



Dear leader of an organization or Student Under Age 18:

On May 30, 2026, The Amherst County Museum and Historical Society will celebrate its 50th anniversary of recording and preserving the history of Amherst County. The Museum is seeking Junior Curators, age 10 to 18 (younger OK if it is a group project with an adult supervisor such as a team, church, arts, civic or scouting troop), to do an individual or group project that will be exhibited at the Museum's anniversary on May 30th.

Young people who want to be a junior curator are asked to attend a meeting with Museum Director Octavia Starbuck, bringing an idea for a simple visual historical or present activity project they will be able to complete by May 27, 2026. The exhibit will be shown at the Museum's 50th Anniversary on May 30, 2026, and a copy of each exhibit will be buried in the Museum's Time Capsule. Please note that time is short and projects should be kept simple. The Museum will supply a board on which to create a flat photographic, written or art exhibit. We will also supply exhibit materials or funding up to \$20 in exchange for receipts for needed materials for each completed exhibit by individuals or groups.

The Museum is seeking exhibits representing different areas of the County. A group of students is welcome to work together on a project about their own activities – for example, a group such as a scouting group, school or community dance or singing group, a sports team, a religious youth group, a history club, etc. Projects can illustrate the history or the present activities of a neighborhood, a building, an organization, a group, or a family in the past 50 years of Amherst County.

Mrs. Starbuck is also interested in having high school age junior curators work as volunteer interns at the Museum on an ongoing basis after May 30th. High School age students who enjoy working on the anniversary history project are welcome to speak to her about summer internships or internships during the 2026-2027 school year. Her contacts are 434-946-9068 or staff@amherstcountymuseum.org.

Mrs. Starbuck and Mrs. Lynn Kable will describe what is needed for the project and make suggestions as to sources you can use to help find information for your project on May 8 at 4:00 p.m. at the Museum. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Mrs. Starbuck by phone. Please leave a message if she is unable to answer. The project is due on May 27, where it will be exhibited on May 30th at the Museum.

Please call Mrs. Starbuck if you would like to participate individually or as a group (number in group): 434-946-9068 (you may leave a message). The Museum is located at 154 South Main Street, Amherst.