**Dinner Meeting**

**Monday, September 21, 2015**  
Dinner at 6:30pm, Program at 7:15pm

Fellowship Hall,  
Trinity Presbyterian Church  
3115 Providence Road  
Charlotte, NC 28211

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**Upcoming Dinner Program**

**What is Under Lake Norman? A Community History**

*Monday, September 21, at Trinity Presbyterian Church. Dinner is at 6:30 followed by the program at 7:15. Those not having dinner are welcome to enjoy the program at no charge. To make a reservation for dinner use the order form (page 3) or contact Robin Brabham at 704-543-7519 or Mecklenburg1775@yahoo.com.*

In 1958, Duke Power Company announced plans to build a new dam and hydro-electric plant on the Catawba River. The flooding of the land meant the loss of part of the heritage of four counties while leading to the creation of new economic opportunities and recreational facilities. Using the process of crowd sourcing —asking a diverse group of people to contribute source material for a project—the Davidson College Archives seeks to gather the stories and photographs of properties under the lake and to encourage the study of ecological, economic, and social change in the surrounding area. This talk will focus on the project, what’s under the water and what new stories are being uncovered. For a sample of the discoveries, please visit: [http://sites.davidson.edu/archives/community/under-lkn](http://sites.davidson.edu/archives/community/under-lkn)

**Jan Blodgett**, our speaker, has been College Archivist at Davidson College since 1994. She has a master’s degrees in library science and history and a Ph. D. in American Studies. She is the author of three books, the most recent being a history of the town of Davidson, *One Town, Many Voices*, co-written with Ralph Levering.

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The MHA meets in the Fellowship Hall at:  
Trinity Presbyterian Church  
3115 Providence Road  
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Remarks from the President
Hello everyone! Please join us for our September 21st dinner meeting when Jan Bledgett will share the story of what’s under Lake Norman. Jan presented this program to the North Branch MHA several months ago and everyone enjoyed learning about this piece of our history. Also, mark your calendars now for our November 16th dinner meeting at Trinity Presbyterian.

Several people have expressed concern to MHA about damage done to some of our local Confederate monuments. I hope all of you read Mark Washburn’s commentary on this subject in the Charlotte Observer on July 19th. Reprinted elsewhere in this newsletter is his thoughtful and, in my opinion, accurate commentary. It is my personal opinion that the monuments themselves are historic artifacts that must be preserved and protected. As Mr. Washburn said, we and future generations should use them to remind us of our past and learn from them.

MHA receives calls and emails on a wide variety of subjects. One of the most recent contacts is featured in Scott Syfert’s article on new information about our beloved Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. Rebecca Fried sent MHA an email asking if we were aware of the 1801 Raleigh newspaper article Scott discusses. As it turns out, no one to our knowledge knew of this 1801 reference to our declaration, so it now becomes the earliest indisputable proof that our citizens celebrated the first to declare independence. That is truly stunning, but equally remarkable is the fact that Rebecca Fried is a high school student from Washington, DC. She says she became fascinated with the Meck Dec controversy and started searching for more information. She thought it was funny that the occasion for the 1801 newspaper article was a celebration of the election of President Jefferson, given his later involvement in the story. Thank you, Rebecca, and please keep searching!

New Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence Developments
Since the publication of my book The First American Declaration of Independence? The Disputed History of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence of May 20, 1775 late last year, I have received numerous inquiries and tips from interested parties on the much mooted question of the veracity of the Meck Dec. Usually, these retread familiar ground or the usual historical rabbit holes. Recently, however, two new interesting developments have occurred, neither of which to my knowledge was known previously.

