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George Washington Carver Birthplace Association Announces New Director

George Washington Carver National Monument is pleased to announce that George Washington Carver Birthplace Association (CBA) has selected Krista L. Stark as their new Director and Development Specialist. Ms. Stark is a graduate of MSSU, where she received her BA in Speech Communication, with an emphasis in Public Relations and Intercultural Communications. Krista has worked in both paid and volunteer capacities for several community non-profits, including The Clean Air Project, Girl Scouts, PTO, and the MSSU Alumni Association. She has quality experience in fundraising and grant writing, and owns a catering business. Ms. Stark's background in grant writing, community organizing, building coalitions, recruiting volunteers, and planning fundraising events offers new possibilities and initiatives for CBA and George Washington Carver National Monument.

Upon accepting the director position, Ms. Stark stated, "I am honored to be chosen as the next Carver Birthplace Association Director at this very exciting time for the association and the park and can't wait to begin sharing the inspirational life and legacy of Dr. Carver with the community and the nation."

George Washington Carver National Monument Superintendent James Heaney remarked, "Krista's diverse background makes her an asset to the National Park Service, and our long time partner, the Carver Birthplace Association. We are looking forward to working together to form a shared vision, meet mutual goals, and further enhance the visitor experience at the George Washington Carver National Monument."

The George Washington Carver Birthplace Association is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization that exists to support the educational and scientific programs of George Washington Carver National Monument. For more information on how you can make a difference by joining, please contact Business Manager Pauline Charles at 417-325-4151.

George Washington Carver National Monument preserves the birthplace and childhood home of George Washington Carver. The park is located two miles west of Diamond, Missouri on Hwy V, then south ½ mile on Carver Road. Visiting hours are daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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