



REFLECTIONS

WAYNE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION NEWS
DECEMBER 2001

On The WCHA Calendar

January

1-31 "Salute to Veterans of All Wars" exhibit continues

15 Executive Board Meeting, Noon at Wayne Co. Museum

February

1-28 Black History Celebrated

12 Board of Directors Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at Wayne Co. Museum

March

1-April 30 "History of Radio" display

12 Executive Board Meeting, Noon at Wayne Co. Museum

April

9 Board of Directors Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at Wayne Co. Museum

Press from Preston ...

Progress and Frustration

As we move into the holiday season, I'd like to thank all of you for your interest in and support for the Wayne County Historical Association and to send you the warmest wishes for a joyous holiday season.

Since our last newsletter much has happened. Many things are positive; some things are frustrating. On the positive side, we have had very good responses to all of the activities at Waynesborough Park, C.B. Aycock and The Wayne County Museum. Attendance is up at each location. While volunteers for many jobs are still needed, we continue to move ahead with what we have.

Additionally, our Board of Directors has moved to set up a Wayne County Historical Association Endowment Fund with the N.C. Community Foundation. You can now be assured that gifts you make to the WCHA Endowment Fund will be managed by professionals to gain the most benefit for the future of this organization. Our account will be established effective January 1, 2002. Checks for donations should be made out to WCHA Endowment Fund.

The Museum is now working with the City of Goldsboro to obtain more funding to complete the elevator addition and the renovation of the upstairs bathroom to meet ADA requirements. The Museum Committee has been meeting to pick colors for the re-

decoration of both floors and to plan for future displays and events. They have achieved a "vision" and now are working to make it happen. Any help you can give, financially or otherwise, would be appreciated.

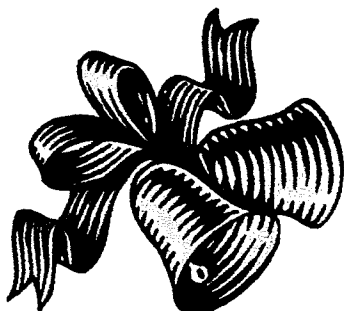
Some frustrations occurred as well. As you know, we attempted to host a membership dinner in late October. Our hope was to let people know of our pending plans for the museum and to also get our membership ranks back into the habit of paying dues in January as our by-laws state. However, response to the dinner was very low. We ended up canceling it at the last minute. We hope to reschedule the dinner in the spring, and hope you will make a serious effort to attend and to encourage others to do so.

Another disappointment has been the lack of volunteers who are willing to commit time at the Museum accomplishing tasks that need to be done. We need to sort through all of our "stuff" and properly archive the items in an orderly manner.

We need members who want to be involved. There are lots of tasks to done. If you are a willing worker, please let us know, and we will find a way for you to contribute.

May peace be yours.

— Preston Garris, WCHA President



Like angels from the realms unseen, Light-wing'd the moments come and go,
The shining links of life between E'thereal spheres and Earth below;
They bear a record of the deeds That cloud or make our path clear:
Broadcast they sow time's precious seeds, and usher in the Glad New Year.

— A verse from the old Shaker hymn "The Glad New Year"