

# MUSEUM MEMOS

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## The President's Pen

*Mike Eacho*

I would like to express my thanks to all the folks who worked so hard to make the 2016 Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony a huge success. I have received many compliments on how enjoyable the evening turned out to be. My heartfelt congratulations go out to R. Wayne Evans, Thomas E. Fleming, Douglas W. Henley, Dorothy B. Lowman, and Ruth Ann Lowman, the five newest members of the Mount Airy Hall of Fame. Congratulations also to the families of this year's honorees.

Many thanks also to all the wonderful people who have helped in our effort to republish the "Blue Book", Mount Airy, Visions of Home. The book has been re-typed, photos have been inserted, and proof-reading is complete. Final editing is now in progress.

As spring approaches we again plan to open the Mount Airy Museum every weekend. If you can spare some time this summer, please help us out by volunteering at the Museum. We can only be open if we have someone there. Volunteers are needed for Saturdays from noon until 4 pm to open the museum, sit and greet visitors. Please volunteer for a couple of hours. It will give you a chance to talk with some of your neighbors in town and to look at some old town pictures on our computer.

Welcome back to all our past members who have renewed their memberships. Thank you for your continued interest and support of the Historical Society of Mount Airy, Maryland.

**The Historical Society of Mount Airy, Maryland Meets the first Tuesday of every month (except June, July and August) in the lower level of Mount Airy Fire Hall. The meetings begin at 7 pm. Please join us.**

## Thank You for Your Support

The Historical Society of Mount Airy, Maryland would like to thank the following individuals and businesses who made donations to the Historical Society. These donations will help the Society to pay for this year's new museum displays including photo reproduction. These donations also help us with the cost of printing of the newsletter, printing historical brochures, storage of items in the collection, and acquisition of new historical items.

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| Denny & Pat Ahalt          | Faith Arrington    |
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## Mt. Airy Bypass Being Staked Out

A field survey team of the Maryland State Road Commission was occupied during the last week with staking out the site of the new bypass around the east side of Mt. Airy. Any question as to the exact route the new road will take can now be resolved by a look at the stakes planted during the first week of work.

The road will be constructed for eventual expansion to a dual highway with only one lane paved at this time. Access will be gained north of Dorseytown, with grade crossings at the Watersville Road, the abandoned B&O roadbed between the Knill and Beck farms, the Twin Arch Road, Route #144 at Bennett Branch Road The present cloverleaf at U.S. Route #40 will be modified, and better access will be provided at Ridgeville Heights.

From the Community Reporter April 22, 1966.

## Support for the Mount Airy Hall of Fame

The Historical Society of Mount Airy, Maryland would like to express its sincere gratitude to the many businesses in our community that supported this year's Mount Airy Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony. Without their generous sponsorship we could not honor these deserving members of our community. The support of these businesses allows us to publish the Hall of Fame program, present the plaques and pins to the honorees, and decorate the tables with flowers. Their support also helps fund many of the organization's activities during the year. Most of these businesses have been supporting the Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony every year since it began in 2000. Please support the following businesses, which have supported us so generously over the years.

American Legion Post 191  
Blade Busters Lawn Cutting, Firewood, Snow Removal  
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The Greater Mount Airy Chamber of Commerce  
The Mount Airy Inn  
Tim Barkley Law Offices  
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Many thanks also to the ladies from the American Legion Hall who prepared the wonderful dinner, all the ladies who baked cookies, the people who worked so hard preparing the event, and those who decorated before the ceremony.

## Zip Code 50 Years Old

The following advertisement appeared in the Mount Airy Community Reporter on April 8, 15 and 22 1966.



## Hall of Fame Class of 2016

On March 17, 2016, the Historical Society of Mount Airy inducted five new members into the Mount Airy Hall of Fame. The Class of 2016 includes R. Wayne Evans, Thomas E. Fleming, Douglas W. Henley, Dorothy B. Lowman and Ruth Ann Lowman. This group of inductees expands the overall membership to 110.

All of those nominated for this honor were truly special, but only five could be selected. They all contributed to the Mount Airy community in a positive way. The accomplishments of the nominees are described in the following paragraphs.

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**R. Wayne Evans**

September 25, 1947 --  
Community Volunteer

Wayne was born in Washington, D. C. He grew up in Oxon Hill, Maryland and graduated from Oxon Hill High School in 1965. Wayne attended the University of Maryland Institute of Applied Agriculture.

