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MISSION STATEMENT

To collect, preserve, study, evaluate and publicize the history of Brunswick County, NC. To devote meetings to presentation of materials about Brunswick County and the Lower Cape Fear through lectures, slices, and discussion. To publish a newsletter which contains news of the Society's activities, research papers and articles that pertain to genealogy.

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For the 2010 - 2012 Term

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NOVEMBER MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE BCCC BOLIVIA, NC NOVEMBER 12, 2012 7:30 P.M.

The next meeting of the *Brunswick County Historical Society* will be held on November 12 at the Brunswick Community College Teaching Auditorium. The meeting begins at 7:30 P.M. We always meet the 2nd Monday in February, May, August and November.

The February 2012 issue of the *NEWSLETTER* began the 52nd Volume. Volume I, Number 1 was printed September 1961. A complete set of the Newsletter from September 1961 to November 2012 can be found in the Wilson Library at UNC-Chapel Hill, NC and at the New Hanover County Public Library North Carolina Room in Wilmington, NC. There were no publications of Volume 17, #3 & 4 (1977) and Volume 18, #1 (1978).

NOTICE: *Because of renovation to the Brunswick Electric facility the May, August and November 2012 meetings for the BCHS will be held in the Teaching Auditorium at the Brunswick County Community College. The Auditorium is located in Building A, Second Floor across from the Library. There is an elevator just inside the building entrance for those in need of assistance.*

Elections for Brunswick County Historical Society Officers for the 2013 - 2015 term will be held at the November meeting.

Please make your plans to attend this very important meeting and a big **THANK YOU** to the out going Officers for your direction and services during the last two years.

Pictures and Documents

BCHS's project to scan, record and preserve old historical pictures and documents will continue at



was immediately sent

will be able to take them home with you.

the next BCHS's meeting to be held on Monday night November 12, 2012. You may bring any old pictures and or documents to be scanned between 5:30 and 7:30. Your information will not leave your sight and you

In preparation for this project, make a list of the people or objects in the photos with dates and or information to be included with the scanned object. Please help us to preserve Brunswick County's history.

Dues for 2013

With the year coming to a close your 2013 BCHS dues will be payable January 1. Individual dues are still \$15.00 a year or for lifetime membership at \$150.00. See Sandra Ward or any officer or mail check to Brunswick County Historical Society, PO Box 874, Shallotte, NC 28459. Use the membership application found on page 7 for contact changes or pass along to your friends or relatives. Help us to increase our membership during the next year.

The British are Coming

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Job Holden R5125 fn14NC

Transcribed by Will Graves 5/9/11

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or

grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786."

State of North Carolina Brunswick County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions March Term 1836

On this 7th day of March A.D. 1836 personally appeared in open Court, before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting, Job Holden a resident in the County and State above written aged eighty-four years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he was called out into the service in Brunswick County State of North Carolina under Colonel Edward Wingate of the Militia for that County & Captain Jacob Leonard. That there then being British vessels in the Cape Fear River this declarant with other militia soldiers of the County were stationed at a place on the River called Old Brunswick to keep them from landing or coming ashore, that after remaining a while at this place they were moved about a mile up the River to an old mill - while there some men (how many he does not now recol-

