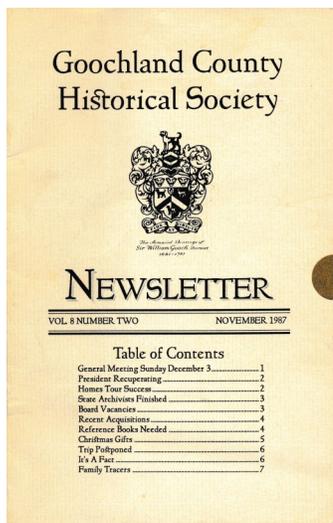


GOOCHLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER



STAY TUNED!

WE WILL BE
CELEBRATING
OUR 50th
ANNIVERSARY
IN 2018

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NEW DIRECTOR NAMED



James Richmond, former Deputy Clerk of the Circuit Court for Goochland County and a Goochland native, has been named the new Director for the Society. At the time of his appointment, he served as Archivist and Board member, as well as a regular volunteer. He is a graduate of VCU with a degree in History. He brings a wealth of knowledge to the Society, whether it's research or Goochland history. He has written several articles for the Society magazine, including *Gangsters in Goochland*, *Too Late for Sympathy: A Murder at Sunnyside* and *Racehorse and Racketeers: The Story of Thorncliff*. Stop by and welcome him as he takes the helm of his new position.

REMEMBERING PRESTON PERRIN

We are sorry to report that on Friday, June 2, 2017, we lost a beloved volunteer and board member, Preston Perrin. His friendly, smiling face will surely be missed by all of us here at the Society. He will also be missed by his Miller and Rhoads friends, where he worked years ago, and by his associates at the Retail Merchants Association, where he was working at the time of his death.

We couldn't have said it better than the Richmond Times-Dispatch. "A member of numerous civic organization, Perrin was one of those pillars of the community whose quiet service makes life better for everyone else." (Richmond Times-Dispatch, Saturday, July 8, 2017, page A10).



Preston Perrin, May 21, 2017, at the Courthouse Green Ribbon-cutting Ceremony, Goochland, VA

SAVE the DATE—UPCOMING EVENTS

Along with our regular meetings, the Society has teamed up with Second Union School Museum and Field Day of the Past to sponsor and present several events.

August 18-19 **WWI and WWII Scanning Event**

Goochland County Historical Society and Field Day of the Past are teaming up for a WWI and WWII Scanning Event. We invite those who have photos and letters to bring their items to be scanned and preserved. We will be in the Church at the Field Day of the Past grounds on Friday, August 18 from 9-6 and Saturday, August 19 from 10-3.



September 1 **Luck Stone History Walk**

For \$2, you can catch the bus at the Goochland YMCA on Friday September 1 at 12:30 and take a tour of Luck Stone. This event was so successful last year, we are bringing it back.



September 2 **Herb and Plant History Walk**

Join Eve Baronholtz at Reynolds Community College for a talk on the historic uses of herbs and other plants. From medicinal use, dye properties to food and household uses, learn some fun facts about our friendly plants! Starts at 10 am in the College gardens.

September 13 **Behind the Scenes at Field Day of the Past**

On Wednesday, September 13 at 5:30 p.m. we will be hosting a behind the scenes tour of the Field Day of the Past grounds as it gets ready for the annual Fall event. Show grounds are located off I-64 at the intersection of Route 623 (Ashland Road) and Route 622, Goochland County, Virginia.

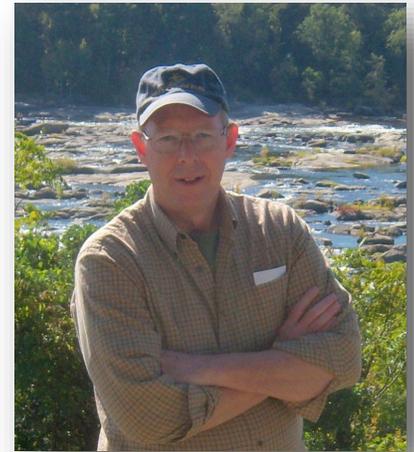
September 15-17 **Field Day of the Past Event**

Stop by the Rocketts Voting Precinct building and see the Society's WWI exhibit on September 15, 16, and 17, 8 am-6pm daily. Show grounds are located off I-64 at the intersection of Route 623 (Ashland Road) and Route 622, Goochland County, Virginia.