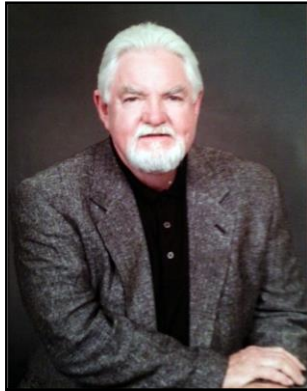
After graduating from the University of Maryland, he spent two years in the United States Navy serving on the aircraft carrier Yorktown.

When Wayne returned home, he began his career as a Golf Course Superintendent. He retired in 2012 and was honored by the Mid Atlantic Section of the Golf Course Superintendents of America for his over forty years of service with an honorary Lifetime Membership. He has continued to work at Clustered Spires Golf Course in Frederick part-time.

After retiring, Wayne began woodworking and furniture refinishing in his shop/Man Cave. In May 2012 he joined the God's Kitchen staff at Calvary United Methodist Church and can be found there most Thursday nights. Through his work at the church, he has become an active participant in the Methodist Men's Group taking on many community projects and representing Calvary at regional Methodist Men's meetings. Wayne is frequently asked to create sets (Pirate Ship, Control Panel for Space Ship, and Tiki Hut) for the Vacation Bible School.

Wayne has been an active member of Lions Club International. During his time in the Mount Airy Lions he has worked on many events. He helps manage the two Lions' Yard Sales and Fall and Spring Festivals each year. Wayne is co-chairman of the annual Lions Club Carnival in June. He has been Membership Chair for several years and has been in charge of working with families that receive food baskets and toys for Thanksgiving and Christmas. In 2014 Wayne was awarded the title of Melvin Jones Fellow. This is an honor given by Lions International to Lions for "Dedicated Humanitarian Service" in their communities.

Wayne is also an active member of the American Legion Gold Star Post 191, MAMSA and the Historical



Society of Mount Airy. "I love the speakers at the monthly meetings and working Saturday afternoons in the Museum." The history of Mount Airy, the Railroad and the surrounding area are of particular interest to him.

Wayne and his wife Carol have been married for 46 years. They have two sons, Chris and Jason, and four grandchildren, Maddie, Taylor, Isabella and Connor. They have lived in Mount Airy since 1989. "I always loved the small town atmosphere and Mount Airy has really become our hometown."

**Thomas E. Fleming**

November 14, 1953 --  
Volunteer Fireman / Community Volunteer

Tom was born and raised in Mount Airy. He is a 1971 graduate of South Carroll High School. He worked for the Montgomery County Traffic Signal Division for two years and then with the Bethesda Fire Department that became part of the Montgomery County Department of Fire and Rescue Services. He was a member of the Montgomery County Collapse Rescue Team and the Maryland Task Force 1 Team. Tom was deployed to the Oklahoma City bombing for ten days in 1995 with the Maryland Task Force 1. He was also deployed to the Olympics in Atlanta, GA and to Hurricane Fran in North Carolina. Tom was the Search Team Leader, which involved working with the search dogs and their handlers. He retired after 30 years of service with the rank of Captain.



Tom has been actively involved with the Mount Airy Volunteer Fire Company since he was 14. He is a life member with 44 years of service. He has held the rank of fire lieutenant through chief. He has served on the Board of Managers and held various committee chairs. Currently, he is the Engineer and is responsible for the maintenance and safety of all the equipment. He is a member of the Town Streets and Roads Commission and is now serving as the chairperson. He assists the Auxiliary to the Fire Company and the Mount Airy Lions Club with the Spring and Fall Festivals as well as both the Lions and Fire Company carnivals. In the past he has been an assistant coach for MAYAA baseball. He is a member of the Historical Society of Mount Airy.

He and his wife Peggy have been married for 43 years. They have two children, Tricia and Donnie, and two grandchildren, Keegan and Caitlin.

