Culture & Heritage Commission  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
February 28, 2023  
6:00 PM  
Museum of York County

Person Presiding: Penny Sheppard  
Members Present: Penny Sheppard, Ed Stewart, David Duncan, Margaret Parson-Willins, Annie Laurie Wheat, and George Feindel  
Members Absent:  
Ex Officio Members Present: Katie Rutland and Eddie Lee  
Ex Officio Members Absent:  
Staff Present: Richard Campbell, Dabney Scholler, Sarah Lewis, and Jillian Bingham  
Others: Michelle Totherow

Call to Order

- Penny Sheppard called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm  
- Penny Sheppard presented the minutes from the January 24th meeting and asked for changes or corrections  
  - Ed Stewart made motion to accept the minutes  
    - Margaret Parson-Willins seconded the motion  
  - The motion passed and minutes were accepted as written

Calendar Review

- Code of Ethics Pledge renewal this month  
  - Each commissioner signed the annual Code of Ethics Pledge  
    - Annie Laurie Wheat asked for a copy of the Code of Ethics, Dabney Scholler will follow-up with this request

Reports and Presentations

- Director's Report  
  - Presented by Richard Campbell  
    - Visitation  
      - CHM site-wide visitation for the month of January was three thousand, five hundred and forty-seven, with a year-to-date total of thirty-five thousand, two hundred seventy-two.
  - School Groups
• For the month of January, school group visitation totaled five hundred, thirty-eight students, with a year-to-date total of five thousand, five hundred thirty-two students.
  o Membership
    • Membership has increased by eighty-seven memberships with a total revenue of $6,310. Year-to-date the CHM has a membership total of one thousand, two hundred forty-three and a revenue of $48,840.
  o Past Events
    • Harry Potter Science Saturday (MYCO)
      • This annual event took place of February 11th at the Museum of York County and had an attendance of nine hundred, ninety-six visitors. We received great feedback overall and staff did a great job delivering a great visitor experience.
    • By Way of the Back Door (HB)
      • Historic Brattonsville’s annual, month-long event took place each Saturday in February and showcased a facet of enslaved life each week. In addition to the weekly programming, Joe Mester presented a well-received lecture at Winthrop University titled, Architecture of Enslavement: Understanding the Evolution of Black and White Landscapes on a South Carolina Piedmont Plantation on February 16th.
    • Colossal Community Heroes (MSCM)
      • Each Thursday morning in February, the Main Street Children’s Museum presented Colossal Community Heroes, honoring and interacting with local heroes, such as police, the fire department, healthcare workers, and librarians. This program was very well received and attended, despite taking place at the Museum of York County.
        o We do not have a final number but will have it to present at the March meeting.
  o Upcoming Events
    • Reconstruction- Living History Saturday (HB)
      • This event will take place on March 4th and will present the cultural, social, and political changes during the Reconstruction Era. Visitors will learn how the changes affected and impacted York County during this time period. Activities will include historic cooking, quilting, Federal Army camp life, and interpretation of the Liberty and Resistance exhibit in the Brick House.
  o CHM Project Updates
    • Main Street Children’s Museum Repair
      • The Main Street Children’s Museum will reopen on March 1st. Due to the Christmas Day flood, the site was only closed for two months. All repairs were complete by mid-February, however due to a plaster wall moisture issue, the February 21st opening date was delayed. Exhibits continues to work on the wall but it will not disturb the enjoyment of the site.
    • Mc Celvey Auditorium (Lowry Family Theatre)
      • The shoring has been stabilized for the Lowry Family Theatre. Scaffolding Solutions and Bennett Preservation have been hard at work installing towers and updating the 100% construction.
drawings. We expect to receive the draft drawings from Bennett Preservation in mid-March and the final drawings in June.

- McElvee EMS Building
  - Assistant County Attorney, Laura Dover is working with the City of York to move forward with this project. The City of York advised us to proceed a subdivision of the property and not require a buffer, which would be very expensive. Currently, we are proceeding with the survey and subdivision of the property, so that it may be sold.

- Brattonsville Slave Cemetery
  - The grant to interpret the Watt Cemetery was formally signed with the SC 250 Commission on January 25th and the check for the grant was received this week. We are currently working with the South Carolina Institute of Archeology and Anthropology and the State Archeologist to conduct an archeological investigation of the property. Fieldwork by the SCIAA will begin during the week of March 20th, with a completion deadline of November.

- Col. Bratton and Homestead Houses Preservation Projects
  - Midwest Maintenance Inc. continues preservation activities of the Col. Bratton House and Homestead. The pier replacement at the Col. Bratton house has been completed. While deconstructing the breezeway at the Homestead, Carey Tilley recently discovered the piers from the original porch from when the home was built in 1826.
  - Preservation has set up a Preservation Lab in the Academy to investigate and analyze architectural finishes and materials required to restore the interiors of both historic structures.

- Smith House Stabilization Project
  - Preservation activities continue at the Smith House, including construction of steps, whitewashing, cleaning, and repairing the chimney, and repairing the window sashes. While not original to the site, it will be utilized for interpretation and programming.

- Museum of York County Fluid Preservation Room
  - This addition, funded by the Foundation of the Carolinas funds, will house fish, amphibians, and reptile specimens from the Carolina Piedmont. We will utilize the current space with the addition of a walk-in freezer, to be used by Collections and Natural History. The internal planning team, made up of staff, met with County- retained architect Darrell Watts on February 6th to discuss the project. Mr. Watts agreed to submit a proposal, which we will receive on Friday. Once approved, the Foundation of the Carolinas will release the awarded funds to cover the cost of the project. We expect this project to move quickly.

- York County 250th Committee
  - We have received feedback from half of the exploratory committee, two members have no yet responded, but we will be moving forward with the invitation. There will be a meeting early next week to move forward with the stakeholders.
    - Eddie Lee asked if Zach Lemhouse had been in touch with everyone on the list provided.
      - Richard Campbell stated that the list was compiled, including the list provided by Eddie Lee, with lists
from the other exploratory committee members. The committee has been working with Bill Davies.

- National Register of Historic Places
  - The final draft of the nomination was submitted on February 24th and we are scheduled to present the nomination to the State Board on March 24th.
    - Eddie Lee informed us that he is the new chair of the State Board.
- Historic Preservation State Grant Fund
  - The grant for the McCelvey Center was submitted prior to the January 31st deadline and we expect to hear back by May 1st.

