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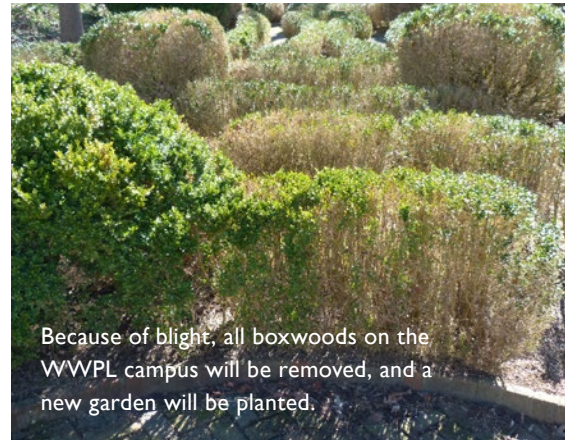
## A New Garden Coming Soon

The healthy boxwood gardens delighted WWPL visitors for decades.

**M**ajor changes are coming to the WWPL's historic gardens! The boxwood garden was planted in 1933 as a project of the Garden Club of Virginia. Recently, boxwood blight, a fungal disease that kills the shrub, has closed a portion of the garden while we prepare to remove the plants using specialized procedures prescribed by experts from Virginia Tech, with guidance from the Garden Club of Virginia's Restoration Committee.

Landscape architect William Rieley of Charlottesville is currently designing the new garden.

The boxwood blight (*Cylindrocladium buxicola*) disease was first identified in Virginia in 2011, and has since spread to other states, as well. Symptoms include brown leaf spots that lead to defoliation and black streaking on stem tissue. For more information on boxwood blight, please contact your local extension agent.



Because of blight, all boxwoods on the WWPL campus will be removed, and a new garden will be planted.



## Garden Party

The WWPL would like to thank all of those who made April 22nd's Garden Party a huge success! Despite light rain, more than 200 guests joined us for an evening of great food which was donated by local restaurants, and the music of Kathy Lafon. The event raised over \$3,000 for the WWPL's Garden Fund. We are so appreciative of our sponsors and food donors!

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## WWPL Welcomes Governor Terry McAuliffe

Staff and trustees of the WWPL were pleased to welcome Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe for a visit in April. The Governor toured the Manse, the Museum, and the new Virtual Visit studio, and got a special glimpse of Wilson artifacts and papers. He even sat behind the wheel of Wilson's 1919 Pierce-Arrow limousine!

Pictured left to right, WWPL Trustee Brig. Gen. Ted Shuey, Development Officer Julie Jones, CEO Robin von Seldeneck, Governor Terry McAuliffe, WWPL Trustee Linda Perriello



## Student Leaders' Exhibit

This May, the WWPL hosted a new temporary exhibit created by the Woodrow Wilson Leadership Program. Titled "Wilson through the Eyes of Student Leaders," it featured displays on a wide variety of subjects, all created by local high schoolers. The students and their families were welcomed on May 14th for a reception and private tour of the exhibit.

Wilson Leadership Program participants recently toured the U.S. Capitol, Senator Mark Warner's office, and President Wilson's "S" Street home in Washington, DC.

## NEW Election Exhibit

**A new exhibit is coming to the WWPL just in time for the election.** It will arrive in early June and will highlight the many differences between modern presidential elections and the race of 1916. For instance, did you know that Woodrow Wilson did not formally accept the nomination until September 2nd, 1916? Or, that Charles E. Hughes is the only Supreme Court Justice to run for President? Visit the WWPL Museum between June and October to explore the many ways American presidential campaigns have changed in the last 100 years.



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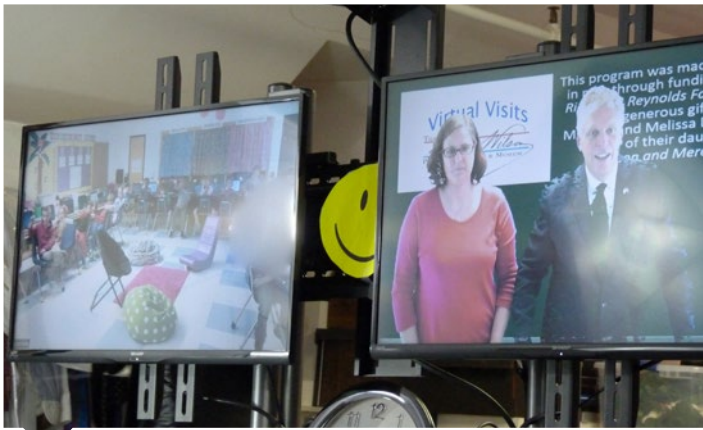
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## WWPL Recognized as “Tourism Business of the Year”

Representatives of the WWPL were honored to accept the “Tourism Business of the Year” award at the Greater Augusta Regional Chamber of Commerce’s annual award banquet.

