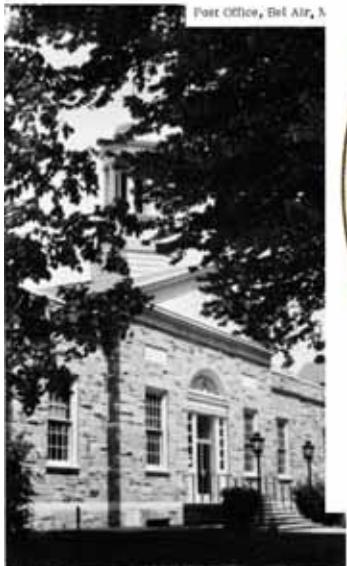
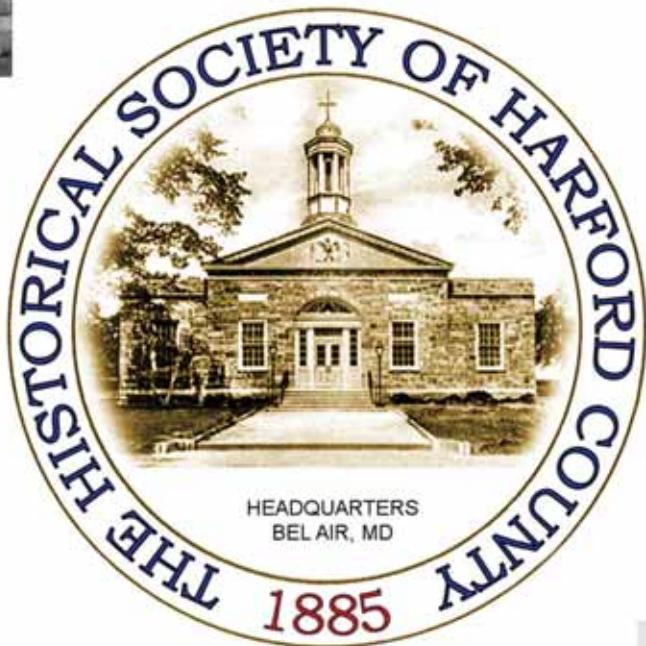


2009 Annual Report of
The HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF
HARFORD COUNTY, Inc.



*Preserving Our Past
For Your Future*



MISSION STATEMENT

The HISTORICAL SOCIETY of HARFORD COUNTY, Inc. is a not for profit membership organization whose mission is to collect, preserve, promote, and interpret the rich and diverse history of the County area in its regional context from its prehistoric origins to the present.

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Cover: The "Old Bel Air Post Office" building at 143 North Main Street was constructed in 1937. A major addition in the 1950s nearly doubled its size. The building has been the home of The HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HARFORD COUNTY Inc. since 1989.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2009 was a very successful year financially for the Historical Society of Harford County in spite of the down economy. Membership increased and both the Annual Giving Campaign and general donations were significantly higher than in the previous year. The enclosed Financial Report shows a positive result for the year with income exceeding expenses. Special thanks go out to our many friends for your generous support to the Society during a most difficult year for many of us.



The major capital project accomplished in 2009 was the restoration and repainting of the cupola which is the signature architectural feature on the Headquarters building. The project was significantly more involved and costly than originally expected as seventy plus years of weathering had taken its toll on the wooden structure. The Society was assisted in covering the cost by generous grants from the *Maryland Historical Trust* and *Preservation Maryland*.

The new heating and air conditioning system installed in 2008 had a full year of operation and we have seen a significant reduction in our utility costs as a direct result of this investment, giving us additional funds to be used to fulfill our mission of preserving and protecting the history of Harford County.

The Historical Society continued its commitment to the acquisition, restoration and preservation of the Aberdeen B&O Railroad Station. The Purchase Sales Agreement with CSX for the station building and the adjacent land parcel to which the building will need to be moved was executed, but the sale has not yet been finalized pending resolution of the exact placement of the building due to the proximity of the site to a flood plain. The Society has formed a new 501(c) (2) corporation, STARRS Inc., which will take title to the station building and land when the sale is completed.

The Society held a number of special events and fund raising programs during the year. Two highlights were the March Celtic Concert featuring the band *Clandestine* in partnership with Harford Community College, and the December Christmas Concert and Tea featuring *Musica Antiqua* together with Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Bel Air.

