

GARNER AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

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Our mission: Preserving the history of Garner and nearby crossroads, educating youth and promoting Garner’s story in and outside of the community.



Museum Hosts Community of Hope Summer Campers, Leaders

Over 60 student campers and leaders from Garner’s Community of Hope summer camp program visited the Garner History Museum at the Depot on August 3. The students had a great day in Downtown Garner! They learned about fire safety and careers in fire and rescue at Garner’s Fire Station One, toured the Museum to learn about Garner’s history, and visited the new Garner Recreational Center, all within a few blocks of each other off Main Street. Thanks to the volunteers who helped with this tour.

We are excited to offer more such tours for student groups in the Garner area. Please contact us if you want to schedule a date for a group tour.



(Photos courtesy of member Amy Griggs)

Native American Exhibit Added to Museum

We have recently added an exhibit on the Native American /American Indian historic presence in the Garner Area. In speaking with several lifelong residents of the area, we discovered that there was evidence of a number of Native American people in the greater Garner area for many years before European settlers came to the area. These folks reported tilling up many arrowheads and other artifacts on their family farms throughout the area, indicating a significant presence of Native American residents in and around Garner.

Members of the Museum Committee visited the NC Museum of History to view their Native American exhibit; we met with both the State Archaeologist and



the Director of Indian Affairs for the State of NC to gain their wisdom and advice on presenting the exhibit. Our hope is to obtain more artifacts and expand the exhibit relating to Indian culture in our area. If you haven't seen the exhibit yet, there are some extraordinary items to view relating to North Carolina Indian culture.



Order Your Bricks Before the Price Increase on October 1st

As with many items on the market today, the price of bricks and engraving has gone up. As of this October 1st, the price of a small (three lines of text) brick will increase to \$125, and the price of a large (five lines of text) brick will increase to \$175.

Bricks in our Heritage Plaza make a great remembrance or gift for the upcoming holidays. Order yours today at the current price of \$100 for a small brick and \$150 for a large brick. Order forms are available on our website or by giving us a call.

Keep an eye on our webpage and on Facebook messages regarding upcoming events in the Downtown area. We hope to participate in several events in Downtown Garner in the coming months, including the Garner Firemen's Festival on Saturday, October 1st. We will also be at the Downtown Garner Night Markets on October 14 and November 4. Look for some special holiday items there! If you are interested in volunteering at our tent/table for any of these events (even for an hour or two) we could certainly use your assistance! Your help doesn't require any special training—just a friendly smile. Contact us by email or leave a voicemail if you are interested. We'd love to have your help!

Museum Additions and Improvements

The Museum Committee is always striving to improve our exhibits and make them more informative and user-friendly to our visitors. Over the past several months, we have worked on making exhibit objects and information more readable, visible and relatable. In addition, we've incorporated some recently-donated objects into our exhibits. Your generous memberships and monetary support enable us to make these improvements to the Garner History Museum at the Depot. Thank you!!

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