



Baltimore Antique Bottle Club, Inc.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

September 2025



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Note from Club President Tom Robusto

I am excited about the coming year. I hope everyone had a great summer. I look forward to seeing everyone's summer finds - dug, bought, or thrifted.

Thank you to everyone who has worked hard over the summer to make this new year a success. I am grateful for everyone who has played a part in planning for the new year. I would like to thank the board of directors for the new direction they are taking the club, Chuck Meyers for updating membership list, John and Cara Lowry for taking over the newsletter, Steve Charing for updating our website, and to everyone who has agreed to do a presentation. A special thanks to Andy Agnew, Shawn Peters, and Rick and Karen Lease for helping to secure our new location. In case I missed someone thanks to everyone for your contributions.

We will now be meeting in the second Friday of each month, summer included, at Towson Presbyterian Church, 400 West Chesapeake Ave., Towson, MD.

We will have a presentation each month. For September, Bob Ford and Steve Charing have agreed to do a presentation on the history of the club.

See you in September.
Tom

CLUB WEBSITES

<https://www.baltimorebottleclub.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/baltimorebottleclub>

MEETINGS & SPEAKERS

All meetings held at:
Towson Presbyterian Church
400 West Chesapeake Ave
Towson, MD 21204

September 12, 2025

Bob Ford, BABC History
& Summer Finds

October 10, 2025

Alex Hertzman, Rheumatic Cures

November 14, 2025

Bill Thomas, Whimsies

December 12, 2025

Party, Rita for trays

January 9, 2026

Andy Agnew, TBD

February 13, 2026

Rick Lease – TBD

March 13, 2026

John Lowry, TBD

April 10, 2026

Shawn Peters, Stoneware

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2025 BABC ANNUAL PICNIC & CRAB FEAST



On Saturday, the club held its annual picnic and crab feast. With close to 40 in attendance, we enjoyed great food and great company! Everyone gathered to eat crabs, turkey barbecue, brisket, seafood chowder, sides, desserts and more! It was a day filled with old friends, new friends and the sharing of interesting stories, not to mention eating those crabs! A big thank you to everyone who helped make this event happen, especially those who planned, contributed, set up, and cleaned up!



IN MEMORIAM

On July 10, 2025, Joan Schuppert Campbell, beloved wife of club member Douglas Walter Campbell, passed away. On behalf of the BABC, we extend our deepest condolences to Doug and his family.

MEETING MINUTES



A BIG THANK YOU to Rita for recording meeting minutes.

Each month, the minutes for the previous month's meeting will be included in the newsletter.

September's

CLUB MEMBER PROFILE

Each month, we would like to highlight a club member in the newsletter. At the meeting, John may ask a few questions of one lucky person – **How long have you been a member? What do you collect? How do you grow your collection? What is your favorite find or acquisition?**

We hope you will participate!

NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Each month we will feature a section introducing all new club members.



NEWS & NOTES

❖ All meetings are now being held on the second Friday of the month at 6:30 pm in our new location! See you at **Towson Presbyterian Church**, 400 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson on 9/12/25 .

❖ All members are encouraged to bring in a bottle that corresponds to an event that happened in the month of the current MEETING. Events in history for the month are included at the end of each newsletter to provide ideas. The bottle does not have to be spot-on, but should somehow relate to the events outlined.

❖ Suggestions for topics in upcoming newsletters? Email the editor, John Lowry, at jlowryrxp@gmail.com.

SOME UPCOMING BOTTLE SHOWS

Check out the Federation of Historical Bottle Collectors' website for additional upcoming bottle shows <https://www.fohbc.org/shows/>

06 September 2025 (Saturday) Seekonk, Massachusetts – The Little Rhody Bottle Club Tailgate Swap Meet, starts at 8:00 am and ends at 2:00 pm. There is no set up fee and no admission fee. Bring as many tables as you want. Buy, sell, trade and keep what you make. Show Address: Leonard's Antiques, 600 Taunton Avenue, (Rte #44) Seekonk, Massachusetts 02771, Contact Info: William Rose, 508-880-4929, sierramadre@comcast.net

07 September 2025 (Sunday) Pekin, Illinois – Pekin Bottle Collectors Assoc. 55th Antique Bottle Collectors Annual Show & Sale, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm, Admission \$2, Free Appraisals, Moose Lodge, 2605 Broadway Street, Pekin, Illinois, Contact Info: Daryl Weseloh, 309-264-9268, darylweseloh@gmail.com