A number of books, including a series on our Harford County rural heritage authored by Society members Henry Peden and Jack Shagena, and a cookbook edited by Board Member and Events Chair Lena Caron, were published during the year with the Society benefiting financially from the sales.

A series of Harford County maps locating canneries, mills, early public schools and country stores/post offices were published in partnership with the Harford County Planning & Zoning Department, and are now on display in several public buildings around the county.

Society members and guests enjoyed a wonderful Annual Dinner Meeting in September at the Maryland Golf & Country Club. Our guest speaker was J. William Boniface, Sr. who gave a most entertaining talk on *Thoroughbred Racing in Maryland*.

2010 marks the 125th anniversary of the Historical Society of Harford County and planning for events to celebrate this milestone achievement are in progress.

Finally, I would like to offer special thanks to Joe Swisher, who "retired" in December, for his dedication, hard work and accomplishments during his four years of service as President of the Historical Society.

C. Philipp Brundrett, President



Left to right, HSHC VP, Richard Herbig, the Honorable Maurice Baldwin, HSHC President, Joe Swisher, Cheryl Humphreys, VP BB&T present a portrait of Judge Walter Preston to the HSHC.



DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Although they are named individually elsewhere in this report it is important that we take the opportunity to publicly thank the many men and women who continue to give so much of their time and talent to the service of the Historical Society of Harford County.

Three days a week and on monthly fourth Saturdays our volunteers come to the Old Post Office to work on any number of projects. Some have been doing so literally for decades. Others offer their service at special events such as teas and other fundraisers. The work they produce is invaluable. Were it not for our volunteers the Society would have to close its doors for paid staff to accomplish the same work would be unaffordable.

Since 1960 the Society has also been the guardian of the historic Hays House. Another group of dedicated volunteers mans the house each Sunday from March through mid-December. These men and women have truly made the house a "living" history museum. Docents have gone to great expense and have traveled great distances to study the culture and history of the post Revolutionary period. They have created reproductions of period clothing. They have learned the manners, customs, crafts and tasks of the time of the house and take pride in presenting them to the public during special events and in public outreach programs throughout the county.

Yet other volunteers handle the more onerous jobs. The thankless task of dealing with the bulk mail requirements and the constantly changing Post Office regulations, the proofreading of all publications, the writing and placing of press releases, calling and e-mailing in the quest to come up with new speakers on interesting topics for the regularly scheduled lectures. The list goes on.

We have been fortunate to have had several student volunteers as well, Harford Day School, The John Carroll School, Fallston High School, Towson University are among some of the institutions which have sent volunteers our way.

So many thanks to all of those who take the preservation of Harford County's history to heart.

Maryanna Skowronski, Director

MEMBERSHIP

Fifty-four new members joined the Historical Society of Harford County, Inc. in 2009, bringing our total membership to 854. We hope to continue to add more members in 2010.

Dorothy Stambaugh, Corresponding Secretary and Membership Chair

2009 FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME		
Contributions & Membership		\$ 57,221.49
Annual Giving	\$ 25,976.59	
Membership Dues	\$ 17,975.00	
General Donations	\$ 8,156.67	
Designated Donations	\$ 5,113.23	
Grants		\$ 32,943.60
Maryland Historical Trust	\$ 16,718.60	
Harford County	\$ 5,000.00	
Town of Bel Air	\$ 3,000.00	
City of Havre de Grace	\$ 1,000.00	
Preservation Maryland	\$ 2,100.00	
Cultural Arts Board	\$ 4,125.00	
Other	\$ 1,000.00	
Programs		\$ 12,572.35
Research Services	\$ 1,338.18	
Archives Sales	\$ 1,227.11	
Bulletin Sales	\$ 878.61	
Book Sales	\$ 7,540.77	
Gift Shop Sales	\$ 1,587.68	
Fund Raising		\$ 19,978.51
Meetings	\$ 5,685.00	
Special Events	\$ 8,028.48	
Bus Tours	\$ 3,825.00	
Other Events & Fund Raising	\$ 2,440.03	
Other Income		\$ 30,817.70
Marriage Licenses	\$ 6,931.33	
Earned Bank Interest	\$ 566.37	
Interest & Dividends	\$ 23,320.00	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 153,533.65

**ACCOUNTING SERVICES ARE GENEROUSLY PROVIDED BY
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2009 FINANCIAL REPORT (cont'd)

