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Happy Holidays!

President's Message

The last President's message for the year is typically a highlights reel, but this year has been anything but typical, so this message won't be either. Last year at this time, we were in the middle of a raging pandemic with fingers crossed for an effective vaccine. As the year began, people's overwhelming desire was to put the recent worrisome routine behind us and return to the familiar. The promise of new vaccines and a competent distribution plan now propel us forward.

Twenty twenty-one (2021) resulted in numerous GHS accomplishments. Due to COVID, the GHS had to forgo many inside events but eventually moved things outside (with precautions) and reopened the Museum for a full season. Significant GHS-sponsored events this year included: a Memorial Day display, a spirited Independence Day Parade, several enjoyable museum socials, an awesome 30th Anniversary observance, and a patriotic Veterans Day. And, to cap off 2021, our annual dinner meeting will be face-to-face. Well done everyone for meeting the challenge!

The Board continued to meet throughout 2021, dealing with the present and planning for the future. The museum team created new museum displays (e.g. *Galesville History Overview* and *Women of Galesville*) and hosted a wide variety of events to enhance museum attendance. Our membership coordinator and grants team helped keep our financials strong, expanding GHS membership to 160 and securing grants totaling \$24,490. Enhancements to our GHS virtual reach were also achieved with the launch of a new website (galesvilleheritagesociety.org) and multiple social media platforms. Special attention to

strategic planning and strengthening State and County relationships were also key goals. These efforts and more put us on solid ground as 2022 approaches.

As you read through this Newsletter, you will see the GHS family is the engine that drives our GHS successes. The Board of Directors, docents, and members (individual and business) donate countless hours, muscle and monies to keep the GHS robust. Volunteer sweat equity is invaluable to keep the grounds manicured, set-up events, bake "homemade" goodies and more. In fact, the Four Rivers Heritage Area named two long-time GHS members, Cynthia Czubat and Susan Cosden, as the "Heritage Volunteers of the Year". Thanks to all for your selfless gifts.

Now I would like to offer a point of presidential privilege. Our village has a long history of working together positively, even when disagreements arise that relate to our county, community or neighbors. In keeping with that tradition, my closing message to all Galesvillians through the holiday season and the years ahead is a message of peace, respect, harmony and COMMON-UNITY (community). Our over 370 years of a culture of caring and well being where values are shared and differences appreciated is a tradition we must preserve.

My best wishes to each of you for a wonderful holiday season and good health and happiness in the coming year!

Jim

Special Thanks to Our GHS Board of Directors and Volunteers

Maryland Day 2022 Maritime, Hunting and Trapping Tool Display

Join in the 2022 Galesville Heritage Society sponsored Maryland Day event. **Eric Steinlein** and **Chuck Dixon**, both native Galesvillians, have assembled a display of maritime, hunting, and trapping tools for all to view at the Galesville Memorial Hall on March 27, 2022 from 2-4 pm.

Dating back just to the 1950's/1960's, these tools are not long past, but curiously, are no longer in use.

Come and view the display and meet Eric and Chuck who will be on hand to answer your questions about the tools and their uses.

Galesville Heritage Society. Officers & Board Members 2021

Officers:

President: Jim Chandler
Vice President: Cathy Oliver
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Betsy Derrick
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Martie Black
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Diane Nowak-Waring
Tracy Richardson
Eric Ruark
Kathy Smith
Mark Steinlein
Peter Stevens
Bruce Weidele
Dorothy Whitman

Winter Dinner Meeting, Tuesday, December 14

The GHS will host a dinner at the Galesville Memorial Hall on Tuesday December 14 at 6:30 pm.

The menu, prepared by our local chefs, will feature hearty winter fare of pork tenderloin, scalloped potatoes, green beans, salad, bread and, of course, dessert.

There will not be a dinner speaker, this dinner is an opportunity to bring together the community for the first time in a very long time! Join us or order a dinner to go.

The price for a dinner is \$20 per person for members and \$25 for nonmembers. Be sure you make your reservations

by **December 12** by contacting Dorothy Whitman 410-867-4731, or email her at dewhitman@verizon.net.



Pathway To Memories—Holiday Brick Drive

“Tis the Season!

