



The Pine Cone

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“The Pine Cone”

THE PINE CONE, *hopefully*, will be a semi-annual publication and, *hopefully*, will keep our membership better informed about both the North Carolina and the National Societies. Since the pine cone is our State Society pin, it was decided that it, once again, would identify our Society . . . this time as the name of our bulletin.

Each issue will have some highlights from Board minutes in the president's report and a list of the county committee programs which can be an excellent source for exchange of ideas for meetings.

The first of four issues will be “The Fourth House,” which is a part of the Old Salem complex in Winston-Salem (where our annual meeting will be held April 19th). The next three issues will promote the Burgwin-Wright House, Haywood Hall and the Joel Lane House.

Suggestions and ideas, regarding format and material, are most welcomed. Thanks to our proof-reader (who also wrote an article), Rosalie Carr. And thanks to Mary Lyell who gave us such wonderful computer service—there was no way to do the layout without her help! Let us hear from you!

Mary Ann Dixon Hogue, editor

Our “Fourth House”

The town of Salem was founded in 1766 by a devout Germanic group of settlers known as “Moravians.” The first construction efforts for the new town were a row of half-timbered houses that came to be known, in the chronology of their construction, as “First House,” “Second House,” “Third House,” etc.

In 1772, four years after its completion, the FOURTH HOUSE, which was a storey and a half central chimney construction, received its first permanent occupant, a good-natured indolent named Charles Holder. Holder, a saddler, seemed always behind in his work and forever in debt. He lived there until his death in 1808, spending his last years as a widower.

A later owner was Edward Belo, the cabinetmaker. But Belo's tastes did not run to the traditional style, which by now had faded in popularity anyway. Shortly after purchasing the property he decided to build something quite different—namely, the lavish antebellum mansion now standing just opposite this row of half-timbered buildings. Other occupants were Gottlieb Clauders, Henry Ruede and numerous other owners. The FOURTH HOUSE, like all the others in this block, was greatly affected by the coming of the Main Street trolley line in 1889-90. The grading of the street added some four or five feet to the front elevation, the street having first been raised and then the houses were either raised to meet it or were

President to President

Martha Kidder passes the gavel to Cissy Loughlin at the 1988 Annual Meeting.



moved to the back of the lot. The FOURTH HOUSE was in the latter category.

By 1936 only one of the original row of buildings, the FOURTH HOUSE, was still standing, and it was in a state of disrepair. Recognizing the historical importance of what was then the oldest house in Winston-Salem, the Forsyth Committee preserved the building by purchasing, renovating and renting it as a private dwelling.

In 1950 Old Salem, Inc., a non-profit organization, was chartered for the purpose of restoring the old town of Salem and of operating the restoration as an educational enterprise. By 1966 twenty-three of the old buildings, dating from 1771 to 1832, had been restored, seven of which were open to the public as museum houses. It was at that point that the Colonial Dames made the FOURTH HOUSE available for restoration. Under the terms of a long-term lease, ownership of the house remains with the Colonial Dames, but Old Salem, Inc., which financed the restoration of the exterior of the house and the adaptation of the interior for use as a modern dwelling, maintains the property and rents the house to private tenants. Old Salem pays a nominal rent to the Forsyth Committee.

--Our appreciation to Anne Strickland and Old Salem, Inc. for the above text.

From the President:

From the Dumbarton House Centennial Campaign to the Biennial Council Meeting in Washington, to the Meetings of the East and West and now on to the Annual Meeting in Winston-Salem on April 18-19. What an exciting year!

The North Carolina Dames are to be congratulated for their contribution to the Dumbarton House Centennial Campaign. Not only did we meet our goal to raise \$100,000 to renovate the Dumbarton Guest Suite for Dames, we more than doubled that amount. There is truly nothing like a North Carolina Dame!

The 47th Biennial Council, held in Washington, D.C., in October, included delegates from all 44 state societies. This national meeting was ably led by our recently retired national president, Mrs. Bruce Bridgford. North Carolina is indeed fortunate that Mrs. Bridgford has transferred her membership to Asheville, North Carolina, from the state of Wyoming, and we may now call her—our own. Mrs. Leslie N. Boney, Jr. made North Carolina proud during the past six years serving as our Region III Vice President. The North Carolina Dames congratulate both these lovely ladies.

Our national newsletter, *New Idea News*, has been replaced by *Newsletter* and will be sent twice a year as a courtesy of the National Society. *The Pine Cone*, our state newsletter, will be published semi-annually for North Carolina members.

