

Shaw House Sketches



To all Members who have joined MCHA again this year we say thank you! To those who have not joined yet we say it's not too late! Your support is appreciated throughout the year, and we've enclosed a membership form in this newsletter inviting you to renew your membership. The Christmas Open House for members is coming, and we look forward to seeing you there!

In addition to financial support, we look to all our Members for help throughout the year for MCHA's various projects and activities. From acting as Docent at the Shaw House to helping with Open Houses at the Shaw House and Bryant House to manning the booths at the Antiques Fair, to baking for the Christmas Open House. . . if you have even two hours to donate, we can use you. We encourage all our Members to get involved and get to know your fellow Members this way. Call Sarah at 692-2051 or email at moorehistory@connectnc.net to volunteer.

We look forward to working with you!

Steady Meares and Vickie Rounds, Co-Presidents

EVENT RECAP

Shaw House Fair

The 3rd Annual Shaw House Fair, held Saturday, October 8, welcomed a large turnout of shoppers browsing the antiques and collectibles offered by the dealers and the donated items for sale by MCHA and Friends of Bryant House. Boxed lunches were enjoyed while various musical groups played throughout the day and crafters demonstrated their skills in creating heritage crafts.

Sincere thanks go to the many volunteers and those listed below:

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Musicians

Allen Smith Family, Clyde Maness & Friends, Cousin Amy, 2nd Childhood

Crafters

Betsy Armstrong - rug hooking, Anne Bright - rag rugs & knitting, Bonnie Roberson - oak splint baskets, Bunny Sinclair - pine needle baskets, Jackie Stewart - weaver, Nancy Talton - quilter, Laura Young - spinner

Shaw House Fair Committee

Beverly Offutt - Co-chair, Dorothy Shankle - Co-chair, Frieda Bruton - Volunteers, Friends of Bryant House - Food, George Hoffman - Silent Auction, Sara Lindau - Publicity, Sue Pockmire - Graphics, Clemm Shankle - Site Preparation, Grace Snelgrove - Vendors, Maureen Sutton - Community Table, Joyce White - Moore Treasures



Alex McLeod Lecture

Dr. Alex McLeod, on Sunday, October 30, presented an interesting lecture on three families with ties to Princeton University and the Sandhills. The Boyd, Yeomans, and Embury influence on this area created a unique cultural setting that remains today. Weaving the story together as a "tartan", Dr. McLeod revealed little-known facts about the connection of these three families and the lasting effect of their contributions on the literary, architectural and landscape values of the Sandhills.

Dr. McLeod has generously donated the slides and the paper derived from the talk to the MCHA archives.

Mystery Trip

Led by Marilyn Hartsell on November 2nd, an adventurous group headed west, their first stop, Reed Gold Mine, a NC Historic Site located in Midland, the first documented gold find in the United States. From there, gold mining spread to nearby counties. During its peak, gold mining was second only to farming in the number of North Carolinians it employed, the estimated value of gold recovered reaching over \$1,000,000 a year. North Carolina led the nation in production until 1848, when the California gold rush began.

After lunch the group enjoyed Dennis Vineyards Winery. The last stop was in downtown Albemarle to visit Sculptor Roger Martin, who had recently completed a bust of the Duke of Albemarle commissioned for the new city hall. A slideshow presented the process from concept to finishing the patina on the bronze. We toured the gallery and studio housed in a beautifully restored former 1916 grocery/rooming house.

Check out the MCHA trips planned for 2012 – you won't be disappointed!

UPCOMING EVENTS AND TOURS

MCHA Spring History Tour

Apr. 24-25, 2012 to Eastern North Carolina

Bath, the oldest town in NC (1705) is a stop on the Spring Tour and includes the Palmer-Marsh House (1751) as well as the oldest church in NC, St. Thomas Episcopal (1734). On Lake Phelps is a 14-room pre-Civil War plantation house (1830). At the peak of plantation life, Somerset had 100,000 acres and produced rice, wheat and corn. Antebellum plantation life and African-American customs and traditions are highlighted. Near Washington, NC we visit the NC Estuarium. Through exhibits, art work, films and aquariums, we learn what happens where fresh water meets salt. A pontoon boat tour on the Tar-Pamlico is an option. At Waynesborough Historical Village we may slip back to the 19th Century and visit ten buildings that comprised this faded town. We tour a family home, Quaker Meeting House, medical and law offices and more as well as watch a blacksmith at work.

Cost and final details available in early 2012. Call Sarah, 692-2051, to let her know you are interested. Trip needs a minimum of 12 people.

The Historical Association's Festivities for the Holiday Season

Friends of the Bryant House will host tours of the Bryant House and McLendon Cabin on Sunday, Dec. 4, 1-4 PM.