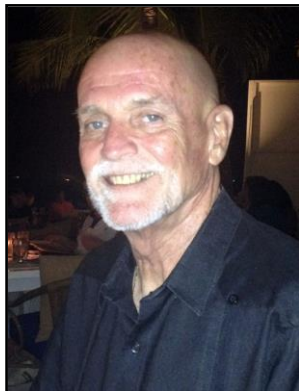
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**Douglas W. Henley**

June 12, 1947 -- September 10, 2014

Businessman / Community Volunteer

Douglas was born and raised in Mount Airy. He graduated from Mount Airy High School in 1965. After graduation he joined the United States Navy and served his country honorably on the USS Sellers from 1965 – 1969 and was a Vietnam era veteran. He returned to Mount Airy and worked for the Montgomery County School Board for ten years before opening and operating Rewster's Restaurant and Lounge in Taylorsville. He was also owner and operator of Convenience Catering, which supported events in the Mount Airy area and provided jobs and services to the community.



Douglas was a 46-year member of the American Legion Gold Star Post 191 and was presented an Honorary Life membership in 1981. He was fully committed to the Four Pillars of the American Legion, which are Veteran's Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism and Children and Youth. He showed his commitment to these principles every day and even went as far as serving and as Commander on a Post, County, District and State level; serving as Department of Maryland Commander (State) in 1981-1982. After finishing his year as Department Commander he went on to serve as the American Legion National Membership Chairman for five years.

In addition to his service to the American Legion, he was also a charter member of Gold Star Squadron 191, which is known as the Sons of The American Legion (SAL). He was instrumental in the charter as a supporting sponsor from the American Legion. He was presented an Honorary Life membership to the SAL in 1998.

Douglas gave his time and charity to many programs within the Mount Airy area to include supporting the Lions Club, Mount Airy Volunteer Fire Company, Boys and Girls Scouts, American Legion baseball and many more. In recognition of his time and generosity to

the Maryland Special Olympics through his reach back to the community and throughout the state, the Detachment of Maryland, Sons of The American Legion in April of 2015 renamed their annual fundraiser for youth programs to the Douglas Henley Memorial – Laps of Love, which raises funds for Special Olympics Maryland, Casey's Care and the American Legion, Child Welfare Program.

Upon his death he was still actively involved with the Legion on all levels serving as Chairman of the Time and Place Committee, a position he held for 25 years.

Douglas loved Mount Airy and was always willing to assist in any way so the various organizations throughout the town succeeded. He gave of what he had freely, never wanting recognition.

Surviving in addition to his wife Marsha are his children, daughter Kelly, son Jay, daughter Katie and a daughter-in-law Jami Shipley-Henley. He was predeceased by a son, David. He has three grandchildren Logan, Aubrey and Bohde (deceased).

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**Dorothy B. Lowman**

June 9, 1913 --

Community Volunteer

Dorothy was born on a farm in Winfield, Maryland. She lived on the farm with her parents and four older brothers. She went to a one-room school in Winfield through the third grade. When she was eight years old, her mother died and she moved to Mount Airy to live with her Aunt Lula Pickett. She graduated from Mount Airy High School in 1930. In 1932 she graduated from Towson State Normal School (now Towson University) 1932 with a teaching certificate.



Dorothy married Lester Lowman in 1941 and they lived in Mount Airy until 1998, when they moved to Homewood at Williamsport where she still resides. They had been married 61 years when Lester died in 2002.

Dorothy began her career in education teaching fourth grade at Mechanicsville where she taught for two years. She then taught at Winfield Elementary for 14 years. Dorothy stopped teaching when her daughter

was born in 1948. In 1954, she returned to the classroom teaching fifth grade at Mount Airy Elementary until her retirement in 1974. She has touched the lives of many children in Carroll County.

While living in Mount Airy, Dorothy was a member and past president of the Mount Airy Garden Club. She enjoyed gardening and working with her flowerbeds and participating in the Christmas door decorations each year. She was a member and past Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star. She has been a member of Calvary United Methodist Church in Mount Airy since 1925 and taught Sunday School for many years. She is a member and past secretary of the Carroll County Retired Teachers and enjoys keeping in touch with her many friends in the organization. She is member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society, Omicron Chapter and was a past social chair.

Dorothy was instrumental in establishing the Ridge Swim Club. She was on the board and was the membership chair at its beginning.

She enjoys reading and keeping up with her family including her daughter Mary Lou, four grandchildren, five great grandchildren and two great-great grandsons, and many nieces and nephews (and greats).

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### **Ruth Ann Lowman**

November 23, 1936 --  
Community Volunteer

Ruth Ann was raised on the only dairy farm in the Mount Airy town limits, "The Dorsey Farm". She enjoys telling stories about living on the farm.

