

UPCOMING EVENTS

4th Annual Shaw House Vintage Collectible & Antiques Fair

Saturday, October 13, 2012 10-4

Vendors will sell vintage collectibles and antiques on the grounds of the Shaw House, rain or shine. Free admission, food, live traditional music, tours of the site's historic buildings, heritage crafters, gifts and books on local and regional history, and a silent auction make it a fun day for the family.

We need donations for our Moore Treasures sale table and silent auction. Pottery, jewelry, silver, china, artwork, vintage collectibles, any items of value generate much needed revenue for MCHA. Donations can be left at the Shaw House during regular hours or pick-up can be arranged by calling 692-2051. A tax-deductible receipt is provided.

Vendors are needed to rent \$45 booths to sell their antiques and collectibles. Please help by telling folks who have things to sell. Application forms are at the Shaw House or downloaded from MCHA's website. Call Grace 693-1019 for details.

November brings the Antique Fair at Pinehurst's Fair Barn. MCHA will have a booth offering gifts including MCHA's popular soaps. Booth sales proceeds will go to MCHA to help maintain five museums. For more details call 692-2051 or watch the website at www.moorehistory.com.

Holiday Open House & Members Party

Shaw House Open House for Christmas with demonstrations and tours, refreshments and old-time nostalgia, is set for Dec. 7-9, 1-4 p.m. Members' Christmas Party will be Dec. 6, 5-7 p.m. at the Shaw House.

Friends of the Bryant House will hold their traditional Christmas Open House on Dec. 2, 1-4 p.m.

Charleston Heritage Symposium and Tour

October 5-8, 2012

Members of MCHA are invited to enjoy an offer from the Arts Council of Moore County to attend Charleston Heritage Symposium, Inside Neoclassical Charleston, Oct. 5-8, Charleston, SC.

Participants will share the company of national and international decorative arts experts as they examine neoclassical architecture, furnishings and cuisine while visiting three Charleston homes opened just for the symposium. Keynote speaker will be the Honorable Simon Howard of Castle Howard in Yorkshire, England,



with Symposium moderator Robert Leath of the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts at Old Salem. Other panelists include Andrew Brunk, partner of Brunk Auction, Asheville; Elizabeth Mankin Kornhauser, curator of the American Wing, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City; and J. Thomas Savage of the Winterthur Museum and Country Estate. Food historian and author John Martin Taylor will complete the program. The three homes are the William Gibbes House and Garden (1772), the Daniel Ravenel House (1796) and the Humphrey Sommers House (1765).

Spaces are limited to 75. MCHA members enjoy the special ticket price of Arts Council members, saving 15% over the non-member price. Cost per person for a double is \$1,395, for a single, \$1,685. In addition to MCHA members' discount, the Arts Council will donate \$50 to MCHA for each member who signs on and mentions this offer.

Included: three nights' accommodation at Meeting Street Inn in Charleston's Historic District; three breakfasts; all symposium events; Historic Preservation Fall Tours of South Battery and French Quarter homes; bus transportation and picnic lunch. Register while spaces last with a \$600 deposit, final payment due July 16. To reserve a space or for more details, call Katherine MacRae at 692-2787.



NEWS

2012-2013 MCHA Officers and Trustees

Members of MCHA voted to elect 2012-2013 officers recommended by the nominating committee. Vickie Rounds and Kelly Hinson were elected co-presidents; Greg Zywockinski was elected vice president; Andrew Lyons continues as treasurer, and Heather Jackson is starting another term as secretary.

Don McLeod is a new member of the board of trustees. A native of Norman in Richmond County, he has been on the faculties of UNC, SUNY Buffalo and Ohio State University. With a strong interest in Scottish history, the Highlanders and their association with the Sandhills and Cape Fear Valley, also in American Indian history and archeology, Don has a sizable artifact collection found largely in Richmond, Orange and Chatham counties. He has researched his family histories and is doing cemetery restoration. He and wife, Priscilla, live in Southern Pines.

