

Reflections

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◆ A Message From the President:

Wayne County needs your help and support. As a member of the Wayne County Historical Association, you will play a vital role in preserving its precious history. The WCHA collects information on people, events, and groups, as well as preserves hundreds of artifacts dear to Wayne County. We need your help in gathering information and in our preservation efforts. Each month, we convey our plans and concerns in a report to the Board of Directors and inform you, the member, every quarter in *Reflections*, this newsletter.

Our mission is to preserve the past for the future. Our goal is to codify and collect this information for present and future citizens of Wayne County. Our reports to you about our efforts are to become more inclusive and more frequent. We look forward to publishing more books such as, *The*

History of Wayne County, Encyclopedia of Wayne County, Plantations in Wayne County, and The Heritage of Wayne County, Volume 2.

Only YOU can help us accomplish these goals.

Your contribution of \$25.00 is essential in supporting this valuable historical work. If you have not renewed your membership for the year 2000, please do so today. We need your financial support. Volunteering your free time to us is greatly appreciated as well.

Please join us in securing our history and feel free to come by the office to see us. To date, we have 193 members. Our goal is 300.

Thank You,

Dennis Bell

Wayne County Historical Association, President

◆ Events Calendar:

June 25: Old Waynesborough Society Annual Meeting. All Members welcome. 4 PM & 5 PM Barbecue. See inside. Make reservations by June 23 at WCWC

July 1: Pikeville Independence Day Festival, 10-4 PM. Fireworks @ 8:30 PM

July 1: OWC Membership Drive Begins

July 4: Independence Day, Federal Holiday

July 10: WCHA Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

July 13: OWC Executive Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

July 22: ODCGS Meeting at the Best Western, See inside

August 1: Building & Grounds, OWC 4 PM at WCWC

August 10: OWC Executive Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

August 14: WCHA Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

Sept 4: Labor Day, Federal Holiday

Sept 5: Building & Grounds, OWC 4 PM at WCWC

Sept 11: WCHA Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

Sept 14: OWC Executive Board Meeting, 4 PM at WCWC

Oct 3: Building & Grounds, OWC 4 PM at WCWC

Oct 9: Columbus Day, Federal Holiday

Oct 9: WCHA Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

Oct 12: OWC Executive Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

Nov 4: Northern Wayne County Bus Tour, 8 AM to 4 PM

Nov 7: Election Day, Please Vote

Nov 7: Building & Grounds, OWC 4 PM at WCWC

Nov 9: OWC Executive Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

Nov 11: Veteran's Day, Tuscarora Powwow at Waynesborough

Nov 13: WCHA Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

Nov 23: Thanksgiving Day, Federal Holiday, WCWC Closed

Dec 3: Christmas at Waynesborough, 12 PM to 5 PM

Dec 5: Building & Grounds, OWC 4 PM at WCWC

Dec 11: WCHA Board Meeting, 5:15 PM at WCWC

Dec 14: OWC Board Meeting, 5 PM at WCWC

Dec 25: Christmas Day, Federal Holiday- WCWC Closed

Jan 1: New Years Day, Beginning of the Millennium, Federal Holiday

Jan 1: WCHA Membership Drive begins

◆ *WCHA Board Minutes from May 8, 2000:*

The meeting was called to order by Dennis Bell. There were members present. The Secretary's minutes were approved. The Treasurer's report was given and there was \$6945 in membership dues. The membership is 157 with 10 new members.

The Spirit Filled Church Ministry has signed a year lease on the Town Meeting Hall. They will pay \$200.00 a month rent and will pay utilities. WCHA will buy paint and supplies and they will repair the building. WCHA will pay the insurance.

Dennis Bell called Pat Biggers about the boxes of material her mother has saved. There was a discussion about getting it edited.

The Heritage Books are sold out, but Accucopy will print 100 copies for \$18.76 a piece. \$35.00 will be the charge for the books. (Bobby Parker made a motion- seconded by

Preston Garris - unanimous vote.) It will have a laminated cover.

Wayne County Museum is having a Membership Drive. The War Exhibit is on display.