Ruth Ann is a Mount Airy native. She attended all 12 years and graduated from the Mount Airy High School in 1954. She says it was exciting to work her way up to the third floor to become a senior.

She retired after having done office work with various companies associated with bridge construction, real estate and trucking. She now spends her time volunteering within the community.

She is a Life Member of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, active member of the Mount Airy Historical Society and volunteers at the Mount Airy Historical Museum, 55+ Club, and Mount Airy Senior Center, where she is known as the "Plant Lady". She is a member of Calvary United Methodist Church.

Ruth Ann is very thankful for having grown up in Mount Airy, her hometown.

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The following article appeared in the Mount Airy Community Reporter on Friday, April 22, 1966.

## **Barber Completes 38 Years' Service In Mount Airy**

### **J.B. Pryor Arrived Here In 1928 – Currently Renovating Entire Shop Interior**

J. B. Pryor arrived on the Mt. Airy scene on April 28, 1928, and has pursued the trade of barber in one shop or another ever since. In reminiscing about his early days here when the price of a haircut was 35 cents, Mr. Pryor commented about the sacrifices which he made to save the money to set up his shop without borrowing money to start. The depression of the thirties hit him just as things were getting well under way, just as they did many others at the time.

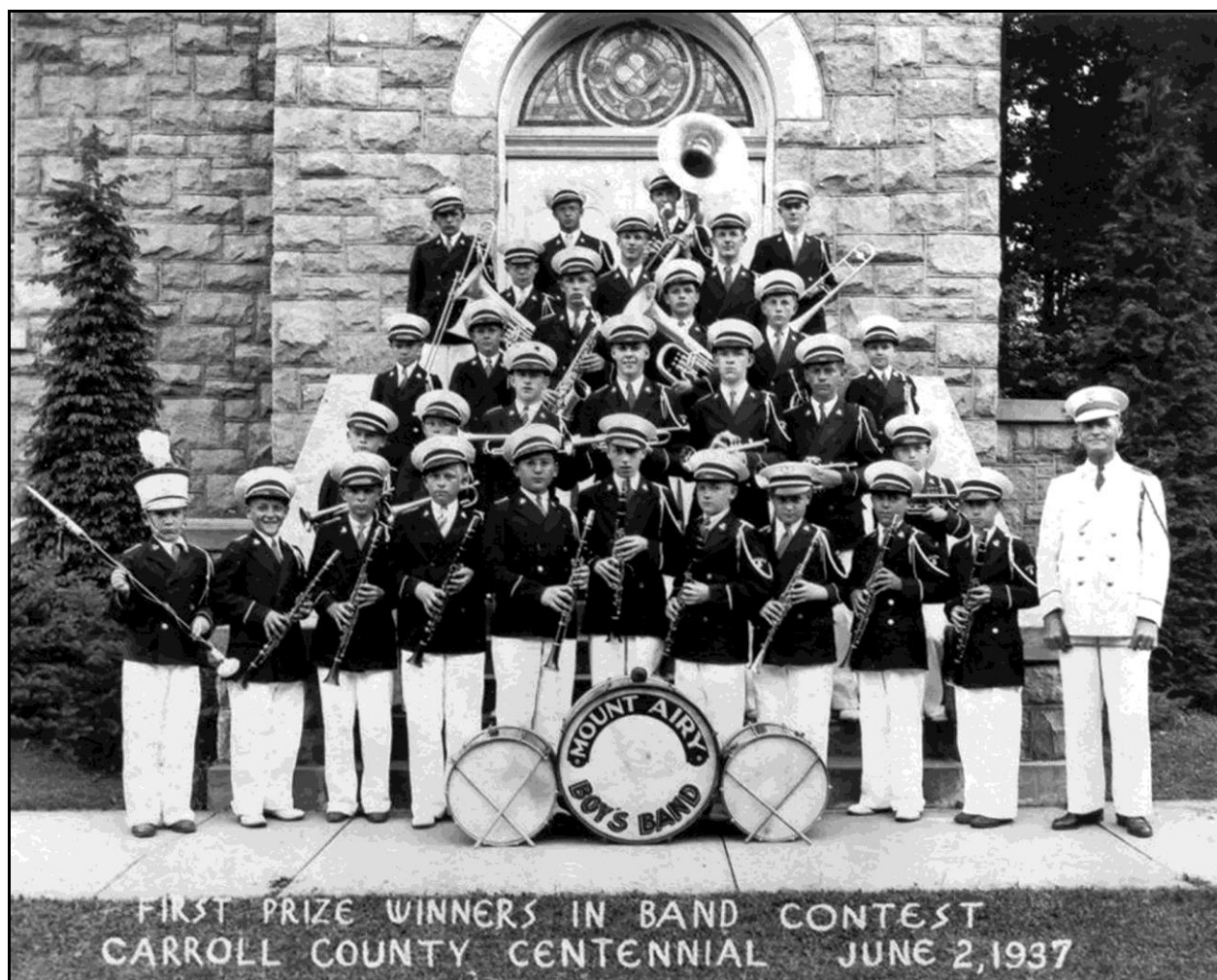
Undaunted by the passage of time, Mr. Pryor is currently renovating the entire interior of his shop. New wall paneling, new lights, new blinds, new cabinets, new paint and a new door and two new barber chairs still undelivered will make the shop completely over. He said that he is trying to set an example for all the downtown merchants. He feels that the new clean attractive place of business will attract new trade as well as improve the entire image of the downtown area. The topper to the story, however, is the fact that Mr. Pryor is spending his own funds for the renovation of the rented quarters with no expectation of direct remuneration. This kind of spirit is contagious, and with the Chamber of Commerce breathing new life, the face of downtown Mt. Airy may undergo further change in the near future.