The first development was the discovery of references to MecDec found in several Revolutionary War pension applications. This was made possible by a new searchable electronic database of these applications. To give but one example, the testimony of William Culberson, Sr., made in October 1832, which (after the oath formalities) begins as follows:

“The first service he performed in the South was as a private in a company of Captain Oliver Wiley in the County of Mecklenburg North Carolina in the year 1775 or early in the year 1776 just as the Patriots of Mecklenburg had declared themselves independent of the British Government…”

For those interested in this topic, please see an article I wrote earlier this year in the (online) Journal of the American Revolution entitled “The Mecklenburg Declaration in Revolutionary War Pension Applications.”

http://allthingsliberty.com/2015/03/the-mecklenburg-declaration-in-revolutionary-war-pension-applications/

A second more recent tip was sent to the MHA by an intrepid researcher named Rebecca Fried. Ms. Fried found a reference to the MecDec in the April 14, 1801, Raleigh Register and North Carolina Weekly Advertiser (issue 78). The article records a gathering of “[t]he Republican citizens of the village of Charlotte, in Mecklenburgh County” in celebration of the election of President Jefferson. The gathering was “convened at the house of Mrs. M’Combs on the 17th ult.” and records a series of toasts, including the following:

“10. The citizens of Mecklenburg, being the first in their declaration of independence, may they ever be the first in resisting usurpation by defending their civil right.” [sic]

To my understanding, this is now the earliest contemporary reference to MecDec of record. The “rough notes” of John McKnight Alexander and the Moravian diaries might, in each case, be earlier, but in both cases the exact date of those documents cannot be precisely dated to everyone’s satisfaction.

Similar references to MecDec have been found in 1808 and 1809 (including a similar set of toasts from an article in the same paper in 1808); however the reference Ms. Fried found is seven years earlier. What’s more, because the (ceremonial) language used in both cases (1801 and 1808) is so similar, it hints that earlier such toasts might even predate 1800. In any event, it proves conclusive that the story was considered true and part of local lore as early as 1801 (if not earlier).

A principal argument made by MecDec skeptics is that the story was not locally celebrated or even known until after the Jefferson-Adams letters were published around 1829 (ten years after their actual correspondence in the summer of 1819). According to this line of argument, no one really knew or talked about MecDec before Jefferson made it a sore subject with his “spurious” comments to Adams.

Rebecca’s discovery of an explicit and verifiable 1801 reference to MecDec comprehensively demolishes this argument, and proves beyond any doubt that the MecDec story was commonly known and locally celebrated in the area, almost two decades before the Adams/ Jefferson letters took the story “viral.”

It’s ironic that although the MecDec Controversy has been at a stalemate for decades, important research is coming out of the woodwork due to advances in technology and a fresh look at the facts. What could be next?

—Scott D. Syfert

Hart Square Event
October 24
For more than thirty years, Dr. Robert Hart of Hickory has rescued and restored 19th century life in the Carolinas, recreating an entire village, Hart Square – the largest collection of historic log buildings in the US. Each year on the fourth Saturday in October (this year October 24) Dr. and Mrs. Hart open this restoration project to the public with the help of 275 volunteers. Advanced tickets are $40 and are required since this event sells out early. You can get tickets by calling the Catawba County Museum of History, (828)-465-0383, at 9 am on Thursday, October 1.
MHA Docent Programs
Both meetings will be held in the Fellowship Hall of Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church, 101 Sugar Creek Road West. Refreshments at 9:30, business meeting at 10 and program at 11. Visitors are always welcome. Note that the first Tuesday in September is the first day of the month. We meet before Labor Day this year, so mark your calendars!

Tuesday, September 1, 2015
They Came Through Here: Mecklenburg’s Connection to the Battle of Kings Mountain
Newly developed history about the Battle of Kings Mountain reveals an exciting connection for the residents of Mecklenburg County and the surrounding area. Our presenter, writer and storyteller Randell Jones, has done copious research on the topic and is the author of Before They Were Heroes at Kings Mountain. More info - www.danielboonefootsteps.com Randell is a Road Scholar speaker. This project is made possible by a grant from the North Carolina Humanities Council, a statewide nonprofit and affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Tuesday, October 6, 2015
Toward an Integrated Interpretation of the Enslaved at Rosedale Plantation
Uncomfortable feelings, lack of primary source material, and difficulties with supporters are all challenges faced by the staff of historic plantation sites as they wrestle with how to interpret the enslaved to the public. Beth Harris, former curator of education at Historic Rosedale, will present her research regarding the enslaved of Rosedale. You will be amazed at the information she has found.

