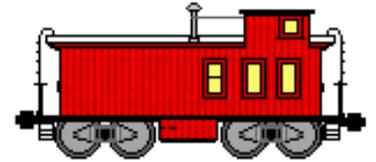




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Editor's Note: In case you have not heard the exciting news, the following story is from the Frederick News-Post dated December 8, 2016.

Former Mount Airy Train Station Might be New Home for Historical Society

By Allen Etzler aetzler@newspost.com



**The Former Mount Airy Train Station
Frederick News-Post Staff Photo**

Mount Airy Councilman Ken Phebus remembers growing up and watching the train pass through each day.

As a stop along the way for the B&O Railroad, the old train station at 1 N. Main St. is one of the most historic buildings in Mount Airy.

Now the former station is in line to be purchased and restored by the town to make it closer to its original form. The Town Council passed a budget amendment on Monday that approved \$510,000 for the purchase of the train station.

The council hopes the historical society moves into the building.

“It just seemed like the perfect place to put the historical society,” Phebus said. “It’s a historical

building, and it seemed like a great place the community could come and bring family.”

Rail Road Property LLC is listed on state property records as the owner, with Brian Gallagher, of Olney, as the resident agent of the LLC. Gallagher could not be reached for comment on Thursday.

Property records list the assessed value of the property at \$771,767 as of July 1.

The town passed a second budget amendment, setting aside \$120,000 for the restoration of the train station. Because the building now hosts a doctor’s office and a pharmacy, work on the inside of the building would need to be done to restore the building to its original form. The restorations would include a passenger waiting station and a freight depot.

The council is confident the \$120,000 would be enough money to complete the renovation.

Mike Eacho, president of the historical society, hopes the purchase goes through, but isn’t counting on it yet.

“It would be a great fit for us, but they haven’t bought it yet,” Eacho said. “And things happen sometimes. But since the ’90s, I’ve hoped the building would become available and the town would buy it and we could move in it.”

Eacho said the train station building is one of two downtown buildings that weren’t destroyed in 1906 by a devastating fire.

The historical society also operates the town museum with the help of volunteers. The goal is to move the museum into the train station, as well.

The purchase would continue a line of train-related projects in town. Earlier this year, the town finished restoring a B&O Railroad caboose, which now sits across the street from the old train station. The town is

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Former Mount Airy Train Station Might be New Home for Historical Society (Continued)

also working on a rails-to-trails project that creates a trail through town on the same path the train used to travel.

The historical society currently operates out of the old town office building, but will need a new home in the coming years, because of that building's age. Council President Peter Helt said the town is working to determine what to do with that building in the future.

2017 Mount Airy Calendar Sales a Success

The Historical Society of Mount Airy has had a very successful sale of our 2017 Mount Airy calendar titled "Main Street Then and Now". The calendar features photographs of Main Street from the past with photographs of the same scenes today. John Foerstchbeck put the calendar together for the Historical Society and had it printed. Many thanks to the following people for placing the calendar on display and selling it for us:

- Ellie Bonde and Rene Bonde Shiffler and the Blossom and Basket Boutique
- Margaret Griffin and all the folks at the Mount Airy Library
- Mayor Pat Rockinberg, the Town Council and all the folks at Town Hall
- Lisa Carnes and the folks at Georges Girls Jewelry Boutique

If you have not gotten your 2017, there are still some available at the Blossom and Basket Boutique.

Thank You for Your Support

The Historical Society of Mount Airy, Maryland would like to thank Clarice Runkles for her generous donation. All donations made to the Historical Society will help the Society pay for new museum displays including photo reproduction. They also help us with the cost of printing of the newsletter, printing historical brochures, purchase of archival materials for storage of items of the collection, and acquisition of new historical items.

E-mail us at: mountairyhistoricalsociety@earthlink.net

Welcome New Members

The Historical Society would like to extend a welcome to the following new members:

- Meredith Elam

History of Mount Airy

The following story is from the book : A Vision of Home", more commonly called the "Blue Book".