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Advertisement from the Community Reporter April 15, 1966

For those of you who were not able to attend this year's Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony, this photograph appeared in the Hall of Fame Program. It shows the Mount Airy Boys Band of 1937 standing in front of the Calvary Methodist Church. From the caption you can see that the band won first prize during the Carroll County Centennial on June 2, 1937.

The names of the members of the 1937 Mount Airy Boys Band were provided to the Historical Society by Ruth Ann Benson. Ruth Ann's mother, Dorothy Browning, always wrote the names on the back of pictures so that people could be identified for future reference. Thank you, Ruth Ann, for this priceless piece of Mount Airy's history.



**The Mount Boys Band**

Shown in the photograph are:

Front Row (l to r): Bobby Boone, Pat Beck, Bobby Williar, Rufus Day, Bernard Wilkins, Gordon Skeggs, Bob Browning, Buddy Yingling, Charles Norwood, Kenneth Williar, and Mr. Roy F. Strine, conductor.

2nd Row (l to r): Walter Brown, Edward Harrison, Edward Day, Murray Ryan, Kenneth Burdette, Carlton Rigler, and Norman Murray, Jr.

3rd Row (l to r): Buddy Hood, Buddy Hillry, Bob Riddlemoser, Everett Mullinix, Bob Murray, and Jack Welsh

4th Row (l to r): Jack Hardy, Jack Leatherwood, Nathan Dorsey, Jr.

5th Row (l to r): Billy Merrimack, Herman "B" Beck, Charles Dodson, and Lindsay Browning..

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## Historical Memories from Fifty Years Ago

*Compiled by Althea Miller*

The information for these Historical Memories was compiled from articles in the January, February and March, 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.