SAVE the DATE—UPCOMING EVENTS at the SOCIETY

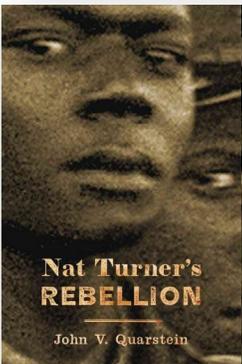
October 15 **Fall Society Meeting: speaker Alexander F. Barnes**

Author of several WWI books, Alexander F. Barnes, will discuss American's involvement in WWI. He retired from the US Army at Fort Lee in 2015 after 30 years of service as an Army Civilian. He is currently serving as the Command Historian for the Virginia National Guard. Location TBD.

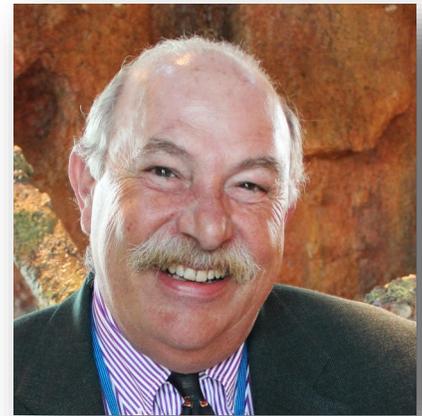


Alexander F. Barnes

November 5 **Second Union School & the Goochland Historical Society present speaker John Quarstein**

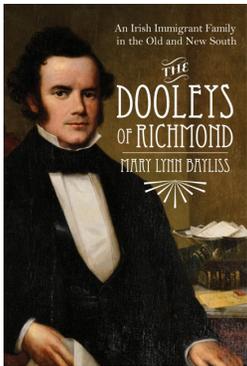


The Society is partnering with Second Union (Rosenwald) School to present speaker, John Quarstein, who will discuss his book, *Nat Turner's Rebellion*, and its effects on Southampton County, Virginia. John is a highly regarded historian, speaker and tour guide from the Hampton Roads area. He has written numerous books on the Civil War and is very active in PBS production.



John Quarstein

December 3 **Holiday Meeting: speaker Lynn Bayliss**



We are pleased to have long-time Society member, Dr. Mary Lynn Bayliss, talk about her new book, *The Dooleys of Richmond: Two Generations of an Irish Immigrant Family in the Old and New South*. She previously published articles in *Virginia Cavalcade*, *The Richmond Quarterly*, the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, and contributed to the *Dictionary of Virginia Biography*. The location TBD.



Mary Lynn Bayliss

December 9 **Annual Snowflake Sale at the Society.**

Join us for our annual Snowflake Sale where you can find Goochland themed gifts for you family and friends. Members receive 10% off all purchases made at the sale.

COURTHOUSE GREEN and OLD CLERK'S OFFICE RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY



Board members, Vernon Fleming and Richard Toler

The official opening and dedication of the Courthouse Green was held Sunday, May 21. This was the culmination of a project that took more than two years to complete. At 3 pm Reverend Lauren Lobenhofer, pastor of Gum Spring Methodist Church, gave the invocation. After the Presentation of the Colors and the Pledge of Allegiance, a series of speakers began the official ceremony and the dedication. Rossi Fisher and Wayne Dementi, Co-Chairmen, cut the ribbon, as Historical Society board members looked

on. The entire Courthouse green area has been revitalized and renovated, with commemorative brick pavers and a pebble trail with historical marker signage, allowing guests to walk through the green and learn about this historic space. The Old Clerk's Office was renovated so that it can now be used as a meeting space and for future exhibits with our artifacts and photographs. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the ceremony.



YARD SALE

After being postponed a week due to the rainy spring we had, on May 20th, the Society held its annual yard sale at the Society's headquarters. We had a heavier than usual turnout and it was a great success! Remember us in the spring of 2018 if you have any items that you would like to donate to the next sale.

YOUR SOCIETY IS WORKING FOR YOU

Central Rappahannock Heritage Center

On July 11, Christina Dunn, James Richmond and Catherine Southworth traveled to Fredericksburg, Virginia, to meet with volunteers from the **Central Rappahannock Heritage Center**. Here our group was able to learn more about how they handled their day-to-day activities and considerable collection. With more than 45 volunteers, the Heritage Center processes, indexes and stores documents, newspapers, and photographs.



