

## Wachovia Historical Society

## 124th Annual Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 7:30 p.m., Gray Auditorium,  
Old Salem Visitor Center



Organ Prelude—7:00 p.m., Mary Louise Kapp Peeples,  
*playing the historic Tannenberg organ*



## Annual Oration:

*“They Came to Wachovia, Tired, Cold, and Hungry”*

**Mr. Randell Jones**, Award-winning author and storyteller

*Free admission, members and public welcome!*

The 124th Annual Meeting of the Wachovia Historical Society will be held on **Tuesday evening, October 15, 2019**, beginning at **7:30 p.m.** in the Old Salem Visitor Center. As always, a delightful **musical prelude** will precede the meeting, beginning at **7:00 p.m.** This year, we are pleased to have organist Mary Louise Kapp Peeples with us, playing the historic 1800 David Tannenberg organ.



This year's annual oration will be delivered by Mr. Randell Jones, an award winning author and storyteller (*at left*). The title of Mr. Jones's oration is →

*“They Came to Wachovia, Tired, Cold, and Hungry.”* Randell will present a story of the American Revolution which touched Wachovia specifically— the march of the prisoners after the Battle of Kings Mountain to Bethabara.

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He will enhance this presentation with new developments in historical knowledge. Those interested in getting the background for this story will want to watch the video, “The American Spirit, 1780.” This 40-minute video is accessible on **YouTube** directly from Randell’s website:

**www.DanielBooneFoosteps.com**

(Simply click on “Classroom” in the main menu to find the link to the “The American Spirit, 1780” video.)

Randell Jones is the author of *In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone* and *Before They Were Heroes at King’s Mountain* (see book covers below) as well as other books of the pioneer era and the American Revolution. Most of his books feature historical aspects of North Carolina, including *Scoundrels, Rogues, and Heroes of the Old North State*. He has produced three videos including the aforementioned “*The American Spirit, 1780*.”

Since 2007, Randell has served as an invited member of the Road Scholars Speakers Bureau of the North Carolina Humanities Council. In 2013, the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, conferred on him their national History Award Medal. His works have received two Kentucky History Awards from the Kentucky Historical Society and a Medal in 2014 from the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, for his body of works. Several of his books and videos have been recognized with awards from the North Carolina Society of Historians. Randell lives in Winston-Salem, NC with his wife.

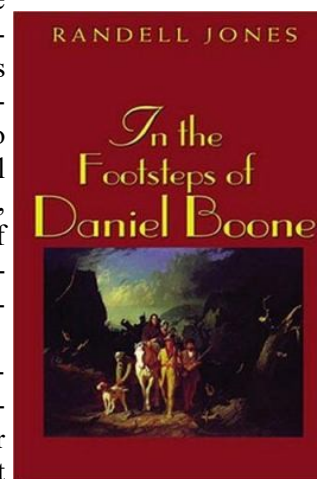
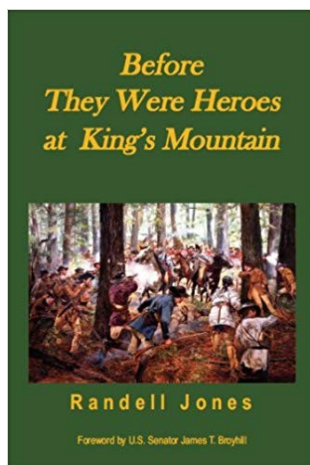
Mr. Jones earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in engineering from Georgia Tech and an MBA from UNC-Chapel Hill. His Jones ancestors lived in East Tennessee during the time David Crockett was there, and he believes a McBride ancestor was on the campaign with Colonel Andrew Lewis down the Kanawha River to what became the Battle of Point Pleasant along the Ohio River during Lord Dunmore’s

War in October 1774. Randell speaks to groups of varying size on topics related to American heritage and North Carolina history. He is a member of the Genealogical Speakers Guild. The North Carolina Humanities Council has provided funding to the Society for Mr. Jones’ oration.

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*Johnnie P. Pearson*

*This presentation is made possible by funding from the North Carolina Humanities Council, a state wide nonprofit and affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.*



MANY STORIES, ONE PEOPLE

## 2019 Archie K. Davis Award Winner— To Be Announced Oct. 15!

The Board of Directors of the Wachovia Historical Society will announce the 2019 recipient of the Archie K. Davis Award for History at the October 15 Annual Meeting.

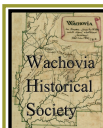
The Wachovia Historical Society established the Archie K. Davis Award in 1999, in recognition of the contributions of Archibald Kimbrough Davis (1911-1998) to the study and appreciation of the history of North Carolina and our nation. This award, presented annually by the Society, recognizes an individual whose outstanding contributions and devotion to the history of our region, state, and nation have enriched the appreciation of our heritage.



