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Park Authority Board Names Lundegard 2014 Mayo Stuntz Cultural Stewardship Award Recipient

The Fairfax County Park Authority Board has named Great Falls resident Robert Lundegard as the recipient of the 2014 Mayo Stuntz Cultural Stewardship Award. This award, created in 2013 by the Park Authority Board, honors the late, longtime historian, author and chairman of the Sully Foundation and celebrates outstanding service through the stewardship of historic resources. The award ultimately honors significant contributions toward the understanding, preservation and education of history in Fairfax County.

For over 15 years, volunteer Lundegard has provided support to Colvin Run Mill in Great Falls, Va. He has been the chief chronicler of the Mill’s history, rescuing, digitizing and cataloguing old slides as well as recording present history. Lundegard has spent hundreds of hours viewing and assessing multiple collections of slides of documenting Colvin Mill history. His analysis of one collection provided a valuable reference for the 2000 waterwheel restoration. During this restoration project, he also documented the entire process by interviewing workers and taking photographs several times a week over the course of two years. His foresight set a standard for documentation of future restoration projects.

“It is clear that Fairfax County history is being preserved for future generations through Mr. Lundegard’s passion, hard work and commitment to Colvin Run Mill. He deserves this honor and follows in the footsteps of Mayo Stuntz,” said Park Authority Awards Committee Chair Tony Vellucci.

Lundegard is a founding member of the Friends of Colvin Run Mill, an organization dedicated in part to preserving the technological and industrial heritage of Northern Virginia. He served as the organization’s treasurer and newsletter editor before a two-term span as its president. Lundegard has also been a strong advocate for the mill. He has lobbied hard to gain support for a Colvin Run Mill visitor center.

The Mayo Stuntz Cultural Stewardship Award will be presented during the Park Authority’s Elly Doyle Park Service Awards ceremony held at the Waterford this November. For more information, call the Public Information Office at 703-324-8662.

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