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👉 Two BIG Society Events This Fall 👈

Wachovia Historical Society

118th annual meeting

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 22, 2013
(Moravian Lower Brass prelude at 7 p.m.)

at Old Salem Visitor Center
on Old Salem Road in historic Old Salem

Members welcome; public invited to attend

“Detecting the Curious Wachovia Factor in Our Past,” presented by Dr. Larry E. Tise in recognition of the centennial of the merger of Salem and Winston and the 260th anniversary of Wachovia.



Wachovia Historical Society

ninth annual

Bus Tour

Led by Old Salem's John Larson

Saturday, October 26, 2013

Come “ride the rails” with us as we revisit the historic Winston-Salem trolley car routes and buildings along the way

To reserve a place, contact
Old Salem Museums & Gardens
600 S. Main Street, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27101
800-441-5305 or e-mail kwalker@oldsalem.org.

Registration: \$55 members, \$65 non-members

[Members & public welcome](#)

Join us for this wonderful adventure!

Annual meeting a highlight-filled occasion

The 117th annual meeting of the Wachovia Historical Society, held last October 9, 2012, at the Old Salem Visitor Center, featured a number of highlights that delighted and informed some 160 members and guests.

Actually the highlights began even before the meeting, at the prelude, which featured a delightful musical presentation by a string quartet of young musicians with the whimsical name, “No Strings Attached.” That set the stage for the evening.

In the meeting itself the featured highlight was the oration by Dr. Michele Gillespie, professor of history at Wake Forest University. She introduced her new book, *Katharine and R. J. Reynolds: Partners of Fortune in the Making of the New South*. Dr. Gillespie recounted the many contributions this charismatic couple made to the city of Winston-Salem, not only in the business and financial areas, but also the many ways they conveyed their compassion and interest in the life and times of this era to the general public.

Dr. Gillespie’s presentation was deservedly warmly received, and as an aside, Frederick P. Spach, president of the Society, remarked: “It kind of makes you want to go out and light up a Camel.”

The meeting concluded with yet another highlight, the presentation of the fourteenth Archie K. Davis Award. Established in 1999, the award is named for

the revered and respected banker, statesman, and lifelong student of history, especially the history of his beloved North Carolina and of the Civil War. The award is presented by the Society in recognition of an individual whose outstanding contributions and devotion to the history and culture of our region, state, and nation have enriched the appreciation of our heritage.

As the concluding highlight of the Society’s 117th annual meeting, the recipient of the prestigious Davis Award was Mrs. Helen Copenhaver — Copey — Hanes.

Mrs. Hanes’s contributions to our community, not only from a philanthropic standpoint, but also for her active personal participation, are outstanding. She was a founder of Old Salem Museums & Gardens, the University of North Carolina School of the Arts, the Winston-Salem Symphony, and the Winston-Salem Arts Council. In 2010 she was

inducted into the North Carolina Women’s Hall of Fame, and at her induction it was said: “By acting out her love of the arts, Mrs. Hanes has brightened the lives, not only in her home town of Winston-Salem, but across the state and nation.”

And so the presentation of the fourteenth Archie K. Davis Award was indeed a fitting tribute to a most gracious lady. Gwynne S. Taylor, 2008 recipient of the award, made the presentation.

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Philanthropist Copey Hanes displays her Archie K. Davis Award, flanked by Society President Peck Spach and award presenter Gwynne S. Taylor

Photo courtesy of Molly Grogan Rawls

A note from the President, 2013

I hope you are enjoying this most recent issue of *The Wachovia Tract*. As you can see, the Wachovia Historical Society has been busy.

There is one very special project I want to highlight.

Several months ago we received a grant request from the humanities department at R. J. Reynolds High School. The request was to help underwrite a field trip for 10th grade history students. They would ride school buses around Winston-Salem and be introduced to local institutions which have had a profound effect on the history, both early and recent, of our city. They made stops at Old Salem, Winston-Salem State University, the University of North Carolina School of the Arts, and Wake Forest University.

Their teachers reported that the tour was extremely enlightening for the students. As one teacher wrote, “The number of students who took pictures during the trip emphasized how few had the opportunity to visit these sites or were even aware of these places.”

Your Society was pleased to provide a grant to defray transportation expenses for this unique project.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I express our deepest gratitude for your interest and support.

Thomas W. Williams, Jr.

