



Colonial Beach Historical Society  
The Museum at Colonial Beach  
**NEWSLETTER**

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**2023 Year in Review from Colonial Beach Historical Society  
Museum at Colonial Beach  
Mitzi Saffos, President**

As museum staff look forward to our spring 2024 opening, we reflect on the many accomplishments of the past year.

Last spring we began preparations for several important efforts. In early summer, the long-awaited love sign installation began. Work continued this effort with completion in early September.



**Scarecrow Build  
Fundraiser at the  
Museum**

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*FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES  
GET YOUR FAMILY AND  
FRIENDS OR BUSINESS TEAMS  
TOGETHER AND DECORATE A  
SCARECROW*



On the heels of this project, Patti Hansley began preparations for our annual Halloween scarecrow event. Many staff members and volunteers participated in this effort, and we were very proud of the result.

## 2023 in review continues .....

We began work on the long-awaited return of our annual Christmas house tour during the summer season with the support and encouragement of Kelly Vaughn and her team. Volunteers worked on this project nonstop to have everything in place for the December event, which was a huge success.



See more Holiday pictures on the new website – [www.themuseumatcolonialbeach.com](http://www.themuseumatcolonialbeach.com)

All of the above efforts were accomplished in tandem with the museum's seasonal operations. The many efforts of 2023 could not possibly have been accomplished without the herculean efforts of the many volunteers involved.

## Volunteers for the Christmas House Tour

### CoChairs

Scott Lindsey & Kelly Woods Vaughn

### Homeowners

Scott Lindsey & Dan Wildman  
Carolyn Mills & Helen Cantrell  
Yvonne Nageotte & Rene Adams  
Nancy & Powell Duggan  
Ranelle & Chris Bruch  
Susan Driscoll, Marti Allman  
& Jennifer Coffey  
Mary & Tom Larson  
Julie & Thom Savage  
Jim Duff

### Museum Board Members

Mitzi Saffos  
Mary DeAtley  
Jane Trail  
Jean Conaty  
Jeanette Baker

### Christmas Trolley Driver

Robert Davis

### Volunteers

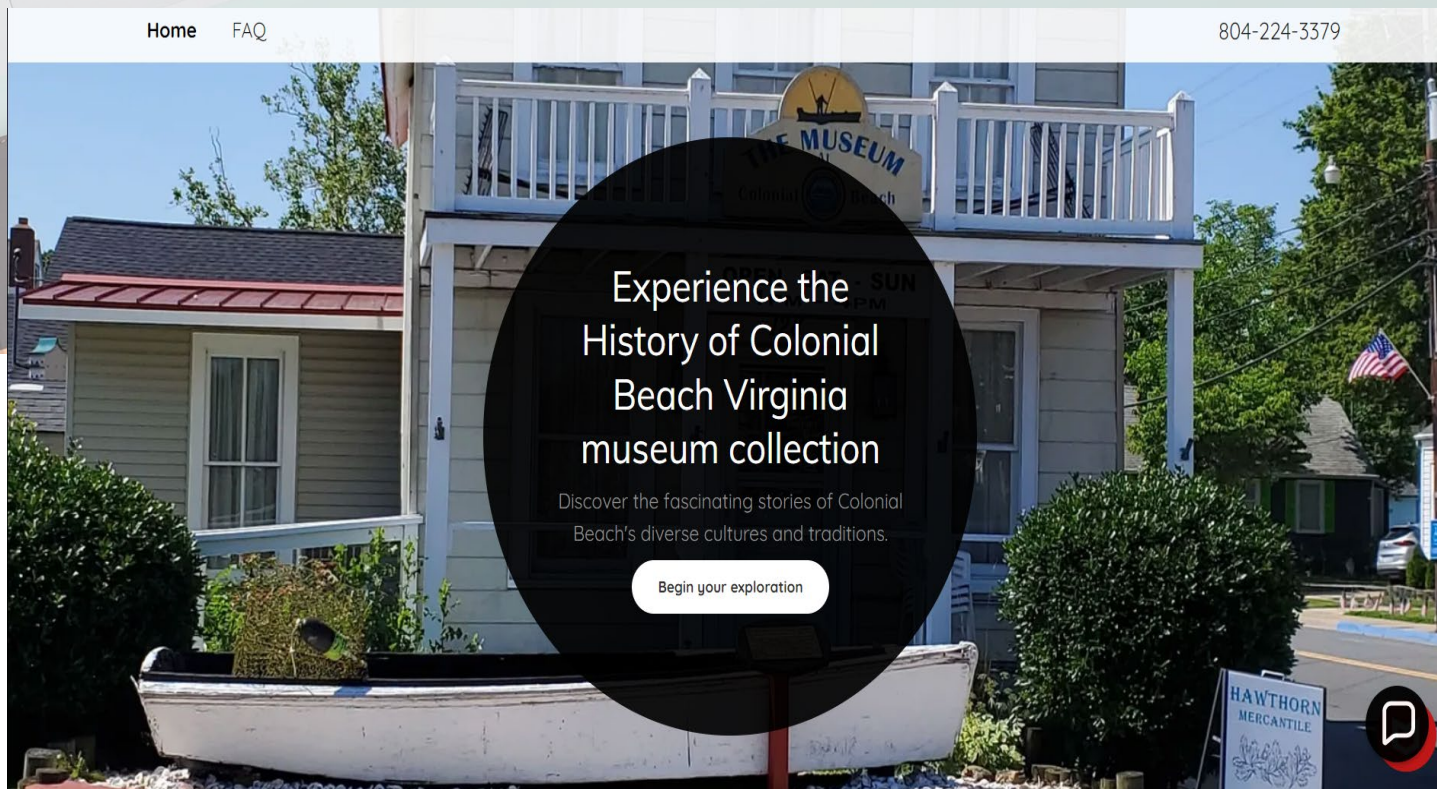
Megan Reynolds  
Angela Calos  
Bobbie Joe & Jeff Rodgers  
Ericka Morgan  
Nancy Thanish Busick  
Edward Hart  
Linda Wright  
Pat & Ed Neleski  
Joyce Reid  
Cathy Bokman  
Eric Nelson  
Sheri Swerdfeger  
Susan Greenberg  
Belinda Curley  
Bob Vaughn  
Frances Westfall  
Joan Fitzpatrick  
Linda Brubaker  
Nadine Tyreman  
Mili Rosario

