Historic Medley District, Inc. News

The Historic Medley District, Inc. (HMD) is pleased to announce the appointment of Rande S. Davis as its new executive director. He brings to this position his marketing and public relations skills, which he developed as a co-owner of the newspaper *Monocacy Monocle* and the sole owner of RSD Marketing. The conservation organization’s officers, President Maureen O’Connell, Vice President and Secretary Sharon Bauer, and Treasurer Jean Findlay, look forward to working with Rande to develop new educational and fun events, and programs for people of all ages at the organization’s three properties: the John Poole House, the Old Town Hall/Bank Museum, and the Seneca Schoolhouse. Plans are already in the works to have the John Poole House open on a regular basis with trained docents in period costumes, and featured speakers and exhibitions highlighting the historical significance of this Poolesville landmark. By early spring, work will begin on the restoration of the John Stock Arboretum, located to the rear of the house. Photographers, be on the lookout in March for the announcement of a photography contest, “Celebrating the Agricultural Reserve through the Camera Lens.” The Ag Reserve is beautiful in all seasons, but it is particularly so in the spring. HMD also hopes to open the Old Town Hall more often with speakers, arts and crafts shows, and historical events, which will focus on Poolesville’s role as a canal town and important site during the Civil War. Maureen, Sharon, Jean, and Rande want you to be part of this revitalization of HMD, and we welcome your support and input.