



# Historic Port of Washington Project



## Gifts of Joy at Year's End

*HPOW is Proud of its Community Contributions, and Thankful for our Supporters, Partners, and Volunteers*

### HPOW Ghost Signs/Murals Project Wins Historic Preservation Award

The Federation of NC Historical Societies will award HPOW the Albert Ray Newsome Award on December 8; the ceremony is to be held in the NC Archives and History building in Raleigh. Four ghost signs and murals have been completed downtown to date. [See more on page 3.](#)



*The Old Market mural depicts the original building despite the loss of the 2nd floor in the fire of 1900. The 2nd floor once housed an Armory. The street scene depicted is representative of the 1920s.*

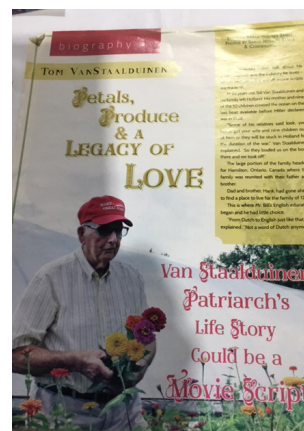


*Coca Cola "Re-veal" event took place in October during "Smoke on the Water". It was originally painted c. 1940s–1950s on the side of a Main Street building.*

### HPOW Premieres Newly Edited Tulip Fest Film at Fun Event

HPOW hosted a multi-faceted event at the WHDA downtown Market, Sunday, November 12.

Among highlights, speakers included Terra Ceia community members, patriarch Bill Van Staalduin, and Ms. Ann Maatman (sister Anita, and mother Audrey Zwaal). They kept the audience riveted to their seats as they shared their stories. [Continued on page 2](#)



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## Tulip Fest Film *Continued from page 1*

Dutch people established Terra Ceia in the 1920s, but it was further developed just before and shortly after WWII. Mr. Van Staulduinen first emigrated to Canada as a child with his family; they left on the last boat before the Nazis declared war. Ms. Maatman's parents left Holland after WWII ended.

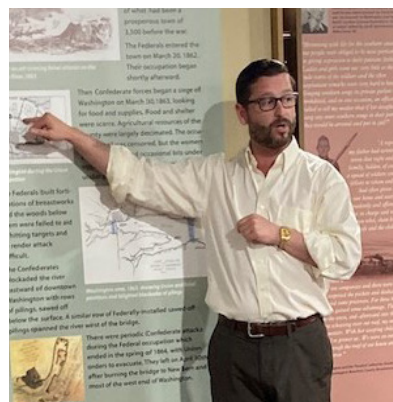
Clay Carter treated the crowd by sharing his mother's original 1938 Tulip Fest costume when she was crowned Washington Tulip Princess.

The edited Tulip Fest film featured parade footage not previously available to the public, including the boat parade featuring "The Pamlico." HPOW hopes to show this edited film again in the future, so more people can enjoy it.

Library historian, Stephen Farrell and graphic designer, Barbara Van Vliet, led the guests on a tour of HPOW's finished history exhibit, currently highlighting key events during the Civil War. It will be periodically updated with other Washington stories and is on display at the HPOW history booth in the Harbor Market.

On sale that night were limited edition prints of the late Jeff Jacob's painting of Terra Ceia. Gail Baird chaired the event and a host of other HPOW volunteers made it happen.

Ray Midgett had edited the upgraded Tulip Fest Film and was MC for the night. The film is now the property of Brown Library. Stephen Farrell of Brown Library and Ray collaborated in making the film.



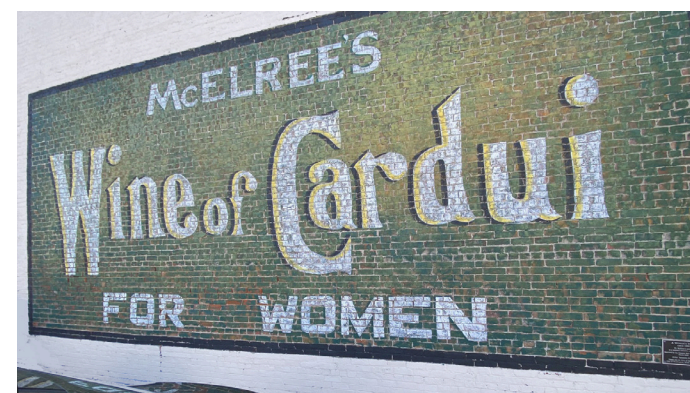
## HPOW Volunteers and Guests Enjoy Hearing the History of Terra Ceia and the Early Dutch Community There



## The Albert Ray Newsome Award-winning Entries



"Bride's Choice" is the newest completed sign. Mulberry House took on the responsibility of financing the work; details were added to enliven it, but it is a ghost sign in "spirit," meaning it was originally painted on that spot as a business advertisement. HPOW worked closely with Mulberry House on this project.



The Wine of Cardui ad was HPOW's first ghost sign. Scott Sachs was committee chair for Murals and Ghost Signs, working closely with Gail Baird and others. HPOW is now working to bring a new mural to fruition, to be based on a vintage Terra Ceia flower scene.



Artist, Samantha Brinson working on Market mural.



Coca Cola, Consolidated, financed repainting this old ad to bring it back as a ghost sign, in partnership with HPOW. Coca Cola "Reveal" event took place in October during "Smoke on the Water". It was originally painted c. 1940s-1950s on the side of a Main Street building.

## HPOW President, Ray Midgett to Receive DAR Community Service Award

The Major Reading Blount Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will present Ray Midgett with the 2023 Community Service Award. The ceremony will take place on December 13 at 10:00 AM in St. Peter's Episcopal Church parlor.



Ray and his wife, Karen, at his Estuarium talk, "Then & Now".



## Gill Hookway-Jones, HPOW Volunteer, Publishes Article

HPOW's Gill Hookway-Jones presented her article "Carolina Maritime Commerce Credit and Lending in Bath County 1695-1739." Her article, illustrated with old documents from London and Raleigh archives, was selected for publication and appeared Dec. 1 in "Tributaries," the annual journal published by the NC Maritime History Council and she spoke at their weekend's Conference in Greenville.



# HPOW Wants You!! Volunteer!

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