

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENTS

We send our best wishes for a happy and healthy 2015. As always, we express our appreciation for your support.

As a volunteer, nonprofit entity, we rely on the services of a dedicated group of exceptionally gifted individuals working on your behalf. We are supported financially through membership dues, donations, and modest fund-raisers. The combination of volunteers and a growing awareness of our community involvement has been the hallmark of our continued success.

We know that people of all ages are curious and passionate and want to know about the historical past. These "history buffs" are visionaries who help us see where we are going by remembering where we came from.

Any and all input is important to our success! Donations and volunteerism are always welcome and appreciated. Without your membership dues and donations, our nonprofit organization would not be able to maintain our five historic house museums, preserve our historic photo archives or offer an outstanding selection of diverse speakers and programs.

Our Board of Trustees consists of 18 dedicated and caring individuals who volunteer their time and energy endlessly for the Moore County Historical Association. Protecting Moore County's historic treasures is a task we take seriously.

We invite you to browse our website and Facebook page. We encourage you to visit our house museums, attend our lecture series and join our tours. If you have items, documents, photos or even stories that relate to Moore County, please contact us! Additionally, we are a 501(c)(3)tax exempt organization and we encourage you to thoughtfully consider the Moore County Historical Association as an important part of your charitable planning.

Dorothy Shankle, Greg Zywocinski, Co-Presidents

UPCOMING EVENTS

Clenny Creek Day

The 10th annual Clenny Creek Day is scheduled to be held Saturday, April 18 from 10-5 at the site of the Bryant House and McLendon Cabin, both historical house museums dating back to the 1700s and 1800s. They are two of five house museums in Moore County owned and maintained by the non profit Moore County Historical Association.

The Friends of the Bryant House, a volunteer group for these two

structures, is planning a fun day with vendors, food, live music, items for sale, tours of the 1820s era Bryant House and the 1760s era cabin, still on its original foundation. The Clenny Creek Day family event is perfect for a daylong outing in early spring weather, among beautiful surroundings of leafy green trees, flowering and other green plants. Among the vegetation are recently planted fruit trees! Visitors will notice other improvements made at both houses' locations that are ongoing.

Barbara Barnes, a volunteer with Friends of the Bryant House, is in charge of vendors and is busy signing them up between now and the 18th. Musicians already lined up for the event include David McDonald, Allen Ashdown, Steven Hedgpeth, and Clyde Maness. They are also hosting a special 50/50 raffle. The winner gets 50% of the total ticket sales. Tickets may be purchased for \$1 each at the Shaw House, corner of Morganton Road and Broad Street in Southern Pines, or from Friends of the Bryant House. You do not have to be present to win.

The Clenny Creek Day site has plenty of (free) parking and there is no admission charge, located at 3361 Mt. Carmel Road, Carthage.

Annual Meeting Plans

This year's Annual membership meeting will be held 2 p.m. Sunday, June 14 at an historic "plantation" type residence dating from the early 19th century that is named the Black-Cole house/Rubicon Farm. It is currently a bed and breakfast under private ownership. It enters history with the Cole family, who began living in it sometime in mid-19th century after a Moore County farmer named Richard Cole married and eventually bought it from a builder who was a member of the Black family, important people in the early settlement of Moore County. The house and its supporting acreage now take up both sides of Little River and is a landmark in the Eastwood-West End area. The Black-Cole house is unfamiliar to many of us and should prove a treat both to whom it is new and to those who are familiar with it.

So mark the date on your calendar. The home is on the National Register of Historic Places. Its features mark it as possibly constructed in the first quarter of the 19th century, the purpose of its location not known. It has Greek Revival features, molded Federal woodwork, and a clipped gable roof which is rare in North Carolina. U.S. Dept. of the Interior Documents describing the building call it a small plantation house and a good example of its type. Details about the origin of the house and its owner Richard Cole, who gave his name to it are sketchy due to courthouse records destroyed in an 1889 fire in Carthage.

By the time the first resident of record, Richard Cole, died in the early 20th century, approximately 1,000 acres he acquired included the site where the home still stands. Cole farmed the land and is said to have at one time acquired about 2,000 acres. However he sold some property during his lifetime and at his death most of the remaining acreage was divided among his heirs.

Interestingly, from 1890-1907 an outbuilding on the property served as the Rubicon Post Office, and family tradition holds there was also a small store, probably in the same building. The Postmasters serving there were—naturally—named Cole.

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The Fresh Market



Ray Owen (L) and Greg Zywocinski (R) with Bill Ivey at his Long Rifle presentation which drew a standingroom only crowd of interested early rifle enthusiasts.



Sarah Mathews and Liz Whitmore welcome visitors to the MCHA booth at the Southern Pines 2014 Autumnfest.



Bobby Brendell donated his collection of historic Moore County post cards and photographs to the MCHA archives. This donation enhances the vast collection donated in 2008 by Larry Koster and makes the MCHA archives a true repository of photographed Moore County history.



Betsy Hyde and Joyce White tend the MCHA booth at the 2014 Antiques Sale and Show held at the Southern Pines Armory.



