

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
HELD AT THE STATE VISITORS CENTER IN BATH TOWNE  
ON APRIL 14, 1980

Chairman Leo W. Jenkins called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.. The following Commission Members were in attendance: Leo Jenkins, Blake Lewis, Jr., E. Bruce Beasley, III, Ira Hardy, Dot Tankard, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Mrs. Jackie Thompson, Mrs. Kitty Williams, James B. McMullan, Ray Brooks, Herbert Paschal, Mrs. Beverly Harrington, Gion Guist, and Mrs. Rachel Futrell.

The invocation was given by Chairman Jenkins, after which he welcomed new members: Lewis McGlohon, Mrs. John Lang, Mrs. Beverly Harrington, Gino P. Guist, and Mrs. Rachel Futrell; and guest: Larry Misenheimer and Mrs. Nancy Bailey representing the Division of Archives and History, State Department of Cultural Resources; and Mrs. Margaret Hester from the local site.

Chairman Jenkins asked for approval of the minutes of the October 24, 1979 minutes that had been mailed to the members. A motion was made by James McMullan and seconded by Mrs. Kitty Williams. The motion carried.

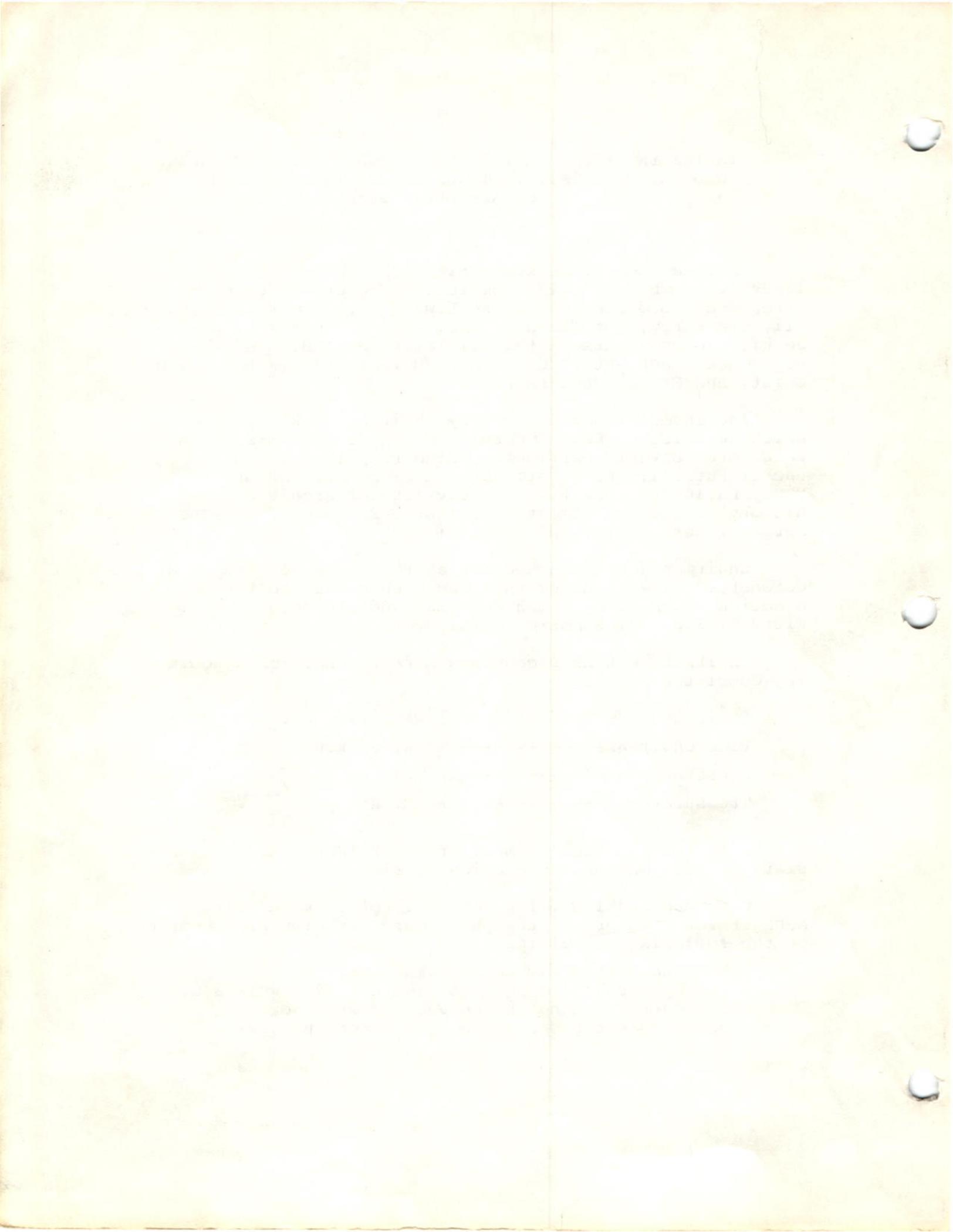
Chairman Jenkins recognized Herb Paschal for a nominating Committee Report:

Chairman-----Blake Lewis, Jr.  
Vice Chairman-----Leo W. Jenkins  
Secretary-----Mrs. John Lang  
Treasurer-----Ira M. Hardy

A motion was made by Mrs. Fred Morrison to accept the slate by acclamation. The motion carried.

Chairman Jenkins called on Mrs. Dot Tankard, Site Manager for a Report of the past year. Mrs. Tankard reported on the following activities:

- Commended staff for accomplishments.
- New oyster shells added to the existing walkways.
- New curtains hung in the Palmer Marsh House.
- Homes open for Christmas Open House and Tour.



- Houses to be painted in July.
- Reported on the Gift Account copy of which is attached to the minutes.

Chairman Jenkins asked Ira Hardy to give the Treasurer's Report. He gave the following Report as of April 11, 1980.

Income

Contributions	\$ 143.43
State of North Carolina	12,798.46
Friends of Historic Bath, Inc.	9,500.00
Savings	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total	\$23,941.89

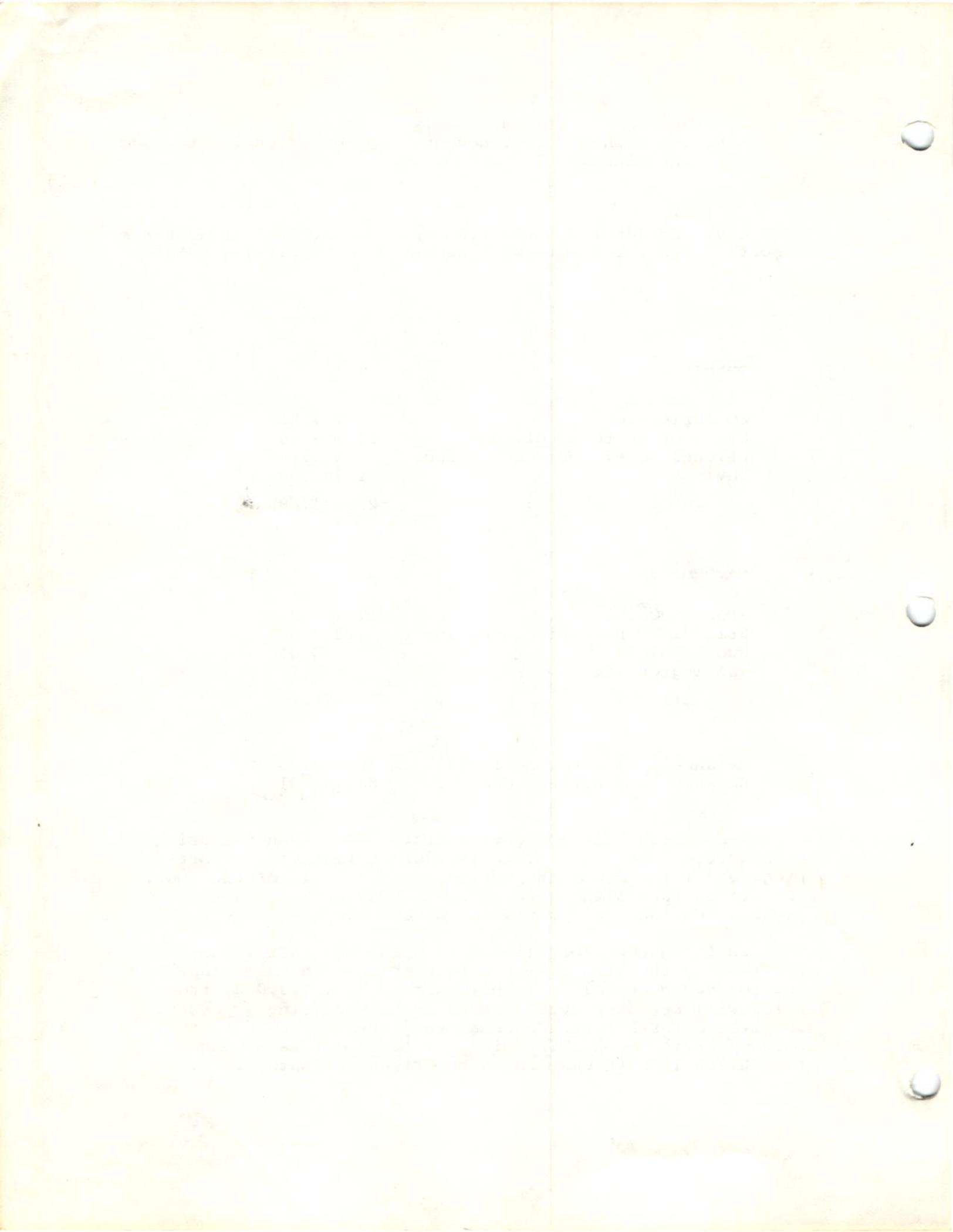
Expenditures

Frank Woolard	\$17,438.29
Friends of Historic Bath, Inc.	8,228.00
Hudson Signs	35.00
Washington Daily News	<u>77.70</u>
Total	\$25,778.99

Balance in Savings Account:	\$2,292.21
Balance in Checking Account:	\$4,609.51

Mrs. Kitty Williams gave a Status Report on the Friends of Historic Bath, Inc.. This included a financial report, progress of the membership drive, and the sale of the book. She stated that although memberships and book sales are progressing, any help would be appreciated.

In the absence of William Zachman, Mrs. Dot Tankard reported on the status of the theater lot. She said that the lot had been sold at public auction for \$10,000, from which will be taken auction fees and advertising expenses. She stated further that Zachman suggested transferring the balance of the books, The Hidden Treasure of Bath Towne, from Historic Bath Commission to Friends of Bath, Inc..



Chairman Jenkins recognized Larry Misenheimer who in turn called on Ms. Nancy Bailey to give a report on the proposed use of the Van der Veer House.

An interpretive team from the Historic Sites Section visited the Van der Veer House in Historic Bath on March 5, 1980. The purpose of this visit was to formulate suggestions for the best possible utilization of the resource to be presented to the Historic Bath Commission for their consideration.

The team recommends to the Commission that the Van der Veer House not be used as another historic house museum like Palmer-Marsh and Bonner Houses. As the latter structure is roughly contemporaneous with Van der Veer, it would be redundant to interpret a second early nineteenth-century residence inhabited by approximately the same class of people.

Another house museum would probably not be able to provide a fitting memorial to Edmund Harding, whose efforts were instrumental in saving the aforementioned structures. Nor could such a design pay tribute to the thousands of hours donated by countless other dedicated people within and outside of the Historic Bath Commission to the preservation of what is worthwhile in and about the town. To serve these ends, the restored Van der Veer House should fill, as far as possible, the most pressing needs of the total Historic Bath interpretive program. It should be a living, vital memorial, not a mausoleum.

What then, are some of these wants of Bath Town in addition to a fitting tribute to the memory of Edmund Harding? The town tour lacks a suitable ending--in technical terms a decompression area. The visitor is simply left at Bonner's Point with directions to St. Thomas. Instead, he should be presented with a logical wrap-up to his experience at the site. The visitors center lacks the facilities for this function. Neither can the visitors center be used to display artifacts unsuitable to the two existing house-museums nor as the place to develop other theories concerning Bath's past.

Nancy said that, during 1978 and 1979, the Historic Sites Section conducted a computer assisted survey of over 15,000 patrons at 21 sites. The study, Survey of Visitors at Sites, indicated several areas of interest to Bath visitors. The Bath respondents recorded a relatively large degree of interest in crafts, daily lives of people in the past, historic preservation, and commercial history. These are fields which receive only incidental treatment at the historic houses.

The above suggests that the Van der Veer House could be used best as an adaptive interpretations center rather than a house museum. The plan outlined below, in fact, envisions the

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house adaptively employed as a museum in order to fill some of the deficiencies discussed previously.

After touring the Bonner House, the visitor would return to the parking lot. Entering the Van Der House through the rear door, the partron would view displays of appropriate eighteenth century crafts involved with maritime industries, such as rope making and naval stores.

The southeastern room should be sufficient to allow the room to be used for small meetings, such as the Bath Commission Board of Directors. The exhibits in this room would tell the story of Bath as a port town concluding with the James Adams Floating Theater and its famous guest, Edna Ferber.

Thus brought into the twentieth century, the visitor would enter into the northeastern room, the largest in the house, which would be the Edmund Harding Memorial Room. This feature must not be a mere static remembrance. Nancy stated that these proposals are subject to the Commissions acceptance, revision, or reception of his life, but the still living story of the preservation of Historic Bath. While focusing around Beaufort County's favorite citizen, the exhibits in the large room would emphasize preservation projects in Bath, especially since 1955.

This introduction allows the program to flow naturally into the more technical aspects of historic preservation. The other small room in the rear, on the southwest corner, would be used to display eighteenth and nineteenth century home - build tools and procedures.