MHA Docent Field Trip
South Carolina Excursion
The MHA Docs invite you to join us on Tuesday, October 13, on a bus trip to two wonderful upstate South Carolina Sites: Historic Camden and Pearl Fryar’s Topiary Garden. Please refer to the May 2015 MHA Newsletter for more details.

May 20th—A Shared Heritage?
On May 20th as we assembled in Settlers’ Cemetery to honor Thomas Polk, we noticed another group there, a group of black men and women dressed in colorful African garments complete with bright turbans and red fezzes. We were curious as to why they were gathering at a place so heavily identified as Scots-Irish, so several of us stopped to chat. They said they were Moors (an Islamic sect) whose ancestors came from what is now Morocco, and they were celebrating the birthday of our namesake, Queen Charlotte, Irish, so several of us stopped to chat. They said they were Moors (an Islamic sect) whose ancestors came from what is now Morocco, and they were celebrating the birthday of our namesake, Queen Charlotte, —Jim Williams

September 21, 2015 Dinner Meeting Reservation Form
Mail to: Mecklenburg Historical Association
        c/o Robin Brabham, 7412 Red Oak Lane, Charlotte, NC 28226
        or email: Mecklenburg1775@yahoo.com

Please make checks payable to Mecklenburg Historical Association.
Questions? Please email Robin Brabham (Mecklenburg1775@yahoo.com) or call him at (704)-543-7519.
Please mail your check one week before the dinner so we know how many meals we need.

Enclosed: $_____________ (total) for ________ seats ($12 for Seniors)
$_____________ (total) for ________ seats ($14 for all others)

Name Tags: ____________________________ ____________________________
Icons of Past Mark Progress, Too
Commentary by Mark Washburn – reprinted from the Charlotte Observer, July 19, 2015

Do they stay or should they go?

Sprinkled across our region – in cemeteries, public squares and on courthouse lawns – are dozens of memorials to the Lost Cause. A few are more contemporary, but most were erected within living memory of the Civil War.

My travels took me to Shelby a few weeks ago, where I discovered a Confederate memorial beside the old courthouse, now a museum. “In honor of the Confederate heroes of Cleveland County” says the memorial, erected in 1906. Atop a granite column stands a bronze statue of a Confederate sentry on perpetual watch, facing north. I wonder if there’s a county seat anywhere within 500 miles that doesn’t have one.

Whenever I find such a thing, it strikes me as an anachronism, a relic of a distant period where nearly everything – fashion, technology, social thought – was a product of an ancient culture. I find them provocative, in a positive way. Their words, etched in stone or cast in bronze, were meant to endure, to carry a message deep into the unfathomable future that says, “This is who we were. This is what we valued.”

You don’t have to value it. You don’t have to support the Southern cause in the Civil War or the peculiar institution of slavery that tore the nation asunder to respect the message our ancestors were sending.

They were tending the last embers of the great conflict and measuring the sacrifice it brought, as alive to them then as the scars of Vietnam are to us today. War for war, Vietnam also tore the nation along cultural and moral fault lines. But no one calls for the removal of monuments to its heroes. We revere them as courageous men and women who served honorably in what is widely viewed as a dishonorable conflict.

Some can’t see the difference between the Confederate battle flag flying over South Carolina’s Capitol and monuments to the war.

There is a big difference – the flag rose daily in ceremonious glory and insulted many of the state’s citizens. Memorials rest silently and their sentiments are frozen in another age.

Some say the Civil War monuments should fall because they honor those who rose in rebellion. But so do statues to Revolutionary War heroes. Our nation was hatched in rebellion, and many in the cause never knew whether they’d honored in bronze or hanged from a bough.

