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Romance
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Welcome to Tansy Hollow

TANSY HOLLOW—Tansy Hollow is an historic city which boasts a longstanding LGBTQ presence. While relatively unknown to the general public, in many ways it exceeds the lavender hue of the likes of Los Angeles and New York City. The reader may think of events such as Stonewall and Harvey Milk. Tansy Hollow has always, throughout its long history, taken a more relaxed approach to diversity issues, particularly matters of sexual orientation, though certainly not limited to them.

Today, the city thrives as a place where gay and lesbian persons live, work, play and fall into and out of love. While certainly far from perfect, Tansy Hollow attracts gays from all over.



The people in this city have so many stories to tell. Their experiences build upon the amazing history of their town. These stories are told in the Tansy Hollow Gay Romance Series of Books, available at Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Kobo, Apple, and wher-

ever high-quality gay romance books are sold.

It is within the pages of this, the Tansy Hollow Tattler, the newspaper of Tansy Hollow, that news and information about Tansy Hollow appears. Together with the official City website, www.tansyhollow.com, readers can familiarize themselves with the goings on around town, with the places in the city and the people who live here.

The Tattler comes out twice each month, on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Subscriptions can be had by signing up [here](#). Previous issues are archived on the Tansy Hollow City website. Current issues are available by subscription only.

New Book in Tansy Hollow Series to be Released February 14

TANSY HOLLOW—The first book in the new Tansy Hollow Gay Romance Series of Books is set to release this Saturday, February 14. Entitled *Headbangers' Ball*, this 63,000 word story kicks off the new Series with a steamy, somewhat dark romance between Seth and Caleb.

According to the publisher's



notes, the book is a steamy, emotional MM romance featuring a rebellious hero, an intense first meeting, small-town secrets, and a hard-won happily ever after.

The Tansy Hollow Gay Romance Series showcases the romantic lives of the citizens of Tansy Hollow. Because all of the books in the Series are set in the city,

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readers are likely to become familiar with iconic, romantic, notorious, and infamous landmarks around town.

“Tansy Hollow is a dream come true for me,” says Josh Fippen, Tansy Hollow’s official historian and author of this inaugural book. “The Series allows the reader to connect with the amazing people and places in our

community through the various stories.”

Josh also notes that this new Series immerses fans into the community more deeply than most similar gay romance series on the market because of the sense of community it provides. In addition to the books, the Tansy Hollow Tattler newspaper keeps readers informed of the goings-on around town and offers insights into past,

current, and future novels in the Series. Additionally, the companion website at www.tansyhollow.com offers references and research material on Tansy Hollow, including a City Directory, a Business Directory, and the Archive for back issues of the *Tattler*.

“I just can’t wait to share Tansy Hollow with readers. Head-

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bangers' Ball is more than just the start of a new gay romance series—it's the start of a phenomenon," Josh elaborates. "This project has been years in the making. I can't wait to watch it

grow as it earns lots and lots of fans."

Headbangers' Ball is available at [Amazon](#), [Barnes & Noble](#), [Kobo](#), Apple, and wherever great gay romance is sold.

The Tansy Hollow Gay Romance Series is written by Josh Fippen and Dann Hazel. If you're looking for a great read, consider Headbangers' Ball! Read more about it on the [Tansy Hollow website](#).

Spotlight On Charles Towne-Landon

TANSY HOLLOW—This week, the Tattler visits with Charles Towne-Landon, a new attorney in Tansy Hollow who moved here from Austin, Texas, where he worked as an attorney in a moderate-sized law firm. In just a few days, Charles will host his grand opening of the new law firm called Towne-Landon & Associates, PA, located in the historic Irvine Lake building. Charles comes to Tansy Hollow via a circuitous route which actually began near Roanoke, VA, where Charles spent his childhood. He tells us that he visited Tansy Hollow on a couple of day trips over the years, with the most recent being about five years ago. The purpose of those visits was to visit his great-grandmother, Gwynette Chadwick, who was also a resident of Tansy Hollow until her recent death. But he had never

really considered Tansy Hollow as a potential home until quite a surprising event happened.

Tattler: Tell us, Charles, what made you decide to settle here in Tansy Hollow?

Charles: I was informed by another attorney in town—we've become friends since then—that my great-grandmother had bequeathed me her home, Chadwick House, in her will. Honestly, I was very surprised to hear this news because she and I visited with each other in her home only three times before. I had no idea that I'd made any kind of impression that might cause her to consider leaving me her gorgeous house. However, it doesn't seem as though she had any other relatives to whom she could leave the house.

Tattler: Ms. Chadwick must have been quite taken with you



when you visited.

Charles (chuckles): I guess. But as I've investigated family history—apparently, considering the sheer number of documents she has pertaining to the Chadwick family, genealogy must have been a hobby of hers—it appears that I am the

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closest known kin to her.

Without getting into a lot of personal details, the Chadwicks faced quite a few challenges after immigrating to the Colonies from England in the late eighteenth century. Then, more attention was given to survival than expanding families, which led to a few dead ends in the family tree. Not that couples didn't try, but there were many challenges, some of which were life-and-death.

