

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership Committee:

The Historical Society would like to welcome the following NEW MEMBERS:

Ms. Eleanor L. Baines, La Plata
 Ms. Sandra Oliver Brown, Chicago, Ill.
 Ms. Tessa Babbitt Echols, La Plata
 Mr. James R. Day, Solomons, MD
 Mr. & Mrs. Paul H. Dent, White Plains, MD
 Ms. Cheryl Gocken, Milford, Ill.
 Mr. Charles E. Hagan, Louisville, Kentucky
 Col. & Mrs. Stephen Jones, La Plata
 Ms. Lil Medas, La Plata, MD
 Brother David Richardson, O.S.C.,
 Capitol Heights, MD.
 Mrs. Etta W. Richwine, Washington, D.C.
 Mr. & Mrs. W.D. Brandon, Oxford, Miss.

Thank You LIFE MEMBERS
 for your support
 through the years:

Mrs. Hazel Dent Ballard
 Mr & Mrs. Warren E. Barley
 Mrs. Henrietta Barnhart
 Miss Martha Forbes Boone
 Mr & Mrs. William E. Boone
 Dr. & Mrs. Robert N. Borkowski
 Mr. Joel R. Buchanan
 Capt. Francis L. Busey
 Mr & Mrs. John Candland
 Mrs. Eleanor F. Carrico
 Mrs. Mary Howard Critchell
 Mr. & Mrs. Edward B. Edelen
 Mr. & Mrs. Edward J. Edelen, III
 Mrs. Anita Foote
 Miss Mary Jo Frere
 Mr. Pere J. Jarboe
 Mr. Eugene A. Jenkins, Jr.
 Mr & Mrs. George S. Jenkins
 Mr & Mrs. H. Maxwell Mitchell, Jr.
 Ms. Patricia L. Mortenson
 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Pender
 Mr. Kenneth J. Posey
 Mrs. Helen Roesler
 Mr & Mrs. Robert Schaumburg
 Mr. A. Russell Slagle
 Mrs. Philip F. Smith
 Ms. Sheila R. Smith
 Mr & Mrs. Thomas W. Smith
 Mrs. Edward C. Turner
 Mr. & Mrs. J. Blacklock Wills, Sr.
 Mr. Jeffrey Wills
 Mr. Kemp Wills
 Miss Cynthia Wilmer
 Mrs. Anita Wood
 Mrs. Etta W. Richwine
 Mr. William V. Norris, III

Friendship House Committee:

Happy New Year!

Friendship House will open again to public tours on Sunday, May 16 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. We always need volunteers as docents. On Saturday, April 17 there will be an orientation meeting for docents at 11 a.m. at Friendship House followed by a light lunch.

Learn more about Charles County's history. If you are interested in participating, join this group of dedicated people. Call Naomi Petrash, Chairperson, at 259-4279.

Program Committee Report:

Spring 1993 — Dinner Meeting, May 1, 1993.
Araby and the Gunston Hall Connection.

Mrs. Louise Turner and Mrs. Kathryn Newcomb.
Fall 1993—Dinner Meeting, October 9, 1993.
The History of Charlotte Hall School.
 Dr. Guyther and Mr. Gibb.

Publicity Committee Report:

Our mission is "to expand the awareness, interest and attendance of events and projects of the Society."

We have plans to increase the publicity coverage of all Historical Society events in 1993. We already have several promotional methods underway. The following approaches are being used for the winter meeting:

- Community Calendars of 7 local papers.
- Press releases to 2 major county papers.
- Posters in 12 business locations in La Plata.
- Charles County 1993 Calendar of Events
- Charles County Chamber of Commerce: fliers and community calendar.
- Marquee sign at Railey's Home Furnishings in Waldorf, located on route 5/301.
- Public service spots—local cable TV.

