



You are invited to become a
Friend of the Cradle of
Forestry!



Like many of our nation's treasured special areas, the Cradle faces serious challenges in the form of budget reductions, aging facilities, and exhibits that are in need of renovation. Its small dedicated staff and volunteers work earnestly to stretch every penny and serve its guests well. By becoming a Friend, together we can enhance school programs, special events, and interpretive services, and also improve site amenities. **You can make a difference.**

The Friends' parent organization, the Cradle of Forestry in America Interpretive Association (CFAIA), has been making a difference since 1972. This non-profit partner works with the USDA Forest Service to help operate the Cradle of Forestry. Over the past two years, it has brought a new movie to the site, provided internet service to staff and volunteers, and created a new exhibit, the hands-on "Adventure Zone" for kids with autism and other disabilities. Currently the CFAIA is working with the Forest Service on the construction of a roof over the Cradle's outdoor amphitheatre, developing new exhibits on a third mile-long accessible trail (the Forest Discovery Trail), and planning a new exhibit on climate change. These projects have and will make positive improvements, but we need your help to allow the Cradle to reach its full potential.

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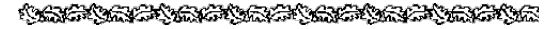
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CFAIA

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Friends of the Cradle of Forestry



Why are we called the *Cradle of Forestry*?

- In this area Gifford Pinchot developed the first forest management plan for a large forest in the U.S.
- The first school of forestry in America was located in this area.
- Approximately 80,000 acres, including the Cradle of Forestry, was the first large tract acquired for National Forests under the Weeks Act of 1911.

Become a Friend of the Cradle, and you will become a partner in preserving one of America's greatest legacies for those who will come after us.



There are two paths to becoming a Friend of the Cradle of Forestry. Both paths directly benefit the Cradle of Forestry site. You may **donate your time** and become a Friend of the Cradle, or you may **make a financial donation** to become a Friend. The different ways to become a member are listed below.

Along with the knowledge that you are choosing to make a difference by supporting this piece of forest history, promoting environmental stewardship and helping engage people with the natural world, you will receive the following benefits:

- ✿ Free passes to the Cradle of Forestry (number according to level of gift)
- ✿ A 15% discount at CFAIA stores, including the Giving Tree at the Cradle of Forestry and the Forest Place in downtown Brevard.
- ✿ CFAIA quarterly newsletter, Nature-Oriented Parenting
- ✿ One free copy of "There's Magic at the Cradle" movie – to be picked up at the Cradle of Forestry.
- ✿ A free nature hike (group) led by Adam DeWitte, Director of Education at the CFAIA.

Steps to becoming a Friend of the Cradle of Forestry:

1. Complete the reply sheet in the brochure.
2. **YOU CAN PLEDGE** to volunteer 40 hours at the Cradle of Forestry in the next year. Write a note pledging the time and your contact information (phone number and/or email address). After the service has been completed, request a record of your service hours from the Cradle of Forestry. Mail this to the above address and you will receive your card and benefits.

OR:

3. **Send \$25 (individual), \$35 (couple), \$50 (family), \$100 (Schenck), \$250 (Pinchot), or \$500 (Vanderbilt)** with a check made payable to "CFAIA" to 66 S. Broad Street, Brevard, NC, 28712. Please write "Friends group" in the memo line. If you prefer to pay by credit card, call Julie Dennis at 828-884-5713, ext. 19 and she will take your information.
4. We will send you a membership card for 2011 as well as free passes to the Cradle of Forestry.



Please say "YES!" Become a Friend of the Cradle of Forestry in America today!

Please complete the following and mail your membership application to Friends of the Cradle of Forestry in the enclosed envelope.

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

1. Volunteer Pledge
_____ I pledge to volunteer 40 hours at the Cradle of Forestry in America in 2011. (If you are interested in volunteering, please contact hope@cfaia.org to get started.)

Volunteer Pledge Signature

OR

2. Payment:
___ Check (All checks made payable to CFAIA (Cradle of Forestry in America Interpretive Association)

___ Credit Card (Call Julie Dennis at CFAIA at 828-884-5713, ext. 19 and she will take your information. Please submit the form itself by mail.)

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| ___ \$10.00 Student | ___ \$100 Schenck |
| ___ \$25.00 Individual | ___ \$250 Pinchot |
| ___ \$35.00 Couple | ___ \$500 Vanderbilt |
| ___ \$50.00 Family | |

Thanks for walking the extra mile in keeping kids and adults connected to forestry and nature! If you have any questions, please contact hope@cfaia.org.