EXPENSES

General & Administrative		\$ 37,053.65
Employment	\$ 28,621.36	
General	\$ 4,119.49	
Professional Fees		
& Accounting	\$ 4,109.00	
Honoraria	\$ 203.80	
Operating Expenses		\$ 59,818.76
Insurance	\$ 4,354.00	
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 294.95	
Licenses & Permits	\$ 1,305.80	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 3,948.14	
Utilities	\$ 16,675.87	
Capital Projects	\$ 33,240.00	
Program Expenses		\$ 14,681.40
Membership Services		
& Annual Giving	\$ 1,413.34	
Newsletter & Bulletin	\$ 2,929.57	
Department Expenses	\$ 2,292.84	
Books for Resale	\$ 6,119.21	
Gift Shop	\$ 1,250.34	
Miscellaneous	\$ 676.10	
Fund Raising		\$ 14,111.39
Meetings	\$ 5,599.57	
Special Events	\$ 8,511.82	
Other Expenses		\$ 14,556.16
Interest Expense	\$ 11,398.26	
Designated Donation Passthrough	\$ 3,157.90	
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 140,221.36

Lesley C. Lookingbill, Treasurer

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ARCHER FELLOWS - 2009

The George Archer Fellow award program was introduced by the Historical Society in 2006. George Archer was an early president of the Society and his extensive collection of papers and notes are available to researchers.

This program honors volunteers at the Society and/or others who have done an outstanding job of preserving or promoting some facet of our county's rich history.

The 2009 Fellows are Dorothy Preston Corbin, Robert Preston, Dinah Faber and Judy Rogers.



The society recognized the late Dorothy Preston Corbin for her over twenty years of dedicated weekly service to the Society. Dotty served as a board member, Publicity Chair, Recording Secretary and was instrumental in developing and maintaining the Archives cataloging system. Due to her ill health, Society president, Joe Swisher and Director, Maryanna Skowronski presented the award to Ms. Preston at her home. The Society was saddened by her passing a few weeks later. On the evening of the Annual Dinner Ms. Preston's daughter and many family members were present to formally represent her and publicly accept the honor on her behalf.

Dinah Faber, Harford County's "Booth Lady"

was recognized for her advocacy in leading the campaign for the purchase of historic Tudor Hall by Harford County. Dinah Faber is nationally and internationally recognized as a scholar of the history of the Booth family. She is the lead interpreter of the owners of Tudor Hall: the Booths, Ella Kyle Mahoney and Howard and Dorothy Fox. She has authored three volumes of the *Harford Historical Bulletin* all concerning the Booth family and its connections. Ms. Faber's dedication is particularly appreciated as she is not a Harford County native, having been born and raised in Kansas.



Judy Rogers is another Harford County transplant having seen her start in life in Massachusetts. Judy has however, spent the majority of her adult life in the county as an educator in the public school system. Judy's countless hours of volunteer efforts at the Historical Society have focused on the society's computer cataloging and data retrieval systems. In just a few short years Mrs. Rogers spearheaded the reorganization of the Society's library and has implemented the computerized cataloging system. She has



trained innumerable other volunteer staff members on the use of the system and has, by default, also served as new volunteer coordinator. The fruit of Judy's efforts go beyond the walls of the building as her implementation of the online system is now making the Society's collections available on the world-wide-web so that members and others outside of the county now have access to the information.



Robert Preston is the third generation of his family to devote service to preserving the history of Harford County. He is the grandson of C. Milton Wright, author of the "Bible" of Harford County history, *Our Harford Heritage*. Rob Preston is also the nephew of the late Mary Wright Barnes who worked along side her father C. Milton Wright as he wrote his history and who also served the Society for many decades as a volunteer and researcher. Robert Preston has the unenviable task of being the "go to" man when anything goes wrong at the Society headquarters in the Old Post Office building. He is the one who receives the after hours



calls of alarms going off and he is the one who is on speed dial during hours of operation. Whenever something goes wrong the phrase "call Rob" can usually be heard. He supports the Society in many ways, offering the services of his family owned business, *Preston's Stationary*, time and again. The store also provides a sales venue for virtually all publications on local history and the Town of Bel Air's annual historic Christmas ornament. Mr. Preston has overseen major construction projects at the Historical Society including the installation of the new heating and air conditioning system and the restoration of the signature cupola.

These names will be added to the commemorative book of Archer Fellows on display in the lobby at the Society headquarters.