This 1940s American flag belonged to the Town of Pinebluff and was used by the local Boy Scout troop during that era. Grace Snelgrove presented the flag to John Mills to be returned to the Town of Pinebluff for display in an appropriate setting.



2014 Hawaii Tour Group.



Dustin Fletcher of Seven
Lakes performed at the 2014
Shaw House Christmas Open
House Also in photo is music
teacher Nicole Sommers who
brought her elementary school
students to perform Christmas
carols at the Open House.



Heather Jackson, Bud Wallen, Greg Zywocinski, and Kaye Brown (L/R) enjoy refreshments, decorations and festivities at the Bryant House/ McLendon Cabin Christmas Open House.

The "small and quiet" house is at the end of a long, sandy road and its location is marked by ancient pine, cedars, and magnolia trees. Near the house is a board and batten smokehouse with Greek Revival trim, a log corncrib and barn of late 19th or early 20th century origin, both with saddle notching. Two other outbuildings, one of them serving as a "commissary" in the old days, were also there.

The house is located at the end of Secondary Road 1222, aka Rubicon Road, in the Eastwood area of Moore County. From the traffic circle at Pinehurst, take US 15-501 north toward Carthage. Drive approximately 3.5 miles and turn left at the traffic light onto NC 73 West. Drive approximately 2.6 miles and turn right onto Rubicon Road. The farm is at the end of the road, approximately .8 miles.



Canadian Rockies Tour

Book now for this spectacular trip by train Oct. 2-11, through the Canadian Rockies and you will get \$100 off the cost. A special presentation is to be conducted at the Shaw House in Southern Pines on Wednesday, March 4 at 2 p.m. for anyone interested. If you plan to attend please RSVP by calling (910) 692-8344.

For those who want to find out more or to sign up early for the discount. Sponsored by the Moore County Historical Association this is a Collette organized tour and promises to be an excellent experience like all the other Collette tours handled for the MCHA in recent years.

Start at Vancouver and tour the city of Vancouver by rail with a scenic ferry crossing all in the first three days. Then you'll travel via rail to Jasper, Alberta to view the snowy peaks of mountains, with waterfalls to be viewed as they cascade down Mt. Cheadle. You can relax in the Dome car to give you a 360-degree view of the glistening glaciers in the Albreda Icefields. On a clear day you can even see Mt. Robson, the highest peak of the Rockies. Moose, mountain goats, bear and caribou are among the wildlife you may glimpse. By Wednesday you'll be at Lake Louise. Enroute, enjoy the Icefields Parkway with its waterfalls, rushing rivers, glacial peaks and dramatic cliffs. There is shopping and sightseeing galore, also. The lakes you will enjoy

include a turquoise glacier-fed lake that evokes pure serenity, and along the way enjoy great restaurant food and fabulous comfortable lodging. Banff Springs with it's "Castle in the Rockies" is a destination on day seven where you can view the Valley of the jagged Ten Peaks. You can stroll through Banff's downtown and go for a scenic drive through the area, featuring the "Land of the Sleeping Giants". These are the powerful Bow Falls and Hoodoos. You can even learn about rare gemstones found only in Alberta. Leave the Rockies on day nine for Calgary and the prairies of Alberta, en route to Kananaskis Valley. You'll visit a local ranch, enjoy a wagon ride to search for a view of buffalo. Another vibrant city to visit is Calgary, where your tour ends on Sunday, Oct. 11.

For more information, contact Carolyn Burns of the MCHA at (910) 692-8344 or e-mail cjburns@nc.rr.com.

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HOUSE-MUSEUM REPAIRS

Repairs are underway on the Bryant House. The porch roof was recently replaced. Bids are being obtained to patch holes in the outside walls of the House; build a needed new storage building and remove dirt from direct contact with the wood siding, as was done at the Shaw House. A chimney cap is going on the McLendon Cabin. Fruit trees were recently added to the grounds.

In Southern Pines, the Shaw House is getting a new hot water heater and a rotten log in the wall of the Sanders cabin is being replaced.

EVENT RECAP

Long Rifle Lecture

A free program on long rifles sponsored by MCHA was given to a standing room only crowd at the Southern Pines Civic Club on Jan. 24. Asheboro long rifle collector Bill Ivey gave a program focused on the Robbins area Kennedy Gun Factory that made long rifles in the late 1700s into the early decades of the 1800s. The program drew people from all over the area. Some brought their guns for Bill to lecture upon. Several copies of his new book were sold.

Christmas Open House at the Shaw House

The Shaw Homestead celebrated a lively Christmas with approximately 477 guests and helpers on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 12 -14, 2014. Paula Caddell supplied the music with plenty of cookies and hot cider for about 104 guests. On Saturday, over 370 came. Nicole Sommers, music teacher at J. Glenn Edwards Elementary in Sanford, planned a three hour rotation of Christmas carols by her students. She requested that parents come at staggered times but they seemed to all come at once. Luckily, the weather was warm and beautiful so many stayed in the yard while each grade level performed. Students were also treated to house-museum tours.