I think we make a mistake when we assume those who defend old monuments are defending the intellectual causes the structures represent. Monuments are merely milestones tracking the march of civilization. They tell us where we’ve been and remind us how far we’ve come. They don’t tell us where to go. That’s up to us. But they do serve to remind us of something worth remembering: At some point, as a culture, we will send a message to the future that says, “This is who we were. This is what we value.”

That’s what we should be debating.
Site News

News from Charlotte Mecklenburg Library

The Robinson-Spangler Carolina Room has partnered with the Main Library to provide shelf space for a circulating collection for several hundred history and genealogy books that can now be checked out and used in the comfort of your own home. There are currently 400 titles on the shelf with more being added daily. You can check a book out for 3 weeks and renew it up to 2 times, unless someone has it on hold. This collection is shelved at the end of the 900s on the 2nd floor of the Main Library or they can be sent to your home branch. Find a book in the on-line catalog, reserve it and request it be sent to your branch of choice. These books can be returned at any branch library.

The Trail of History Scheduled Programs
The Trail of History is a weekly half-hour program on WTVI PBS Charlotte, 42, Time Warner Cable 5, each Tuesday at 8:30 pm. Producer John Branscum and Presenter Garry Ritter have produced over 100 segments telling the history of the Charlotte area. The schedule for September is:

- September 8: The story of the bronze statue of Jane Wilkes which stands in the Trail of History on Little Sugar Creek near uptown Charlotte. This show tells who she was and what she accomplished plus how the statue was produced.
- September 15: The importance of the region of the Waxhaws in early Mecklenburg history and of the present day town of Waxhaw in Union County, NC.
- September 22: The story of the bronze statue of Thomas Kanawha Spratt and Catawba King Hagler which stands in the Trail of History on Little Sugar Creek near uptown Charlotte. Spratt was one of the first settlers in the area and Hagler was the chief of the Catawba Indians at that time. They were great friends and typify the relationship between the Catawbas and the early Scots-Irish Presbyterian settlers.
- September 29: This is the premier presentation of the bronze statue of William Henry Belk on the Trail of History in the Little Sugar Creek Greenway, near uptown Charlotte. Belk was the founder of Belk department stores and built them into the institution we know so well today.

The History Calendar

Admission charged at all events unless otherwise noted. Check the Charlotte Regional History Consortium website for other events. www.charlotteregionalhistory.org

Robinson-Spangler Carolina Room, Charlotte Mecklenburg Library
310 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, 704-416-0150 www.cmlibrary.org

Charlotte in World War II: on the Home Front and in Battle, Exhibit, September 7 through January 30. The department will display a wide array of it images, ephemera and artwork that capture the war both at home and overseas. Exhibited in the Carnegie Gallery & Carolina Room, 3rd Floor, Main Library.

Genealogy 101, All Genealogists Welcome, Wednesday, October 21 from 2 to 4 pm.

University City Regional Library, 301 East W.T. Harris Boulevard.

Historic Rosedale
3427 N. Tryon Street, Charlotte, NC 704-335-0325 www.historicrosedale.org

Feast of the Hunters Moon Antebellum Dinner & Bicentennial Auction, Saturday, October 17 at 6 pm. This is our signature fundraising event, a multi-course farm to table dinner with wine pairings. For our bicentennial year we will be having both silent and live auctions of one-of-a-kind pieces.

Paranormal Grounds Investigation, Friday and Saturday, October 23 and 24 at 7:30 pm. The Charlotte Area Paranormal Society will lead you through the plantation grounds & basement. Registration required.

Paranormal House Investigation, Saturday, October 24, from 8:30 to 10:30 pm. The Charlotte Area Paranormal Society will lead you through the plantation house in groups of no more than 8. Who knows what you may find... or what may find you! Registration required.

Midnight in the Garden, Saturday, October 24 at 11:30 pm. Is it good? Or evil? You decide! Hear the real tales and ghost stories of encounters and experiences of staff and volunteers since 2006. Registration required.

Spirits of Rosedale, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 29, 30 and 31 from 7:30 to 9:30. Let the spirits themselves transport you through the history of this mysterious place in a family friendly Halloween program.

