

## DOCENT NEWS



### Lend a Helping Hand, Please

Nadine Leisz, our docent coordinator, asks that you consider becoming a docent (front-line guide, greeter and shop salesperson) at the Museum. Docents are the first line of “welcome” that guests who venture in to the facility meet – and as such, are the folks who make the majority of our visitors and guests want to return (and some never want to leave).

**WE WANT YOU!** Contact Lee at the office at 804-453-6529, or Nadine via email at [nadine\\_leisz@yahoo.com](mailto:nadine_leisz@yahoo.com)

## CHRISTMAS STOLEN BY THE COVID GRINCH



Christmas at the Museum is indeed the “most wonderful time of the year”. The Homes Tour, the Fashion Show and Brunch, the bake sale, the TableScapes, the festive Walker House, and the Christmas lights are a long-standing tradition in Reedville that brings joy to our world. But due to the current constraints on large gatherings due to Covid-19 and our concern for the safety of our staff, volunteers, and guests, the Museum determined it was necessary to cancel both Christmas on Cockrell’s Creek and Mistletoe & Mimosas.

As we all celebrate Christmas a little closer to home this year, the Museum wishes you a safe, healthy, and happy holiday season.

## DONATIONS NEEDED



PLEASE DONATE

In normal times, May through December is the Museum’s fundraising season. We depend on admission fees, gift shop purchases, and donations from visitors to the Museum as well as income from the Firecracker 5K, the Boat Show, the Oyster Roast, the Homes Tour, and Mistletoe and Mimosas. With the Museum forced to close during the early months of the season and the cancellation of most of our income-generating events due to crowd size restrictions and social distancing requirements, we lost most of our income for the year. Although our income stream was seriously compromised, our expenses were not diminished by Covid-19. We still had to pay for utilities, insurance, taxes, maintenance, office supplies, and other expenses related to our daily business.

The Museum really needs your help. If you normally attend an event that had to be cancelled, please make a donation equal to what you would have spent on your ticket and related purchases like 50-50, raffle tickets, t-shirts, food, other purchases. Or consider donating a portion of what you would have spent on other activities like eating out or going on vacation. Every dollar you give directly supports Museum programs, facilities, and exhibits. Thank you for your generosity!!