

# The North Carolina Society Daughters of 1812

# The Wasp

News-Letter of the Captain Johnston Blakeley Chapter



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#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Our state council meeting will be held at

The University Club NC State University Hillsborough Road Raleigh, NC

on

Saturday, August 5

Dames of the Court of Honor meeting starts at 10:00 a.m.

Both societies will enjoy the speaker and lunch together starting at approximately 11:30 a.m.

The guest speaker is the President National, Jacque-Lynne Schulman!

1812 will start their meeting at 1:00 p.m.

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Invitations will be emailed and reservations made thru DCH...they are handling reservations for both societies. Invitations should go out sometime in mid or late June.

# **Dear Daughters:**

Our meeting on May 20 at the Joel Lane House was great fun, despite the heat. We had five members and 3 guests in attendance to tour the oldest house in Wake County.

The ROTC medal season has come to a close. Blakeley chapter presented 17 medals to the following schools:

Garner HS, Southern Nash HS, Wake Forest HS, Smithfield-Selma HS, Sanderson HS (Raleigh), Pine Forest HS (Fayetteville), Riverside HS (Durham), Southern Lee HS (Sanford), Louisburg HS, South Central HS (Winterville), Enloe HS (Raleigh), Union HS (Rose Hill, Bladen Co), E. E. Smith HS (Fayetteville), Northside HS (Jacksonville), UNC-Chapel Hill, West Johnston HS (Benson), and Overhills HS (Spring Lake).

My thanks to Elaine Baldasare, who helped coordinate many of these presentations, and Kimberly Froeschner and Elaine Matson who helped me make in-person presentations.

## Capt. Johnston Blakeley Chapter No. 404 EIN#56-2202003

Organized: 14 June 1998 Organ. President: Mrs. Thomas G. Belvin

#### <u>Chapter Officers</u> <u>2015-2018</u>

President: Mrs. Laura C. Edwards
Vice President: Mrs. Edna C. Powers
Chaplain: Mrs. Ann B. James
Secretary: Mrs. Elaine A. Matson
Treasurer: Mrs. Elaine C. Baldasare
Registrar: Mrs. Kimberly S. Froeschner

Historian: Ms. Mary Ann Loss

I would like to welcome our new Associate member Julia Williams. Julia is currently residing in Elm City and belongs to the Maryland Society.

### **SECRETARY'S MINUTES**

The Captain Johnston Blakeley Chapter met Saturday Mary 20, 2017 at the Joel Lane House, 728 West Hargett Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. President Laura Edwards met with the members and guests for an informal visit to this historic house and museum. The following members were in attendance: Laura Edwards, Mary Ann Loss, Kimberly Froeschner, and Elaine Matson. Junior member Penelope Froeschner accompanied her mother. Three guests also attended. They were Cynthia McGuffey, Martha d'Alessandro, and Linda Walker whose mother was the late Louise Brown, a former member.

Lanie Hubbard who is the Joel Lane House interim director was the tour guide. She explained that the Joel Lane house was built in 1769. Joel Lane was a plantation owner who is considered the "Father of Raleigh". He facilitated the location of the North Carolina capital on his land in 1792. As the group visited each room she discussed how Joel Lane and his family used each room. Later, she went into some detail about the family and enslaved people who lived and worked on the plantation.

After the one hour tour President Laura Edwards met with the three guests. She talked to them about the US Daughters of 1812 and basic requirements for membership. The National Society of US Daughters of 1812 covers the Federal period from 1784 to 1815. An ancestor could be a military member in the War of 1812 but could also hold a civil service position during this period. She also suggested using Fold3 to find possible genealogical information in the 1812 pensions and explained the best way to access these pensions in the Fold3 database.

#### **REGISTRAR NEWS**

The new member application for Bonnie Milam has been sent to National.

Kimberly Froeschner



#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Capt. Johnston Blakeley USD 1812 #404 Balance as of 3/3/2017 \$2,514.01

#### Checks deposited:

3/17/17 N	Member donation to National:	\$100.00
3/22/17 E	Bonnie Milam app fee	\$ 78.00
4/6/17 M	ember donation to National	\$100.00
5/10/17 N	Member donation to National	\$100.00
Total:		\$378.00

#### Checks Paid:

#577 3/4/17 to Laura Edwards	\$35.00
(speaker's gift)	
#578 3/13/17 Treasurer National	\$90.00
(10 JROTC medals)	
#579 3/16/17 Treasurer National	\$48.00
(Bonnie Milam app fee)	
Total:	\$173.00

Balance as of 5/22/2017 \$2,719.01

Current chapter membership: 32 adults, one exempt, 3 Juniors, 2 associates, one application pending at National.