Latta Plantation
5225 Sample Road, Huntersville, NC, 704-875-2312 www.lattaplantation.org

Francis Marion Symposium
The Swamp Fox Murals Trail Society will present their annual Symposium on Friday and Saturday, October 23 and 24. This is a series of eight lectures by talented amateurs and professional historians Saturday on the subject of Col. Francis Marion, The Swamp Fox, and the American Revolution in the South. For details and reservations see www.FrancisMarionSymposium.com

The Fort Mill History Museum is Moving
This summer The Fort Mill History Museum will move from North White Street to the historic Wilson House at 107 Clebourne Street. The Wilson house is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as of 1992. Built in 1869 by Stewart Wilson, it a significant example of Victorian architecture. It was one of the first homes built on Main Street and was moved to its present location in the 1920’s to make way for commercial expansion. The new location will put the museum in the heart of downtown, and present new opportunities to promote the community’s culture and rich history. The museum closed in July. The grand opening at 107 Clebourne Street will be after Labor Day – date to be announced.
Revolutionary War Reenactment, Saturday and Sunday, September 5 and 6 from 10 am to 4 pm. This annual event includes reenactment of The Battle of Charlotte and The Battle of the Bees, celebrating events that occurred in Mecklenburg County in the fall of 1780. Battle reenactments at 2 pm each day plus a number of timed and ongoing demonstrations and talks including weapons, artillery, uniforms, cooking, life in the Army, and 18th century drill.

Connect with Culture Day, Saturday, September 19 from 10 am to 2 pm, Free this day only. Enjoy a day of Living History demonstrations, self-guided grounds and exhibit tours, and a visit inside the Latta home for free this day, sponsored by the Arts and Science Council.

Friends & Family Reunion and Fundraiser, Saturday, September 19 from 5 to 8 pm. Are you related to the Latta, Sample, Alexander, or Henderson families? Do you simply want to know more about Latta Plantation? If so, join us for our first Friends & Family Reunion Fundraiser and enjoy an evening of historical demonstrations, live music, BBQ and fellowship.

Ghost Walk Haunted Trail, Friday and Saturday, October 23 and 24th, at 7 pm. Walk the haunted trail through the dark forest and visit the haunted plantation home. Terrifying sights will send goosebumps up your arms. Not recommended for children under 10.

All Hallows Eve, Saturday, October 31 from 10 am to 2 pm. This Halloween Festival celebrates the roots and history behind costuming and jack-o-lanterns with a costume contest and trick-or-treating for the children.

Hugh Torance House and Store
8231 Gilead Road, Huntersville, NC hughtorancehouseandstore.com

House Tours, First and Third Sundays from 2 to 5 pm, September and October. The Hugh Torance House and Store is truly a Mecklenburg treasure. The log house section of the building was built as a residence about 1780. In 1805 the building was expanded to include a store that operated until 1825. As the Torrance family obtained land and wealth, it became a cotton plantation of 3,000 acres worked by over a hundred slaves. Extensive family history kept through the generations allows us to interpret nearly a century of Mecklenburg’s rich mercantile and plantation history.

The Charlotte Museum of History
3500 Shamrock Drive, Charlotte, NC, 704-568-1774 www.charlottemuseum.org

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Matthews Alive Annual Parade, Saturday, September 5 at 10 am. Downtown Matthews. The Matthews Heritage Museum will participate in this annual parade.

Exhibit Opening, Eighty Years of Scouting, Saturday, September 5. From Daisies, to Brownies, to Cadets, to Leaders, girl scouting has provided educational opportunities for all girls. See the changes of uniforms and practices over time. Girl scouts who visit will add their thumb print to the thumb-print tree. We invite all troops in the area to visit with us and schedule a tour.

Walking Ghost Tour of Downtown Matthews, Saturday, October 24 at 7 pm. Meet the ghosts who haunt the town and learn about our history. The Museum will open at 6 for touring before the walk. Wear comfortable shoes and bring a flashlight. Reservations suggested.