The Meetings of the East and West, held in Wilson and Charlotte respectively, were informative and well attended.

A computer has been installed at the Burgwin-Wright House, our Headquarters House in Wilmington, and we are in the process of transferring our records. The exterior of Headquarters House underwent major renovation last fall and had some interior refurbishing, as well. I hope you will visit soon and often.

Looking forward to being with you at the Annual Meeting in Winston-Salem.

Sincerely,
Frances (Cissy) Loughlin

Please Remember

to pay your County Committee dues (this is separate from your State dues).

Mrs. Boney

Lillian Maxwell Bellamy Boney, a Wilmington native, was elected to membership in the late 1940s. Her husband, Leslie Norwood Boney, Jr., is an architect; she has two daughters (both members of the Colonial Dames), one son and two grandchildren. Her grandmother, Mrs. John Dillard Bellamy, was a member as well as her aunt, Mrs. J. Walter Williamson, who was North Carolina President for fourteen years.

Mrs. Boney has lived up magnificently to her family heritage, having served the Society in many capacities since her first election to the Board of Managers in 1958.

She was Registrar in 1970 and Acting Registrar in 1971. In 1971-1973 she was Resident Vice-President, succeeding to the Presidency in 1973. She served for six years and was elected Honorary President in 1979. In 1982 she was elected National Vice-President representing Region III, an office she graced until 1988.

Even during her years as a National Officer, she also worked within the North Carolina Society as Haywood Hall Coordinator from 1979 to 1987. Since 1980 she has been a member of the North Carolina Register Committee.

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Have you met

... Mrs. Erskine Duff? If not, let us introduce you to our terrific fund raiser who headed up the N.C. Dumbarton House Centennial Drive. The last figure was at \$230,000, which is more than twice our goal! N.C. has been leading all the Societies—but maybe that is as it should be. Our grateful thanks and bouquets to Louisa.

In Memoriam

May-Dec. '88

Mrs. John Clayton Smith, Raleigh
Mrs. Harry Gambol Walker, Washington
Mrs. Billy Shaw Howell, Charlotte
Mrs. George Gillette, Wilmington
Mrs. Margaret Lewis Bridgers, Durham
Mrs. Allen T. Morrison, Asheville
Mrs. Wallace Herndon Huffines, Fayetteville
Mrs. James Mulby Holland, Statesville
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Former National President

We would like to add our congratulations to the many, many others that Inez Montgomery Bridgford has received for her gracious leadership. Inez, at the Biennial Council last October, turned over the gavel to Jean Watkins, after having graciously served as our national president for four years. In addition to be NSCDA president, she has been president of the Wyoming Society, a National Historical Activities Committee representative (District 1, Region 2) and the National Recording Secretary 1978-84.

Inez was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, moved to Denver, Colorado, as a child, attended the University of Colorado at Boulder before marrying Bruce W. Bridgford in 1941. After WWII, they moved to Wyoming where she was active in volunteer and church work and served on many civic committees. In 1979 the Bridgfords moved to Asheville where their only child, Dershie McDevitt (a N.C. Dame), lives with her husband Larry and their three children.

When Inez completed her term of office as National Corresponding Secretary, she had planned to transfer her membership to North Carolina. However, having been elected the first President from an Associate State, she delayed her transfer to December 1988. She is now a member of the NSCDA in North Carolina.



Do you know?

... who has kept us together—updated—informed—whatever and has done it for 30 years (since last June). She is non other than Margaret (Mrs. Hugh) McEachern, our wonderful and absolutely indispensable Executive Secretary!

Forsyth Hosts 1989 Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of North Carolina will be held in Winston-Salem on Wednesday, April 19, 1989. On the 18th tea will be served at the home of Mrs. Everette C. Sherrill, 404 Sheffield Drive, between 3 and 5, and a black tie dinner will be held at the Forsyth Country Club. Cocktails will begin at 7 o'clock and the dinner will be served at 8 p.m. The meeting will also be held at the Forsyth Country Club with registration at 10:00 a.m. and the meeting at 10:30. Refreshments and lunch will begin at the close of the meeting. The speaker will be our new National President, Mrs. John Bagley Watkins.

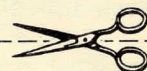
The dinner will be \$30.00 per person and the luncheon will be \$15.00 a member. Reservation forms for the above will be on your formal invitation to be received soon.