Archie K. Davis's professional life and his service to our community were characterized by grace, gentility, intellect, enthusiasm, perseverance, and humility. With the Archie K. Davis Award, the Wachovia Historical Society recognizes the exemplary service of those who, like Mr. Davis, enrich our lives through their devotion to the study and appreciation of our heritage. ★WT

*Contributors: Johnnie P. Pearson, Peggy P. Dodson, Nola Reed Knouse, and Ann Hall Wauford.*

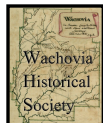
### Wachovia Historical Society 2019 Board of Directors (alphabetical order)



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### Archie K. Davis Winners: 1999-2018

Louise Kapp (1999)	Craig Atwood (2010)
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Gwynne Taylor (2008)	
John Larson (2009)	



## from the President

by I. B. Southerland III



As we look ahead to the fall and the Society's 124th Annual Meeting, I encourage all members to mark their calendars for October 15, 2019. We are excited to have Mr. Randell Jones giving our oration. We will be making the presentation of the 2019 Archie K. Davis award at this meeting. The Society Board has been very busy with the many tasks required to keep the Society functioning. ❖ **Property Committee** is closely watching the Spach Rock House property as construction of a new housing project is underway. Other issues continue to pop up that they work on to protect our interests. ❖ **Rehab of the Society monument in Oglethorpe Square** in Savannah, Ga. has been completed, and we hope to have a rededication in the future. We would encourage members to make a donation to the Society to help with the cost of this project. ❖ **Collections Committee:** The old Coco Cola plant on Poplar Street is currently used for several Old Salem Museums & Gardens (OSMG) operations as well as for storage of the Old Salem and Wachovia Historical Society (WHS) collections that are not on exhibit. OSMG is currently exploring the possibility of selling the plant and moving the stored collections to another building which will be renovated specifically for the storage of WHS and OSMG collections. However, the largest objects in the WHS collection such as two fire engines, a hose reel, a sleigh, 2 carriages, and a Nissen wagon will not fit in the new facility. OSMG has asked the WHS to store these objects elsewhere at our expense. The WHS is working closely with Johanna Brown, Curator of Moravian Decorative Arts at Old Salem, to evaluate options for these larger objects. ❖ **Public Relations/Publications Committee** has again been busy putting out **The Tract**. A special thanks to them for their outstanding job.

❖ **Nominations Committee** has developed a strong new slate of new Board members, terms beginning in 2020.

I encourage all members to attend our Annual Meeting in October and bring a guest with them. ★WT

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## The Candle Tea – 90th Anniversary in 2019

by Beverly Moore, 2019 Candle Tea Chair, Home Moravian Church

The Candle Tea, held every year at the Single Brothers' House in Old Salem, invites the public to experience Moravian Advent and Christmas traditions including singing carols to the 1798 David Tannenberg organ, watching beeswax candles being made, enjoying Moravian coffee and sugar cake, and viewing an authentic Moravian "putz." It all began in the summer of 1929 when a member of what was then the Women's Auxiliary of Home Moravian Church overheard Miss Maggie Pfohl wish that at some time there might be a large putz ("decoration") in Salem.

The Moravians had brought with them from Germany the custom of building a Christmas putz, an arrangement of common materials into a scene which a family would gladly and affectionately recall. It had been the practice in Salem to visit each other's homes at Christmas to see the family putz and delight in any new objects.

In December 1929, the Women's Auxiliary displayed a large putz in the storeroom next to Welfare Drug Store, then located on Salem Square. It showed Christmas traditions around the world surrounding a Nativity representing "Jesus, the Light of the World." (continued on page 5 →)





## 90th Candle Tea *(Continued from page 4)*

South Main and West Streets. Subsequently, a putz was displayed at various locations around Salem Square until 1941 when it found a permanent home in the sub-basement of the Single Brothers' House as part of Candle Tea.

Beginning in 1937, the Women's Auxiliary invited the community to the Single Brothers' House to observe how Lovefeast candles are made. They offered refreshments and sold Moravian Christmas foods and literature calling this event "Candle Tea." Miss Ella Caroline Butner, who lived in the Single Brothers House at the time and made all the Lovefeast candles, demonstrated candle making from 1937 until 1944, when "[t]welve girls were taught by Miss Ella Butner how to make the traditional Christmas Candles so that this process might be featured again at the Candle Tea. The enthusiasm not only among the makers, but among those who came to see, was most gratifying." The tradition of candle making demonstrations continues with new candle makers but with the same message -- the flame of each lighted Lovefeast candle represents "Jesus, the Light of the World."

Meanwhile, the putz in the sub-basement expanded in 1949 to include a Salem Square scene depicting Salem near the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. A new or refurbished building has been added each year making the Salem Scene today 15' deep and 30' long. In 1952, the Nativity was moved to a separate room so that it would be the final event of the Tea, and people would leave remembering the true message of Candle Tea. Candle Tea, including the putz, has remained at the Single Brothers' House, adjusting as the building changed with the elimination of residential apartments and its restoration by Old Salem, Inc. Similarly, the building has remained in the same location, adjusting its address as the communities around it changed. A 1952 press release for Candle Tea explained: *"The Brothers' House, built in 1768 has stayed in Wachovia, but has been in 2 countries and 4 counties without moving a foot. 100,000 acres were first bought from the British Parliament, so that was part of Great Britain, a crown colony. The second country, of course, was the United States. The land on which the Brothers' House stands was first in Rowan County. Later Rowan was divided, and it stood in Surry County. Through a later division it was located in Stokes County, until finally, by another division, it stands in Forsyth."*