13 September 2025 (Saturday) Lebanon, Indiana – Indianapolis Circle City Antique Bottle, Advertising and Antiques Show, Boone County Fairgrounds, 1300 E. 100 S., Lebanon, Indiana 46052. Set Up: 7:30 am – 9 am, Show: 9 am to 2 pm, FREE admission, \$20 early admission (8:00 am). Auction to be held at Boone County Fair Grounds on Friday, 12 Sept at 6 pm. Contact: Martin Van Zant, 812-841-9495, mdvanzant@yahoo.com or "Balsam" Bill Granger, 317-517-5895, bgranger@iquest.net, for more information

14 September 2025 (Sunday) Chelmsford, Massachusetts – Merrimack Valley Antique Bottle Club's 50th Annual Bottle Show & Sale, Chelmsford Elks Lodge, 300 Littleton Road, Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, \$4 admission, \$20 early admission (8:00 am), Visit mvabc.org or contact: Kevin Cantrell, 978-551-6397, kmcantrell86@gmail.com

21 September 2025 (Sunday) Depew, New York – The Greater Buffalo Bottle Collectors Association's 26th Annual Show & Sale, Polish Falcons Hall, 445 Columbia Avenue, Depew, New York 14043, General Admission \$4: Sunday 9 am to 2 pm. Contact chairman Tom Karapantso, 716.487.9645, tomar@stny.rr.com or Peter Jablonski, 716.440.7985, peterjablonski@roadrunner.com or Joe Guerra, 716.207.9948, jguerra3@roadrunner.com, gbbc.org

21 September 2025 (Sunday) Ellendale, Delaware – DELMARVA Antique Bottle Club Show and Sale, Ellendale Fire Hall, 302 Main Street, Ellendale, Delaware, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, Info: Keith Fleming, 302.684.8138, moonderby327@gmail.com

28 September 2025 (Sunday) Topsham, Maine – The Mid-Maine Antique Bottle Club 5th Annual Show and Sale, Topsham Fairgrounds Exhibition Hall, Topsham, Maine, \$3 General Admission, 9:00 am, \$20 Early Buyers 8:00 am to 9:00 am. Contact Paul McClure, 207- 832-1503, oldbottles@outlook.com

28 September 2025 (Sunday) Hammonton, New Jersey – 2025 Fall Bottle Show at Batsto Village by the Batsto Citizens Committee, Inc., 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, rain or shine! Free admission! Historic Batsto Village, Wharton State Forest, Rt. 542 Pleasant Mills Road, Hammonton, New Jersey. Contact Info: Jim Hammell, 856.217.4945, hammelljm@gmail.com



Officers 2025-2026

President.....Tom Robusto
Vice President.....Rick Lease
Secretary.....Rita Miller
Treasurer.....Karen Lease
Membership.....Chuck Meyer

Board Members 2025-2026

Alex Hertzman
Bob Ford
Andy Agnew
John Lowry

Show Chairman.....Shawn Peters
Co-Show Chairman.....Micah Dolina
Sargeant at Arms.....Dave Davenport

September Bottles



Raffle Bottle

Ma & Pa Carter Inks
from ~1910

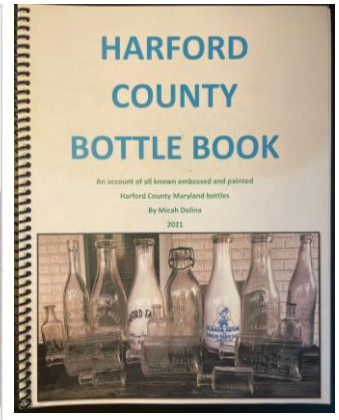
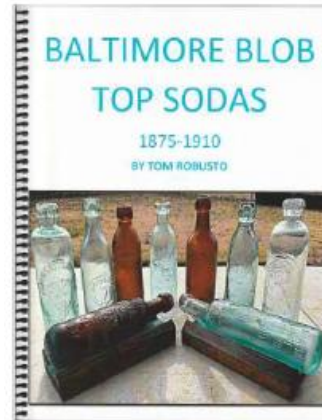


