

Fall 1998  
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Quarterly Newsletter

# Reflections

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- OCT. 4 National Trust Program  
2 p.m. Public Library
- OCT. 6 WCHA Board Meeting  
5 p.m. Public Library
- OCT. 24 Cotton Pickin' Time  
Aycok Birthplace 1-4:30
- DEC. 3 Christmas Candlelight Tour  
Aycok Birthplace 6:30-9
- DEC. 6 Old Waynesborough  
Christmas 4-6 p.m.
- JAN. 17 Historical Architecture of  
Outhouses-Library 2 p.m.
- 13 Annual Dinner Meeting  
Speaker: Myrick Howard  
Preservation NC 7 p.m.

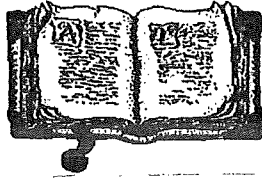
## WAYNESBOROUGH PARK

Legislation is moving through the N. C. General Assembly which will transfer the Waynesborough Village portion of the park to local ownership. The Park Commission will have the responsibility to plan, maintain, and run its activities. They will also have the authority to add buildings and rearrange the village as appropriate. The remainder of the park will remain with the state.

Christmas at Old Waynesborough will be held on Sunday, Dec. 6, from 4-6 p.m. This will be a very old-fashioned celebration, with a number of local musical groups providing entertainment throughout the afternoon. The houses will be decorated for the season and staffed by costumed guides.

Plans are also underway for a Spring

## **\*\*ARCHITECTURE BOOK \*\***



Sigh! Glimpses of Wayne County, NC: An Architectural History, by Pezzoni and Smith, has gone to the printer. WCHA Committee members have met numerous times over the summer months, choosing entries, proofing copy, selecting pictures, adding to the glossary, researching questionable data, and trying to be certain our book is as good as can be. Colors for the cover and design characteristics have been evaluated and determined. The committee selected facing page pictures and type styles.

Glimpses... will be almost 300 pages in length, with a teal fabric cover made in Europe. It will be 9 1/2 x 10 inches in size. The dust jacket features a beautiful picture of the Charles B. Aycok Birthplace, with a row of interesting architectural details down one side. It is really quite an eye-catching design. Delivery date is scheduled for November, 23.

The pre-publication price is only \$25. Send your check to WCHA at P.O. Box 665 to reserve your copy. Books may be picked up at Weil Enterprises, but if you would prefer to have yours mailed, please include an additional \$5. These books will make wonderful gifts, so keep the upcoming holidays in mind.

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE

An outstanding group of local

## TOWN MEETING HALL

The Town Meeting Hall, at the corner of Ash and James Streets, is undergoing extensive renovation. The roof and air conditioning have been repaired, the back stucco is being removed and replaced, exterior cracks are being repaired and filled, and deteriorated wood replaced. Interior work, including painting, will be arranged after the exterior is tight.

In the midst of all of the work, mother nature stepped in and delivered a lightening strike to the steeple. Fortunately, the quick action of those who witnessed the strike and the Goldsboro Fire Dept. kept this from being a real disaster.

On a happier note, it was recently discovered that the original pressed ceiling is still intact and was actually made of pewter and gunmetal. The committee is considering the possibility of removing the layers of paint to uncover the lovely details underneath.

## AYCOCK BIRTHPLACE

On Saturday, October 24, the Gov. Charles B. Aycok Birthplace will hold "Cotton Pickin' Time". (The event's date has changed since the previous newsletter.) Activities such as cotton picking, spinning, weaving, and more will be held from 1:00-4:30 p.m. Hand ginning contests will delight the kids. The music group, "Centennial", will perform hymns from 1850-1920. Admission is free.

Christmas Candlelight Tours will be held Tuesday, December 1, and

entertainment throughout the afternoon. The houses will be decorated for the season and staffed by costumed guides.