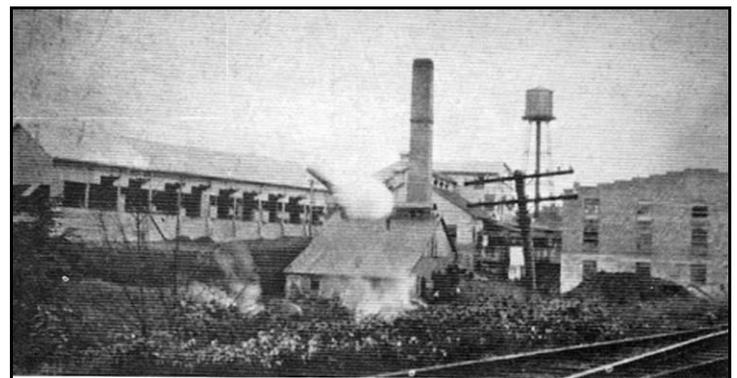
The Mount Airy Canning Company

The Mount Airy Canning Company was established in 1915. It was developed on property along Hill Street and Prospect Road, which up until recently had been occupied by the Mount Airy Cold Storage Company. The lumber used in its construction was from the trees which stood on the ground now covered by the buildings.

On April 10, 1915 the trees on the property were cut down and work was begun on the construction of the factory. The buildings were spread over five acres of ground and included a warehouse (50' x 80'), processing rooms (60' x 80'), and a husking shed (40' x 135'). There was also an engine room with two boilers and two engines that generated the electrical power used to operate the factory, and three viners to hull peas and beans. By August 15, 1915 the factory was completed and in operation. The factory was built at a cost of \$40,000 and later it was enlarged to a \$75,000 operation.

The factory had its own well, 285 feet deep, which supplied all the water needed for the canning operations. It could produce a continuous four-inch stream of water.

Sometime later two huge vats were added to produce sauerkraut. These were housed under a shed roof shelter on the west end of the warehouse.



The Mount Airy Canning Company

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Hall of Fame Inductees Announced

The Historical Society of Mount Airy has announced its inductees into the Mount Airy Hall of Fame for 2017.

Inductees are Douglas C. Alexander, Oliver H. Davis, Jr., Peggy A. Fleming, Clarice A. "Millie" Runkles, and Christine A. "Tina" Swanson.

The 2017 Class will be officially inducted at the Historical Society of Mount Airy's Annual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and dinner on March 21, at the American Legion home, 801 Prospect Road, Mount Airy.

Tickets will be on sale February 1 through March 4, 2017. The price of the ticket is \$25 per person. Tickets may be purchased from Ellie Bonde at the Blossom & Basket Boutique, 3 North Main Street.

The social hour begins at 5:00 p.m. followed by a buffet dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the induction ceremony.

This marks the 18th anniversary of the Mount Airy Hall of Fame.

Douglas C. Alexander

November 22, 1951 -
Volunteer Firefighter

Doug, oldest son of the late Marvin, and Nancy Rudy Alexander, was born in Ohio and moved to Mount Airy in March of 1952. He is married to Bonnie and has four grown children and seven grandchildren. He graduated from South Carroll High in 1969 and Montgomery College in 1974 with an Associate's degree in Fire Science. Doug was employed by the Montgomery County Fire service for 33 years retiring at the rank of Captain in 2004.



Doug has served for 48 years as a volunteer with the Mount Airy Volunteer Fire Company (MAVFC). He has served as Deputy Chief, Assistant Chief, Rescue Lieutenant, Fire Lieutenant, EMS Lieutenant, Second Vice President, Board of Managers member, and on many committees. Doug is a Life Member and Public Information Officer for the MAVFC. He served as the Chairman of the New Fire Station Committee, which is one of his proudest accomplishments.

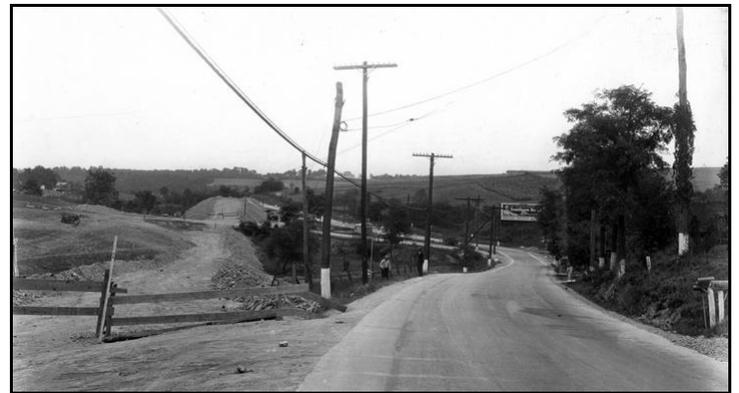
Doug has received many awards. He was selected as Firemen of the Year in 1971 by the Mount Airy Lions Club, and received the Dr. Howard M. Bubert Award from the Maryland State Ambulance and Rescue Association in 1971. The Mount Airy Rotary Club awarded him the Public Safety Person of the Year in 1992. He has received awards from MAVFC President and/or Chief in 1991, 1993, 1996, 1999, 2008, and 2012. Doug was inducted into the Maryland State Firemen's Association Hall of Fame in 2002, and the Carroll County Volunteer Firemen's Association Hall of Fame in 2003. The Maryland Fire Chief's Association awarded him with their top award, the Leslie B. Thompson Memorial Award in 2011. The Maryland State Firemen's Association presented him with the Smith N. Stathem Memorial Safety Award in 2011.

