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Heritage & Museum Happenings

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President's Message



Greetings to everyone! Please spread the word about September and October meetings.

Our museum's 19th anniversary on August 5th is significant, not only because we had lots of visitors, but also because it launched us into our 20th year of giving the Taneytown History Museum to our community. We should be asking "What will the next year look like for the museum?" "What programs and speakers will T.H.M.A. bring for your enjoyment?" and "What will we collectively add to the mix?" The number of visitors attending on August 5th underscore the valuable asset T.H.M.A. is within our community.

We had our second Scavenger Hunt drawing on August 5th and started the third hunt of 2023. Participation has been good and fun to watch.

Several members of our team are already discussing what we might add as annual events on the Museum grounds and what our new exhibit might be in 2024. Your ideas and thoughts are welcome – please share your thoughts. We want your ideas, as much as we want your help.

We are blessed with continuing interest from folks in our community who want to hear about the Taneytown Heritage and Museum Association and the Taneytown History Museum. In early September I will be sharing our efforts with a local FFA

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What's going on at the Museum?



The museum celebrated its 19th anniversary on August 5th with a tractor show complete with an old-time ice cream maker powered by a hit and miss engine making ice cream for volunteers



and visitors. Thanks to Richard Airing for making the ice cream and donating it. We had 8 tractors present, some very old and an almost new John Deere for visitors to compare. Dennis Geisinger had his hand made

model of the four Massey Harris Pacers tractors pulling a covered wagon in the 1954 bicentennial parade as well as a Pacer tractor and lots of bicentennial collectables.

We had a lot



of visitors for the event and a lot played our "Scavenger Hunt" game inside. Thanks to all the tractor owners for bringing their tractors and literature for us to enjoy. We are planning on having another tractor day event next year.



Linda Zimmerman has had a lot of old farming tools on display in the garage since opening day. Thanks to Linda for being here with her exhibit for many events this year. In October we will have Ron Adkins model of the Hess farm on the

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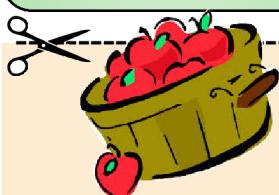
Association Membership

Please Help
Support Our
History Museum

It's time again to join or renew your membership in Taneytown Heritage and Museum Association. Joining the Association is a great way to show your support and interest in "keeping Taneytown's history alive." Dues remain \$10.00.... Sept. 1, 2023 to Aug. 31, 2024.

Please mail your membership check: T.H.M.A., 340 E. Baltimore Street, Taneytown, Md 21787 or place in the Museum mail box "secure slot."

**It's membership renewal time again.
Please include form on back with your renewal. Thank you.**



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We will be holding our 11th Annual Golf Tournament, "One More Round For George" on Friday, September 15th at Quail Valley Golf Course in Littlestown, PA. We will kick off the play with an 8 a.m. shotgun start in the "Captains Choice Scramble" format. Registration is from 7:00 – 7:30 a.m.

We start with coffee and donuts and raffle tickets will be sold for various prize packages along with a 50/50 drawing. Everyone who participated last year commented about the fun they had with all the special games included in the basic entry as well as the special games package we call "George's Eagle Special." These special games will give players the opportunity to pay \$10 to participate in several games to qualify to win cash and prizes. Two beverage carts will run through the entire tournament. After play a hot buffet lunch will be provided by Bess & Ben's Country Kitchen to enjoy while we are awarding prizes.

At this time, we have 96 confirmed and paid players with 20 players anticipated to enter for a total of 116. That is only 4 players short of last year at this time. We are setting a maximum limit of 144 total players in order to maintain an enjoyable tempo of play. If you know someone on the fence about playing, they should contact us ASAP to fill the few remaining open positions.

We are very thankful for the amazing support we have for this event. We could not do it without our volunteers and community support. We need your help so if you have not volunteered to help give us a call. Even if you cannot help on that day, you can bake a dessert for the luncheon. Please contact Michelle Crouse – 410-259-2824 or Tom Lawrence – 410-259-6777 for more information

HELP WANTED!

Work will soon begin on the Museum's 2024 featured exhibit. The Exhibit Committee is in need of your help!! Ideas, suggestions, or your presence is most welcome at a meeting on Tuesday, September 26, 10:00 a.m., at the Museum. For more information, please contact Nancy Eyler at 410-756-2170 or nancyeyler@hotmail.com.

...Thanks! Nancy

2023 Fall Programs

T.H.M.A. meetings will be held at 7 p.m., Grace UCC Church Parish Hall.

Monday, September 25 • Following a brief business meeting our guest speaker will be **Harry Conover**. He majored in horticulture at the National Agriculture (now Delaware Valley College). He was with Badger Food Machinery of Wisconsin for 20 years and sold canning machinery from the southern states up through Maine. He then became self-employed as a manufacturing representative for five major companies before retiring. He has made many presentations on the history of the canning industry of past, present and future and authored the book along with John Foertschbeck, Sr. - "Carroll and Frederick County Canneries."

Monday, October 23 • Speakers: **Josh Ambrose, Lyndi McNulty and Stephanie Eckard**

Josh Ambrose has been a Carroll County resident since 2012. A higher-ed educator and administrator, he has worked with many local nonprofits and community-based initiatives over the past decade. Carrollfarmhistory.com is a recent project he started to build on, with work led by Lyndi McNulty. It is a repository of historic pictures from local farms. Lyndi is a former curator at several farm museums and author of "Farming in Carroll County." She is the owner of Gizmos Art in Westminster. Stephanie is a recent graduate of McDaniel College and employed at the

Union Mills Homestead as Museum Site Manager.

Refreshments Needed

Refreshments are needed for the October 23 T.H.M.A. meeting. Someone or several people may like to do this. It could consist of cookies, something salty and a beverage. Please call Fairy Flickinger @ 410-756-2245 to volunteer.

...Fairy Flickinger

President's Message...

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group, who wants to know about our current exhibit. I enjoy the opportunity to speak with groups about our efforts and answer questions as I am able. I'll be inviting them to the museum for a group visit.

...Doug Heck, President

What's going on...

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Emmitsburg Road just after the bridge over Piney Creek. It is to scale and will take up much of the right side of the garage. Ron lived on the farm years ago. On opening day Ron had a hand made model log home on display. Attention to detail was remarkable. Come take a look at the remarkable craftsmanship.

Demolition of the existing deck will start around September 15th and new deck construction around October 1.

Please tell anyone who will listen about our beautiful museum.

...Carroll Hahn,
Museum committee chairman

2023-24 Taneytown Heritage and Museum Association Membership

Enclosed are my 2023-24 dues (\$10.00 per person)

Total \$ _____

I would also like to make a donation to T.H.M.A.

Amount \$ _____

Make check payable to THMA - Total enclosed \$ _____

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In order to save postage members will receive the bimonthly newsletter by email, unless otherwise noted. If you prefer U.S. Postal mail delivery, please check here _____

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