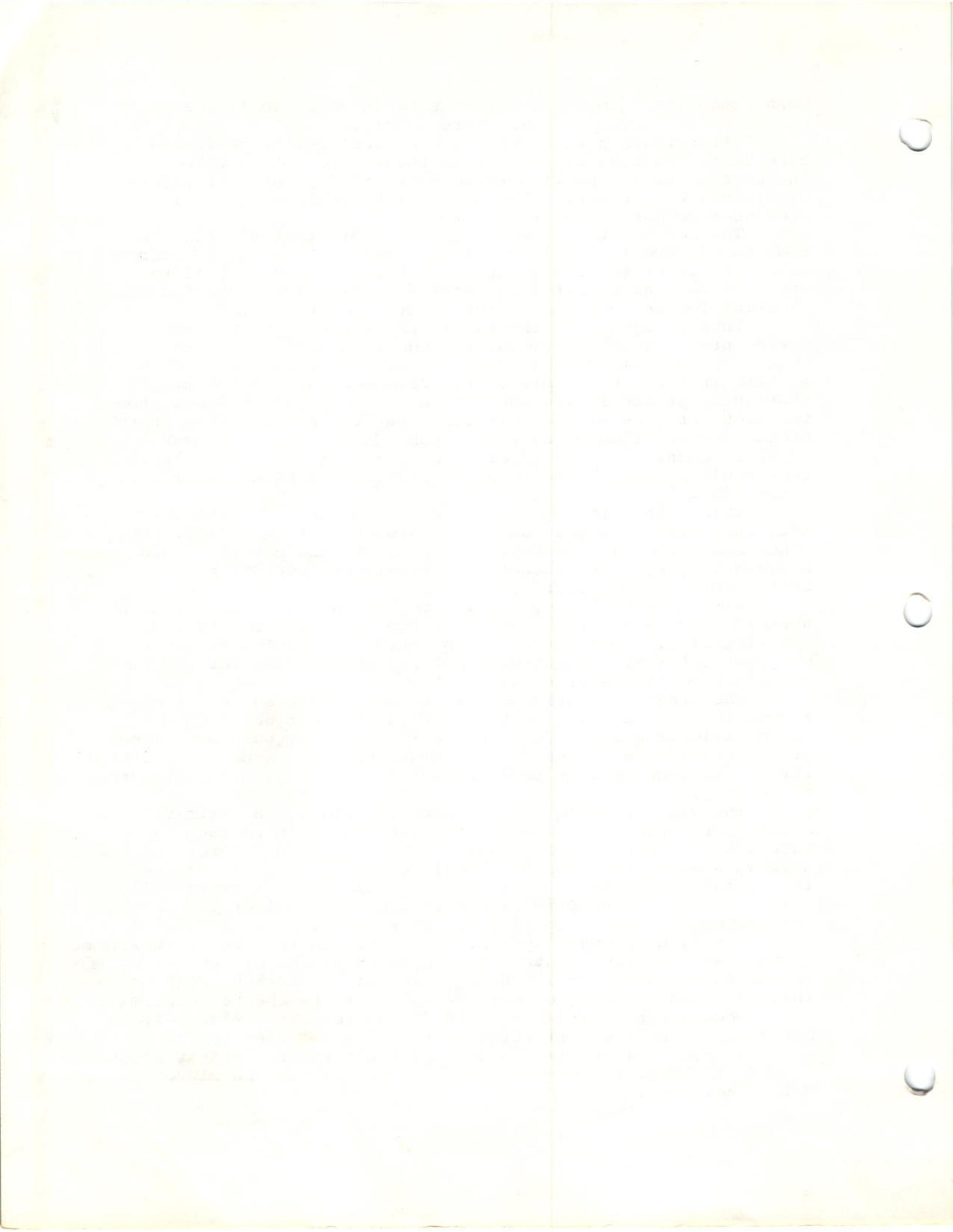
With this exposure, the visitor would enter the northern upstairs room which will center around historic preservation and historical architecture of the area. The latter aspect is of great interest to Bath visitors and would allow for a neat summation of the experience.

The other upstairs room can be used for a series of changing exhibits concerning features of Bath's past which cannot yet be allocated space for a permanent display, but nonetheless are important. These could include Dr. Thompkins and agricultural reform, Indians of Eastern North Carolina. religion in Bath and the colony, and etc..

The visitor would then descend the stairs and exit via the front door. Once on the porch, the partron would be face to face with the contemporary small town of Bath in the form of the narrow, shady street and the local school. It is to be helped that this juxtaposition of old and new will have an emotionally and educationally beneficial effect upon the visitor and serve thus as an apt conclusion for the experience.

A motion was made by Mrs. Fred Morrison to have the Chairman appoint a Committee to study the recommendations of the state. The motion was seconded by Ira Hardy. The motion carried. Jenkins said that the study committee would be appointed by the new Chairman.

Once again Chairman Jenkins recognized Larry Misenheimer for a report on the activities of the State as they relate to the Bath Site. Misenheimer discussed the partnership that exists between the Division of Archives and History and the Historic Bath Commission.



He stated that the role of the State is to restore the heritage and education; and that the objectives of the Commission are four fold which are preservation of property, preservation of the town life, expansion of visitation and planning for the future. He said that these are three areas in which the Commission can concentrate its efforts. These are fund-raising interpretation and feed back from the public.

He stated that the future included a number of activities to improve the program, and the status of the property. These include promotion, through the Historic Albemarle Tour and the Northeastern Field Office in Edenton, improvements in the visitation program, new sight signs, continued work on the bulkhead, the possible development of a pedestrian mall, a new film, improved landscaping, hands-on activities and demonstrations, and a strengthened role with the school systems.

Ms. Bailey next discussed the "Gateway City Plan" as proposed in the development plan of the Historic Albemarle Tour. Herb Paschal questioned the expansion program from the one of past years. Larry Misenheimer said the old plan was written plans that were being developed by the Division.

Chairman Jenkins recognized Ira Hardy who discussed the present status of the Gleebe House. He said that the house was in need of repairs and that the Episcopal congregation was not financially able to make the necessary restorations. He said that the house could not be used in its present condition. He indicated that the Episcopal Church was of significant value in the development of Bath and that the Commission might consider an arrangement with the Church to hold the property and make the necessary repairs. He said in conclusion that the wall around the property had been constructed last summer utilizing balast stone from the Creek.

Chairman Jenkins said he was sure the new administration would give the matter due consideration.

The Chairman then reviewed the standing committees of the Commission to be appointed by the new Chairman.

- Executive
- Social
- Publicity
- Nominating
- Finance
- Acquisition
- Building and Grounds
- Local Affairs

The Chairman then opened the floor for discussion of the date of the next meeting. Blake Lewis suggested that the meeting be coordinated with a performance of the Drama and that he would advise the membership of the date.

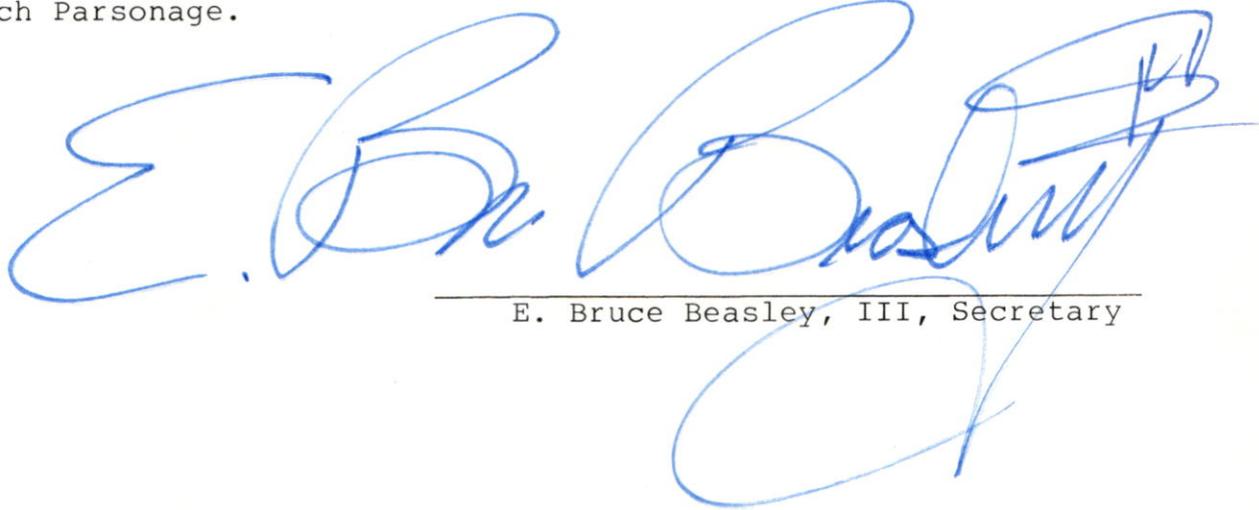
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Mrs. Tankard was recognized to report on the activities of the Bath Garden Club. She indicated that they had formed during the past year and had been very helpful replanting the garden at the Palmer Marsh House, the Ruth Smith Garden and making improvements at Hardings' Harding.

Blake Lewis, the new Chairman, was recognized and he welcomed the new members, thanked Dr. Jenkins for his service during the past year and indicated his concerns for the number of books that have not been sold. He said that he hoped the Commission could expand the promotional program and increase visitation during the next twelve months.

The Chairman recognized Mrs. Tankard who said on July 26, 1980, the Continuing Education Department of East Carolina University would conduct a symposium at the site. She invited Commission members to attend.

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned in order that the membership might attend a luncheon at the Bath Christian Church Parsonage.



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E. Bruce Beasley, III, Secretary

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HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

Gift Account  
Treasurer's Report  
April, 1980

Submitted by Dot Tankard - April 14, 1980

Checking Account:

Balance April 23, 1979		\$ 407.78
Deposits	\$ 6,726.83	
Disbursements	6,791.10	
Balance April 9, 1980		343.51

Savings Account:

Balance April 23, 1979		\$ 3,652.51
Deposited from Gift Account	\$ 2,800.00	
Interest	284.85	
Withdrawals	808.02	
Balance April 9, 1980		\$ 5,929.34



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Self account  
Treasurer's Report  
April, 1980

Submitted by: Not Factual - April 19, 1980

\$ 107.70	\$ 6,780.83	Checking Account
	\$ 1,192.10	Balance April 23, 1979
		Deposits
		Withdrawals
		Balance April 7, 1980

\$ 3,882.21	\$ 8,800.00	Savings Account
	\$ 88.88	Balance April 23, 1979
	\$ 1,192.10	Deposited from self account
		Interest
		Withdrawals
		Balance April 7, 1980

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HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

Gift Account  
Disbursements and Deposits - 1979-80

April 23, 1979 - Balance on last report		\$ 408.12
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April 23, 1979 - Correct Balance		407.78
4-24-79 - Deposit		112.52
4-27-79 - Check to Farmville Furniture Company	\$ 8.69	
4-30-79 - Deposit		137.44
4-30-79 - Check to Alphin-Cheek Mfg. Co.	90.00	
5-1-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	21.19	
5-1-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Rev.	22.79	
5-7-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources	21.00	
5-7-79 - Check to Alphin-Cheek Mfg. Co.	54.00	
5-8-79 - Deposit		89.34
5-8-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	86.25	
5-15-79 - Check to John F. Blair	33.63	
5-15-79 - Check to Aerial Photography Services	15.54	
5-16-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	11.37	
5-16-79 - Deposit		324.01
5-24-79 - Deposit		99.06
5-24-79 - Check to Historic Bath Commission	500.00	
6-1-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	22.51	
6-1-79 - Check to Alphin-Cheek Mfg. Co.	62.40	
6-1-79 - Deposit		166.80
6-12-79 - Deposit		72.39
6-14-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	38.85	
6-19-79 - Deposit		143.39
6-21-79 - Deposit		900.00
6-25-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	181.30	
6-25-79 - Deposit		188.58
7-2-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	77.70	
7-2-79 - Deposit		294.32
7-2-79 - Check to Historic Bath Commission	1,500.00	
7-2-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	24.75	
7-3-79 - Check to John F. Blair	33.75	
7-5-79 - Charge for checks	4.65	
7-5-79 - Deposit		200.00
7-9-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources	20.20	
7-10-79 - Deposit		83.95
7-13-79 - Check to The University Press	41.55	
7-18-79 - Deposit		608.02
7-18-79 - Check to Salt Wood Products, Inc.	608.02	
7-24-79 - Deposit		207.41
7-30-79 - Deposit		121.71
7-30-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	116.55	
7-31-79 - Deposit		109.60
7-31-79 - Check to Hollis Office Outfitters	7.49	
8-1-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	24.56	
8-8-79 - Check to Alphin-Cheek Mfg. Co.	72.00	
8-10-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources	21.00	
8-13-79 - Deposit		257.44
8-13-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	64.75	
8-16-79 - Check to Swindell's Cash Store	3.38	
8-21-79 - Check to Committee for an Outdoor Drama, Inc.	43.00	
8-24-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	51.80	
8-24-79 - Deposit		216.68
8-28-79 - Check to Moss Planing Mill	79.56	
9-4-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	19.76	
9-5-79 - Deposit		86.15
9-5-79 - Deposit		26.32



Page 2 - Historic Bath Commission Gift Account  
Disbursements and Deposits - 1979-80

9-5-79 - Check to Historic Bath Commission	\$ 500.00	
9-18-79 - Deposit		\$ 148.97
9-18-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	103.42	
9-24-79 - Check to John F. Blair	88.16	
9-26-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources	14.60	
10-1-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	7.14	
10-3-79 - Deposit		175.92
10-3-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	64.75	
10-4-79 - Check to The University Press	29.46	
10-11-79 - Deposit		46.30
10-19-79 - Deposit		124.18
10-22-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	77.70	
10-22-79 - Deposit		113.10
10-22-79 - Check to Historic Bath Commission	300.00	
10-26-79 - Deposit		145.12
11-1-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	27.97	
11-5-79 - Check to Cash (Christmas Decorations)	200.00	
11-16-79 - Deposit		280.91
11-16-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	207.20	
11-27-79 - Check to Alphin-Cheek Mfg. Co.	79.20	
11-29-79 - Deposit		84.81
11-29-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	38.85	
12-3-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	14.71	
12-11-79 - Deposit		94.29
12-11-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	90.65	
12-17-79 - Deposit		304.93
12-17-79 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	209.79	
12-19-79 - Check to Gallopado Publishing Group	56.88	
12-20-79 - Deposit		105.69
1-3-79 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	16.41	
1-3-80 - Deposit		29.34
1-4-80 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	51.80	
1-10-80 - Deposit		60.79
1-11-80 - Deposit		135.83
1-11-80 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources	309.04	
1-23-80 - Deposit		90.41
1-23-80 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	38.85	
1-29-80 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	82.88	
1-29-80 - Deposit		90.45
2-1-80 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	7.20	
2-28-80 - Deposit		41.46
2-29-80 - Check to N.C. Dept. of Revenue	1.36	
3-6-80 - Check to Friends of Bath, Inc.	51.80	
3-10-80 - Deposit		66.07
3-18-80 - Deposit		45.77
3-18-80 - Check to Tar Heel Magazine	31.00	
3-27-80 - Deposit		30.65
4-1-80 - Check to N. C. Dept. of Revenue	4.29	
4-9-80 - Deposit		66.71
4-9-80 - BALANCE		\$ 343.51



HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
Gift Account  
Treasurer's Report

Income

<u>Hidden Treasure of Bath Town</u>	\$ 1,995.99
Donations	240.00
Membership to Friends of Bath, Inc.	5.00
Merchandise Sold	3,974.52
9/25/80 Payment on loan from Friends of Bath, Inc.	1,600.00
Total	<u>\$ 7,815.51</u>

Disbursements

Transferred from checking to savings	\$ 800.00
Sales Tax	139.63
Purchase of Merchandise	1,928.27
Membership and Strip Map to Ocean Hwy.	215.00
Deposit to City of Washington Utility Department for Van Der Veer House	20.00
Postage	12.83
Entertainment	660.00
Morgan Printers	203.84
Christmas Decorations	250.00
Paid by cash--merchandise	423.37
Total	<u>\$ 4,652.94</u>