Badge Bottle

Whiskey Bottle
from Towson
circa 1900

Bottle Books

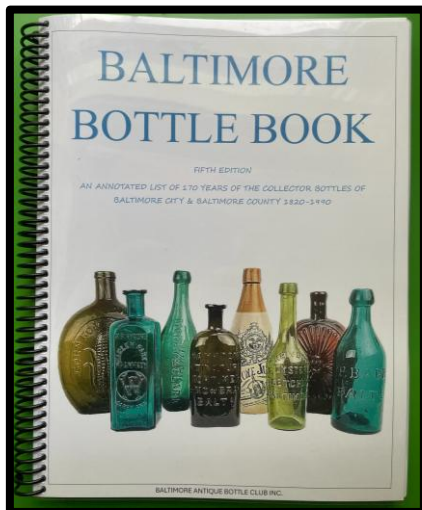
Check out these books written by BABC
members, Tom Robusto and
Micah Dolina



REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR BADGE AT ALL CLUB MEETINGS

CLUB MERCHANDISE

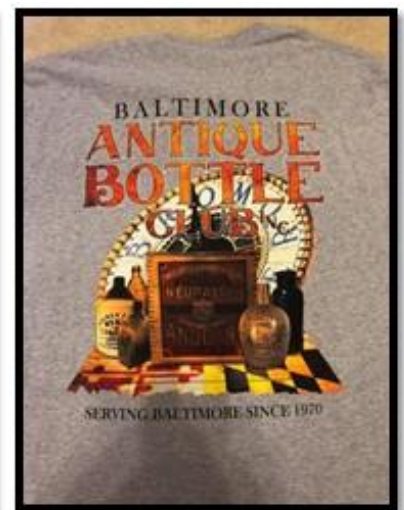
Books and shirts will be available at all club functions



Baltimore Bottle Book \$30



Baltimore Bottle Club Shirts – Sizes S-3XL Available - \$20



Hats - One size fits all \$20

Please contact Rick or Chuck with ideas to maintain
and grow membership in the Club.

THINK THEME BOTTLES - THIS DAY IN HISTORY

HISTORICAL EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER BY DAY (<http://holidayinsights.com/history>)

