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PRESIDENTS LETTER

The Moore County Historical Association has just completed a most successful year. As we begin our 72nd year, our main mission is to continue to preserve and maintain our historic buildings and grounds.

We have just received wonderful news for our Shaw House property. For many years, we have had a terrible water problem during heavy rains. Water comes off Morganton Road creating standing water over much of our Shaw House property. We approached the North Carolina Department of Transportation this past year to make suggestions on how to eliminate this problem. With the help of Pat Molamphy, Board Member of the N.C. Department of Transportation, and N. C. State Senator, Tom McInnis, the Department of Transportation has agreed to install a curb, gutter and a sidewalk on Morganton Road at no charge to the historical association. This work is to be completed in late summer or early fall.

Listed below are some of our accomplishments from 7/1/17 - 6/30/18:

- · Maintained the MCHA structures and grounds
- Maintained the Kenneth Black Cemetery
- McLendon Cabin: New chimney cap and weather-stripping its porch
- · Bryant House: New top and lower roofing
- · Garner House: Roofing replaced on side and back door cover
- Shaw House Property Tobacco Barn: New lighting has been installed for future agricultural display
- · Shaw House Property Corn Crib: New roofing
- Shaw House: New roofing on the back porch and replaced security sensor lights
- · Provided informational signage to our buildings to facilitate self-guided tours
- · Soap sales continue to supplement our funds

Projects we hope to complete this year are listed below:

- Repair steps at the Bryant House
- · Build open sided shed at the Bryant House for old farm equipment storage
- · Build shed on the side of the corn crib at the Shaw House
- · Complete repair on outside of the tobacco barn at the Shaw House property
- · Complete farm implements display inside the tobacco barn
- Investigate cost of a fire sprinkler system for the Shaw House

We want to thank our members for your support with dues, donations, time and energy. Our Association has approximately 28 committees and we are always looking for more volunteers. Please give Sarah Mathews a call at 692-2051 to discuss opportunities for volunteering.

Johnny Burns, Co-President, Kate Curtin, Co-President

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lecture on the Women's Exchange Movement Sunday, August 12, 2018 from 2 pm to 3 pm. Free Admission. Southern Pines Civic Club, 105 S. Ashe Street, Southern Pines



Come and enjoy hearing Cav Peterson, Past President, and Marie Darbrey, Co-President of the Sandhill's Women's Exchange discuss the history of the organization. Started in 1832, the Women's Exchange movement is one of the country's oldest continuously operating charitable movements. Numbering nearly one hundred across the United States in the nineteenth century, Exchanges were fashionable shops where women who had fallen on hard times could sell their home-produced merchandise on consignment. Exchanges combined elements of charity, cooperation, and retailing, and serve as early examples of utilizing the voluntary sector for quasi-commercial activity.

Shaw House Vintage Fair

Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 9 am to 4 pm. Shaw House. Free Admission.

Experience Southern Pines history with tours, hidden treasures, live music, food, and vintage craft demonstrations on the grounds of the historic Shaw House. In addition to the vendors offering vintage collectibles, antiques and crafts, there will be the Moore Treasures table of collectibles for sale, with proceeds to the Moore County Historical Association.

Hart Square Day Trip

Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 7 am to 6:30 pm.

Cost: \$150.00 pp MCHA member, \$160.00 pp guests & non-member

Kirk Tours and MCHA have planned a special day trip to the rescued and restored village of Hart Square in Catawba County. Dr. Robert Hart has worked over 40 years to recreate a nineteenth century village of over 90 structures. The village is open to the public "one day per year". Marva Kirk has reserved twenty (20) tickets, so reserve your spot by calling Marva by September 1st at 295-2257.

Christmas at the Bryant House

Sunday, December 2, 2018 from 1 pm to 4 pm. Bryant House. Free Admission.

Get into the old-time Christmas spirit with the annual Christmas open house at the historic Bryant House and McLendon Cabin located at 3361 Mount Carmel Road.

The Moore County Historical Association and Friends of the Bryant House host the event without admission charge so every Yule visitor can get a little taste of how early settlers celebrated Christmas. Decorations are based on old-timey materials and traditions, there will be refreshments, and live music.