NEWSLETTER

Six issues of the Newsletter were sent to the membership in 2009. Each issue contained news of meetings and reports from chairs of the committees. In addition, pictures from our files were used to give our readers a glimpse of the treasures we have in our collections.

Thank you to Maryanna Skowronski and the assistant editors, Judy Plitt and Claire Blackmer, for their help with proof reading.

Patricia J. Hathaway, Editor



LIBRARY

The year 2009 saw a consensus in which it was decided that a reorganization of the physical layout of the library research area was called for. The relocation of a number of shelves and materials took place in order to provide better lighting for staff and our clients and to create more room for genealogy research. New signage was created for the various sections of the Library to enable clients to locate materials faster and more easily.

There are three main areas of the Library bookshelves: GR for Genealogy, HC for Harford County and MD for Maryland. There is a small section of books by local authors. Additionally, there is a small collection of General History books used primarily for research of topics such as architecture, furniture, clothing and historic places.

Volunteers have gone through 90% of the Library collection and placed new, easier to read labels on the book spines. The APG vertical files have been completely indexed by Bob Cassilly. Church records have been regrouped in a more logical fashion and have been relabeled. Family Genealogy notebooks have been catalogued. Our microfilm readers/printers have been serviced and are now usable.

Volunteers Jeanne Poole and Jo Kilbourn have indexed several family notebooks, bibles and church records. As a result, tracking down family names from these records is much easier.

We were fortunate to have trained three volunteers to help in processing materials recently donated from private collections such as that of the late Mary Wright Barnes.

A wonderful donation of a two volume oversize book, *The Stage and Its Stars – Past and Present (Volumes I and II)*. Additionally *A Gallery of Dramatic Illustrations and Critical Biographies of Distinguished English and American Actors from the time of Shakespeare till Today* were donated by Elwin Penski. This rare set featuring the Booth family and many of their famous acting contemporaries was beautifully rebound and is now housed in our special shelving section.

Judy Rogers and her team have entered hundreds of books, genealogy information and other Library materials into the computer's *PastPerfect* data base so that the collection will be accurate and available on line on the Historical Society web page in the near future. (Most of the Library collection has been completed; there are still some genealogy materials to be catalogued.) Mrs. Rogers' goal is to go online in April or May of 2010.

Jack Jones, Chair, and Page Smart



ARCHIVES

The volunteers who maintain the variety of materials that make up the society's archives collection have been very busy and dedicated. The reorganization of materials for *PastPerfect* cataloguing, the accessioning of donations, and the repairing or protecting of fragile items were accomplished due to the dedicated efforts of the twenty-two volunteers who collectively donated 3331 plus hours of service in 2009.

All of the boxed photographs were digitally photographed by Phil Carletti and Walter Holloway for eventual inclusion on the web site. Bob Cassilly worked to place Henry Crocker's APG materials into the files. Thanks to the efforts of Jane Turner 428 items were accessioned. Many were recent donations, including a number of postcards and photos purchased and donated to the Society by Dave Hodge. However, a number of accessions were the result of the preparation of older materials stored in the grey file cabinets for cataloging in *PastPerfect*. Ann Baranowski, Fred Krug, Annetta Bloxham, and Sherry Carroll found many existing items in the files that had not yet been formally accessioned but had been carded. Some of them needed repair and Pat Hathaway and Laura Cooper were busy stabilizing them. Midge Kalb processed incoming photos and postcards while Jeanne Kidd and Dorothy Corbin, until she became ill, typed the catalogue cards needed to guide researchers through the new archives materials. In addition to their many other tasks, Dorothy Meyer and Mary Cardwell assisted researchers by pulling (and returning) materials for their use. Dorothy Stambaugh, who has been steadfast in entering all of the data from the catalogue cards into the computer, has been assisted by Joanne Gunther, who has started with the end of the cards and is working back to eventually meet with Dorothy. Alan and Judy Neutzel, up until their move to Arizona, used their computer and filing skills to organize data for the use of researchers. They also invited Darleen Perry, a recent arrival in the county, to volunteer and add data into the *PastPerfect* system.

The rearranging of the archives space is an obvious change that occurred this year. The large cabinets that filled the middle of the south wing were moved to the outside walls, and the archives and court records file cabinets were moved into the center. The common table area is now available for work space to volunteers of all three divisions. The labor for this endeavor was donated by Gene Brackins, Jim Chrismer, Steve Fender, Henry Peden, Rob Preston, Jack Shagena, Richard Sherrill, and Jeff Smart.