Matthews Historical Foundation
Unless otherwise stated, Programs held at the Matthews Woman’s Club, 208 S. Trade St.

The Catawba Indians, a Presentation by Dr. Wenonah G. Haire, Tuesday September 29 at 6:30 pm, at the Matthews Public Library. Dr. Haire is executive director of the Catawba Cultural Preservation Project. She will be dressed in full Catawba regalia.

The Preservation of the Loray Mills, Tuesday, October 27 at 6:30 pm at the Matthews Women’s Club. Billy Hughes, founding principal in JBS Ventures and Historic Preservation Partners will speak on the preservation of the Loray mill site.

Charlotte Folk Society
Great Aunt Stella Center, 926 Elizabeth Ave., Charlotte www.folksociety.org

Charlotte Folk Society Gathering Concert & Jams
All programs are held at the Great Aunt Stella Center, 926 Elizabeth Avenue, Charlotte. 7:30 pm; doors open 7 pm. Free; donations appreciated.

Friday, September 11, Steph Stewart & The Boyfriends, a NC band performing original tradition-based music.

Friday, October 9, The Red Clay Ramblers, the band that helped to fuel a revival of NC old-time music and went on to win Tony Awards on Broadway.

Ice Cream Social and Back-country Days, Saturday, September 19 from 1 to 5 pm at the Charlotte Museum of History, Free.

Sons of the American Revolution
For information contact: Tim Berly, tberly@carolina.rr.com 704-849-7886

Myths of the Revolutionary War, Saturday, September 12 at 10 am. McCelvey Center, Ferguson St., York, SC Public Invited, Free. At this meeting of the Sons of the American Revolution, author M.C. Beckham will speak on “Myths of the Revolutionary War” exposing some of the misinformation in the history of the Revolutionary War. There will also be a tour of the Southern Revolutionary War Institute conducted by Michael Scoggins. http://scssar.org/

Historic Brattonsville
1444 Brattonsville Rd., McConnells, SC, 803-684-2327 chmuseums.org/brattonsville

By the Sweat of Our Brows, Saturday, September 12 from 10 am to 4 pm. This special event tells the story of the plantation’s enslaved from colonial times through the Reconstruction. The program’s narrative includes both scholarly research and the collective memories of descendants of Bratton slaves. This year the event features African American descendants of the Bratton family who will be on site in person to share their stories. Referred to as the “Seven Sacred Families of Brattonsville,” they are Bratton, Cathcart, Crawford, Feaster/Femster, Lowry, Moore, and Smith.

From 10 am to 2 pm enjoy historic cooking demonstrations, watch interpreters make bricks out of mud hauled up from the creek, and take guided tours of the plantation buildings, while children make rag dolls and play African-American folk games. Then meet in front of the Big House for a formal program to honor those who were once enslaved. The descendants will share their family stories and showcase artifacts passed down for generations. This will culminate with the calling of the names from the 1865 “Freedmen’s List.” Nationally acclaimed poet Glenis Redmond will honor the voices from the past and beckon the voices of today.

Piedmont Pottery Festival Saturday, September 26 from 10 am to 4 pm. In addition to over twenty potters from both North and South Carolina, including contemporary Catawba Indian potters, the Piedmont Pottery Festival will explore how pottery moved civilization from creekside to the table. The Historical Cooking Guild of the Catawba Valley will be in the plantation’s McConnell House demonstrating 18th century cooking with pottery on the open hearth and will present historic methods of food preservation using clay corks.

In Historic Brattonsville’s Orientation Room - at 11 am Dr. Stephen Criswell, noted scholar on the re-
Regional history of pottery and director of Native American studies at USC Lancaster, will speak on contemporary Catawba Indian pottery. At 1 p.m. Buddy Wingard will present his awarding-winning documentary film about the outstanding work and life of a slave potter from Edgefield, SC - "Discovering Dave: Spirit Captured in Clay."

Regional barbecue by Gardner's BBQ, Hash & Fresh Country Sausage will be available for purchase.