- 1:** The Liberty Bell arrives in Philadelphia. (1752) | “Mary Had a Little Lamb” was published. (1830) | [Emma M. Nutt](#) becomes the first woman telephone operator. (1878) | Germany invades Poland, starting World War II. (1939) | The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame opens in Cleveland, OH. (1995)
- 2:** Richard the Lion-Hearted is crowned King of England at Westminster. (1189) | The Great Fire of London started. 80% of the city is destroyed. (1666) | Bing Crosby makes his solo radio debut. (1931) | V-J Day. (1945) | The image of “[Uncle Sam](#)”, a symbol of America, was first used. (1813) | The TV soap opera *Search for Tomorrow* premieres on CBS. (1951)
- 4:** The traditional end of the Western Roman Empire Romulus Augustulus abdicates the throne as Rome is invaded by the forces of Odoacer. (476) | Explorer-navigator Henry Hudson is the first European to discover the island of Manhattan. (1609) | Ten-year-old [Barney Flaherty becomes the first Newspaper Carrier](#). (1833) | Apache Chief Geronimo surrenders ending the last U.S. – Indian war. (1886) | George Eastman received a patent for roll film and trademarked the name “Kodak”. (1888) | The comic strip “Beetle Bailey” debuts in 12 newspapers. (1950)
- 5:** Russian Czar Peter the Great imposes a tax on beards. (1698) | The First Continental Congress assembled in Philadelphia. (1774) | Sam Houston is elected President of the Republic of Texas. (1836) Jerry Lewis holds his first Muscular Dystrophy Telethon, raising \$1 million. (1966)
- 6:** Clarence Saunders opens “Piggly Wiggly”, the first true supermarket in Memphis, TN. (1916) | Cal Ripken Jr. broke Lou Gehrig’s baseball Iron Man record by playing in his 2,131st game. (1995) | The funeral of Princess Diana is held at Westminster Abbey in London. (1997)
- 7:** The first Miss America beauty Pageant is held in Atlantic City N.J. (1921) | The Boulder Dam, later renamed the Hoover Dam, begins operation. (1936) | Google was founded by Sergey Brin and Larry Page. (1998)
- 8:** Michelangelo’s Statue of David is unveiled. (1504) | Margaret Gorman of Washington, DC was crowned the first Miss America in Atlantic City, NJ. (1921) | Star Trek premiered on television. The original series had 80 episodes. See [Star Trek Day](#). (1966) | President Gerald R. Ford gives unconditional pardon to Richard Nixon for any crimes related to Watergate. See [Pardon Day](#) (1974) | Joe Pedott of San Francisco, CA. manufactures the first Chia Pet. See [Chia Pet Day](#). (1977) | The Oprah Winfrey Show premieres on television. (1986)
- 9:** The U.S. Congress officially changed the name of the nation from the United Colonies to The United States of America. (1776) | California became the 31st state. (1850) | Computer scientist Grace Hopper reports the first computer bug. In this case, it was an actual bug... a moth. (1947) | Elvis Presley first appears on the Ed Sullivan Show. (1956)
- 10:** The Sewing Machine is patented. See [Sewing Machine Day](#). (1846) | Swanson sells the first “TV Dinner”. (1953) | Gunsmoke premieres on television. It became TV’s longest-running Western program. (1955) | The TV series “X-Files” premiered. (1993)
- 11:** Construction of the Pentagon begins in Arlington, VA. (1941) | Congress passes a bill authorizing food stamps for low-income Americans. (1959) | The Beatles recorded their first single “Love Me Do”. (1962) | “The “Carol Burnett Show” premieres on television. (1967) **September 11, 2001** – Islamic Al-Qaeda militants fly planes into both of NYC’s twin World Trade Towers and the Pentagon. More on September 911. (2001)
- 12:** Future President John F. Kennedy marries Jacqueline Bouvier. (1953) | The television show “Lassie” premieres. (1949) | The television show “The Monkees” premieres, featuring the rock group. (1966) | “The Smurfs” animated cartoon series premieres. (1981)
- 13:** New York City becomes the Capitol of the United States. I bet you didn’t know that! (1788) | Chiang Kai-Shek became the president of China. (1943) | “Scooby-Doo Where Are You?” premieres on television. (1969) | Nintendo introduces the first Super Mario game. (1985)
- 14:** The first lighthouse in America is lit in Boston Harbor on Brewster Island. (1716) | Francis Scott-Key composed the lyrics to “The Star-Spangled Banner”. (1814) | Economist and philosopher Karl Marx produces the first volume of Das Kapital. (1867) | The Graf Zeppelin II makes its maiden voyage. (1938) | “The Waltons” premieres on television. (1972) | The TV sitcom “Golden Girls” premieres on NBC. (1985)

HISTORICAL EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER BY DAY (continued)