You better watch out!
You better not cry
You better buy a brick, I'm telling you why
Santa Claus is coming to town

He's making a list,
He's checking it twice
Gonna find out who bought one brick or thrice

Santa Claus is coming to town

He sees you when you're sleeping
And he knows when you're awake
He knows if you've been bad or good
So buy a brick for GHS's sake

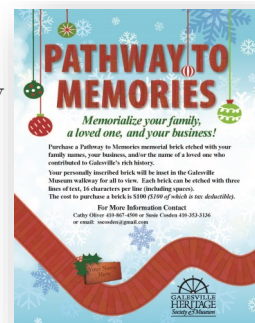
O! You better watch out!
You better not cry
Better not pout
I'm telling you why
I mean the big fat man with the long white beard is taking names!



The GHS third major *Pathway to Memories* brick drive is underway through January 3, 2022. This is a perfect opportunity during the holiday season to pay tribute to a family member or friend by purchasing one or more bricks for inclusion on our *Pathway to Memories* museum walkway.

To order one or more bricks, log onto the GHS website, www.galesvilleheritagesociety.org, complete the *Pathway to Memories* form and mail your form and check to: GHS, P.O. Box 373, Galesville MD 20765. Or for assistance, contact Dorothy Whitman (410-353-8305) or Cathy Oliver (410-991-2186).

And remember, your forever brick purchase is *fully tax deductible*.



GHS Holiday Gifts for Everyone!



Snap Up Wine Glasses and Coffee Mugs with our Galesville Logo \$8/each! Or consider dedicating a brick on the Pathway of Memories to a loved one.

Celebrate the season by giving a thoughtful gift that supports the Galesville Heritage Museum. Contact the museum at 410 867-9499 and leave a message or email GalesvilleMuseum@gmail.com.



30th Anniversary Celebration for GHS

By Cathy Oliver

The Galesville Heritage Society (GHS) celebrated its 30th anniversary in style! On October 10, 2021, more than sixty Galesville friends, including State and County representatives, gathered to commemorate this landmark occasion.

A life size celebratory yard sign, prominently displayed at the Museum's entrance, set the stage for the festivities. Music, delicious food, vintage punch, historical scrapbooks, and creative museum displays all contributed to the event's success. Stories exchanged by long time Galesville residents brought GHS history to life, as did remarks made by the featured program speakers.

Jim Chandler, current GHS President, served as the Master of Ceremonies. Jim spoke about GHS milestones and the people who helped shape GHS history. Bruce Weidele was recognized for donating hundreds of volunteer hours to upgrade and expand the Galesville Heritage Museum exhibits, the most recent being *Women of Galesville*. The boardwalk and native garden museum expansions were also spotlighted as were Maryland Day events such as the *Model Boat Builders* display. Contributions by founder/past GHS President Roberta Cassard, and past Presidents Jack Smith, Bob Brant and Bill Whitman were chronicled.

John Cox, longtime Galesville resident and past GHS

President, was the anniversary's keynote speaker. John recounted 30 years of Galesville history, relaying stories about farming, boat building, commerce, community life (ice-skating on the Lerch Creek), and his personal Galesville experiences. The roles GHS played in preserving Galesville history and strengthening Galesville's community were prominent themes.

GHS was honored to have Senator **Sarah Elfreth**, County Executive **Steuart Pittman**, **Matt Pipkin** (representing **Jessica Haire**) and **Virginia Claggett** share in the celebration. The speakers congratulated GHS for championing the historic preservation of Galesville/



South County history and for its promotion of community engagement. Ms. Elfreth and Matt Pipkin presented Galesville with special 30th anniversary citations.

The day marked an important milestone in GHS's history. Over 30 years ago a small group of dedicated local residents had the foresight to know the importance of saving Galesville's artifacts, documents and stories for future generations. They knew how preserving the past could help Galesville's families and visitors connect with the present. GHS's

vision then and now is simple but powerful: to preserve the past to enlighten the future. Happy Anniversary GHS!