Balance in 5% savings account	\$ 873.33
Balance in checking account	653.35
CD	10,000.00
	<u>\$11,526.68</u>
Balance due on loan--Friends of Bath, Inc.	6,400.00
	<u>\$17,926.68</u>

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

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4/1/86	STATE OF CALIFORNIA	100,000.00

**LOWRIMORE, WARWICK & Co.**  
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Commissioners  
Historic Bath Commission  
Bath, North Carolina 27808

The accompanying combined statement of assets and fund balance of The Historic Bath Commission as of December 31, 1980, and the related combined statements of receipts and disbursements, fund balance, and accompanying financial information for the year then ended have been compiled by us.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of your Commission. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying financial statements and accompanying financial information and accordingly do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

*Lowrimore, Warwick & Co*

Washington, North Carolina

July 29, 1981

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BANKERS AND BROKERS

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HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCE  
 DECEMBER 31, 1980

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Gifts</u>	<u>Combined</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash - checking	\$ 603	\$ 369	\$ 972
Cash - savings passbook	278	290	568
Cash - savings CD		10,198	10,198
Advances - Friends of Bath	15,095	1,400	16,495
Van Der Veer Restoration	<u>53,311</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>53,311</u>
	<u>\$ 69,287</u>	<u>\$ 12,257</u>	<u>\$ 81,544</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>	<u>69,287</u>	<u>12,257</u>	<u>81,544</u>
	<u>\$ 69,287</u>	<u>\$ 12,257</u>	<u>\$ 81,544</u>

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HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
 COMBINED STATEMENTS OF RECORDED CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
 FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDING  
 DECEMBER 31, 1980

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Gifts</u> <i>Sales Desk</i>	<u>Combined</u>
<b>INCOME RECEIPTS</b>			
Books and membership	\$	\$ 1,459	\$ 1,459
Grants - North Carolina	11,159		11,159
Interest	133	284	417
Miscellaneous	58		58
Sale of lot - net	8,100		8,100
Sales - gifts		<u>4,906</u>	<u>4,906</u>
	<u>19,450</u>	<u>6,649</u>	<u>26,099</u>
<b>EXPENSE DISBURSEMENTS</b>			
Advertising	78		78
Auction service	75		75
Christmas decorations		250	250
Commissions - luncheon		150	150
Invitations	88	160	248
Membership - Ocean Highway Association		215	215
Merchandise		1,596	1,596
Postage		12	12
Reception		660	660
Salaries - temporary		309	309
Sales tax		169	169
Sign	35		35
Utilities	41		41
	<u>317</u>	<u>3,521</u>	<u>3,838</u>
Net income	<u>19,133</u>	<u>3,128</u>	<u>22,261</u>
<b>OTHER RECEIPTS</b>			
Friends of Bath - received on advance		1,600	1,600
Sale of lot - amount netted above	1,400		1,400
	<u>1,400</u>	<u>1,600</u>	<u>3,000</u>
<b>OTHER DISBURSEMENTS</b>			
Friends of Bath - advances	8,228		8,228
Van Der Veer - expenditures	18,494		18,494
	<u>26,722</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>26,722</u>
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	\$ <u>(6,189)</u>	\$ <u>4,728</u>	\$ <u>(1,461)</u>

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HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
 COMBINED STATEMENTS OF FUND BALANCE  
 DECEMBER 31, 1980

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Gifts</u>	<u>Combined</u>
FUND BALANCE - beginning	\$ 50,154	\$ 9,129	\$ 59,283
Add - net income	<u>19,133</u>	<u>3,128</u>	<u>22,261</u>
FUND BALANCE - ending	<u>\$ 69,287</u>	<u>\$ 12,257</u>	<u>\$ 81,544</u>

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Note 1. Accounting Policy

The accounts are maintained and the statement of cash receipts and disbursements is presented, on a cash basis, reflecting only cash received and disbursed. Therefore, certain revenue and related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned, and certain expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. Therefore, this statement is not intended to present the overall financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Note 2. Van Der Veer Restoration

Expenditures for restoration of the Van Der Veer home have been capitalized at cost over the following periods:

1975	\$	6,567
1976		1,369
1977		6,395
1978		9,488
1979		10,998
1980		<u>18,494</u>
	\$	<u>53,311</u>

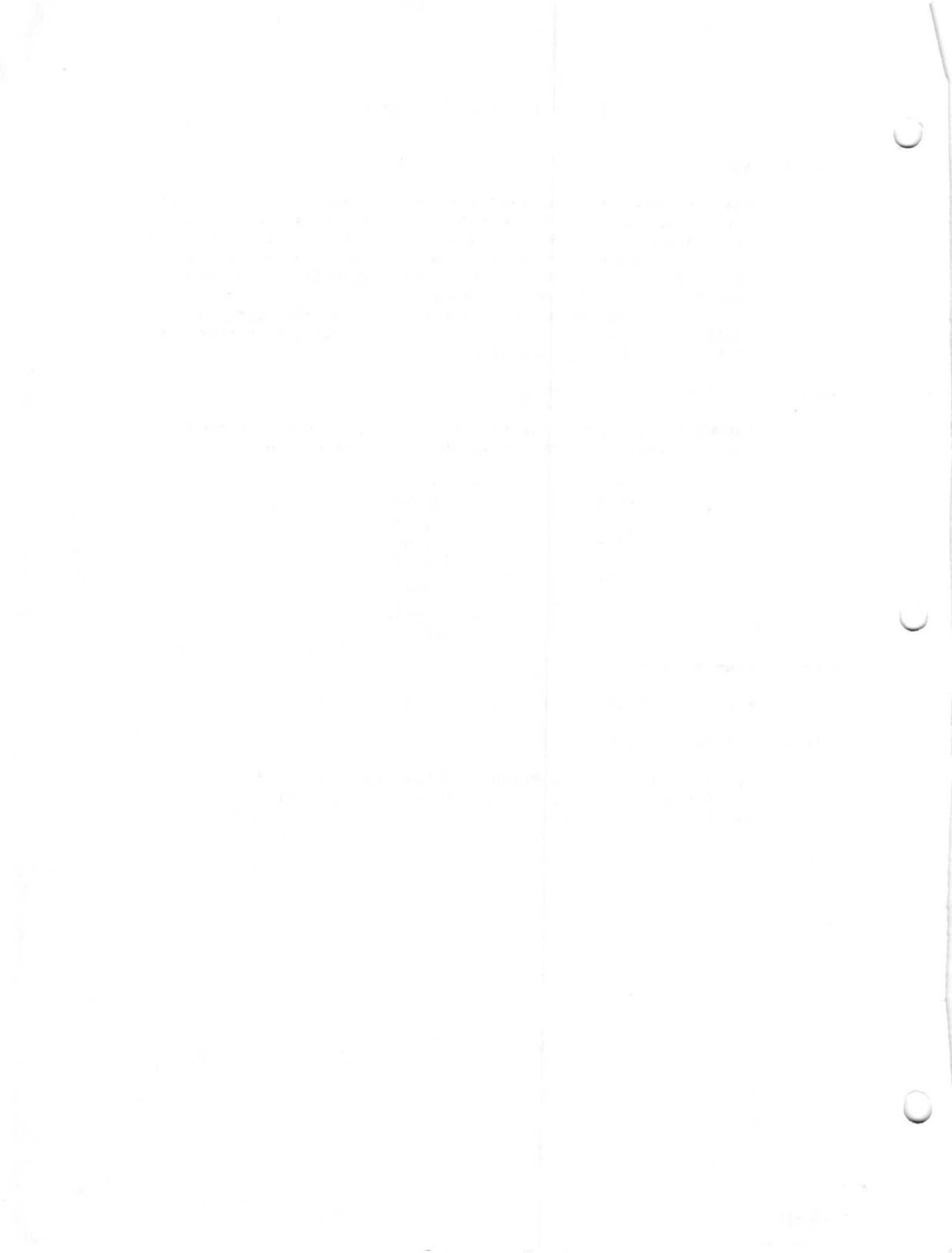
Note 3. Fund Balance

Fund balance at December 31, 1980, is unrestricted.

Note 4. Related Party Transaction

Advances due from the Friends of Bath are unsecured and non-interest bearing. The Historic Bath Commission is related through common control.

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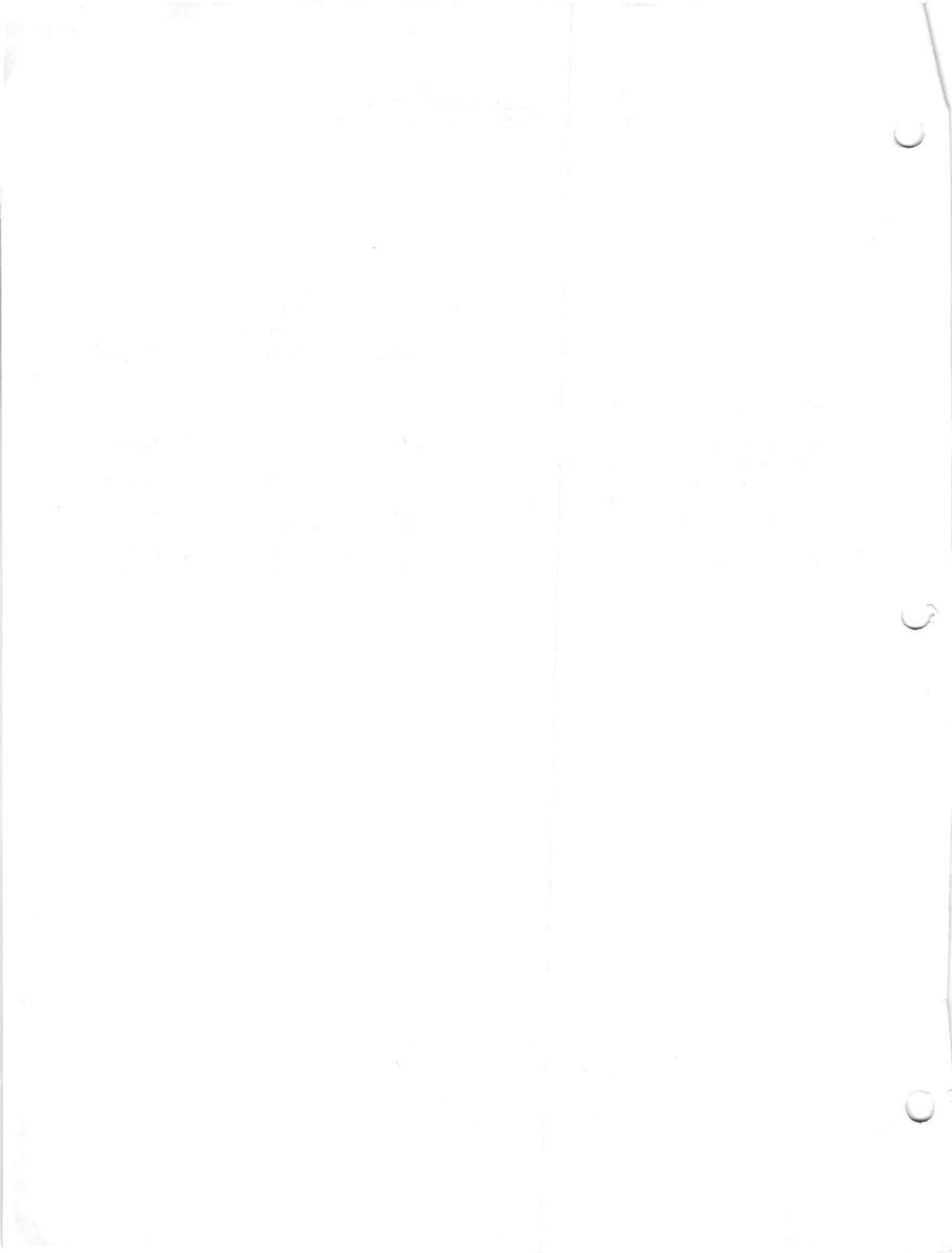
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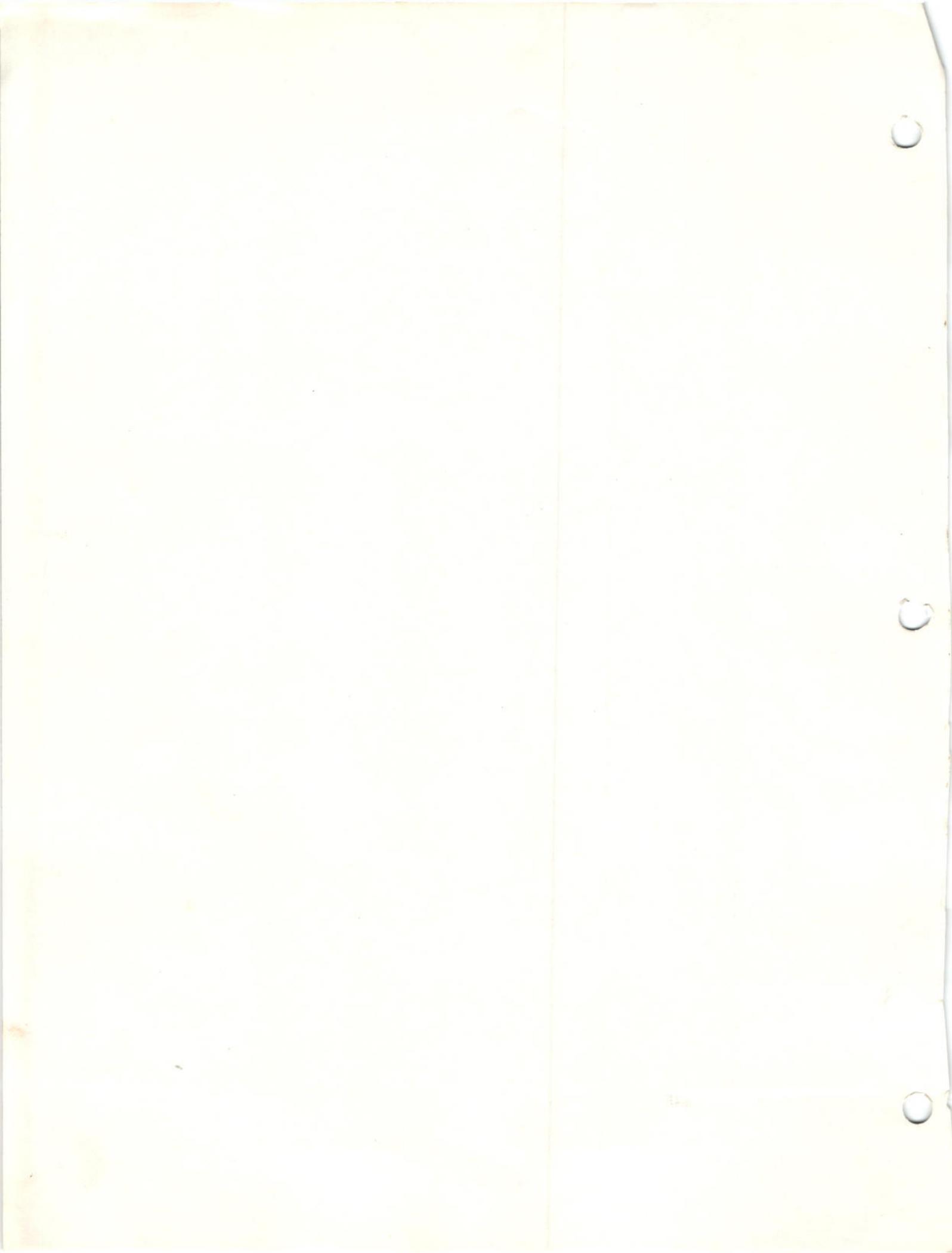
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	<u>Historic Bath Commission</u>	<u>Historic Bath Commission Gifts</u>	<u>Combined</u>
<b>CASH BALANCE RECONCILIATION</b>			
Beginning cash balances	\$ 7,070	\$ 6,129	\$ 13,199
Add - excess receipts over disbursements		4,728	4,728
Deduct - excess disbursements over receipts	<u>(6,189)</u>	_____	<u>(6,189)</u>
Ending cash balances	<u>\$ 881</u>	<u>\$ 10,857</u>	<u>\$ 11,738</u>

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NORTH  
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Division of  
Archives and History  
Larry E. Tise, Director

Sara W. Hodgkins,  
Secretary  
James B. Hunt, Jr.,  
Governor



May 7, 1981

Mr. Pearson Chrismon  
Town Administrator  
Bath, North Carolina 27808

Dear Mr. Chrismon:

Thank you for your recent letter to Dot Tankard and Dick Sawyer on the subject of the possible donation or lease of Harding's Landing to the Town of Bath.

