

# Message from the President

Hello to everyone! I am excited to be serving as co-president for MCHA with Steady Meares. Our board is planning various ways to provide funds for MCHA. Please help by volunteering on committees (see below). Upon reading this newsletter, call Sarah at the Shaw House, 910-692-2051, to sign up. The grounds at the Shaw House have been maintained this summer by our own Sarah Mathews & her husband Bob. Big thanks go to Sarah & Bob for their time and effort and to John Jackson for maintaining the Bryant House Grounds. We look forward to working and serving with you to make this 64th year a grand success. The membership drive is on-going, and special thanks go to current members! Co-Presidents Joy Wise and Steady Meares

# MCHA COMMITTEES July 2010-June 2011

ARCHIVES: Update, scan, and sort materials in archives and files.

BOOK PUBLISHING: Negotiate with printer, solicit funding, acquire copyrights, etc.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Oversee buildings and grounds, contract for and oversee repairs and maintenance operations. 1) SHAW HOUSE PROPERTIES: (building maintenance inside and out) 2) McLENDON CABIN/BRYANT HOUSE PROPERTIES 3) FRIENDS OF BRYANT HOUSE

CURATOR: Select, maintain and purchase items used in historic houses. Approve acceptance of donated items. Change and arrange seasonal displays/decorations.

DOCENTS: Give scheduled guided tours of the Shaw House properties.

FUNDRAISING: 1) SHAW HOUSE FAIR: 2nd Saturday in October; Vintage Collectibles, Food, House Tour, Music 2) PALUSTRIS FESTIVAL EVENTS: Events sponsored by MCHA 4th weekend March (Early Bird Deadline September 15 & Final Deadline January 7)

MEMBERSHIP: Conduct membership drive/retention of current members. Recruit and welcome new members.

NEWSLETTER: Collect articles from committees, compile and edit.

NOMINATING: Review needs of Board and recruit individuals. Fill vacancies on Board.

PUBLICITY: Promote MCHA and its activities. Work with various committees to publicize events.

SPECIAL EVENTS/PROGRAMS 1) TOURS: Plan, organize, follow-through, and monitor tours both day tours and extended stay tours. 2) CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE: Organize event,

recruit volunteers (work with the docent chair), follow-through on plans. 3) LECTURE SERIES: Arrange for Lecture opportunities for the public throughout the year. 4) COMMUNITY EVENTS: Coordinate which major community events to participate in to promote MCHA and sell gift shop items/raffle, etc., set up, man booth example Farmers Day, Autumnfest, Clenny Creek Day, Springfest. Work with volunteer coordinator.

HOSPITALITY/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: With Docent Chair, recruit and organize volunteers for various events and activities.

GRANTS: Select appropriate grants, apply, and follow through.

FACEBOOK: Post historical data and events.

## From Curator Marilyn Hartsell

The rugs in the Shaw House are thread-bare. Linda Hardison of the Sandhills Handweavers Guild has volunteered to weave new ones on the Bryant House loom. Needed for the project: cotton fabric - print or solid, medium to dark, can be in short lengths; cutters - to cut fabric in 1 1/2" wide strips; volunteers to choose colors, join strips and wind balls. A great opportunity for the Shaw House! Call Sarah (692-2051) if you have fabric and/or can help.

WISH LIST: Fresh herbs to hang in the cabin. A hand or two of tobacco for the Garner House. Large plastic storage containers for textiles.



# Anthony "Tony" E. Parker (1937-2010)

MCHA learned with deep sadness of the passing of one of Moore County's most respected and knowledgeable citizens, Anthony "Tony" E. Parker.

An authentic historian with native roots, Tony consistently pursued the early history of the county and because of his avid interest was routinely consulted for his personal experiences and excellent recall.

Long-time member of MCHA serving in many capacities, Tony's knowledge of local history and of the people of Moore formed the basis of his many articles and publications. Many years, including Sunday afternoons, were spent traveling over the county, locating, recording and writing about early cemeteries, these efforts resulting in MCHA's 1976-77 publication, Moore County Cemeteries, a valuable document that soon became a standard resource for researching Moore's earliest inhabitants and settlers.

