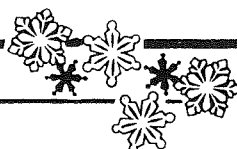


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A Yule Party to Put You in a Festive Mood

A Wassail bowl, filled with authentic ingredients and served by Sue Wooten, is guaranteed to put Museum party-goers in a festive mood.

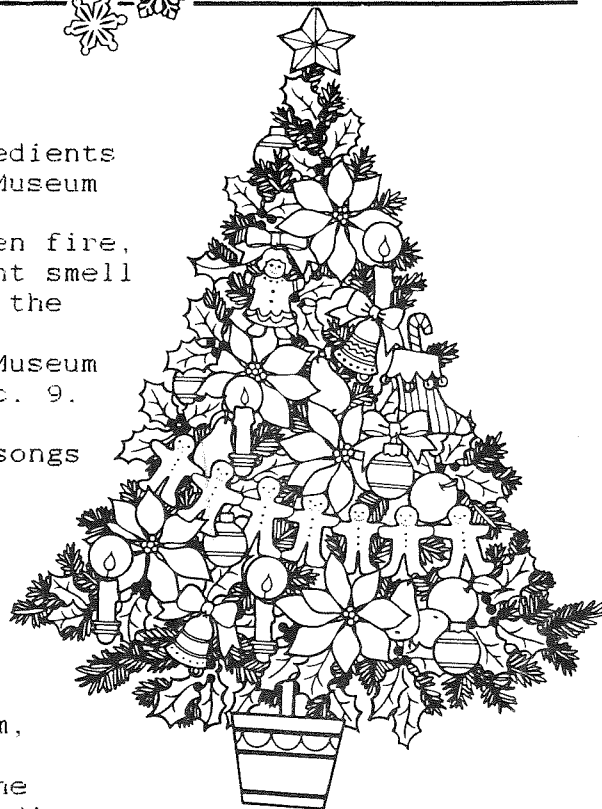
If that's not enough, the warmth of the open fire, the sparkle of the Christmas tree and the pungent smell of other seasonal greenery are designed to melt the heart of even the toughest Scrooge.

It will be upstairs and downstairs at the Museum as the Christmas party gets underway Sunday, Dec. 9, at 5 p.m.

A program of Christmas stories, poems and songs will be presented by Margaret Boothe Baddour, local poet, Atlanta poet Calvin Atwood and singer Laura Bennett of Pleasant Garden on guitar and mandolin.

Prior to the program downstairs, bidding at a Silent Auction will be held in the second-floor ballroom. During the program's intermission, additional bids may be made (upstairs, of course). At the end of the program, winners will be announced.

Ann Kinsey has contacted contributors to the Silent Auction. Thirty-five or more items, including a Jack Cobb painting, have been donated.



A Hug and Many Thanks to Our Volunteers

Thanks and a big bear hug to our many volunteers this fall,

including Ida Williams, Sarah Robinson, Cleaves Smith, Sally Smith, Ruth Metzger, Ruby Ehler, Lillian Pettit, Ernestine Bostic, Mozelle Gurley, Mike Halley, Ruth Boyd, Nell Stone, Sally Rogers, Orie Cooper and Lila Fagan.

Also volunteering were Golden K Kiwanis Buck Avery, Wilton Hollowell, Harold Ward, Marvin Woodard, Lee Whittle, John Charlton, Ralph Jinnette and Jack Wharton.

Special thanks to Woodmen of the World for the donation of two flags; to volunteers Ted Scoval and Sylvia Levin for serving many Tuesdays and Thursdays; to Jim Morgan for his skillful renderings which were used to illustrate the Museum's new brochure; and to B. J. Bowden, Christian Cobb, Mildred Gaylor, Carolyn Lewis and June Wharton for their invaluable help in redecorating the upstairs ladies lounge.



Shop Stocks Christmas Items

The Museum Gift Shop opened for the Christmas season on Thursday, Nov. 29, 2-5 p.m. It is staffed during regular Museum hours.

Mary Johnstone, chairman of the Gift Shop committee, and her husband, Andy, have donated a supply of gold Christmas tree ornaments featuring a Zeno Spence sketch of the Museum building. One-of-a-kind handmade fan ornaments and crocheted snowflake ornaments are also for sale.

A gift display case is set up in the entrance hall and another one in the first-floor exhibit area.

Small tokens can be purchased for as little as 60 cents; most items are under \$5.00.

Cotton-Picking Field Trip

A cotton-picking field trip was just that—a visit by a school group, ages 8-11, to a cotton field farmed by Norwood Howell.

The October tour was the first educational field trip sponsored by the Museum.

The group also stopped by the new Cotton Ginning and Sales Inc., the first gin to operate in Wayne County in nearly 30 years. They saw the cotton unloaded from the huge trailers, ginned and baled for sale. Velda Faye Howell and Bobby Howell were tour guides.

Some students from the Belfast and Pikeville elementary schools recently toured the

L. D. Tomlinson's wheel-thrown stoneware from Black Creek Pottery is included in the Gift Shop inventory

Tomlinson's original and personally signed pieces include coffee mugs, beer steins, pitchers, bowls and candleholders, as well as custom orders.