Doug served the Maryland State Firemen's Association on their Executive Board for eight years, and continues as a Board of Trustees member. He chaired the Residential Sprinkler Committee. Doug serves as a Regional Representative for the Maryland Fire Chief's Association. He is a Past President of the Carroll County Volunteer Emergency Services Association. Doug also serves as Treasurer and Director of The MSFA Foundation Ltd.

Doug coached football and baseball for the Mount Airy Youth Athletic Association from 1984 – 1991.

Doug continues to serve as an active firefighter with the MAVFC as well as the fire service with the Maryland State Firemen's Association and the Maryland Fire Chief's.

Doug joins his great uncle Walter R. Rudy, Class of 2000, in the Mount Airy Hall of Fame.



U.S. Rt. 40 B&O Railroad Crossing East of Parrsville in 1930

Construction of the Steel Bridge is beginning on the left. The Southern Hotel (Baltimore) Billboard is in the background.

**Hall of Fame Inductees Announced
(Continued)**

**Oliver H. Davis, Jr.
May 9, 1942 -
Councilman/Business Owner**



Oliver has been a life-long Mount Airy resident. His dad ran the Texaco Station on Twin Arch Road where Oliver started working as a mechanic when he was a teenager. In 1982 he opened his own auto mechanic business at 101 Park Avenue and has been a town business owner since then.

Oliver served on the Town Council from 1986 until 1994. During that time he was in charge of the Sanitation Department for two years, then, he was in charge of the Planning & Zoning Department and served as Zoning Administrator. He was Council Secretary from 1988 – 1994. When Mount Airy had their own trash trucks, Oliver was known to help out on the trash truck if employees were out so the trash got picked up on time. Being a town business owner allowed him to get more involved with the Town. After serving on the Town Council he was appointed to the Planning Commission and the Board of Appeals. He is currently volunteering on the Board of Appeals.

Oliver has been married 52 years to Yvonne (Robertson) Davis. They have two sons, Scott and Bryan and three granddaughters. He also has two sons from a previous marriage, Jeff and John and one grandson.



The Mount Airy Caboose Returns to Town Feb. 26, 2016

**Peggy A. Fleming
February 27, 1950 -
Community Volunteer**



Peggy is a life member of the Auxiliary to the Mount Airy Volunteer Fire Department. She has been actively involved for 35 years, serving as Secretary since 1993, and as the Auxiliary carnival food booth chairman since 2009.

She is a ten-year member of the Town's Recycling and Sanitation Commission. Peggy has served as secretary since September 2006. In 2015 Mayor Pat Rockinberg presented her with a Special Recognition Certificate for her volunteerism.

Peggy is also a member of the Historical Society. She is currently helping with archiving items that have been donated to the museum.

Peggy belongs to Gold Star Unit 191 Auxiliary and assists in the kitchen at bingo and with various other events.

She helps the Mount Airy Lions Club with their fundraising activities including the yard sales and the two festivals.

Peggy and her husband Tom have been married for 44 years. They have two children, Tricia and Donnie, and two grandchildren, Keegan and Caitlin.

Peggy joins her husband Tom, Class of 2016, in the Mount Airy Hall of Fame.

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Hall of Fame Inductees Announced (Continued)

Clarice A. “Millie” Runkles
November 18, 1912 – May 21, 2001
Community Volunteer



In the early 1940s, Millie moved from New Salem, PA to Mount Airy where she met Henry Runkles while performing in a Lions Club musical revue. They married in 1942. She joined Calvary United Methodist Church, and sang in the choir for over thirty years. Millie taught Sunday School and served on the

Administrative Board. She also taught and coordinated Vacation Bible School.