Plans are also underway for a Spring Festival to be held in May. This will include the usual activities with reenactors, horse and buggy rides, cooking contests, and games for the children.

*Watch for the next issue of the Old Dobbs Trail, due out in the next few weeks.*

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*oops! Almost forgot! Check us out on the web.  
www.historicalwagnerne.com*

### SPECIAL COMMITTEE

An outstanding group of local business leaders has met with WCHA's Executive Board to lend their expertise to help us plan for future funding for our organization.

Members of the group include Bill Bryan, Yvonne Goodman, Craig Griffin, Jim Hubbell, Charles Norwood, and David Weil.

Additional meetings are planned with representatives from the components.

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Admission is free.

Christmas Candlelight Tours will be held Tuesday, December 1, and Thursday, December 3, from 6:30-9:00 p.m. The Primitive Baptist Singers will a cappella many hymns and carols. Costumed interpreters will share Christmas traditions and will cook over the open-hearth fireplace. Hot apple cider will warm you up on a cool night. Bring a flashlight for your safety. Admission is free. For more information, call 242-5581.

Charlotte Carter

## WAYNE COUNTY MUSEUM

## REVOLVING FUND

## VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Wayne County Museum has been undergoing a partial "face lift" recently. Not only have we corrected plumbing and plaster problems, we have painted and redecorated our museum office and gift shop.

We are planning to stock our gift shop with interesting Civil War reproductions and novelty food items manufactured in Wayne County, as well as unique gift items.

Thanks to Jim Mullen, Christine Grant, Robert Fricke, Rex Hood, Ryan Hood, and Jewel and Randy Sauls for volunteering at the Museum. However, we are always in need of additional, dependable volunteers. If you would like to help with yard work, inside cleaning, office work, or manning the Museum during the hours it is open to the public, just drop by the Museum and talk with me.

The following items are needed ( they do not need to be new):

Carpet shampooer, answering machine (ours no longer works), mannequins (maybe a store is closing), hat forms (for displays), white sheers (45 x 78, 43 x 72, 25 x 71), tension rods ( 78" & 72"), 6 or 8 ft. ladder, wireless doorbell, cordless phone.

If you know of anyone who has old baby or doll carriages that they would be willing to loan the museum, please contact me at 734-5023. We are also interested in locating old hats of any kind.

Mary Hood, Museum Director

IF YOU HAVEN'T VISITED THE MUSEUM LATELY, DO GO! IT LOOKS LIKE A TOTALLY NEW PLACE. DON'T FORGET TO CHECK ON THE ABOVE ITEMS. YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO CLEAN OUT YOUR STORAGE SPACES AND HELP THE MUSEUM.

The Revolving Fund is actively marketing the Cogdell-Bizzell house at 113 South Virginia St.

This home has been painstakingly restored by professional workmen and by volunteers. It features a new roof, new paint, refinished flooring, beautiful fireplaces, and all new heating and cooling systems. The kitchen and bathrooms have been completely redone, while maintaining the beautiful charm of an earlier time. The electrical and plumbing systems have been updated as well. It features over 3,000 square feet of very livable space, which is ready for some lucky family. Pier Tarrant of Town & Country Realty is handling the sale (778-7777).

If you or someone you know would like to undertake a restoration project of your own, the revolving fund has other houses available for sale, to be restored by the buyer. There are new restoration tax credits available which will be of significant help with the costs of these projects.

AUCTION SAT., OCT. 10, 10 A.M.  
LOCATION :THE CRYSTAL LYNN  
AUCTION HOUSE, CORNER OF HOLLY  
AND VIRGINIA STREETS  
ALL UNIDENTIFIED ITEMS AND GIFT CERTIFICATES WILL  
BE AUCTIONED. PROCEEDS GO TO THE  
REVOLVING FUND!  
THIS IS THEIR MAJOR FUND RAISER.  
SO PLEASE COME OUT AND SUPPORT  
THEM!

