



JULY 4, 1776.

*The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united
States of America*

*When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for
one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected
them with another,*

*John Hancock
Tho. Stone*



This Junior Ranger booklet belongs to



*Junior Ranger Program
Ages 5-12*

WHAT IS A PARK RANGER?

Park Rangers at Thomas Stone National Historic Site have many different jobs. They do things such as:

- Rangers give education programs and tours
- Rangers give out information and help visitors
- Rangers care for buildings and roads
- Rangers protect trees and animals



WHAT IS A JUNIOR RANGER?

Junior Rangers are important people. They help Park Rangers protect Thomas Stone National Historic Site. Junior Rangers also learn about the history of the park. It's easy to be a Junior Ranger, just follow the directions below.

Directions to Complete Junior Ranger Program:

1. Watch the eight-minute orientation video in the Visitor Center.
2. On your walk to the house you should also visit the cemetery, the stables, the corncrib, and the tobacco barn.
3. Complete this booklet, according to these age requirements:

Ages 5-7 years	at least 4 activities
Ages 8-10 years	at least 6 activities
Ages 11 years and up	all activities.

Each page represents one activity. Put a checkmark in the boxes when you complete that activity.
4. Complete your booklet before 4:30 p.m. and return it to the Park Ranger at the Visitor Center to get your certificate signed and receive your Junior Ranger badge.
5. Wear your new badge with pride!

What is a National Park?

National Parks are special places in America that are set aside, or preserved, for people to enjoy. The National Park Service (NPS) takes care of more than 385 different sites in the United States and its territories, including Thomas Stone National Historic Site.

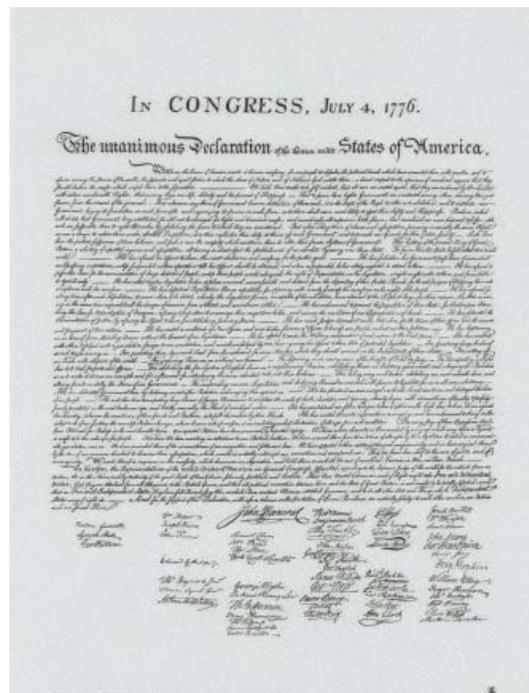


Who was Thomas Stone?

Thomas Stone National Historic Site was the home of Thomas Stone, Maryland's youngest signer of the Declaration of Independence. Stone was an active Patriot in the American Revolution, and a peace loving man who helped to create a new country, the United States of America. Thomas Stone was also a lawyer, a state senator, a husband and father.

Thomas, his wife Margaret and their three children lived at Haberdeventure. This was a house that he had built in 1771. Although they did not live here long, the house stayed in the Stone family until 1936. The house remained privately owned until 1977 when a devastating fire destroyed much of the home.

The National Park Service made Haberdeventure a National Historic Site in 1978. After restoring the home, the NPS opened the site for visitors in 1997.



Then and Now

Thomas Stone built this house over 200 years ago. Many items we have in our home today were not available to someone living in 1776.

Match the items we use today to those they used in 1776.

1776

Today





Word Scramble

Unscramble the words below of places, people and things that were important in Thomas Stone's life.

1. Thomas Stone's job.

AWLREY

2. House that Thomas Stone owned.

REABHEDRNETVEU

3. Name of Thomas Stone's wife.

MTAGERRA

4. Name of the war that was fought for American freedom.

INCAEMRA NIRVEOLTUO

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5. Famous document Thomas Stone signed.