When Millie’s daughter Clarice entered school, she volunteered with the Mount Airy Elementary and High School Parent Teacher Associations, including chairing the Christmas Bazaar for many years. Millie was a Girl Scout Troop Leader for six years and the Troop Service Director for ten years. When her son Dane joined Cub Scouts, she became the Assistant Den Mother of Cub Pack 460.

Millie helped with the Mount Airy Lions Club Carnivals and events. For several years she participated with the Vision Screening Team for Pre-schoolers, a project of the Lions Club.

Millie was a Charter member of the Ridge Swim Club.

Millie worked for the Town of Mount Airy in the Water and Sanitation Department and also assisted in the Planning & Zoning Department.

Millie joins her husband Henry, Class of 2001, in the Mount Airy Hall of Fame.

The Historical Society is selling copies of its latest publication “A Rolling Slice of History on Main Street”. The book was written by Dr. Michael and Nanci O’Brien. It tells the story of the history and the restoration of B&O Railroad caboose C-2095. It is filled with photographs of the restoration effort and the beautifully restored caboose, which is located on Main Street in Mount Airy. All sales of the book benefit the Historical Society of Mount Airy, Maryland. Copies are available at the Mount Airy Library, the Blossom and Basket Boutique, and the Animal Health Center. Get one soon. They make nice gifts.

Editor’s Note: Remember when parking meters were installed along Main Street? The following article is from the Community Reporter dated Friday, January 13, 1967.

Parking Meters To Be Removed From Mt. Airy

Action Being Taken “To Aid Business Places In Town,” Mayor and Council States

The Mayor and Council have decided effective January 15th, to remove all parking meters in the town of Mount Airy. This action has been taken in an effort to aid the business places in the town.

In a letter to local businessmen, the town officials state: “Your cooperation in helping us keep these spaces open for the customers will be greatly appreciated. We are asking that all business men require their employees to use the parking lot or store facilities and not park on Main Street during their working hours. Your cooperation will determine if this action will be permanent, or if it will be necessary to reinstate the meters at a later date.”

The letter is signed R. Delaine Hobbs, secretary of the Mayor and Council.

The Mount Airy Canning Company

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The produced canned in the factory included peas, lima beans, corn, tomatoes and later sauerkraut. These crops were raised by local farmers under contract. In one particular year in the 1920s, the factory contracted for about 1,000 acres of sweet corn, 250 acres of peas, 229 acres of beans and 125 acres of tomatoes. They also maintained about 2½ acres of land for experiments on seeds.

At this time factory employment during the packing season amounted to about 250 persons. About five persons were employed the year round to label cans and ship out orders by rail. Later in the 1930’s staffing reached a peak of 700 persons during the busy season.

The end came via a bankruptcy proceeding in 1941. That year, new managers to save money bought some cans which did not fit the lids exactly. The cans had to be stamped in a die to stretch them ever so slightly. Many of them cracked at the seam. The result was that many cans spoiled and blew up in the warehouse. The tough part was the explosions could not be predicted. Soon, sales dropped to zero. The company went broke.

Editor's Note: The following article appeared on the cover of the Community Reporter on Friday, February 4, 1966, 51 years ago. Hopefully not this year!

Worst Blizzard of Century Strikes Here! Community Is Paralyzed By Week-End Snowstorm; Opening Of Area Roads To Traffic Is Herculean Job

The worst blizzard of the century! That's what local residents are calling the great snowstorm which struck this area last Saturday, and placed this community, as well as the rest of the county, the State of Maryland, and a large section of the Eastern Seaboard in a condition of paralysis several days this week

The blizzard, the third major snowstorm in a week, struck here Saturday evening after a preface of light, fine snow which filtered down since mid-morning on that day. An estimated 16 inches of snow, soft and dry, fell during the night and by Sunday morning was being whipped around by strong, icy winds.



Needless to say, L. Pearce Bowlus, Mount Airy attorney, found it expedient to use the back door following the weekend blizzard.

The snow stopped coming down by noon on Sunday, but the winds continued to gain in intensity, reaching gale force at times.

Motor vehicle travel on side streets and secondary roads was virtually non-existent on Sunday and Monday, and all main arteries of travel were also closed most of the time, as highways drifted shut almost as soon as they were opened.