Highlights fill Society's 117th annual meeting

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In other business, President Spach reviewed the Wachovia Historical Society's events during the year.

In April 2012 Old Salem Museums & Gardens hosted a concert featuring the music of Moravian composer Johannes Herbst. The Society participated as a major sponsor.

The Society's annual bus tour featured a trip to Bethania and Bethabara, where some 45 participants were treated to a tour of the historic homes and gardens, as well as other historic sites. The tour was an educational experience, learning even more about these earliest settlements in the Moravians' Wachovia tract.

Also in 2012 the Society was pleased to make a grant to Historic Bethabara Park to enhance the visitor center topographical display.

On display at the annual meeting was the Johann Valentine Haidt painting, *The Crucifixion*, recently restored through significant grants by the Wachovia Historical Society. One of the most valuable items

in the Society's collection, *The Crucifixion* is now on display at Old Salem.

President Spach thanked the membership for their continued interest and financial support of this and past years. He emphasized their support enables the Society to continue making these events and grants possible.

In conclusion, President Spach noted and thanked the retiring Board members and officers for their devoted time and work: directors Ray Burke, Richard Henderson, and Donald Nielsen, and a special thanks to Molly Rawls for her outstanding service as secretary of the Society.

New officers and directors elected for the year 2012-13 were Tom Williams, president; Lane Sapp, vice president; Aubrey Smith, secretary; and Richard Starbuck, treasurer; and directors Eugene Adcock, Paul Armfield, and Kirk Sanders.

In conclusion, retiring President Spach thanked one and all for another outstanding year and for making the 117th annual meeting a highlight-filled occasion.

Dr. Cedric Rodney — a Moravian pioneer

Dr. Cedric Sydney Rodney

October 10, 1924 – November 20, 2012

Wachovia Historical Society Board member
Dr. Cedric Rodney died November 20, 2012. He had served on the board since his election in October 2009.

Born in Guyana, Dr. Rodney came to the United States at age 21 and studied at Columbia University in New York City, Malone College, Canton, Ohio, where he received a Bachelor's degree in Religious Education, and at John Carroll University in Cleveland, where he received a Master of Arts.

After serving congregations of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, he returned to Guyana in 1964 for service as a missionary for the Moravian Board of World Mission. He returned to the United States in 1967, studying for a semester at Moravian Theological Seminary, from which he later received a Doctor of Divinity degree in 1995, and in 1968 began service as pastor of the St. Philips Moravian Church in Winston-Salem.

While continuing at St. Philips, in 1969 he began service as chaplain at Winston-Salem State University continuing in that position until 1990. He also taught various courses, coordinated the Youth for Christ Choir and the Campus Outreach Program, and chaired the

Joseph N. Patterson Lecture Series. He was appointed as the university's first Distinguished Professor, serving as the James A. Gray Distinguished Professor of Religion

and Ethics for nearly 20 years. In 1998 he received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from the university, particularly for his work with the James A. Gray Lecture Series.

Dr. Rodney actively served various boards of the church and the community. In the Moravian Church, he served the Salem-towne Retirement Community, Board of Homeland Missions, Salem Academy and College, and Alumni Board of Moravian Theological Seminary. Among the community groups he served are Old Salem, Winston-Salem /Forsyth County School Board, Hospice and Palliative Care Center, Senior Services, North Carolina Social Services Commission, Winston-Salem Rotary Club, Wachovia Historical Society, Bethabara Park, and

Forsyth Amateur Radio Society.

On behalf of the Wachovia Historical Society, the Board of Directors extends sympathy to his wife, Mae Lipscomb Rodney; daughters, Elise and Evette; son, Cabot; and grandchildren, Jamal, Justin, Ciera, and Kieran; and great-grandchild, Jah'Zara.



Cedric S. Rodney

Members of the Wachovia Historical Society, August 31, 2013

As of August 31, 2013, the end of its fiscal year 2012-13, the Wachovia Historical Society had 80 life members, two Bethabara Associates members, 25 Committee of 1895 members, 20 Salem Guild members, 109 Family, Individual, and Senior members, five nonprofit and commercial/professional members, and one student member for a total of 242 membership units. It is only through your support that this wonderful organization continues. We thank all of you for your membership, and we look forward to many years of adventures in history together.

Life Members

(The Life Member category was discontinued in 1996. Many of our Life Members further support the Wachovia Historical Society with annual contributions, for which we are deeply grateful.)

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