It is indeed legal for the Division of Archives and History to lease or donate land, provided that a number of procedures are followed, that the division and the North Carolina Historical Commission agree that such an activity would be beneficial to the public interest, and that the Department of Administration, Office of Real Property, supervise the transaction.

As you indicated in your letter, additional planning information would be required in order for us to assess the feasibility of the request. We will need a fairly detailed description of the use and improvements planned for the property, any use restrictions which might apply, information on funding and methods for improvements and maintenance, and description of any profit which might accrue to the private sector as a result of the property's lease or transfer. We would review this information within the section and division before making a recommendation to the Historical Commission.

Like the Town Board, we are in no position either to endorse or discourage the initial proposal until we have additional information. Meanwhile, if I or any of the sectional staff can be of assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me at the letterhead address or via telephone to (919) 733-7862.

Sincerely,

Larry G. Misenheimer  
Assistant Administrator  
Historic Sites Section

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cc: Dot Tankard, Dick Sawyer

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Mrs. Dot Tarkenton  
Mr. Dick Sawyer  
Dept. of Archives and History

Dear Dot and Dick,

The town of Bath has been exploring resources for increasing tax revenues to provide a sewer system, police protection, and a number of other needs of the people of Bath. It has been suggested that Harding's Landing could be converted to a municipal dock, producing sorely needed income for the town, and provide better services for the people using the dock (water, restrooms, showers, and electrical hookups).

At its regular April meeting the town Board asked that a letter be written to you asking if the Department of Archives and History might be interested in the donation or lease of Harding's Landing to the town of Bath, and if it could legally do so.

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If the Department is interested and can do so, the Town Board will then conduct a feasibility study to determine the best public interest and use of the property. After the completion of that study, the Board would present a plan to the Dept. of Archives and History for Approval.

While this is not an endorsement of a Municipal Dock by the Town Board, the income potential to the Town would be tremendous. It would quadruple the income of the Town.

We thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Warmest Regards,

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Town Administrator

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A symposium sponsored by Historic Bath Site, The Outdoor Drama, St. Thomas Church, and E C U Division of Continuing Education was held in Bath July 26th. Approximately 40 people attended. Some of those who attended were from New York, Winston-Salem, Charlotte, Fayetteville, Ayden, Greenville, Washington, and Bath.

A teachers' workshop sponsored by the Historic Sites Section of Archives and History was conducted and the teachers received certificate renewal credit.

The Historic Bath Garden Club with their theme, "Beautify Historic Bath", has held its monthly meetings at the Visitor Center. They have bought shrubs and seedlings to plant on the property to afford fresh flowers in the homes during the summer months and blooming flowers on the grounds. They have weeded and watered the areas they have planted.

The Outdoor Drama had its fourth season and the visitation was twenty percent above the 1979 season.

We participated in the PACE program having a tour guide from E C U, a tour guide from State College, and a grounds maintenance person from E C U for six weeks during the summer months. The Employment Security Commission has afforded us with a CETA tour guide and a grounds person. If it were not for these programs, we would not be able to operate efficiently because of our lack of staff.

Tree surgery has been done on two of the pecan trees on the Palmer-Marsh property. The Palmer-Marsh and Bonner property fences have been painted. The Palmer-Marsh house has been painted and the shutters are being repaired and then they will be painted.

Verna Attmore continues her interest in Historic Bath, and her enthusiasm and energy spent keeping the John Lawson Herb Garden is inspiring.

The restoration of the Van Der Veer house has been completed. It is hoped that a study committee appointed by the chairman of the Historic Bath Commission will work with a Historic Sites Committee to see what is feasible to open this house to the public.

Ann Flanagan joined our staff as Assistant Site Manager October 15th. She did volunteer work prior to joining our staff. We feel very fortunate to have her.

The Governor Tryon Winter Tour was entertained with a Candlelight Buffet Dinner in the Palmer-Marsh house December 7th. The food was catered by the Historic Bath Garden Club and was so good Seashore Trailway Co. asked for some of the recipes to mail to those that attended the tour.

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A Christmas workshop was held at the Visitor Center December 8-12. Approximately 40 ladies participated. The Visitor Center, the Palmer-Marsh, and Bonner houses were decorated for Christmas with fresh fruits, popcorn, native greenery, and handmade wreaths and ornaments. Open house was December 14 and approximately 800 people visited the site. The Candlelight Reception sponsored by the Historic Bath Commission in the Palmer-Marsh house was attended by approximately 200 people and the house has never been more beautiful.

We have had some vandalism. The old Visitor Center was broken into and the watch, pistol, and brass vase were stolen. Two window panes were broken in the Van Der Veer house, and the flood lights were broken on the Palmer-Marsh property.

I would like to express my gratitude for the work your chairman Blake Lewis has done. He is thinking when a lot of us are sleeping. He has stayed in close touch, given programs to organizations on Historic Bath, worked on Friends of Bath, Inc., to raise funds for improvements to mention a few of the things he has done. He has given much of his time and talents so willingly. We would like to express our appreciation for a job well done.

We would like to welcome Mrs. Patsy Duke, Mrs. Rose Herring, and Mr. Henry Humpheries as new members of the Historic Bath Commission. We look forward to working with them.

The attendance of Historic Bath last year was 28,464.



MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
HELD AT THE STATE VISITORS CENTER IN BATH TOWNE  
ON APRIL 27, 1981

Chairman Blake C. Lewis, Jr. called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The following Commission Members were in attendance: Dr. Leo W. Jenkins, Mrs. C. C. Snow, Mrs. Rachel F. Futrell, Mrs. Beverly Harrington, Mrs. Anice Tripp, Mrs. Jackie Thompson, James B. McMullan, E. Bruce Beasley, III, Milton Fields, Dr. Gino P. Guisti, Hon. Ray S. Brooks, Dr. Ira Hardy, II, Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, John A. Wilkinson, Loonis McGlohon, Mrs. Patsy Duke, Mrs. Vonnie S. Marsh, Mrs. Emma Neal Morrison, Mrs. Rose Herring and Mrs. Dot Tankard.

The invocation was given by Chairman Lewis, after which he welcomed guests and thanked Mr. & Mrs. Futrell and Mr. & Mrs. McMullan for the lovely dinner which they had on Sunday preceding this meeting.

Mr. Lewis welcomed the new members: Mrs. Patsy Duke, Mrs. Rose Herring and Mr. Henry Humpheries and reappointed member Mrs. W. R. Roberson. Mr. Humpheries is out of town and unable to attend the meeting as is Mrs. Roberson. The Chairman advised the membership that Captain Henry Clark Bridgers, Jr. had resigned from the Commission.

The Chairman asked E. Bruce Beasley, III to serve as acting Secretary and to read the minutes of April 14, 1980 meeting. A motion was made by Mrs. Morrison to approve the minutes as read and seconded by Mrs. Marsh. The motion carried.

Chairman Lewis gave a report on the activities of the past year. A copy of the report is a part of these minutes.

The Chairman reported the resignation from the Commission of Mrs. Emma Neal Morrison. He noted that Mrs. Morrison had graciously given a gift of stock. Chairman Lewis thanked Mrs. Morrison for her gracious gift and for the many contributions to the Commission over the year.

The Chairman stated that Mr. L. C. Bruce of Raleigh had been appointed the new Chairman of Friends of Bath, Inc. and that he would be working with the Friends to solicit members and to sell the remainder of the books.

Chairman Lewis indicated that the books for all of the accounts should be audited and he requested such action. A motion was made by Dr. Ira Hardy and seconded by Mrs. Rachel Futrell. The motion carried.



The Chairman called on Art Menius with the Division of Archives and History for a report on the status of the Van der Veer House. Menius reported that the exterior restoration of the house had been completed and that the house will soon be turned over to the state. Chairman Lewis called on Larry Meisenhimer, Assistant Administrator of the Historic Sites Section for any remarks that he had in the absence of Dick Sawyer. He thanked the Commission members for their cooperation and support during the past year. He introduced the following people from the Division who were with him:

- Jimmy Renfrow
- Jim McPherson
- Art Menius

He then advised the membership of the two bills pending in the Legislature to complete the bulkhead work at Bonner's Point. Dr. Hardy asked about the status of the bills and was advised that they were still in committee. Larry encouraged the Commission members to contact members of the General Assembly and urge passage of the bills.

Chairman Lewis called on Jimmy Renfrow for a report. He discussed the expected level of funding for the coming year and discussed the problems surrounding the repair and painting of the shutters on the Palmer Marsh House. He stated that the porch on the Bonner House will be rebuilt and the exterior of the house will be painted. He thanked the site staff for the work that they have done during the past year.

The Chairman recognized Jim McPherson for any remarks that he had. He thanked the Commission members and the staff for their cooperation during the past twelve months. He reported that Wilson Angley has completed a research report on St. Thomas Church and that his next project will be to examine and research the port records of Bath. He stated that the Division will reexamine the interpretation of the tour guides and that they will be presented in a more complete format. He stated that the planning will begin in the next few weeks for the utilization of the Van der Veer House.

Dr. Hardy thanked the Division for the study and report that they had prepared on the Glebe House.

Chairman Lewis recognized Herb Paschal for a Nomination Committee Report:

- Chairman - - - - - Blake Lewis, Jr.
- Vice Chairman - - - - - Dr. Leo W. Jenkins
- Secretary - - - - - Mrs. John Lang
- Treasurer - - - - - Dr. Ira M. Hardy

A motion was made by Mrs. Morrison and seconded by Mrs. Snow to accept the slate of officers. The motion carried.



The Chairman appointed an Executive Committee composed of the Officers of the Commission and Milton Fields.

The Chairman reviewed the Standing Committee of the Commission and requested volunteers to serve on the committee.

Project: Mrs. John Lang  
E. Bruce Beasley, III  
Mrs. Frances Ratcliff

Van der Veer House: Dr. Herbert Paschal, Chairman  
Mrs. Rachel Futrell

Social: Mrs. Beverly Harrington  
Mrs. Columbus Snow

Publicity: Loonis McGlohon  
Dr. Leo W. Jenkins  
John Wilkerson

Finance: Dr. Ira Hardy, Chairman  
Mrs. G. W. Marsh  
Gino Guisti

Acquisition: Mrs. Rose Herring, Chairman  
Mrs. Patsy Duke  
Mr. & Mrs. John Lang

Building & Grounds: Mrs. Frances Roberson, Chairman  
Ray Brooks

Local Affairs: E. Bruce Beasley, III, Chairman  
Milton Fields  
Ray Brooks

The Nominating Committee will be:

Chairman: Dr. Herbert Paschal  
James B. McMullan  
Mrs. Anice Tripp

Chairman Lewis recognized Dot Tankard for an operating report of the site during the past year. The report is a part of these minutes.

The Chairman asked Ira Hardy to give a Treasurers Report. He gave the following report as of April 26, 1981:

Balance in Checking Account - \$	385.00
Balance in Savings Account -	1,104.08

The Board of Directors has appointed an Executive Committee composed of the officers of the Commission and Milton Fields.

The Chairman reviewed the Standing Committee of the Commission and requested volunteers to serve on the committee.

Project: Mrs. John Lang  
E. Bruce Bessey, III  
Mrs. Frances Kitchell

Van der Veer House: Dr. Herbert Paschal, Chairman  
Mrs. Rachel Farrell

Social: Mrs. Beverly Harrington  
Mrs. Columbus Snow

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Mrs. Patsy Lake  
Mr. & Mrs. John Lang

Building & Grounds: Mrs. Frances Robertson, Chairman  
Ray Brooks

Local Affairs: E. Bruce Bessey, III, Chairman  
Milton Fields  
Ray Brooks

The Nominating Committee will be:  
Chairman: Dr. Herbert Paschal  
James B. McMullan  
Mrs. Anice Tripp

Chairman Lewis recognized Dot Tankard for an operating report on the site during the past year. The report is a part of these minutes.

The Chairman asked Mrs. Hardy to give a Treasurer's Report. She gave the following report as of April 25, 1981:

Balance in Checking Account - \$ 285.00  
Balance in Savings Account - 1,104.00

The Chairman asked the Site Manager for a report on the Gift Account. The Report is a part of these minutes. Mrs. Tankard thanked Dr. Hardy for all of the work that he has done in keeping the financial records of the Commission.

Chairman Lewis presented two resolutions in support of renumbering two highways - N. C. 92 and N. C. 99 that run through the eastern part of the state and thus enhance tourist traffic through the area. A motion was made by John Wilkinson and seconded by Mrs. Rose Herring. The motion carried.

The Chairman recognized Milton Fields, who made a motion that the Commission meet twice a year and the Executive Committee meet quarterly. The motion was seconded by John Wilkinson and it carried.

The Chairman set the next meeting of the Commission for Saturday, August 1, 1981 at 4:30 p.m. The meeting will be followed by dinner and a performance of "Blackbeard: Knight of the Black Flag".

Dot Tankard showed the Commission members the needlework that had been done by Mrs. Beth Sloan, for chairs in the Palmer Marsh House.

The Chairman showed the members a portfolio of art reproductions of Historic Bath. He advised the membership that Mrs. Smith gave the Commission 500 of the portfolios valued at \$4,496.00. The artist who did the work is Dimitrious P. Zografos.

Chairman Lewis recognized Leo Jenkins, who made a motion to consolidate the Historic Bath Commission and Friends of Bath, Inc. accounts into one account. Ira Hardy, seconded the motion and it carried. He moved that letters of appreciation be sent to the Bath Garden Club and to Mrs. Beth Sloan.