Mountainous piles of snow not only obstructed travel on streets and highways but submerged many parked or stranded automobiles, hid shrubbery, and accumulated around doorways of homes until it had to be shoved away before the doors could be opened.

Adding to the emergency was the frigid temperatures. On Friday of last week the mercury dropped to the zero

mark here, and on Saturday morning some below-zero readings, were recorded. Temperatures on Sunday and Monday morning also hovered near zero.

State and county crews worked around the clock in the herculean task of opening roads. With drifts 8- 10 feet high in places, one of the problems confronting workers was what to do with the snow, particularly on relatively narrow secondary roads.

Third Major Snowstorm

At the time the latest snowstorm developed on Saturday, there was already close to a foot of snow on the ground here - the aftermath of the two snowstorms of the previous week.

The first of these storms, occurring on the week end of January 22-23, dumped about six inches of wet, heavy snow on the community. As a result of this snowfall, coming after a singularly mild, snow-free winter, public schools in Frederick county were closed on Monday, January 24.

The second snowstorm struck here on Wednesday, the 26th, making it necessary to close schools early Wednesday afternoon. The schools remained closed on Thursday and Friday, the 27th and 28th, as the dust-light snowflakes were swirled into drifts by strong winds. Then on Saturday the record-setting blizzard struck, and finally subsided, leaving some two feet of snow on the ground, most of it very unevenly distributed.

Groundhog Day, so full of legendary portent, arrived on Wednesday, as local residents were digging themselves and their belongings slowly out of the snow.

Snow fell Tuesday night and Wednesday, adding about an inch of the white stuff to the already over-abundant supply.



Getting back to normal – by noon Wednesday street activity increased.

Historical Memories from Fifty Years Ago

Compiled by Althea Miller

The information for these Historical Memories was compiled from articles in the October, November and December, 1966 issues of the Community Reporter. The newspaper was the main source of information for Mount Airy residents and surrounding areas from November 29, 1929 until the last issue on July 1, 1983.

- Kiwanis Kid's Day was held on September 24 at Mount Airy High School. President Dick Wilson announced the winners judged by Miss Olive Mount, Mrs. Henry Brown and Mrs. Jean Culwell. Winners were: Decorated Bicycles- 1st Elizabeth Tyner, 2nd Randy Henley and 3rd Patty Henley; Prettiest- 1st Kimmie Sue Wilson, 2nd Lisa and Bobby Hammond and 3rd Robin Hamilton; Funniest- 1st Frances Richards, 2nd Beth Richards, 3rd Kenny Fogle; Best Characters- Susan and Jeff Merritt; Most Original- Steven and David Burdette; Groups- 1st Marcie Burns, Christie Badger, Wendy Burns, Leslie Day and Lori Burns as the Park Ave. Hillbillies and 2nd Patty True, Sheri Lowman and Anita Nikirk as Baton Twirlers and 3rd to Ruth Ann Browning and Darlene Mullinix. Kiwanian Lee Fogle was general chairman for the annual event. 10/7/66
- Kimberly A. Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Brown, now attending Albright College, Reading, PA has received her 3rd class announcer's license in Philadelphia. Miss Brown has her own radio show, "Coffee House," each Monday from 8-9 P.M. on WXAC AM-FM, Reading. 10/7/66
- Tom Muller, Marijean Kaetzel and John Simpson, Mount Airy participants in the All-Maryland Band, Chorus and Orchestra, are scheduled to perform this week at the MSTA in Baltimore. 10/14/66
- Members of the Mount Airy Volunteer Fire Dept who hooked up their apparatus in 17.1 seconds to win the championship at the dedication of the new Rockville Fire Department recently were: Frank Plunkard, Delbert Beall, Donald Frizzell, Bud Hood, Wayne Esworthy, Bill Wagner, Arthur Lowman, Bobby Lowman, Walter Smith and Marshall McDonough. 10/14/66
- The Rev. and Mrs. C.G. Muradian will fly to Puerto Rico for a combined vacation and as delegates to the Annual National Convention of the "Military Order of the World Wars" being held in San Juan. Rev. Muradian is past chaplain. 10/21/66
- Thomas S. Gwynn, Jr. of Clinton, MD, Director of Lions International, has been chosen as guest speaker by the Mount Airy Lions Club when they mark their 25th charter anniversary Tuesday at the Peter Pan. Gwynn is assistant superintendent of Prince Georges county schools. Special recognition will be given to six remaining charter members of the local service club: Harry Clower, Norman Etzler, Charles Gendell, Henry Runkles, Murray Ryan and John Steel. 10/21/66
- The first annual Frizzell Family Reunion was held recently at the Fireman's Activity Building. There were 12 children present who were descendants of Harry and Helen Harne Frizzell. An election of officers for the coming year was held. The new officers are: Shelby Smith, president, Nancy Frizzell, secretary and Eliose Wooden, treasurer. 10/21/66
- The annual Halloween Parade, sponsored by the Lions Club, is scheduled for tomorrow at 2:00 forming on the parking lot of F & M Bank and ending at the town parking lot where judging will take place. There will be two age groups—through age 6 and 6-12 Cash prizes will be awarded for the prettiest, funniest, most original and best couple in each age group. 10/28/66
- Virginia Boone and Thomas Muller have received Letters of Commendation honoring their high performance on the 1966 National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test according to Harrieton Merritt, supervising principal of Mount Airy High School. 10/28/66

