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Dear Friend of Menokin:

One of life's greatest pleasures is watching something that you love and cherish grow, thrive, and mature. One of *my* greatest pleasures is my involvement with the Menokin Foundation and seeing an almost-forgotten National Historic Landmark come back to life. Who would have thought 15 years ago that Francis Lightfoot Lee's magnificent home, in partial ruin, would be open to the public, stabilized, and interpreted for future generations?

Through the investments of individuals, foundations, and corporations in 2006, the Menokin Foundation was able to:

- construct a new storage, work, and exhibit facility adjacent to the Visitors Center;
- reassemble and conserve Menokin's exquisite front entryway;
- excavate, document, identify and store hundreds of architectural elements from the ruin;
- repair standing masonry walls and conserve original plaster and intact framing members;
- conduct a GPS survey of our 500-acre property;
- organize educational workshops and lectures;
- and host hundreds of visitors to Menokin through individual tours and special events.

These accomplishments, outstanding as they are, have little significance if they are not shared with the public. Keeping our Visitors Center open, our small staff available to conduct research and educational programs, and the Menokin ruin site safe and accessible are the life-blood activities of the Menokin Foundation.

Please consider investing in our important, publicly-oriented operations by donating to this year's annual giving campaign. Your annual gift is more important than ever as the Menokin Foundation enters into its second decade.

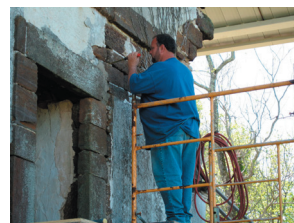
Sincerely,  
Helen Turner Murphy  
(Mrs. W. Tayloe Murphy, Jr.)  
President, Board of Trustees



*The new storage, work and exhibit facility (left) next to the Visitors Center.*



*The reassembled front doorway of Menokin.*



*Masonry stabilization work at the ruin, May, 2006.*



*Menokin's front doorway is now on display with its best chimneypiece.*



*Quoins and stone window surrounds were excavated from the ruin this spring.*