- 15:** The first International Bridge Tournament is held in London, England. The U.S. team defeats England. (1930) | The Lone Ranger premieres on television. It was originally a radio series. (1949) | The domain name “google.com” is registered. (1997) | At 97 years old, Norman Lear becomes the oldest person to win an Emmy. (2019)
- 16:** The Mayflower sets sail from Plymouth, England. It carried pilgrims headed to the New World. (1620) | The Massachusetts village of Shawmut changes its name to Boston. (1630) | The Great Seal of the United States of America was impressed on an official document for the first time. (1782) | Carraige maker William C. Durant founds General Motors in Flint, MI. (1908)
- 17:** Award-winning comedy show M*A*S*H premieres on television. (1972) | Home Improvement, with Tim the Tool Man Taylor premieres on television. (1991) | After a run of 54 years, the last episode of the soap opera “As the World Turns” airs. (2010)
- 18:** Fort Ticonderoga in New York opens. (1755) | President George Washington lays the cornerstone for the Capitol building in Washington, D.C. (1793) | U.S. Air Force is established. (1947) | The television comedy “I Dream of Jeannie” premieres on NBC. (1965)
- 19:** Chubby Checker’s hit song “The Twist” hits #1 on Billboard’s Top 100 list. (1930) | Mary Tyler Moore Show premieres on television. (1970) | The UK and China complete a proposed agreement the transfer Hong Kong to China by 1997. (1984)
- 20:** Equal Rights Party nominates the first woman for U.S. President and Vice President. (1984) | Winston Churchill argues for a “United States of Europe”. It was an idea before its time. (1946) | The first Fortran computer program is run. (1954) | Billie Jean King defeats Bobby Riggs in a battle of the sexes tennis match. (1973)
- 21:** Duryea Wagon Company, founded by Charles and J. Frank Duryea, becomes America’s first automobile manufacturer. (1895) | J.R.R. Tolkien’s “The Hobbit” is published in London. (1933) | Henry Ford retires from Ford Motor Company. (1945) | The television series “Perry Mason” premieres. (1957) | Monday Night Football premieres on television. (1970)
- 22:** The last people in the U.S. are hanged for witchcraft in Salem, MA. (1692) | President Abraham Lincoln declares the Emancipation Proclamation. (1862) | The first Farm Aid concert is held in Champaign, IL. (1985) | The television series “Baywatch” premieres. (1989) | The record for drinking Ketchup belongs to Dustin Phillips (USA). On this day, he drank a 14 oz. bottle of Ketchup through a 1/4” straw in 33 seconds. (1999)
- 23:** Harvard University’s first commencement. (1642) | The planet Neptune is first discovered by German astronomer Johann Gottfried Galle. (1846) | “The Jetsons” premieres on television. (1962) | The U.S. Congress votes to make the rose the national flower. What took them so long!? (1986)
- 24:** With a fleet of 17 ships, Christopher Columbus sets sail on his second expedition to the New World. (1493) | Boston’s famous “Faneuil Hall” opens to the public. (1742) | 2,500 fans see Babe Ruth’s farewell appearance at Yankee Stadium. (1934) | Elvis Presley hit “Jailhouse Rock” is released. (1957) | The U.S. Enterprise is launched, the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier. (1960)
- 25:** Vasco Nunez de Balboa discovers the Pacific Ocean. Tell that to Pacific Islanders and a whole bunch of people on the east coast of Asia. (1513) | Benedict Arnold joins the British. (1780) | The New U.S. Congress proposes the Bill of Rights. (1789) | Major League Baseball’s first doubleheader is played between Providence and Worcester. (1882) | Sandra Day O’Connor became the first female Supreme Court Justice. (1981) | Bruce Jenner officially changes his gender to female, and her name to Caitlyn. (2015)
- 26:** The Federal Trade Commission was established. (1914) | The first televised Presidential debate occurs between John F. Kennedy and Richard M. Nixon. (1960) | “The Brady Bunch” premieres on television. (1969)
- 27:** The U.S. Postal Service was founded. (1789) | The first passenger locomotive is operated by George Stephenson in England. (1825) | The passenger steamship SS Arctic sinks in the Atlantic Ocean off Newfoundland. Only 86 of 400 passengers survive. (1854)
- 28:** A Spanish fleet sinks off the coast of Florida in a hurricane. About 350 died. (1528) | U.S. Navy abolishes flogging as a punishment. (1850) | A woman on Fifth Avenue in New York City is arrested for smoking a cigarette in a car. (1904) | The Giants beat the Phillies in the fastest baseball game ever played in the majors. it was 51 minutes long. (1919)
- 29:** Telephone service begins between the U.S. and Mexico. (1927) | Bell Laboratories invents the telephone answering machine. (1950)
- 30:** Rayon is patented. (1902) | The television sitcom “Cheers” premieres. (1982)



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2025 MEMBERSHIP FORM



NAME _____

☐ RENEWAL

☐ NEW MEMBER

☐ INDIVIDUAL

☐ FAMILY

SPOUSE'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ (for email notifications and newsletter)

WHAT TYPE(S) OF BOTTLES DO YOU COLLECT? _____

OK TO LIST ON THE WEBSITE? If YES, check here: ☐

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Meetings are held the second Friday of each month at 7:00 pm

at Towson Presbyterian Church. The meeting site and schedule will
be published in the newsletter and on the website.

Dues are \$20 for an Individual or a Family \$20 Dues Enclosed: _____

PLEASE SEND FORM AND CHECK TO ADDRESS BELOW, OR BRING TO MEETING

Make checks payable to **Baltimore Antique Bottle Club, Inc.**

Mail renewal to:

Chuck Meyer
BABC Membership Chair
P. O. Box 36061
Towson, MD 21286-6061

OR bring Form and payment to a meeting and give to Chuck Meyer or Karen Lease, Treasurer

To Be Completed by Membership Chairperson:

Date Received: _____ Cash: \$ _____ Check: \$ _____ # _____