Special THANKS are extended to all those who contributed to the success of the GHS's 30th anniversary:

- ♦ **Bruce Weidele, Dorothy Whitman, Gertrude Makell, Susie Cosden, Cynthia Czubat, Diane Nowak-Waring** - GHS Museum Committee
- ♦ **Julie Thackrah and Martie Black** - Invitations and Correspondence
- ♦ **Kathy Smith and Jody Shuart** - 30th Anniversary Brochure
- ♦ **Bob Brant** - Oliver Tractor (1948) Hay Rides
- ♦ **Brian and Karen Czarnowski** - Lerch Creek and West River Boat Tours
- ♦ **Dick Bean, Jim Day, Jeff Smith, Eric Ruark, Don Cosden, Stan Czubat, Cathy Oliver** - Event Volunteers.

GHS also appreciates contributions provided by our business partners:

- ♦ **Bell House Catering** (Kelly Bell) - Savory hors d'oeuvres
- ♦ **Christopher's Fine Foods** - 30th anniversary cake
- ♦ **Party-up My Yard** (Annapolis MD) - 30th anniversary yard sign
- ♦ **Lithopress, Inc.** - Printing 30th Anniversary Brochure

Four Rivers Heritage Volunteer Award

The Four Rivers Heritage Area promotes and encourages historical and cultural organizations in the Annapolis area and South County.

Susie Cosden and Cynthia Czubat were the recipients of the Four Rivers Heritage Volunteer Award for 2021. They were recognized as outstanding volunteers who made a significant difference in the growth, and sustainability, of a non-profit organization.

Congratulations Susie and Cynthia!



Susie Cosden and Cynthia Czubat

Special thanks to

Brian & Karen Czarnowski for the West River boat tours.

Bob Brant for the Oliver Tractor rides.

Docents at the Museum

In this, another year of COVID, the Galesville Heritage Museum was able to successfully open for the 2021 season. Following CDC guidelines, the GHS safely opened the museum for visitors. GHS thanks all the docents for volunteering at the Galesville Heritage Museum this season.

Special thanks to Karen Czarnowski for all her time and energy keeping track of the docent schedule.

The generous contribution of docents' time and energy make it possible for GHS to share our community's and our region's special legacy with visitors, residents, family and friends. Please know that your volunteer efforts are greatly appreciated, especially this year.

Thanks to the 2021 docents: *Eric Ruark, Cathy Oliver, Ann Hewitt, Chris Tucker, Jeff Beard, Susie Cosden, Bruce Weidele, Cynthia Czubat, Martie Black, Bill Gibbons, Julie Thackrah, Betsy Derrick, Diane Nowak-Waring, Cel Petro, Petey Kitzmiller, Dorothy Whitman and Kathy Smith.*

GHS Membership Grows Despite the Pandemic

We look forward to 2022 being a year filled with activities, growth and good health. The GHS is happy to report that our 2021 membership of 160 families, singles and businesses grew by over eleven percent. While GHS members are overwhelmingly from Galesville, Harwood, West River, Shady Side and the close -by areas of South County, we have members throughout Maryland and from Washington State, Texas, Florida, California, North Carolina, Tennessee and Mississippi. That's pretty awesome for a small heritage society! We thank you all for helping keep our heritage and history alive!

We are happy to welcome the newest members of 2021:

William and Sarah Adams, Tracey and Cliff Arter, Duane Bailey and Nicole Hanse, David and Verna Banner, Daniel and Faith Bushée, Dan and Alison Cinelli, Diane Odell and Rod Crozier, Shirley Day, James and Christie Eldridge, Elaine Fors-MacKellor, Joanne Ghio, William Gibbons, Ted and Kathy Gott, Rebecca Grant and Rick Lewis, Betty Kay Hines, Sue Hines, Mary Ann and John Howell, Sr., Joseph and Erin Kadjeski, Julie Linkins and Rocky Jones, Robert Neuman and Katherine Henry, George and Melodie Pavlik, Caroline Ruggieri and

Peter James, Megan Rupp, Don, Carol, Katie and Joe Trott, James, Robert and Julie Willson,

**Home Port Wines and Spirits, LLC, Stan and Joe's Riverside, Standard Striping, Inc. and West River Sailing Club.*

We truly appreciate your interest and participation in the Galesville Heritage Society and your support for our outstanding Museum.

*Galesville Businesses

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GHS Board 2022 Elections

This year has presented a new challenge for the Galesville Heritage Society (GHS) with respect to assembling a full slate of nominees to serve in 2022. In the past, a new slate of nominees has been presented to GHS members for a vote at the December dinner. This year, the GHS has determined it prudent to postpone the vote on a slate of Board nominees until early 2022.

