



THE
HARTSVILLE
MUSEUM

2021 ANNUAL GIVING NEWSLETTER

LOOKING BACK AT OUR JOURNEY FORWARD

Thanks to YOU, the Hartsville Museum was able to offer the following exhibits, milestones, and programs this past year alone:

WINTER

Santa's Workshop 2020/2021 Exhibit

USPS Black Heritage Stamp Exhibit featuring 2021 Recipient- August Wilson, American Playwright

Youth Art Month with artwork from the South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Math

Lecture Series with Sean Cannon, "The South Carolina Grand United Order of Odd Fellows"

Lecture Series with Pressly Coker, "Blood Will Tell, A City Built by Agriculture, Part II"

SPRING

Downtown Premier of Local Artist, Willie "Big Mook" Johnson's Artwork

Lecture Series with Emory Waters, "The City We Knew But Everybody Forgot: The African American Experience"

Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company Exhibit at the Edition

New Fashionista Spring Hat Exhibit

Lecture Series with Josh Euton, "Just Keep Swimming"

SUMMER

New Exhibit Featuring George Cannon, Hartsville's First Full-time Paid African American Fireman

21st Annual Swamp Fox Quilters Quilt Exhibit - "Diamonds are Forever"

New Segars' Bathing Resort Exhibit

Book Signing with Dr. Will Joslin and His New Book, "God, Guts, and Gallantry"

FALL

New Medical Exhibit Highlighting Local Doctors and Hospitals

Butler High School 100th Anniversary Exhibit

New Paranormal Investigation Tour Fundraiser; SOLD OUT

Third Annual Darkside Tour Fundraiser- Our Most Successful To Date!

I want to close by committing to you – our community and our museum members – that we are in passionate pursuit of a better tomorrow for everyone. Diversity, equity, and inclusion have been a central part of our approach at the Museum since Matt and I began working together in January 2020. We are working to broaden the representation in our collection, having added many new important pieces that tell the history of Hartsville. We will continue on that path.

All are welcome at the Hartsville Museum – everybody. We hope you will plan a visit and also encourage others to explore the cultural window that we are dedicated to opening.

We wish you the very best, and a season of safety and good health.

Andrea Steen

Museum Manager



A LOOK BACK AT 2021



FROM THE COMMUNITY WE SERVE

"A sense of heartfelt pride and joy is felt when I see the visual transformation that reflects the lives and history of African American residents of this city on exhibit at the Hartsville Museum. The display of cultural artifacts, the collection and preservation of "discovered" and "rescued" manuscripts, records, and paraphernalia, has increased the number of community visits and interests. During the Butler Heritage Centennial Celebration, many who saw the band and athletic uniforms, heard the playing of the Butler High School Alma Mater were transported back in time. Others were able to connect and trace ancestral lineage through documents from the Professor H.H. Butler Collection and the thousands of papers on loan from the Grand United Order of the Odd Fellows. Unearthing, preserving, processing and interpreting diverse histories is challenging, but I am so excited that the Hartsville Museum is connecting the history of the Hartsville African American community on a deeper level. By providing a platform that encourages donating documents, sharing oral history and listening to each other, the museum can collectively tell the story of how ALL Hartsville is bound together."

-Brandolyn Thomas Pinkston
Humanities Scholar

2022 ARTIFACTS WISH LIST

Halloween Costumes circa 1950-1990's from Colleeville, Ben Cooper, and H. Halpern Company | Big Wheel circa 1970's by Louis Marx and Company | Bomb Shelter Civil Defense Supplies | Windup Tin Toys circa 1900's - 1960's | Political Campaign Buttons | Mid-Century Goddess Oil Drip Lamp | Artifacts from Old Hartsville Businesses | Old Maps depicting Hartsville and Surrounding Areas | Red Emergency Phone (No Dial Face)

REMEMBERING PATZ FOWLE



The Hartsville Museum fondly remembers artist and friend, Patz Fowle. Patz and her husband, Mike Fowle, were community ambassadors for visual arts, and were instrumental in connecting South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Math with the Hartsville community by way of Youth Art Month with exhibits held annually at the Hartsville Museum. Her passion for art and life will be missed by all.

As we work to ensure that the Hartsville Museum is representative of ALL of Hartsville's communities, we are seeking artifacts that will help capture our broad history and expand the museum's narrative; specifically, we are looking for photographs, programs, uniforms, manuscripts, and letters tied to significant historical events and personalities, and oral history that may have been passed down about life in Hartsville.

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