Schiele Museum
1500 E. Garrison Blvd., Gastonia, NC, 704-866-6900
www.schielemuseum.org

Magots, Rants, and Giggs, Sunday, September 27 from 12 to 5 pm. Music was an integral part of life in the Carolina backcountry – a source of entertainment and a break from monotonous chores. Enjoy the sounds of 18th-century tunes played on a variety of instruments. Learn the story of Bryan O’Linn, a song vital to the Battle of Kings Mountain.

Autumn in Early Carolina, Sunday, October 25 from 1 to 5 pm. Visit the Backcountry Farm to observe how early settlers prepared and enjoyed the fruits of autumn. Taste homemade apple butter; pick up an 18th-century recipe for a delicious apple dish. See backcountry folk in period dress demonstrate skills from 250 years ago.

Reed Gold Mine State Historic Site
9621 Reed Mine Road
Midland, NC 28163
(704)-721-GOLD (4653)
www.nchistoricsites.org/reed

End of Panning, Saturday, Saturday, October 31 from 9 am to 4 pm. Our panning season is coming to a close. The last day visitors will be able to pan for gold in 2015 will be on Halloween, Saturday, October 31st.

North Branch MHA with Davidson Historical Society: The American Revolution as Occurred in the Carolinas Sunday, September 20, 2015 at 4:00 pm. Davidson Town Hall 216 South Main Street, Davidson. Did you know that more battles occurred within 100 miles of Charlotte during the eight-year period of the Revolutionary War than all the rest of the thirteen colonies combined?

FOR ADDITIONAL EVENTS, please visit these sites:
- Andrew Jackson State Park
  www.southcarolinaparks.com/parkfinder/state-park/1797.aspx
- Charlotte Folk Society
  www.folksociety.org
- Charlotte Museum of History
  www.charlottemuseum.org
- Cowpens National Battlefield
  www.nps.gov/cowp
- Duke Mansion
  www.dukemansion.com
- Fort Defiance
  www.fortdefiancenc.org
- Fort Dobbs State Historic Site
  www.fortdobbs.org
- Fort Mill History Museum
  www.fortmillhistorymuseum.org
- Gaston County Museum
  www.gastoncountyuseum.org
- Gregory Creek Homestead & Iredell Museums
  www.iredellmuseums.org
- Historic Brattonsville
  www.chmuseums.org/brattonsville
- Historic Camden
  www.historic-camden.net
- Historic Rosedale
  www.historicrosedale.org
- Hugh Torance House and Store
  www.hughtorancehouseandstore.com
- Kings Mountain Historical Museum
  www.kingsmountainmuseum.org
- Kings Mountain National Military Park
  www.nps.gov/kimo
- Kings Mountain State Park
  southcarolinaparks.com/park-finder/state-park/945.aspx
- Latta Plantation
  www.lattaplantation.org
- Levine Museum of the New South
  www.museumofthenewsouth.org
- Matthews Heritage Museum
  www.matthewsheritage.org
- Matthews Historical Foundation
  704-846-6693
- Mint Hill Historical Society
  www.minthillhistory.com
- Mount Holly Historical Society
  mhhistoricalsociety@gmail.com
- Museum of the Waxhaws
  www.museumofthewaxhaws.org
- Old Salem
  www.oldsalem.org
- President James K. Polk State Historic Site
  polk.nchistoricsites.org
- Reed Gold Mine State Historic Site
  www.nchistoricsites.org/reed/reed.htm
- Robinson-Spangler Carolina Room, Charlotte Mecklenburg Library
  www.cmlibrary.org
- Rural Hill
  www.ruralhill.net
- Schiele Museum
  www.schielemuseum.org
- Southern Campaign of the American Revolution
  www.southerncampaign.org
- Spencer Doll and Toy Museum
  www.spencerdollandtoy.com
- Stanly County Museum
  www.stanlycountymuseum.com
- Union County Public Library
  www.unionlib.nc.us
- York County Genealogical & Historical Society
  www.weblandinc.com/ycghs/member.html