Tony was patient, persistent, and accurate in his recording. Most of all, he was a kind gentleman willing to share his knowledge and findings. Talking with Tony was a wise first step in any study of the early days; he leaves a legacy for future historians to emulate by the manner in which he developed his craft. Most of all, he helped us relive stories of the early ancestors and appreciate their contributions.

The Association extends deepest sympathies to his wife, Doris W. Parker, and son, John Parker.



# Welcome New Members Jim Brock, Trent Carter Lucinda Cole, Susan Huberth

Ann Hughes, Georgia Minges David & Judy Page, Ellie West

# **Special Thank You**

Donations & Contributions Julia Wallace Bambauer, Cos Barnes, Peggy Bell, Judith Bender, Harris Blake, Jamie Boles, Lucinda Boyd, Charles **Edward Brooks (honor of Roy** Lawrence), David & Frieda Bruton, Johnny & Carolyn Burns, Georgia B. Campion, Dr. & Mrs. Dawson Carr, Edna Earle Cole, Mae Boyer-Cooper, James Crawford III, Jean Dickinson, Al & Polly Dunham(memory of Barbara Blake), First Bank, **Eulalie Graham (honor of** Elisabeth, Lib, Kollman), Betty Hamblin, Ernest Hanford, Marilyn Hartsell (memory of Delcine Kuszmaul), Mr. & Mrs. Norris Hodgkins, Susan Huberth (memory of Harry Huberth), Harrell & Spence Johnson, Joseph Johnson, Olive Johnson, Russell L. Jones, Mr. & Mrs. Ben E. Jordan, Jr., Frank & Ann McNeill, Dr. & Mrs. John Monroe, NC Folk Art Society, Jim & Beverly Offutt, Dr. & Mrs. Havner Parish, Jr., Diana Parks, Dan & Sara Jane Pate, Sue Pockmire, Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Robbins, Marie Robins (memory of C.C. Kennedy), Mrs. Victoria Rounds (memory of the Rounds Family), Howard Schubert, Nathalie Scott (memory of Barbara Blake), Mary P Stephenson, Robert Steward, Dr. & Mrs. James A. Tart, Col. & Mrs. Edward Vaughn, Jan Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Tom Worth, Mary Ann Yakel

**Donations to Bryant House** Kaye Brown (memory of Warren Davis), Joy Whitley

#### **Donations**

The spinning wheel from the Liddell family honors their mother, Betty, active with MCHA for many years.

Barbara Young Baum donated two special samplers, signed and dated 1822 and 1826, and stitched by her grandmothers' sisters. Bill Brewer is cutting frames for hanging the sam-

Nancy Ronalter donated vintage children and adult clothing.

#### Kitchen Garden Dedication at the Sanders Cabin June 5, 2010. RIGHT: Michael Frazer and his father, Gary. BELOW LEFT: Carolyn Burns and Maureen Sutton. BELOW RIGHT: Grace and Bill Snelgrove.







MCHA Annual Meeting, June 6.







ABOVE: The Clement Williams in their historic kitchen. RIGHT TOP: Ruth and Bob Stolting. RIGHT MIDDLE: Marie Hardister

RIGHT MIDDLE: Marie Hardister checks out the old photos. Lucinda Boyd displays a photo of the Williams house in its early days.

RIGHT: Ann and Frank McNeill and Johnny Burns.





LEFT: The spinning wheel from the Liddell family.

BELOW RIGHT: Samplers dated from the early 1820s donated by Barbara Young Baum.



# **Upcoming Tours**

# Reserve A Seat, Leave The Driving To Us! Two MCHA Fall Tours

Two Historic Plantations in Kenansville, September 22nd

Tour departs Shaw House in the morning, returns late afternoon. Tickets: \$40 for members, \$45 for non-members. Reservations, depending on how many sign up, are accepted until Sept. 15. Call 692-2051 or 692-2365.