The Annual Members Party is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 8, 5-7 PM at the Shaw House. The Committee will soon plan the decorations and begin heating the cider.

All three houses on the Shaw House Property will be open for community enjoyment Dec. 9, 10 & 11 from 1-4 PM. Plan to participate by being a greeter, decorating a room, baking cookies or just showing up – it's always fun!



New Members

Kathleen Kay
Sarah Lawn
Sharon Lawson
Charles P. Mason, Jr.
Bobbie McArthur Ray
Patricia Reil/Richard Shearer

Memorials

Angus Edward Mason by
Charles P. Mason, Jr.
Rolin Alexander & Lilly Beatrice
Barrett by Bebe Briggs
Harry Huberth by Susan Huberth
Bucky Partis by Carol Wadon/
Bruce Jaufmann
Ralph & Floy Mae Wallace
by Julia Bambauer

Honor

Marilyn Hartsell by Eulalie Graham
Florence Hardy by Julia Bambauer

Membership Contributions

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Marilyn Hartsell

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SHAW HOUSE

ANTIQUES FAIR, Oct. 8

Members and Volunteers

RIGHT: Beverly Offutt and Grace Snelgrove.

BELOW (L/R): Polly and Al Dunham, Peggy Thompson, Maureen Sutton and Cos Barnes.



ANTIQUES SHOW, Nov. 4-6



ABOVE: Volunteers, Carolyn Burns, Dorothy Shankle, and Gene Schoenfelder.

AUTUMNFEST, Oct. 1



ABOVE: Booth volunteers, Beverly Offutt and Victoria Rounds working the booth.

SPECIAL SHAW HOUSE VISITORS, Sept. 24



A group from Scotland and Canada toured the Shaw House properties. Shown 2nd from right is McFie Clan Commander, Iain McFie, who was the Guest of Honor at the Scotland County Highland Games held the following week. Squire Shaw's wife, Kate Bethune, was a descendant of this clan.

NATIONAL PARKS TOUR, Sept. 11-22



Palustris Festival, March, 2012

MCHA will exhibit authentic 19th Century needlework on the Shaw House Property, Sat., March 24, 2012 from 10 AM – 4 PM. On display throughout the houses will be vintage quilts, samplers, clothing and needlework tools such as gold and silver thimbles, thimble cases and wooden darners. Each of these articles will be on loan from private collections for this one-day event. A \$2 donation will be requested from each guest. If any of the MCHA Members has special items he or she would like to have displayed, please call Sarah at the Shaw House.

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Bryant House Restoration - Memorials to Mac D. Baker: Edith Ashdown, Paula Caddell, Tara Dowd, Marilyn Hartsell, Dr. Kuhn & Associates, Mt. Carmel UMC, Sarah Newberry, Milton & Elaine Sills, Irma Lee Westrell.

McLendon Cabin Restoration Project: Jane McPhaul.

Donations & Contributions to the Shaw House - Mae Boyer Cooper, Book: Historic Sites Marked by NC Society Colonial Dames XVII Century by Jacquelyn Wheeler Hendrick Oakley. Thomas MacCallum Book: Camp Mackall, North Carolina by Thomas MacCallum. Marie Hardister & Marilyn Hartsell, Window Treatments Shaw House. Marilyn Hartsell, two 19th Century embroidered pillow shams, Kelly Hinson, Sharon Lawson, Kevin McGrath, Sandhills Accounting, Sandra Wheeler, picture frame Ca. 1900, Milton Sills, 2 braided rugs & summer cotton bedspreads and on-loan wrought iron chandelier.

NEWS

Soap

The current MCHA fund raiser, selling soap, is doing us proud. About every two weeks the Soap Round Table meets at the Shaw House to wrap soap bars. A wonderful group usually volunteers and that is wonderful. But here come the holidays, meaning we are all busier and soap sales--if we continue last year's trend--will be up. If you can give us two hours in the afternoon with usually only a day or two's notice, please call me, Grace Snelgrove, 693-1019.

Research Help Needed

Like to research historic subjects? We need volunteers to help research and write 52 public service announcement radio "spots" to give to a local radio station for a "Moment in Moore County History." Accuracy is all-important. Research will be followed by the writing of up to 60-second spots on each topic. The spots will be recorded by other volunteers from MCHA with good radio delivery. If willing to work diligently and have the satisfaction of a job well done, call Sara Lindau at 246-0053, or e-mail saralindau@yahoo.com.

Cannon Ball Found at Shaw House

During a Moore County Historical Association board meeting the question was asked if the cannon ball sitting by the front steps was safe. The cannon ball had been found under a bush during a clean up day. Some research was done and we found out that some civil war cannon balls still have high explosives and some are unstable and can explode. With this information in hand a call was made to the Southern Pines Police Department for assistance.

