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May is Preservation Month

May is National Historic Preservation Month. We hope you can join us for a number of special activities scheduled. See the full calendar of activities below, as well as additional garden-related events on the website.

The month started early with the Community Appearance Awards at the Old Salem Visitor Center on April 30. Nationally known preservationist, Pratt Cassity, was the keynote speaker. He discussed various ways to advocate for preservation and illustrated his talk with a number of slides showing preservation disasters.

Mark your calendars for a Garden Party hosted by PHF on May 19 at 9:00 a.m., at John Hauser and Carol Wooley's home, 317 S. Main St. in Old Salem. After the Garden Party, you'll also be able to tour Wachovia Gardens, which are also in Old Salem.

If you haven't renewed your membership, you can do so at the door. Or invite some friends to come and join PHF. We hope everyone can join us.

Call us at 336-773-1213 if you need more information about either event, or check our website.

Annual Membership Meeting Success

About 60 people gathered at Goler Metropolitan AME Zion Church on March 31 for Preserve Historic Forsyth's Annual Meeting.

The meeting was a chance for members to enjoy food, fellowship and a history lesson at the only church in Winston-Salem where the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King spoke.

Brandii Litte, the church's administrator, gave a brief history of the Classical Revival Church, which was built in 1924. King spoke at the church on April 13, 1964, when he was in town for a voter registration drive.

President-elect Marc Bryson reviewed PHF's activities over the past year and Ms. Little offered some musical selections.

As part of the Annual Meeting, PHF sponsored an essay contest (see page 4) and contestants read their entries. Afterwards, PHF members voted on the best ideas and awarded the winners \$700 in cash prizes.



Preservation Month Activities

For more details and links, check our website or the Historic Resource Commission at ForsythCountyHRC.org. All events are in Winston-Salem unless otherwise indicated.

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May 5 Ardmore House & Garden Tour:
Noon - 5:00 pm
Redeemer Presbyterian Church, 1046 Miller St.



May 8 Salem College Historic Preservation/
Public History Final Student Project
Presentation: 6:00 pm
Salem College Corrin Refectory, Faculty Dining Room



May 9 Old Salem Lunch and Learn -
The Wachovia Landscape with Dr. Mo Hartley: Noon
Old Salem Visitors Center

May 15 A Genius for Place: American Landscapes of the Country
Place Era with Robin Karson: 5:30 pm
Reynolda House Museum of American Art, 2250 Reynolda Road
Admission: Museum members and students free, non-members \$5



May 16 Old Salem Lunch and Learn
From St. Philips to Happy Hill: The African-American
Landscape of Salem with Cheryl Harry: Noon
Old Salem Visitors Center, 900 Old Salem Road, Winston-Salem



May 17 Heirloom Flowers in the Modern Garden with
David Bare: Noon
Old Salem Museums & Gardens, Frank L. Horton Center

May 19 **Preserve Historic Forsyth Garden Party**
9:00 am, Wachovia Garden Tour 10:30 am
Member event, 317 S. Main Street



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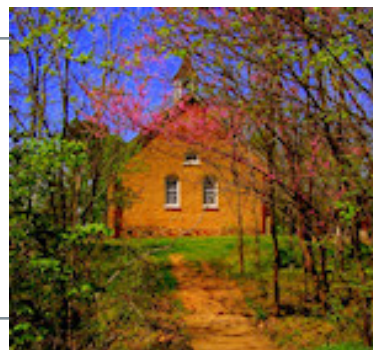
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May 20 Open Farm: 2:00 pm-4:00 pm
The Children Home, 1001 Reynolda Road



May 22 Bethabara Park Spring Garden
Lecture Series: Urban Homesteading with
Craig Mauney: 6:00 pm



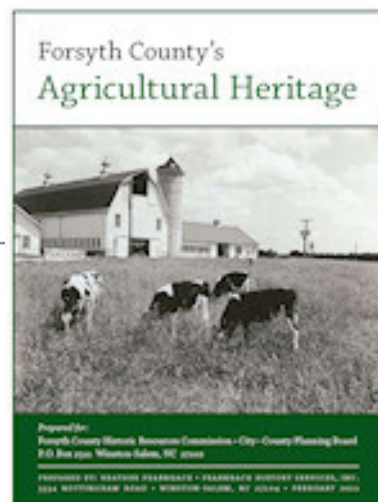
Historic Bethabara Park Visitors Center,
2147 Bethabara Road

May 24 Heirloom Tomatoes with
Tracy Lounsbury:
11:00 am-1:00 pm

Tour begins at Market-Fire House,
Salem Square at 600 S. Main Street

May 30 Old Salem Lunch and Learn –
Forsyth County’s Agricultural
Heritage with
Heather Fearnbach: Noon

Old Salem Visitors Center,
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Essay Contest Prize Winners

The finalists in PHF's Illuminating Preservation: An Essay Contest of Ideas presented their essays on how historic preservation can improve Forsyth County, to the 2012 General Membership Meeting. Phillip Mullis's seventh grade history class at Wiley Middle School submitted a number of essays, prompting the PHF board to create an alternative prize category for student entries. The winning authors and entries were:

Adult Category

First Prize \$200 to Joyce Carter for her proposal to create a website on the history of Forsyth County.

Second Prize \$100 to Katherine Barringer for her proposal to encourage small businesses to renovate and occupy historic homes.

Third Prize \$50 to Jennifer Stevenson for her essay advocating the renovation of the historic 1902 Nissen House on Waughtown Street into a community center.

Preserve Historic Forsyth made a \$100 donation to Wiley Middle School recognizing the outstanding effort of all of the students in Phillip Mullis's history class. Wiley Assistant Principal Leigh Walters accepted the award.

PHF also collaborated with Winston-Salem Writers (WSW) , who sponsored a 750-word essay contest with a similar charge. The WSW essay winner was Guy T. Montgomery.

PHF wishes to thank our Essay Contest sponsors for their generous gifts and support: Wilson-Covington Construction Co. Inc., I.L. Long Construction Co. Inc., the Forsyth County Public Library, John Hauser, Richard Groves, and Kelly and Mary Jane Mitter.

Student Category for essays from Wiley Middle School

First prize \$200 to Cecilia Ortega for advocating the preservation of public parks.

Second prize \$100 to Myana Cornell for advocating the creation of local historic districts that protect the identity of, and stimulate pride, in neighborhoods and historic resources.

Third prize \$50 to Johanna Silva for her proposal for an annual countywide preservation day.



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