



Welcome to the Elkridge Heritage Society!

Order of events:

- Craig Pool, President, will give an update from the Board and discuss Memberships
- Bill Evans will give the Treasurer's Report
- Tina Barton will talk about Veterans from Elkridge
- Mary Bahr will talk about another special person who served
- Audience Participation – tell us about other veterans, and peruse our military collection
- Refreshments at the Brumbaugh House



THE ELKRIDGE HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC.

Brumbaugh House
5825 Main Street
Elkridge, Maryland 21075

Treasurer's Report
William L. Evans Treasurer

10-Nov-25

Income	Planned	Actual	Delta
Dues (48X30)	\$ -	\$ 1,440.00	\$ -
Donations	\$ -	\$ 6,760.19	\$ -
Fund Raising	\$ -	\$ 2,721.00	\$ -
Sales Gift Shop	\$ -	\$ 225.00	\$ -
Total	\$ -	\$ 11,146.19	\$ -

Pay-GO grant	\$ 100,000.00		
	Planned	Actual	Delta
1 ASI	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00	
2 AC	\$ 14,800.00	\$ 14,800.00	\$ -
3 Electric for AC	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00	
4 Air Duct Cleaning	\$ 1,205.00	\$ 1,205.00	\$ -
5 Carriage House mini-split	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 2,550.00	\$ -
6 Porch Roof	\$ 3,615.00	\$ 3,615.00	\$ -
7 House Wiring	\$ 10,490.00	\$ 10,490.00	
8 Carriage House Roof	\$ 2,591.00	\$ 2,591.00	
9 Not Used			
10 French Drain Interior	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
11 Repair Water Valve	\$ 247.00	\$ 247.00	\$ -
12 Remove artifacts and Furniture	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	
13 Mobile citizen internet	\$ 320.00	\$ 320.00	
14 Renovation of First Floor Rooms	\$ 37,100.00	\$ 37,100.00	\$ -
15 Furniture & Artifacts Restoration	\$ 2,275.00	\$ 2,275.00	
16 Computer Equipment (canceled)			
17 Precision Display Case	\$ 1,710.00	\$ 1,710.00	
18 Dehumidifier (canceled)			
19 Electric fixes	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
20 Land Scaping Architect Plan	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
21 Track lighting	\$ 331.00	\$ 331.00	\$ -
22 Renohouse CO Kitchen Plumbing	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00	\$ -
23 Reno Paint Back of House	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ -
24 Reno House Remove Doors an	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ -
25 Window caulking	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	
26 cleaning after Construction	\$ 825.00	\$ 825.00	\$ -
27 Simply Safe (Security System)	\$ 651.00	\$ -	\$ 651.00
28 construction material	\$ 540.00	\$ 540.00	
29 CW Consulting Hall Way & Patch & Paint	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Planned Vs Actual	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 99,349.00	\$ 651.00

Mini Grant	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
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Total Checking	\$ 8,851.12
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Balance After Grant Spending	\$ 8,200.12
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Expenses	Planned	Actual	Balance
Non-discretionary			
BGE	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,050.99	\$ 275.00
Insurance	\$ 4,005.00	\$ 3,701.77	\$ 606.38
Water	\$ 150.00	\$ 129.10	\$ -
Taxes	\$ 495.00	\$ 277.00	\$ -
CC payment			\$ 250.00
Security System	\$ 140.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 105.00
Total Discretionary	\$ 7,190.00	\$ 6,193.86	\$ 1,236.38
Discretionary			
Office Supplies	\$ 250.00	\$ 112.17	\$ -
Building Maintenance	\$ 39.40	\$ 39.40	\$ -
Lawn Care snow removal	\$ 800.00	\$ 790.00	\$ 150.00
General meetings	\$ 250.00	\$ 65.00	\$ -
WIFI Mobile Citizen	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00	\$ -
Rita Fund	\$ 610.00	\$ 610.00	\$ -
opening day		\$ 300.00	\$ -
Celebration kit		\$ 63.59	\$ 63.59
Total Non-discretionary	\$ 2,309.40	\$ 2,340.16	\$ 213.59
Total	\$ 9,499.40	\$ 8,534.02	\$ 1,449.97

balance after expenes	\$ 6,750.15
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Credit Card Balance		\$ 9,716.28
Interest	\$ 488.00	
Payments	\$ 550.00	

Phase Three Preservation Grant Rev-2

task	Cntrct	Estimate	Actual	Balance
Exterior				
Paint Back of house	Reno House	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ -
Brick work	CW Consulting	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00
Fix Down Spout	CW Consulting	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00
		\$ 3,550.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 350.00
Second Floor				
Demo Kitchen Patch and paint walls	CW Consulting	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,355.00	\$ 345.00
Demo Bath Room	CW Consulting	\$ 1,750.00		\$ 1,750.00
Patch and paint walls in display room 1	CW Consulting	\$ 1,250.00		\$ 1,250.00
Patch and paint walls in display room 2	CW Consulting	\$ 1,250.00		\$ 1,250.00
		\$ 5,950.00	\$ 1,355.00	\$ 4,595.00
		\$ 9,500.00	\$ 4,555.00	\$ 4,945.00
				\$ 9,500.00

Veterans Day in Elkridge

Veterans Day began as Armistice Day in 1919 to honor World War I veterans, becoming an official holiday in 1938.

