

# Haymarket Museum cites changes and looks for photos, letters, more to expand collection

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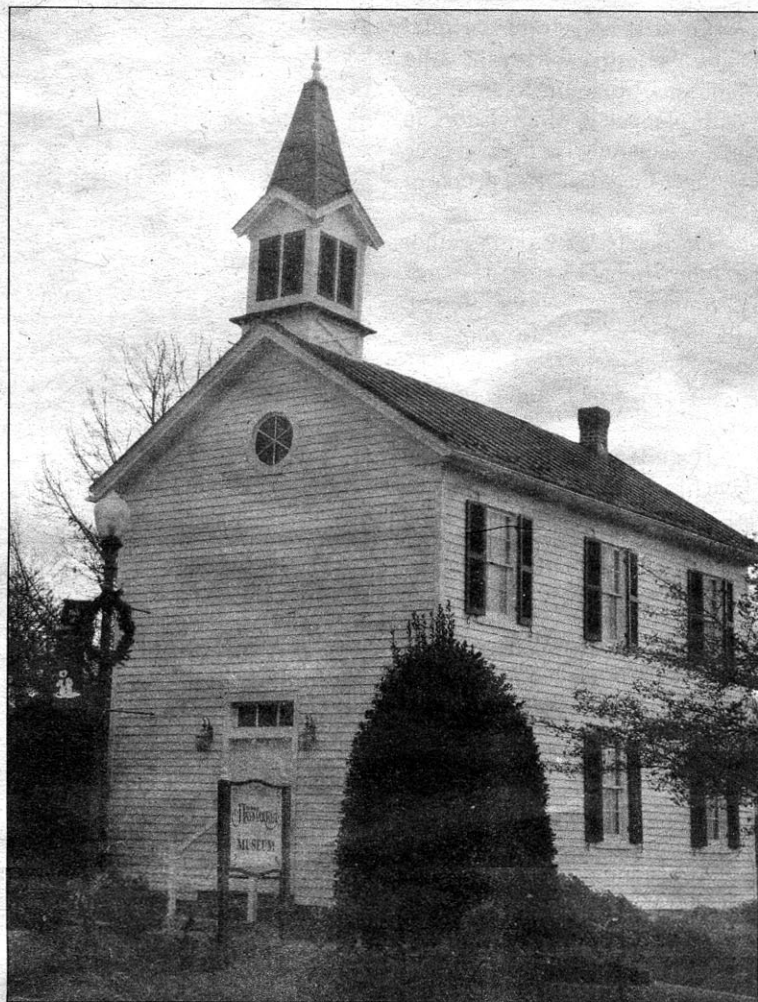
The Haymarket Museum and its website offer a window into Haymarket's 220-year history and the lives and events that shaped the area.

Ellie Ivancic, director of research and interpretation of the Haymarket Museum, said the new website offers photos of buildings and profiles of people who lived in Haymarket. In 2010, Ivancic and Charlotte Reineck, co-designer of the website, created the site. "Charlotte has put in many hours, trying to make the website user-friendly and informative," Ivancic said.

For example, photos of the Brady family offer a glimpse of Haymarket past. In 2006, Mike Kidwell of Manassas donated photos that included his great-grandfather, Gilbert Brady, who served as the town's constable with an office in the current Haymarket Museum.

Alice Maude Ewell (1860-1946) is also profiled on the site. "Miss Maude," as she was known, lived north of town at the foot of Bull Run Mountain near U.S. 15 and Loudoun Drive, close to the Loudoun County line. She survived the 1861-1865 Civil War and became a local author. One of her publications, "A Virginia Scene," is available at local libraries.

Ivancic added, "The more information I can get, the more profiles I can write. We would love photos or letters of any time period. People can e-mail them, or



The 1884 Old Town Hall is now home to the Haymarket Museum on Washington Street.

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they can make an appointment to bring them in. I can scan them as they wait and return the photos to the owner."

The museum's website features buildings such as the Red House Ordinary, St. Paul's Church and the old white Haymarket Phar-

macy, directly across from the museum.

The store was owned by Dr. Granville Coleman of Culpeper during the late 1800s and early 1900s. It changed hands and eventually became the town's post office from 1933 until the 1980s.

The Haymarket Museum building previously served the community as the Old Town Hall. Ivancic remembers attending meetings in the original town hall more than a decade ago.

"Up until 2001, meetings were held there. It had six long wooden benches to accommodate people."

In October 2002, the structure officially became the Haymarket Museum. Ivancic said the Department of Historic Resources in Richmond decided in December that the building was eligible for the Virginia Register of Historic Places and the National Register of Historic Places.

Ivancic expects to find out in late February or early March if the building is officially part of the Register.

For more about the Haymarket Museum, at 15025 Washington St., call 703-753-3712 or go to [www.haymarketmuseum.org](http://www.haymarketmuseum.org). Ivancic can be reached by e-mail: [museum@townofhaymarket.org](mailto:museum@townofhaymarket.org).