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**THE ALBEMARLE TOURISM AND ADVENTURE CENTER IN CROZET
HOSTS “MEET THE AUTHOR” BOOK SIGNING EVENT
Mary Buford Hitz to present her latest novel, FOR THE LOVE OF THE LAND,
on October 21st**

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. (October 18, 2016) – The [Charlottesville Albemarle Convention & Visitors Bureau](#) (CACVB) announces another book signing event with a local author, to be held at the Albemarle Tourism and Adventure Center located in downtown Crozet (5791 Three Notch'd Rd).

On Friday, October 21st from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mary Buford Hitz will present her latest novel called FOR THE LOVE OF THE LAND: A History of the Wintergreen Community. This book, based on historical facts, is a full-color hardcover history of one of the first environmentally conscious developments in the country. For the greater part of two years Ms. Buford-Hitz has been part of a five-member committee who has collected interviews, documents, photographs, and stories about the 40-year history of Wintergreen Resort.

Mary Buford Hitz is a Virginia author and historian. She is a freelance journalist who has written for the Washington Post, the Richmond Times Dispatch and regional magazines. In 2000, the University Press of Virginia published her biography of her mother, NEVER ASK PERMISSION: Elisabeth Scott Bocock of Richmond. This book is in its third edition and is available on Amazon as a paperback and ebook. Her historical novel, RIDING TO CAMILLE, is about horseback riders in the Blue Ridge who encounter the remnants of hurricane Camille, the second of three catastrophic Category 5 hurricanes to make landfall in the United States during the 20th century. The audiobook version of RIDING TO CAMILLE is read by Rebekkah Hilgraves.

The new Albemarle Tourism and Adventure Center's staff is ready to educate visitors and locals about the array of tourism assets to be enjoyed in our area. This visitor center is located in the historic train depot in Downtown Crozet, which until recently was home to the town's library. The space inside this beautiful building is shared with a consortium of local artisans, the Crozet Artisan Depot, LLC (Artisans), making it a must-see location for visitors. Please check the event calendar at www.visitcharlottesville.org/visitors/calendar-of-events/ for a complete list of events.

About the Charlottesville Albemarle Convention & Visitors Bureau (CACVB):

In addition to serving as the global resource for marketing the tourism assets of [Charlottesville](#) and [Albemarle County](#), Virginia, through www.visitcharlottesville.org, the CACVB assists tour operators, meeting planners, reunions and other groups in planning visits to the destination. CACVB's mission is "to enhance the economic prosperity of City and County by promoting,

selling and marketing the City of Charlottesville and County of Albemarle, as a destination, in pursuit of the meetings and tourism markets.” CACVB operates the [Downtown Visitor Center \(610 E Main St\)](#) which is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and a second visitor center, the [Albemarle Tourism and Adventure Center](#) in downtown Crozet ([5791 Three Notch'd Rd](#)) at the historic train depot; it is open Wednesday - Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday Noon - 5:00 p.m. The CACVB also provides a touch-screen kiosk at Monticello's Thomas Jefferson Visitor Center. The official website of the CACVB is www.visitcharlottesville.org. In addition, the organization manages powerful social media channels; ExperienceCharlottesville on Facebook, @VisitCville on Twitter, CvilleVA on Pinterest, and @CharlottesvilleVA on Instagram and Vimeo.