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Spotswood Baptist Church Orchestra to Perform at Chatham

FREDERICKSBURG, VA — Bring a lawn chair or spread a blanket on the lawn of Chatham as the 30-piece Spotswood Baptist Church Orchestra entertains you with a variety of classical and patriotic music. Robert Farmer, a former conductor of the Quantico Marine Band, directs the orchestra. The concert, sponsored by the National Park Service, will begin on Sunday, June 6, at 7 p.m. on the front lawn, which overlooks the City of Fredericksburg and the Rappahannock River. The concert is free to the public and will last approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes.

Chatham was built by William Fitzhugh in 1771 and was visited by such famous individuals as George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, and Clara Barton. During the Civil War it served the Union army as both a headquarters and field hospital. It has been owned by the National Park Service since 1975.

Chatham lies in Stafford County, directly across the Rappahannock River from downtown Fredericksburg. To reach the house from Fredericksburg, cross the Route 3 (Chatham) Bridge, turn left onto Chatham Heights Road, and then turn left again onto Chatham Lane. For additional information, call the National Park Service at 540-373-6122.

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