**We invite you** to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Candle Tea in the Single Brothers' House. Admission is \$5.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children 12 and under (cash or checks only at the door). Limited prepaid (nonrefundable) reservations will be available on our website beginning October 1<sup>st</sup> for \$7.00 per person (Paypal or credit cards only). The 2019 Tea will be open December 5-6 and 12-13 from 1:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. and on December 7 and 14 from 11:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. **WT**



*Beverly Moore*

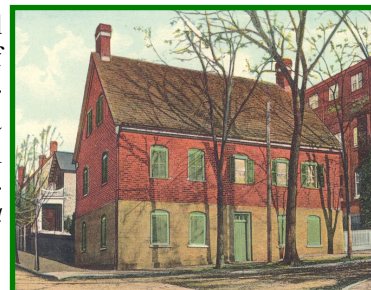


*Left, Miss Ellen Ebert and Miss Ann Dills admire the 1946 putz (photo courtesy of Forsyth Co. Public Library Collection). Right, a view of the 2010 putz (courtesy of John Dyer).*



## *Members of the Wachovia Historical Society as of August 31, 2019*

As of August 31, 2019, the end of fiscal year 2018-19, the Wachovia Historical Society had 49 life members, 8 Bethabara Associates members, 34 Committee of 1895 members, 23 Salem Guild members, 72 Family, Individual, and Senior members, 6 nonprofit and commercial/professional members, and 2 student members for a total of 194 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. *(Pictured at right, The 1794 Salem Boys School, which served as the museum of the Wachovia Historical Society, 1897-1972.)* ★WT



*Richard W. Starbuck*

### **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.)*



### **Contributing Life Members**

Mrs. Mary Dull  
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Mrs. Elizabeth B. Felts  
Mr. Thomas A. Gray  
Ms. Sallie L. Greenfield  
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Emily Fearnbach  
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Gwynne & Dan Taylor



### **Life Members**

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Mr. David E. Shaffner  
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Robert & Kaye Spough

### **Life Members**

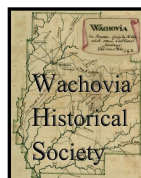
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Dr. Julianne Still Thrift  
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Winston-Salem Journal  
Mrs. Lynn Ziglar



### **Order of Wachovia** *(\$1,000 and up)*

*No current members*



### **Bethabara Associates** *(\$250-\$499)*

Mr. Wesley Bailey  
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Karl and Toni Kapp  
Ms. Anna M. Smith  
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Southerland  
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Spach

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*[Year of the Society's Inception] (\$100-\$249)*

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Adcock III  
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Beets  
Richard & Brooke Burr  
Tommy and Betty Cole  
Joan & David Cotterill  
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Linda and Ed Kelly  
Dan and Paula Locklair  
Robert and Cama Merritt  
Mr. Conrad A. Mitchell  
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## Wachovia Historical Society Members

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### Committee of 1895

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Mr. George W. Morgan, Jr.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. Lester  
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Johnnie and Mary Anna  
Pearson  
Eric H. Rauschenberg  
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Kirk & Ashley Sanders  
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Starbuck  
Susan Stockton and  
Jeffrey Worth  
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Williams, Jr.  
Jim and Zena Yarbrough



### Salem Guild (\$50-\$99)

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Hartley  
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Michelle M. Leonard

### Salem Guild (cont.)

Joseph & Elizabeth  
Lineberger  
Lessie J. Mann  
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Jim and Roberta Pettit  
Molly and Jeffrey Rawls  
Aubrey and Barbara Smith  
Ann Hall Wauford  
Bob Pearl

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Baucom  
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Walter & Deborah Bishop  
Dr. & Mrs. Edwyn T. Bowen  
Max and Margaret Brady  
Hallene L. Brindle  
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Mike and Teresa Cude  
Brenda Dalton  
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Mr. J. Eric Elliott  
Phyllis & Riff Footland

### Family, Individual & Senior (continued)

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Allen County, OH Public  
Library  
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Bethania Historical Assn.  
Historic Bethabara Park  
Museum of Early Southern  
Decorative Arts  
Old Salem Museums &  
Gardens



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Miss Victoria Rose  
Starbuck



### Greenfield Ministry Fund

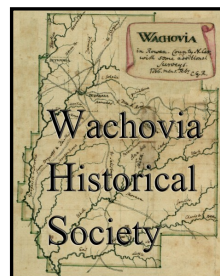
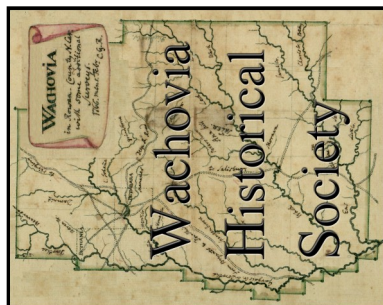
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### Memorials

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