

Dahlgren Heritage Deck Log

Sound Bytes of History

Did You Know?



Fun facts to share with family and friends.

Look for this feature beginning this May.

Do You Know?

Help us to identify who, what, and when is pictured as we try to gain more information about some of the photographs in our collection. Look for this feature by the end of the summer.

Now You Know



Snippets from the new feature.

Sound Bytes of History

We are excited to announce plans for new ways to interact with the Dahlgren Heritage Museum — while also having some fun! It's a feature called Sound Bytes of History, which you will be able to access through our Facebook page and our website as we phase it in over the next few weeks and months. From fun facts to detective work on Dahlgren history, you're guaranteed to learn a lot more about the story of the Navy at Dahlgren.

On Mondays, look for "Did You Know?". Here you will find a brief, interesting fun fact to start off the work week, perfect for sharing with co-workers around the water cooler or with friends and family members at mealtime. It's a great way to increase your knowledge about Dahlgren trivia. Who knows, maybe someday it will help you win a contest!

Wednesdays, with our "Do You Know?" segment, will give you the chance to help us expand our knowledge of our collections. Each week we will share an image that we don't know much about. Perhaps you can identify who, what and when is pictured. Those who can will be recognized for their efforts.

Fridays, we will run "Now You Know." Each week there will be a short article or serialized story about a topic related to the history of the base. There is so much material to share, but we want to do so in a manner that is manageable and easily accessible.

Look for the first phase, "Now You Know," to begin later this month; the second phase, "Did You Know?," in May; and the third phase, "Do You Know?," by the end of the summer.

‘The Navy Lands at Dahlgren’ Will Debut in May

The Dahlgren Heritage Foundation believes in partnerships — with history organizations, civic organizations, educational institutions and other players. It’s a way of broadening our perspective and building valuable relationships.

May’s debut of “The Navy Lands at Dahlgren” exhibit is a wonderful example. A small group from the DHF board, led by Alan Dean, has been working with Professor Cristina Turdean and her Exhibits class at the University of Mary Washington. It has been an enriching experience as we created a follow-up exhibit to our public forum of several years ago — “Seized Land: Challenges & Opportunities.”

It’s the story of the Navy’s need for land to establish the base in 1918 and to expand it two decades later. Long established farming communities were moved. It was a time of dislocation in the community, and yet great opportunity as well. New jobs were offered at the Navy base, roadways were improved and educational opportunities multiplied.

The students worked on everything from panel designs to historical research. They’ve created a wonderfully informative exhibit that is designed to be displayed, not only at our museum, but at other venues in the county and region. Stay tuned for more information.



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Thank you for your support of the Dahlgren Heritage Foundation! With your help we are educating the community on the Dahlgren story, running a museum, and working towards hosting more interesting and exciting events. We wouldn't be able to do any of this without you. We look forward to another great year and we are thankful for your membership! Donate by mailing a check to PO Box 816, Dahlgren, VA 22448 or visit www.dahlgrenmuseum.org and click Membership.

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