Members Holiday Party

Thursday, December 6, 2018 from 5 pm to 7pm. Free Admission. Members and guests. Shaw House, 110 W. Morganton Road, Southern Pines

Tis the season for yule tide greetings and to say to our members, "thank you for your support." So step back in time and join us in olde holiday cheer.

Christmas at the Shaw House

December 7 to 9, 2018 from 1 pm to 4 pm. Shaw House. Free Admission.

Enjoy old-time decorations, warm apple cider and homemade cookies at the annual Christmas Open House. Tour three house-museums built during the 1700s and 1800s. The event is free to the public to let people see how early Southern Pines and Moore County residents lived.

UPCOMING TOURS

Iceland's Magical Northern Lights

Ready to check another item off of your "Bucket List"? Moore County Historical Association in partnership with Collette is sponsoring "Iceland's Magical Northern Lights" from February 9 to 15, 2019. Each year during the winter months, travelers journey to Iceland and venture out into the dark to see the magical but elusive northern lights (aurora borealis). A few highlights of this trip include a walking tour of old town Reykjavik, a Northern Lights Cruise, a route called the Golden Circle which encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders, and a dip in the mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool of the Blue Lagoon.



A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU

Welcome New Members!

Ms. Beverly Bizzell
Mr. Robert Ferro
Ms. Karen Gantt
Mr. Hugh Gibson
Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Jackson
Mr. Joey McNeill
Mr. George Newport
Ms. Jennifer Nguyen
Ms. Lyla Owens
Mr. Tate Poisson
Ms. Harriett Riley

Donations & Contributions

Mr. Andrew Wilkison

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This seven day guided tour of Iceland includes your round trip flight from Raleigh Durham Intl. Airport, hotel, hotel transfers and ten meals. More information can also be found at https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/801194. Please RSVP Liz Whitmore at 910-692-2051.

Other Planned Tours

A preview party is set September 10, 2018 at 3 pm at the Shaw House for a Mackinac Island trip June 21 to 28, 2019. A trip to Sunny Portugal is set for October 8 to 17, 2019, with a preview party February 22, 2019 at 2 pm at the Shaw House. Germany's Cultural Cities trip July 20 to August 1, 2020 will have a preview party scheduled at a future date.

NEWS

New Board Members

We are pleased to announce two new board members.

Sue McCain – Sue's interest in and love of history began in grade school with an assignment to research her family tree. She eventually received a Masters in History with a focus in historic agencies and administration. She interned with Historic New England researching, assessing and documenting fences, walls and barns on a number of historic properties. She pursued a dream and started a business designing hand knit sweaters and writing knitting patterns for them. Sue followed her sister to Southern Pines in 2016. Sue is an avid horsewoman and loves the Sandhills.

Scott Samuel – Scott and his wife, Francy, moved to Southern Pines over 20 years ago. Prior to his move, he spent more than 30 years in the advertising industry in the New York area as an award-winning creator director with some of the largest ad agencies in the United States. During this time he developed a passion for the restoration of historic homes along the east coast and founded Black Horse Builders. In addition to his house restorations, is his love of vintage automobiles and the creation of unique birdhouses.

Moore County Historical Association Membership



L/R: Scott Samuel, Director. Kate Curtain, Co-President. Johnny Burns, Co-President. John Jackson, Vice-President. Sue McCain, Director.

Please consider continuing your annual support for our mission to preserve our history in Moore County. Without your support, we would not be able to maintain the standard of care of which we are so proud. We cannot do this without you. If you have already sent in your membership donation this year....we thank you. If you have not, we have enclosed a Preservation Card for your convenience.

New Grant Received

We are pleased to announce that we received a grant from the Moore County Community Foundation to install electrical wiring and light fixtures at the Bryant House and McClendon Cabin. This will enable us to show visitors around more effectively, illuminate exhibits and have a safer environment for everyone. We would like to thank the MCCF for their outstanding generosity, not only to us, but to every non-profit organization they supported.

