



***Learn the Craft of Dry-Laid Stone Masonry!***  
**Spring 2011 Workshop Schedule**  
**April – May**

**Workshop Descriptions**

**Introductory Workshops** are designed for drystone enthusiasts with little to no previous experience who would like to gain a basic understanding of drystone construction techniques. The pace will be comfortable and participants will learn the fundamental skills needed to build and repair a typical rock fence or retaining wall.

**Advanced and Special Features Workshops** are designed for individuals who have already taken an introductory workshop, have mastered the basic skills involved and are ready to take on the challenge of more complicated work. The pace is a bit more rigorous than that of an introductory workshop.

**Workshop Logistics**

The Conservancy strives to maintain a ratio of one experienced instructor per six participants, thus assuring plenty of individual attention. A typical workshop includes from 6 to 12 participants, with no more than 18 permitted. Workshops run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. both days, beginning with a brief introduction to dry stone masonry construction and safety, followed by two days of hands-on instruction while restoring or building a dry stone fence or retaining wall. The Conservancy will provide work gloves, safety glasses and rock or brick hammers for those who do not already own or plan to buy them in advance of the workshop.

**Workshop Registration**

**The two-day workshop fee is \$300.00.** The fee includes a copy of our training manual *Building and Repairing Dry Stone Fences & Retaining Walls* to be handed out on the first day of the workshop, plus online access prior to the workshop for viewing our training video *Walls of Stone: Building and Repairing Rock Fences and Retaining Walls*. Lunches are also included; however, if you have any unusual dietary restrictions please plan to bring your own food. Additionally, upon successful completion of an introductory workshop, participants are then eligible to participate on the Conservancy's Volunteer Work Days at no cost! For more information about our Volunteer Work Days, please contact the office.

To register for a spring 2011 workshop, please mail the enclosed registration form along with a **\$150.00 deposit** for each workshop you plan to attend. We accept payment in the form of cash, check and money order. We will send an initial confirmation within a week of receipt as well as a final confirmation letter two weeks prior to the workshop with detailed instructions and directions to the workshop site.

You may fax your registration form to hold a spot; however we must receive your deposit within five days to guarantee it. We greatly appreciate knowing well in advance if you are unable to attend so we can offer your spot to another person on the waiting list. **Deposits are fully-refundable only if we hear from you at least two weeks prior to the first day of your workshop. Deposits are otherwise nonrefundable.**

Please be aware the number of participants in each workshop is limited and **workshops are often fully booked several weeks in advance.** We strongly recommend you reply quickly in order to guarantee your spot!



**April 15th & 16th (Friday & Saturday) – “Hebron Cemetery Workshop”  
Lawrenceburg, KY**

This introductory workshop is part of an ongoing effort to restore the historic rock fences surrounding this settlement-period cemetery in Anderson County, Kentucky. Previous workshop participants at this site have commented on the excellent idyllic location as well as the tasty lunches prepared by the women of the church!



**April 30th & May 1st (Saturday & Sunday) - “Hopewell Furnace Retaining Wall Workshop” – Elverson, PA**

During this introductory workshop participants will rebuild sections of the historic East Headrace at the Hopewell Furnace National Historic Site in eastern PA. In addition to enjoying a perfect rural setting for this workshop, participants will also be treated to a guided tour of this fully restored historic iron furnace complex.



**May 21st & 22nd (Saturday & Sunday) – “Shaker Village Edge Fence Workshop”  
Mercer Co, KY**

This introductory workshop will be held at Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill near Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Shaker Village is a fully-restored early 1800’s community as well as a beautiful 3,000-acre nature preserve featuring more than 23 miles of historic rock fences. Edge fences were built with the rock laid “on edge” and are typically found along streams and on steep hillsides throughout central Kentucky. For on-site lodging and more information about Shaker Village, go to [www.shakervillageky.org](http://www.shakervillageky.org).



**May 28th & 29th (Saturday & Sunday) – “Shaker Village Special Features Workshop”  
Mercer Co, KY (Please note, this is Memorial Day weekend.)**

This advanced workshop will be held at Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill near Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Workshop participants will be working on a new installation that includes a section of edge fence, corner, wallhead, drainage opening and arch as well as other features as time allows. Due to the advanced nature of this workshop, participants must have already attended at least one previous workshop. For on-site lodging and more information about Shaker Village, go to [www.shakervillageky.org](http://www.shakervillageky.org).