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6. A person who supported the Revolution.

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Scavenger Hunt

Locate items around Thomas Stone's plantation. Write down the areas where you find each item.

1. Thomas Stone's grave marker _____
2. Thomas Stone's Desk _____
3. Flag _____
4. Silver Tea Service _____
5. Gun _____
6. Painting of Margaret Stone _____
7. Copy of the Declaration of Independence _____
8. Picture of the Signing of the Declaration _____
9. Medicine Bottle _____
10. Chamber Pot _____
11. Spinet (Musical Instrument) _____
12. 1794 Maryland Map _____

Draw your favorite item from your visit.

Other Revolutionary War Sites

Can you name these other National Park Sites that are associated with the Revolutionary War?



UNIEMT

ANM



ROTF

TXWSIAN



LEYVAL

RGOEF



EDNEIPCENDNE
ALHL



FDGLUIOR
SOREUUCOTH



WOYRNTKO
FABTEDILTEL

Name Bank

Fort Stanwix

Independence Hall

Yorktown Battlefield

Minute Man

Guilford Courthouse

Valley Forge

THOMAS STONE AND THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Directions for Word Search-

Find where the words listed below are hidden in the puzzle and circle them. The words go up, down, across, diagonal and backwards.
Good Luck!

A P Y M A R G A R E T S P I T L S R E N A I D P Q I
I I A D R O A T O N O I I A O N N E T E N A R O N T
H A R T P O P E R T E L O A R N W E X N H R C R M E
P I R A R L E E D R P O T N I A R V O A W N T T E A
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T T L S E T U S R D O N E L S M A L L P O X Y W K H
A E A R D C M H E E A G Y W R I L P E S O A I P E T

