

Virginia Chapter report for 2014

Membership: 11

Carry forward: \$189.72

2014 Chapter Activity:

- Contributed to Virginia Tourism Corp. winter hiking blogs to promote awareness of towers in VA
- Began discussions with local contractor to restore Cove Mountain Tower
- Made partnership with VA is for Lovers/VA Tourism to continue to be included on website to drive awareness of FFLA & VA towers
- Cleaned Elliot Knob tower site (interior)
- Pursuing restoration opportunities for Elliot Knob & Bull Mountain Towers with USFS
- Visited/documentated the following towers & submitted them to the National Historic Lookout Register (all accepted): Alton, Bedford, Blackstone (Nottoway), Cove Mountain, Crafton Gate, Groundhog Mountain, Mendota, Woodstock towers
- Contributed photos of Mendota tower to member Robert Sorrells's book "Blue Ridge Fire Towers"
- Thanks to Ron Stafford, created WV-VA Chapters FFLA Facebook page
- Update VA tower inventory
- Explore scenarios to restore towers to rentals with NPS
- Working with Shenandoah National Park to restore firefinder on Hawksbill on Skyline Drive
- Create VA Lookouts website to drive FFLA membership & overall awareness of VA Towers
- Create pamphlets about FFLA to drive membership at places such as Paint Bank General Store, Big Walker Lookout, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

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