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## **Enjoy a Haunted Evening at Henricus Historical Park on October 21-22**

*Children under six and their families may enjoy storytelling and treats*

CHESTER, Va., October 3, 2011 – Henricus Historical Park, site of the second permanent English settlement in the New World, will present “Haunted Henricus: Things That Go Bump in the Night” on October 21 and 22. Visitors will experience an evening of spellbinding accounts and legendary tales as period-dressed interpreters revive old English and American Indian folklore and legends. Join colonists and Virginia Indians by the fireside of 1611-1622 Virginia as they recount eerie and strange tales of their homeland.

Activities planned for “Haunted Henricus” will capture the essence of what it felt like to be a colonist in a dark, mysterious and wooded landscape, exposed to uncertain perils. Visitors will understand the connection of the harvest season to many European superstitions and listen to tales of “Things That Go Bump in the Night.” Representatives from R.I.P. Ghost Hunters will be onsite to share findings of paranormal activity at Henricus Historical Park today.

Prior to the guided site tours, storytelling will be available for children under six and their families from 6-7:30 p.m. Haunted tours will run from 7:30-10:30 p.m. and last approximately one hour. Refreshments will be available from 6-10:30 p.m. and include cookies, apple cider and hot chocolate. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children 3-12 with registration required by October 19 by calling (804) 748-1613. Haunted tours are not appropriate for children under six.

“Our Halloween event is unique because our program aims to educate and entertain visitors,” said Charles Lewis Grant, acting executive director. “Haunted Henricus makes learning about history fun for the whole family.”

Warm up by the fire and enjoy an evening of old fashioned family fun. Blankets are encouraged for the storytelling portion of the evening. Henricus Historical Park is located on 32 acres along the scenic and historic James River and is surrounded by the 810-acre Dutch Gap Conservation Area. Only 20 minutes from Richmond, the park is located at 251 Henricus Park Road, Chester, Virginia 23836.

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### **More about Henricus Historical Park:**

Founded in 1611 by Sir Thomas Dale, the City of Henricus is the second successful English settlement in North America and commemorated its 400th anniversary in September 2011. Henricus Historical Park is a living history museum located within the Dutch Gap Conservation Area with Pre-K–12 and adult education programs, including indoor and outdoor

meeting and special event space available for rental. Henricus Historical Park is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization which operates in partnership with the Henricus Foundation and counties of Chesterfield and Henrico. For more information about Henricus Historical Park visit [www.henricus.org](http://www.henricus.org) and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).