lect) came ashore from a British vessel lying in the River — that when the company to which this declarant belonged saw them land, a flag was immediately sent to know their business. That they were ordered to return to their vessel and not to land. That they immediately retreated to their vessel. That this declarant with the company was discharged — nothing further of any consequence that he can now recollect having occurred during this term of service. That after being discharged and when on his way home with some of his neighbors (how many he does not now recollect) he thinks Captain Jacob Leonard was in the company — they heard the guns firing and went to the River where they found some of the British with logs carrying them to their Boat which was up in Elizabeth River. That he and his company fired upon them — when they surrendered. That they took these men prisoners and carried them to Captain Allen and delivered them up to him, who with his company of Regulars, was stationed on the Cape Fear River near old Brunswick. This declarant thinks, it was some time in the year 1776 when he entered the service, that he is under the impression he was in service during this term about one month. That some short time after he was again called out by Colonel Wingate in Brunswick County and stationed at a Bridge on Lockwood's Folly River that he the declarant during this term of service was Sergeant of the company to which he belonged being the Lockwood's folly Company. That after remaining encamped for some time at Lockwood's Folly Bridge that the company was marched through the Country lying between this place and Wilmington in pursuit of the Tories who were then committing depredations — that after rendering service of this sort, protecting the Whigs citizens and their property against the Tories — the company to which this declarant belonged was marched to Wilmington in New Hanover County. That there they joined General Ashe and remained in camp under him guarding the town. That he has no particular recollection of what occurred during the time he was there. The next incident which the declarant recollects during his service was a skirmish which occurred at Bacon's Inlet — where some of the enemy having committed depredations by killing cattle & other stock he was marched there under Major Samuel Leonard and finding the enemy, a skirmish ensued — the enemy retreated to their boats or

small vessels and went out at the inlet. The particulars the declarant cannot recollect. That after this the declarant under Colonel Jacob Leonard marched through Brunswick County in different directions in pursuit of the Tories — up in the neighborhood of White marsh, the Brown Marsh and through Elizabeth in Bladen County. That he recollects he hired a substitute to serve for him out of the State during the war the declarant preferring to serve in the State — he recollects the name of his substitute was Richard Miller. That he resided in the County of Brunswick, State of North Carolina when he entered the service and while he did serve it was as a volunteer. That he has no documentary evidence of his service, but that Mr. Charles Tharpe can testify to a part of his service. That he served until the close of the war being ready at every call and serving whenever called upon. That he is confident he was in active service during the time at least two years. That he was garrisoned at Lockwood's folly Bridge 2 months — that he was then marched to Wilmington where he remained in camp 3 months. That after the skirmish at Bacon's Inlet — he was gone two months under Colonel Wingate, marching through his own County Brunswick, up to the White Marsh the Brown Marsh and Elizabeth in Bladen County. The length of this service is above stated in those several tours he can recollect but the particular length of any other tours he cannot recollect but knows he is safe in stating his whole as being for two years but only claims for such time as is regularly made out.

To the Interrogatories required to be propounded he makes the following replies.

To the first Interrogatory he saith — I was born in someone of the northern states — which I do not know — I was brought from the North when a child — all I recollect is I was told the place where I was born was called Cape May, I was born in the year 1752.

To the second Interrogatory he saith I have no record of my age — it was recorded in my fathers Bible, but that was burnt up in my Brother's house.

To the third Interrogatory he saith — I was living in the County of Brunswick State of

North Carolina when called into service. I have lived in the same County & State since the Revolutionary War and still live in said County & state.

To the fourth Interrogatory he saith.
I was a volunteer

To the fifth Interrogatory he saith
I cannot recollect any of the Regular Officers except Captain Allen and I have gone through with all I can remember.

To the sixth Interrogatory he saith.
I never did receive a written discharge.

To the seventh Interrogatory he saith.
Mr. Charles Tharpe can testify as to his personal knowledge of my service. The Reverend Edward Fitzgerald and Doctor Sterling B. Everett being present can testify for me as to the other particulars.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State or if any, only on that of the Agency of the State of North Carolina.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid
S/Job Holden

[Edward Fitzgerald, a clergyman, and Starling B. Everitt gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Brunswick County
I Charles Tharpe a citizen of the County of Brunswick and State of North Carolina hereby certify that I was a soldier of the Revolution, – that I am well acquainted with Job Holden who has sworn to and subscribed the above declaration, I knew him personally during the Revolutionary War. The first time I recollect to have seen him in service was on Cape Fear River in the County of Brunswick and State of North Carolina he and I were both under Colonel Edward Wingate and Captain Jacob Leonard stationed at an old mill not far from the River – I cannot recollect particularly what occurred – my impression is we were stationed there to keep the British from getting up into the country – I think this was about the beginning of the war – Mr.

