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TONIGHT'S SPECIAL AUCTION

Nature is reclaiming Swains Lockhouse.

This stone home, which sits in Potomac at a popular C&O Canal access point, has been slowly slipping away, the victim of the weather, time, and vandals.

Unless we act now, we won't be able to save Swains. You may remember the Swain family renting canoes and kayaks for visitors to explore the C&O Canal. Now, the lockhouse they lived in for generations could be lost to nature.

But your gift this evening can
bring Swains Lockhouse back from decay
and give it a new future!



Water damage on Swains' back window (left) and downstream first-floor window (below).





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OUR VISION

We have removed the modern fabric of this lockhouse, and it stands with its historic 19th century framing intact. By the fall of 2016, work crews will begin to rehabilitate Swains Lockhouse with two goals: to become a **Canal Quarters** lockhouse and a **Canal Classrooms** space.

CANAL QUARTERS

Our award-winning Canal Quarters program allows visitors to spend the night in one of our six historic lockhouses, each rehabilitated to tell a story about the canal's history. Featuring authentic furniture, supplies, games, and interpretive materials, visitors enjoy a uniquely immersive experience. Swains Lockhouse will interpret the 1916 time period, when the canal was transitioning from a commercial to a recreational resource.



Left: Lockhouse 6 bedroom (1950s); Right: Lockhouse 10 kitchen (1930s)

CANAL CLASSROOMS

The Canal Classrooms program brings over 9,000 students each year to the C&O Canal National Historical Park to learn STEAM concepts (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) with hands-on activities. The large room in Swains Lockhouse will include space for groups of students to learn while visiting the park.

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