

Character Development Worksheet
Amidst the Storm: Home Front 1862
Hopewell Furnace, PA
October 12-14, 2012

FAMILY HISTORY:

1. Your name _____
2. Your Date of Birth _____
3. Your place of birth _____
4. Your parent and siblings – are they living or deceased? Where do they live? What was your father’s occupation, religious preference, etc.? What were the significant events of their lives?

5. Distinguishing events affecting your character’s life.

6. Place of residence. Do you live in Hopewell Village or in another village? On a farm outside of the village? How long have you lived in the area?

7. Are you married? When? What is your spouses’ occupation?

8. Do you have children? How many? When were they born? Are they living or deceased?

9. When did your family arrive in this area?

10. How well educated are you?

11. Did you attend school? Where did you attend school?

12. What is your occupation? How do you earn your financial support? If you are a woman do you depend on your husband’s income?

13. What role does the furnace play in your life? Are you directly or indirectly employed by the furnace or do provide services to those who work at the furnace? How long have you worked for the furnace or in your current occupation?

14. What interests do you have – occupational, domestic arts, literature, etc.?

15. How well traveled are you?

16. Health issues. Are you relatively healthy, or plagued with some malady?

17. Is your character religious? Do you attend church regularly?

18. What are your thoughts about the War, politics, and slavery?

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