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# Heritage & Museum Happenings

MAY/JUNE 2021



## President's Message



Welcome Spring – here comes Summer! Most feel we are ready for a more normal ‘lifestyle’ since COVID rules are being loosened up by our Government and everyone over 16 years is welcome to a vaccine if they choose.

The museum is ready for ‘Take Me Out to the Ball Game’ theme after being held over from 2020. We are hoping to open as soon as it is safe so watch for more information on our website and the Carroll County Times. We still hope to have our speaker, Dan Hartzler speak at one point and to also host a Gettysburg Generals 19th Century Baseball Doubleheader on the grass at Northwest Middle School to the rear of our museum.

First must be our general meeting and election of officers for a 2 yr term, Monday, May 24th, at the Taneytown Fireman’s Activities building at 7 p.m. All members and the public are invited and chairs will be separated. Following the meeting, we will enjoy Jane Sewell and John Boag speaking on the Union Mills Homestead (more info on pg. 2) Please come support the T.H.M.A.

We are excited to host Hudson Day, Sat., June 12, and enjoy those great cars and their proud owners outside on the museum lawn.

I sincerely thank my co-officers and Committee chairmen. All are volunteers and many have served multiple years to make our organization and small museum run smoothly. I sincerely thank ‘YOU’ our members and inter-

ested supporters for your continued support this past year!

...Sandy Crouse, President

## What's going on at the Museum?



Finally, I think we are turning the corner on this pandemic. I wish I could give you an opening date, but my feeling is that it will be soon. We will make the decision when we feel it is safe for our visitors and our volunteers and will be within official guidelines.

We have decided to have Hudson day because it is an outdoor activity and poses low risk. The date for Hudson day will be June 12th and although we have not finalized all details the time is usually 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will also be evaluating at least some access to the museum that day.

Meanwhile we go about making improvements. We will be adding a storage building on the lawn behind the garage. The Taneytown Planning Commission approved a waiver of a site plan April 26th so we should be able to get a

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## IN MEMORIAM

William Robert "Bob" Flickinger

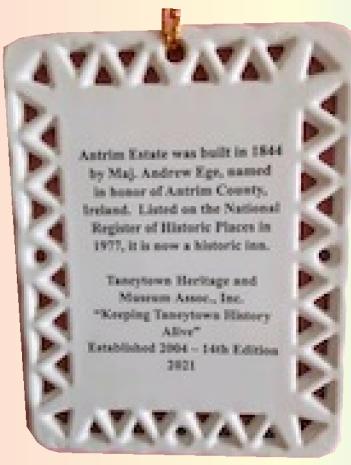
December 3, 1932 - January 1, 2021



Volunteer, Member and Friend



Doris Rasche, Donna Sako, Doug Heck, Kim Carter, **Mayor Robert Flickinger**, George Crouse, and Tyler Boone participate in the opening of the Taneytown History Museum on Aug. 25, 2004. (Baltimore Sun)



**"Antrim"**  
2021  
Ornament

## Remembering "Bob" Flickinger

The May/June Newsletter is dedicated in memory of volunteer and friend, William R. 'Bob' Flickinger. In January 2021 the museum lost a very dedicated museum supporter. Volunteers are the lifeblood of this non-profit organization and Bob was one of the most active and hard working volunteers of T.H.M.A and the History Museum. In August, 2004 he was serving his 3rd term as Mayor of Taneytown and presided at the opening ceremony when the museum initially opened to the public at 24 East Baltimore Street. Over the years Bob served as a member of the Museum Committee, Property Committee, and charter member of T.H.M.A., always willing to help and always with a smile. He generously gave of his time and took on many responsibilities some of which included mowing and snow removal of the museum property, museum greeter, set up and take down for special museum events, transporting supplies to and from storage for the annual Holiday of Trees, Wreaths & Centerpieces, helping at the annual golf tournament and many other projects and activities.

Community was everything to Bob and he deeply cared for the Taneytown community. He served three terms as Taneytown City Councilman, was inducted into the Municipal League Hall of Fame in 1997 for having served more than 20 years in public office. He also served in the U.S. Army from 1955-1958. He retired after a 26 year career at Random House, Inc. He and his wife, Fairy who also is a volunteer, were married for 63 years. He was very active in the Taneytown Lions Club, former member of Taneytown Jaycees, former member and chair of the Carroll County Commission on Aging, Carroll County Parks and Recreation Council, Gettysburg Antique Car Association and Carroll County Historical Society. He handled the mulching projects for

Taneytown City Parks, was an associate with Myers-Durboraw Funeral Home and was an active member of Grace UCC.

Bob was always there, ready and willing to help. He was very caring, and always had a warm greeting for everyone.

...Elaine Hoover, Publicity Chair

## Coming Soon!! New Exhibit in 2021!

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game,"  
*a glimpse into the history of baseball in Taneytown*

## 2021 T.H.M.A. Meeting

T.H.M.A. meets *Monday, May 24*, 7 p.m. at the Fireman's Activities Building, Memorial Drive. Following a short business meeting, the Taneytown Heritage and Museum Association will host Jane Sewell and John Boag as speakers. Jane was the Executive Director of the Union Mills Homestead Foundation. John is currently the miller at the Homestead, having retired as the Master Wheelwright at Colonial Williamsburg. Jane will give a brief history of the Homestead and John will speak both of his duties as a miller and about his work as a master wheelwright.

...Tom Robertson

## T.H.M.A. Election of Officers

The T.H.M.A. election of officers will take place at the May 24th general meeting of the Association, 7 p.m. at the Fireman's Activities Building, Memorial Drive. The Nominating Committee has presented the following slate of nominees: President: Douglas Heck; Vice-president: Pam Reed; Recording Secretary: Regina Soter; Corresponding Secretary: Carolyn Amoss; Treasurer: Meg Herring.

T.H.M.A. members normally have an opportunity to nominate additional candidates "from the floor" at the April meeting. Due to the cancellation of that meet-

ing, members have been informed of an alternate procedure to submit other nominees' names before the May election. Officers elected will serve a 2-year term, beginning immediately after the election.

...Nancy Eyler

## Rolling Out Spring In Our Gift Shop

Our new 2021 ornament – Antrim- has arrived, selling for \$12.00. We carry all ornaments from 2008 to our current, with the history on the back of each, and are being sold at Crouse Ford, NWSB Bank, A *Division of ACNB Bank*, and our museum (when open). We continue to sell 10 different Amish homemade brooms ranging from \$4 to \$18. We have history books including 'Carroll County Maryland BASEBALL' (1850-1999) by Daniel D. Hartzler. There are Taneytown prints - some framed, wooden handmade toys, sock monkeys, note cards, and Taneytown throws (showing local historical buildings). Another new item to go along with our 2021 theme is 'soft ball stress balls.' For a complete gift shop item listing follow us on the web <http://www.taneytownhh.org>

To purchase call Diane Wilhide 410-596-9027 or leave a message on the museum phone 443-918-8687.

Hope to see you soon. Stay Safe.

....Diane Wilhide

## What's going on...

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permit. We are watching for any used buildings that may be available (hopefully 10'x15') as well as pricing new. We are also having the garage floor on the right side refinished to get rid of some holes and some steps between the different pours of concrete. When finished it should provide a nice level, safe clean area to hold events.

Keep checking our T.H.M.A. website [taneytownhh.org](http://taneytownhh.org) for the latest information on the 2021 exhibit as well as opening date and how we will allow safe visitation of our beautiful museum.

...Carroll Hahn,  
Museum committee chairman

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