The police department responded and contacted the Bomb Disposal Unit from Fort Bragg. The Bomb Disposal Unit arrived and determined that the cannon ball would need to be transported to Fort Bragg and x-rayed to determine if it held explosives. If it did contain explosives it would be detonated and destroyed.

We have not heard back from the Ft. Bragg Bomb Disposal Unit as to the disposition of the cannon ball.



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More Sketches

Shaw House Undergoes Extensive Repairs

The historic Shaw House has new boards both outside and underneath its foundation, replacing rotted, termite-infested wood. Electrical wiring under the 1820s era wooden cabin, was brought up to code, with the home of the Moore County Historical Association in Southern Pines good for another 50-100 years. Board member Greg Zywocinski recommended that the board hire contractor Butch Chandler to handle the job, after MCHA President Steadman Meares noticed some rotted areas with termites around a windowsill. Similar work was also necessary on the Sanders Cabin. The total cost was \$3,900 to MCHA.



The underbelly of the Shaw House needed extensive work to strengthen the foundation by replacing rotten wood and re-doing some electrical work to bring it to code.



Workers cut planks to replace old rotten ones at the historic Shaw House. They also repaired parts of the Sanders Cabin. More repairs are still needed to the back part of the cabin, that is below grade and susceptible to rot from water damage and a magnet for termites.



New strong boards are now in place in several areas of the Shaw House replacing the rotten and termite-infested parts.



Zywocinski, right, shakes hands with Chandler upon completion of the Shaw House repairs.

Colonial Dames Presents Charter to Shaw House



Lora Buelow (L) presents Charter to Victoria Rounds

The Colonial Dames, XVII (17th) Century, Deep River Chapter, presented a framed copy of their charter to the Moore County Historical Association recently to display in the Shaw House historic dwelling and office for the MCHA.

Lora Buelow of Seven Lakes, president of the chapter, handed the charter over to Vickie Rounds, co-president of the MCHA at the Shaw House. Also present were the state Society President Hollie Holland of Greensboro, and Libby McAtees, Organizing Secretary General of the

National Society, of Monroe. The State Insignia Chairman Bernice Snuggs, Sue Aceves, State

Music Chairman, and Bobbie Lou Ray, Honorary State President. Representing the MCHA were Vickie Rounds and Steady Mearns, co-presidents, Beverly Offutt, docent chairman, and Greg Zywockinsky, a board member.

“We are glad the Charter has a home,” said Holland. The Deep River Chapter was chartered Nov. 21, 1991 and now has 33 members. A person may become a member as long as they have ancestors that can be documented to North Carolina from before 1701. The members must be descendants of someone or family members who were free and contributing members of colonial society.

Offutt told the group the MCHA is “very glad you brought this...we’ll do our best to give it a good home.”

The Charter contains the names of founding members. There are 46 states out of the 50 in the U.S with chartered Colonial Dames. The MCHA welcomes new members. People may join the Association no matter where they are from. She gave a short history of the MCHA, which was founded in 1946.

Offutt said the Shaw House site has a corn crib, a smoke house and a tobacco barn on the premises from the old days, along with two settlers’ cabins from northern Moore: The Britt Sanders Cabin and the Garner House. The Shaw House itself was built in 1821 and was lived in by descendants of the original builder until 1948 when it was given to the MCHA. The Sanders and Garner dwellings date back to the 1700s and the Shaw House to 1821.



The Book & Gift Shop

Medallions & Ornaments

Antique Southern Pines Medallion	49.95
Shaw House Landmark Ornament	10.00

Notecards & Postcards

Notecards, Shaw House Christmas (8)	8.95
Notecards, Golf, Cities (Package of 4)	6.50
Postcard50

Posters & Maps

1880s Map of Southern Pines (Called Vineland)	8.95
1747 to 1847 Map of Moore County	8.95

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Various Sizes, Custom Design Available (\$19.95 +)

Photo Prints

Custom, 4 x 6 or 5 x 7	3.95
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Soap, Historic Blend

Exclusively for the MCHA 2.75 oz

Bar	2.75
Three Box Set.....	8.95

T-Shirts

McLendon Cabin - Bryant House T-Shirt	6.00
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Wreaths by Grace

Various Sizes (\$7.95 +)

Books

Carolina Scots	35.00
Cities of Fear and Other Adventure Stories	10.00
Images of America: Moore County.....	19.99
Images of America: East/West Southern Pines.....	19.99
Images of America: Sandhills Album	19.99
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Virginia Walthour Moss, A Southern Spirit, A Tribute to Ginnie	29.95
Young Southern Pines	19.95

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, call Sarah at (910) 692-2051.

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