2012-2013 Friends of the Bryant House Officers

The Friends of the Bryant House elected officers for 2012-2013: Sherlynn Bissell, chairwoman; Joyce Wilson and Debbie Williams, secretary; Barbara Barnes, treasurer.

Cannonball Update

Last August, members of the Fort Bragg Bomb Disposal squad came to the Shaw House to retrieve a cannonball discovered by volunteers during a grounds cleanup



A SPECIAL THANK YOU

DONATIONS

SHAW HOUSE DONATIONS

Robert & Elaine Baillie

Gloria Ball, Spinning Wheel

Aldena Frye, Floral Arrangement

Marilyn Hartsell, Corn Crib
Addition (this is in the article)

Walt James, Dugout Canoe

Beverly Offutt

Susan Pockmire

Kevin Puckett, Collection
of old bottles

Dorothy Shankle

Walter Snyder, 18th
Century textile tools

The Sly Fox, Members
Christmas Party

The Mary and Elliott
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BRYANT HOUSE DONATIONS

Sandra Burns

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for Bryant House

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

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day. It appeared to be antique, perhaps of the Civil War. A Shaw family member was a Civil War hero and may have brought it home. The Bomb Disposal unit may have destroyed this relic; a spokesman for the unit at Fort Bragg said they used X-ray to determine whether it was dangerous and were unable to tell. He said they destroyed it because of these unknowns.

Corn Crib Addition

A carved, carpentered lean-to is added to the side of one of the Shaw House outbuildings. Thanks to MCHA Trustee and board member Marilyn Hartsell, the lean-to shelters some MCHA items including a donated Indian dugout canoe that may have been made by the Pee Dee Indians.

Annual Meeting

MCHA held its annual meeting Sunday, June 3 at Watts Auman's Graham home place in Jackson Springs, a lovely rural setting. The 1894 era house was built by Auman's great-grandparents, James McGregor Graham and his wife Laura Currie Graham who built and lived in the home for several years. Auman welcomed MCHA members and introduced them to the history. Also speaking were Sara Ruth Thompson and her niece, Judy Blue Boroughs, who gave a history of Jackson Springs, once a bustling resort. The audience enjoyed stories about a nearby Scots "ghost town" of Craigrownie, a turpentine and naval stores center that mysteriously "just disappeared."

The Graham Home Place and Jackson Springs are just off NC 73, an area known for peach orchards. The Auman orchards continue to provide freshly picked fruit and other products in season as it has since Watts' father T. Clyde Auman began the market many years ago. Auman was once a member of the state legislature.

Seventh Annual Clenny Creek Days

The Friends of the Bryant House with other volunteers conducted Clenny Creek Day on April 21 from 10-5 at the Bryant House and McLendon Cabin in Carthage. Free admission and good weather drew a generous crowd. Baked goods, jewelry, heritage tomato and other plants, carved furniture, toys, and Civil War era interpreters, as well as Revolutionary War and colonial era interpreter Gail Mortensen-Frazer added to the fun and history. MCHA owns the two houses, the McLendon Cabin occupied during the American Revolution and the Civil War, the Bryant House during the Civil War.

Clenny Creek Day is held the third Saturday of April with live music, food, refreshments and all things fun. The Bryant House was built in the 1820s and the McLendon Cabin nearby was built in the 1760s. The McLendon Cabin is the county's oldest historical dwelling on its original site.

Bryant House Holiday Open House 2011

Last year's Christmas Open House at The Bryant House was well attended, and Friends thank the volunteers who helped decorate. Admission is always free and visitors enjoy refreshments typical of those prepared in earlier days. Music by area

groups and the atmosphere of these early dwellings decorated for Christmas in natural and homemade materials similar to those used in the 18th and 19th century make for a great family celebration. Monies raised went to restoring the McLendon Cabin to stabilize its chimney and foundation and on a small chimney at the Bryant House.

Palustris Festival Stitch in Time 19th Century Needlework Display

The 3rd Annual Palustris Festival of the Arts in the southern Moore area was a big hit. On Saturday, March 24, the second day of the event, more than 150 people visited the display in the Shaw House, Sanders Cabin, and Garner House. Board of Trustee member Marilyn Hartsell organized and arranged the exhibits of needlework, quilts, coverlets and samplers. There were several hundred pieces loaned for the exhibit from all over the area.