Herb Paschal moved that the Commission formally thank Mrs. Morrison for her gracious gift and that a letter of appreciation be sent to her. Upon proper second, the motion carried.

Milton Fields said that he had prepared a list of books on pirates and suggested that people might use this list to donate books to the library.

The Chairman recognized Larry Misenhimer, who read a letter from Pearson Chrismon, Town Administrator for the town of Bath, exploring the possibility of the town utilizing Harding's Landing as a municipal boat dock. Larry read a letter that he had replied to Mr. Chrismon. He asked the Commission for their thoughts on the proposal. The Chairman referred an action on the proposal to the Executive Committee.

The Chairman recognized the following members of the Executive Committee: Mrs. B. B. ...

Chairman Lewis presented two resolutions in support of ...

The Chairman recognized Milton Fields, who made a motion ...

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Mr. Fields showed the Commission members the need for ...

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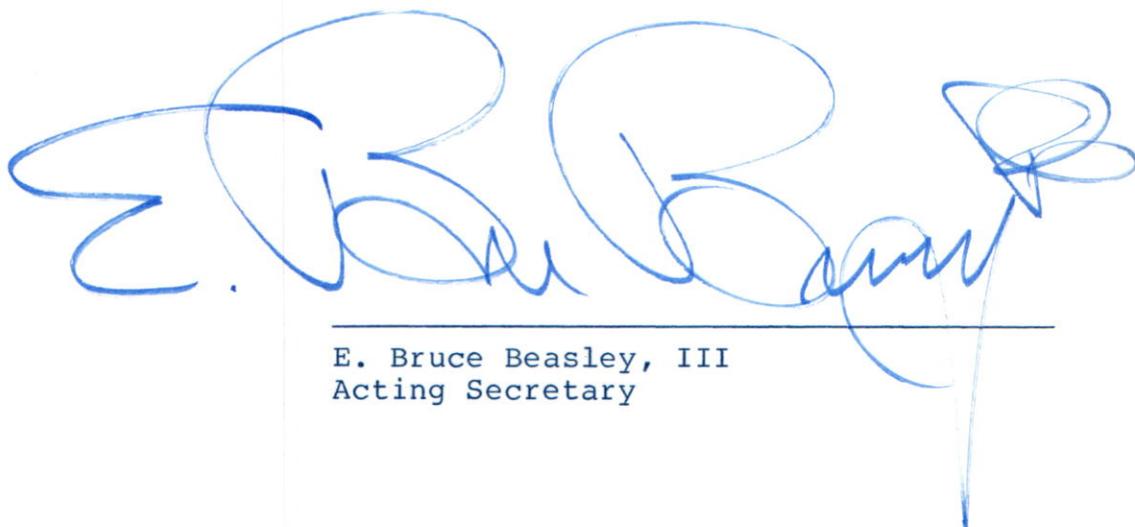
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The Chairman recognized Larry Misenheimer, who read a letter ...

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned in order that the membership might attend a luncheon at the Van der Veer House prepared and sent by the Bath Garden Club.

Respectively Submitted:

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E. Bruce Beasley, III  
Acting Secretary

After the meeting the meeting was adjourned in 1952  
that the membership should attend a luncheon at the Van der  
Veer home prepared and set by the Bath Garden Club.

Respectively Submitted:

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E. Bruce Bessley, III  
Acting Secretary

MINUTES  
of  
The Historic Bath Commission  
Van der Veer House, Bath Towne  
August 1, 1981 - 3:00 p.m.

Chairman Blake Lewis Presiding.

Attending Bath Commission Members:

Mrs. Jackie Thompson	Mr. Odell Snow
Mrs. Anice Tripp	Mrs. Patsy Duke
Mrs. Ann Flanagan	Mr. Art Menius
Mrs. Beverly Harrington	Mr. Buster Humphreys
Mrs. Rose Herring	Mrs. Rachel Futrell
Mr. John A. Wilkinson	Mr. L. C. Bruce
Mrs. Dot Tankard	Mr. E. Bruce Beasley III
Mrs. Catherine G. Lang	

An invocation of inspiration and appreciation for our heritage as North Carolinians was offered by Chairman Lewis.

All members were welcomed and the following new members and guests were recognized or announced: Mr. Elmo Winfield, Mr. Edgar Woolard, Mr. Robert B. Guinn of Aurora, Mrs. Sherwood H. Smith (granddaughter of the late U.S. Congressman Herbert C. Bonner).

Re-appointment of Dr. Ira M. Hardy and Mrs. Anice Tripp to serve a three-year term has been made by Governor Jim Hunt.

Catherine Lang read the minutes of the April 27, 1981, Annual Meeting of the Historic Bath Commission. Minutes taken, signed, and submitted by E. Bruce Beasley were approved with one addition. Mrs. Rachel Futrell noted that Mr. and Mrs. Snow were co-hosts for the delectable dinner at the McMullen's home on April 26, 1981.

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of  
The Historic Bath Commission  
Van der Veer House, Bath Towne  
August 1, 1981 - 3:00 p.m.

Chairman Blake Lewis Presiding.

Attending Bath Commission Members:

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Mrs. Alice Tripp	Mrs. Fay Duke
Mrs. Ann Fanning	Mr. Art Menius
Mrs. Beverly Harrington	Mr. Eastern Humphreys
Mrs. Rose Herring	Mrs. Rachel Furell
Mr. John A. Wilkinson	Mr. L. G. Bruce
Mrs. Dot Tennard	Mr. E. Bruce Bessey III
Mrs. Catherine G. Lang	

An invocation of inspiration and appreciation for our heritage as North Carolinians was offered by Chairman Lewis.

All members were welcomed and the following new members and guests were recognized or announced: Mr. Elmo Winfield, Mr. Edgar Woodard, Mr. Robert E. Quinn of Anson, Mrs. Sherwood H. Smith (granddaughter of the late U.S. Congressman Harbert C. Bonner).

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Checking--\$197.03

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Report of the Committee on the  
Development of the  
Van der Veer House

The committee must begin its report by expressing its appreciation to the interpretive team of the Historic Sites Section which visited the site and prepared a report on its possible utilization. Your committee found this report to be quite helpful. At the same time we are most appreciative of the interest and help given so generously by Arthur Menius and his successor, Robert Boyette.

The committee should make clear that the Van der Veer property is now completely in the control of the State of North Carolina. The Historic Sites Section, however, has shown clearly that it appreciates the Commission's particular concern and interest in the continued development of this property so that it will fulfill its original and stated purpose of being a suitable memorial to Edmund Harding.

For this reason the Historic Sites Section desires a positive expression from the commission as to how it would like to see the Van der Veer house developed at this time. To this end your committee has drawn up a number of proposals which it now presents to the commission for its acceptance or rejection.

PROPOSALS

I. The commission believes that at least one additional full time tour guide is essential to the effective opening of the Van der Veer house and recommends that the employment of an additional staff person be given first priority in plans for the development of this property. It further recommends to the chairman of the commission that he consider working with the members of the General Assembly from this county and surrounding counties to get legislation providing for



additional staff at Bath if this approach seems necessary and feasible.

II. The commission recommends that the Van der Veer house be developed as a museum for Historic Bath.

III. The commission realizes the need for a detailed and fully developed landscape plan for the entire historic site at Bath. However, it feels that long before an overall plan can be developed, it is absolutely essential that something be done to provide proper landscaping to offset as much as possible the unfortunate location of the Van der Veer house. Therefore, it urges the Historic Sites section to move at once on this problem with such plantings, fencing, out buildings or other devices as will offset the problems associated with its location.

IV. The commission requests that all exhibits be well developed and designed and that they relate to the history of Bath especially to the colonial and early national periods which constitute the focus of this site. It asks, too, that all exhibits developed do nothing to alter or damage in even the slightest way the restored building.

It recommends that the northwest room on the first floor be used to house the Harding memorabilia. It recommends that the two large front rooms and the southwest room be used to house general exhibits relating to the history of early Bath.

It recommends on the second floor that the north room and the deliberately unfinished central room be used for exhibits illustrating the techniques used by archaeologists and historic preservationists in restoring Historic Bath. The south room on this floor is recommended for use for additional

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V. The commission requests that Historic Sites move promptly to prepare suitable guidelines and suggestions for exhibits and that proper attention be given to exhibit design so that the maximum impact can be achieved. The commission hereby authorizes its executive committee to approve all guidelines and exhibit plans and designs presented to it if it feels them to be satisfactory and in keeping with its desire for an outstanding memorial to Edmund Harding.

VI. The commission hereby authorizes the chairman to appoint all committees necessary to work with and provide help to Historic Sites in carrying out as quickly as possible the suggestions it has made. It specifically requests that the chairman appoint a landscape committee and an exhibit committee.

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Financial Report-April 16, 1982

Checking Account \$385.03  
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Receipts

Friends of Bath	5-15-81	\$278.26	
Savings	5-26-81	450.00	
Savings	7-14-81	200.00	
Savings	8-18-81	300.00	
Interstate Sec.	9-9-81	<u>9.00</u>	
		\$1237.26	\$1622.29

Expenses

Bowman Contracting			
Service-Painting		\$1108.00	
of Van Der Veer House			
	5-26-81		
R. Frank Woolard	7-14-81	178.90	
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		\$1513.77	\$108.52

Savings Account

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Receipts

Dept. of Cul. Resources		\$554.00	
	6-22-81		
Dept. of Cul. Resources		202.00	
	10-8-81		
Interstate Securities		467.90	
Interest		<u>48.04</u>	
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Mr. Sawyer thanked Dr. Paschal for his work on the development of the Van Der Veer House and for the fine report on upcoming matters regarding the house.

Mr. Sawyer stated that the budget for 1983-1985 is now being prepared. The fiscal year for 1983 will begin in July 1983.

Mr. Sawyer advised that a legislative committee needed to be appointed; also, that a landscape and grounds committee be set up. Four or five months are necessary time for plans to be readied, and in all probability would be on hand by Fall of 1984. The special bill proposed for Bath in the General Assembly of 1981-1982 was not passed.

Dr. Hardy stated that the Legislature approved the request for work on the bulkhead at Bath Creek (Bonner's Point).

A discussion was held concerning state employee salary (\$12,000), landscaping Van Der Veer House and other grounds (\$30,000), and removal of large oaks.

Mr. Gwyn asked that the use of tapes be considered to help guides in the historic (restored) houses.

Mr. Sawyer said that from past experience the state has found direct contact with the public to be the best means of communication.

Dr. Hardy moved that the report of the committee on The Development of the Van Der Veer House be accepted and approved.

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assisted in writing the report. A copy of the report is attached to this day's minutes. The Van Der Veer House is to be a memorial to Edmund Harding. The property is now completely in control of the State of N.C. Several questions were asked by Milton Fields and answered by Dr. Paschal.

Mr. Sawyer thanked Dr. Paschal for his work on the development of the Van Der Veer House and for the time report on upcoming matters regarding the house.

Mr. Sawyer stated that the budget for 1983-1985 is now being prepared. The fiscal year for 1983 will begin in July 1983.

Mr. Sawyer advised that a legislative committee needed to be appointed; also, that a landscape and grounds committee be set up, four or five months are necessary time for plans to be ready, and in all probability would be on hand by Fall of 1984. The special bill proposed for 1983 in the General Assembly of 1981-1982 was not passed.

Dr. Hardy stated that the legislature approved the request for work on the bulkhead at Bath Creek (Sourer's Point).

A discussion was held concerning state employee salary (\$12,000), landscaping Van Der Veer House and other grounds (\$30,000), and removal of large oaks.

Mr. Gwyn asked that the use of tapes be considered to help guide in the historic (restored) houses.

Mr. Sawyer said that from past experience the state has found direct contact with the public to be the best means of communication.

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Historic Bath Commission Meeting April 19, 1982

Operations Report since Aug. 1, 1982 for

Historic Bath Site

Historic Albemarle Tours, Inc. received a grant from North Eastern Historic Places for \$10,000.00 and we have hired Bill Benners as Executive Secretary. We are a member of this non profit organization and each year the Beaufort County Commissioners pay our dues which are \$500.00 per year. This organization's goals are to promote the Albemarle area. Washington has been designated as one of the Gate Cities and a booth with a slide show and brochures has been installed at the Chamber of Commerce in Washington to guide tourists through the Albemarle area Historic Sites.

The Historic Bath Garden Club, organized 2 years ago, has furnished Historic Bath Site with shrubs, dogwoods, and other trees, boxwoods, annual flowers and bulbs. They have made 10 benches and 10 trash cans designed in keeping with Historic Bath. The FFA boys have placed them at different areas in Bath for the Convenience and comfort of our visitors. They had a private homes and gardens tour April 8th to raise money for other projects. This was very successful and they made over \$600.00.

Loonis McGlohon gave a concert in November sponsored by the Beaufort County Arts Council and the Historic Bath Commission. It was not advertised early enough, therefore the attendance was not as large as expected. We made \$100.00 for our share of this event.

The porches at the Bonner house have been repaired and the exterior of the house has been painted.

The Fisherman's Cabin has been treated for termites and is now under contract with Ivey Coward Termite Control.

I attended the Ocean Hiway meeting in Charleston, S. C. in November. The film, "A Town Called Bath" was shown. Bath brochures were placed in each members' packet. The Ocean Hiway Board of Directors will meet at Historic Bath Site May 14th and 15th of this year. We are a member of this organization. The dues are \$215.00 per year. We are featured on the map strip and in the Guide Book which is distributed from Maine to California.

We held our annual Christmas workshop Dec. 7 -11 and had Christmas Open House Dec. 13th. We have done a number of Civic Clubs, radio spots, and TV programs and have been in several magazines.

Archaeology work was done Feb. 15th through March 25th to clear construction of the bulk-head at Bonner's Point. Dan Windley and Ed Karnowski, U.S. Soil Conservation, has done the surveying and drawn up the specs for the project. Rep. Howard Chapin introduced Bill for \$151,000.00 which was passed for completion of the bulk-head.

We are planning to have the N. C. Regiment of Foot, June 4-6 in Bath and we would like to have the H B C to participate. Please appoint a committee today. We would also like for the H B C to participate in helping the Historic Bath Garden Club

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physically as well as financially with making Historic Bath beautiful. They need fertilizer, weed killer, a man to come 1 day each month to help weed and do the heavier work.

We would also like to appeal to the Historic Bath Commission to help as volunteer guides and continue financial support to help us through our busiest seasons, to participate in our Christmas workshop and Christmas open house.

#### Treasurer's Report

\$301.50	Checking account
2,702.86	Savings Account
12,000.00	C D

The major expenditures this year are :

1,000.00	temporary salaries
250.00	Christmas decorations
215.00	Ocean Hiway membership, motor guide, strip map, and book listing
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\$1,465.00	

\$305.76 Hidden Treasure of Bath Town included in above.

Who acknowledges memorials, Friends of Bath memberships and donations? Is it not the job of the Secretary-Treasurer?