Tattler: Considering your good fortune, do you think that you might continue your great-grandmother's interest in the Chadwick family tree?

Charles: Strange that you should mention that possibility. I was talking to a friend just two days ago. During our conversation I mentioned how in-

teresting my family history seems to be, even though I've really just started learning about it. Before inheriting Chadwick House, I really found history to be somewhat tedious. But I've found Great-Grandma Gwynette makes the historical record not only interesting, but also at times very amusing. As the documents she left behind attest, she was quite an excellent writer with amazing insights into people's personalities and motivations.

Tattler: It's our understanding that you are living in the Chadwick House now, following a short period of sprucing up the property. Is that true?

Charles: I'm happy to confirm that it is definitely true. At first, I considered selling the house and using the earnings

to purchase a more modern space. But Chadwick House has so much character. I don't think I could ever surrender it. When I first moved in, there were a few rough patches, but with caution and perseverance, I was able to make myself at home. And now? I can't imagine living anywhere else. I mean, I absolutely love the old house.

Tattler: It's a big house for a single person to reside, don't you think? Every Christmas season, during Tansy Hollow's Festival of Houses, Miss Gwynette opened her doors to touring guests, who said she was not only quite hospitable but also a fine cook. I had an opportunity to do that tour and was surprised by the house's size and its austerity.

Charles: I don't have a problem being the only person living in all three thousand square feet, give or take a few. But I'll break the news now. I don't think I'll be living

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alone in Chadwick House for very much longer.

Tattler. And why is that?

Charles. I met a charming man during the intermission of a play at the opera house. He and I hit it off right away. He's a physician in a nearby city, but he's fallen in love with Tansy Hollow as well as with me. He'll be moving in with me soon, I think.

Tattler. Might there marriage in the cards?

Charles (blushing): I don't want

to say one way or another. All I will admit is that we're serious about our relationship. Who knows? We may soon be purchasing space for a wedding announcement in your paper.

Tattler. The Tattler wishes you the best of luck.

Charles. Thank you.

Tattler. There's one final question we'd like to ask. As I'm sure you've heard, many people in Tansy Hollow are convinced the Chadwick House is haunted. Are you willing to confirm or

refute that rumor?

Charles. I'm willing to do neither. Are there strange noises in the house from time to time? Yes, there are. But maybe they can be attributed to the age of the building. Who knows? I will say this. Overall, I'm a big skeptic when it comes to matters of the occult. Still, I try to keep an open mind. But so far, I have witnessed no evidence that confirms my home is haunted. (Charles chuckles.) And if it is, I'm sure the ghosts are friendly.

Dann Hazel to be Inaugurated as Tansy Hollow Historian This Wednesday

Tansy Hollow—Josh Fippen, official historian of Tansy Hollow, discovered our city back in 2017. He knew as soon as he found it that it was to be his home. He's been here ever since.

Tansy Hollow was established back in 1846, the year before the United States dropped its first two postage stamps and ushered in an era of rapid and dependa-



ble communication at a reasonable rate. Surely, the people of the nascent town of Tansy Hollow must've availed themselves of the mail service, as its first Post Office was already open prior to the issuance of those stamps.

It's bits of information like this that intrigues Josh. He seeks out information about the past to

honor what has happened in this place before. Toward this end, he eagerly accepted the municipal position of Town Historian.

For Josh, history isn't always in the past. "History is happening right now," Josh declared during an interview with this reporter. "It's happening all around us, and we're part of it all. I want to document everything I can. The future will only be richer because of the details we leave behind."

Josh noted that the stories we're writing today are tomorrow's history. "All of us, everyone here in Tansy Hollow, are in the wonderful position of living our own histories and taking part in the history of our community," Josh

asserted. "When you come to realize that you're in control of history, you tend to curate that history with greater care. That's what I hope to accomplish with my records of the lives that I observe here in town."

At its final meeting of 2025, the City Council approved budgeting for a second historian position. At the beginning of February, Council announced that the position had been filled. Dann Hazel, experienced writer and student of human behavior, is assuming the office alongside Josh at a ceremony to be held Wednesday, February 11, 2026.

Dann brings to his office a knack for sniffing out good stories and a flair for telling them in such a way that his

reader will not want to put them down. Dann has a natural *joie de vivre* that is certain to be his passport into the social circles of Tansy Hollow.

Dann is from Moneta, VA. He will call Tansy Hollow home, but he intends to keep a household in Moneta as well. "I love Tansy Hollow," Dann says, "but I can't give up my ties to western Virginia." This reporter believes that he'll be totally at home in both places.

ABOUT THE EVENT: If you'd like to attend Dann's swearing-in ceremony, please R.S.V.P. to the main desk at City Hall by noon Wednesday. The event will begin on the City Hall front lawn at 7 PM. Casual dress is acceptable. After the ceremony, plan to stay and mingle. Light refreshments will be on offer, and a cash bar will be set up as well.

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