### OCTOBER SPEAKER

Come learn about the Main Street Program and what the National Trust is doing for communities like ours all over the country. This will be a slide program with Goldsboro native, Elizabeth Haverkamp, who is a program asst. with Main Street.

WCHA presented its first "Volunteer of the Year" award at the September meeting of the group. Winner of this award was outstanding volunteer David Wilder. Wilder was presented a pen with "Wayne County Historical Association, First Volunteer of the Year 1997-1998" inscribed on its case.

Wilder has worked as a member of the Board of Directors, missing only one meeting of the organization in a year. He has attended every meeting of the Old Waynesborough Park Board, the efforts of behalf of the Ram Neuse for Seven Springs, and the Old Dobbs County Genealogical Society. He has spent countless hours as a museum volunteer. He has sold and promoted the most books of anyone in the organization. Wilder donated a slide projector and a Fax machine for the group's use. He has spent countless hours researching addresses for the upcoming book, Glimpses of Wayne County, and has served as a member of the committee proofing and editing this book.

THREE CHEERS FOR DAVID!!!

### BOOKS FOR SALE

Remember, WCHA is still offering the following books for sale: A History of Wayne County, edited by Johnson & Norwood (\$17.50); Postcards of Old Wayne County, by Pope and Weil (newly reduced to \$15); Wayne County Heritage, edited by Johnstone (\$40); and An Architectural Inventory of Goldsboro, NC, by Hammond, (\$12).

These books are available at the Public Library or Weil Enterprises, or if you prefer to order by mail, add \$5 postage and mail to WCHA at PO Box 665, Goldsboro, NC, 27533. Tax is included in the price.

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- JULY 25 Old Dobbs Co. Genealogical  
11:30 a.m Western Sizzlin
- JULY 26 113 Va. St. Open House  
2-4 p.m.
- AUG. 3 WCHA Board Meeting  
5 p.m. Public Library
- OCT. 4 National Trust Program  
2 p.m. Public Library
- OCT. 17 Living History Program  
Aycocock Birthplac
- JAN. 17 Outhouses of NC Dr.Dudley  
or 24 2 p.m. Public Library

## SPEAKERS PLANNED

Speakers for the coming season will include Myrick Howard, Director of Preservation NC, who will address the Annual Membership at dinner on Thursday evening, May 13, at the Goldsboro Country Club. Myrick, known to many WCHA members, will present a *slide show* of the various projects undertaken by Preservation NC.

Elizabeth Haverkamp, from the Main Street Projects of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, will give a slide presentation on Sunday afternoon, October 4, at 2 p.m. at the Public Library auditorium on Ash Street. Elizabeth will tell of the many activities of her agency.

On Sunday afternoon, January 17 or 24, at 2 p.m. in the library auditorium, Dr. Jack Dudley of Morehead City will bring an unusual slide presentation concerning the "Outhouses of NC". Dr. Dudley's hobby is to look for these vanishing buildings and to describe their

## BEQUEST

WCHA is the happy recipient of funds from the estate of the late William P. Kemp. Mr. Kemp generously provided that the Historical Association would be a beneficiary in his will. Kemps's son, William P. Kemp, Jr., continues to donate his time, funds, and energy to Old Waynesborough Park as a active of the board. Many thanks are due to the Kemp family for their support.

## WAYNE COUNTY MUSEUM

Board Chairman, Bob Stevenson, announces that Mary C. Hood has been hired as the new Director of the Museum. Mrs. Hood is a retired Wayne County school teacher. Her husband works for the county. She will begin work in July. Mrs. Hood is a native of Wayne Co. and has developed exciting plans for programs and presentations at the museum.

At the June board meeting, a vote of thanks was extended to Jewel Sauls for her years of service to the museum as director. In other business, it was decided that the parking lot will be paved in the next few weeks.