To date, we have had visitors from all 50 states plus these countries: England, Australia, Belgium, Japan, Lebanon, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, Germany, Costa Rico, and France. Just check our register and see! A total of 4,832 so far for 1982.

Last year's visitation: 25,646



MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION HELD AT THE VAN DER VEER HOUSE IN THE TOWN OF BATH ON OCTOBER 15, 1982.

Chairman Ira Hardy called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. The following persons were in attendance: Jane Page, G.D. Elliott, Jr., Thad Tankard, Jr., Dorothy Tankard, and Patsy Duke.

Mrs. Tankard reported that there is \$5,876.92 in savings, \$602.70 in checking and a CD for ~~\$1,200.00~~ <sup>\$12,000.00</sup>. \$1,500.00 has been committed to be used for a landscape plan for the Van der Veer house. The plan has been drawn.

Chairman Hardy appointed Mr. Thad Tankard as temporary treasurer until the Commission meeting.

Mrs. Ruth B. Smith has donated some prints of a set of five drawings to the Commission. Dr. Hardy will accept them on behalf of the Commission.

Interest has been expressed to move an 1830's house on White Post Road to the historic site and to restore it. The State historians estimate the cost to be \$150,000 and feel that the house is too similar to the Van der Veer house for the project to be worthwhile. The idea has been dropped.

Chairman Hardy accepted a plaque from Mrs. Odell Snow in memory of Dr. Herbert R. Paschal. It reads as follows:

"In Memory of Herbert R. Paschal, Jr., Doctor of Philosophy - For his outstanding service and contributions as: A charter member of the Historic Bath Commission. Author of 'A History of Colonial Bath' in 1955. Treasurer of the Historic Bath Commission. Chairman of the Interpretations Committee for the Van der Veer House. Chairman of the Commission's Nominating Committee for many years. Born July 8, 1927. Died June 2, 1982."

Chairman Hardy announced that Dr. Donald Lennon of East Carolina University has been appointed to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Jr. He will be the historian and chairman of the Interpretations Committee for the Van der Veer House.

The Commission has received \$55.00 in memorial gifts honoring Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Jr.

Chairman Hardy has invited Governor Hunt to attend the Commission's spring meeting but has not received a response. Mr. Elliott moved that the Executive Committee plan to sponsor a fund-raising ball in the spring of 1984. Dorothy Tankard, Jane Page, and the Chairman were approved as members of a research committee for this idea.



The Chairman appointed Mr. Elliott and Mrs. Page to the Executive Committee to serve as at-large members.

The next Commission meeting was set for Sunday, January 16, 1983 at 3:00 p.m. The annual meeting date will be set at that time.

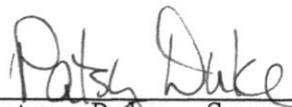
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The bulkhead project in Bath has been funded and work has begun.

Mr. Tom Ryon has asked whether the Commission would like to comment on the proposed project to put a marina on the west side of Bath Creek. There was no comment.

There was a discussion about the status of the Friends of Bath. There is a need for a mailing list for a membership drive and also for names of potential leaders for the drive.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

  
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Patsy Duke, Secretary

The Chairman appointed Mr. [Name] and Mr. [Name] to the Executive Committee to serve on the large number.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
[Name], Secretary

Dr. Ira M. Hardy, II Chm. 1985  
125 Moye Blvd.  
Greenville, N. C. 27834

*Mr.*  
Milton P. Fields 1983 Vice Chm.  
P.O. Box 4538  
Rocky Mount, N. C. 27801

Mrs. Patsy Duke Secretary 1985  
300 E. Horne Ave.  
Farmville, N. C. 27828

Mr. Blake Lewis, Jr. 1983  
Hillcrest Dr.  
Washington, N. C. 27889

Dr. Leo Jenkins 1983  
71 Quail Ridge Rd.  
Greenville, N. C. 27834

Mrs. Catharine Lang 1984  
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*Bob*  
Mrs. Mary Ellen Parker  
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Mrs. Ashley B. Futrell 1984  
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Dr. Gino P. Guisti 1984  
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P.O. Box 406  
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1 Julian Price Place  
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Dr. Donald R. Lennon 1985  
Joyner Library  
East Carolina University  
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Mrs. Sherwood H. Smith, Jr. 1985  
408 Drummond Dr.  
Raleigh, N. C. 27609

Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr. 1985  
213 Alderson Rd.  
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Mrs. Columbus Snow  
1218 N. Bonner St.  
Washington, N. C. 27889

Mr. Thad E. Tankard, Jr.  
Rt. 1, Box 123  
Bath, N. C. 27808

Mrs. Arthur Tripp 1985  
109 Cardinal Dr.  
Greenville, N. C. 27834

Mr. Henry Humpheries 1985  
Alderson Rd.  
Washington, N. C. 27889

Mr. Edgar S. Woolard, Jr. 1985  
3604 Centerville Rd.  
Wilmington, Delaware 19807

Mrs. Rose Herring 1985  
Coffey Finley Park  
North Wilkesboro, N. C. 28659

Mrs. Sara Hodgkins, Secretary  
N. C. Dept. of Cultural Resources  
109 E. Jones St.  
Raleigh, N. C. 27611

Dr. Bill Price  
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Beaufort Co. Board of Commissioners  
Chocowinity, N. C. 27817

Mrs. John A. Tankard, Site Mgr.  
Historic Bath Site  
P.O. Box 124  
Bath, N. C. 27808

Mrs. Jane Page *1985*  
715 Short Dr.  
Washington, N. C. 27889



Minutes of the Historic Bath Commission Meeting

Held at the Historic Bath Visitor Center

On January 16, 1983

Chairman Ira Hardy called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. The following people were in attendance: Blake Lewis, Leo and Nancy Jenkins, Catharine Lang, Mary Ellen and Bob Parker, Rachel Futrell, Beverly Harrington, Zelma Winfield, Loonis McGlohon, James McMullan, G. D. Elliott, Donald Lennon, Frances Roberson, Odell Snow, Thad Tankard, Jane Page, Dot Tankard, Robert Boyette, Rick Howell, and Ann Flanagan.

Chairman Hardy called on Dot Tankard to read the minutes from the last meeting in the absence of secretary Patsy Duke. Thad Tankard reported that there was \$126.27 in the checking account, \$1,526.69 in the savings account, and a CD for \$17,000, making a total of assets \$18,652.96.

Robert Boyette presented the landscape architect's plan for the Van Der Veer house. The plan featured mature plantings of trees with gardens, orchard, fences, and out buildings. Mr. Boyette stressed the importance of landscaping even before the house was open to the public. There was a discussion about the Edmond Harding memorabilia and it was agreed to accept the donations now from his daughters.

Chairman Hardy appointed a nominating committee to select a slate of officers for next year. Frances Roberson, Odell Snow, and Jane Page will present the new slate of officers in April.

Chairman Hardy suggested that the "Friends of Bath" committee to be reorganized with a local chairman and with members in the Bath and Washington areas. The Friends of Bath organization would raise funds, create projects, etc. One of the projects discussed was a Colonial Ball to be held in 1984 in commemoration of the 400th birthday of North Carolina. Zelma Winfield, Rachel Futrell, Jane Page, Odell Snow, Dot Tankard, and Frances Roberson made plans to meet on Friday, Jan. 22nd to select a chairman for the Friends of Bath organization. Another suggestion for a project was made by Milton Fields to Chairman Hardy at an earlier date, was having a replica of Blackbeard's ship built and tied at the state dock with maybe a marina's museum nearby for students and tourists to tour.

Dot Tankard read her manager's report and afterwards it was voted to give \$1000 to supplement the temporary hostess salaries this year and to give \$250 for the Christmas decorations. The executive committee agreed to meet and to set a price on the book, Hidden Treasure of Bath Towne and also on the prints by Zographos.

A date in April will be set later for the next meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

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## Manager's Report

1. The Ocean Hiway met at the Van Der Veer house May 14th with members attending from Cape May, N. J. to Florida.
2. Stanford Alumni Association cruised to Belhaven, chartered a bus and toured Historic Bath May 2nd.
3. Rotary International Governor and his wife, Dick and Rosemary Gilbe from Bristol England visited Bath in June.
4. The N. C. Regiment of Foot held a Living History Encampment June 4th through June 6th.
5. Gregg Proctor started work on the landscape plan for the Van Der Veer house property in June.
6. The outdoor drama, " Blackbeard: Knight of the Black Flag " ran July 1 through Aug. 21st. Had 4 rainouts but a very successful season.
7. We had 4 volunteer hostess donating 1 day each week through the summer months and they were on call when needed.
8. The Historic Bath Garden Club gave shrubs, benches, waste cans, flowers, catered meals, weeded, and paid for labor to help with gardens and grounds during the summer months.
9. Bid opens were held for the bulkhead at Bommer's Point July 20th. The contract was awarded to S. T. Wooten Construction Co. for \$ 66,870.00. Harding's Landing was contracted for \$11,000.00. The work has been completed.
10. Mrs. Odell Snow gave a plaque to be hung in memory of Dr. Herbert Pascahl in the Van Der Veer house.
11. Mrs. Lib Ross donated a set of the Colonial Records. The set was the property of James McKinley Saunders, the great nephew of William Lawrence Saunders ( 1835-1891 ) the editor of the Records. The set was given to the younger Saunders by an attorney, W. D. Grimes, Brother of John Bryan Grimes ( 1868 - 1923 ), Secretary of the State of North Carolina. Appraised value at \$1,200.00.

12. Donations for the Van Der Veer house in memory of Dr. Herbert R. Paschal were received from : Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Duke, Jr., Farmville, Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., Washington, and Mr. & Mrs. Ashley B. Futrell, Washington.
13. Mrs. Ruth B. Smith gave 500 sets of the Dimitris Zographos prints of Historic Bath.
14. Beaufort County school personnel entertained with a luau at Bonner's Point. Background music helped set the Hawaiian mood. Barbequed pigs, chickens, melons and a variety of desserts were served to 450 people. A skit was performed by the " Blackbeard" cast.
15. October 28th U S A representing the Smithsonian Institute visited Historic Bath.
16. The Executive Board of the Historic Bath Commission met in October making plans for their annual meeting, discussed a Colonial Ball for the 400th Birthday in 1984.
17. The blinds are back on the Palmer-Marsh house.
18. Four visitors from Kuwait visited Bath in November. It was interesting to observe them kneeling on their coats, facing the east and praying to Mohammed.
19. Christmas workshop was Dec. 6th - Dec. 10th
20. Christmas Open house Sunday, Dec. 12th.
21. On the light side a mystery woman came to Bath 2 years ago, cooked and slept at Bonner's Point with her large white rabbit. Reappeared in Dec. twice with her rabbit and dog, would not sign the register and would not reveal her name because of her situation. She was driving an old car with N. Y. tags. She wanted her rabbit's picture wearing Blackbeard'd hat, and a picture of her dog with Blackbeard's picture. She returned last week to take a picture of the dog with Robert E. Lee's book about Blackbeard!

1982 attendance was 29,748

Request from H B C to approve:

1. Supplement salaries again.
2. Money for Christmas decorations
3. Set new price on Hidden Treasure of Bath ..not selling for \$13.47.....\$7.98?
4. Set price on Dimitious Zographos' prints ....Ruth Smith's price \$40.00 per set.

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

Treasurer's Report  
January 16, 1983

Checking Account	\$ 126.27
Savings Account	\$1,526.69
Certificate of Deposit	\$17,000.00
Total	\$18,652.96

Respectively submitted:

Thad Tankard, Treasurer

Paid out

Historic Bath Garden Club (donation)	\$200.00
Printed 50,000 brochures for Historic Bath	974.48
36 slides and caurosel for Historic Bath	19.90
T. G. Proctor Landscaping ( 1st installment)	452.25
Ocean Hiway dues, Strip Map and brochure listing	225.00
Christmas decorations for Historic Bath	250.00
Temporary salaries for Historic Bath Site	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	\$3,121.63

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

Treasurer's Report  
January 16, 1983

218,522.96  
217,000.00  
21,522.96

Total

Certificate of Deposit  
Savings Account  
Checking Account

Respectively updated:

Paul Tankard, Treasurer

Paid out

23,121.63  
1,000.00  
250.00  
225.00  
152.25  
19.90  
271.18  
200.00

Total

Temporary salaries for Historic Bath Site  
Christmas decorations for Historic Bath  
Ocean Hwy bus, Strip Map and brochure listing  
T. G. Proctor Landscaping (see installment)  
30 signs and easement for Historic Bath  
Printed 20,000 brochures for Historic Bath  
Historic Bath Garden Club (donation)

MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
MEETING HELD AT THE N.C. STATE CAPITOL SENATE CHAMBERS  
ON APRIL 20, 1983

Chairman Ira Hardy called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m. The following people were present: Milton Fields, Patsy Duke, Blake Lewis, Catherine Lang, *Robert* ~~Bob~~ Parker, Rachel Futrell, Gino Guisti, Beverly Harrington, Zelma Winfield, Loonis McGlohon, James McMullan, G.D. Elliot, Donald Lennon, Frances Roberson, Odell Snow, Thad Tankard, Anice Tripp, Henry Humphreys, Ed Woolard, Rose Herring, Jane Page, Dot Tankard, Tom and Leslie Speros, Mavis and Clark Rodman, and Ann Flanagan.

Milton Fields was called upon for the invocation. Treasurer Thad Tankard reported a bank balance of \$1,352.01 and a CD for \$17,000.00. The minutes had been circulated to the members and were not read. Chairman Hardy presented the slate of officers for next year as follows:

Ira Hardy	President
Loonis McGlohon	Vice-President
Patsy Duke	Secretary
Thad Tankard	Treasurer

Dot Tankard gave members copies of her manager's report.

Dick Sawyer, head of the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History, introduced Bill McCrae, a restoration specialist, who presented the landscape architect's plan for the Van der Veer house.

L.C. Bruce, chairman of the Friends of Bath, Inc., reported on his efforts to sell the remaining 4000 Hidden Treasures of Bath Towne books. He suggested that a statewide radio campaign be initiated to publicize Historic Bath.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Speros were introduced as the new chairmen of the Friends of Bath, Inc. They will try to organize the Friends into a fund-raising organization which can sponsor activities such as the Colonial Ball and May Day at Bath.

Dr. and Mrs. Clark Rodman and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Page were introduced as the co-chairmen for the Colonial Ball which will be held in Washington on October 13, 1984.

Chairman Hardy announced that the Second North Carolina Regiment of Foot will reenact a sea-land battle at Bath on May 20-22, 1983.

He reported Milton Field's idea of establishing a Mariner's Museum at Bath as a part of the 400th celebration.

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Blake Lewis made a motion to commit up to \$10,000.00 of the Friends of Bath, Inc. fund toward completion of the landscaping project at the Van der Veer house. Loonis McGlohon seconded the motion and it passed.

Mary Ellen Parker moved that the newly landscaped area be named as a memorial to Herbert R. Paschal. Blake Lewis seconded the motion and it passed.