[Note: A full copy of the Director’s Report is attached to these minutes as Addendum A]

Committee Reports
- Collections Committee
  - Presented by Jillian Bingham
    - TC348
        - Donor Name: Lucille Dowling
    - TC355
      - This collection includes photos of circus performers, envelopes, a newspaper clipping, and a sketch dating 1920-1996. Detailed list attached.
        - Donor Name: Patty Wilkins
    - TC356
      - This collection includes yearbooks, bookmarks, new clippings, invitations, minutes, membership dues, and financial documents dating 1932-2020. Detailed list attached.
        - Donor Name: Thursday Afternoon Book Club via Susan Lowry Mason
    - TC358
      - Children’s Book: “The Four-Eyed Dome Monster” by John and Jane Spratt, inscribed by Jane Spratt to the Schuler family, August 1986
      - Special edition booklet: John Fitzgerald Kennedy “The Last Full Measure” reprinted from the March 1964 National Geographic magazine
      - (8) Newsweek Magazines (1964-1970) about space exploration and John F. Kennedy family
      - (12) Life Magazines (1960-1969) about space exploration and John F. Kennedy family
      - (1) cardboard egg carton, Sunny Day Eggs- purchased from Community Cash Store on Congress Street in York, c.1970
      - (1) “Brothers of the Brush” button (1952), belonged to Stanley Byars (1921-2014)
(3) John F. Kennedy 1960 campaign buttons: (1) photo of JFK, (1) “Kennedy”, and (1) “I'm working for Kennedy & Johnson”, belonged to Mary Jane Schuler in junior high school
  • Donor Name: Mary Jane Schuler

  o TC366
  • The First National Bank of Sharon, SC check dated September 24, 1943 to Life, signed by William L. Hill Jr.
  • Counter check for The People's National Bank of Rock Hill dated February 7, 1928 signed by Planters Bank of Sharon, SC
  • Hill Motor Sales of Sharon, SC check dated September 24, 1942 to Jas. R. Burns, signed by W.L. Hill Jr.
  • Canning label for “Choice Black Berries” from “Hickory Grove, SC”
  • Country Cooking from Tri-Cities by Tri-Cities Jaycee-ettes Hickory Grove, Sharon, Smyrna 1976
    • Donor Name: Fran Bertelli

  o TC368
  • .001- Photograph of donor's father, Irwin Gluckman and Vernon Grant, along with Captain Roesch and Lt. Colonel McCormick in Europe during WWII, 1945
    • Donor Name: Howard Gluckman

  o TC N/A- McElvey Transfer
  • .001- Teacher's desk, c.1950
  • .002- Student desk, c.1950
  • .003- Student desk, c.1950
  • .004- Reproduction William and Mary chair with caning and arms, used c.1960
  • .005- Reproduction William and Mary chair with caning, used c.1960
  • .006- Reproduction William and Mary ladder-back chair with arms and caning, used c.1960
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  • .008- plastic dark green school chair, c.1970
  • .009- Library table or console table, c. 1920
  • .010- “McElvey” urn featuring a mask with a smiling face (comedy), c. 1990
  • .011- “McElvey” urn featuring a mask with a frowning face (drama), c. 1990
    • Donor Name: McElvey Center

  • David Duncan made a motion to accept the following items; TC348, TC355, TC356, TC358, TC366, TC368, and Internal Transfer N/A, to the Collection
    o Annie Laurie Wheat seconded the motion
      • Penny Sheppard called for a vote, vote was taken, and the motion passed

[Note: Copy of the above Recommendations for Accession are attached to these minutes as Addendum B]

  • Finance Committee
    • Presented by Ed Stewart
      o Treasurer's Report
        • Everything looks great on the January Financials and Balance Sheet.
    o 990
      • The Finance Committee met at 5:45pm today to review the 990. Everything looks good. There was one grammatical error, which will be corrected.
• If anyone would like to read over the 990, a hard copy may be provided.
  
  o Ed Stewart made a motion on behalf of the Finance Committee to accept the 990 with the addition of the corrected grammatical error.
    ▪ Annie Laurie Wheat seconded the motion
    ▪ Penny Sheppard called for a vote, vote was taken, and the motion passed

• Governance Committee
  
  o Nothing to report
  
  o We will hold a Governance Meeting and a Finance Meeting in March to discuss Budgets and the Organizational Chart
    ▪ We will reach out to the committee members to schedule the meetings.
    ▪ Michelle Totherow will send the Budget out to the Finance Committee members.

Executive Session
• No Executive Session needed

Old Business
• None

New Business
• None

Commission Member New/Non-agenda Comments
• None

Adjourn
• Penny Sheppard made a motion to adjourn at 6:41pm
  o Annie Laurie Wheat seconded the motion
    ▪ Penny Sheppard called for a vote, vote was taken, and the motion passed
    • Meeting adjourned at 6:42pm

Prepared by: Dabney Scholler
Submitted by: Ed Stewart, Secretary/Treasurer
Culture and Heritage Museums
Director's Report
February 28, 2023

Mission: to communicate and preserve the natural and cultural histories of the Carolina Piedmont, inspiring a lifetime of learning.

Visitation – January 2023
- Total visitation: 3,547
  - Museum of York County: 2,650
  - Historic Brattonsville: 640
  - Main Street Children's Museum: 198
  - Historical Center of York County: 59
- Total year-to-date: 35,272
  - Museum of York County: 18,623
  - Historic Brattonsville: 7,618
  - Main Street Children's Museum: 8,683
  - Historical Center of York County: 348

School Groups – January 2023
- Total school group visitation: 538
  - Museum of York County: 408
  - Historic Brattonsville: 78
  - Main Street Children's Museum: 52
- Year-to-date: 5,532 students
  - Museum of York County: 3,079
  - Historic Brattonsville: 2,058
  - Main Street Children's Museum: 395

Membership – January 2023
- New memberships: 87
- Membership revenue: $6,310
- Year-to-date membership: 1,243 memberships.
- Year-to-date membership revenue: $48,840

Past Events

Harry Potter Science Saturday (MYCO)
- Harry Potter Science Saturday took place this year on Saturday, February 11th.
- The annual event presents how the real science of our world parallels the magic from the world of Harry Potter.
• We had 996 visitors attend the event and received very positive comments and survey results.

**By Way of the Back Door (HB)**

• This event took place every Saturday in February at Historic Brattonsville’s main site.
• By Way of the Back Door offers unique programming each week, where staff will highlight the lives and contributions of the enslaved population at Historic Brattonsville.
• This year’s event focused on the Daily Life of Enslaved People, Foodways, Trades and the Skilled Enslaved, and Arts and Cultural Contributions.
• Historic Brattonsville Assistant Manager and Historic Preservationist, Joe Mester presented a lecture at Winthrop University entitled, *Architecture of Enslavement: Understanding the Evolution of Black and White Landscapes on a South Carolina Piedmont Plantation* on February 16th as part of “By Way of the Back Door” programming.
• The abstract for the lecture:
  o Landscape is land changed for the purposes of human use and illustrates the interaction of people and place.
  o Through the lens of cultural landscape and vernacular architecture studies, Joe delved into the black and white landscapes created by the Brattons and their enslaved people during the evolution of Historic Brattonsville.
  o The lecture looked at the history of the everyday spaces—buildings, structures, and fields, to recognize their cultural meaning, in order to develop a deeper understanding of the past.

**Colossal Community Heroes (MSCM)**

• Every Thursday morning in February, this program was hosted at the Museum of York County.
• Colossal Community Heroes is a revamp of our past Superhero Day at the Main Street Children’s Museum.
• The new program structure focused on specific heroes throughout the month, allowing for more interaction between visitors and our volunteer heroes.
• Visitors celebrated the police, firefighters, and medical workers over the first three Thursdays, and celebrated librarians on the last Thursday in February.
• Attendance has been very good to date considering the event was relocated to MYCO.

