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July 1, 2016

Dear Friend,

It is time to renew your membership in the Friends of Valley Falls for fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Your support is needed and very much appreciated.

We are well aware of the scenic value that Valley Falls Farm adds to our community, and we work hard to preserve this value. **Your contribution to our Special Building Fund helps us keep the property maintained, visually attractive, and in a condition that enhances this beautiful area.**

We are especially challenged by the Farm's *seven* buildings, which include a large stable and a historic 1840 farmhouse. These old buildings require constant upkeep. This fiscal year we continued the painting work on the interior of the stable, and culled through some of the old contents to determine which pieces should be preserved. Funded by a state grant, the Valley Falls Heritage Center will be established in the stable. The Center will provide information about the National Historic Register sites in the Valley Falls area, as well as information about Valley Falls Farm's history as a "gentleman's farm".

In 2014 we set up a committee structure in order to strengthen the organization. The committees are listed on the attached form. Your help is needed! **Please let us know if you have a particular expertise or would like to assist with any one of the committees.**

We are a non-profit organization, and your donations are tax-deductible. YOUR interest and continued support encourage US to continue our work.

Sincerely,

Ann Letendre, Membership Chairperson

Board of Directors

*Virginia Gingras, Karin James, Joe King, Ann Letendre, Bob Letendre,
Jean Merz, Paula Passaretti, Don Sierakowski*

Membership / Contribution Form

Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

Name _____ Zip Code _____

Street _____ Town / State _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

(Please know that we do not share this information with any organization or business).

Check Membership Category

- INDIVIDUAL - \$15
- FAMILY - \$25
- CONTRIBUTING - \$50
- SUPPORTING - \$100

OR CONTRIBUTION ONLY (not a membership) \$ _____

**Yes, I would like to make an additional contribution to the
Special Building Fund! \$ _____**

Yes, I would like to help the Friends. Please call me to talk about how I can help.

Which committee interests you?

Community Outreach (membership, marketing, publications, website)

Board Chairmen: Ginny Gingras and Karin James

Business Development (fund raising, grant applications, endowment fund development)

Board Chairmen: Ann Letendre, Don Sierakowski

Building & Grounds (needs assessment; maintenance planning & scheduling; oversight of hired workers) Board Chairmen: Bob Letendre, Joe King

Special Projects (new grants; Valley Falls Heritage Center Development)

Board Chairmen: Ann Letendre, Paula Passaretti