

BRIDGEWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY



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BHS HOSTS "TEA AROUND THE TREE"

This event was enjoyed by members and their guests on Dec. 13. The Museum was decorated with vintage Christmas ornaments and toys. Tea and cookies donated by members were served on beautiful vintage cups and saucers. Thanks to Janice Carroll for planning and decorating, and also to members who donated cookies, toys and ornaments to this festive occasion.

[Watch for our next event and Join US!!](#)

ORNAMENT SALE GOES VERY WELL

Many of you responded to our ornament sale by purchasing one or more of our Bridgewater Town Hall ornaments in the past few months. This fundraiser went very well and **we have less than a dozen left to sell.** Act now if you want one of the last few. Also, look for a new ornament to come later this year.

NEW Display Fixtures at the Museum

Four display panels have been constructed for the Museum by talented woodworker volunteer Bill Heishman, who donated his time and labor. Beautiful chestnut wood for the framing was donated by Ray Wine from his farm home place. A gorgeous wood frame and glass table top display cabinet was donated by Ralph Eagle. These items give the museum much needed display space.

ANNUAL BANQUET MAY 13 – RSVP DEADLINE MAY 7

Buy your tickets NOW to reserve your space! \$25 per ticket can be mailed to BHS Treasurer – Terry Slaubaugh, 216 Holly Hill Dr., Bridgewater, VA 22812.

The banquet will involve **dinner** along with **music by Adair McConnell**. We will then enjoy a moment with **speaker, Chaz W. Haywood**, Rockingham Co Circuit Court Clerk. Mr. Haywood has been actively involved in securing, restoring, and preserving many historical artifacts found in the old county court house building. Some of these items date back to the 1700s.

**Museum is open 10AM – 3PM Thurs. – Sat.
each week, and by appointment.**

Volunteer, Donate, Recruit, Serve!

We have loads of opportunities for you to become more active with BHS. We need docents (minimal training needed), artifacts, more members, and we are still looking for our next Secretary. Please consider loaning or donating relevant items

Upcoming Exhibits!

- **Baseball History**
May - July
- **Election Artifacts**
August – October
- **Veterans**
November – December

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BHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2016 – 2017

In February, the BHS elected officers that agreed to serve until May of 2017. This inducts a new panel of executive board members, rotates board members on and off the board, and also updates our annual election date by moving it to coincide with our annual banquet, which is held in May each year. This will make it easier for our greater membership to be involved in the induction process. The following have agreed to serve in executive positions:

President – Sharon Kline Vice President – Larry Elkins Treasurer – Terry Slaubaugh

SECRETARY – NEEDED

Coming Soon to Bridgewater Historical Society

Columbine - Dynamic Aviation is in the process of restoring the historic Columbine aircraft which served as the very first “Air Force One.” We are currently in discussions on collaboration possibilities for how BHS and Dynamic Aviation can showcase and display this piece of American history that is now located in Bridgewater. Many ideas are afloat; look for more details in the near future.

Interns – Securing college interns is easier said than done. After months, or years, of laying some groundwork we are excited about the possibility that welcoming a new intern brings. Adair McConnell is working currently on an arrangement with a selected local college intern, an arrangement which promises to assist us with progress in several areas of our work.

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