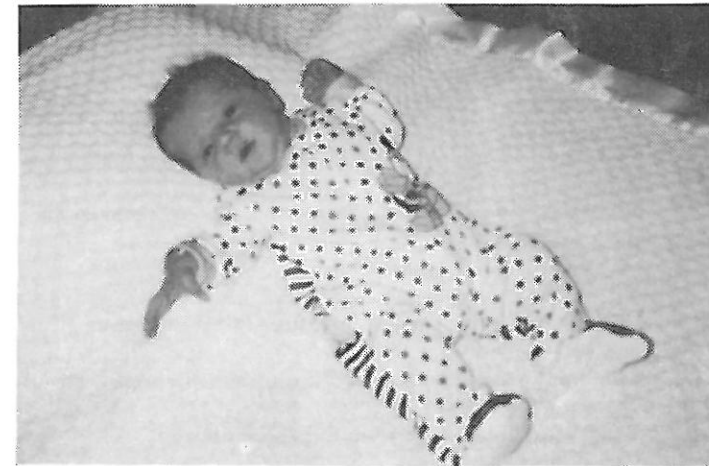
The best publicity for the Society is that of our members' participation. We encourage bringing guests to each of our 1993 events. We need you to promote our activities among your friends, relatives and neighbors. Both you and your guest will receive special recognition at each of our events.

The real success of our 1993 events will be

the support and participation of each member. Please mark your calendars now for our coming activities. You can make a difference in the success and growth of the Society.

Mazzeo Membership Up By One:

On Tuesday, November 24, 1992, at exactly 2:10 p.m., our most recent ex-president, Michael Mazzeo and wife Teresa (alias T.C.) had a brand new baby girl. Her name is Madelyn Elise Cooper Mazzeo, and is a direct descendent of two patriots of the American Revolution, Aaron Simmons and Fleet Cooper. Congratulations!



Madelyn Elise Cooper Mazzeo, resting up a bit.

Maryland Archaeology Week Celebration

Friday, March 19, 1993
 Charles County Community College Library
 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

"Archaeology: Uncovering Southern Maryland's Story"

Panelists:

Julie King, Administrator of Research, Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum.

Henry Miller, Director of Research, Historic St. Mary's City

Edward Otter, Archaeologist

J. Richard Rivoire, Architectural Historian.

Join us as we explore how people use history and what archaeological evidence reveals about our changing use of the environment. Of particular interest to our Historical Society members will be a detailed discussion of new archaeological evidence and property history research relating to the Nanjemoy property, original site of Friendship House.

The Historical Society of Charles County and the Charles County Community College are serving as co-hosts for this event. A reception at the college bookstore and a candlelight tour of Friendship House will follow the program.

Join the FRIENDS

You are invited to join the Friends Of The Charles County Public Library, a non-profit group now in its second year with a growing membership of well over 200 individuals, families and organizations. The FRIENDS mission: To increase public awareness and support of the library system, its value to the community and its problems and needs. All the more, a spokesman notes, in light of reduced state funding and a less than one-percent share of the county budget.

Members (student \$5 a year, personal \$10, family \$15) receive a quarterly newsletter, *The Reading Lamp* (printed by Gazebo Press); three free books and advance access at the twice-annual used-book bazaar held at the La Plata branch library (next one: April); and a chance to help out and pitch in for a worthy cause. Along with newcomers, membership chairperson, Debi Heidrich (375-7874) welcomes new volunteers and fresh ideas to fulfill the groups' mission. Ask at any branch library for membership forms or send/drop off a check there or at Box 490, La Plata, MD 20646.

—Eli Flam, Editor of *The Reading Lamp*

Mutual Friends of Charles County

The invitation to join The FRIENDS of the Charles County Public Library (in the left column) is an exchange of publicity between that organization and ours. The Editor, Eli Flam, has agreed to publish a similar paragraph or two about the Historical Society in *The Reading Lamp*.

This idea came about because our publicity chairman, Mickey O'Kelley, suggested that a mention of our organization in other newsletters would be a good idea. And, as a member of the Publications Committee (as well as the printer for both newsletters) I followed up on the idea. Joe D.

Do Your Due Dues TODAY!

Yes, it is that time of year again. Time to pay your annual dues. The envelope enclosed with this issue makes it easier for you to pay promptly and on time. Please remit by March 1st or sooner.