**Mark Your Calendar for More Great Events Planned for this Spring!**

**Central Kentucky Home, Garden & Flower Show, April 7th-10th (Thurs-Sun) Lexington, KY @ Rupp Arena.**

Come throughout the show and watch as experienced drystone masons build a full-scale replica of a historic rock fence without using any mortar, and learn how you can get involved in the Conservancy’s programs! The exhibit will include a section of edge fence, a corner, wallhead, square and arched drains and other features commonly found in drystone walls and fences. For show times and more information, go to [www.ckyhomeshow.com](http://www.ckyhomeshow.com).

Several **Volunteer Work Days** are already scheduled for this spring at various historic rock fence sites in Fayette, Boyle and Woodford counties in Kentucky. Volunteer Work Days provide previous workshop participants with the opportunity to gain more experience at no charge while working alongside experienced masons restoring historic rock fences throughout the Bluegrass. If you are interested, please contact the office for more details and to register.

**April 23rd (Saturday) – “Fayette County Volunteer Work Day”**

**May 14th (Saturday) – “Woodford County Volunteer Work Day”**

**June 1st (Saturday) – “Boyle County Volunteer Work Day”**

Additional **Fall Workshops, Volunteer Work Days** and other **Demonstrations** and **Events** will be posted on our website at [www.drystone.org](http://www.drystone.org) as the year progresses. Please check often!

(Please **print** all information)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**The following information is requested for workshop coordination purposes:**

List previous masonry, landscaping or construction experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe any health or physical limitations: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate any dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

What do you hope to do with the skills learned in the workshop? \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your Spring 2011 workshop choice(s) on the next page.

**Want to stay informed about upcoming events and news? Keeping in touch with us is easy!**

- Please add me to the **future workshops** notification list.
- Please add me to the **E-News** mailing list sent via email.
- Please add me to the **newsletter** mailing list sent by US mail.
- Please add me to the **volunteer day notification** list.

**Please make your check or money order payable to:**

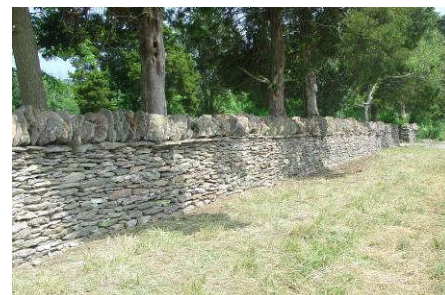
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*Volunteer Work Day in Central Kentucky*



*Introductory Fence Workshop, before*



*Introductory Fence Workshop, after*



## Spring 2011 Workshop Registration Form (page 2 of 2)

The two-day workshop fee is \$300.00. Please send a \$150.00 deposit for each workshop you would like to attend. **Please indicate your first and second preferences;** you will be contacted immediately if your first choice is no longer available. An initial confirmation letter will be sent upon receipt of your deposit, and a follow-up letter two weeks prior to the workshop with more details and directions to the workshop site.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Fri/Sat April 15th & 16th “Hebron Cemetery Workshop” – Anderson County, KY  
During this introductory workshop, participants will rebuild sections of rock fence surrounding the historic cemetery. Lunches included.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sat/Sun April 30th & May 1st “Hopewell Furnace Retaining Wall Workshop” – Elverson, PA  
During this introductory workshop, participants will rebuild sections of the east headrace retaining wall at this historic iron furnace site managed by the National Park Service. Lunches and site tour included.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sat/Sun May 21st & 22nd “Shaker Village Edge Fence Workshop” – Mercer County, KY  
During this introductory workshop, participants will rebuild sections of an early Kentucky fence style where all the rock is laid on its edge. Lunches included.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sat/Sun May 28th & 29th “Shaker Village Special Features Workshop” – Mercer County, KY  
During this advanced workshop, participants will build an exhibit that includes a section of edge fence, a corner, a wallhead, an arch and other features as time allows. Lunches included.

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### Contribution Information

*(Your tax-deductible gift is greatly appreciated but is not required for future workshop notification or E-news.)*

I would like to support the work of the Dry Stone Conservancy.  
Enclosed please find my voluntary tax-deductible contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

*A confirmation letter and receipt will be sent for your tax purposes.*

**Please mail forms to:**  
Dry Stone Conservancy  
1065 Dove Run Road, Suite 6  
Lexington, KY 40502

For more information about the Conservancy’s non-profit mission and programs, please visit our website at [www.drystone.org](http://www.drystone.org) or call the office at (859) 266-4807. Office hours are 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday.

*“The mission of the Dry Stone Conservancy is to preserve existing drystone structures, and to revive and promote the ancient craft of dry-laid stone masonry.”*