- A special worship service is planned for January 23 at 3:00 P.M. for all citizens of Mount Airy. The service will be called "Public Prayer for Christian Unity" and will be held at the elementary school auditorium. The service will be led by clergy of different faiths: Rev. Plank (Brethren), Father Altman (Roman Catholic), Rev. Cameron (Lutheran), Rev. Mauradian, Rev. Elgert, Rev. Boyer, Rev. Baxter (Methodist) and Father Pegram (Episcopal). 1/7/66
- The installation of new officers highlighted the recent meeting of the Mount Airy Kiwanis Club was conducted by Andrew Mason, Lt. Gov. of the Capital District. Installed were: Richard Hague, president; Richard Wilson, vice president; Harrieton Merritt, secretary; and John W. Devault, treasurer. Robert Browning is the immediate past president. 1/7/66
- The boys basketball team had a 2-2 record during the Christmas season losing to Littlestown and Linganore but defeating the Alumni and Frances Scott Key. They are 1-0 in the county league with an overall record of 4-4. 1/7/66
- The Mayor and Town Council were presented with a petition for annexation containing names of 56 property owners/voters from the Ridgeville area. The council accepted the petition. A second petition for annexation was presented by Carroll Robinson, a local electrical contractor, for an undeveloped tract of land on Watersville Road across from the high school. Mr. Robinson plans to develop one of the large lots in the near future. 1/14/66
- The boys basketball team is in a 3 way tie for 1st place in the Carroll County Basketball League. In the game with Taneytown Wilson Etzler and Mike Day scored 24 and 22 points respectively for a 87-52 win. Despite a 24 point effort by Mike Day and 20 points by Charlie Magin, the Bulldogs went down to defeat at the hands of the North Carroll Panthers in a 81-75 loss. 1/14/66
- An AD in the January issue of the Community Reporter states: I.Wilkins (Men's Ready to Wear) Going out of Business sale. Everything must go!! 1/14/66
- The Mount Airy Mayor and Town Council has filed a suit this week to halt construction of the controversial Winfield consolidated high school. A total of 13 complaints were listed on the suit and the suit asks to halt construction immediately. The \$2,667,000 school would result in the closing of Mount Airy and Sykesville High Schools. Superintendent Jenness says the building is one-fourth complete. 1/21/66
- Peggy Davis and Wilson Etzler have been voted Miss and Mr. MAHS at a recent election at the high school. Cheri Harrison and Charlie Miller were runners-up. All four received trophies from the Student Council. It was noted that 3 of the 4 winners are 2nd generation MAHSers. 1/21/66
- Mary Lou Lowman has been selected as the recipient of the Good Citizen Award given annually by the DAR to the student of each high school who most exemplifies good citizenship. 1/28/66
- Officers for the Ridge Swim Club recently elected were: Mrs. W.B. Culwell, president; H.S. Beck, Jr., 1st vice president; David Brown, 2nd vice president; Jancie Leatherwood, secretary and Grady Edwards, treasurer. Board of Directors are: Kenneth Burdette, Henry Runkles and Roy True. 1/28/66
- Local Oriole fans, H.S. Beck, Jr. "B" and son, Sam, attended an afternoon of fun in the Oriole Clubhouse on January 15 along with other stockholders and season ticket holders. "B" has managed the Lions Little League team for the last 5 years and Sam has played on the same team for five years. 1/28/66

## Historical Memories from Fifty Years Ago (Continued)

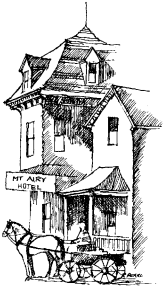
- The engagement of Eileen Hood and Robert Haight has been announced. Both are graduates of MAHS, 1964. Miss Hood is a sophomore at Frostburg State College. Haight is employed by W.H. Davis Co., in Westminster. 1/28/66
- The worst blizzard of the century struck this area last Saturday. A large section of the Eastern Seaboard was in a condition of paralysis several days this week. The blizzard, the third major snowstorm in a week, dropped 16 inches of very powdery snow. Highways drifted about as soon as they were opened. Drifts were 8-10 feet high in places. 2/4/66
- Three members of Scout Troop #460 and members of Calvary Methodist Church earned their God and County Award under the direction of The Rev. C.R. Elgert. The religious award was earned by Gary Merritt, John Simpson and James Smith. 2/4/66
- George E. Thomas has been named Superintendent of Carroll County Schools to succeed Samuel Jenness effective August 1, 1966. 2/11/66
- John Simpson and Tom Muller were awarded the highest rank in Boy Scouts, Eagle Scout, at the annual banquet. 2/11/66
- Mary Lou Lowman has been named a finalist in the 1965-66 National Merit Scholarship Program and Donald Duncan received a Letter of Commendation. Miss Lowman was the first Mount Airy student to achieve Finalist or Semifinalist rating. MAHS has participated since 1956. 2/18/66
- Carol Colburn has been named Mount Airy 1966 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow. She scored highest on a written knowledge and attitude examination. Previous winners from MAHS were: Carol Athey (1965), Paula Mullinix (1964) and Carol Arrington (1963). 2/18/66
- Production staff for the PTA play, "You Can't Take it with You," is headed by Mrs. Julia Boller. Her staff includes: Caroline Richards, scene manager; Delbert Beall, stage manager; Edna Bradley, make-up; Grace Mason. Business manager; Millie Runkles, ticket sales; Nancy Alexander, costumes; Tom Muller and John Simpson, prompters; Helen Simpson, publicity and Dorothy Cunningham, special art work. 2/18/66
- With the basketball season coming to an end Coach Fred Baker and Ronnie Pheobus, statistician, have released summaries of achievements of the 1965-66 Bulldogs. The league record was 7-3 and the season record 11-7. Individual scoring honors went to Wilson Etzler (260) and Mike Day (252) with game averages of 14.4 and 14.0. The two placed 5th and 8th in county scoring. 2/25/66
- The following students in the 7th grade are on the honor roll: Pamela Bohrer, Tommy Boller, Steven Brown, Michael Burdette, Karen Burns, George Garver, Francis Hamilton, Stephen Pope, Robert Shaw and Ronald Shaw. 2/25/66
- Several young men met on February 22 and discussed the possibility of bringing a chapter of Jaycees to the Mount Airy area. They met with representatives of the Maryland Jaycees and the Damascus Jaycees who are the sponsoring chapter. A meeting has been set for March 10 in the Lions Den (above Potomac Edison) at 8:00 P.M. All young men between 21 and 36 are urged to be present. If you have questions call: Walter Dennison, 829-1095; Gilbert Buckman. 829-1562; Russ Dennis. 829-1536; Seteve Brown, 829-1499; Dr. Richard Hough, 829-0414. 3/4/66
- An enthusiastic and most gratifying meeting was held March 1 by the Chamber of Commerce. Forty-five people were in attendance in an effort to reactivate the Chamber of Commerce. Acting president Delaine Hobbs and Acting Secretary Lewis Dixon have done an excellent job of reactivating the Chamber. 3/4/66
- Eighteen hundred pair of trousers valued at approximately \$4,680 were stolen from the Mount Airy Pants Factory in a robbery which occurred during the pre-dawn hours of Tuesday. On the same day another apparel establishment was robbed. (Ben's Mens Store in Westminster) where 150 men's suits, 15 coats, 75 ties and 20 boys suits were stolen valued at \$13,500. 3/4/66