Historical Memories from Fifty Years Ago (Continued)

- In a cross country meet at Westminster on October 20 Mount Airy harriers finished 3rd. The first five runners for MAHS were: Roger Annable, Danny Miles, Lance Quesenberry, Kurt Lauritzen and Gerald Mundy. 10/28/66
- Prize winners in the Halloween Parade sponsored by the Lions Club were (through age 6)-Ugliest-1st Marsha Depfer, 2nd- Clary Calder, 3rd-Dick White; Prettiest-Debra Browning, 2nd- Elizabeth Ann Harne, 3rd-Lori Burns; Funniest- 1st Malissa Tabler, 2nd Brenda Stevens, 3rd Michael Thompson; Most original or best couple 1st Brian Hood and Cynthia Ogren, 2nd Bobby and Lisa Hammond, 3rd Timmy Stevens. Winners through age 12 were: Ugliest-1st Franklin Raines, 2nd Doris Tabler, 3rd Kevin Esworthy; Prettiest- 1st Diane Waltz, 2nd- Jerry Hogan and 3rd-Cindy Mullinix; Funniest 1st- Mary Beth Whitehouse, 2nd David Van Hoose, 3rd- Steve Harne; Most original or best couple-1st- Sandy Bohrer/Wendy Mullinix, 2nd Nancy Brown/David Taylor, 3rd Candy Smith/Andrea Phucas. 11/4/66
- Mount Airy Printing Co. has opened on Main Street by Carl "Teen" Smith. The newly established business is an improvement to the business district. Mr. Smith has been a local grocer for years. 11/4/66
- Local students rate high in Physical Fitness. According to Fred Baker, chairman of the PE department at MAHS, only 35 of the 214 boys tested scored lower than 50% on the seven test items while 41% were rated in the top group, those scoring 76% or better. Several students were highlighted...the highest average— Robert Wright scored 96%, Jerry Smith 95%, followed by Phillip Crutchfield, Mike Dotson and Sam Beck with 94% and Richard Guynn had 93%. 11/4/66
- A local store, Western Auto, has recently been enlarged (almost double in size) and the front has been repainted. The owners, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown, currently have the store decorated for Christmas and say that Santa will visit the store December 3, 10 and 17 to take orders from area children, 11/11/66
- The Jaycees are seeking "Junior Miss-66". They will honor an outstanding high school senior on November 11 at MAHS. The winner will receive awards and will participate in the state competition in Reisterstown on November 22. 11/11/66
- Cheerleading squads have been selected for the 66-67 school year. Returning to the senior varsity squad are: Mickey Boone, Barbara Schebule and Karen White. Bonnie Harwood and Cindy Lare moved up from last year's junior group. Newcomers Wendy Bidinger, Roxanne Wesver and Janet Wilder complete the squad. Jeanne Conaway and Debbie Moxley will serve as alternates. On the jayvee squad Sue Linton and Chris Sheets who saw service last year will be joined by Jeannine Bidinger, Wendy Clutter, Bonnie Hamilton and Joyce Schebule. Alternates for the jayvee group are Patty Jenkins, Brenda Weaver and Barbara White. 11/11/66
- Goals by Charlie Miller and Paul Harrison accounted for the Bulldog soccer team's 2-0 victory over FSK. The team set a new school record by shutting out opponents for 13 consecutive quarters. 11/11/66
- The varsity field hockey team defeated FSK 3-0 on November 2 but the B team was defeated 3-1. Sue Plunkert, Patti King and Debbie Moxley scored for the senior team. Andrienne Jenkins scored for the B team. 11/11/66
- Miss Barbara Schubele was chosen Four Counties Junior Miss last Friday night. She displayed the best poise and talent at the pageant. A senior at MAHS, she is secretary of her class, captain of the cheerleaders, sports editor of the yearbook, FTA secretary and a majorette. 11/18/66
- In the past several years there has been some interest and concern in initiating intercollegiate football in Carroll County high schools. As a result of the interest the board of education directed the superintendent to form a study committee to investigate the feasibility of implementing football programs. 11/18/66
- Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Smith are the proud parents of a baby boy, Daniel Wayne, on November 17. 11/25/66

