

PHILADELPHIA STYLE WITH CAROLINA CHARACTER

FUND-RAISING EVENTS

BEN FRANKLIN SOCIETY

JANUARY 2015

URBAN ELEGANCE • RURAL CHARM • SUSTAINABLE AND ORGANIC FOODS

FELLOW SOCIETY MEMBERS -

December was busy! Hope you had a safe and healthy Holiday Season. We had a great Sunday Brunch on the 7th and our Annual Holiday Open House on the 28th, with some "private" events in between. Read more on PAGE 2 - Ben Franklin Society NEWS.

This Newsletter was delivered to you by our **NEW** MailChimp Email service. Our **NEW** Ben Franklin Society website and **NEW** BenFranklinSociety Facebook page are now online. "Post" Comments on our website homepage Blog and "Like" our Facebook page. Promote us to your friends!

We need volunteers for our Society Projects this year - avid gardeners to join our **NEW** Kitchen Garden Club, adventurers on our upcoming field trips (January thru March) to locate Grist Mill sites, and for Colonial Hearth Days in the fall.

I have expanded our Newsletter by adding PAGE 4 to spotlight our Affiliated Organizations - learn more about what they do. Support them. See our Affiliated Organizations "Makes Business Sense" Ad, along with our Help Wanted Ad on PAGE 3. Forward our Newsletter along to your friends!



Make reservations in January for a delicious SUNDAY BRUNCH at our Log Cabin. Food service starts promptly at 1:00PM. B.Y.O.B. - we provide glasses, corkage and mixers. Our Events are only open to Ben Franklin Society Members - Associate Memberships may be purchased at the door (\$7.50 per year). See you there! - BOB RADCLIFFE

SUNDAY BRUNCH

January I Ith at 1:00PM

Fresh Ham with Citrus Glaze

Potato and Cheese Strata

Baked Fruit over Mixed Greens

Dessert: Assorted Cookies

Bob's Muffins & Breads, Coffee, Tea & Juices

\$15 prix fixe



SUNDAY BRUNCH

January 25th at 1:00PM

Chicken and Mushroom Crepes
Oven Roasted Vegetables
Mixed Green Salad
Dessert: Lemon Parfait

Bob's Muffins & Breads, Coffee, Tea & Juices

\$15 prix fixe

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP AND RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Call 252-767-1167 or Email bob@lynchcreek.com

We now accept VISA, MasterCard, AMEX and DISCOVER Credit Cards



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The Ben Franklin Society is a collection of independent Research Projects

2015 ANNUAL DUES REMINDER

Our Society Dues are on a Calendar Year basis. Consider paying your 2015 Dues now, and if possible, making an additional tax-deductable donation to the Ben Franklin Society. At our Annual Meeting, it was voted to only increase the Associate Membership Dues - from \$5 to \$7.50 per year - holding all other membership categories unchanged.

LIFETIME EMERITUS MEMBERSHIP AWARDED TO MICHAEL J. DEAS

The Board of Directors are grateful and appreciative one of our nation's master realist painters and premier illustrators, MICHAEL J. DEAS, has allowed us to use his famous image (a Time Magazine Cover in 2003) as our Society Logo. Please visit Michael's website at www.michaeldeas.com where you can view his Biography and other Time Magazine covers, U.S. Postage Stamps and much more. Thank you - Michael.

Society Members work individually, or in collaboration with others, on Projects of their choosing

NEW 2014 COLONIAL HEARTH DAY VIDEO ON YOUTUBE

After four days of filming at Peggy McGhee's for our upcoming HEARTH&GARDEN promotional video, Atlantic East Media found they had some great Colonial Hearth Day footage that would go unused. Michael Daly generously edited and scored a Colonial Hearth Day promotional piece that Peggy and the Franklin County School System can use as it prepares for our 2015 Event next fall. Thanks Michael and Lee - great idea - much appreciated. The Video can be viewed using the following URL https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2XZIm4Ybcq0

The Society meets Quarterly, while Projects maintain their own activity schedule

Major Society Technology Upgrade Underway

After five years of operation, it was time to revamp our computer support tools. We are making wholesale changes that will both increase our capabilities, and decrease our fixed costs. Our email service has been migrated to MailChimp; our Website re-designed and re-hosted using Managed WordPress on GoDaddy with a Society News BLOG homepage; and we created a Facebook page which will automatically be updated with Posts made to our website. Together these changes will facilitate our continued growth in the years ahead - with better Social Media marketing potential.

The Society provides funding, promotion and staffing assistance for all Projects

Join our Kitchen Garden Club!

We are starting a new Garden Club committed to the continued development and maintenance of Peggy McGhee's Colonial Kitchen Garden. BFS, with help from Novozymes and the Franklin County Tourism Development Authority, is transforming this local resource into a regional tourist attraction in 2015. Help us expand the economic development potential of Franklin County. Call Kerry Carter for details at 267-973-8143

Project Leaders make presentations about their Research Projects at Quarterly Society Meetings

PEGGY'S HEARTH&GARDEN PROMOTIONAL VIDEO

TDA (Tourism Development Authority) funds are underwriting a Promotional Video production by Atlantic East Media - http://www.atlanticeastmedia.com. We hope to begin airing the Video on YouTube this month. We expect to attract visitors from across the State to experience this new and unique historic and educational venue.