Job Holden and myself both belonged to what was called the Lockwood's folly Company of militia. That I recollect being with Mr. Job Holden in Wilmington in camp. I recollect that General Ashe was there. I think we were in Wilmington three months. I recollect also being stationed at Lockwood's folly Bridge in Brunswick County under Colonel Wingate and that Mr. Job Holden was also there – how long I was there I cannot exactly recollect – I can also recollect being with Mr. Job Holden at Bacon's Inlet – I recollect one Robert Bell command gave the information that the British had landed there and were killing the cattle – The company was marched there under Samuel Leonard whether he was then a Captain or Major I do not now recollect, – I recollect their boats were called row galleys – and after some little skirmishing between them and our company they retreated to their boats and went out at the Inlet. I cannot recollect being with Mr. Holden at any other time during the war. I think I am about 90 years of age I have known Mr. Holden from the time I have mentioned and some time previously. I have known him ever since he was a boy – he is an honest man and would not state a falsehood – and I have no doubt he served as he states.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid
S/ Charles Tharpe, X his mark

State of North Carolina Brunswick County
Personally appeared before me the undersigned, a justice of the peace for the County of Brunswick, State of North Carolina, Job Holden who being duly sworn deposeth and saith, that, by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For one month, at first, I served as a volunteer private soldier. For twenty-three months I served as Sergeant being still a volunteer – the whole term of my service being two years; and for such service I claim a pension.

March 8, 1836
S/ Saml. Potter, JP

Chapel Hill Missionary Baptist Church

Homecoming 2011
Historian's Report

Good morning and welcome to Homecoming. 2011 marks the 174th anniversary of the founding of the First Baptist Church of Shallotte. It began its inception as Chapel Hill Missionary Baptist Church in 1837, with members voting to change the name in 1954. It is the second oldest church in Shallotte.

It is believed that the first members worshipped in a modest frame structure that was located about one mile east of where we sit today. Over the years, the congregation has suffered its share of hardships. For example, the second church building and all church records were destroyed by fire in 1931. But God gave the members the strength and foresight to carry on. They continued to worship - legend has it that services were even held in Mr. Oscar Gray's barn until a new location could be found. Now just imagine that for a minute. We have this beautiful facility today with all the modern conveniences and comforts. Our forebears evidently had such a strong faith and love for Christ that they were willing to worship under far less comfortable circumstances.

And the Lord blessed them. In 1932, a new church was built on one acre in Shallotte. Much more accommodating than a barn, it was originally 1,440 square feet. Over time, the building grew to include a sanctuary, fellowship hall, and ten Sunday School classrooms. Services and important events were held at this location, known as 4510 Main St., until April 4, 2004.

After a period of enormous growth in the late 1990s, the congregation was ready to relocate once more, this time to the 10.25 acre tract of land that we call home today. In the span of four years, God sustained us as we prepared to move. On December 22, 2003, a groundbreaking ceremony was held. Members worked extremely hard preparing the grounds for the new church. On Easter Sunday, April 11, 2011, we worshipped here for the first time. Praise God for His infinite grace and goodness. In just 80 years we went from worshipping in

an humble barn, to a 25,000 square foot facility.

I look back at my own upbringing here at First Baptist and I feel blessed to have grown up under the voices of dedicated pastors and leaders who taught God's Holy Word. Truly we have been blessed with many Godly men who have led us to accept the Lord and seek His will for our lives. That tradition continues to this day. In 2005, the Lord brought Dr. Bob Weathers to us to serve as full-time pastor. Be thankful for a man who loves Christ and who preaches the True Word. Under Pastor Bob's leadership, our membership has grown to 759 souls.

In 2008, Keith Wilson became our first full-time Minister of Students and Young Adults. He has done a tremendous job working with the young people of the church and the community. This past November, Keith was ordained here at First Baptist. So he is now the Rev. Keith Wilson.*

First Baptist has built a legacy of service to Christ. In Ephesians, Paul wrote:

There is one body and one spirit - just as you were called to one hope when you were called - one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all in all. But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it . . . It was he who gave some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

We have always been a missionary Baptist Church, and we have always supported missions financially. We are currently in the season for giving to the NC missions offering. But in the past few years members have truly stepped up and have answered the call to minister to others and spread the mes-

sage of Christ locally, nationally, and internationally. This year alone, teams and individual members from our church have journeyed to Haiti, Pennsylvania, Sri Lanka, Japan, and Uganda. Rose McPherson is currently serving in Uganda for a year.

