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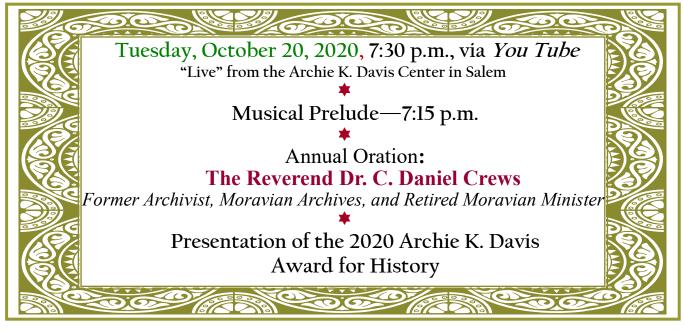


Wachovia Historical Society 125th "Virtual" Annual Meeting



Summer 2020

by Paul F. Knouse, Jr. and Johnnie P. Pearson



"The show WILL go on!"

Mark your calendars now for the 125th Annual Meeting of the Wachovia Historical Society. The coronavirus health crisis unfortunately continues, but the Wachovia Historical Society is forging ahead with its plan to have our meeting "virtually." The entire event will be broadcast on *You Tube* on **Tuesday, October 20, 2020**, beginning at **7:15 p.m.**, with our traditional "Musical Prelude" *(details to be announced)*. Then the annual meeting will get underway promptly at 7:30 p.m. While we are unable to meet in person this year due to (continued on page 2) → Inside Summer 2020

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the current health crisis, the "show will go on." Plans are for the meeting to begin with an invocation by the Reverend Dr. Nola Reed Knouse, Director of the Moravian Music Foundation and 2013 winner of the Archie K. Davis Award for History. Following the invocation, WHS President I. B. Southerland III will present his annual report. Nominations for new members of the Board of Directors will be presented. Then Dr. Crews will deliver the annual oration. Following

the oration, the presentation of the 2020 Archie K. Davis Award for History will be made.

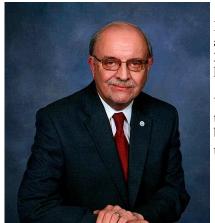
We are grateful to Mr. Erik Salzwedel, Business Manager of the Moravian Music Foundation, who has agreed to help us put together the You Tube broadcast on October 20 (it can be viewed at any time after that, of course, on the You Tube network). In addition to his duties at the Music Foundation, Erik is a professional trombonist with the Winston-Salem and Greensboro symphonies and is an accomplished composer.



Dr. Crews received Bachelor of Divinity and Master of Divinity degrees from Moravian Theological Seminary, a Ph.D. in British literature from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and a Ph.D. in historical theology from the University of Manchester, England. He did post-doctoral study at the University of Prague. As an ordained minister he has served Moravian churches in North Carolina, England, and the Virgin Islands.

He is the author of numerous publications on Moravian history and theology, and with Richard Starbuck co-

authored With Courage for the Future: The Story of the Moravian Church, Southern Province (shown at left). He was co-editor of volumes 12 and 13 of Records of the Moravians in North Carolina, and co-editor of volumes 1-6

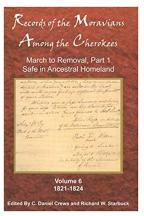


of Records of the Moravians Among the Cherokees (see below right).

Dr. Crews served as the eighth Archivist of the Moravian Church, Southern Province, from 1991 through 2014. He is a most sought after speaker, famous for his knowledge of history and his unmatchable wit.

We hope you will join your fellow WHS members for this year's WHS annual meeting, which in addition to being "virtual," will also be historic in view of the times and circumstances around us! ***WT**

Johnnie P. Pearson and Paul F. Knouse, Jr.



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2020 Archie K. Davis Award Winner— To Be Announced Oct. 20!



The Board of Directors of the Wachovia Historical Society will announce the 2020 recipient of the Archie K. Davis Award for History at the October 20 "virtual" 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. Previous winners are listed below, including the most recent recipients, Langdon E. Oppermann (2019) and Paula W. Locklair

(2018). Archie K. Davis, a revered and respected banker and statesman, was a lifelong student of history, especially the history of his beloved North Carolina and of the Civil War. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a degree in history in 1932. Upon his retirement from the position of Chairman of the Board of Directors of Wachovia Bank and Trust Company in 1974, he re-enrolled in the University and received his Master of Arts Degree one year later. Recognizing his lifelong scholarship and passion for history, the university granted Mr. Davis's request to continue doctoral study without pursuing the degree itself and his dissertation was con-

densed and published as a book, *Boy Colonel of the Confederacy*, by the University of North Carolina Press in 1985.

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.





Archie K. Davis Winners: 1999-2019 Michael O. "Mo" and Louise Kapp (1999) Martha B. Hartley Chester S. Davis (2000) (2011)Frank L. Horton (2001) Copey Hanes (2012) James A. Gray, Jr. (2002) Nola Reed Knouse (2013)C. Daniel Crews (2003) Graham H. Rights (2014) Flora Ann Bynum (2004) Molly Rawls (2015) R. Arthur Spaugh (2005) W. Philip Dunigan (2016)J. Edwin Hendricks (2006) Bradford L. Richard Starbuck (2007) Rauschenberg (2017) Gwynne Taylor (2008) Paula W. Locklair (2018) John Larson (2009) Langdon E. Oppermann (2019)Craig D. Atwood (2010)

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from the President

by I. B. Southerland



Greetings to all of you who are probably still in the stay-at-home mode during the pandemic. This is described as an unprecedented occurrence, but those knowledgeable about the history of Wachovia are aware that this is not the first time Moravians have faced a serious epidemic. In our next Wachovia Tract, Johanna Brown, one of our advisory members, will share with us an article about how this was handled in the past.