The treasurer will be sending out the dues payment information in early June. Please pay your dues **no later than Sept 2, 2017**. Reminder:

Adult dues are \$40 (\$20 to national, \$10 to state, \$10 to chapter), Junior dues are \$8 (\$2 to national, \$1 to state and \$5 to chapter).

Associates pay \$10 to the chapter.

The donation form will be sent to members in August.

Elaine Baldasare Chapter Treasurer



#### **HISTORIAN'S NEWS**

Please remember to save items for the scrapbook. If you visit any 1812-related historical site, get your picture made and send it to me. Also, if you see 1812-related articles in magazines, please send them to me. Also, remember that our scrapbook will be judged at the State Council meeting, so don't hold onto items this summer as I need to complete the book before the meeting.

Mary Ann Loss Chapter Historian

# VETERAN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE

We have been doing excellent as far as collecting coupons and stamps are concerned! Through the first four months of the year, we have collected over 25,000 coupons to send to the military overseas. This is more than half of what was sent during the entire last year. As for stamps, we are going at a pace that we have not seen in years. In the first four months of the year, we have collected almost 1,200 stamps which is only 200 less than the entire last year. If you have any stamps to send to me, please send to me in May since I will be sending the first batch to the VA Hospital in June.

Thanks all of you who have been so faithful in sending these items to me - you are the best! Remember, that I am also collecting Box-tops for Education to send to Crossnore School - one of our 1812 schools. Crossnore has expanded to Winston-Salem in case you haven't heard. Since they have a whole new group of houses, school and children to add to the group in the mountains, there is a need for

equipment in Winston-Salem, so please be on the lookout for the box-top emblem when purchasing Kraft and Pillsbury items.

Keep up the good work. It is appreciated.

Anne Locke, Chairman

# **By Laws Changes**

The following proposed changes were sent to the members in late March (30 days prior to voting as specified in By Laws). Please review one more time and let me have your votes by June 5, 2017.

Currently: under Standing Rules

- 3. **Deceased members**. Upon the death of a member, ten dollars (\$10) shall be donated in memory of the deceased member to the North Carolina Room at Headquarters, if funds are available. A Memorial Service will be held at the next succeeding Chapter Meeting in remembrance of all members who have passed away during the year.
- 5. **95 Year-Old members:** Any member who reaches 95 years old AND has 5 years of membership will not pay Chapter dues.

Proposed changes:

3. **Deceased Members.** Upon the death of a member, twenty dollars (\$20.00) shall be donated in memory of the deceased member to the North Carolina Room at Headquarters, if funds are available. A Memorial Service will

be held at the next succeeding Chapter Meeting in remembrance of all members who have passed away during the year.

5. **90 Year-Old Members.** Any member who reaches 90 years old AND has 5 years of membership will not pay Chapter dues.

**Rationale:** These changes will put us in compliance with the State and National Rules.

# **Junior Member News**

Michelle Powers graduated May 6 from Western Carolina University with a B. S. in Sociology and a B. S. in Criminal Justice. This fall she will start work on master's degrees in Higher Education and Sports Management. Her career goal is to work as a guidance counselor for student athletes. Michelle was our oldest Junior member, but has now aged out and become a FADD (an adult member under 35).

Bethany Edwards will graduated June 14 from William G. Enloe HS in Raleigh. She will attend Florida State University this fall and major in biology. Bethany was awarded a Freshman Scholarship at FSU.

Benjamin Edwards—our only male junior—is completing 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Carnage Middle School in Raleigh. He plays ice hockey and was recently chosen to play on the Bantam Major AA team for the Junior Hurricanes.

Penelope Froeschner, our youngest Junior member, has just completed second grade with straight A's. Penelope has joined us for two meetings this year. She is a tap and ballet dancer who keeps her mother busy with recitals and practices.

## Farewell!

Next month, we will bid farewell to member Charlotte Carrere. Due to her age and health concerns, Charlotte is moving to Gastonia to live with her daughter. She is planning to transfer her 1812 membership to the Private Vincent Key chapter. She will be leaving Garner on June 10. Charlotte was one of the charter members of the Captain Johnston Blakeley chapter and has served in several

offices, including president and registrar. She also served a term as North Carolina State President.

Charlotte has been one of my mentors for many years and I know that we will all miss her. Her new address is 1213 Heatherloch Drive, Gastonia NC 28054.