WORD BANK

WASHINGTON
MARGARET
LAWYER
ANNAPOLIS
PORT TOBACCO
THOMAS STONE

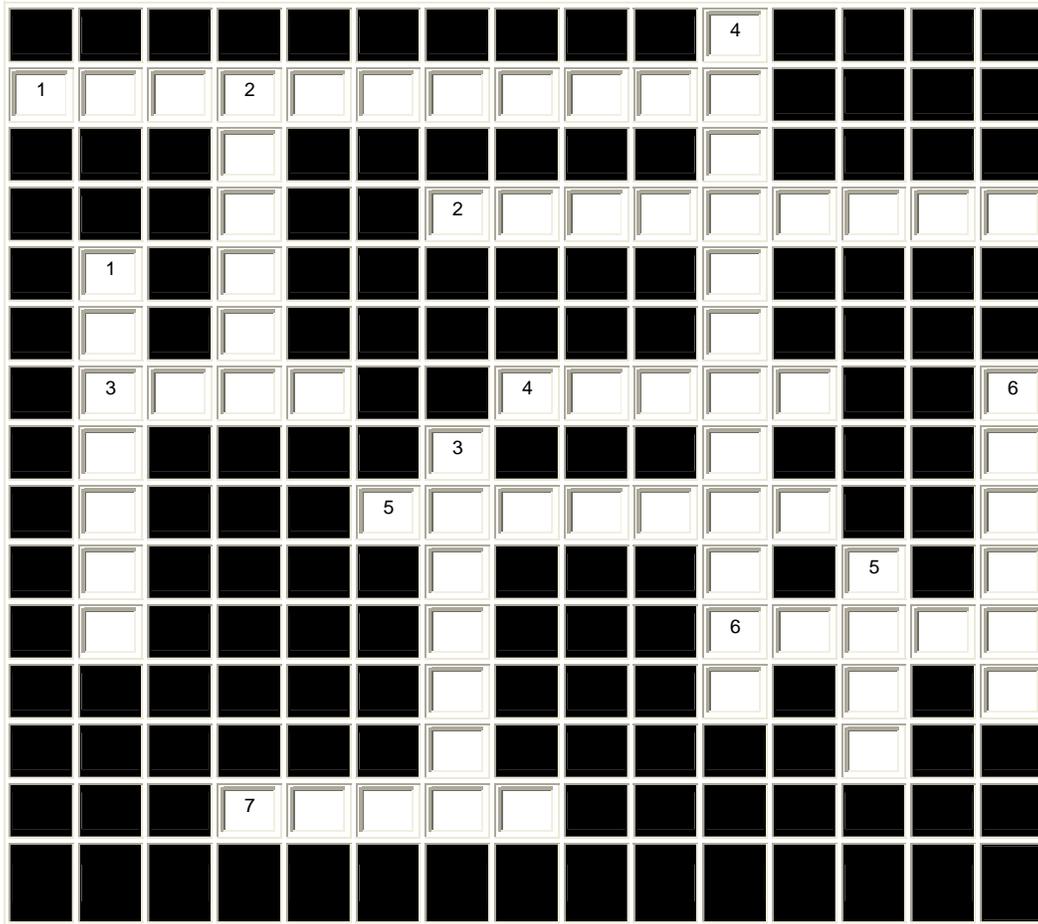
JEFFERSON
SMALLPOX
INDEPENDENCE HALL
CONTINENTAL CONGRESS
HABERDEVENTURE

PHILADELPHIA
TAXES
TORIES
PATRIOTS
MERCURY





Revolutionary Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. _____ of Independence
2. Writer of the Declaration of Independence
3. Person still loyal to Great Britain
4. The owner of Haberdeventure in 1776
5. Sword-like attachment to a musket.
6. One of the 4 Maryland signers of the Declaration of Independence, first name Samuel.
7. A feather used for a pen.

DOWN

1. Person loyal to the Revolution
2. Occupation of Thomas Stone.
3. Maryland signer of the Declaration named Charles.
4. Freedom
5. Maryland signer of the Declaration named William.
6. Weapon used during the Revolutionary War.

Resolve the Revolutionary Rebus

Rebuses were a popular form of puzzle when Thomas Stone was alive. A rebus combines pictures and words to send a message. Solve the rebus to answer the question below.

 Uncle D  (-t)iel,

U know m   wishes  a

 upon t  ms of  curi 

and justice  .