Our hardworking members who are making all these nice plans for us are Mrs. Sherrill, Mrs. James Glenn and Mrs. Clemens Sandresky, of the Forsyth Committee.

Fifty rooms have been booked at the Hyatt Hotel. Reservations may be made by calling (919) 725-1234 or by using the reservation form below and mailing it to:

Hyatt Winston-Salem
Reservations Department
300 West Fifth Street
Post Office Box 599
Winston-Salem, NC 27102

(The cut-off date for hotel reservations is March 28th.)



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919-725-1234

NUMBER OF PEOPLE	GROUP RATES
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Person	80.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Persons	90.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Persons	
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Persons	

For suite reservations, please call the Reservations Department directly. 919-725-1234, ext. 622.

All rooms subject to 5% sales tax and 3% room tax.

All of our rooms have either one King sized bed or two double beds. **All special requests will be based on space availability.**

SPECIAL REQUEST(S): _____

Room Reservations must be made by: 3/28/89

NAME OF GROUP Colonial Dames
of North Carolina

DATES 4/18/89-4/19/89

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Date of Arrival _____

Estimated Arrival Time _____

Date of Departure _____

Check In Time: 3 p.m. Check Out Time: 12 Noon

Name(s) of additional person(s) sharing room: _____

Your reservation will be held until 6 p.m. unless guaranteed. You may guarantee your reservation with one night's room deposit, a company name and address or an accepted credit card number, expiration date and signature. Guaranteed reservations are held for arrival night only regardless of length of stay.

HOLD UNTIL 6 p.m.
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County Committee Meeting Programs

Washington Town - *History of the Society of the Cincinnati*, a talk by Mr. John D. Kilbourne, Anderson House.

Granville-Vance - *Collecting Letters and Documents* and having them bound to be preserved to compose the Colonial Records of North Carolina. Speaker: Mr. George Blackburn, II.

Iredell - *N.C. Delegates to the Constitutional Convention*, a talk by the Rev. Carolyn Godey.

Guilford - *Colonial Revolutionary Militia*, presented by Dr. George Traxler, Professor of History, Elon College. Also, *The Lee Girls*, a talk given by the author, Mary Price Coulting, about Robert E. Lee and his daughters. And also *The Revolutionary War Battle of Findley's Mill*; speaker, Dr. Traxler.

Roanoke - *The Way We Were*, a slide presentation on loan from the Museum of History Associates.

Pee Dee - *Historic Fayetteville*, a slide program by Rosalie Kelly.

Pamlico - *Colonial Explorers' Routes* (routes used to the New World), presented by Mrs. Morton Daughton.

Forsyth - *Moravian Composers 18th Century Winds of Change*, a talk by Mrs. Clemens Sandresky. Also, *From the Ground Up*; speaker, Mr. Michael Hammond, Director of Archeology of Old Salem, Inc.

Wake - *Women's Voices - Abigail Adams*, a talk by Dr. Elgiva Watson, Dean St. Mary's College

New Hanover - *Preservation of Surviving Buildings - A Stroll Through Wilmington in the 18th and 19th Centuries*; speaker, Mrs. Angela Barnett Rowe, Director of the Historical Foundation. Also, a *Show and Tell*, where members brought artifacts and memorabilia.

Cumberland - *The Harp*, a program by Mrs. David Chamberland explaining the various aspects of the instrument and playing several selections.

Iredell - *Small Treasures and Great Pleasures*, auction, the proceeds to be donated to the N.C. Museum Houses.

Robeson - *James McNeill Whistler*, a talk by Lee Werner, a Lumberton artist and business man.

Nash - *The Lost Colony*, a talk by Phil Evans from the Federal Wildlife Commission.

Cabarrus - *Downtown Concord* improvements, with emphasis on historic preservation. Presented by Jeff Young, City Planner for Concord.

Lots of marvelous programs, Ladies, which should stimulate your thinking caps for meetings for your committee!

Museum Houses Trust Fund

Since May, \$7,665.00 has been contributed to the Museum Houses Trust Fund. Just in case you need a form, here's one for your convenience. Write check to N.C. Museum House Trust Fund.

____ \$10 ____ \$25 ____ \$50 ____ \$100 ____ Other

(Check One)

Gift to N.C. Museum Houses Trust Fund:

In thanksgiving for _____

In honor of _____

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Signed _____ Committee

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