**Upcoming Events**

**Reconstruction – Living History Saturday (HB)**

• This upcoming event will place on Saturday, March 4th from 10am to 4pm at Historic Brattonsville’s main site. Historic interpreters and costumed volunteers will lead the event, highlighting the cultural, social, and political changes in York County during the Reconstruction Era, demonstrating and interpreting how the Reconstruction Era fundamentally changed culture, society, and politics in York County. Activities include:
  o Historic hearth cooking with recipes from *What Mrs. Fisher Knows About Old Southern Cooking* (1881, one of the earliest cookbooks published by an African-American woman) and *Mrs. Hill’s New Cook Book* (1867)
- Quilting demonstration— a make-and-take activity
- Federal Army camp life
- Interpretation of the “Liberty and Resistance” exhibit in the Brattonsville Store (Brick House)

**CHM Project Updates**

**Main Street Children’s Museum Repair**
- On Christmas evening, a pipe servicing the buildings sprinkler system ruptured, causing a significant amount of water damage at the Main Street Children’s Museum.
- All repairs were complete by mid-February and a reopening date was set for February 21st.
- Unfortunately, during the drying process, it was noticed that repair work to portions of the buildings plaster walls did not set correctly, as sections of the walls still retained moisture.
- CHM Preservation was called in to assist with the moisture issues, and repairs were completed on February 20th.
- All damaged surface areas were repaired and painted except for the wall in the stairway, which will need additional time to dry before final repairs and painting can be completed.
- The Main Street Children’s Museum will reopen on Wednesday, March 1st.

**McCelvey Auditorium (Lowry Family Theatre)**
- **Shoring Update:**
  - Scaffolding Solutions completed the installation of two additional shoring towers (a total of 5 towers support the failed truss) on January 20th.
    - During installation of additional towers, a construction detail was identified that will require an alteration to the two recently installed towers.
    - We are working with Bennett Preservation Engineering and Scaffolding Solutions to determine the appropriate change to current configuration.
- **Preservation Engineering Update:**
  - Bennett Preservation Engineers (BPE) visited McCelvey on February 8th and 9th to take additional measurements of truss connections for their 100% construction documents.
  - BPE will provide draft drawings to us in mid-March, and final drawings in June.
  - BPE advised us to have a survey done to identify hazardous materials which will likely be disturbed during the work. We are currently getting quotes.

**McCelvey EMS Building**
- Assistant County Attorney, Laura Dover, sent a letter to the City of York asking for administrative review relating to the need for a landscape buffer as a precursor to subdivision of the property.
- The City advised us to proceed with the subdivision and withdraw our variance request.
- This was excellent news as installing such a buffer, which included trees and fencing, would have been very expensive.
- We officially withdrew the variance request and are proceeding with the surveying and subdivision of the property.
• We have reached out to the surveying company that provided a quote in August, and they’re preparing a quote to survey and help us through subdivision process.

Brattonsville Slave Cemetery
• Following review by the County Attorney, CHM formally signed the grant agreement with the SC 250 Commission on January 25th.
• We are currently working with the South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology (SCIAA) and the State Archaeologist to conduct an archaeological investigation of the site using a pedestrian survey and Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR).
• The archaeological work will result in the creation of a map identifying the boundaries of the cemetery and the location of graves and any other cultural soil anomalies.
• Per their requirements, we submitted a formal letter to SCIAA requesting their assistance. This request and their proposed contract are currently under review by SCIAA’s parent organization, the University of South Carolina.
• Barring any unforeseen issues on their side, SCIAA will conduct the fieldwork on the week of March 20th.
• In preparation for the GPR study, HB staff and, potentially, volunteers will remove deadfall, limbs, and saplings from the area to facilitate a smoother path for the GPR instruments.
• CHM Historian, Zach Lemhouse, drafted text for two planned wayside signs.
  o This text is currently undergoing staff review and selection of images.
• We are working with York County IT to obtain the costs of cameras to be located on the property.
• The project is scheduled to be completed in November of 2023.

Col. Bratton and Homestead Houses Preservation Projects (HB)
• Midwest Maintenance, Inc. (MMI) continues preservation activities at Col. Bratton and Homestead Houses.
  o MMI completed the pier replacement at the Col. Bratton House.
  o MMI has removed the 1970s restoration portico and started constructing piers ahead of the construction of a safer and more accurate portico.
  o MMI’s electrical subcontractor, Starnes Electric, has completed the majority of their scope of work.
• CHM Preservation conducted additional architectural research into the construction of the Homestead House with the removal of the portico and breezeway.
• We now understand the timber framing methods used by Henry Alexander to construct the two-story section of the house between 1823 and 1826.
• We have identified key remnants of the original one-story, one-bay wide center porches at the front and back doors of the Homestead House.
• These features will help us better understand how the house originally looked nearly two decades after its completion in 1826.
• CHM Preservation will receive the necessary microscope, accessories, and supplies by the end of February to begin architectural finishes and materials analyses as part of the investigations required to restore the interiors of the Col. Bratton and Homestead Houses.

Smith House Stabilization Project (HB)
• CHM Preservation continues preservation activities at the Smith House.
  • Construction is underway on a second set of steps on the north elevation of the house to improve egress.
  • Whitewashing the chimney stacks and building clean-up will occur in preparation for using the spaces as a weaving/textile demonstration space.
  • Repairing and re-glazing of the window sash.
  • Sourcing a chimney sweep to inspect the second chimney of Smith House.

Fluid Preservation Room (MYCO)
• The new Fluid Preservation Room will house fish, amphibians, and reptiles to be preserved and stored in an ethanol solution and will be used for educational opportunities facilitate research for future generations.
• Key components of the project include remodeling the existing space and the addition of a walk-in freezer.
• The CHC Capital Projects Fund Advisory Committee formally approved our grant request of $152,866 on August 2, 2022.
• On January 13, 2023, CHM’s internal planning team met with representatives from York County Engineering to review the project budget, discuss any cost escalation, and map out a strategy to complete the project.
• At the suggestion of County Engineering, staff met with Architect Darrell Watts, who is under contract with York County.
• The internal planning team met with Mr. Watts on February 6th to discuss the project and determine his interest in submitting a proposal for the project.
• Mr. Watts agreed to submit a proposal and we expect to receive it by the end of this month.
• Once approved, the FFTC will release a distribution from the awarded amount to cover the cost of the design work and proceed with the execution of a contract with the architect.

York County 250th Committee
• On October 28, 2022, the YC 250th Committee Exploratory Group met with Bill Davies, Vice Chairman of the SC 250 Commission to discuss ways to form a York County 250th Committee.
• During the meeting, attendees drafted a comprehensive stakeholder list and began working on invitations.
• The group decided to draft an invitation based on examples provided by Kings Mountain National Military Park to be sent to individuals on the stakeholder list.
• CHM Historian Zach Lemhouse drafted the invitation as agreed, and for the past two months has been trying to elicit feedback on the invitation’s language.
• To date, we have received positive feedback from two of the four members.
• As additional feedback has not been received, the group will move forward with the invitations.
• There will be an internal meeting next week to discuss how to move forward and support the effort.

National Register of Historic Places (McElvey Center)
• We submitted the final draft on February 24th and are scheduled to present the nomination to the State Board on March 24th.