## JUST REDUCED

In order to build up our reserve funds, the WCHA Board voted at the June meeting to reduce the price of Postcards Of Old Wayne Co. to \$15 per copy. These books are available at the libraries, the museum, and at Weil Enterprises, 106 E. Walnut St. This is a good time to purchase

## THE NEW BOOK

Glimpes of Wayne Co. N.C.: An Architectural History is at the typesetters and graphic lay-out specialists getting ready for printing. A committee of Board members and community helpers has worked hard proofing the manuscript. The book will be available for holiday giving by early December. It will be about 300 pages, with hard cover, and full of illustrations.

Penne Smith, architectural historian, spent two years surveying some 600 eligible properties throughout the county. Our committee selected about 200 of these to feature in the book. Dan Pezzoni edited the text and prepared it for publication. Goldsboro properties were not included, since there is already a book available listing these.

Reserve your copies now at a special pre-publication price of only \$25 each, including tax. Add \$5 to mail each book, or include your phone # and we will call you to come pick it up. Send a check made payable to WCHA, PO Box 665, Goldsboro 27533. Be sure to include your name, address and phone #, and additional \$5 for each book if you would like for us to mail it.

## NEW COMMITTEE FORMED

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Other planned programs include Early American Music, near the end of the year, (presented by a group of musicians from ECU), and a return of the bagpipes in the spring. All talks presented by WCHA at the library are for the general membership and the public. They are free of charge and refreshments are served after the programs.

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### OLD WAYNESBOROUGH

Legislation is currently being written to authorize the return of Old Waynesborough Park land to the county, city, and Park Commission. Plans are underway to move several more historic structures to the park in the near future.

NEW COMMITTEE FORMATION  
Emily Weil, WCHA President, announces the formation of a new committee whose purpose is to develop long range strategic plans for our organization. These plans will be both financial and comprehensive in plotting our future development. Those agreeing to serve include: Bill Bryan, Yvonne Goodman, Craig Griffin, Jim Hubble, Charles Norwood, Jr., and David Weil. One representative from each component will work with the group.

Each component is urged to prepare budget for next year's needs, and a listing of goals and objectives, before August 27, to be studied by this group.

## Revolving Fund House

The blue turn-of-the-century house at 113 S. Virginia St. is ready to go on the market. The Revolving Fund volunteers and professional craftsmen have worked for many months to restore this 3000 sq. ft. dwelling. In a first ever, restoration-before-resale effort, the Revolving Fund members have done the work before offering the home for sale. They have painted, refinished, landscaped, and equipped the home for immediate occupancy. The house will serve as an excellent example of restoration possibilities. It is situated in an emerging and pleasant neighborhood of other restored homes.

For more information about purchasing this house, please contact Charlie Gaylor at 736-3160 or Nancy Delia at 734-0716.

## RESTORATION TAX CREDIT

Effective Jan. 1, 1998, new state tax credits enacted by the North Carolina General Assembly should make rehabilitations of historic buildings in N. C. more attractive than ever. A really exciting development is the new state tax credit of 30% for qualifying rehabilitations of non-income-producing historic structures, including owner-occupied personal residences. There was also an increase from 5% to 20% state tax credit for income producing properties which qualify for the federal tax credit.

Structures must meet certain criteria and the rehabilitation plans must be certified by the State Historic Preservation Office prior to beginning of work. Contributing structures in the Goldsboro Historic District, the proposed Mt. Olive Historic District, and structures individually listed in the National Register should qualify. For more details, call State Historic Preservation at 919-733-6547.

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## INVITES YOU TO ATTEND A RIBBON CUTTING OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY, JULY 26 2-4 P.M. COGDELL-BIZZELL HOUSE 113 S. VIRGINIA ST.

REFRESHMENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT  
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Everyone is encouraged to take part in this celebration of the Revolving Fund's recently completed restoration project. You won't believe the transformation this house has undergone. Come out and show your support for all of their hard work!

