

# Olde Dobbs Trail

Newsletter of the OLD DOBBS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings:

Our June meeting is over and you have a new slate of officers for the coming year, although they are the same ones except for three. Kevin Baker has graciously offered to be our Recording Secretary, Jean Albert our 1st Vice President and Mary Spiron Editor of the Newsletter.

Carol Peele will be working with Mary Spiron on our newsletter. They are both excellent genealogists so I feel assured that you will be getting some good material this coming year.

We have decided to continue the once a month issue but we may have to cut back on the pages if we run out of sources. So keep your eyes and ears open. If you have anything that would help us, please mail it to Mary E. Spiron,  
{address removed}

Also, don't forget that this issue will be the last you will get if you do not pay your dues, which is still \$10.00. Our year starts on July 1st.

We had a good meeting Saturday although not as many came as I thought might. Summer is a busy time with vacations, etc. so I guess it is to be expected.

Our next meeting is scheduled for someplace in Farmville, which will be the fourth Saturday in September. I will let everyone know in the newsletter where the location is.

See you next month.

Yvonne Hatch, President

Old Dobbs County Genealogical Society

## C O P Y

JOHN TAYLOR HISTOGRAPHER (HISTORIOGRAPHER) OF NEUSE LODGE NO. 6, I. O. O. F.

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Instituted Aug. 16th 1845 By Dispensation

Alexander McRay, Grand Master  
Thomas H. Howey, Dep. Grand Master  
Thaddeus D. Love, Grand Warden

The Petitioners (Charter Members) Presented Cards as follows:

Daniel Cogdell, M. D.  
Spias Singleton, M. D.  
Franklin H. Hooks, Merchant-Clerk  
Lawrence Peacock, Merchant  
John Pike, Merchant

All natives of North Carolina. Lodge instituted as above dated at Waynesboro, N. C. in the Hall known as the Raiford House. Her first Officers:

N. G. Daniel Cogdell  
V. G. Spias Singleton  
Sec'y Franklin H. Hooks  
Treas. Lawrence Peacock

Date of Charter May 14th 1846 Israel Disosway M. W. Grand Master, Ed Yarboro, R. W. D. G. Master, J. B. Newby, R. W. G. Sec'y, J. Cicero Justice, W. G. Warden, Junious D. Gardner, R. W. G. Treas.

Past Grand Masters Alex McRay and John McRae. Dispensation Granted Neuse Lodge to remove to Goldsboro Oct. 23rd 1847.

Nov. 13th First Meeting in Goldsboro in the Hall known as the Neff Hotel. Lodge Officers during her removal:

James W. Doyal, N. G.  
Stephen D. Phillips, V. G.  
W. S. G. Andrews, R. S.  
John Taylor, F. S.  
Lawrence Peacock, Treas.

Neuse Lodge at present term resolved on purchase of lot to build Hall on. P. G. W. S. G. Andrews being appointed trustee was authorized to purchase the lot selected by Neuse Lodge and hold the title in trust for said Lodge. She then went to work with all energy Aug. 19th 1848 in the erection of Hall.

Aug. 4th, 1849, our new Hall having been completed it was resolved that Neuse Lodge remove to new quarters fourthwith, which resolution was complied with.

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Aug. 16th, 1849, our fourth anniversary, P. G. John N. Washington being invited delivered the anniversary oration to a large and interesting meeting of brothers and citizens.

Not anything of importance occurring from this date further than Neuse Lodge pursued her regular onward march until the War which came near being disbanded. But through the indomitable energy <sup>and</sup> perseverance of a few we were able to hold meetings and continued to work all through that memorable War. During that struggle Neuse Lodge stripped her floor of carpeting cut into blankets and lined with good unbleached cloth and distributed to the Soldiers of the Confederacy.