Tobacco Barn Museum

The project to turn the tobacco barn located on the Shaw House site into a museum is nearing completion and we are in need of donations of artifacts, implements and other items related to the farming of tobacco and other agricultural crops grown in Moore County. Please spread the word and help us to create a meaningful exhibit of this important economic aspect of life in this area. Donations can be dropped off at the Shaw House Tuesday through Friday between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm. If you have questions or need pick-up service, please call 692-2051.

Seedlings Garden Club Grant

The MCHA is grateful for a recent grant from the Seedlings Garden Club to fund a project to replant the 1820s Bryant House and 1770s McClendon Cabin site with appropriate edible-bearing plants. We are in the process of ordering the following: scuppernong, muscadine and fox grapes, plum bushes and scaly bark hickory nut trees. We are working with a nursery that will install the plants and guarantee them for a year.



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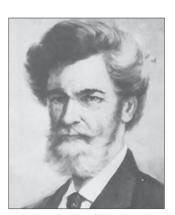
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JOHN T. PATRICK

FOUNDER OF SOUTHERN PINES AND PINEBLUFF











Top left: the first hotel in Southern Pines. Built by John Patrick in 1885. Right: John T. Patrick. Bottom left: the Southern Pines train depot in 1894. Right: early photograph of the Shaw House.

Passengers stepped onto a dry goods box as they alighted from the Raleigh and Augusta train in the fall of 1884 to view the fledgling town of Southern Pines. Denuded land and roaming razorback hogs welcomed the adventuresome. Near the track was the Patrick Hotel, the meager hostelry built by John T. Patrick, founder of the new town. The green pine exterior of the building was coated with lime and molasses, a mixture to seal the raw wood, and old newspapers covered the walls of the five guest rooms.

John T. Patrick was a Southern gentleman, a North Carolinian born in Wadesboro in 1852. By age 30, Patrick had two official titles; that of "Commissioner of Immigration" for North Carolina and "Industrial Agent" for the railroad. He traveled the state and narrowed his interest to the Moore County Sandhills as an area for potential development. His plan was called, "Patrick's Folly," since locals said the land, void of tall pines, "was good only to hold the world together."

But Patrick envisioned a winter resort in the Sandhills, where folks could escape cold Northern winters and embrace the temperate climate and healthy air of the region.

He had a survey made of Shaw's Ridge. At an elevation of 600 feet, it was the highest point along the route towards Hamlet. In March 1884, Patrick used his own funds to purchase 675 acres for \$1,265 – less than



\$2 an acre – and set about establishing the town. First called Vineland, after a resort on the New Jersey coast, it soon was renamed Southern Pines. Streets were cleverly given the names of New England and Midwestern states from which he hoped to attract settlers. Broad Street flanked the railroad tracks as it does today and there was to be a fifty acre park on Bennett Street, with a lake and a mineral spring. Within fifteen years the large Piney Woods Inn would sit above this lake.

Financed by the railroad, Patrick toured the Northeastern states in a train car, showcasing exhibits of the good life in the Sandhills. Patrick was not an orator, but spoke honestly at New England town meetings on the merits of his North Carolina location.

And settlers came to live in Patrick's town! Soon there was a post office, a general store, a drug store, a one-room 12' by 16' schoolhouse, a church where all denominations worshipped in turn, a depot, a sawmill and a newspaper.

In 1887, with a population of 50, Southern Pines was incorporated. Charles W. Shaw was the first mayor. Townspeople called him "Squire," as he was a Justice of the Peace. Shaw had five town commissioners, all Yankee newcomers from the North.

In March, 1885, Patrick, never resting, began planning for another town on the rail line seven miles south of Southern Pines. He paid \$1000 for 772 acres, including a millpond, and he named it Patrick Plantation. He later changed the name to Pinebluff, made his home there for 20 years and tried to develop it as a winter resort. He named east-west avenues after American cities, and streets for fruits and nuts.

While Pinebluff would have eight major hotels, all eventually would burn to the ground. The resort community never grew as Patrick had hoped. After helping establish other communities in the state, he returned in 1918 to Southern Pines, his proudest achievement. There, he died of influenza in the Southland Hotel on December 7, 1918, and was buried in the family plot in the East View Cemetery, Wadesboro. He was 66 years old.