Liberty Hall Plantation, built in the early 1800s by Thomas Kenan II, with its Greek Revival architecture, is a two-story homestead fully decorated in period style. We tour the overseer's cottage, carriage house, chicken coop, smoke house, and the Cowan Museum next door, housed in a 1848 vintage home featuring several thousand rare artifacts of early rural America. On the grounds are a log school house, one-room cabin, country store, post office and tobacco barn.

Lunch (dutch treat) will be at the historic Country Squire, winery and gift shop.

Next stop: Buckner Hill Plantation, built in 1762 by one of the wealthiest men in North Carolina. The 1855 dwelling was the site of Warner Bros' "Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood."

North Carolina Museum of History, Raleigh "Discover the Real George Washington," and "Thomas Day Furniture Exhibit" November 10th

Ticket prices and times of departure and return to be announced. History buffs won't want to miss this exhibit's only venue in the Southeast. Eleven sections range from Washington's youth to his final days. Included are personal belongings, tools, paintings, maps, books, weapons, and tools used by his slaves, also Presidential table settings, Martha's jewelry, china, glassware and reproductions of her gold wedding dress and purple satin slippers, life size models of George Washington as a young surveyor, as commander-in-chief, and as the nation's first President.

We'll also see the nation's largest collection of furniture by Thomas Day, a free man of color who owned and operated one of North Carolina's largest cabinet shops prior to the Civil War. Day created furniture from 1835 to 1860 in Caswell County, his pieces ranging from plain to the ornate. The 6,000 square foot exhibit has 70 pieces crafted by the master cabinetmaker so popular and respected by prominent whites of the Dan River region in North Carolina and Virginia.

Space is limited. Call MCHA at 692-2051 or e-mail moorehistory@connectnc.net



# In Review

#### Shaw House Summer Activities

Our faithful docents welcomed visitors singly and in groups throughout the hot, humid summer, logging in approximately 250 visitors from around the world, the farthest, from Japan. We welcomed a new docent, Nichole Mayberry, Pinecrest High School Senior with a special interest in history. She is a natural teacher and we've enjoyed having her on our team.

Sandhills Community College brought 40 students to both the Bryant House and the Shaw House properties, and we were visited by 35 members of the NC Folk Art Society. Special thanks to Dorothy Shankle, Paula Caddell, Kelly Hinson, Sue Pockmire and Marilyn Hartsell helping with these special events.

# 2010 - 2011

#### **Executive Officers**

Steady Meares – Co-President
Joy Wise – Co-President
Vickie Rounds – Vice president
Jan Fowler - Secretary
Andrew Lyons – Treasurer
Carolyn Burns – Past President

#### **Board Members**

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# Raffle to Raise Funds to Replace Joel McLendon Cabin Roof Now to December 5th

This cabin is Moore County's oldest structure on its original foundation and was built in the 1760s by Scottish immigrants headed by Joel McLendon. A new roof is a priority and is estimated to cost \$4,000.

Adjacent is the Bryant House built around 1825 by another family whose son married Robert Graham's daughter after McLendon sold his land to Graham. Family members born in the Bryant House say the McLendon Cabin with its large fireplace served as the kitchen.

In 1969 the family donated the site to MCHA, and various people have restored and preserved these houses. Both are open to visitors on the second and fourth Sundays, June – Sept., 2-4 p.m. Address is 3361 Mount Carmel Road, Carthage.

Raffle tickets, on sale between now and the Dec. 5 drawing, are for a Sanyo 42-inch HDTV. \$5 each, or five for \$20, available from members of the MCHA Board; the Flatwoods Festival in Bennett on Sept. 11; Autumnfest Fair Oct. 2, the Shaw House Fair Oct. 9; Antiques Show and Sale Nov. 5 - 7; thru Dr. Paul James office, 116 S. Middleton St., Robbins; Medleyannas Antiques-plus in West End. MCHA will have tickets weekdays, 1 – 4, at the Shaw House, corner of Morganton Rd and Broad St, Southern Pines.