## ELIZABETH ELLIS FUND

This fund, which was established in memory of the late Elizabeth Ellis, has now reached approximately \$1800 and has been invested in a mutual fund with BB&T. Interest from this will be used annually to award a minimum of \$100 in prize money to the eighth grade student or class with the best North Carolina history project. Dr. Sandra McCullen, Wayne Co. Schools, will co-ordinate the contest with the eighth grade history teachers. What an appropriate way to honor this wonderful lady who spent so much of her time and energy on projects related to our history.

## OLD DOBBS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL

The next meeting of the Old Dobbs County Genealogical Society will be a dutch lunch on Saturday, July 25, at 11:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Western Sizzlin Restaurant on Berkeley Blvd. in Goldsboro.

The cemetery survey of Wayne County is progressing, but there is still much work to be done.

## Aycock Birthplace v. II #1

The staff of Aycock Birthplace would like to express our appreciation to the Wayne County Historical Association for selecting the Birthplace as the cover subject for their new book, Glimpses of Wayne County, NC: An Architectural History. To acquire just the perfect shot, the WCHA hired Jerry Kirby at JA Walkir and Assoc. to photograph the house. Before he could do this, our maintenance crew spent an entire day removing limbs from two oaks and one magnolia tree. These trees had grown so large since they were planted in the early 1960's that they obscured the view of the house. Jerry came three days later, installed lights to remove shadows on the building, and made three nice photographs, anyone of which would look nice on the book. If anyone wants to take a clear photograph of the Aycock Birthplace, now is your chance.

On October 17, the historic site will host a living history program. If all goes well with our small cotton patch, we will center the event on the theme of cotton. For more information, call 242-5581.

Look for the new Aycock Birthplace billboard on US Hwy. 70. It will be up through October. The Gov. Charles B. Aycock Birthplace Advisory Committee sponsored the board. Without the committee's support, we would not accomplish half of what we do.

Charlotte Carter

**MANY THANKS FROM WCHA TO THE AYCOCK BIRTHPLACE STAFF FOR ALL OF THEIR HARD WORK IN HELPING TO SECURE JUST THE RIGHT PICTURE FOR THE COVER OF THE NEW BOOK! WE KNOW THAT IT WILL BE SOMETHING OF WHICH WE CAN ALL BE PROUD.**

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# Reflections

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- FEB. 22- Bagpipe Program  
Library 2 p.m.
- MAR. 17- Underwater Archeologist  
Library 7 p.m.
- MAR. 27-Aycock Birthplace Open  
House 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
- MAR. 28-Fremont Homes Tour  
2-5 p.m.
- APRIL 4 -De-Rail-A-Bration
- APRIL 24-26- NC Pickle Festival
- MAY 2 - Old Waynesborough Park  
Spring Festival 10 a.m.-5:30

## OLD DOBBS NEWS

Old Dobbs County Genealogical Society met on Saturday, January 24, at 11:30 at Western Sizzlin. Our speaker was Henry Powell, past president of the Wilson Genealogical Society, who gave an inspiring presentation.

At our October meeting, we voted to raise our dues to \$15 for single membership, and \$20 for a family.

We are pleased to announce the birth of a daughter, Christian Michelle, to Brian and Laura Alley, on January 18. Laura is the editor of our newsletter and one of our most active members. Congratulations to Laura, Brian, and Daniel (2 years old).

by Elizabeth Ellis  
President

## AYCOCK BIRTHPLACE OPEN HOUSE

The Gov. Charles B. Aycock Birthplace will hold the 12th Annual

## MEMBERSHIP GALA

The first annual membership "Gala" was held on Thursday, January 22, 1998 at the Wayne County Museum. Everyone had a good time and seemed enthusiastic about making sure that this event becomes a tradition. It seems to be a good way to generate interest in WCHA and to pick up new members in addition to thanking the many folks who have continued to support us through the years.

The membership committee came up with a good variety of nibbles and hot cider. The museum was a lovely setting for this fun event.