I wish to express my gratitude to all who make the Society the positive attribute it is as we look forward to beginning our 125th year of protecting the history of Harford County. If you wish to lend a hand with our projects, please contact the Historical Society at 410-838-7691 or Richard Sherrill at 410-557-7243.

Richard Sherrill, Chair



James Wollon presents an original cemetery map from Trinity Episcopal Church to the HSHC. The gift was received by Archives volunteer, Patricia Hathaway and Archives Chairman, Richard Sherrill.

EVENTS & GIFT SHOP

The need for financial support for the ongoing projects to update the Society headquarters is always kept in mind by the members of the committee when planning our yearly events.

The highlight of the past year was the printing of our fundraising cookbook *An Entertaining Cookbook*. Sales netted over \$4,000.

Our always popular annual bus trip took us to historic Gettysburg this year. Over fifty people enjoyed the new Visitors' Center, Sherfy House and guided tour of the battlefield.

We hosted approximately ninety people for lunch and a lecture entitled *Aprons Tied to Memories*. The afternoon was most enjoyable with lunch, history of aprons, fashion show and door prizes. In addition, we served our regular quarterly teas and held our Christmas Open House and Greens Sale.

Shop sales were low this year. However, we continue to operate with donations from our friends and members with no expense to the Society.

Lena Caron & Glenda Unzelmann, Co-Chairs

TECH CORNER

Our computer network at Headquarters continued to grow in 2009 and four machines now provide access to the *PastPerfect* cataloging system. A new Dell Inspiron 220 was added and the total number of computers networked at the end of the year was five, including the computer for the Director. Two older, isolated PCs continue to provide functionality.

For a variety of reasons, our desire to implement a client-server network mentioned in last year's report did not come to pass, and will have to wait until 2010, but it will happen! Our experience did allow us to learn from our fumbling, and plan for enhanced functionality, improved backups, greater public access, and easier maintenance [yes, you do have to change the oil, wash it, check the tires,...]. Fortunately, all of the computers and auxiliary equipment have proven reliable.

In 2009, approximately 150 hours of time was spent maintaining the software, and computer equipment at headquarters. El Penski's 2006 vision for *PastPerfect* Museum Software at Headquarter continues to grow.

Doug Washburn & Rich Appel



The Town of Bel Air's annual Archer-Bulle Business of the Year awards were held at the HSHC

WEBSITE

Growth and Preservation of www.HarfodHistory.org

Between 2002 and 2009 the Society's website has had 3.2 millions total hits, and annual activity has increased 5.5 fold during the same time period in spite of numerous problems. In December 2009, there were about 900 links from other internet websites to HarfordHistory.org. Since 2000, The Internet Archive, a non-profit organization, has preserved 169 copies of our website online.

Some of the Information Added to Our Website in 2009

- 2004-2008 Annual Report (In a searchable PDF file)
- New membership brochure
- The 1998 Burley-Hunter Award Press Release
- Grandma's Apron,
- Reformatted and greatly expanded Chronology
- New Cookbook

Fragile Books Preservation

In a project, which is called Digitizing American Imprints, nearly 60,000 very old and fragile books, prized by historians, writers and genealogists, have been digitized as part of the first-ever mass book digitization project of the U.S. Library of Congress (LOC), the world's largest library, with cooperation with The Internet Archive. The cost was about \$33.00 per book. Anyone can download these books for free. Books published before 1923 are in the public domain in the United States.

Scanning specialists can scan 100 volumes per week. Hours after scanning and inspection, the books are available on the Internet. The scanned books are retired to an environmentally controlled preservation storage facility at Fort Meade, Maryland, where they are not available to the public.

Michael Handy, project manager, concluded "More funding will be sought to keep this going after this year. This is just the beginning."¹

Opportunities in Hard Times

Some economists predict that the recession will be longer and deeper than expected in spite of 2009 resurgence the stock market values. Change and problems always bring opportunities. Possible opportunities for historical societies are numerous. Many unemployed people may want to volunteer to maintain their work skills and/or develop new ones. Historical commercial real estate will be at a low in pricing, opening possibilities of preservation. Governments might be encouraged to focus on preserving history or historic sites as in the Great Depression. Expansion of collaboration between historical societies and universities might be encouraged.