Historic Preservation State Grant Fund
• The grant was submitted prior to the January 31st deadline.
• We expect to hear back by May 1st.
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

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Name of Donor:

McCelvey Center

Description of Accession:

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Overall Condition:  □ Excellent  X Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection (LxWxH)

| .001 -- 42" x 32" x 30.25" | .007 -- 19.5" x 21.25" x 30" |
| .002 -- 22" x 29.25" x 31" | .008 -- 18" x 21.5" x 30" |
| .003 -- 22" x 29.25" x 31" | .009 -- 66" x 21" x 30.5" |
| .004 -- 24.75" x 22.5" x 51" | .010 -- 7" x 9.25" x 20.5" |
| .005 -- 20" x 17.75" x 49.5" | .011 -- 7" x 9.25" x 20.5" |
| .006 -- 23.25" x 24.25" x 47" |

Significance/Ownership History  Mission Rating: 3  (Scale of 1 - 5; 5 matches mission 100%)
All items have very strong history connection to McCelvey Center.

Items .001 through .009 can all be proven to have been used by students and teachers of McCelvey Graded School/McCelvey Elementary through photographs found in various White Rose yearbooks. CHM gained possession of the furniture when they acquired McCelvey Center from the previous owners, McCelvey Center Incorporated of York (often referred to as McCelvey Inc.), in 2001. While the desks and school chairs cannot be connected to any specific classroom or group of students, the reproduction William and Mary chairs and library table were used for the staging of yearbook photos and for theater productions as late as 1965.

Once the school closed in 1987 and McCelvey Inc. renovated the building, McCelvey Inc. used some of the furniture for their events, proven through scrapbooks and a 1990 program. McCelvey Inc also had the two urns customized to include "McCelvey" below the comedy and drama masks and then
displayed them on the wall between the theater doors. The comedy and drama masks highlighted the performing arts that McCelvey Inc. focused their attention on.

Potential Uses: X Research  X Exhibition  X Loan
All items can be used for research, exhibition, or loan on themes related to McCelvey Center and other York schools, twentieth century furniture, education, and school furnishings.

Restrictions:
None

Unusual Costs:
None

Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title):  
Date: 2/3/2023

Executive Director Recommends (Signature):  
Date: 2/8/2023

Approved by Culture & Heritage Commission on:  
Executive Director Signature:  
Date: 3/1/2023
### RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

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**Name of Donor:** Lucille Dowling

**Description of Accession:**
22 local and regional newspapers dating 1989 to 2021

**Overall Condition:**  
- [ ] Excellent  
- [X] Good  
- [ ] Fair  
- [ ] Poor

**General/Comparable Size of Collection**
Newspapers will be added into current collection of newspapers.

**Significance/Ownership History**  
Mission Rating: 5  
(Scale of 1 – 5; 5 matches mission 100%)

The donor Lucille Cerullo Dowling of New York collected these top headline newspapers for her children. She married her husband, William James Dowling, in 1985 and experienced Hurricane Gloria when it hit New York as a category 3 on September 27, 1985 living without power for several weeks. They moved from New York to Rock Hill in March 1989 the same year Hurricane Hugo hit South Carolina as a category 4 on September 22, 1989.

These 22 local and regional newspapers include *The Herald, Fort Mill Times, The Charlotte Observer, The Post and Courier,* and *USA Today* with top headlines about Hurricane Hugo, 9/11 World Trade Center, remembering the Columbia shuttle, election of President Obama and the inauguration of President Biden.

**Potential Uses:**  
- [X] Research  
- [X] Exhibition  
- [ ] Loan

Newspapers are considered a primary source and these issues contain historical information that will be useful for patrons and staff researching York County’s past and major national events.

**Restrictions:**
None

**Unusual Costs:**
None

**Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title):**  
Nancy Lambert, Director of Archives  
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- The Herald, September 23, 1989 “Hugo Damage in Millions: Live Wire Kills Fort Mill Lineman”
- The Herald, Special Section, September 24, 1989 “Hugo: A Story of a Storm”
- Fort Mill Times, Special Section, September 27, 1989 “A Chronicle of the Storm: Havoc of Hugo”
- The Herald, June 22, 1994 “City lifts drinking-water advisory”
- The Herald, September 18, 1994, “Reminders of Hugo remain”
- The Herald, September 15, 2001 “A nation mourns”
- The Herald, September 16, 2001 “President warns U. S. Soldiers: ‘We’re at War’ ‘This act will not stand’”
- The Herald, December 15, 2003 “Saddam Captured: Former Iraqi president found in hole near Tikrit”
- (2) The Herald, November 5, 2008 “OBAMA”
- The Charlotte Observer, 13 Pages of Election Coverage, November 5, 2008 “Triumphant”
- The Charlotte Observer, 18 Pages of Inauguration Coverage, January 21, 2009 “President Obama”
- (2) The Herald, January 21, 2009 “New Era of Responsibility”
- USA Today, Inauguration Section Inside, January 21, 2021 “A Day of History and Hope: Joseph R. Biden Jr. becomes the 46th president and Kamala D. Harris breaks barrier as vice president”
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**Name of Donor:**
Patty Wilkins

**Description of Accession:**
This collection includes photos of circus performers, envelopes, and newspaper clipping, and a sketch dating 1920 to 1996. See attached detailed list.

**Overall Condition:**
- [ ] Excellent  
- [x] Good  
- [ ] Fair  
- [ ] Poor

**General/Comparable Size of Collection**
2 letter size folders and the 3 framed items will fit on a shelf

**Significance/Ownership History**
Mission Rating: 5 (Scale of 1 – 5; 5 matches mission 100%)

Donor Patty Wilkins and her sister Robin Davis are daughters of Dolores Montgomery and grandchildren of Pete Sadowski. These items were collected by their mother. Some of the images may be of the Cristiani Circus family as well as the Barnett Bros. Circus in York.

**Fabian Peter “Pete” Sadowski** (1913-1997) was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts. He married Lillian May King who had two daughters, Dolores and Nancy Jane, from a previous marriage. They then had one daughter together named Barbara. Pete toured with various circuses from 1928 to 1963, including working as a mechanic for the Barnett Brothers Circus that wintered in York, SC. He also owned and operated the repair shop Pete’s Garage in York and was a member of Divine Savior Catholic Church.

**Dolores King Montgomery** (1932-2022) was the daughter of Parker B. King and Lillian May King Sadowski, and step-daughter of Pete Sadowski. She was married to James R. Montgomery. Her parents were employed by the Barnett Brothers Circus and she grew up living next to the Winter Quarters in York, SC. She was honored as the Grand Marshall in the circus themed 2019 York Christmas parade. She was employed by Springs Mills’ Accounts Receivable Department and was a member of Beth Shiloh Presbyterian Church.

**Nancy Jane “Janie” King Cristiani Grimes** (1934-1972) was the daughter of Parker B. King and Lillian May King Sadowski, and step-daughter of Pete Sadowski. Her first marriage in 1951 was to Mogador Ermete Cristiani (of the Cristiani Bros. Circus) and her second marriage in 1971 was to Gordon Grimes. She was a circus performer, doing trick horseback riding and aerial work.

**Parker B. King** (1910-1939) of Spartanburg, was the son of Henry Mitchell King and Mary Jane King. His brother Frank M. King (1915-1989) is possibly identified as an acrobat on one of the photos.