Like most other organizations, the WHS Board has been forced to meet virtually by ZOOM. We have been able to carry on our business successfully with the technical assistance of Paul Knouse.

The Board continues to work on the many tasks of our Society. Outlined below are some of the activities that are going on.

125th Virtual Annual Meeting

We are working on plans to broadcast our annual meeting on You Tube "live" from the Archie K. Davis Center in Old Salem (see pages 1-2), including the necessary pre-recording to get the program on the air.

2020 Archie K. Davis Award for History

We are in the process of selecting the winner of this year's Archie K. Davis Award. The presentation will be made during the annual meeting in October.

Properties

A task force working on the Rock House property is underway to develop a grant request for a master plan. The task force is requesting quotes for this master plan and necessary site planning.

Special Events

The Special Events Committee is working on several ideas including a visit to Bethlehem, PA during their annual Christmas Vigil services at Moravian College. Due to health concerns now, the planning is for next year. A group from Bethlehem, PA will plan to visit our area for an upcoming Easter season.

Wachovia Historical Guild

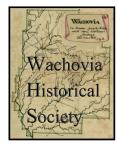
The Wachovia Historical Society extends to all members an invitation to join our newly formed Guild. Beginning in 2021, the Guild will plan ten months of small events centered around historical tours, home dinners with guest speakers, and social events that support the Wachovia Historical Society through *fun* raising and public outreach.

Interested members can contact:

Victoria Remishofsky, 828.258.3499 or ortonacademy@gmail.com

I hope everyone continues to stay safe and please tune in on October 20th for our virtual annu-*I.B.*

al meeting. ***WT**



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by Karl Kapp as of June 30, 2020

Treasurer's Report

Warney Wachovia Historical Society

General Fund operating receipts and disbursements for the Society are administered through its checking account with Wells Fargo. The balance in this account as of June 30, 2020 was \$4,773. Receipts for the Society are primarily membership donations and book sales. For the 6 months ended June 30, 2020, membership donations were \$617 and book sales were \$30. Disbursements for the Society are primarily grant requests approved by its board of directors along with expenses related to printing and mailing **The Wachovia Tract**, website hosting and management and the Annual Meeting including the Archie K. Davis Award for History. For the six months ended June 30, 2020, total disbursements were \$3,245 and no grants were disbursed. This \$3,245 did include \$648 for Bloomerang, a donor management software. **So, for the 6 months ended June 30, 2020, receipts net of disbursements was a \$2,597 deficit.**

As stated in the Society's 1895 Constitution: "The object of this Society shall be the collection, preservation, and dissemination of everything relating to the history, antiquities, and literature of the Moravian Church in the South and the secular and religious development of North Carolina and the adjoining States.' The above-stated object can be accomplished only with the generosity of people like our members. We are deeply grateful for your continuing interest and support, especially at this time of considerable uncertainty for our families, our communities, our country and our world caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

As of June 30, 2020, the Society had invested funds detailed as follows: General Funds Unrestricted – Wells Fargo Business High Yield Savings: General Funds Unrestricted – Moravian Ministries Foundation in America: Rock House Restricted – Moravian Ministries Foundation in America Total invested funds as of June 30, 2020

\$15,002 \$33,547 <u>\$40,262</u> \$88,811

At the board of directors meeting in March 2020, the decision was made to invest funds with Moravian Ministries Foundation as further detailed per above. These funds were previously invested in savings accounts with Wells Fargo. Since investing these funds, the annualized rate of return has been 8.6%. ***WT Karl**

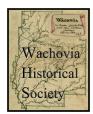
RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

If you have not already done so for this year, we ask that you *renew your membership now!* Contributions made during this year will extend your membership through *December 31, 2021*. Enclosed with this newsletter is a contribution card, along with a complimentary envelope. On the back of the card are some survey questions to help us serve you better.

So, renew your membership TODAY. Your contributions are critical to the Society's operations. And if possible, *consider increasing* your gift! Thank you! *****WT

WHS 2020 Board of Directors (alphabetical order)

Paul W. Armfield (2020) - John W. Dyer (2024) Michelle M. DeLapp, Vice-President (2023) Chris J. Hartley (2022) - John A. Hauser (2024)
Edward G. Hill (2021) - Karl Kapp, Treasurer (2023)
Paul F. Knouse, Jr., Editor, The Wachovia Tract ('22) John C. Larsen (2024) - Michelle Leonard (2023)
Paula W. Locklair (2023) - Johnnie P. Pearson (2021)
Victoria Remishofsky (2024) - W. Kirk Sanders, Sec. (2020) - Ricky R. Sides (2023)
I. B. Southerland III, President (2024)
Advisory: Johanna Metzger Brown (Old Salem); William W. Phillips, Jr.; Jimmie Snyder; and Frederick P. Spach



MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!! Wachovia Historical Society

125th Annual Meeting

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

"A Virtual Meeting"

Broadcast on You Tube "Live" from the Archie K. Davis Center (Music prelude—7:15 p.m.; Meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.)

Annual Oration The Reverend Dr. C. Daniel Crews

Former Director, Moravian Archives, and Retired Moravian Minister

Presentation of The 2020 Archie K. Davis Award

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