Jimmy Aycock played exciting background music to keep the evening moving and Randy Sauls was there in uniform to give guests a guided tour of the exhibits. Lee Brown, Maurice Keller, Rosalyn Lomax, Shannon Moore, and Emily Weil presented a rousing evening of cabaret-style music. Lee Brown certainly knows how to put together a program of entertainment. Goldsboro is fortunate to have Maurice Keller, who not only is a wonderful accompanist, but is a professional song and playwright, and an outstanding arranger. We appreciate the efforts of these volunteers.

The membership drive is in third gear. A number of new members were signed up at the "Gala". Others have come back promptly with their renewals when the mailing went out to the community. This year we are excited to have several "friends" who have come forward with loans

## WAYNESBOROUGH PARK

In celebration of the splendor of springtime and the history of Wayne County, Old Waynesborough Park will host its annual Spring Festival on Saturday, May 2, 1998. Festivities will be held at the park located on Highway 117 South in Goldsboro from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

Festival participants will have the opportunity to stroll around the charming village green and tour the historic buildings on the site. Additionally, Civil War reenactors have been invited to demonstrate the lives of soldiers in the mid 19th century. Also planned for the event are a dutch-oven cooking contest, horse and buggy rides, a blacksmith demonstration, crafts, and bluegrass music. Admission to all events is free, so plan to come out and enjoy the day. Also, please be sure to remind friends, family, and co-workers to mark their calendars.

by Scott Bennett

## FREMONT OPEN HOUSE

The recently formed Historic Preservation Commission in Fremont, along with the Fremont Garden Club, is making plans for a Spring Homes Tour. The tour of three of Fremont's older homes and one of its churches, will be a part of the town's annual Daffodil Festival to be held Saturday, March 28. The homes and church will be open from 2-5 p.m. Cost of the tour will be \$5.00. Tickets will be on sale the day of the festival at the Town Hall Annex.

newsletter and one of our most active members. Congratulations to Laura, Brian, and Daniel (2 years old).

by *Elizabeth Ellis*  
*President*

## AYCOCK BIRTHPLACE OPEN HOUSE

The Gov. Charles B. Aycock Birthplace will hold the 12th Annual Daffodil Festival Open House on Friday, March 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This will be one of several kick-off events for the Fremont Daffodil Festival that will be held on Saturday, March 28. First graders from the Northeast, Northwest, and Fremont Elementary Schools will be invited to attend, as well as the general public. Wagon rides and living history demonstrations will delight all. FREE

by *Charlotte Carter*

professional song and play writing and an outstanding arranger. We appreciate the efforts of these volunteers.

The membership drive is in third gear. A number of new members were signed up at the "Gala". Others have come back promptly with their renewals when the mailing went out to the community. This year we are excited to have several "friends" who have come forward with large donations. All in all, this looks like "The start of something big".

by *Emily Weil*

## REVOLVING FUND

Two houses, 113 & 115 S. Virginia St. are being offered for sale by the Revolving Fund. Restoration of the one at 113 should be complete in about six weeks, according to Nancy Delia. This has been a big project!  
OPEN HOUSE COMING SOON!

Preservation Commission in Fremont, along with the Fremont Garden Club, is making plans for a Spring Homes Tour. The tour of three of Fremont's older homes and one of its churches, will be a part of the town's annual Daffodil Festival to be held Saturday, March 28. The homes and church will be open from 2-5 p.m. Cost of the tour will be \$5.00. Tickets will be on sale the day of the festival at the Town Hall Annex, where an historical exhibit will also be on display. The proceeds will go towards future projects of the Historic Commission.

The homes and church to be featured will be on tour for the first time. They are the recently restored home of Col. and Mrs. Joe Marm, Mr. & Mrs. William Batts, and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Evans, and Heritage Free Will Baptist Church. All are within block of one another. Please join us for a fascinating festival!

by *Ann Hinnant*



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## MUSEUM NEWS

"The War Between the States in Wayne County Exhibit" will remain on view until May 1998 thanks to the overwhelming response it has received. Visit the museum soon if you have not seen it!

