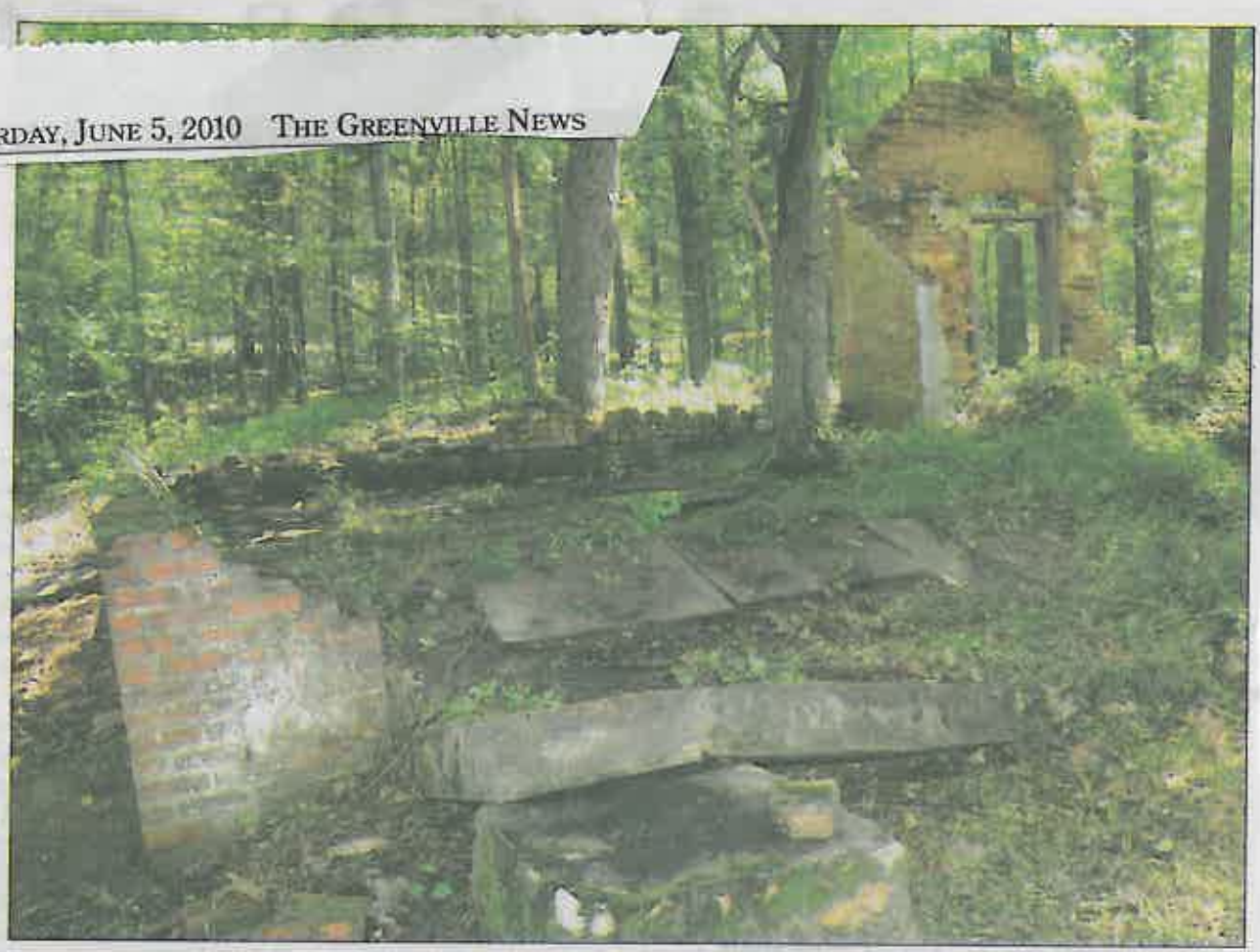
# Past uncovered at Woodburn

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The old dairy barn on the grounds of Woodburn Plantation House in Pendleton. What's left of a doorway and the barn's foundation were recently uncovered during work on a nearby trail on the property.

# Remains of blacksmith, horse barns discovered

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PENDLETON — The public is getting its first formal invitation today to see another piece of plantation history recently uncovered at the Woodburn Historic House.

The foundations and portions of the walls for the home's horse and blacksmith barns were discovered a few weeks back while volunteers were clearing brush along part of Woodburn's historic trail, according to Christa Skeen, executive director of the Pendleton Historic Foundation, which operates the Woodburn Plantation Home.



Skeen

She said the brush around the areas has been partially cleared and the buildings' remains are now available for public viewing on the former plantation's historical trail walking tour.

"These findings are able to show how the plantation farm was actually operated and what used to be there, which sheds light on what we even thought that we had known for the last 50 years as a foundation," Skeen said.

She said to give residents an opportunity to walk the trail, a guided trail tour will be offered today from 10-11 a.m. She said the tour will cost $2 per adult and free for children ages 10 and under.

The trail also includes an old quartz road, cistern and horse trough, foundations for the creamery, calving barn, an 1880s bunkhouse and several mounting blocks, which where used for people to get on horses, Skeen said.

She said the one-half mile round trip walking trail is rated "easy" going down and "moderate" traveling back toward the house. Sturdy walking shoes or hiking boots are recommended.

Skeen said the trail tour will also include guided tours of three reconstructed plantation outbuildings that are in the backyard of Woodburn – a log cabin, tenant farmer cabin and carriage house.

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Guests who want to see the house after the walking tour is complete can do so for an additional, but discounted, rate of $4 per person, Skeen said.

She said the normal rate to tour the Woodburn house is $6 per person and said if guests just want to tour the house without taking the historic walking trail, they can do so for the regular rate starting at 11 a.m.

For children, the normal rate will apply for the Woodburn house, whether they are just touring the house or doing so in addition to the trail tour, Skeen said.

She said it is $2 for a child age 5 to 10 and free for kids 4 and under.

The Woodburn home was built in the 1830s, Skeen said. According to the foundation's website, it was built as a summer home for former South Carolina Gov. Charles Pinckney of Charleston.

Skeen said the white house with wrap-around two-story piazza is now a house museum and has antebellum antiques and family artifacts.

People will have opportunities to see the trail and the remains of the horse and blacksmith barns after Saturday as well.

Woodburn house is open from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays from April through October.