Santa-in-the-Snow paperweights, postcards with Christmas scenes, children's yuletide books, gift bags, paper, tags, decorated boxes, dishcloths, kaleidoscopes, miniature tea sets, note paper, kiddies place mats, double deck playing cards and instructions for making a cross-stitch canvas of the Museum building are some of the items in stock.

Museum's Permanent Collection exhibit. The fourth and fifth graders are members of academically gifted classes. The school tour program is an integral part of the Museum's educational outreach.

A Special Gift

If you want a special stocking stuffer, give a Wayne County Museum membership.

Although the annual drive won't begin until January, gift membership cards are available at the Museum for as little as \$15 (individual). Call the Museum during regular office hours.

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Tues. 2 - 5 p.m.
Wed. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Thurs. 2 - 5 p.m.
Fri. 9 a.m. - noon

Gala Dinner Planned for Exhibit Opening

Amid a great deal of fanfare--no drum rolls or dancing girls, however--the next Museum exhibit will open at a gala and dinner on Friday, Feb. 1.

For months now, the exhibit committee, headed by Vera O'Rourke with Christian Cobb as co-chairman, has been meeting and plotting strategy.

"Southern Furniture With Eastern Connections: Wayne County Museum and the Private Collector" will remain open until March 30. The Museum will be closed during January in order to ready the exhibit.

"The objectives of this exhibit are not only to celebrate the accomplishments of our past, but to create an appreciation of the furniture of this area before the



Typical of exhibit items is this hunt board. Sketch by Jim Morgan.

mid-19th century," according to Christian, who is also chairman of the Museum's Board of Trustees.

Exhibit committee members include Les Warrick, Conway Rose, Jessie Rae Peacock, Sam Patrick, Catherine

Tyndall, Dick Griswold, Charles Ellis and Nancy Norwood.

Hosts at the gala will be Bertha Wooten, Anne and N. P. McArthur, Betsy and Jimmy Neese, and Lynda and Hal Tanner, Jr. Invitations will be mailed to the entire Museum membership. Cost of the fund-raising event is \$25.00 a person. Exhibit catalogs will be available for \$5.00.

John Ellington, administrator of the North Carolina Museum of History, will be the speaker at the Sunday, Feb. 3 afternoon program at the Museum. Topic of his speech is "North Carolina Antiques." Betsy Neese, Wayne County membership chairman of the N.C. Museum of History Associates and also a member of the board, is chairman of this event.

Hope Plantation

Trip in March

A fun-filled trip in conjunction with the furniture exhibit is in the making.

Goldsboro native Louise Wooten Talley has organized a "down east" tour in Bertie County on Thursday, March 14.

Tour stops will include Hope Plantation and the King-Bazemore House, both restored with considerable help from Mr. and Mrs. John E. Tyler.

The home of Gov. David Stone, Hope was restored from ruin to its former beauty by local preservationists. This

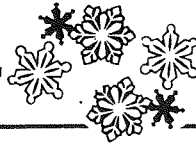
house is an elegant example of 19th-century architecture.

A collection of more than 50 furniture and accessory items has been bequeathed to historic Hope Foundation by Anna Crichton Watson, who died in January, and her sister, the late Ethel Holbrook Watson. Their brother, George Curtis Watson, originally assembled the collection. At his death, it was left to the sisters. Some of the treasures include a walnut flat-wall cupboard, circa 1780, from a Halifax shop; a mahogany birdcage pedestal tea table, circa 1770, from

the Norfolk, Va., area; a large walnut drop-leaf table, circa 1770, from the Roanoke River Basin.

The Plantation grounds also include the 18th-century King-Bazemore House, containing rare period furniture, and Catesby and Edwards prints. Lunch will be served in the old kitchen at Hope.

Tour goers will meet at the Museum parking lot at 8:15 a.m. The bus is scheduled to arrive back in Goldsboro at approximately 6:30 p.m. Reservations are being handled for the \$50.00 excursion by Cleaves Smith, phone 735-4836.



Murray Borden Remembered at Dedication

Air Force Major Murray Lyman Borden, a Vietnam casualty, was remembered in a flagpole dedication ceremony in late October.

More than 300 gathered in front of the Wayne County Museum for a program in praise of the pilot whose F-4 Phantom jet did not return after a mission over North Vietnam Oct. 19, 1966.

Program participants included Jack Cobb, who spearheaded the project; John Dortch Lewis, who reviewed Borden's combat record; Wayne County Historical Association President Charles B. Ellis; Raine Remsburg,

boyhood friend; the Rev. Charles Penick; Borden's widow, Susan Allen, and his brother, Thomas Borden, who raised the flag; and Sally Worrell, his sister, who expressed the family's gratitude. Borden was the son of Mrs. Arabel Borden Zealy and the late Murray Borden. A scrapbook in his memory has been added to the Museum's reference materials.

Donations from friends and family members provided for the flagpole and a plaque with Borden's name. In addition, the money is being used for landscaping and exterior spotlights.

Among Museum volunteers assisting at the ceremony were Young Associates members Mike Harris, Elizabeth Haverkamp, Jennifer Everhardt and Sharon Tallier.

Museum's Aim

The aim of the Museum is to collect, preserve, study and exhibit those objects and information that illustrate the story of man and nature in central eastern North Carolina, including Wayne county and the surrounding region.



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