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Lecture Series

Mark your calendar now and plan to hear renowned experts in their field lecture in the Visitors Center on Sunday afternoon or Thursday evening. Join us in this cozy historic setting for an informative event with refreshments.

Admission is \$15 per person for the general public and \$10 for members of the Joel Lane Historical Society. Reservations are required, and seating is very limited. For more information, visit the web site, www.joellane.org.

Sun. October 4, 2009 2:00 pm

Warren Bingham
George Washington's 1791 Tour Through the South



Warren Bingham

No- vember 12, 2009

JLMH: Winner of Metro Magazine 2009 Bravo Award for Best Historic Site!

7:00 pm

Josh Howard
Wake County's Participation in the Revolutionary War, 1775-1783

Josh Howard



January 21, 2010 7:00 pm

Gwen Mays
Women of Joel Lane's Family

February 4, 2010 7:00 pm

Earl Ijames
Slavery in 18th-Century N.C.



Earl Ijames

April 8, 2010 7:00 pm

Peter Sandbeck
18-Century Architecture in N.C.

Peter Sandbeck



Earth Day

Thanks to wonderful partners on Earth Day in April, the spruced up grounds and new sidewalk make this important heritage site really shine! Bland Landscaping took the lead with 20 volunteer managers who spent the entire work day planting, making repairs, and laying brick. Thanks also to Custom Brick Company and Wake Stone for donating the materials to build an 80-foot long sidewalk the length of the lot on Saint Mary's Street. It looks great!



Kudos to Gail Ingram who organized every aspect of the day and to Kurt Bland, owner of Bland Landscaping

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From the President's Quill

by Margaret M. Rolfsen

Did you beat the heat at the Joel Lane Museum House over the 4th of July? If so, you and over 450 compatriots enjoyed a lovely warm day with hands-on history, music, and, in a nod to the 21st century, Locopops! If you missed out, mark your calendar for the 2nd annual Lizzie Lane Colonial Tea in September for ages 5 and up and the decidedly more grown up Tavern Party on Thursday, October 29th when we will partner with Irregardless Café and Boylan Bridge Brew Pub. Whoever said history is not fun? The Lecture series will continue this fall, and Warren Bingham will be back by popular demand with his stirring lecture on George Washington's 1791 Southern Tour. In November, Josh Howard will be talking about Wake County's participation in the Revolutionary War. Lastly, please remember to save the date for the Christmas Open House on December 5th and 6th this year.

Earlier this summer Camp Flintlock and 24 children from the greater Raleigh area came to the house to learn for themselves what life was like in the 18th century before Wake County or Raleigh existed. Please encourage your family's school to visit or to arrange for the docents and hands-on history program to visit their school. Wouldn't it be a point of pride if every student in Wake County knew about the origin of their county and state capital and the very important role Joel Lane played in it?

Thanks to your continued support, History is alive and well here.

NCSU Libraries & Library Thing

Erin Stalberg and the staff at the NCSU Libraries spent several hours in March in the Visitors Center cataloging our book collection and uploading it to the web site, Library Thing. It was a "flash mob party" in the name of history! There's even a video of the event on YouTube. Thanks also to Library Thing, which donated an account and tee-shirts.

Does JLMH Have Your Email Address?

Due to the high cost of postage, JLMH announces all events via email rather than USPS mail. To be added to the email list, please send a message to joellane@bellsouth.net along with your name. Since this is a one-and-a-half person operation, you will not receive an excessive number of emails. Any time you want to be removed from the email list, drop us a line.

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Tour Hours:

*Wednesday– Friday
10, 11, 12 and 1:00 pm
Saturday 1, 2 & 3 pm
and by appointment*

*The Joel Lane Museum House
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and West Hargett Streets.*



The Honor Plaque

Thanks go to the following who gave \$1,000 or more to the JLMH between Jan. and June:

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Every effort has been made to print an accurate list. Sincerest apologies if your name was omitted. Please contact the office for corrections.



*Juliette Singleton, Gloria Johnson,
& Elizabeth Perry*

Thank You to Quail Ridge Books

Quail Ridge Books and Music helped publicize the wonderful concert of 18th-century music on period instruments by Ginger and David Hildebrand held in March at the Raleigh Moravian Church.



Spotlight on a Staff Member

The JLMH was very fortunate to work with Jeff Neale, recent graduate of the NCSU public history masters degree program. For two years, Jeff led exciting tours for all ages and spearheaded advancements in educational programs. He was recognized as the outstanding graduate student in his program at the graduation ceremony in May. Congratulations to Jeff!



Jeff Neale



Spotlight on Volunteers

Volunteers extraordinaire describes Gloria Johnson, Elizabeth Perry, and Juliette Singleton. All three ladies have cheerfully and expertly guided tours at the JLMH for over ten years. Thank you!

Tavern Party

Plan to have a great time in the Joel Lane gardens on October 29 at 6 pm. Beer provided by Boylan Bridge Brew Pub, live music, and food from Irregardless Café will be the features at this event where you can meet your neighbors! Toast the spirit of Joel Lane, said to be the ultimate party host in Wake County. Tickets are \$25 and are available by phone at 833-3431.

Lizzie Lane's Colonial Tea

On Sunday, September 20 from 3-5 pm, the JLMH will host Lizzie Lane's Colonial Tea. Named for Joel Lane's third daughter, the tea will feature tea and cakes in the colonial style as well as crafts and games for the younger set. Grandmothers, mothers, daughters, granddaughters, and fathers, too, are welcome to the beautiful Joel Lane gardens. The rain date will be Sunday, September 27. Admission is \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under. Minimum age is 5. Make your reservation today by calling 919-833-3431. It was a sellout last year.



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