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HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPHS OF LYNCHBURG

The Museum's photograph
collection is being updated and is
at a new location. Please visit

lynchburgphotos.org

Upcoming Events

January 19

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Lynchburg Museum & Point of Honor open
FREE to visitors from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

February 16

Presidents' Day

Lynchburg Museum & Point of Honor open
FREE to visitors from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

February 20

Preschoolers' Night at the Museum

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm \$25 per child
Preschoolers ages 4-7 come to the Museum
and enjoy Pirate's Night—dress like a pirate if
you like! Dinner will include pizza and a drink.
Kids will enjoy pirate crafts and coloring pages,
stories, and more! (February 27 Snow Date) Prior
registration required.

February 26

End of the Canal: The Railroads Advance

3:00 pm
\$10 per person, Members Free
Former Lynchburg Museum Director Tom
Ledford will speak about the end of the canal era
and the expansion of the railroads! Exhibit tour
and refreshments follow.

March 12

Battle of the Ironclads

3:00 pm \$10 per person, Members Free
Join naval historian and former War Memorial
Museum Director John Quarstein to explore
the battle between the Monitor and Virginia.
Exhibit tour and refreshments follow.

The Museum (901 Court Street) and Point of Honor (112 Cabell Street) are closed only on New Year's Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day. Open hours are 10 am to 4 pm Monday-Saturday and Noon to 4 pm Sunday.

Visit our websites: www.lynchburgmuseum.org and www.pointofhonor.org, see us on Lynchburg Museum Facebook, Twitter/LburgMuse, or call (434) 455-6226 for more information.

THE MUSE NEWS

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT:

Lucy Woodall Harris

If you have been to Day at the Point or Christmas Open House at Point of Honor in recent years, you were probably greeted at the front door by “Grandma Rebecca.” Grandma, known most days as Lucy Harris, has been an active volunteer and staunch friend to the Museum System since 1980.

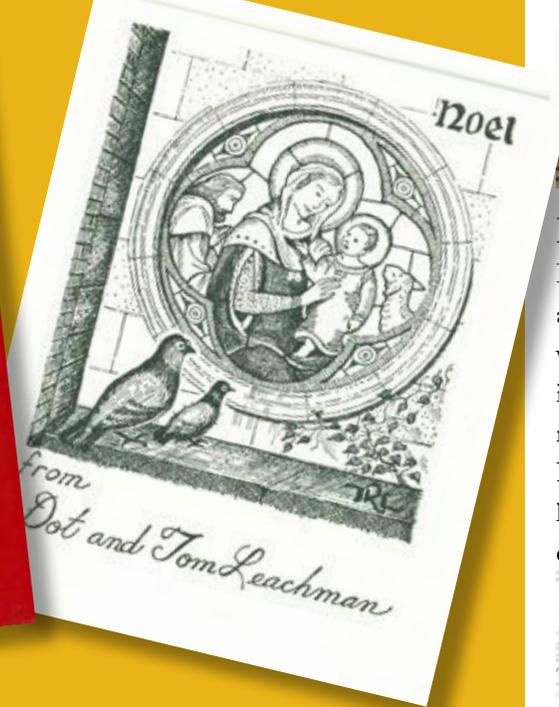
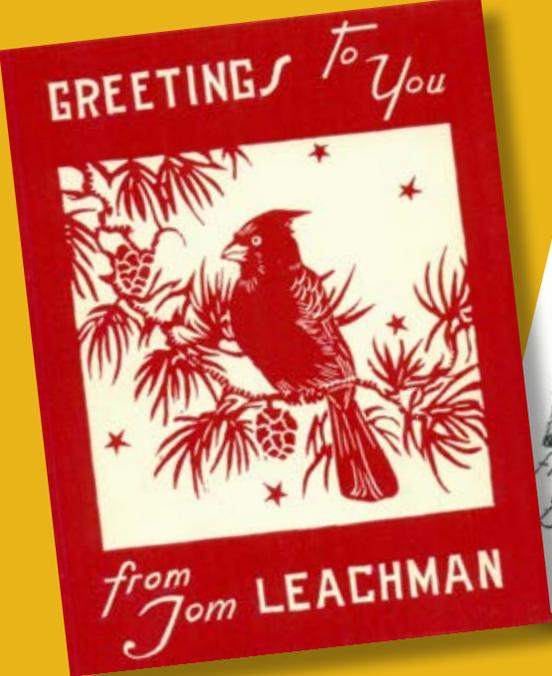
Lucy is a Lynchburg native and a graduate of E.C.Glass and Baptist Bible College. While her career was in business, Lucy brought her love of history not only to the Lynchburg Museum System but to her home. She and husband Kenneth preserved and restored “Quinlan,” a ca. 1880 home just off Rivermont Avenue near Randolph College. Thank you Lucy for all that you do!

EXPERIENCE THE JAMES

EXHIBIT CONTINUES THROUGH 2015

Experience The James: Lynchburg's Pathway to the World has been popular with visitors since opening in June. A number of exciting programs and quality speakers are scheduled throughout 2015; visit www.experiencethejames.com for the full calendar.





Recent Donations

A SAMPLING OF ITEMS DONATED
TO THE MUSEUM SYSTEM IN RECENT MONTHS:

PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLECTION of James Thomas Smith from the 1940s to the 1960s of Lynchburg African American weddings, church events, civic groups, and portraits, gift of Pamela Smith-Johnson

SILVER TABLE, DESSERT, AND TEA SPOONS, gift of Dr. and Mrs. Prescott Edmunds

SILVER LADLE, SUGAR TONGS, AND SPOON, gift of Mrs. Edward Coleman

CHRISTMAS CARDS MADE ANNUALLY, 1935-2006, gift of the Estate of Thomas Leachman.

Leachman was an architect with Wiley & Wilson in Lynchburg who created his own Christmas cards each year for over 70 years, passing away in 2014 at the age of 106.

HANDMADE BEDDING (ticking, mattress and pillow covers) for Point of Honor, gift of Beth Dunn

If you have quality items with a Lynchburg connection and would consider a donation, please contact Laura Lembas, Curator, at 434 455 4423 or laura.lembas@lynchburgva.gov!



Point of Honor Update:

Point of Honor's main house and kitchen are receiving new wooden shake roofs this winter. White oak shake shingles were installed in 1991 but had been failing in recent months. Century Slate of Raleigh, NC is installing cedar shakes and new lead-coated copper gutters. The work is expected to be completed by March.



Annual Report

For FY 2014, the Lynchburg Museum System served approximately 16,000 people through visits to the Museum and Point of Honor and outreach programs taken to schools, civic groups, and other facilities. Highlights for the year included the opening of the Experience The James exhibit in partnership with local and regional institutions. The Museum System also established a partnership with Lynchburg City Schools to bring all 4th grade classes in the City to the Museum each year. Please visit www.lynchburgmuseum.org for the full annual report.

Annual Fund

(August 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)

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