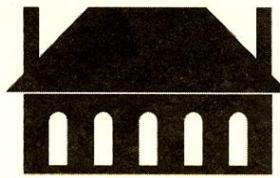


Hanover County Historical Society, Inc.

Highlights



"I know of no way of judging of the future but by the past."

Patrick Henry

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President's Corner

Welcome to Virginia, Everyone! The weather is absolutely crazy these days. My flowers are blooming already, and the peach tree is budding, but what can we expect this time of year in Virginia, right? 65 in the daytime, 40 at night! But I wouldn't trade it for any other state. Virginia and Hanover County are indeed the place to live.

The *Richmond Times-Dispatch* has been running a series entitled "Richmond Memories" which features pictures and a short, one paragraph explanation of days past. Would you be interested in doing something similar on Hanover County? It would not have to be only of old houses but rather could encompass memories of your growing up in Hanover County, school days (and with the controversy over changing school names, these would be very memorable), farmers' markets, plowing fields with mules instead of tractors and the list could go on and on. We would then publish one picture each time the *Highlights* is published. As you probably know, I am not a native of Hanover County, having grown up in Highland Park in the City of Richmond; however, my father's people were from Hanover, and I have many wonderful memories as a child running the fields on farms in Hanover County. We can start out this way, and if enough interest is shown, perhaps we could even publish a new book entitled *Hanover Memories* encompassing your memories. Please think about this and go through some of your old pictures which can be scanned. We can discuss this further at our upcoming meeting.

As I travel around the County these days, I see a lot of construction beginning for new homes, new businesses, etc. While I am your representative on the Hanover County Historical Commission, chaired by Charlie Schmetzer, it is vital that we as residents and historians keep a diligent eye open to what is going on around us. Hanover County is a mecca for family cemeteries, just to mention one example. Even though all cemeteries are supposed to be reported to the Department of Historic Resources when development begins, we still need to be aware ourselves. So, I challenge each and every one of you to be that "Watchdog" for Hanover historical sites in 2018. Please accept this challenge!

At our Annual Meeting in December 2017, you kindly elected me as your president for 2018-19. Thank you for putting your trust in me again. I will do my best to grow the Society and make it the place to be in 2018. My door is open for suggestions on how to make our society bigger and better. You may call me any time at 804-537-5081 or e-mail me at faye.wade@comcast.net.

Hope to see you at our upcoming quarterly meeting on Sunday, April 8 at 2:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Andrew Rowland of Henricus Historical Park will speak about 17th-century agricultural practices.

Faye M. Wade

2018 Meetings

Join us on

Sunday, April 8, 2:30 pm

Andrew Rowland, Agricultural Specialist at Henricus Historical Park
Program: *Plantin' Time's a-Comin'*

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Hanover Courthouse (Rts. 301 & 54)

Spring brings new life and the start of another growing season. Andrew Rowand will illustrate the difference in agricultural practices between the early 17th-century and today.

Save the dates!

Sunday, June 24, 2:30 pm
Immanuel Episcopal Church
Program to be announced.

Annual Patrick Henry Leadership Award
Member & Guest Social
Tuesday, September 11, 5:30 pm
Location to be announced.

Annual Meeting & Dinner
Tuesday, December 4, 6:00 pm
Covenant Woods

Society Presidents Celebrate 50th Anniversary



Current President Faye Wade, at left, welcomed past-Presidents to our 2017 Annual Meeting.
Front row: Hugh Campbell, Lindsay Ryland, Ellen Garati, Ginny Smithson, Linda Marks
Back row: Ben Cleary, Art Taylor, Sterling Anderson; present but not shown, Patti Loughridge.

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