At the close of the War, Mar. 1865, Gen. Schofield entered Goldsboro with his Army. Some two or three days later Gen. Sherman made his appearance with some 125,000 troops in all. Neuse Lodge was a heavy sufferer, the troops being turned loose they entered our hall and stripped us every vestige of what we possessed in the way of regalia, furniture, record books, papers, etc.. We were here left with the naked walls. Crushed as we were we were not dismayed. We went to work with renewed energy and procured such paraphernalia as was necessary for working purposes until 1872 when Neuse Lodge resolved that she should purchase a lot and erect a new Hall in a more central part of our town. The consequence is that we have purchased and built a Hall which is not only an ornament to the town but a credit to the Order. We can now boast of as commodious an O. F. Hall as is in the old North State.

I may also add our Hall is well carpeted and furnished. Our building cost is Seven Thousand Dollars of which every dollar is paid. It is true we yet owe some Money on the purchase of our lot but am in hopes that we shall be able to meet it when due.

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NOTE: This early history of Neuse Lodge by John Taylor is not dated, but must have been written just after 1874 when the new Lodge Building was occupied.

Notations in pencil on the first page of the document: "P. G. John Taylor admitted by card from Cape Fear No. 2 Oct. 2nd 1845."  
"P. G. W. S. G. Andrews admitted by card from Cape Fear No. 2 - Aug. 9, 1846."

This document, and other records, from 1845 to about 1900 were found in the bottom of an old trunk stored in the Lodge building on the third floor, August 1987.

Copied by T. J. Tolson, Recording Secretary, from the original September 15, 1987.

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Neuse Lodge No. 6 was instituted August 16, 1845. According to this history Neuse Lodge first met at Raiford House in Waynesboro.

Moved to Goldsboro Oct. 23, 1847 and met at the Neff Hotel, location not given.

In 1849 a new building was completed and the Lodge moved to this new Hall in August of that year. No location is given.

SEE NOTE ) After the War a new building was constructed in 1874 located at East  
ON PAGE 4 ) Center and Walnut Streets across from old Goldsboro Hotel Building. Brother  
ON THIS ) Taylor here states the structure "an ornament to the town and credit to the  
Order".

In 1884 considerable time and money was spent on a building which appears to be repairs to the above building.

In 1906 present Odd Fellows building was constructed by E. G. Porter builder and architect. Neuse Lodge No. 6 has met at this location since that date (80 years). Home Rebekah Lodge 106 was chartered in 1923 and meets in this building 115-115 South John St., Goldsboro.

In the first documents issued by Neuse Lodge it is noted they spelled the name of the town "Waynesboro" and not "Waynesborough".

The above information prepared by T. J. Tolson, Recording Secretary, Neuse Lodge, Sept. 15, 1987.

When these old Lodge records were found it was assumed the building Mr. Taylor mentioned in 1874 was the one across from Waynesborough House, corner Walnut and Center. However the Wayne County Historical Association has placed marked on the building:

1849  
ORIGINAL  
I O O F BUILDING  
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JUNE 26, 1988

By: T. J. Tolson

The newsletter will run a series of the marriage applications of Wayne County, North Carolina from 1876 through 1880. The Marriage Register started in 1851, however, the first marriage application to survive was in 1876 and only one for that year. In 1877 only one survived. In 1878 it was 28 and from then on the numbers increase.

I am printing information on Rachel Maudlin. Source: Elbert A. Aycock

Rachel Maudlin daughter of Edward Maudlin died May 1850 age 83. She married Nathan Pike 15 August 1781.

State of North Carolina, ) Office of the Register of Deeds.

Wayne COUNTY. ) Oct 27 1876

To any Ordained Minister of any Religious Denomination or any Justice of the Peace of said County:

I, J. W. Patten having applied to me for a License for the marriage of John R. Deal of Wayne Co aged 21 years color white the son of Calvin Deal and Susan Deal the father now living the mother living resident of Wayne Co. And Sarah Fail of Wayne Co aged 25 years color white daughter of Paul Fail and Louisa Fail the father living the mother living resident of Wayne Co. And the written consent of NOT FOR OFFICIAL USE the \_\_\_\_\_ to the proposed marriage having been filed with me.

