

## 1952 to 1985 Leonardtown Supermarket

Visitors to Town Hall today walked the same floors they walked in the 50s. A recent photo taken of a sign titled "Leonardtown Supermarket" puzzled them about where the photo was taken. They narrowed it down to Town Hall and stopped in to investigate. Stories abounded of the back room filled with sawdust and the freezer section which is now the office of Mr. Wheatley who fondly remembered Marsha when he came in as a school boy.

Council Member Roger Mattingly had the sign made to commemorate the Leonardtown Supermarket and also, the old butcher block table was there too (donated by Joe Densford).

Originally constructed in the early 1920s, the Leonardtown Supermarket is a one story, gable-front, rusticated concrete block building with a gable roof and several subsequent alterations. The primary or west elevation consists of a three-bay brick front shaded by a full width metal awning. Immediately above the metal awning is a metal sign that reads "Leonardtown Supermarket." Another electrically lit sign lies perpendicular to the wall surface and also reads "Leonardtown Supermarket."

In the 1950s, the Leonardtown Supermarket was purchased by Richard L. Curry and John A. Joseph who later added on to the west side of the building a new brick storefront. Another frame addition was added to the east side of the building sometime in the 1950s or 1960s



Phyllis Joseph, Marsha Anderson, Brenda Curry  
(Left to right)

Phyllis and Johnny Joseph  
Owners of Leonardtown Supermarket

Brenda Curry – Married to Peter Curry  
Marsha Anderson – Daughter of Dick Curry (Owner)