C.B. Aycock- No representative present

Old Dobbs Genealogical Society- The Cemetery Survey was deleted so the research will have to be redone. The next meeting will be in July at the Best Western Restaurant.

Old Waynesborough Commission - 10,000 new brochures were printed on Historic Wayne County. A new web page will be installed.

Revolving Fund- No representative present

Judy Parks invited the WCHA to attend the annual MOAHS meeting at Southern Bell on May 23 at 6:30 PM. MOAHS is sponsoring "Mt. Olive Days of Yore: Preserving the Past" on June 10, 2000 from 10 AM to 5 PM.

◆ *Wayne County Museum:*

The Korean-Vietnam Era exhibit opened on April 1, 2000 as scheduled with good attendance. The exhibit will close at the end of June. The Wayne County Museum's membership drive is going well. For those who joined the Museum, your membership card or discount membership card will arrive soon. We would like to thank all of our new members.

The Museum appreciates the hard work of Shelia Chase, Stephen Elliot, Christine Grant, Jennifer Nieman, C. Ray Smith, David Wilder, and the Wayne County Museum Board of Trustees. The Museum would also like to acknowledge John Grant, son of Christine Grant, for helping with our electrical problem. The Museum would also like to thank the Charles B. Aycock Birthplace for donating their fax machine.

Plans for another exhibit are in the works and we would like to recruit the help of everyone available. On a sad note, effective August 31, 2000, I will be stepping down as the director of the Wayne County Museum. I have enjoyed the time I have spent at the museum and it has been a pleasure working with people who share my desire to preserve our rich heritage.

With Gratitude,
J. Scott Chase

◆ *Charles B. Aycock Birthplace:*

The Governor Charles B. Aycock Birthplace Historic Site is collaborating with the Girl Scout Council of Coastal Carolina and has held three of four Girl Scout Days this spring. Brownies (April 1), Senior & Cadets (May 6), and Juniors (May 13) had an opportunity to try their hand at weaving, broom making, storytelling, and more. The Daisy Girl Scouts will attend June 10. Each day was planned to offer appropriate activities for the historic site as well as to offer badge requirements. We hope to offer these again in the future.

Farmer's day was held on Saturday, June 3 from 12:30 to 4:30 PM. Volunteers and staff performed 19th century farm chores and domestic skills for the general public.

The historic site is open Monday through Saturday from 9 AM to 5 PM and Sunday from 1 PM to 5 PM. Visitors can peruse the exhibit area, view the audio-visual program, and follow a guided tour. For more information, call 242-5581.

Charlotte Brow

◆ *Old Waynesborough Commission:*

We want to thank the over 150 folks that came out to the Blessing of the Grounds for our Indian Village and the 2500 that supported our Spring Festival. We have had a super year and the next one starting in July promises to be even greater.

All of our teams are now operating under full steam and the candidates for Directors and co-Directors are all highly qualified and knowledgeable in their respective areas. Our goals have been set and will be explained at our annual business meeting on Sunday, June 25, 2000 at the Historic Village. The meeting will start at 4 PM and we will have a BBQ at 5PM. The cost will be \$10 and reservations must be made by June 23 through the Visitors Center at 919-739-9989.

The main items of business will be the election of officers for the next two years, reports on team accomplishments, goals for the next year from our Strategic Plan, and the kick-off of our annual membership drive. The Old Waynesborough Society has two missions and the funding for each is different. The County and the City of Goldsboro on a 60/40 split fund the Visitors Center, which serves all of Wayne County. The Historic Village obtains all of its funds from donations by the public. Your entire donation except for the postage on the envelope goes into the restoration of the Historic Village. That gives a breakdown of 1% for administration and 99% for restoration. Very few other

charities can promise even close to that. We do it through the work of 50 dedicated volunteers that serve on the five teams that make up the Commission, the governing Board of the Society. These teams have put together their budgets and we have arrived at a goal of \$30,000 for 2000-2001.