And there being no legal impediment to such marriage known to me, you are hereby authorized, at any time within one year from the date hereof, to celebrate the proposed Marriage at any place within the said County.

You are required within two months after you shall have celebrated such marriage to return this License to me, at my office, with your signature subscribed to the certificate under this License, and with the blanks therein filled according to the facts, under penalty of forfeiting two hundred dollars to the use of any person who shall sue for the same.

J. W. Patten Register of Deeds.

State of North Carolina,

Wayne COUNTY:

I, Isaac King minister of the Free will B. Church united in matrimony John R. Deal and Sarah Fail the parties licensed above, on the Third day of November, 1877 at the residence of Thos. Fail in Fork Township Township, in said County, according to law.

\*WITNESSES PRESENT AT MARRIAGE:

Robert To Lewis of Boyd Township  
Melvin Fail of Fork  
William S. Fails of \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name of person officiating. 2. If Minister, of what denomination; if Justice of the Peace, so state. 3. Name of man married. 4. Name of woman married.  
 5. Name of marriage. 6. Township. \*If not three persons present at a marriage must sign as witnesses.

State of North Carolina, ) Office of the Register of Deeds.

Wayne COUNTY: ) Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 1877

To my Obtained Ministers of any Religious Denomination or any Justice of the Peace of said County:

*John W. P. Russell* having applied to me for a License for the marriage of *Abigail Ann Strickland* of *Wayne County*, aged *23* years color *White*, the son of *Amos Strickland* and *Amelia Strickland* the father now *living* the mother *dead*, resident of *Wayne Co.*

*Amelia Ann B. Ellis* of *Wayne Co.* aged *23* years color *White*, daughter of *Benjamin Ellis* and *Jane Ellis* the father *dead* the mother *living* resident of *Wayne Co.*

And the written consent of \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ to the proposed marriage having been filed with me.

And there being no legal impediment to such marriage known to me, you are hereby authorized, at any time within one year from the date hereof, to celebrate the proposed Marriage at any place within the said County.

You are required within two months after you shall have celebrated such marriage to return this License to me, at my office, with your signature subscribed to the certificate under this License, and with the blanks therein filled according to the facts, under penalty of forfeiting two hundred dollars to the use of any person who shall sue for the same.

*J. H. Smith* Register of Deeds.

State of North Carolina,

.....COUNTY:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a2 \_\_\_\_\_

united in matrimony3 \_\_\_\_\_ and4 \_\_\_\_\_

the parties licensed above, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1877

at5 \_\_\_\_\_ in6 \_\_\_\_\_

Township, in said County, according to law.

\*WITNESSES PRESENT AT MARRIAGE:

*Returned not used*

\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name of person officiating. 2. If Minister, of what denomination; if Justice of the Peace, no state. 3. Name of man married. 4. Name of woman married. 5. Place of marriage. 6. Emancipation. \*At least three persons present at a marriage must sign as witnesses.

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PURPOSE

To preserve the history of Old Dobbs County and its families.  
To promote friendship and exchange information.

ADVANTAGES OF MEMBERSHIP

Monthly issues of the newsletter "Olde Dobbs Trail"  
Free queries in the newsletter for members.  
Guest speakers and lecturers at meetings.

MEETINGS

Meetings: Second Saturday of September, December, March and June

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL  
(Annual Membership from 1 July to 30 June)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\$10.00 Single Member \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00 Joint Members (same address) \_\_\_\_\_

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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BOOKS AVAILABLE FROM THE SOCIETY

OLD DOBBS COUNTY RECORDS (Revised 530 pages)

Contents: Ancestral Charts, Bible Records, Cemetery Information and In-  
scriptions, Elections Records, Military Records, Old Waynesborough  
Residents, Tax Records, Will Index (1195 names).

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(postage included) \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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