El Penski, Webmaster; epenski@aol.com

¹ Library of Congress Puts Thousands of Historic Books, Online, American Government, LOC, <http://www.america.gov/st/educenglish/2009/December/20091223172644xrennef0.264187.html>
December 24, 2009, accessed January 1, 2010

HAYS HOUSE MUSEUM

For 2009, Hays House volunteers created some new activities and exhibits as well as reprised events proven popular in past years. In February, Hays House and the Society sponsored a clothing restoration workshop conducted by antique and vintage textile experts Colleen Callahan and Newbie Richardson of the Richmond, Virginia based *The Costume and Textile Experts*. A number of items from the Society's collection were able to be conserved and later displayed at Hays House. One item, thought to be an 1870s Quaker wedding dress, needed extensive restoration work on the lace inserts on its bodice and sleeves to enable it to be exhibited.

Hays House repeated several of its traditional events - *Grandma's Apron*, a display of vintage aprons and housekeeping tools; the Ice Cream Social with period craftsmen and re-enactors; the Fourth of July and Christmas open houses with the *Catherine Street Consort* playing period instruments. The Christmas Open house featured decorations of fresh greens created by the Country Garden Club of Harford County. The November Native American exhibit with its 18-foot Cheyenne tipi, beaded artifacts, spear-throwing demonstration and the display by the *Archeology Society of the Northern Chesapeake* is ever popular with Cub Scout troops. *Windsongs, the Native American Flute Circle*, provided musical demonstrations. The annual *Candlelight Christmas Concert and Tea with Musica Antiqua* has become an area tradition. Many of the Hays House programs, Colonial craftsmen and performers were sponsored by a grant from the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

With the help of Master Gardeners and volunteers, the herb garden was restored and several events had an herb focus.

Again this year, Hays House partnered with *Harford Day School* during their "smARTS Week" where sixth, seventh and eighth graders participate in creative arts and perform community service projects. Ten students spent the day at Hays House learning Colonial crafts – needlework, food preparation and hearth cooking; the importance of gardening for food and household herbs; and the proper care of historic artifacts. The students planted tulip bulbs and raked leaves as well.

Our diverse group of docents continues to grow, especially with several young docents who are particularly helpful interpreters of our Children's Hands-on Room where young visitors can try on period costumes, have pretend tea parties and play Colonial games. Children can take home handouts to color, illustrations of Colonial clothing and artifacts.

Hays House continues in its ongoing mission to be a living history museum, demonstrating the life of Harford County's rural gentry in the early years of our country. As 2009 came to a close, the realization grew that for 2010 much repair work was going to be needed to preserve the oldest house in Bel Air! Time, termites, powder post beetles, and water infiltration created the need for immediate remediation as we enter a new decade.

Ceil Fox and Betsy Lehmann, Co-chairs

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Annette Blum
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Harford Day School Students
HarfordNeighbors.Net/ Tim Wilson
Harford's Heart Magazine
The Kinsley Foundation
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Myrtle M. Sadlowski
Jeffrey K. Sawyer
Schimunek Funeral Home
Kathleen B. Schwarz
David C. Seibert
Richard J. Sherrill
Marjorie Shipley
Mary L. Silling
Col. Benjamin S. Silver
Mr. & Mrs. William Silver II
Dale & Patricia Sloop
Jeff and Page Smart
James Smedley
Anna Lee Smith
Susan & George Smith
Nancy E. Smith
Mr. & Mrs. William Spicer
Mr. & Mrs. C. Albert St. Clair
Dorothy Stambaugh
Stockson Printing Company
Gus & Kathleen Strakes
John W. Stump

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C. John Sullivan
Sue & Joe Swisher
Mary Timmons
Mr. & Mrs. M. Edward Townsley
Donald Trout
William & Patricia Turner
H. Jane Turner
Joseph D. Tydings
Glenda Unzelmann
Dr. & Mrs. Ray Vanden Bosche
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Voss
Ruth Silver Walker

Jean Walter
Dana L. Ward
Doug Washburn
Bonnie Watts-Cook
Maryjane Weeks
Linda L. Weeks
JoAnne Whale
Lou Wienecke
Mrs. Caroline Wilcox
Alice G. Williams
Mr. Mrs. Edward Wilsey



Left: In February 2009 the Colored School Map and Harford Historical Bulletin Nos. 101, 102, 105 and 107 available for purchase at the Historical Society of Harford County were part of a Barnes & Noble display celebrating Black History Month

Right: William Paca Chapter of the DAR held their meeting at the HSHC. Television personality and gardening expert, Carrie Engle was the guest speaker.