Henry Humphreys made a motion to earmark \$2,000.00 of the Friends of Bath, Inc. funds as seed money for the Colonial Ball's expenses. Robert Gwyn seconded the motion and it passed. Blake Lewis moved that the Friends of Bath, Inc. committee be allowed to use the Zographos prints as it wished. Henry Humphreys seconded the motion and it passed.

Blake Lewis volunteered to work with Milton Fields on the mariner's project for Bath. Rachael Futrell asked when the Commission would receive the Edmund Harding memorabilia. Dot Tankard reported that the Harding family will be ready to donate items when the Van der Veer house is opened. The items will be loaned by the family and not given outright. Dot Tankard announced that she has details about a trip to England on September 4-11, 1983.

Robert Gwyn moved that the meeting be adjourned at 2:40 p.m.



TREASURER'S REPORT

April 20, 1983

Bank balance January 17, 1983	172.97
1-17-83 dep. from saving's	222.75
1-31-83 dep.	53.34
2-4-83 Int.	1.31
2-4-83 dep.	77.70
1-13-83 dep.	99.52
2-8-83 dep. from saving's (closed account)	1,575.55
2-18-83 Int. on CD	126.90
2-28-83 dep.	37.86
2-2-83 dep. book & memorial	23.47
2-21-83 dep. book & memorials	33.47
3-7-83 dep. int.	6.56
3-28-83 dep.	88.26
3-31-83 dep.	81.23
4-5-83 error in check credit	.50
Total	<u>\$2,601.39</u>

Expenditure's

1-17-83 P. G. Proctor Associates	222.75
1-21-83 N. C. University Press	38.47
2-2-83 N. C. Dept. of Revenue	4.04
2-8-83 P. G. Proctor Associates	825.00
2-11-83 Aerial Photo Services, Inc.	58.31
3-2-83 Gallopade Publishing Co.	30.31
3-2-83 N. C. Dept. of Revenue	2.16
3-7-83 Bank fee charge	6.70
3-7-83 Postmaster	6.70
4-5-83 Action Packets	54.94
Total	<u>\$1,219.38</u>

Bank balance April 19, 1983 \$1,352.01

Certificate of Deposit due date May 18, 1983 \$17,000.00

Respectively submitted:

Thad E. Tankard, Jr. Treasurer



Historic Bath  
State Historic Site  
Manager's Report  
January 17th - April 19th, 1983

America's 400th Anniversary Beaufort County Executive Committee with Ran Carpenter as chairman, held the kick off meeting in January. Since that time the committee has met twice each month. Historic Bath will be the focal point for the events planned. We have great plans for a Colonial Bath Ball on October 13, 1984 with Mr. & Mrs. Bill Page, chairmen, and Dr. & Mrs. Clark Rodman, co-chairmen. This will take lots of planning and help will be needed from many volunteers to make this one of the biggest events Historic Bath has ever planned. Also preparations are already in progress for the N. C. Regiment of Foot to visit Bath on May 20th, 1984 with the best living history demonstrations ever.

Friends of Bath, Inc. has been initiated and Dr. & Mrs. Speros have graciously consented to chair this fund raising drive. Thanks to Mrs. Frances Roberson for working so hard as chairman of the committee for organizing the committees for these activities along with Mrs. Zelma Winfield, Mrs. Rachel Futrell, Mrs. Jane Page, Mrs. Odell Snow and others.

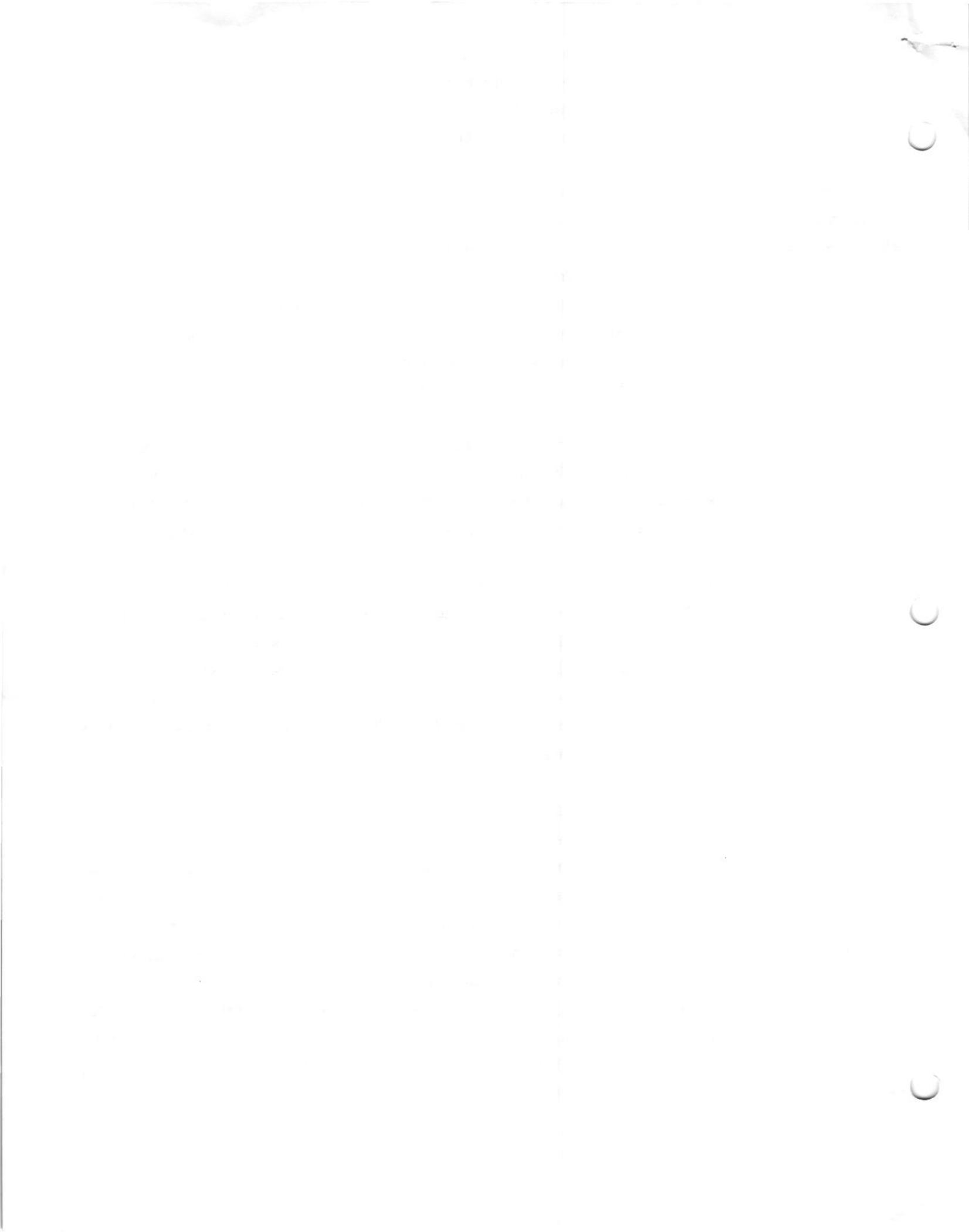
Early craft classes began at Historic Bath Site sponsored by Beaufort Community College January 17th. The classes consisted of lap quilting, basket weaving, English smocking, hand tied fringe, candlewicking, needle work, and doll making. The classes were held each Monday morning and again on Monday nights. Approximately 32 ladies participated. A CPR class co-sponsored by B C C C started March 31st and will continue each Thursday night at the Visitor Center through April 21st. We have 14 students enrolled.

The final inspection for the Bonner Point, Harding Landing, and Indian Village bulk-head was held January 28th.

Loonis McGlohon came April 11th and did TV spots of Historic Bath which he will place in all TV stations in N. C. to promote tourism for the oldest town in North Carolina.

The Committee for An Outdoor Drama, Inc. has just completed a Friends of the Drama fund raising campaign and will print a collectors' limited edition of a souvenir program this year. Two billboards have been placed near Washington and Vanceboro sponsored by New Bern Coca Cola Bottling Co. The drama will start June 30th ending August 20th with performances each Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights.

The Historic Bath Garden Club is still hard at work beautifying Historic Bath. They have bought another picnic bench, planted blooming flowers around the marker, the Visitor Center, and are planting trees in needed areas. They help weed the flower gardens and later meals for visiting groups by request.



Historic Bath  
State Historic Site  
Manager's Report  
January 17th - April 19th, 1983

Page 2

We have 3 volunteer hostesses that help us with scheduled groups and plan to give us one day each week during the summer months. We so not know what we would do without these lovely ladies.

The British are coming to Bath just one month away on May 21st. The Second North Carolina Regiment of Foot acts as host to the Third North Carolina Regiment, the Guilford Militia, the Kentucky Militia, the Second South Carolina Militia, Fourth King's Own Regiment, and the Fraiser's 71st Highlanders. There will be more than 120 men and women camped at Bonner's Point in Bath for the week-end. We cordially invite all of you to visit Bath on this exciting week-end. Saturday's activities will start at 11 A.M. with a formal parade of the troops. After a lunch period the afternoon feature, a land-water battle, will be staged off Bonner's Point. Several authentic sailing vessels will participate in the attempt of British troops to seize a trade vessel of ships' stores being shipped to Bath. The ships as well as land troops will use cannons in the battle. The colonial troops will attempt to fight them off and make Bath a secure haven for the spectators. With the British disposed of, people can wander through the camp areas and enjoy craft and living history demonstrations by the regiments for the rest of the afternoon. On Sunday, the troops will march to St. Thomas Episcopal Church for morning services and again skirmishes will be featured during the afternoon until the troops break camp around 4 P.M.

School groups have started visiting Historic Bath along with Sir Walter Cabinet members and senior citizens groups. As you can see, Historic Bath is a busy place spring, summer, winter, and fall and I do not know of a better place to be!



EASTERN CAROLINA NEUROSURGICAL ASSOCIATES, INC.

125 MOYE BOULEVARD  
GREENVILLE, N.C. 27834

IRA M. HARDY, II, M.D.  
ROBERT L. TIMMONS, M.D.  
JOHN R. LEONARD, III, M.D.

May 3, 1983

TELEPHONE  
(919) 752-5156

Mrs. Rose Herring  
Coffey Finley Rd.  
N. Wilkesboro, NC 28659

Dear Rose:

On behalf of the Historic Bath Commission please let me say thanks for the generous contribution of \$500.00 to the Commission. It will certainly help in preparing the Herb Paschal Memorial Garden and providing for other worthwhile projects.

Your continued generosity and support of the Historic Bath Commission is greatly appreciated and on behalf of the other Commission members, again let me say thank you very much.

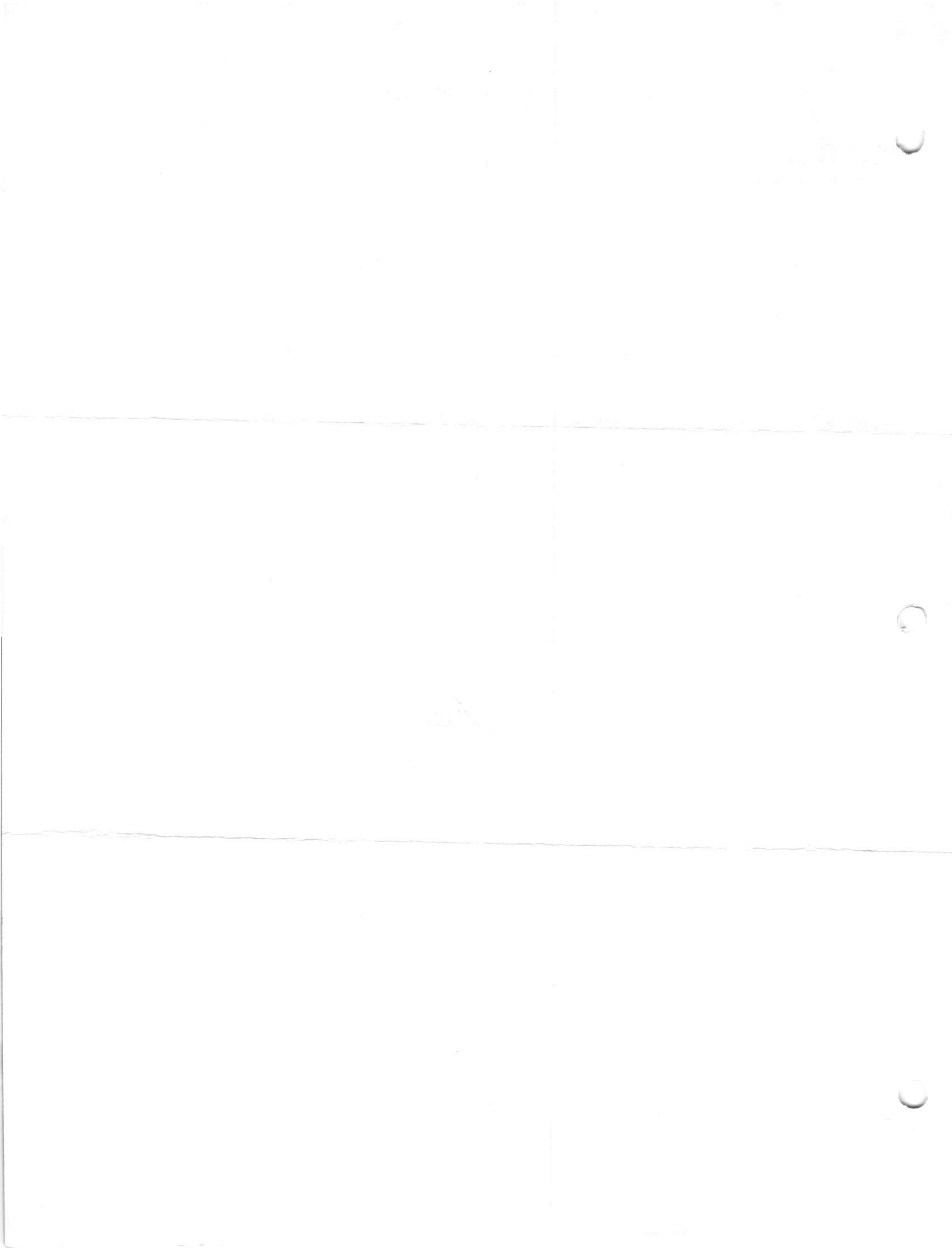
With kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely,



Ira M. Hardy II, M.D.

IMH:ph



FRIENDS OF BATH *Ex. Board*

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Speros (Leslie) *Chm.*  
123 Short Drive  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-5293

Mr. A.R. (Sam) Allan, Jr.  
Sunnyside  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-8732

Mrs. Jarl Bowers (Grey)  
Broad Creek Road  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-5461

Mr. A. B. (Brownie) Futrell, Jr.  
Swan Point  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-5068

Mrs. Jack Pyburn (Leah)  
106 Palmer Place-Smallwood  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-4873

Mr. W. H. (Bill) Morgan  
106 Eden Drive-Smallwood  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-6895

Mr. Joseph McCotter, Jr. (Jo Jo)  
Yacht Club Cove  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-1627

Mrs. Tom Archie (Bet)  
103 S. Reed Drive-Smallwood  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-8578

Mr. Chris McLendon  
Runyon Hills  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-7971

Mr. William Zackman  
Macswoods  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-7043

Mr. Blake Lewis  
105 Hillcrest Drive  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-5644

Mrs. Walter Gerard (Virginia)  
924 N. Market Street  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-1846

Mrs. Richard Ross (Lib)  
North Shores  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-5682

Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr. (Frances)  
213 Alderson Road-Smallwood  
Washington, N.C. 27889  
946-5662

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Mr. John J. ...  
Washington, D.C. ...

