

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.



WELCOME TO THESE NEW FOUNDING MEMBERS:

Welcome to these Founding Members/Donors who have joined since our last issue:

John Adams
Jonathan Adams
Vic & Mary Grady Bell
Kathy & James Blue
Wayne Brooks
Rosemary Carmichael
Kathy Crayton
Paul Cox
Colleen Doig
Lois Gainey
Jerry Lassiter
Barbara Kelly
Chuck Killian
Diana S. Proctor
Camellia & Jim Seagroves
Mary Smalling
Jean Stevens
Dawn G. Wicker

We are excited to celebrate Garner's history with the help of all these founding members!

PROGRESS REPORT

Several of our GAHS Board members have been involved in meetings with Town Staff regarding specifics of the Depot and Caboose move. We're getting closer! We have had preservation experts weigh in, and Town staff has some firm estimates for moving and repairs of the structures. We also have a very nice preliminary site sketch.

In addition, our Executive Board has met with an expert from the Federation of N.C. Historical Societies to assess the Depot space and get advice on staging future exhibits. Planning is in progress for a fun history-related event for this fall. Stay tuned!

History Mystery Answer: Last issue's "History Mystery" involved Garner's connection to the famous train wreck of the "Old '97" in 1903; the tragic wreck happened near Danville, VA. One of the 11 victims of the wreck was the train's flagman, Robert Moody. He was a resident of Wake County, related to the Carroll family, and is buried in Garner at the Hayes Chapel Church cemetery.

Our history mystery for next issue: One of the earliest families to settle our area whose members have lived continuously in or near Garner since the early 1780's has ancestors buried in seven different local cemeteries: Hayes Chapel Christian Church Cemetery, Garner, NC; Ebenezer United Methodist Church Cemetery, Raleigh, NC; Mt. Moriah Baptist Church Cemetery, Auburn, NC (Rt. 2, Raleigh, NC); New Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Garner, NC; Oakwood Cemetery, Raleigh, NC; Montlawn Memorial Park, Raleigh, NC; plus one other family-named cemetery. Do you know the name of this family? You will find the answer in our next issue!

WE'RE GLAD TO SPREAD THE WORD

The Executive Board members are ready and willing to speak to your civic, church, or community groups about the future Garner Depot History Museum and GAHS. We have made presentations to both the morning and mid-day Rotary Clubs and the Civitan Club of Garner. We would love to speak to your organization. Contact us at garnerareahistoricalociety@gmail.com.

Follow us on the Web: Garner-area-historical-society.org and on Facebook @Garner History

The Garner Area Historical Society is a 501(C) (3) non-profit organization. GAHS is a member of the NC Federation of Historical Societies and the Garner Chamber of Commerce.