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## Historical Memories from Fifty Years Ago (Continued)

- Dress rehearsals for the PTA play, “You Can’t Take it with You,” include cast members Lewis Dixon, Melvin Doweary, Bill Moore, Jr., Ellis Leatherwood, Kim Mundy, Wayne Mundy, Judy Warfield, John Steel, Kimberly Brown, Verbert Doweary, Donald Duncan, Yvonne Ogren, Janice Leatherwood and Bob Zentz. Mrs. Nancy Alexander and her committee, Mrs. Brenda Lowman, Mrs. Yvonne Gosnell, Mrs. Marsha Edwards and Mrs. Louise True have been outfitting the cast in clothing of the time. 3/4/66
- The Mayor and Town Council were presented with the sixth and seventh plea for annexation in a span of three months. One was by Dr. Ira Wickner of 70 acres on the north side of Twin Arch Road across from the Fireman’s Carnival grounds. The other was for 212 acres by Dr. Emmett Full, local veterinarian, whose tract adjoins that of Dr. Wickner and E.L. Beck who had previously proposed annexation of the balance of his farm. Since one of the requirements for annexation is that at least one line of the tract must adjoin an existing corporate boundary. Dr. Full’s farm is dependent upon the prior annexation of either the Beck or Wickner farms. 3/18/66
- Much interest has been shown in the Mount Airy Chamber of Commerce. To date there are 80 paid up members. 3/18/66
- Military funeral rites were conducted on March 2 for Ronald M. Kenny at Warren Methodist Church. Kenny, son of Charles and Madeline Kenny was the first Mount Airy resident to lose his life in the Viet Nam conflict. 3/18/66
- Superior Concrete of Frederick announced the acquisition of a two acre tract of the Beck Poultry Farm on which it plans the construction of a Ready-Mix Concrete Plant on or about the first of April. The site adjoins the Mount Airy Pants Factory. 3/18/66
- Mike Day and Wilson Etzler, mainstays of the 1965-66 Bulldogs have been selected as first stringers on two Carroll County All Star teams: the Hanover Evening Sun and the Carroll County Times. 3/25/66
- Romona Fullerton and Pat Barnes of Dar’Lon Hair Fashions took their Ridgeville Stylists to the International Beauty Show in New York from March 13-16. 3/25/66



The Historical Society of Mount Airy, Maryland  
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If you have not already renewed your membership for 2015, you can use this form to renew or join the Historical Society. Thank you.

***Renew your membership in the Historical Society of Mount Airy, Maryland***

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