The Board recently attended a strategic planning workshop and one workshop recommendation is to be more targeted and inclusive in our search for new Board members. This year's search will focus on filling several gaps on the Board in terms of experience and expertise. The GHS by-laws will also undergo a needed update. A postponement should result in a high performing Board that will serve to continually

improve our community service and outreach.

The GHS Board is a dedicated group of community volunteers who work tirelessly to continually improve the Galesville Heritage Museum and sponsor many engaging local events. **If you are interested in serving on the GHS Board of Directors, please contact Betsy Derrick at betsyder-rick@yahoo.com or call Betsy at 410-703-6282.**

Galesville Heritage Museum Celebrates the Holidays

Join us at the Galesville Heritage Museum to celebrate the holidays. There will be an outdoor celebration with a firepit, refreshments, and for the kids who come by, a surprise. The hot fire and cider will warm our spirits as we

prepare for the upcoming holidays.

Stop by on **Sunday, December 12, 2-4 pm.**



Grateful Thanks to GHS Donors 2021

The Galesville Heritage Society would like to thank the following members for their donations. It's through these funds that we continue to make improvements to the museum property without raising membership dues. Donations help to underwrite the quarterly dinners, speaker series, Veterans Day Observances, 4th of July Parades, and other activities. We sincerely appreciate your continued support.

William and Sarah Adams, Thomas and Lynn Aga, Wayne and Sydney Army, Tracey and Cliff Arter, Duane Bailey and Nicole Haase, David and Verna Banner, Dick Bean and Shelley Hicks, Jeffrey and June Beard, Joan Bell, Lois Ann Bird, Leo and Martie Black, Bob Brant and Cathy Oliver, Barbara J. Broton, Mimi and Rodney Calver, Mark and Susan Case, Richard Cassard, Calvert and Liddy Chaney, Don and Susie Cosden, Larry and Laura Court, John and Laura Cox, John and Linda Crandell, Brian and Karen Czarnowski, Stan and Cynthia Czubat, Travers and Colleen Daniel, Jim and Adrienne Day, Rich and Betsy Derrick, Bobby Dixon, Charles and Deborah Dixon, Nancy and Rich Ferrer, Stan and Becky Fredericks, Steve and Emily Gagliardi, Bill and Ginny Gargiulo, Faye Gessford and Gary Moreland, Ted and Kathy Gott, Rebecca Grant and Rick Lewis, Collot Guerard, Christine and Brian Haley, Jeanne Hartge, Preston and Jeanette Hartge, Vicki and Dennis Harvey, Richard Hays and James Fitzpatrick, Roy (Louis) Hays, Ann Hewitt, Betty Kay Hines, Sue Hines, Mary Ann and John Howell, Sr.,

S. Rodney Hull, Jo Karen Humber, Joe and Tammy Hyndmann, Charles and Penny Kidd, Robert Kinzie, Sally Koch and Robert Oliver, Janet LaBella, Dr. Lloyd Lewis, Julie Linkins and Rocky Jones, Gertrude Makell, Carl and Mary McWaters, Robert Moreland, Karlton and Carolyn Morris, Ruby Naas, Robert Neuman and Katherine Henry, Mr. and Mrs. James Olfson, Jon Opert and Family, George and Melodie Pavlik, William and Edna Wynn Raley, Dave and Barbara Rieger, Eric and Rebecca Ruark, Megan Rupp, Steve and Audrey Sharkey, Lois B. Sheckells, Elaine Shepherd, Jody Shuart, Peter C. Siegert, IV, Lynn Simarski and Guy G. Guthridge, Cyrena and Stoney Simons, Sarah Sinnickson, Marjorie Skinner, Jeffery and Kathleen Smith, Marvin and Sharon Solberg, Melody Spicknall and Andrew Hartge, Judd and Joan Stafford, Robin Allison and Mark Steinlein, Peter Stevens and Susan Savage, Mary Ruth Tereshinski, Julie Thackrah, Geoffrey Tobias, Christine Tucker, Tim and Julie Wechsler, Bruce and Roxanne Weidele, Dorothy and John Whitman, Woodfield, Laura Mae Zang.