Drawing, Sun., Dec. 5, during MCHA's annual Bryant House Christmas Open House. No need to be present to win, donations always gratefully accepted.

The Moore County Community Foundation recently awarded a grant of \$500 for the roof replacement.

### Autumnfest Fair

Saturday, October 2nd, 9 am - 4 pm

Join the Moore County Historical Association at our booth at the annual Autumnfest Festival. The event has something for everyone including craft booths, foot races, children's activities, handcrafted items, food, and stage entertainment. New for 2010, Downtown Park boasts an expanded area for booths, live entertainment, crowds, and fun!

The historical association will be selling items from our gift and book shop including our ever-popular gift soaps and note cards.

Everyone is invited to come early to the picturesque setting of Southern Pines and enjoy this wonderful, small-town festival!

# Bill Thompson Lecture

Sunday, October 3rd, 3 pm

For over forty years Bill Thompson has traveled throughout North Carolina and the South, speaking for hundreds of organizations from local civic clubs to trade conferences to International conventions. He has been master of ceremonies and entertainer for hundreds of events celebrating what makes communities special from the Hollering Contest in Spivey's Comer, NC to the Wooly Worm Festival in Banner Elk, the Grits Festival in St George, SC, the Chitlin Strut in Sally, a grape stompin' contest in Tennessee and judged a sweet tea contest in Georgia.

His column, Front Porch Stories, was a regular feature in Our State Magazine for almost a decade. He authored "Sweet Tea, Fried Chicken and Lazy Dogs: A Reflection of North Carolina Life", "Pearl's Pork Palace and other Stories from Flynn's Crossing, NC", and his newest book, "Backyards, Bow Ties and Beauty Queens."

Bill's stories are usually humorous, a reflection of his way of looking at the world. Occasionally he tells some nostalgic odyssey of times and places many of us barely remember and younger folks have never experienced. Bill not only entertains but also helps audiences appreciate traditions and the heritage that give North Carolina and The South such a unique place in America.

This free program is at 3 pm, First Baptist Church, 200 E. New York Ave., Southern Pines.

# 2nd Annual Shaw House Vintage Collectible & Antiques Fair Saturday, October 9th, 9 am - 3 pm

Moore County Historical Association is holding the second annual Shaw House Fair, a sale of vintage collectibles and antiques at the Shaw House grounds. The event will be held rain or shine.

Free admission, food, live traditional music, guided tours of two historic dwellings on the property, gifts and books about local and regional history, and a silent auction promise to make it a fun day for all the family.

NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS such as pottery, jewelry, silver, art work, vintage collectibles, and other items of value for our Silent Auction and Moore Treasures Sales Table. Tax-deductable donations can be dropped off at the Shaw House or local pick up is available.

# Clean-up Day on the Shaw House Grounds

Saturday, October 23rd, 9 am - 12 noon

Milton Sills will provide a lunch of Brunswick stew and cornbread. Bring your rakes, gloves, and clippers.



# UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

Now to December 5, 2010 McLendon Roof HDTV Fundraising Raffle

September 22, 2010 Day Tour to Kenansville

October 3, 2010 Bill Thompson Lecture

> October 5, 2010 Discover Tuscany Italy, 10-Day Tour

October 9, 2010
Shaw House Antiques and Collectible Fair

October 23, 2010 Shaw House Clean-Up

October 31, 2010 Spirits of Sandhills Past at Weymouth

November 5-7, 2010 Antiques Show and Sale at the Fair Barn

November 10, 2010 Day Tour to NC Museum of History

December 4 - 5, 2010 Bryant House Holiday Open House

December 9, 2010 Members Holiday Party

December 10 - 12, 2010 Shaw House Holiday Open House

# Spirits of Sandhills Past Program

Sunday, October 31st, 2 pm

MCHA will partner with the Arts and Humanities Committee (A&H) of the Weymouth Center for the Arts & Humanities for a program showcasing the Sandhills' blended communities and their histories. The program is at Weymouth, 2 pm, Oct. 31. Admission is \$10.