After World War II and the Korean War, the holiday was renamed Veterans Day in 1954 to honor veterans of all American wars.

The Revolutionary War

Col. Thomas Dorsey:

According to the Howard County Chapter of DAR, He was a member of the Maryland Convention, July 1775. He was appointed a field officer in the Elk Ridge Battalion, February 1776. Then, in 1778, he was commissioned as Colonel of the Elk Ridge Battalion.

The War of 1812

William Earp was a veteran of the Battle of Bladensburg.

Sadly, American forces, primarily poorly-trained militia, quickly broke and retreated under fire from battle-hardened British veterans. This allowed the British to March into Washington DC.

Civil War

- William Hudson

Though from Delaware, he was part of the Army who were guarding the Viaduct at Relay. He met and married his wife Mary Kane during that time, and settled in the Relay/Elkridge area. His son James was also a veteran as we shall see. His grandson J. Francis Hubbard was also a veteran from Elkridge.

- Dr. Samuel Henry, though perhaps not an official veteran, was remembered for serving the army camps during the Civil War to the point of exhaustion.

Spanish American War

- James Hudson was a disabled veteran born in Elkridge. He was admitted to a home for disabled veterans in Hampton Virginia in 1928. However, there is evidence that he was a boarder in Baltimore in the 1930s and 1940s. He died in the Veterans Hospital in Hampton Virginia in 1950. He never married.

World War 1



Dr. Benjamin Bruce Brumbaugh

1st Lieutenant, Medical Corps. U.S.A. 1917

Dr Benjamin Bruce
Brumbaugh – 1st
Lieutenant, Army Medical
Corp

Dr. B. served state-side but
had stories about the
horrific injuries to soldiers
that he treated here.

World War 2

- There are too many to name them all.
- Our uniform, shown here, was donated by Elaine Lynn, wife of Edmund Lynn who was the veteran
- We want to give a special shout-out to The Young Family, The Richardson Family, and Melvin March, and Polly Cutler, to follow

Johnny Young

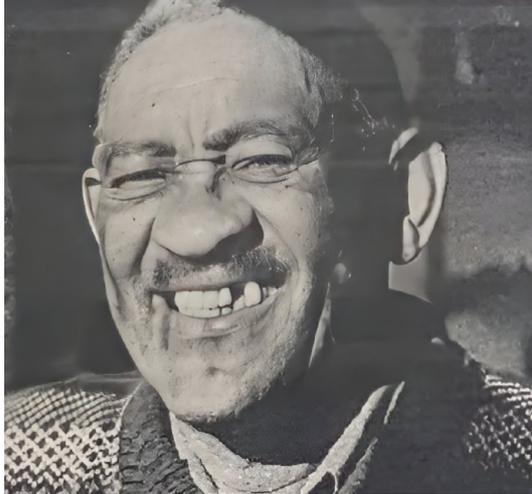


John served as a Sergeant, 124th Infantry Regiment, 31st Infantry Division, U.S. Army during World War II. He was drafted into the Army and reported for duty on May 29, 1942 in Baltimore, Maryland. He was sent to the South Pacific. His first Purple Heart was for being wounded in the Solomons Islands. He was Killed In Action and was awarded a Purple Heart with one Oak Leaf Cluster.

His brother **Howard** also served in WW2, and received a bronze metal and a purple heart. His brother **Nelson** flew B17 bombers in WW2 and received 4 purple hearts. His brother **George** served in the Korean War.

Their cousin Frank Crowson also served, and was a firefighter with EVFD.