**Dr. Greer “Bill” F. Hiottt Jr.** (1924-2013) was the son of Greer Fleetwood Hiottt Sr. and Bunice
Ackerman Hiot. He served during World War II with the Chemical Warfare Division and in 1951 he graduated from the Bowman Gray School of Medicine. In 1952 he opened a practice in York, SC and operated it with the help of his wife, Jeane Elizabeth Haugen Hiot, who was a nurse. He also served on the board of directors for Divine Savior Hospital and worked with the First Presbyterian church to establish a free clinic for babies.

https://www.circusringoffame.org/inductees/family-cristiani/
The Cristiani circus family can trace its roots back to 1840 when Emilio Cristiani, a gymnast and bareback rider, joined a traveling circus in Pisa, Italy. While performing in Brussels, Belgium in 1933, the troupe was "discovered" by Pat Valdo of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey. The family came to America in the spring of 1934, making an appearance in Madison Square Garden, however because of a dispute with the Loyal Repenski riding act, the Cristianis were moved to the Ringling-owned Hagenbeck-Wallace circus for the remainder of the 1934 season, continuing with Hagenbeck-Wallace 4-Paw Sells in 1935. In 1936 the family moved over to the Ringling-owned Al G. Barnes Circus where they introduced a teeterboard act to their repertoire. They remained with the newly named Al G. Barnes Sells Floto circus through the 1937 season. The act moved to Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey in 1938, however the labor strike that cut the season short that year had the family finishing out the season with "Al G. Barnes and Sells Floto Presenting Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Stupendous New Features" for the remainder of the season. In 1939, they were back with Ringling Bros and Barnum & Bailey where they continued to be a featured attraction through the 1942 season. The act appeared in Robert Ringling's indoor circus at Madison Square Garden in 1943 prior to leaving the Ringling organization and becoming circus owners themselves.

https://www.circusesandsideshows.com/circuses/cristianibroscircus.html
In 1949, Papa and Mama along with their children and grandchildren, a family of 26, pulled their circus equipment out of storage to form "Cristiani Brothers Circus" in America to great acclaim and success. In 1954 Cristiani Bros Circus trekked the long Trans Alaskan & Canadian Highway to be the first circus ever to tour Alaska to outstanding critical acclaim and financial success. By 1958, the show grew from a small family circus to the second largest in North America next to Ringling Bros. Barnum & Bailey. It took fifty-two trucks alone, to move the Cristiani Bros Circus from one town to the next. In the 1960's, circus economics changed, forcing the show to close. For the Cristianis however, it was closing one chapter and opening a new one...The Cristiani Family have made Sarasota, Florida their home since 1938 and has received honors’ for their many talents and contributions to the circus industry.

Potential Uses: x Research  x Exhibition  □ Loan

The circus photographs are useful for documenting the community of circus performers, circus history in York, and local family history. The collectible first day of issue envelopes with stamps given to a local resident is useful for researching envelop artwork, stamps, and postal mail.

Restrictions:

None

Unusual Costs:

None
Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title): Nancy Lamberts, Director of Archives 2-8-2023

Executive Director Recommends (Signature): Richard Campbell 2-19-2023

Approved by Culture & Heritage Commission on: Executive Director Signature: Date: Richard Campbell 3-1-2023
TC355 Wilkins

- Framed (9.5 x 11.5) collectible envelopes, back labeled as “1997 to Remember Our Friend “Pete” Bill Hiott (“Doc”)
  - Envelope addressed to Greer F. Hiott, Jr., M. D. dated May 2 1966, first day of issue to commemorate John Ringling with a circus clown stamp
  - Envelope addressed to Greer F. Hiott, Jr., M. D. dated July 30 1966, first day of issue to commemorate Polish Culture with a Poland Millennium stamp
- Framed (17 x 21) newspaper clippings Charlotte Observer August 20, 1996
  - “A Life on The Road – Circus Mechanic Made York Last Stop” and “At tour’s end, big top workers settled into York”
- Framed (12 x 15) sketch of man identified as Pete Sadowski
- Carte de visite (8 x 10) of unidentified circus performers demonstrating acrobatic skills
  - Man, child and woman (man holding up child by his legs)
  - Man holding up woman with his hands
  - Man holding woman with his hands and legs
  - Man on stairs with woman
  - Man with wooden barrel, child and woman
- Photographs of unidentified circus performers demonstrating acrobatic skills
  - Man with chair in mouth with child on top of chair (two copies of different sizes)
  - Man holding up child with hands
  - Child hand standing on chair
  - Man with two children; one child with arms crossed
- Photographs of unidentified circus performers demonstrating acrobatic skills
  - One man performing a back bend by holding onto another man
  - Two men performing hand stands on stairs
  - Three men with chair
- Photographs of circus performers c. 1950
  - Woman posing in bathing suit (Jane King Cristiani)
  - Two women with elephant (Barnett Bros. Circus lot)
  - Woman with elephant (Jane King Cristiani)
  - Two women and a man with a bowtie (Jane King Cristiani, Uncle Frank, Dolores Montgomery)
  - Woman on tightrope (Jane King Cristiani)
  - Woman holding 5 children upright on her shoulders
  - Woman in chair with fish net tights (Jane King Cristiani)
  - Woman hanging from bar, American flag on the right (Jane King Cristiani)
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

Temporary Custody ID: TC356
Collection Type: Archives
Method of Acquisition: Donation

Name of Donor: Thursday Afternoon Book Club via Susan Lowry Mason

Description of Accession:
This collection includes Yearbooks, bookmarks, news clippings, invitations, minutes, membership dues, and financial documents dating 1932 to 2020. See attached detailed list.

Overall Condition: □ Excellent  X Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection
These items will fit in one document box.

Significance/Ownership History
These materials are an excellent addition to RG-201 Thursday Afternoon Book Club Collection donated to the archives in 2016.

The Thursday Afternoon Book Club was organized in York, SC in 1920 by Margaret Marshall and 25 ladies. Rachel Wylie served as the first president. The Club belonged to the north central district of the Federation of Women's Clubs. As a book club, they were civic-minded and over the years supported many causes such as the library in the York Graded School, sold tuberculous seals, beautified the cemetery, sponsored lighting of the Christmas tree, served Christmas dinners for the York Crustbreakers Club, donated over 400 dolls to less fortunate children at Christmas, supported many beautification efforts in York, and hosted several book signings. They met twice a month until recently and now only once a month. Over the years, programs included guest speakers, food, games, and sometimes travel to see museum exhibits. The Thursday Afternoon Book Club is still in existence and is older than the Tea & Topics Book Club and the York Book Club (both are still active).

Potential Uses: X Research  X Exhibition  □ Loan
The Thursday Afternoon Book Club minutes and membership lists provide helpful information to genealogists or others researching female citizens of York as well as social causes and events that their members have been involved in over the years.