MCHA's executive board accepted unanimously an invitation on behalf of the A&H Committee from consultant Ray Owen, former MCHA Board President and currently serving on Weymouth's board, to display historical photographs, special gift soaps, books, and other articles from MCHA's gift shop during the event. This celebration, "Spirits of the Sandhills Past" will be open to the community.

Performers representing the Sandhills' blended communities will perform stories through dance, song, art and talks. Ghost stories and legends, "roots", Celtic, and African-American gospel music performed by Together-N-Unity, and Native American performances and displays will be part of the event, both indoors and out at the historic home of James and Katharine Boyd. Weymouth's storied presence as "home" of the Moore County Hounds, founded by the Boyd brothers, James and Jackson in the early 1900s, is documented through historic photographs available through MCHA. Food will be offered representing the Sandhills' three primary ethnic groups – Native Americans, Highland Scots, and African Americans.

The event wraps up the Fall A&H Series, "The Sandhills: Up from the Sea." The first parts of the Series are lectures, one Sept. 12 "From the Thistle to the Great Lost Sea," by historical archaeologist Dr. Linda Carnes-McNaughton. The second will be on Oct. 10, by John Hairr, manager of the House in the Horseshoe, speaking on "Evolution to Revolution in the Sandhills." Both lectures are free.

MCHA Co-President Joy Wise: "This logical partnership is a win-win for both the Historical Association and Weymouth whose history is a central part of the history of Moore, the Sandhills and Southern Pines. People who come to Weymouth will enjoy the heritage of the Sandhills from several groups' perspectives and can take home selections of books, note cards, historic photographs, stationery, special gift soaps and other items that MCHA has at our Shaw House gift shop."

MCHA's historic photographs may be ordered online by emailing moorehistory@connectnc.net. Other displayed items may be purchased by contacting the Shaw House.

# Antiques Show and Sale

Friday through Sunday, November 5 - 7

The Antiques Sale and Show at the Fair Barn in Pinehurst promises something for everyone. No matter your budget or taste in decor, surely you will find a special something in the climate-controlled Fair Barn.

Over 30 dealers will feature art, furniture, glass, jewelry, linens, porcelain, pottery and china, crystal and doll repair, and various other fine collectibles.

Check www.moorehistory.com to get \$1 off the ticket price, a portion of which benefits MCHA.

#### Other News

MCHA INVITES YOU to host your next party, small wedding event, reception, lecture or other special event in the charming ambiance of the Shaw House and its grounds. Contact Sarah 692-2051 for rental info.

SURVEY OF MT. HOPE CEMETERY The Town of Southern Pines is conducting the survey in order to enter each gravesite into their GIS database. Volunteers are needed to photograph headstones and markers. A digital camera and instruction will be provided. Call Amy Kirk 692-8235 ext. 225 for more information.



# Shop he Book 8

Medallions & Ornaments Antique Southern Pines Medallion49.95	Books Carolina Scots35.00
Shaw House Landmark Ornament 10.00	Cities of Fear and Other Adventure Stories 10.00
	Cookie Book Recipe Collection 6.95
Notecards & Postcards Notecards, Shaw House or Bryant House (4) 4.95	Images of America: Moore County19.99
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Postcard50	Images of America: Sandhills Album19.99
Posters & Maps	Miscellaneous Ancient Records of Moore County19.95
Bryant House Poster5.95	Moore County History Coloring Book
Moore County Hounds/Shaw House Poster 5.95	More Moore County, NC History 1784-2004 11.95
1880s Map of Southern Pines (Called Vineland)8.95	
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	Virginia Walthour Moss, A Southern Spirit, A Tribute to Ginnie
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The Bookshop at the Shaw House features an assortment of historical and genealogical books for sale.

Books can be purchased there or by mail. For more info, visit our website at

www.moorehistory.com or call (910) 692-2051.

MCHA members receive a 10% discount. Quantity discounts available.