**Hardesty Funeral Home, P. A., Hartge Yacht Harbor, Home Port Wine and Spirits, Pirate's Cove Restaurant, Stan and Joe' Riverside*

**Galesville Businesses*



Heritage Tour Brochure

A Four River Heritage Area, Anne Arundel County and State Funds (Maryland Heritage Areas Authority) grant was awarded to the GHS to create a heritage tour brochure for our village. The GHS is pleased to announce the brochure is ready for prime time.

The Heritage Tour brochure captures important Galesville history about people and places that helped shape our rich Galesville history. Twenty-four historical depictions are chronicled including the Hot Sox Ball Field, Galesville Memorial Hall, and the Carrie Weedon House.

Do you know which Galesville landmark housed a frozen custard shop and a beauty shop? What Galesville company helped build the West Virginia Turnpike? What Galesville home was a popular boarding house? What is the significance of the Wilson House? These and other interesting Galesville factoids are revealed in the brochure.

Special thanks to the Heritage Tour brochure team: Dorothy Whitman, Gertrude Makell, Betsy Derrick, Julie Thackrah, Jody Shuart, Cathy Oliver and designer Raya Koren.

The Heritage Tour brochures are available at the Post Office, Galesville Heritage Museum and various sites in South County. This brochure is also on the GHS website, galesvilleheritagesociety.org.

Pick one up, and learn more about the engrossing history of our special village.

Veterans Day Recap

Galesville and surrounding neighbors took time out on Nov 11th to remember those who have served the USA in uniform. There was a good turn-out from the village to see the updated displays (Thank you Martie Black and Jody Shuart) and hear stories from the veterans in attendance who brought in items from their time in the service. Thank you, Galesville, for honoring our Veterans and their service.



(Photo courtesy of Peter Stevens)

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Calendar

Dec. 11 – Christmas Caroling, 12 pm, Galesville Heritage Museum	Jan. 26 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum, 9 am
Dec. 11 – Galesville Holiday Social, 5:30 pm, Galesville Memorial Hall	Feb. 1 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall, 7:30 pm
Dec. 12 – Celebrate the Holidays, Galesville Heritage Museum, 2-4 pm	Feb. 23 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum, 9 am
Dec. 12 – Deadline for Dinner Reservations	March 1 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall, 7:30 pm
Dec. 12 – Christmas Cantata, Galesville United Methodist Church, 10 am & 3 pm	March 13 – Deadline for Dinner Reservations
Dec. 14 – Quarterly Dinner Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall, 6:30 pm	March 15 – Dinner Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall, 6:30 pm
Dec. 25 – Christmas Day	March 27 – Maryland Day 2022, Galesville Memorial Hall, 2-4 pm
Jan. 1 – New Years Day	March 30 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum, 9 am
Jan. 4 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall, 7:30 pm	

Thank You to Museum Grounds Volunteers

Weeding, pruning, raking – all necessary grounds chores – were accomplished at the museum by our hearty volunteers at the clean ups. Thanks to all who volunteered; your help was greatly appreciated:

Joan Bell, Dick Bean and Shelley Hicks, Susie Cosden, Cynthia Czubat, Jim Chandler, Diane Nowak-Waring, Eric

Ruark, Jim Chandler, Guy Guthridge, Dottie Rodda, Geoff Tobias, Mark Steinlein, Martie and Leo Black and Bruce Weidele

Special thanks to Dick Bean and Shelley Hicks for their expert help and guidance and to Dottie Rodda who made sure the roses at the front of the museum stayed healthy and blooming.

Christmas Caroling, Saturday, December 11, 12 pm

Help us bring holiday cheer!

On Saturday, December 11 at 12 pm, meet at the Galesville Heritage Museum parking lot. We need singers, bell ringers and all happy people!

Bob “Santa” Brant will drive us around the village in his tractor-pulled wagon. We will have song sheets and ask you to bring your bells. Join us at 11:45 am to help decorate the “rig.”

Please call Ann Hewitt, at 410-867-6255 with any questions or ideas or if you know of any shut-ins who would enjoy

The Mission of the Galesville Heritage Society is to:

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“promote an understanding of and appreciation for the history of the village of Galesville and its immediate environs, within its community and the general public. Its historical resources, educational outreach efforts, and the Galesville Heritage Museum serve as catalysts to collect, preserve, and research the area’s history and the Society encourages others to do the same.”