By Jean Barron Walker

Newspaper Clippings from The Lisbon Index, New Hampshire, October 18, 1884 & December 27, 1884

STATE OF NO. CAROLINA

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Raleigh, N. C., June 10th, 1884.

To the people of the Northern, New England and North Western States. It is with deep regret we learn of the heavy loss your sustained by the frost and ice Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, May 28th, 29th and 30th. As usual our State,

North Carolina Escapes.

Our tobacco plants are unhurt and growing nicely. Grain and grass crops are very fine. No damage whatever done to most delicate vegetables and fruits.

We are very desirous of having the many thousands of acres of unoccupied land settled with and cultivated by Northern farmers; and we can offer you a climate exempt from late and early frosts.

North Carolina is within fifteen hours ride of New York. The vast resources of the state will be exhibited in this city at the Grand State Exposition Oct. 1st to 28, 1884.

It is my duty and pleasure to furnish information to persons seeking homes in the State.

Very Respectfully, JNO, T. PATRICK, State Agent Immigration.

THE WINTER RESORT VINCLAND OR SOUTHERN PINES IN MOORE CO., NO. CAROLINA,

(Not New Jersey,) Is on the most elevated point of the long leaf pine section in the south. Free from every malarial influence. The atmosphere is highly charged with ozone from the almost boundless forest of pines Send for work on "the Pines" written by a physician who has given the lung disease a life study It gives a history of this section, Southern Pines, and many hints which wi'l be of interest to rheumatics and consumptives. We will send a few housand copies free of cost to those applying during the next few months. We desire to corres and with physicians, and will make it to their interest to write us.

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EVENT RECAP NEWS & PHOTOS AUGUST 2018



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Scottish Settlers in the Sandhills Lecture

March 11, 2018

A packed house of close to 100 attendees was present to hear Bill Caudill speak on the failed emigration of Scots to the Sandhills in 1884. Mr. Caudill is descended from Highland Scots who settled in Scotland and Robeson Counties, and has had a long-standing interest in the history, cultural retentions, and lore of Scots in this region.

His presentation focused on the last major effort to recruit Scots to the area, which occurred in the 1880's. This little-known episode in the Sandhills region history, was sponsored by regional farmers, with the aid of developer and state Board of Agriculture Emigration Officer John T. Patrick (the true founder of Pinehurst and Southern Pines), as well as other regional individuals, companies, and agencies. By summer of 1884 around 300 or more Highland Scots had been located and settled among communities in Richmond, present-day Scotland, Hoke, and Lee, as well as Moore Counties. Within less than a year they were mostly gone.

Clenny Creek Day

April 21, 2018

The 13th Annual Clenny Creek Day was a great success. The hills were alive with the sounds of South Ridge Bluegrass, Paint Hill Holdout, and Old River Road. Vendor offerings included goat milk's products, handmade jewelry, antiques, handmade tinctures and salves, plants, pottery, and artwork. A delicious meal of hot dogs, pintos and corn bread was prepared by Steve and Carol Albert.

Girl Scout Troop 262 (Nell Kubasiak, Chloe DeWitt, Julia Pate, Linden Sprouse, Jana White, Sam Rose, and Olivia Rosy) and leaders supervised the children's activity area. Scout leader Kathleen Kubasiak created a scavenger hunt. Kelly Hinson brought along her fabulous collection of period clothing, which led to some wonderful photos of visitors in period dress. The Caliri family's goat and chick petting area was a huge hit with the children.

Paula Caddell attracted the attention of several visitors with her demonstration of the unique craft of braiding or cord making on a tool called a lucet.

The Friends of the Bryant House thank Bobby Caddell, Lloyd Barnes, Davis Truman, and Robbie Davis for driving golf carts; Judy Snider and Kate Curtin for assisting with raffle, white elephant, and plant sales; Green Haven Plant Farm in Carthage, Carthage Farm Supply, and the Moore County Scotch Riflemen for their continued support of this event. A very special thanks goes to our absolutely awesome friend and photographer, Diane McKay, who always manages to capture the best memories of the day.