We wholeheartedly thank all  
of you for your support and  
wish you all a wonderful **2024!**

## Colonial Beach Historical Society Announces the Launch its new Museum website!!

In the Fall of 2023, the Colonial Beach Historical Society launched our new website. It features details on the Museum and the rich history of Colonial Beach. New events will be added as they come available and watch for news of the 2024 season opening information!

[www.themuseumatcolonialbeach.com](http://www.themuseumatcolonialbeach.com)





There is NEVER too late to join the Colonial Beach Historical Society in supporting The Museum at Colonial Beach. Membership entitles members to a 10% discount on all Museum activities (The Christmas House Tour 2024!) and the Museum Shop.

Thanks to the help of the Colonial Beach Community donations, the Museum is one of our town's cultural resources, where visitors and residents alike can learn about local history. Long-term residents can share their memories and reminisce. Residents and visitors can enjoy the exhibits and experience our long and rich heritage.

Members make all this happen! By choosing to start or renew your membership in the Historical Society now, you will be making a meaningful contribution to promoting and preserving the cultural and historic heritage of Colonial Beach. Please use the form below and mail it with a check or money order to Colonial Beach Historical Society, P.O. Box 215, Colonial Beach, Virginia 22443

Jeanette Baker, Membership Coordinator  
703-447-7924 / cbhsmuseum@gmail.com

## Colonial Beach Historical Society Membership

Yes! I/We would like to make a meaningful contribution to promoting and preserving the cultural and historic heritage of Colonial Beach, Virginia by submitting my/our membership now.

Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Membership:      Individual (\$15)              Family (\$25)              Corporate (\$30)              Donor (\$50)

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Dues are per year for 1 July thru 30 June and are tax deductible. You will receive a Membership Card entitling you to a 10% discount on all Museum activities, including the gift shop. If you wish to make an additional tax - deductible donation at this time , please indicate the amount here \$



The Colonial Beach Historical Society/Museum needs directors and volunteers to maintain operations and keep the Museum open to the public and to continue sharing the rich history of our town.

In order to maintain our non-profit status, we must have at least five directors, which we currently have. However, several on our board have served for many years and would like to step down to allow others in the community to move our organization forward.

The historical society meets once a month at the Museum on the **second Monday of the month at 1 p.m.** If you would like to support Museum operations and help us continue to share our history, please contact us by email at [cbhsmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:cbhsmuseum@gmail.com) or join us at our monthly meeting at the Museum, located at 128 Hawthorn Avenue in downtown Colonial Beach.

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