Pictured at the event, left to right: WWPL staff member Cynthia Polhill, Staunton Mayor Carolyn Dull, Staunton City Councilman Walter Obenschain, WWPL staff member Heather Sutton, 6th District Congressman Bob Goodlatte, WWPL CEO Robin von Seldeneck, and WWPL staff member Bob Robinson.



Education Coordinator Heather Sutton and Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe (right) interact with a first-grade class from McSwain Elementary (left).

## Virtual Visit Update

WWPL Education Coordinator Heather Sutton and Museum Educator Susan Laser have been busy in the new Virtual Visit studio! Thanks to funding from the Dickens Family, the Richard S. Reynolds Foundation, and Dominion Power, the program is up and running. Using a state-of-the-art videoconferencing system, we can now offer interactive sessions for any classroom or venue that has a computer with speakers, a microphone, and Internet connection. We have already hosted Virtual Visits about World War I and other topics for schoolchildren and retirement home residents in various parts of the country. Even Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe joined us in the studio recently to speak to an excited first-grade class. Let us bring history to you! For more information or to schedule a Virtual Visit, please contact Heather Sutton at [hsutton@woodrowwilson.org](mailto:hsutton@woodrowwilson.org) or 540-885-0897, extension 122.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Journey Into History Summer Adventures

For rising 2nd through 7th graders. \$25 per Friday-evening session.

- June 10** 6-8:30pm Time Travel
- June 24** 6-8:30pm Under the Night Sky
- July 8** 6-8:30pm Spies, Lies & Disguise
- July 22** 6-8:30pm Glow Party!

#### 100th Anniversary of Flag Day

Museum Curator Andrew Phillips will discuss the United States’ entry into WWI. Education Parlor, WWPL Dolores Lescure Center.

- June 14** 12pm Discussion (open to the public)

#### Opie Speaker Series

Coming This Fall

## The Wilson eLibrary Returns

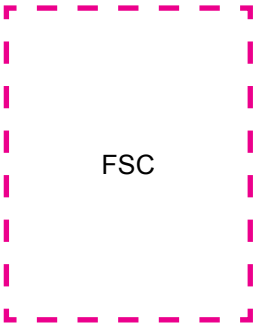
Have you missed the Wilson eLibrary? Since it was launched in 2007, our online digital database of more than 7,000 Wilson-related papers has been an invaluable resource for researchers and history enthusiasts worldwide. The eLibrary has been under reconstruction and unavailable for several months, but it will be back online by the end of June, accessible through our website: [www.woodrowwilson.org](http://www.woodrowwilson.org).

The WWPL would like to thank our terrific Museum Teachers, who provide educational and fun experiences for school tour groups: **Heather Bernard, Kennon Bowen, Karen Hurt, Suzy Huston, Elizabeth Lane, Barbara Sheffield, Sue Simmons, and Joan Swift.**





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## NEW CHILDREN'S EXHIBIT: Woolly Wilson

More than 200 community members joined us on March 5 to celebrate the opening of the WWPL's first exhibit designed for children: "Woolly Wilson, the Presidential Sheep." Throughout the museum, cutouts of Woolly, based on the Hampshire breed, help kids explore the exhibits with child-friendly text. Our young guests also receive coloring books and bookmarks during their visits.

Woolly was chosen as a mascot because sheep were raised in the yard of the Manse where Wilson was born, and on the White House lawn during World War I. They helped with lawn maintenance at the White House, and their wool was sold for \$52,000, which was donated to the American Red Cross.

Woolly is here to welcome children to the WWPL, thanks to funding from the Shenandoah Valley Kiwanis Club, McDonough Toyota, LD&B Insurance and Financial Services, Amy B. Catering, Mr. and Mrs. G. David Smith, Natalie Shulkin, Madelyn Maggard, and Linda Koogler.



Queen City Creative of Staunton donated the Woolly design. Ashleigh Smith Maggard, Savannah College of Art & Design graduate student and WWPL intern, completed fabrication of the Woolly project as part of her master's degree. Thanks, Queen City team and Ashleigh!

## NEW TO THE PRESIDENT'S SHOP FOR ELECTION YEAR: **PARTY ANIMALS!**

Six-inch reversible—two toys in one. Fold it right for an elephant; fold it left for a donkey. The decision is in your hands!  
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