Springfest at the Shaw House

April 28, 2018

A new part of the day at the Shaw House was a visit from the N.C. State History Division staff. The staff scanned many Civil War era letters, diaries and documents, as well as documented many family artifacts that were brought to the event. The scanning effort was done in partnership with local Rufus Barringer Civil War Roundtable led by Dr. Matt Farina. We had the largest crowd and

Barringer Civil War Roundtable led by Dr. Matt Farina. We had the largest crowd and amount of data collected to-date from the other seven counties visited. A follow-up letter was received from one of the staff working the event, "Dear Jim: I would like to thank you and your fellow Moore County Historical Associates for being such kind and considerate hosts. The scanning event was a great success thanks to all your publicity work! I look forward to seeing you and your crew in the future. Sincerely, Carol Scheib".

For future interest, a new center is being built in Fayetteville and will be called the North Carolina Civil War and Reconstruction History Center. The first phase of groundbreaking took place on April 18.

Also, a big thank you to new board member Scott Samuel for his display of custom built birdhouses enjoyed by many.

April Day Trip

April 19, 2018

A happy group had a fun-filled day when they traveled to Wilson to see the amazing Vollis Simpson Whirligig Park. "Wow!" That was the collective response to standing beneath numerous whirligigs mounted thirty feet in the air. These amazing creations were made from ordinary cast-off materials by the extraordinary artist Vollis Simpson. The twenty mile per hour wind gusts sent them dancing in every direction. The group of twenty travelers also enjoyed a tour of Gov. C. B. Aycock's birthplace, a one-room schoolhouse, a visit to Bentonville Battlefield, the site of the largest Civil War battle fought in North Carolina, and the Harper House that was used as a battlefield hospital. Special treats were lunch at Parker's, and a stop for ice cream at the Newton Grove Drug Store. The historic day tour was planned by MCHA members Beverly Offutt and Marva Kirk of Kirk Tours.

Annual Meeting

May 20, 2018

This year's Annual Meeting was held at the McDonald House on Bethesda Road in Aberdeen. A beautiful day brought over 50 members and guests to the farm. Outgoing Co-President Jim Jones recognized Al McDonald for letting MCHA hold the meeting at his home. All invited guests to tour his home once the meeting was over.

Incoming Co-President Johnny Burns recognized Sara Lindau and Vernon Elhart for their service as Board Members. He also recognized Jim Jones as Co-President during the past year. All were presented with gifts in appreciation of their time and service to the organization.

New co-president Kate Curtin introduced two new Board Members: Sue McCain and Scott Samuel and John Jackson was recognized as the new Vice-President.

Johnny Burns introduced NC Senator Tom McInnis who presented to the MCHA a North Carolina flag that had flown over the General Assembly Building in Raleigh. For the rest of the meeting, members were captivated by Joe McDonald who talked about interesting events from Moore County's early history, all of which were related in some way to the McDonald House.

A special thank you goes to Judy Snider and her committee who provided strawberry short cake and lemonade that was enjoyed by everyone.

Photo Gallery





Civil War Scanning Event. (L) Dan Pate holding a Southern Cross which used to mark graves of Confederate soldiers. (R)Michael Barret discusses family treasures with Event Coordinator, Jim Jones.



Dorothy Shankle, Johnny Burns and Kate Curtin at Moore County Community Foundation grant awards ceremony.



Beverly Offutt dresses a display manikin in an 1800s dress at the Shaw House.



Springfest. Scott Samuel holds one of his handmade birdhouses exhibited during the event.











Clenny Creek Day. (L) Cheryl Colvin with Kelly Hinson and her daughter, Shiloh. (M) Scotch Riflemen being interviewed by a Girl Scout. (R) MCHA Board Members and Directors, Jim Jones, Judy Snider, Sue McCain, Kate Curtain, and John Jackson.

Annual Meeting: Joe McDonald and Johnny Burns at the Moore County Historical Association's Annual Meeting.