2009 VOLUNTEERS

Emily Andrews	John Hartman	Elwin Penski
Richard Appel	Barbara Hastings	Erin Petersen
Anne Baranowski	Pat Hathaway	Jeanne Poole
Doris Barben	Mary Henderson	Rob Preston
Jeanne Bayer	Richard Herbig	Phil Raub
Margaret Bishop	Liz Hicks	Pete Riecks
Claire Blackmer	David Hodge	Judy Rogers
Annetta Bloxham	Denise Hutchinson	Janet Ruckle
Bernie Bodt	Hannah Hutchinson	Donna Sanborn
Jean Boyer	Holly Hutchinson	John Sauers
Philipp Brundrett	Jack Jones	Jeffrey Sawyer
Holly Buchanan	Kent Jordan	Anna Scholl
Phil Carletti	Millicent Jordan	Emma Scholl
Mary Cardwell	Midge Kalb	Gary Scholl
Beth Caron	Kathryn Keen	Kathy Scholl
Lena Caron	Jeannie Kidd	Sarah Scholl
Roger Caron	Jo Kilburn	Jean Sherman
Sherry Carroll	Dale Knapp	Richard Sherrill
Bob Cassilly	Carole Kovacs	Judy Short
James Chrismers	Judy Kozo	Page Smart
Melissa Claybrook	Fred Krug	Claudia Smith
Dan Coates	Elizabeth Kruger	Susan Smith
Laura Ashley Cooper	Len Laylon	Chris Smithson
Dottie Corbin	Heather Lee	Dorothy Stambaugh
Mary Corddry	Betsy Lehmann	Andrea Staschak
Lydia DiStefano	Fred Liedlich	Jane Sudbrink
Dinah Faber	Gloria Liedlich	Joe Swisher
Stephen Fender	Robert Marks	Sue Swisher
Ceil Fox	William McIntyre	Jane Turner
Richard Fox	Kay Menchey	Glenda Unzelmann
Patti Francone	Dotty Meyer	Werner Unzelmann
MaryAlice Furlow	Madison Meyer	Doug Washburn
Melissa Gafe	Mary Lynn Meyer	Marijane Weeks
Mary Hanlon	Shirley Miller	Joan Wiggins
George Harkins	Jessica Moore	Alice Williams
Vern Hart	Alan Neutzel	James Wollon
Betty Hartman	Judy Neutzel	Susan Wooden
	Henry Peden	

2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 14th, Antique & Vintage Textile Workshop (Headquarters)

February 22nd, Winter Dessert Meeting, Desegregation of the Public Schools of Harford County, 19502 and 1960s, Speaker, Patrick P. Spicer, Esq. (Headquarters)

March 8, The Art of Hearth Cookery (Hays House)

March 19th, Celtic Concert featuring *Clandestine* (Harford Community College's Chesapeake Theatre)

April 19th, *Grandma's Apron* (Hays House)

April 26th Spring Meeting & Hearty Tea, *The Havre de Grace Racetrack*,

Speaker, The Honorable David R. Craig (Headquarters)

May 17, Herb Planting (Hays House)

May 28th, Bus Trip to Gettysburg

August 16th, Ice Cream Social (Hays House)

July 4th, Independence Day Open House (Hays House)

September 20, Kitchen Garden Herbs (Hays House)

September 24th Annual Dinner Meeting, *Thoroughbred Racing in Maryland*, Speaker, J. William Boniface, Sr. (Maryland Golf & Country Club)

October 9th *Aprons Tied to Memories*, Lecture and Tea, 24th (Headquarters)

November 15th, 24th Annual George Archer Lecture *Walking the Line: A Journey From Past to Present Along the Mason Dixon* (Headquarters)

November 8th, Native American Exhibit (Hays House)

November 29th, 2009 Benefit Book Fair (Barnes and Noble)

December 6th, 2009 Holiday Open House (Hays House)

December 12th, Annual Christmas Greens Sale & Open House (Headquarters)

December 13th, Candlelight Christmas Concert and Tea (Emmanuel Episcopal Church)

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