Restrictions: None

Unusual Costs: None
Thursday Afternoon Book Club

- Yearbooks
  - 2019-2020
  - 2017-2018
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• Handwritten 1960 yearbook
• Pink 1980 bookmark
• Yellow 1980 bookmark
• 1985 paper bookmark
• Black spiral notebook 1998-2003
  • Membership dues
• Newspaper clipping
  • Sept 1970 "Thursday Book Club Observers Anniversary"
  • "York club marks fortieth anniversary"
  • Yorkville Enquirer September 27, 1990 "Thursday Afternoon Book Club celebrates 70th anniversary" with picture
• Pamphlet and Invitation card May 2015 to the 95th Anniversary Celebration Dinner
• 1996 Invitation to the 75th Anniversary Luncheon
• Correspondence
  • 95th Anniversary planning committee meeting emails
• Poem regarding members of the club by Margaret "Skinny" Love
• Light blue spiral notebook 2011 minutes
• 1970 invitation to the golden anniversary luncheon
• Envelope and letter from York County Collection/Recycling 1995
• Handwritten notes regarding Mar. 15, 1984 meeting (2 pages)
• Magazine "Sandlapper" January 1978, page 65 "Recipes of York's August Clubs"
• Typed write up regarding the history of celebrating anniversaries
• Handwritten copy regarding the 75th anniversary
• Typed write up regarding the 95th anniversary
• Envelope and letter from Lumiere Medical Ministries, Inc. September 2009
- Financial documents
  - 1998-2018
- 1995 envelope and letter from York County Public Works
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

Temporary Custody ID: TC358  Collection Type: Archives  Method of Acquisition: Donation

Name of Donor: Mary Jane Schuler

Description of Accession:
Archives: (see detailed inventory)
Children's Book: "The Four-Eyed Dome Monster" by John and Jane Spratt. Inscribed by Jane Spratt to the Schuler's, August 1986.

Booklet: "Rock Hill, S. C. 100 Years of Progress 1852-1952, May 4-10, 1952 "A Good Town" Centennial Celebration"

Special edition booklet: John Fitzgerald Kennedy "The Last Full Measure" reprinted from the March 1964 National Geographic magazine

8 Newsweek Magazines (1964-1970) about space exploration and John F. Kennedy family

12 Life Magazines (1960-1969) about space exploration and John F. Kennedy family


Collections:

1 "Brothers of the Brush" button (1952) belonged to Stanley Byars (1921-2014)

3 John F. Kennedy 1960 campaign buttons: 1 photo of JFK, 1 "Kennedy", 1 "I'm working for Kennedy & Johnson" belonged to Mary Jane Schuler when she was in Junior High

Overall Condition: □ Excellent  x Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection
The newspapers and magazines will fit into existing newspaper boxes.

Significance/Ownership History  Mission Rating: 5  (Scale of 1 - 5; 5 matches mission 100%)
The donor Mary Jane Schuler collected these materials from her parent's home.
Stanley C. Byars (1921-2014) is the son of Rev. John Pinkney Byars and Harriet Ruth Stevick Byars. His father served as pastor of West Main Street Methodist Church in Rock Hill from 1927 to 1929 (church built in 1896 burned in 2007 and was located next to Pilgrim’s Inn). He married Susan Mildred Sharpton (1922 - present) on December 8, 1940. They lived in Abbeville and then moved to Rock Hill SC in March 1946 when Stanley accepted a position with the Rock Hill Furniture and Radio Store. They stayed and raised two daughters Harriet Louise and Mary Jane. Over the years he worked in the maintenance department of St. Phillips Hospital, in quality control during Bowater’s construction, and at both Marshall Oil Company and Marshall Tire Company. He was known for his antique restorations, including some furnishings at Historic Brattonsville. He is buried in Forest Hills Cemetery in Rock Hill, SC.

Susan Mildred “Millie” Sharpton Byars (1922 -present) is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs, W.C. Sharpton both of Abbeville, SC. She married Stanley C. Byars (1921-2014) on December 8, 1940. They lived in Abbeville and then moved to Rock Hill SC in March 1946 when Stanley accepted a position with the Rock Hill Furniture and Radio Store. They stayed and raised two daughters Harriet Louise and Mary Jane. Millie was an active member of the Women’s Club of Rock Hill, even serving as president in the 1970s. She sold her house on Plantation Rd in Rock Hill in 2018 and moved into an assisted living facility.

York Furniture Company - Rock Hill Furniture and Radio Store:
The York Furniture Company in York, SC was established in 1897 by W.B. Moore and operated by him until taken over by Quinn Wallace. Business continued under Wallace’s management until 1918 when it was incorporated and elected officers were S.L. Steele, President, J.A. Wilkerson, Vice President and J. Forrest Smith, Secretary and Treasurer. By 1927 it had opened two branch stores – one in Clover and one in Rock Hill. The store located in Rock Hill since 1926 was under the management of J. Andrew Wilkerson. In July 1934, the York Furniture Company’s branch located on Oakland Avenue in Rock Hill was chartered under the name of Rock Hill Furniture and Radio Store, Inc. Wilkerson purchased the store and refinanced his stock in the York and Clover stores. In October 1934, he opened a second store in the Reid Building opposite the Andrew Jackson Hotel with new stock. He operated both locations until the end of the year and moved remaining stock from the Oakland Avenue store to the Reid Building on Main Street. Wilkerson owned and operated the Rock Hill Furniture and Radio Company until his death in 1952.

James Andrew Wilkerson, Jr. (1892-1952) of Lancaster County was the son of James A. Wilkerson and Martha Robinson Wilkerson. After living in York for several years he moved to Rock Hill in 1927 and organized the Rock Hill Furniture and Radio Company, which he operated until his death. He was active in the business and civic life of Rock Hill and was a member of the Rock Hill Associate Reformed Church. He married Ila May Hutto Wilkerson (1909-1956) of Anderson, SC on November 10, 1932. They raised two sons and a daughter. Wilkerson and his wife are buried in Laurelwood Cemetery in Rock Hill, SC.

Ila May Hutto Wilkerson (1909-1956) of Anderson, SC graduated from Anderson College and for several years worked as the bookkeeper for the York Furniture Company and later the Rock Hill Furniture and Radio Company. She taught Vacation Bible School at West Main Methodist Church in July of 1928 with Mrs. J.P. Byars and was a member of the Woman’s Missionary Society of West
Main Street Methodist Church. She married James Andrew Wilkerson, Jr. (1892-1952) on November 10, 1932. They raised two sons and a daughter. Wilkerson and his wife are buried in Laurelwood Cemetery in Rock Hill, SC. According to Mary Jane Schuler, daughter of Stanley Byars, Ila May babysat her father when he was a child and asked him to move back to Rock Hill to work at the Rock Hill Furniture and Radio Company.

Brothers of the Brush:
Rock Hill's Centennial Celebration occurred May 4-10, 1952. During the Centennial activities, C. Harris Williams was the chairman of the Brothers of the Brush and his Service Station at 122 South Oakland Street served as the official headquarters. Badges for Brothers of the Brush and Non-Shavers were available for purchase at Williams Service, Jones Bros Barber Shop or the College Fruit Store. The first official gathering of the Brothers of the Brush was held at the Pix Theatre on February 17, 1952 at 3pm. Frank W. Berry, chairman of the Negro Division for the Centennial activities and future city council member, was the official representative for the sale of beard and shaving permits for African American participants. Kangaroo Court sessions were held during the Centennial to impose sentences on a number of persons who did not grow beards for the city's Centennial Celebration and those who did not purchase a Brothers of the Brush badge or a shaving permit. Penalties were suspended if the victim chose to donate blood during the Bloodmobile visit sponsored by the Brothers of the Brush. Other events held by the Brothers of the Brush included parades, receptions, a dance, and beard judging contest.