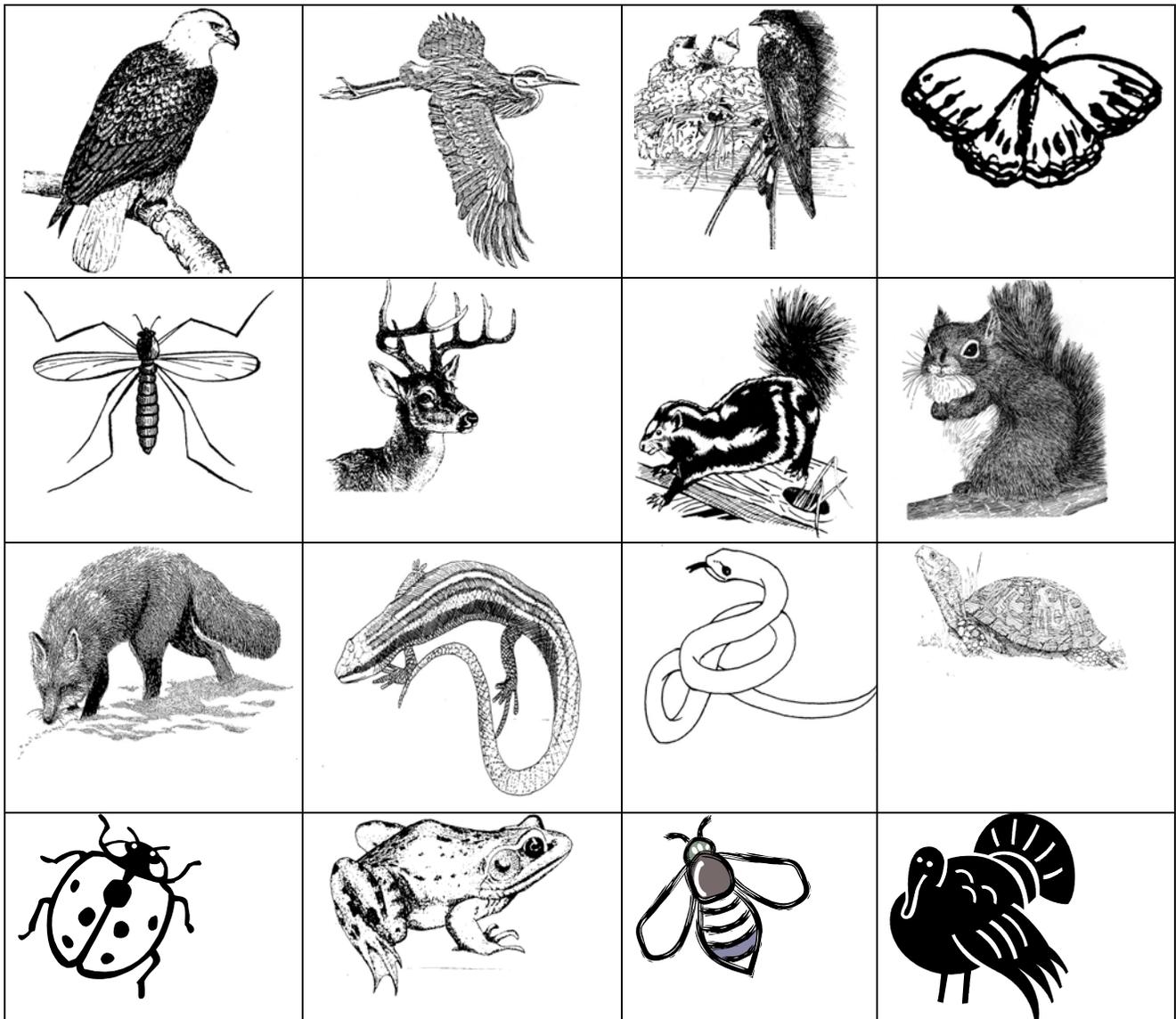
But ,  (-t)ything, is preferable

 a sur  of our r  ghts.

What does the letter say?

OUR PARK NEIGHBORS

Haberdeventure was the home to Thomas Stone and his family for many years. As a large working farm he grew corn and wheat and raised many domestic animals such as pigs and chickens. Today, however, Haberdeventure is a National Park Site that is home to many wild animals. As you explore the grounds of Thomas Stone National Historic Site, keep your eyes and ears open. Circle all the animals and insects you SEE or HEAR.



The National Park Service- A Symbol of Stewardship

National Parks are managed by the federal government, but who owns them? All Americans, even you! As a Junior Ranger, you have an important responsibility to help take care of your National Parks.

Our National Parks are set aside “to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations.”

The National Park Service arrowhead is a symbol of stewardship- it reminds us of the reasons we protect park resources for the future. What park resources do you think these symbols represent?

Arrowhead _____

Sequoia Tree _____

Mountains _____

Bison _____





CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Great work!

Return to the visitor's desk to meet with a ranger.

⚔ Show the ranger all the work you've done!

⚔ Say the Junior Ranger pledge!

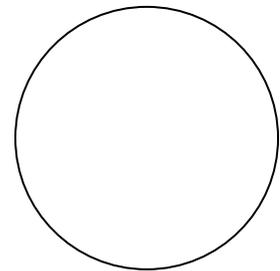
⚔ Collect your badge!

The Junior Ranger Pledge

I, _____ promise to teach others about what I learned
(Print your name here)
today, explore other parks and historic sites, and help preserve and
protect these places so future generations can enjoy them.

Your Signature

Park Ranger's Signature



Stamp the circle with
the official cancellation of
Thomas Stone National
Historic Site



It's Cool To Be A



Junior Ranger!

GOOD JOB AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!