COLONIAL KITCHEN GARDEN ARTICLE

Marion Blackburn has completed a new Ben Franklin Society Project Perspective Article about Peggy McGhee's Colonial Kitchen Garden titled "Sowing Seeds, Growing History" which can be read online at: http://www.benfranklinsocietync.org/SocietyDocuments/PeggysGarden-2013.pdf

NEWS & OBSERVER: "BEST KEPT SECRET IN FRANKLIN COUNTY"

Project Leaders are encouraged to utilize computer technology to assemble, communicate and publish their findings We received the Raleigh NEWS & OBSERVER (N&O) paper contest award as the "Best Kept Secret in Franklin County". This contest selected ONE site in each of the 100 COUNTIES of NORTH CAROLINA, and provides front page coverage on the Monday Edition each week from Memorial Day through Labor Day Weekend. We were featured as Site No. 42 in the Monday, July 7th, 2014 Edition. Read the online article at:

OTHER YOUTUBE VIDEOS TO SEE

Two HD-Videos have been produced by Atlantic East Media that showcase us on YouTube:

"Lynch Creek Farm Cabin Virtual Tour" at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CBFxd_6rmGY

"BreadWorks Tomato Pie with Bob Radcliffe" at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g|LTiSLj02A .

Both videos have increased our Society visibility and membership.

Guest Speakers are normally featured at Quarterly Membership Meetings

NEW BREADWORKS NEWSLETTER LAYOUT

While you may not yet have noticed, beginning with our January 2015 Edition, we have extended our Newsletter to include a 4th PAGE that each month will be used to spotlight two of our Affiliated Organizations. Additionally, changes have been made to our page header and Logo design. Feel free to re-distribute electronic copies of our Newsletter to your friends. Note that anyone may receive our Monthly BreadWorks Newsletter by subscribing on our website.

WWW.BENFRANKLINSOCIETYNC.ORG

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PERSON PLACE Preservation Society

www.personplace.org

Friends of H. Leslie Perry Memorial Library

www.perrylibrary.org/friendsoflibrary.html





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2015 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Associate \$7.50 NEW Individual \$15 Family \$25 Non-Profit \$50 Corporation \$100+ Students - Free Children<12 - Free

SUBSCRIBE OR UN-SUBSCRIBE
TO THIS NEWSLETTER AT:
www.LynchCreek.com
www.BenFranklinSocietyNC.org



HELP WANTED

WE ARE SEEKING PART-TIME HELP TO SUPPORT OUR EXPANDED SCHEDULE OF BREADWORKS EVENTS IN 2015

- KITCHEN PREP AND COOKING
- Bread Prep and Baking
- WAIT SERVICE

ARE YOU MOTIVATED AND PASSIONATE ABOUT FOOD SERVICE? UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK AND LEARN.

Contact Bob Radcliffe 252-767-1167

Affiliated Organization Memberships

"Make Business Sense"

- ONE FREE CABIN MEETING PER YEAR
- "BLANKET" ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP FOR ALL OF YOUR MEMBERS
- ATTEND ANY BREADWORKS EVENT
- FREE NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

BreadWorks Dining and Entertainment Fund-raising Events are scheduled each month and provide a unique opportunity for members to socialize with friends

Lynch Creek Farm Cabin serves as headquarters for the Society, primary venue for activities and a full-service Business Meeting and Event Center

The Ben Franklin Society is a 501(c)(3), Non-Profit, North Carolina Corporation dedicated "to performing independent and collaborative research on matters of importance to Franklin County, NC". Donations to the Society are tax-deductible. Society membership is open to everyone. Associate Membership is available for \$7.50 per year. Franklin BreadWorks is the Society Fund-Raising Project that is a collaboration between the Ben Franklin Society and Lynch Creek Farm. BreadWorks Dining and Entertainment Events are announced in our BreadWorks Newsletter that is distributed by e-mail and posted on our website each month. BreadWorks Events are private. Attendees must be current Ben Franklin Society members. 20% of each BreadWorks Event is a tax-deductible donation with payment accepted by cash, check or credit card.

No alcoholic beverages are served at BreadWorks Events, but you may B.Y.O.B. Parking is always free-of-charge.



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Cedar Cross is a place to reflect, learn, re-connect with nature, deepen your spiritual life and rest.



Whether walking along a winding trail, watching reflections in a pond, talking with a friend, or gaining insight from a retreat leader, our hope is that you will find the quiet space you need for your faith journey.

We can host groups up to 16 overnight. Two spacious cottages provide quality space for individuals, couples and small groups. We offer 1-on-1 spiritual guidance, and support in creative expression in the Art Studio.



Louisburg College opened the Tar River Center for History and Culture in 2013. The TRCHC works with local governments, private organizations, educational institutions, and individuals to develop the Upper Tar River region's historical and cultural assets, to foster economic development, and to promote knowledge of the past. Accomplishments to date include: an ongoing lecture series; a column in The Franklin Times, "Tar River Roots"; research assistance provided to the Ben Franklin Society and other organizations; the erection of a Civil War Trails Marker on the campus of Louisburg College; and the development of a walking tour brochure for the Louisburg Historic District (forthcoming).

In 2015 the TRCHC will work with retired school personnel to develop lesson plans pertaining to Franklin County history for use in the public schools and will carry out an oral history project on the desegregation of the Franklin County schools.

The Center's first annual report, strategic plan, and other resources are available at: http://www.louisburg.edu/tarrivercenter/
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