Mary Wayne Watson Lecture

Mary Wayne Watson spoke June 24 at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Southern Pines on Confederate women's letters and manuscripts about the war. Over 30 people attended the program. Admission was free and Watson came as a Roads Scholar sponsored by the N.C. Humanities Council.

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More Sketches

Britt Sanders Cabin Undergoes Repair



The Sanders Cabin in 1958 during reconstruction on the Shaw House grounds. Heading up the project is Roy Newton (center).

Work is underway to ensure the Britt Sanders Cabin remains standing for many more years and that termites won't damage the late-1700s dwelling relocated to the Shaw House property in the 1950s from its original site in northern Moore. The historical association also owns the Garner House, another late 1700s dwelling on the Shaw House site. It was moved from northern Moore and reconstructed next to the Sanders Cabin, as one of the association's five house museums.

The Chandler General Construction Company has been tunneling underneath the northeastern corner of the cabin. Because it stands below grade, there may be termite damage. Work is also being done to redirect water running from nearby Gold's Gym. Butch

Chandler, who has been contracted by the MCHA to evaluate and address current and future termite problems, said the hot weather has prevented work for the last few days. He expects the improvements to be finished in August, weather permitting.

MCHA Vice President Greg Zywockinski, who has been working with contractors and volunteers on site issues for the board committee chairman Gene Schoenfelder, said digging underneath the cabin which is noticeable on the back side will make it possible to check flooring not visible from the outside for any future termite invasion, and to more effectively treat the wood underneath the structure. Until now the cabin has been flush on the ground, leading to rot from water damage and attractiveness to termites. Some of the wood at the rear of the cabin has been replaced, said Zywockinski. Mounds of dirt piled up from the crawl space will be used to create levees, or berms to re-direct runoff away from the cabin.

Another issue Chandler and others are addressing is the flooring of the Sanders cabin that had begun to show "excessive movement, and bounce in the floor when you walked into the cabin." Because the dwelling is historic, the expedient solution of ripping up the flooring to see what conditions are underneath is not an option, so the slower method of digging under the cabin to allow inspectors to crawl underneath to view the bottom of the cabin problem area has begun. The floor needs extra support from below. This entails fixing a wooden beam to run under the middle of the building to brace and increase stability.

Below: Photos of the current repair project which involves digging underneath the cabin.



In the News Photo Gallery

Clenny Creek, April 21



Nancy Londeree and Kelly Hinson. Hinson is the newly elected co-president of the MCHA.



Confederate living history interpreters Chris Laton, Keith Londeree, and Lt. Marshall Caddell.



Gail Mortensen-Frazer in colonial-era dress.



Clenny Creek Day visitors examine the wares at a vendor's display table.

19th Century Needlework Exhibit, March 24



Marilyn Hartsell, event organizer, with 5 Civil War quilts hidden during the war.



Needlework tools.



Marie Hardister with 19th Century silk crazy quilt.

Eastern NC Tour, April 24-25



Over 20 people attended on the Eastern North Carolina tour. Pictured is the group in front of a private historic residence in Washington, NC.

Annual Meeting, June 3



Norris Hodgkins, Liz Meares, Kelly Hinson, and Dorothy Shankle.



Martha Swearingen, Charles Mason, Watts Auman, and John Monroe.



Group attentively listening to stories told by Mrs. Sara Ruth Thompson.

Watson Lecture, June 24



Steady Meares, Mary Wayne Watson, and Joy Wise.

Corn Crib Addition



Don Vinson working on the corn crib addition.



New lean-to attached to the corn crib. The addition will help protect the 19th century Pee Dee Indian dugout canoe.

Springfest, April 28



Judy Snider and Grace Snelgrove heading up the MCHA booth at Springfest.

Shaw House Cannonball



Fort Bragg soldiers and Southern Pines police inspect the cannonball.