Mr. and Mrs. Tom ...  
Washington, D.C. ...

Mr. A. S. ...  
Washington, D.C. ...

Mr. Joseph ...  
Washington, D.C. ...

Mr. ...  
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Mr. ...  
Washington, D.C. ...

Mr. ...  
Washington, D.C. ...

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

Bath, North Carolina 27808

May 6, 1984

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Mrs. John A. "Dot" Tankard became the first manager of the Historic Bath Site and served in this position for twenty-eight years; and

Whereas, Dot became the first female manager of a North Carolina State Historic Site; therefore,

Be it resolved, That the Historic Bath Commission acknowledges Dot's faithful service and dedication and offers loving and deep appreciation to this grand lady for her legacy of inimitable services.

For the Commission,

*Ira M. Hardy II*

Ira M. Hardy II, Chairman



AGENDA  
HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
11:00 A.M.  
Historic Bath Visitor Center  
May 6, 1984

Call To Order- Chairman Hardy

Invocation- Milton Fields(?)

~~Announcement of Attendance- Acting Secretary~~

*Call for Acting Secretary  
(Chuck & Francis about  
nominee)*

Officer's Reports

Acting Secretary

Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of Executive Board Meeting- 1/27/1984

*(Get this from  
my office  
Approve VanDerVeer  
expenditure \$1,2000.00  
\*Ball Winner \$2000.00  
Funds of Bath \$500.00*

Treasurer's Report

(Copy to be handed out)

Special Guests

✓ Dr. Bill Price- Director, Division of Archives and History

Dick Sawyer- Administrator, Historic Sites Section

~~Ran Carpenter- Chairman~~

Gerald Butler- Historic Bath Site Manager (Site Manager's Report to be handed out)

Ran Carpenter- Beaufort County 400th Anniversary committee *chairman*

Committee Reports

Colonial Bath Ball- Mrs. <sup>Jane</sup> Page and Mrs. Rodman

Friends of Historic Bath- Jack and Leah Pyburn

*May 6<sup>th</sup>  
→ public to  
400<sup>th</sup> celebrations*

Nominating Committee- Frances Roberson

*ad hoc Comm. Milton Fields  
on Maritime Project*

Unfinished Business

Van Der Veer House Landscaping Project -

*\$6600.00 - trees  
shrubs*

The Hidden Treasure of Bath Town- 2,500 in inventory

< 200 sold in two years

*\$13.77*

*ideas - sponsor  
at ball  
where price  
\$6.00*

New Business

*Resolution: Dot Tankard*

Assistance to Historic Site

\$500. Special Event Programs

Christmas

Spring Living History Weekend

\$1,000 Temporary Salaries

\$ 500 Replacement Sales Desk

Adjournment

*Resolution for 2 full time  
emp. Greer*

*{ 300 Christmas  
200 Spring  
weekend*

*2 new full time  
people*

*Comm. Chairman  
Francis  
Dot  
300  
Woods  
you*

- 1) Bulk Mailing
- 2) Plaque for Hub

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Office of the  
Director

Division of  
Investigation

UNITED STATES

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Washington, D.C.

1950

May 6 Commission Meeting

Spouse - 1  
Will attend

Spouse - 2  
will not attend

Name

Name

- Mr + Mrs. G. D. Elliott
- Mrs. Zelma Winfield
- Jim McMullant wife
- Mr + Mrs. Bill Page
- Catharine Laog
- Mr. + Mrs. Ashly Tuttle
- Dr. - Bill Price
- Eve Smith and husband (first time)
- Mr. + Mrs. Milton Fields -
- Mrs. Rose Herring - husband?
- Ray + Mildred
- Shad + Rowena Soudard
- ~~Robman?~~
- Blake Lewis + Jo
- Deek Sawyer
- Beverly Harrington + Husband
- Mr + Mrs. Howard Chapin
- Don Lennon
- McFagin (2)
- Wade

- Loonie McElkoon
- Edgar S. Woolard
- Bob Gwyn
- Mrs. + Mr. Patsy Duke
- Guist
- Annie Trapp

Gil Tidemann

Darwood  
Petter  
Rt 2,  
Behaven  
27810

Patsy

Spouse + Partner

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MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
MEETING HELD AT THE HISTORIC BATH VISITOR CENTER  
ON MAY 6, 1984

Chairman Ira Hardy called the meeting to order at 11 o'clock A.M. Milton Fields was called upon for the invocation. The following people were in attendance: Jane Page, Odell Snow, Skipper Parker, Dot Tankard, Frances & Bill Roberson, William and Pia Price, Gerald Butler, Richard Sawyer, Jr., Nancy A. Murray, Leah & Jack Pyburn, Blake Lewis, Catherine Lang, Donald Lennon, Milton Fields, Thad Tankard, Jr., James McMullan, Neill McFadyen, G. D. Elliott, Mayor Ray Brooks, Rep. and Mrs. Howard Chapin, Eve & Sherwood Smith, Rann Carpenter, Beverly Harrington and Rachel and Ashley Futrell.

Rachel Futrell acted as secretary due to the resignation of Patsy Duke.

Minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer Thad Tankard reported a bank balance of \$2,807.24 and a C.D. for \$8,500.

Special guests were recognized: Rep. & Mrs. Howard Chapin, Dr. & Mrs. Bill Price of Archives and History, Nancy Murray, who was introduced by Dick Sawyer, head of the Historic Sites Section and our new site director Gerald Butler, who was introduced by Dr. Hardy.

Rann Carpenter, Chairman of Beaufort County 400 Committee was introduced and made a few remarks.

Jane Page co-chairperson of 400 Ball Committee, which is to be held on Oct. 13, 1984, made brief remarks concerning the Ball plans.

Leah and Jack Pyburn chair-persons of Friends of Historic Bath stated that membership drive starts this month.

Milton Fields reported that to have a survey made by the Regional Division Center of the wishes of the people concerning establishing a Mariner's Museum and replica of Blackbeard's ship in Bath would be expensive but a motion was made and passed to proceed with this.

Chairman Hardy presented the slate of officers for next year as follows:

Ira Hardy	President <i>Ch.</i>
Milton Fields	Vice-President <i>Ch.</i>
Rachel Futrell	Secretary
Thad Tankard	Treasurer

It was approved by acclamation.

Copies of Managers report, treasurer's report and legislative laws which created this commission were given to each member.

A motion was made and passed to reduce the price of Hidden Treasures of Bath Towne to \$6.00.



In new business, Chairman Hardy offered a special resolution of thanks to Dot Tankard for her long years of service as director. This was unanimously endorsed by the commission. Dot Tankard made a few remarks.

It was announced that an additional \$6,000. is needed to finish landscaping at Van Der Veer House. Approval of \$500. was given for upcoming expenses and \$1000. as a supplement for salaries for upcoming events.

Dr. Hardy brought before the commission the need of a sales desk. A motion was made and passed to purchase same.

Dr. Hardy pointed out that the site was in great need of 2 more paid workers. A resolution to this effect will be presented to the legislature.

Gerald Butler, site manager, commented on events to be held during day.

Mayor Brooks welcomed Mr. Butler to Bath.

Blake Lewis made a motion that we have more publicity to bring people to Bath. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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DR. IRA HARDY, PRESIDENT

*Rachel F. Futrell*  
RACHEL F. FUTRELL, SECRETARY

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HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION  
Treasurer's Report  
April 20, 1983-May 3, 1984

CURRENT ASSETS

Checking Account	2,807.24
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 8,500 Matures 6/8/1984
Total	<u>11,307.24</u>

EXPENDITURES (other than Sales Desk operation)

1983

5-11	N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources (Temporary Salaries)	112.00
5-11	Regiment of Foot (Donation)	100.00
6-3	Bath Postmaster (Postage)	20.00
6-6	Loonis McGlohon (PSA expense)	209.50
7-8	Bath Postmaster (Postage)	5.00
11-23	Ann Flanagan (Christmas Program expense)	250.00

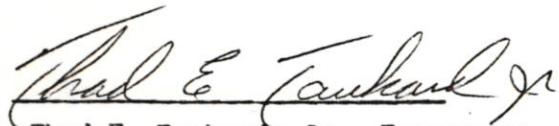
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1-3	Ocean Hiway Association (Membership and Listing)	225.00
1-3	Southern Bank and Trust Co. (Intangible tax)	17.00
2-6	Southern Orchestras Corp. (Ball band deposit)	300.00
2-17	Landscape Contractors, Inc. (Van Der Veer work)	10,000.00
3-9	Southern Bank and Trust Co. (CD deposit)	8,500.00
4-3	Bath Postmaster (Postage)	20.00
2-13	Leland Flanagan (Van Der Veer work)	800.00
5-2	Bath Postmaster (Postage)	20.00
5-2	Landscape Contractors, Inc. (Van Der Veer Phase I final draw)	1,200.00
5-2	N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources (Temporary Salaries)	375.31
5-2	Roger Carter Corp. (Porta-John rental)	56.65
		<u>13,710.46</u>

SPECIAL DEPOSITS

2-17-1984 Mature CD- \$20,436.82  
3-30-1984 Brochure Grant (90% draw)- \$1,350.00

Respectfully submitted on May 6, 1984 by

  
Thad E. Tankard, Jr., Treasurer



SITE MANAGER'S REPORT  
Historic Bath  
April 19, 1983-May 6, 1984

Dot Tankard retired as Site Manager of Historic Bath on December 31, 1983 after twenty years in the position and eight years as a volunteer. Among Dot's accomplishments were that of being the first Site Manager at Historic Bath, the first female Site Manager of a North Carolina State Historic Site and two year President of both the Ocean Hiway Association and the Historic Albemarle Tour. Dot was honored on her retirement by the Historic Sites Section and the Historic Albemarle Tour. Dot's work and presence will always be seen and felt at Historic Bath.

Dot was succeeded by Gerald Butler of Historic Halifax State Historic Site. Gerald is an ECU graduate with a degree in History and studied under Dr. Herbert Paschal, Jr. He began work with the State Historic Sites program in 1971 as Site Manager of Somerset Place at Lake Phelps. He served as Site Manager of Historic Halifax from 1972 until his assignment to Historic Bath in December 1983. Gerald and his wife and two children reside in Bayview and have come to appreciate the special quality of life and work in Bath and Beaufort County.

The 1983 annual visitation at Historic Bath, 33,871, was up nearly 14% and was the highest ever recorded at the Site. Many elements contributed to this increase including the series of television public service announcements prepared by Historic Bath Commission member Loonis McGlohon and a thirty minute special program prepared and aired by WRAL of Raleigh.

The 1983 Spring Living History/Military Reenactment Weekend was quite successful in that it attracted over 2,000 people to the Site. A similar program focussing on Bath's significant maritime heritage is scheduled for May 19-20, 1984.

The Christmas Open House was again successful in terms of visitor turnout and the significant volunteer help received to make the event possible.

Another good season of the outdoor drama BLACKBEARD: Knight of the Black Flag was presented. The show continues to be one of the most successful in the State, drawing an average of 400 spectators per performance. Plans for the 1984 season are progressing and the season will be expanded two weeks to encompass the Labor Day weekend.

Historic Bath joined the twenty-two other State Historic Sites in expanding its operating hours to include Monday on January 1, 1984. This schedule expansion will improve the visitation at the Site and better serve our visitors.

Phase I of the Historic Bath Commission project of implementing the landscape plan for the Van Der Veer House was completed by landscape contractor Leland Flanagan of Bath in February 1984. The work consisted of the layout, grading, fencing and bed installation. The Historic Bath Commission received a major gift of walk and drive material for the project valued at over \$1,000 from the Texas Gulf, Inc. mining site near Aurora. The Historic Bath staff planted an early Spring vegetable garden

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in the beds and the Historic Bath Garden Club is providing the plant materials for the herb/flower bed.

The Historic Bath Garden Club remains active with monthly meetings held in the Visitor Center. It continues to serve meals to special visiting groups in the Van Der Veer House and to expand and maintain its plantings at the Visitor Center, Van Der Veer House, Palmer-Marsh House, Hardings Landing and other sites in the town. The group is currently working to build a collection of costumes for use at special events on the Site and will be involved in a major way with the Colonial Bath Ball on October 13, 1984.

Volunteers continue to contribute substantially to the operation of Historic Bath. Their work is crucial during the Christmas Open House, school and special group tours and the Summer peak season.

The Site received additional help through the Summer Youth Employment Program, the Community Service Program for DWI offenders and an initial program of internship with an ECU student.

An existing loom on the Site has been activated in the Visitor Center and is operated with some frequency by Dr. and Mrs. Frank Critchfield of Bayview. The Site hosted a Quilting Course sponsored by the Beaufort County Community College during the Fall 1983 and Winter 1984 Quarters.

A group from Bath led by John and Dot Tankard visited and was well received in Bath England during the Fall.

Grants received during this period include \$1,500 from the Northeastern Historic Properties Office of the Department of Cultural Resources for the printing of a "Walking Tour of Historic Bath" brochure and \$500 from the Beaufort County Board of Commissioners for the Site's 1984 annual dues to the Historic Albemarle Tour, Inc. The Department of Cultural Resources reprinted 20,000 of the Historic Bath brochures.

The Smokehouse at the Palmer-Marsh House, a part of the initial restoration of the house, was dismantled and reconstructed using in-house labor of the Historic Sites Section.



October 16, 1984

Historic Bath State Historic Site  
Post Office Box 148  
Bath, N.C. 27808

Mrs. William H. Page  
715 Short Dr.  
Washington, North Carolina 27889

Dear Jane,

The following is a synopsis of expenditures made from the Historic Bath Commission checking account towards the expenses associated with our Colonial Bath Ball offering.

8-13-1984	Ingalls & Associates	\$ 286.14
8-13	U.S. Postal Service	240.00
8-29	Mavis Rodman (Postage)	40.00
10-10	Greenfield Florist (oasis, candles etc.)	28.45
10-12	Taylor Rental (champagne glasses)	61.66
10-12	Ann Flanagan (cheese, fruit etc.)	24.88
		\$ <u>681.13</u>

I know of only one outstanding invoice which may be sent to you at this time. It is for approximately \$100 from the Jefferson Florist of Greenville for the cut flowers used in the Bath homes. If I receive the invoice, I shall pay it and let you know.

We continue to receive wonderful comments on the Ball. We will have to do it again sometime.

Sincerely yours,

Gerald W. Butler  
Historic Bath Site Manager