



Aldie Bicentennial 1810–2010

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ALDIE BICENTENNIAL KICKS OFF WITH GIANT YARD SALE

Aldie Celebrates 200th Birthday With Village-wide Event

Aldie, VA – May 6, 2010 – The Village of Aldie will begin to celebrate its 200th Birthday with [Treasurers On The Turnpike](#), a village-wide flea market and yard sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 22, 2010. Aldie will join with communities all along Route 50 from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific as part of the national Treasurers On The Turnpike event.

Founded in 1810 by Charles Fenton Mercer, Aldie has retained much of its charm and architecture during the past 200 years. The village was founded on the banks of Little River, at the end of the ‘paved’ road running from Alexandria in the east toward Winchester and the Shenandoah Valley in the west.

The entire village will participate in Treasurers On The Turnpike (<http://www.route50.com/yardsale.html>) with rummage sales at the churches and school, and a Flea Market with exhibitors featuring antiques, crafts, jewelry, railroadiana, sterling, and collectibles. Some are selling their unwanted treasures... others will be looking for diamonds in the rough!

Visitors can tour the historic Aldie Mill, built between 1808 and 1809, or stroll thru the village from one end to the other enjoying classic rock and blues, all the while enjoying southern home cooking, pizza, subs, and tasty treats available from the various bake sales. Participating merchants will also offer special events to commemorate the celebration, such as the wine tasting at The Aldie Peddler which will be paired with Pride of the Plains' all-natural grass fed beef.

More events that weekend...

Come celebrate the birthday of Charles Fenton Mercer, the founder of Aldie Mill (<http://www.nvrpa.org/parks/aldiemill/index.php>) and the village of Aldie, on Sunday, May 23, from Noon to 5 p.m.. Travel back in time 200 years to 1810--the Mill is only a year old, and the village of Aldie has just been founded! This event will feature period music and dancing, refreshments, and children's games from the early 1800s.

The planning committee will be accepting Sponsors until Thursday, May 20. For Sponsor information, please contact Rosanna Smith, 703-327-5313 or download the Event Flyer, Application Form and Sponsorship Information by visiting the web site. <http://www.villageofaldie.com/bicentennial/treasures.htm>

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