Please consider joining one of the following categories. Mule, \$25; Horse, \$50; Buckboard, \$100; Stagecoach \$500; or Steamboat, \$1000. Dues can be made out to Old Waynesborough, And sent to:

Old Waynesborough Commission
801 Hwy 117 South
Goldsboro, NC 27530

Nominations for elections for 2000-2002 are: President-Ed Kelly, Vice-President- Arnold Leder, Treasurer- Bob Logan, Secretary- Carol Bender, Building and Grounds- Bill Kemp & Wilbert Worrell, Events- Jeff & Vickie Hancock, Operations - Carl Brow & Cathy Cotton, Education- Tommy Jarrett & Paul Ritty, Membership- Preston Garris & Jim Wallace. Public Relations is still open.

Again a reminder to call in your reservations for the annual business meeting. We need all of your help in our progress and share in our accomplishments. See you on the 25th.

Thanks,

Ed Kelly and Your Commission Board

◆ *Old Dobbs Genealogical Society: Greetings from the President*

Summer is upon us and I hope each of you have a safe, restful and enjoyable vacation season.

The Board of Directors met June 5th and discussed the format for our July meeting. After a full and thorough discussion, we decided to hold our July meeting on July 22, 2000, in conjunction with the meeting of the Peacock Family Association of the South which is holding its 2000 annual meeting in Goldsboro at the Best Western (US 70 Bypass East in Goldsboro).

It was the thoughts of our Board members that since so

many of our members have connections with the Peacock family, many of us could benefit from the information which will be shared at the meeting. The Peacock Association is sending out information to its membership encouraging them to bring family data on their related families to share with each other and with us.

I hope each of you will make a special effort to attend the July meeting and that you will be prepared to share info with the many others who will be coming here from around the U.S. searching for "new cousins." Registration deadline for the luncheon is July 10, 2000 and the cost is \$12.60 per person.

Tom Brown

◆ *Revolving Fund*

We have two houses for sale, 115 S. Virginia Street and 403 W. Mulberry Street. We need to raise \$25,000.00 in the hopes that we can purchase and restore another house.

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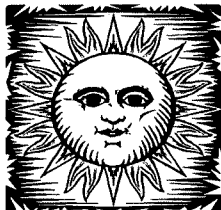
◆ Mount Olive Area Historical Society:

"Mount Olive Days of Yore: Preserving the Past," was presented June 10, 2000 in Downtown Mount Olive at the Civic Center. Welcome & proclamation was led by Mayor Louis Pate to the Winn Family. Musical entertainment included the Mount Olive Instrumental Ensemble, Barbara and A.J. Bullard, The Third Generation, and the Malpass Boys. Exhibits were shown on the Tuskegee Airman, the

history of Mount Olive and Mount Olive Pickle, and the Winn Family, who were present for the unveiling of an historical marker in their family's name. Outside the Civic Center were various artisans, such as painters, weavers, chair caning, quilters, potters, woodcarvers, and stainglass crafters. Other vendors sold food and various books on Wayne County History. A tasting was held of delicacies cooked in a dutch oven. An estimated crowd of 2000 came throughout the hours of 10 AM to 5 PM. A great time was had by all.

Volunteer this Summer!

Both the Wayne County Museum and Waynesborough need volunteers this summer. Whether you are a student or retired, please call us to schedule



time that's good for you. Currently the Museum is taking inventory of all their artifacts. If you would like to help, call Scott Chase at the museum at 734-5023 on Saturday. On Sundays, Waynesborough needs tour guides. Call Waynesborough at 739-9989. Thanks!

◆ Books for Sale at Waynesborough:

<u>Architectural Inventory</u>	\$10
<u>The Heritage of Wayne County</u>	\$35
<u>Post Cards of Wayne County</u>	\$12
<u>Glimpses of Wayne County</u>	\$30
<u>Post Cards and Glimpses Set</u>	\$35



◆ Books Needed at Waynesborough:

Have any books, journals, letters, photographs, or magazines on Historic Wayne County? Waynesborough is currently trying to build a small library in the hope that one day the park will be open to researchers as well. Thanks!