This is an extraordinary journey for her, and we will all be praying for her and supporting her while she is away. And, of course, our most recent team to Haiti just returned yesterday from a week-long mission trip.

We don't know when the Lord will return, but we can continue this legacy of service. And I know that He will continue to bless First Baptist Church, as He always has, as long as we work to expand His kingdom, support missions, minister to others, and worship Him faithfully until He comes again. God bless you.

*Rev. Keith Wilson resigned as Minister of Students and Young Adults, effective November, 2011, feeling led to concentrate on missions for the homeless and youth whose parents are incarcerated.

Tara Evans
FBCS Historian
October, 2011

1904	E L Swain
1905	D L Hewett
1913-1914	P T Britt
1917-1918	J I Stone
1920	P T Britt
1922-1923	J I Stone
1924	J K Todd
1925	A W Clemmons
1926	J K Todd
1928-1933	J R Carter
1934	S A Hatley
1935	A Higgins
1936-1939	J A Carter
1940-1941	O E Hardwick
1942-1943	W W Robbins
1944-1947	H B Bennett
1948-1950	I F Britt
1951-1952	H B Bennett
1953-1954	E C Reaves
1956	P M Dorr
1959-1960	Frank Johnson
1961	J C Furr
1962	E O Young
1963	Ernest Hendrix
1965-1966	J P Lanier
1968-1973	C L Turner
1975-1982	Landis Lancaster
1984-1987	W Eddie Booth
1988-1992	Landis Lancaster
1993-2004	Randy Gruber
2005-	Robert Weathers

Editors Note: Transcribed as written

Ministers that have served Chapel Hill Baptist Church

Chapel Hill Missionary Baptist 1879-1954
First Baptist Church of Shallotte 1954-present

By: Ouida Hewett

1881	A G Nobles
1882-1884	E L Swain
1888	R J Long
1889	Not Listed
1890-1891	J A Mintz
1892-1894	J T Caines
1898-1900	J T Caines
1901	G W Sellers

County Home News The State Port Pilot, Southport, NC

April 6, 1938

As nothing from the home has appeared in the Pilot for sometime, a few items may not be amiss.

B. C. Williams, who was quite sick sometime ago, is now almost back to normal, and able to take part in the work of the farm.

Mrs. Mary Swain, our oldest lady resident, has been in serious condition for quite awhile and is now very low.

Mrs. Jesse Roach and Miss Esther and Carvin Roach and younger children, Clara Lee, Virginia,

and Bobbie Roach, were callers to see Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Williams on Thursday of the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Williams made a trip to their home section Friday afternoon, calling on Mr. Williams' brother, Bert Williams.

Misses Louise Hilton, Florence Weier and Edna Maulbocker, students of Columbia Bible College, Columbia, S.C. gladdened the hearts of the County Home folks Sunday afternoon in song and testimony.

Mrs. George W. Trask, of Wrightsboro, accompanied by a group of young people added to the spirit of the hour. This treat was provided by Miss Ethel Satterfield, Missionary, who holds services twice a month at the home.

Research By Correspondence

The North Carolina State Archives is pleased to announce that three new record categories are now open for research by correspondence: World War I service cards (1917-1919); N.C. Selective Service registration cards (1940-1953); and marriage registers and or licenses post-1868.

The Correspondence Unit of the Archives is excited about offering these new categories for their patrons. Go to www.archives.ncdcr.gov/mail.htm for the revised request forms. Good luck in your research!

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VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

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Membership Application ... Invite a Friend to Join Brunswick County Historical Society

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-Mail _____

New: _____ or Renewal _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Mail this form with your check to: P.O. Box 874, Shallotte, NC 28459

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