Central Rappahannock Heritage Center



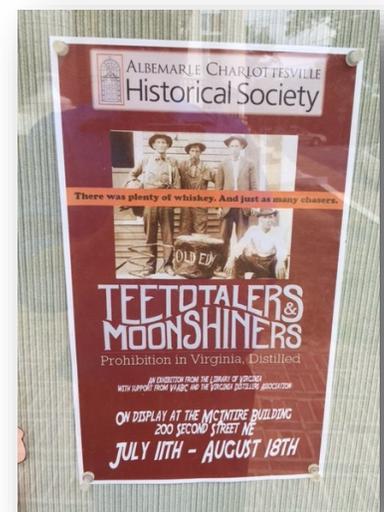
Some of the projects supported by the Foundation

Virginia Foundation for the Humanities

Christina Dunn and James Richmond went to Charlottesville on July 27 and met with representatives of the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities about grant possibilities. Along with this organization, we are continuing to search for other funding opportunities for future projects to help educate and bring history to everyone.

Albemarle County Historical Society

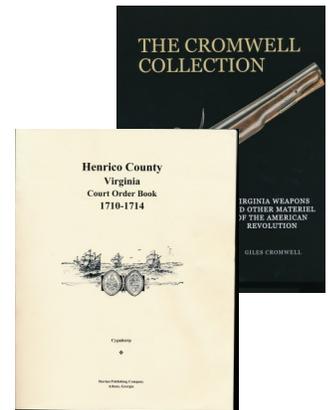
While in Charlottesville, Christina and James, also visited the Albemarle County Historical Society. The very well-run society is located in an historic building downtown and features a research library and gallery space which is currently displaying "Teetotalers and Moonshiners," a traveling exhibit from the Library of Virginia.



RECENT DONATIONS TO OUR LIBRARY

The Society has recently received several books, original documents, and photographs (for scanning) to our library.

- *The Cromwell Collection-Virginia Weapons and Other Materiel of the American Revolution*, donated by author and Society member, Giles Cromwell.
- *The History of Henrico County, 400th Anniversary Edition*, by Louis H. Manarin and Charles H. Peple, was donated by Society member, Charles Peple.
- *Henrico County Court Order Book, 1710-1714* and *Henrico County Order Book, 1737-1746*
- *Roadside Geology of Virginia*, by Keith Frye, donated by Scott Johnson



VISITORS TO THE SOCIETY

We continue have many visitors to the Society from all over the country, including: Ohio, Georgia, Indiana, and of course many from Virginia.

SUPPORT THE SOCIETY WITH YOUR PURCHASES

It's not just for Holiday shopping! You can support the Goochland County Historical Society every time you make a purchase on Amazon! It's called Amazon Smile and a small percentage of every purchase can be donated to the Society. All of your purchases will benefit the GCHS! For more information, please email goochlandhistory@comcast.net or call 804-556-3966.



OUR SATURDAY HOURS

REMAIN POPULAR

Since we started opening on the **second Saturday of each month** from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m, it has proven to be popular for visitors. It allows visitors who work during the week a time to come in and do research or purchase items from our gift shop. We hope to see you soon!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

IMMEDIATELY

Due to illness and relocations, we have several days when the Society office is open, but we have no volunteers to assist with greeting visitors, staffing the shop, or helping with research. Days available are the second Wednesday, second Thursday, second Friday, and fourth Friday of each month. Even if you cannot work all twelve months, we can usually arrange trades or substitutions. Your Society needs your help! If you can take on any of the above days, please call the Volunteer Coordinator, Cheryl Childress at 784-0001 or email at cpc1996@gmail.com.

LOOK FAMILIAR?

The Society has a large collection of photographs, some of which the names and places are lost, misplaced or unknown at the time of donation. Please take a look at these photographs, which are not known to be related, and let us know if you can identify them.



On the back of this photograph is written “could be Old Mills.” (Assession #PH2016-0021)



This image was produced on a postcard at Layton Studio, 417 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA



The only information we have on these two photographs is that they were produced at New York Art Gallery, 305 E. Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia, around the same time in history.



Visit the Goochland Historical Society

The Society's headquarters are located a half mile east of the Goochland Courthouse at 2875 River Road West (Route 6)

Office hours are:

Wednesday–Friday, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

2nd Saturday of the month, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Note: Those travelling long distances should call the society to confirm it will be open that day at (804) 556-3966.

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If you haven't already renewed your membership, be sure to get that in the mail soon. You don't want to miss our upcoming speakers, newsletters and magazine.

Goochland County Historical Society

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