unit Date 1987

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Container 3 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Waterproofing (includes photographs and negatives)

Unit Date 1987-1988

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Container 4 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Air Conditioning, Mills, Oliver, & Webb Inc., Architects

Unit Date 1987-1983

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Container 5 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Air Conditioning, Woods River Company

Unit Date 1987-1988

box-folder 8 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Air Conditioning Controls and Schematics

Unit Date 1987-1989

box-folder 8 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Building Committee, Bills Paid

Unit Date 1987-1990

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Container 8 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Air Conditioning, Air Control Corporation

Unit Date 1987-1990

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Container 1 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Painting Specifications and Catalogs

Unit Date 1988-1989

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Interior Painting

Unit Date 1988-1989

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

"Smithfield Plantation, Historic Paint Research Report: The Interior Woodwork" by Matthew John Mosca

Unit Date 1989

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Container 4 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Letterhead and Envelopes

Unit Date undated

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Container 5 (folder)

"Specifications for the Restoration of Smithfield Plantation House" by Mounfield and Nichols, A.I.A. Architects

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Container 6 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Restoration Booklet

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Container 7 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Blueprint and Sketches for the Relocation of Heat Pumps

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Container 8 (folder)

Series IV: Renovations of Other Smithfield Plantation Buildings

Unit Date 1970-1986

Smithfield Plantation Cook's Cabin Restoration

Unit Date 1970

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Container 9 (folder)

"Restoration of Miller's Log House, Establishment of Water Source for Mill, and Eventual Reconstruction of Grist Mill" by William L. Favrao

Unit Date 1976

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Container 10 (folder)

"Outline Specifications for Restoration and Remodeling of the Miller's House and Site Water and Sewer Lines" by Rogers & Reynolds Architects, Inc.

Unit Date 1982

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Container 11 (folder)

Application for funds for Cook's Cabin, Miller's House, and Water and Sewer

Unit Date 1982

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Container 12 (folder)

"Outline Specifications for 1) Restoration and Remodeling of the Miller's House and 2) Site Water and Sewer Lines, Smithfield Plantation" by Rogers & Reynolds Architects, Inc. (includes photographs)

Unit Date 1982

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Smithfield Plantation Smokehouse Contract

Unit Date 1985-1986

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Container 14 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Cook's Cabin and Smokehouse Restoration

Unit Date 1986

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Container 1 (folder)

Contract Documents, Cook's Cabin Enclosure, Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1986

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Container 2 (folder)

Smithfield Plantation Enclosure of Cook's Cabin and Restoration of Weaver's Cabin

Unit Date 1986-1990

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Container 3 (folder)

Photographs of the Miller's Log House

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Series V: AVPA General Files

Unit Date 1899-1989

APVA Souvenir of the Midsummer Night's Dream (souvenir book containing history and board members of APVA, play committees, and advertisements)

Unit Date 1899

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Container 5 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Membership and Financial Records

Unit Date 1957-1970

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Constitution & By-laws, Annual Reports, Meeting Agendas/Notes, Membership List

Unit Date 1957-1971

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Minutes and Records (bound book)

Unit Date 1959-1963

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Container 8 (folder)

APVA Mailing Lists

Unit Date 1960-1962

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Minutes

Unit Date 1963-1979

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Newspaper Clippings about Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1973-1988

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Purchase of 7.11 acres of Smithfield Plantation property from Estate of Janie B. Lamb

Unit Date 1979

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA minutes

Unit Date 1987-1994

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Container 5 (folder)

APVA Accessions Policy and Accessions of Items for Smithfield Plantation

Unit Date 1980-1989

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Container 6 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Minutes, Financial Reports, and Building Committee Reports

Unit Date 1981-1983

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Handbook (minutes, budgets and budget reports, members, by-laws, maps, and copies of photographs)

Unit Date 1984-1990

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Container 8 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Amended By-laws

Unit Date 1985

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Container 1 (folder)

Montgomery County Branch APVA Minutes

Unit Date 1985-1986

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APVA Branch Operating Manual Prepared for the Montgomery County Branch

Unit Date 1987

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Container 3 (folder)

Information about the APVA Centennial Celebration

Unit Date 1989

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Container 4 (folder)