The Richardson Brothers



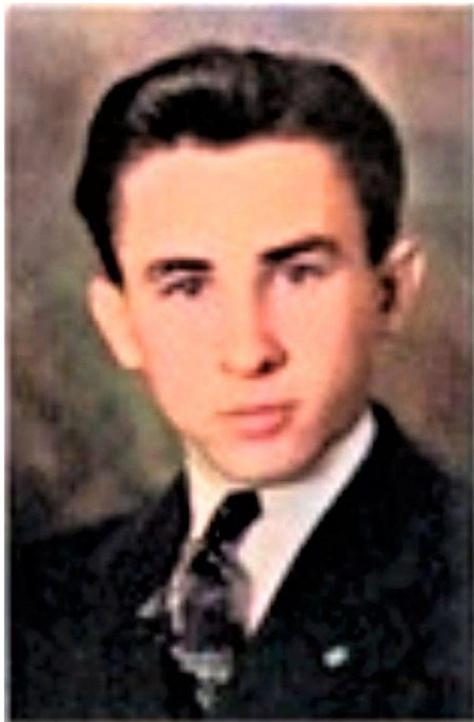
- Seawood Richardson was Dr. Brumbaugh's driver and gardener. He served in WW2 as a warrant officer. (top photo). He became a florist in Randallstown.
- Francis served in WW2 as well. He also helped in Dr. B's garden before moving away from Elkridge. (bottom photo)
- Their brother William registered for the draft but we are not sure if he served.
- Unfortunately, this family does not appear in our "Honoring our Veterans" project from 2000. We would very much like to know more!



Other Casualties of WW2

- Other names on the Memorial Plaque who died in action during WW2 are
 - * John Owings – Army Air Corps – died in a Japanese POW camp
 - * Robert Redd – USMC – went down with the USS Indianapolis which was torpedoed
 - * Samuel Wilderson - 8th Air Corps – his plane went down on his 5th mission from England
 - * Charles White – Army 45th Division – Army scout hit by a sniper's bullet in Nuremberg one month before the war ended.
 - * Horace (Eugene) Phelps – Merchant Marines – his ship struck a stray mine in 1946. He was the only casualty.
- Additionally, Melvin March was lost at sea over the Pacific in WW2. He is part of the Marc/March family – more on the next slide

Melvin March – Gravestone is at St. Augustine's



Corporal Melvin S March (Uncle Doc)
United States Army Air Force
Son Of Catherine & Joseph March

Brother To Casimir, Stanley, Adam, Al (Julius), Helen & Martha
6165 Old Washington Road; Elkridge, MD 21075
Reported Missing In Action Over Tinian Island May 14, 1945



40th Bomber Group, Very Heavy, 25th Bomber Squadron
Back Row, Second From Right
Believed To Be Corporal Melvin S March (Uncle Doc)

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Korean War, Vietnam, Gulf War etc

In addition to George Young, James Francis Hubbard, who is the grandson of the aforementioned William Henry Harrison Hudson served in Korea.

So did Jack Bateman, Leroy Bauman, Ed Huber Jr, and many many more.

Big John Merson

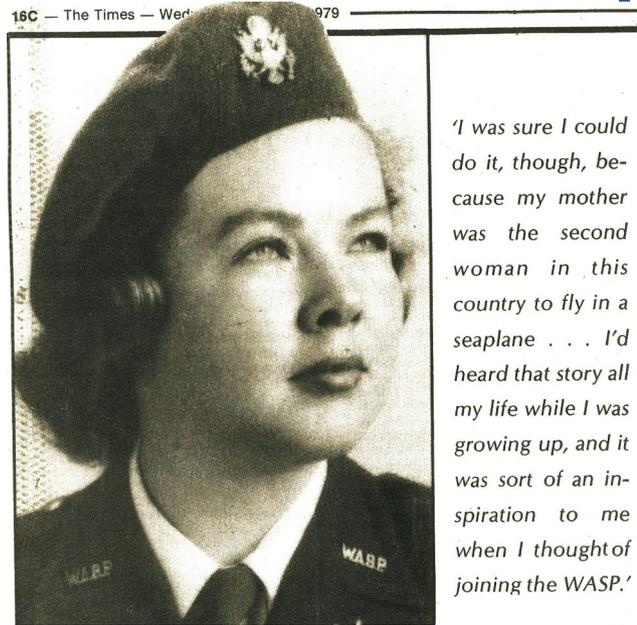


- “Big John Merson” was a sergeant in the Army during Vietnam. He was also involved with the Elkridge Volunteer Fire Department and worked for Howard County Parks & Rec, devoted to Rockburn Park.

Others Who Served

- Benjamin and Jerome Bujanowski, David Koehler, and James Harvey Nelson also served in Vietnam. James also served in the Gulf War.
- We have many more names in our books for WW2, Korea, Peace-time, Cold War etc.
- You are invited to peruse our materials and also send in more materials for veterans, after Mary tells us one more story.
- Also if you want to volunteer to help plan a big event like the “Honoring our Veterans” event in 2000, please let us know. We can’t do this without help.

Polly Cutler



'I was sure I could do it, though, because my mother was the second woman in this country to fly in a seaplane . . . I'd heard that story all my life while I was growing up, and it was sort of an inspiration to me when I thought of joining the WASP.'



- Polly Cutler White was a WASP
- The Women's Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs) was a WW2 civil service organization, consisting of approximately 1,037 women from across the nation who volunteered to pilot open-cockpit planes for various military duties.

Polly Cutler, Continued

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