Historical Memories from Fifty Years Ago (Continued)

- Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Buckman announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Tracey Diane, on November 11. 11/25/66
 - The Methodist Men of Ridgeville/Howard Chapel charge sponsored a special program where the Methodist Men dedicated 200 hymnals which they had purchased. Gail Kline and Lindsay Browning made the presentation. Kenneth Haines and Albert Hardy accepted the gift for the respective churches. The Dedication service was followed by a Hymn Sing led by Mary Frances Gosnell. Robed choirs of both churches participated with Irene Hardy at the organ. 12/2/66
 - Mrs. Lillian Swartz recently took over the duties recently performed by Mrs. Jean Colburn as news editor of the Community Reporter. Mrs. Swartz retired from the government in 1953. 12/2/66
 - Open house for Potomac Edison will be held December 1, 2 and 3 at their new home at 808 S. Main Street relocating from 2 Park Ave. Russell Dennis is the manager. 12/2/66
 - Mrs. Pearl Gendell recently terminated her engraving position with Woodward and Lothrop in Washington, D.C. after 12 years. Prior to that she was with Stieff Co. in Baltimore for 5 years. She has opened her own engraving business in Mount Airy in partnership with Gendell's Jewelers and Engravers. 12/9/66
 - The Virginia Tech Regimental Band will appear on national TV Saturday, December 12 at 1:30 P.M. The program will be televised from Memphis, Tennessee where VPI (Virginia Polytechnic Institute) will play Miami of Florida in the annual Liberty Bowl game. Ronnie Clower, former member of the local MAHS band, is a member of the band and will be playing trombone. Other local students attending VPI are: Ray Molesworth, Joe Hagy, Ronnie Runkles, Ronald Beck and Dennis Mullinix. 12/9/66
 - Santa arrived in Mount Airy on December 3 and 10 at the local Western Auto Store and talked with 219 children. 12/16/66
 - Members of MAHS graduating classes of 1963, 1964, 1965 and 1966 who are interested in playing in the Alumni basketball game should contact the school or coaches Robert Lowman and Bob Franklin. 12/16/66
 - The Mount Airy Bulldogs defeated Linganore 75-54 on December 2. Gerry Mundy led the winners with 22 points. Bob Grimes and Wayne Logue contributed 11 points each. 12/16/66
 - Charlie Miller and Cindy Lare were winners in the Mr. and Mrs. MAHS contest, which was one of the highlights of the annual fall activity week. Voting took place during the lunch hour on 3 consecutive days. The candidates were: Grade 12: Jackie Archer, Terry Baker, Mickey Boone, Charlie Miller; Grade 11: Wendy Biddinger, Cindy Lare, Paul Harrison, Charlie Magin; Grade 10: Chris Sheets, Jerry Baker; Grade 9 Linda Broom, Sam Beck and Grade 8: Diane Devault and Frances Hamilton. 12/16/66
 - The Mount Airy Garden Club is responsible for the nativity scene on the lawn of Calvary Methodist Church. Mrs. Frances Bidinger, Sr., chairman of the Garden Club, thanks everyone who contributed to the project: Irvin Martin, electrical; Preston Van Sant and Francis Bidinger, Sr., for material and labor in building the shed, Ben Bryan, straw; Jack Steele: labor. Material for the shed came from a building on the Day farm (grandparents of Mrs. Walter Spurrier, a longtime member of the Garden Club.) 12/23/66
 - The Four County Jaycees held a Christmas party for some 21 local children on December 17. It was the first project for the local chapter. 12/30/66
- Ebbert L Beck, Mount Airy won \$111.20 playing Tigerino at W.C Ferguson Esso, Hyattsville, MD.
12/30/66



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