

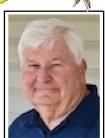


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President's Message



Greetings Folks! Well, I can't believe it! I feel a slight nip in the air, The trees are glowing with brilliant color, maybe a little less so this year because of the dry weather, gorgeous, nevertheless! It's Fall and soon the holidays will be upon us. We have had a busy couple of months since I last wrote to you, and it has been great to see so many enjoying our museum. This season was kicked off with a bang (shotgun start)! Our thirteenth annual golf tournament, One More Round for George, is a great way to remember one of our founders, George Crouse, and is one of our major fundraisers. Special thanks to all who participated and especially those who provided so much time organizing, planning and working behind the scenes. Tom Lawrence and Michele Crouse, did a remarkable job in making this event such a success. Quick on the heels of the golf tournament was Harvest Day. One of my favorite events, hot dogs, home made ice cream (thanks Sherrie and Carroll) and old tractors. It doesn't get much better than that! We had a great day with great attendance. If you couldn't make it, we look forward to seeing you next year!

In the fall we begin our monthly general membership meetings. If you're not a

regular, mark the fourth Monday of the month on your calendar. It's a great way to spend the evening. We always have an interesting speaker and enjoy great fellowship (refreshments too). At the September meeting Jason Illari, the executive director of the Historical Society of Carroll County gave the presentation. He talked about upcoming events and ways we can work together to show pride in the rich history of our town and county. In October, Helen Kemp, curator of the Strawbridge Shrine in New Windsor (the birthplace of Methodism) promised an inspiring presentation.

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What's going on at the Museum?



As I let my sheep out this morning, I noticed a light frost on the gate—a sure sign that winter is on its way. While the museum may soon appear to be resting, there will be plenty of activity behind the scenes as the Exhibit Committee begins preparing for our 2026 exhibit. This special display will complement America's 250th birthday celebrations taking place throughout the town, county, state, and nation.

This is your final call to visit and enjoy the beautiful "Taneytown A to Z" exhibit before the museum officially closes for the season on November 16th.

On September 27th, we hosted our annual Harvest Day. Many thanks to John Baumgardner, Codi Windisch, and Linda Hahn for participating in a wonderful event that featured eight tractors on site. Visitors, exhibitors, and volunteers

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2025 edition of the White House Christmas Ornament

...celebrates the
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Harvest
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Holiday of Trees, Wreaths & Centerpieces

Sponsors and entries for the Holiday of Trees, Wreaths and Centerpieces are coming in. They will be on display from Nov. 19th to Dec. 13, 2025 at ACNB Bank, daily from 9 - 5 p.m. /Sat from 9 a.m. - noon. The Silent Auction will end at 10 a.m. (please note the earlier time than previous years.)

T.H.M.A. would appreciate having you:
✓ Volunteer to help at the bank (call Pam Reed, 410-984-2427, to sign up)
✓ Bid on an item... vote for your favorite tree, wreath or centerpiece design
✓ Purchase 50/50 raffle tickets

Contact Ellen Lawrence by phone, 410-259-5370 or email emlawre@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Volunteers...

THANK YOU so much for your dedication and support to T.H.M.A. Your volunteering as weekly greeters is greatly appreciated! YOU make it possible in keeping the museum open on Friday, Saturday and Sundays. Volunteers are needed in so many different areas within the museum (i.e. Reference room, Exhibits, Special events, Research, etc). As with so many of our local clubs and organizations, volunteers are important for our success. So, if you can volunteer or know of anyone that may like to volunteer, please make contact with someone within the museum.

As I am sure you are aware, the museum will close on Sunday, November 16. **Orientation for the Holiday of Trees** will begin on Monday, November 17th at 10 and 11 a.m.; also on Tuesday, November 18th at 10 a.m. with Ellen Lawrence. On Wednesday, November 19th we will begin the official opening of this annual event. Scheduled hours for the Holiday of Trees: Monday thru Friday 10-12:00 and 12-2:00; Saturday 10-12:00. Once again, two volunteers per shift. The last day will be Saturday, December 13th. Hopefully, you will be available for multiple days! **We are in need of your help to fill so many time slots!**

Check your calendars, as I will make contact early in November via phone calls OR you may contact me at

pamireed@email.com or call/text 410-984-2427 to schedule orientation and times to help. Thank you!

...Pam Reed #410-984-2427

T.H.M.A. Fall Dinner

We'll once again be hosting our fall dinner at Grace United Church of Christ on November 24th at 6:30 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Derek Reed. The cost remains the same as last year at \$15.00 per person. Payments can be made by check (payable to THMA) and mailed to Sherrie Hahn, 4020 Walnut Grove Road, Taneytown, MD 21787. *Please note:* Reservations and payment are due by November 13th.

...Sherrie Hahn, Social Committee Chair

Museum Gift Shop

Just a reminder that the Carroll Vista Craft Show will be held on Saturday, November 1st, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. in their clubhouse. We will have a table of our gift shop items, along with the 2025 White House Ornaments \$25 each. Then we will be going to the Holiday of Trees at ACNB bank in Taneytown from Nov. 19 - Dec. 13.

Our 2026 ornament has arrived, depicting The Taneytown Post Office, which was located on West Baltimore Street, with the history on the back. There are past ornaments from 2008-2025, all priced at \$10 each. We will be selling history books, many Taneytown items, framed and unframed, color or black and white prints, Amish brooms, plus many other items.

We will be closed over the winter months until April. You may call Diane Wilhide 410-596-9027 or Sandy Crouse 410-596-5131 for any purchases you would like to make. Our Amish brooms will still be at Crouse Ford and Wantz Chevrolet for sale.

Thank you to the many hands who have helped me to get the gift shop ready for this past season, especially Sandy Crouse and Pam Reed. We appreciate Crouse Ford and Wantz Chevrolet for the sales of the brooms and also to all the visitors who have come through the gift shop. Thanks to everyone and what you have done for THMA. See you in the spring.

...Diane Wilhide



13th Annual Golf Tournament

The 13th Annual Golf Tournament was held Friday, September 19, 2025

2025 Golf Tournament Winners:

1st Place: Norm Downes, Craig Talbot, Bob Morris, John Fauble

2nd Place: Larry Hutchins, Dave McIntyre, Stephane Bosbush, Ricky Thompson

3rd Place: David Crouse, Tyler Crouse, Brady Crouse, Rich Carter

4th Place: Jacob Leimbach, Casey Fairbank, Rich Lamaze, Nick Orewiler

To see pictures and sponsors, please visit www.taneytownhh.org

President's Message...

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Our museum closes for the winter, on November 16th. Thank all of you who have volunteered to help staff the museum this past season. One thought, I mentioned the holidays are just around the corner. Why not stop by our gift shop and pick that special gift for a history buff you know. It's a great place to get your "stocking stuffers"! Even though the museum closes for the winter, the fun doesn't end! Holiday of Tree's opening day is November 19th at ACNB Bank, in Taneytown. Try and participate, be sure to drop by and vote on your favorite tree, wreath and centerpiece.

Thanks for your membership, participation and interest.

...Jim McCarron, T.H.M.A. President

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alike enjoyed free hot dogs, homemade ice cream, and snacks—a perfect way to celebrate the season.

Thanks goes to all our great volunteers who spend hours making our museum and activities so wonderful for the community to enjoy.

...Carroll Hahn, Museum committee chairman

T.H.M.A. Membership (\$10.00)

Mail check to T.H.M.A.

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