In the Sanders Cabin Jacqueline Stewart and Nancy Farina demonstrated weaving and spinning. Wayne Hamblin "manned" the Garner House. Bill Snelgrove as Squire Shaw, lorded over the Shaw House. He was trapped awhile in the parlor by the wall-to-wall crowd gathered to hear the children.

Special "thank yous" to all the holiday docents and helpers. Cookie bakers from both the Bryant House and the Shaw House can be assured that many smiling, happy children partook of the yummies. This Christmas celebration will be remembered as a "celebration back-in-time."

Christmas Open House at the Bryant House & McLendon Cabin

Friends of the Bryant House welcomed a stream of visitors to the McLendon Cabin and Bryant House at the Christmas Open House on Sunday, Dec. 7. This year's event was included in the Carthage Historic Preservation's 2014 Christmas Historic Homes Tour. Both dwellings were decorated inside and out with local greenery and red berried cuttings

and boughs. The cabin fireplace gave warmth and light to visitors who listened to historian Debbie Williams describe what life was like for the McLendon family around the time the cabin was built (ca. 1760). Hot cider and homemade cookies were served on the front porch of the Bryant House (ca.1820s). Visitors got a better view of the upstairs thanks to Eddie Ferguson's handmade staircase railing. The Kelly Hinson family donated a large cedar tree, standing in the corner of the front room, decorated by the American Heritage Girls.. Allen Ashdown, Steven Hedgpeth, and David McDonald livened up the afternoon with live string melodies.

History Contest

A history contest among Moore County Homeschoolers Association students held Friday, Nov. 7 2014 was judged by Judy Snider and Elizabeth Whitmore, both MCHA board members. "It gives the children a chance to interact," said Liz. "We hope to do it annually." She and Judy agreed the contest held at the Agriculture Center in Carthage is a "wonderful way to get children interested in history."

Woodruff and Aswad Lecture

On Oct. 5, 2014 a capacity audience crowded the Southern Pines Civic Club for free slide presentations and lectures sponsored by MCHA about the history of Southern Pines. First was David Woodruff, a Southern Pines native now retired, discussed and showed slides on "Tap Roots," a book he recently published that contains tales of growing up in Southern Pines. Next, a book titled, "1001 Trivia Questions and Answers of Moore County," by Ed Aswad, was presented and discussed. Aswad's book was published in 2014. He moved to Moore County from upstate New York in 2012 and lives in Vass.

Shaw House Fair

6th Annual Shaw House Antiques and Collectibles Fair was held Saturday, Oct. 11, 2014 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the MCHA's Homestead Shaw House at the corner of Morganton Road and Broad Street in Southern Pines. Our deepest gratitude goes to the following sponsors of the fair:

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Judy Snider, who organized the event, wants to have volunteers ready to begin work on the seventh Fair to be held in 2015 on Saturday, Oct. 10, same hours. Both volunteers and vendors are always welcome and anyone who wants to rent a space next fall or volunteer for the fun and fellowship should call (910) 692-2015.

Hawaii Tour

Last September, the Moore County Historical Association sponsored a tour to Hawaii. Local participants were Fred Monroe, Carol Monroe, Sarah McLeod, Becky Brown, Andy Chisolm, Katie Chisolm, Carolyn Burns, Johnny Burns, Joe Currie, Bobbie Carr, Kimina Chisolm, Maggie McCrimmon, Nancy Currie, Robert Burns, Catherine Burns, and Dawson Carr.

MOORE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION FUNDRAISER AND FUN TOUR



Biltmore House Downton Abbey Tour & Exhibit

Asheville, NC + March 30-31, 2015

We are pleased to announce this exciting tour. Biltmore has announced a new exhibit, "Dressing Downton: Changing Fashion for Changing Times." The exhibition features more than 40 costumes from the popular PBS Masterpiece series "Downton Abbey." The clothing will be showcased in rooms

throughout the Biltmore House in groupings inspired by the fictional show. Tour includes the house (audio tour), winery and gardens tour, as well as a guided behind the scenes Upstairs / Downstairs tour of the Biltmore. One lunch is included at the Stable Café on the property of Biltmore. Dutch treat dinner will be in downtown Asheville. Accommodations will be at the Hampton Inn – Tunnel Road, which includes a full, hot breakfast.

We will depart from Shaw House, Southern Pines at 8AM with a Mystery Tour scheduled on the way to Asheville followed by a dutch-treat lunch.

COST: Member \$390 single, \$336 double pp, \$317 triple pp; Non-Members \$404 single, \$350 double pp, \$331 triple pp. Cost includes transportation, tours of the house (audio), gardens, and winery, the exhibit and behind the Biltmore scenes tour, lunch at Stable Café, and hotel accommodation with breakfast.

RESERVATIONS: Marva Kirk, Kirk Tours, 910-295-2257 (Deadline Friday, March 13, 2015 Paid In Full). Tour is limited to 13 seats. For more information call Sarah at the Shaw House, 692-2051.

Questions about trip insurance? Call AAA at 910-693-0335