Series VI: Historical Documents

Unit Date 1754-1826

Manuscript Account Book of William Preston of Greenfield

Unit Date 1754-1759

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 5 (box)

Manuscript Account Book of William Preston of Greenfield

Unit Date 1755-1763

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Original Document of Tax Document on William Preston's Estate

Unit Date 1805

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Manuscript Pages detailing work done by a Wheelwright

Unit Date 1845-1850

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

James Cochran's handwritten copy of Mrs. Letitia Floyd's 1843 manuscript of History of the Preston Family, done by Cochran in 1848. Includes a typescript transcription by June Stubbs

Unit Date 1996

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Container 9 (folder)

Obituary notice of Mrs. Louisa Penelope Preston

Unit Date 1853

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

E.L. Hawkins manuscript book of his Blacksburg business general ledger accounts

Unit Date 1859

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Envelope with piece of flax spun by Margaret Buchanan Campbell (the envelope has a written account of the history of the flax - "Charles Campbell was placed in jail because he was unable to pay all his taxes. His wife, Margaret, spun flax thread to sell. She was able to get her husband out of jail and pay their taxes with the money she made from the thread")

Unit Date 1907.

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Container 12 (folder)

Letter to Mrs. J.S. Grasty from Monica McPherson

Unit Date 1932

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Container 13 (folder)

Poem by Kathleen Shelor Bibb, "Smithfield" Ancestor of V.P.I.

Unit Date 1964

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Container 14 (folder)

Typed Copy of The Will of Colonel William Preston, The Radford Review, Faculty Research Issue

Unit Date 1972

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Container 15 (folder)

Inventory of Preston Papers and Correspondence about Appraisals

Unit Date 1985

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Container 16 (folder)

"Archeological Investigation of the Governor John Floyd and Letitia Preston Floyd Graves, Sweet Springs, Monroe County, West Virginia" by Kenneth W. Robinson

Unit Date 1988

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Genealogy of the Preston Family

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Copy of text written on John Preston's monument at Tinkling Spring Cemetery

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Photograph copy of the Preston Family and the Civil War

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Container 20 (folder)

Typescript list of the account of property William Preston owned when he died on June 28, 1793

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Container 21 (folder)

Photocopy of list of the Personal Estate of Jamis P. Preston

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Container 22 (folder)

Photocopies of Susanna Smith Preston's last will and testament (1822), inventory of goods (1825), and account of property sold (1826)

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Container 23 (folder)

Colonel William Preston and His Illustrious Progeny, by George Shackelford

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Smithfield Plantation

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Container 25 (folder)

Poem by Hyde Fowlkes, Smithfield

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Photograph of Thomas Lewis Preston

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Copies of drawings of William Lynn Lewis, Mary Preston Lewis, Margaret Lynn Lewis Cochran, John Cochran, with a brief history on the back of each

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Series VII: Miscellaneous Documents

Unit Date 1959-1986

National Trust for Historic Preservation Printed Material

Unit Date 1959-1964
box-folder 13 (box)
Container 1 (folder)

Information about the Tourist Industry from the U.S. Department of Commerce and Correspondence about creating a Commission to study the Tourist Industry

Unit Date 1964-1965
box-folder 13 (box)
Container 2 (folder)

Acceptance and thank you notes to the Preservation of Restored Grounds and Garden of Smithfield Plantation, hosted by the Garden Club of Virginia

Unit Date 1984
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Resume and letter of recommendation for Jeffrey Clayton Turner, Smithfield Plantation Resident Curator

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Notes on Virginia Publications

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"Williams Mill Report" (Valley Roller Mill restoration, includes photographs and negatives)

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Typed Geneology on the Montgomery and Graham Family

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Copy of Historical Map of Montgomery County

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Photographs and Negatives of Crane Mill at Mahan Mill

Photographs and negatives of Cane Mill at Mabry Mill

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Miscellaneous Unidentified Pen Sketches of Lake Scenes and Trees (artist unknown)

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Copy of "Park Planning Guidelines" by George E. Fogg

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Brochures and Pamphlets about Jamestown (historic property owned by APVA)

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Old Church Tower at Jamestown by Chas. W. Smith

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Series VIII: Oversize Documents

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Smithfield Plantation Restoration Blueprints

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Topo of Smithfield Plantation

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