According to Wikipedia: Life was an American magazine published weekly from 1883 to 1972, as an intermittent "special" until 1978, and as a monthly from 1978 until 2000. After 2000, Time Inc. continued to use the Life brand for special and commemorative issues. Life returned to regularly scheduled issues when it became a weekly newspaper supplement from 2004 to 2007. On March 24, 2007, Time Inc. announced that it would fold the magazine as of April 20, 2007, although it would keep the web site. Special editions are still published on notable occasions. During its golden age from 1936 to 1972, Life was a wide-ranging weekly general-interest magazine known for the quality of its photography, and was one of the most popular magazines in the nation, regularly reaching one-quarter of the population.

According to Wikipedia: Newsweek was founded as a weekly print magazine in 1933, widely distributed during the 20th century, and had many notable editors-in-chief. The magazine was acquired by The Washington Post Company in 1961, and remained under its ownership until 2010. Financial difficulties led to the cessation of print publication and a transition to an all-digital format at the end of 2012.

Potential Uses: x Research x Exhibition □ Loan
This collection complements similar records in the archives. These newspapers and magazines are invaluable for researchers as they maintain a record of the people and events that shaped our nation. These original newspapers are useful for research or exhibits related to American history, politics, science, education, and the news media as well as local communities, families, and events.
Restrictions:
None

Unusual Costs:
None

Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title):
Nancy Sanders, Director of Archives
2-8-2003

Executive Director Recommends (Signature):
2/9/2023

Approved by Culture & Heritage Commission on:
Executive Director Signature:
3/11/2023
TC358 Schuler

Collections:
- Egg carton, Sunny Day Eggs, packed especially for Community Cash Stores, Spartanburg, S. C., packed by No. 3 Township Egg Producers Co-Op, Inc. Shelby, N. C.
- "Brothers of the Brush" button (1952) belonged to Stanley Byars (1921-2014)
- 3 John F. Kennedy 1960 campaign buttons: 1 photo of JFK, 1 "Kennedy", 1 "I'm working for Kennedy & Johnson" belonged to Mary Jane Schuler when she was in Junior High

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- Special edition booklet: John Fitzgerald Kennedy "The Last Full Measure" reprinted from the March 1964 National Geographic
- Newsweek Magazine
  - June 21, 1965 "Astronaut White's color white in space"
  - July 21, 1969 "Apollo 11 Commander Neil Armstrong"
  - August 11, 1969 "Moonwalk in Color"
  - June 17, 1968 "Robert F. Kennedy 1925-1968"
  - July 28, 1969 "One Giant Leap: First step on the moon: Extending man's domain"
  - April 27, 1970 "The Saga of Apollo 13: Astronauts Swigert, Lovell and Haise"
- Life Magazine
  - May 12, 1961 "Aok! The U. S. Is In Space: Exclusive: Mrs. Shepard's Story/Success! Al Shepard Is Hauled into Copter"
  - May 19, 1961 "(Astronaut Alan) Shepard Relaxes with his Fan Mail"
  - May 24, 1963 "Cooper's trip and Einstein's theory: His Flight Heralds a Fantastic Era of Shrinking Time: Cooper in Space Suit Before His Flight"
  - May 31, 1963 "A Negro Photographer Shoots from Inside: The Black Muslims / I was Cool Too – by Trudy Cooper/ The Cooper's Reunited"
  - April 2, 1965 "The Astronauts' Own Story: Gemini's Journey by Gus Grissom and John Young: Frogmen escort Young as he awaits pickup in raft near capsule, marker dye stains water"
  - July 25, 1969 "Leaving for the Moon" Neil Armstrong, commander of Apollo II, sets out for the launching pad"
  - June 14, 1968 "Senator Robert F. Kennedy"
  - November 21, 1960 "Portrait of Our Planet: III The Antarctic/New Era in Government/The Victorious Young Kennedys"
  - December 19, 1960 "The Kennedys and Their Son at Christening/Message from RB 47 Prisoners/ 'A Christmas Carol'/Warm, Gay Paintings by Ronald Searle/ Baseball's Disgraceful Mess"
• Newspapers
  o Evening Herald, August 8, 1974 “Top Republican Say Resignation Would Benefit”
  o Evening Herald, August 9, 1974 “Ford Takes Oath as 38th President”
  o The Charlotte Observer, August 11, 1974 “The Inside Story of Nixon’s Last 10 Days”
  o Evening Herald, November 22, 1963 “Pres. Kennedy Assassinated”
  o The Charlotte Observer, November 24, 1963 “John F. Kennedy Was a Man of Action”
  o Evening Herald, November 25, 1963, “Nation Bids Farewell to JFK”
  o Evening Herald, September 28, 1964, “Reports Stirs Demand to Improve Security”
  o Greenville Piedmont, December 8, 1941, “US Declares War: 3,000 U. S. Casualties Hawaii; Old Battleship, Destroyer Lost”
  o The Greenville News, April 13, 1945, “President Dies in South” (President Franklin D. Roosevelt)
  o Greenville Piedmont, April 13, 1945, “FDR’s Body on Way to Washington, Train Pauses Here Today at 6:50”
  o The Greenville News, April 14, 1945, “Dixie Bids FDR Farewell As Body is Borne to Washington”
  o Greenville Piedmont, April 14, 1945, “Ninth Army Pushes Slowly Toward Berlin/ Roosevelt Funeral This Afternoon”
  o The Greenville News, April 15, 1945, “Last Homage Paid to Late President in White House rites / First, Third Race Beyond Leipzig”
  o The Greenville News, April 16, 1945, “Roosevelt is Buried in Garden on Hudson / Ninth Loses One Elbe Bridgehead”
  o Greenville Piedmont, May 7, 1945 “Associated Press Says Germans Have Yielded”
  o The Greenville News, May 8, 1945 “Nazis Quit!”
  o Greenville Piedmont, May 8, 1945 “Truman Proclaims Europe Victory, Warns Japs Still to Be Defeated”
  o The Charlotte Observer, August 7, 1945, “Catastrophic Blow is Dealt to Nippon: Atomic Bomb May Flatten Japan”
  o Charlotte Sunday Observer, August 12, 1945, “Peace May Come Today With Japs Quitting War” (cover only)
  o The Charlotte Observer, August 21, 1945 “Tokyo Awaits McArthur: Industry is Given Go-Ahead Signed”
  o The Greenville News August 13, 1945, “Japs Silent on Quitting”
  o The Anderson Independent, August 14, 1945 “THE WAR IS OVER! JAPS SURRENDER”
  o The Greenville News, August 15, 1945, “WAR ENDS”
  o The Greenville News, August 11, 1945 “Japanese Sue for Peace”
  o Greenville Piedmont, August 11, 1945 “Allied Powers Accept Japanese Surrender Upon Two Conditions”

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- The Charlotte Observer, August 16, 1945 “Japan Ignores Orders, U. S. Tackles Peacetime Problems”
- The Charlotte Observer, August 18, 1945, “Japs Continue to Resist Russians: Japs Plan Manila Trip”
- The Charlotte Observer, August 20, 1945 “Jap Surrender Started: Wainwright Found by Rescue Party”
- The Charlotte Observer, August 29, 1945 “Flagship in Tokyo Bay”
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

Temporary Custody ID: TC366
Collection Type: Archives
Method of Acquisition: Donation

Name of Donor:
Frances “Fran” Bertelli

Description of Accession:
Checks:
- Counter check for The People’s National Bank of Rock Hill dated February 7, 1928 signed by Planters Bank of Sharon, SC
- Hill Motor Sales of Sharon, SC check dated September 24, 1942 to Jas. R. Burns signed by W.L. Hill Jr.
- The Planter’s Bank Sharon, SC check dated June 8, 1928 to Wachovia Bank & Trust Co.