The museum would like to thank the following volunteers: *Christine Grant, Kathy Fox, Jim Zealy, Emily Weil, Bob Stevenson, Margie Stevenson, Velda Faye Howell, Bobby Howell, Bob Frick, Michael Hoff, Taran Slozak, and Amy O'Brien.*

The following groups have toured the museum in the past months: *Girl Scout #101, Brownie Troop #40, Carter Christian Academy, Wayne Community College Humanities Students, under the instruction of Margaret B. Baddour, and Marian Westbrook, the Leadership Class of the Wayne Co. Chamber of Commerce, and the Pickwick Papers Literary Club of Sanford, N. C.*

Museum hours are:  
Tuesday & Thurs. 12:00-4:00  
Saturday 10:00-1:00  
Sunday 1:30-4:30

### Volunteers are needed!

If you can help, please call Jewel at 734-5023.

*by Jewel Sauls*

*Congratulations to all of those involved in preserving the Old Mt. Olive High School. The building has been turned over to Preservation N. C., with plans to convert it to apartments. The auditorium will be restored and made available for public use.*

## SURVEY BOOK TO BE READY BY DECEMBER 1998

The Architectural Inventory book of Wayne County is several steps closer to reality.

On January, 6, 1998, the Wayne County Commissioners voted to give WCHA \$25,000 toward the actual publishing cost, and we are hoping to receive matching grant funds from the state.

With the very generous allocation from our commissioners, the executive committee was able to meet with and hire Dan Pezzoni, an experienced professional who has recently completed books on Onslow and Lee Counties. Mr. Pezzoni came very highly recommended from several sources and we were fortunate to have him available just when we were about to begin the manuscript phase of the book. Penne Smith, who did such a fine job on the inventory of the county, was unable to complete the project because of a scheduling conflict. We all wish her well.

In addition to Mr. Pezzoni, Barbara Williams Associates has been retained to oversee the graphics and printing phase of the book. Mr. Pezzoni and Ms. Williams have developed a schedule which calls for a Dec. 8, 1998 delivery date for the book. Having the book delivered in time for the holiday season could mean a big boost to sales.

**\*UPDATE: DAN PEZZONI WILL BE AT EMILY'S OFFICE ON 2-19 FROM 10-5. ANY BOOK COMMITTEE MEMBER WHO WOULD LIKE TO MEET HIM IS WELCOME TO STOP BY.**

## \*\*\*UPCOMING EVENTS\*\*\*

On Sunday, Feb. 22, at 2:00 p.m., WCHA will be sponsoring a special treat at the Wayne Co. Public Library in Goldsboro. Bess Tyner, an accomplished bagpiper, will be presenting a program of bagpipe tunes and a history of this wonderful music. Mrs. Tyner, accompanied by her husband Blake, will be dressed in the kilt of the pipe band with whom she has played for a number of years.

Get ready for an afternoon of great Scottish music!

Refreshments will be served.

To conclude our series of programs for this year, Mark Wilde-Ramsing, of the State Underwater Archeology Unit, will present a talk and slide program on Thursday, March 17, at 7 p.m. This program will feature current underwater finds from around the state, including Blackbeard's ship. Be sure to mark your calendars!

**\*\*\*Reminder: If you haven't renewed your dues, please send your check to PO Box 665 Goldsboro, NC 27533.**

Wayne Co. Hist. Assoc.	\$15
Old Dobbs Geneal.	\$15
Old Waynes. Park	\$10
Wayne Co. Museum	\$15
Joint Membership	\$50

*(all above-save \$5)*

Friend	\$100-\$199
Founder	\$200-\$999
Benefactor	\$1000-up

*All memberships & contributions are tax-deduct. Names of Friends, Founders, & Benefactors will be displayed at the Museum & recognized at WCHA functions.*

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