Canning label:
- canning label for “Choice Black Berries” from “Hickory Grove, SC”

Cookbook:
- Country Cooking from Tri-Cities By Tri-Cities Jaycee-ettes Hickory Grove, Sharon, Smyrna, 1976

Overall Condition: □ Excellent  X Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection
The cookbook will fit onto the shelves and the other items into one folder.

Significance/Ownership History
The donor Fran Bertelli bought the bank checks on eBay from William Sprouse of Union, SC and a canning label from an unknown seller on eBay. She collected the cookbook from her mother’s collection after her death. The donor attended many family reunions in South Carolina and visited Hickory Grove to see family.

The donor’s mother Alice Howell (1916-2007) was born and raised in Hickory Grove, SC and moved to Connecticut when she married Louis Nathan Bertelli (1914-1986), a craftsman carpenter. They are buried in Saint Josephs Cemetery in Chester, Connecticut. Alice Howell Bertelli (1916-2007) is the daughter of William Isom Howell (1872-1940), a farmer, and Sarah Jane Edwards Howell (1878-1928). Both are buried in Sharon Associate Reformed Presbyterian Churchyard in Sharon.

Alice Howell Bertelli collected cookbooks from her hometown. Cookbooks generally contain recipes for soups, salads, main dishes, desserts and beverages as well as cooking tips, measurements and...
substitutions. They also provide insight into meal preparation, popular ingredients, and offer a bit of family history with recipes being submitted by church or community members.

*Country Cooking From Tri-Cities* sold for $4 a copy in 1976 and all proceeds were to support the Tri-Cities Jaycee-ettes projects. The Tri-Cities Jaycee-ettes organized in November 1972 with 13 members and received its charter on January 31, 1973. The first Board consisted of Mrs. Diane Howell, president; Mrs. Betty Blackwell, vice-president; Mrs. Hazel Montgomery, secretary; and Mrs. Ruth Comer, treasurer. The organization met the second Monday of each month at the Hickory Grove VFW and all members of the club must be married to Jaycees. The members participated in many projects such as Mothers March of Dimes, Walk-a-Thons, assist needy families, and Operation Stork to collect baby clothes for needy infants. They also raised money sponsoring fall festivals and home tours in Hickory Grove to support local community projects. They were active until 1984.

The South Carolina Jaycee-ettes were organized in 1955 as an all-female auxiliary to the all-male South Carolina Jaycees (Junior Chamber of Commerce) and their primary purpose was to be of assistance to the Jaycees; to be of benefit to the community; and to fellowship with Jaycee wives. The Jaycee-ettes ceased to exist in 1984 when the Jaycees let women become members. Winthrop Archives has a collection of South Carolina Jaycee-ettes records.

The *canning label* does not have a label company name on it however, it is very similar to the canning label for “Fresh Apples” that the donor previously donated in 2022. This one is for black berries and identifies Hickory Grove on the label. Both are excellent examples of local canning production and the history of foods.

**The First National Bank of Sharon** was built in 1909-10 and was the first bank in the town of Sharon, SC. The bank was organized by Dr. J.H. Saye who also served as its first president. When it merged with First Citizens Bank in 1986, it was the oldest continuously operating national bank in York County.

**The Planter’s Bank in Sharon**, SC was located in a three story brick store built by William Lawrence Hill in 1913. He also operated Hill Motor Sales, multiple farms, and South Carolina state warehouses No. 11 and No. 11B. Planters bank became insolvent on January 25, 1931 as a result of the Great Depression.

**Hill’s Motor Sales** opened in Sharon, SC in 1935. It was operated by William “Bill” Hill, Jr. and his father, William Lawrence Hill. Additionally, Hill Jr. also served as the mayor of Sharon from 1934-1941.

**The Peoples National Bank in Rock Hill**, SC was charted in 1906 and moved into the newly completed Peoples National Bank building in 1910. It survived the economic crisis of the Great Depression and for twenty years was the only bank active in the city. In 1964 the Peoples National Bank merged with the Citizens and Southern Bank of South Carolina.
Potential Uses: X Research  X Exhibition  □ Loan

Canning labels are an example of artwork as well as agricultural history, cookbooks are useful for history of foods, and bank checks are examples of artwork as well as history of money transactions and banks.

Restrictions:
None

Unusual Costs:
None

Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title):
Nancy Lamberto, Director of Archives  2-8-2023

Executive Director Recommends (Signature):
2/9/2023

Approved by Culture & Heritage Commission on:
Executive Director Signature:  3/1/2023
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

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Name of Donor: Howard Gluckman

Description of Accession:

.001 – Photograph of donor’s father, Irwin Gluckman, and Vernon Grant along with Captain Roesch and Lt. Colonel McCormick in Europe during WWII, 1945

Overall Condition: X Excellent □ Good □ Fair □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection

About 3.75” x 2.5”. The picture will fit in an already existing box with the other VG photographs.

Significance/Ownership History

Photograph was donated by the son of Irwin Gluckman. Irwin Gluckman was born November 19, 1918 in New York City. He joined the Army in 1939 and served in various divisions. He attended Army Finance School in Indianapolis, IN, and worked his way up from Private to Master Sergeant. Finance Division Chief Clerk and finally to Warrant Officer Junior Grade (which was the highest ranking for a noncommissioned officer). His main service was with the First Infantry Division, the 86th Infantry Division, Third Army Headquarters, and finally with the First Airborne Army Headquarters in Berlin. He received his honorable discharge in January 1946. During his time overseas, Irwin received a drawing at a USO event that was donated to CHM in 2020 by Irwin’s son and current donor, Howard (2020.014.001). The offered photograph is of Irwin Gluckman along with Vernon Grant and two other officers, Captain Roesch and Lt. Colonel McCormick while stationed in Erlangen, Germany. Irwin is on the far right next to Vernon Grant.

Vernon Grant was an American illustrator and commercial artist throughout most of the 20th century. Famous for creating Snap! Crackle! Pop! gnomes for Kellogg’s Rice Krispies cereal, his artwork was seen on a number of magazine covers, magazine advertisements, food packaging, and children’s toy packaging. Grant traveled with the USO during World War II in 1945 where he toured all over Europe for 6 months drawing pictures and signing autographs for soldiers.

Potential Uses: ☑ Research ☑ Exhibition ☑ Loan

The photo can be used for research, exhibition, and loan as it relates to Vernon Grant as well as the USO and World War II.

Restrictions:

None
Unusual Costs:
None

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