Enjoy ALL of our activities. Become a Historical Society Member!

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☐ $70 Family
☐ $40 Individual
☐ $100+ Friend
☐ $100+ Non-profit Business Member
☐ $150+ Patron or Business Member
☐ $250+ Benefactor
☐ $500+ Society Leader
☐ $1000 Cornerstone
☐ $10 Student (25 years & under, full time)

Payment Method
☐ Personal Check
☐ To pay by credit card, call our office or visit www.newbernhistorical.org/membership

Volunteer opportunities for all talents and interests:
___Special events & socials
___ABC Indoor Yard Sale support team
___Children’s programs
___New Bern Battlefield Park activities
___Educational programs & historic research/writing
___Heritage Gardening
___Grant writing
___Office assistance/ mailings
___Publicity, website, photography, videography
___Historic property stewardship

Benefits of Historical Society Membership

♦ Member discount prices on the following:
  - Ghostwalk tickets
  - Biennial Heritage Homes Tour tickets
  - Lunch and Learn programs
  - Special historical presentations
  - Harry Goodman Battlefield Adventure Day
  - Guided tours of Battlefield Park

♦ Members receive first notice on our very popular (and frequently sold out!) programs
  - 6-8 Lunch & Learn programs per year
  - Annual Lore Lecture featuring nationally known historical speakers
  - Annual Ed Bearss presentation featuring nationally renowned historian.

♦ Social events exclusively for members, including the Volunteer and New Member Social and the Annual Awards Banquet at the New Bern Country Club

♦ Free admission to New Bern Battlefield Park, site of the Civil War Battle of New Bern; guided tours at the membership rate of $5 per person

♦ Annual Journal of curated historical articles by local authors

♦ Quarterly Newsletter highlighting current and upcoming programs

♦ Opportunities to volunteer for programs that are important to the community and to work with other like-minded, caring members

♦ The pride in knowing that your membership supports the preservation and stewardship of New Bern’s heritage, artifacts, and properties:
  - The Attmore-Oliver House, circa 1800, and Heritage Gardens
  - New Bern Battlefield Park, site of the Civil War Battle of New Bern
  - The Roberts House, circa 1908
  - The Manley-Ward House, circa 1901
  - The Henderson-Dunn (Birdsong) House, circa 1850-1870
  - Over 5000 accessioned historical photos, artifacts, and furnishings
**New Bern Battlefield Park**

On March 14, 1862, Union troops led by General Ambrose Burnside battled Confederate troops commanded by General Lawrence Branch to control the strategic town of New Bern. The battle raged for nearly six hours with the Union forces eventually forcing the retreat of the Confederate troops, resulting in the occupation of New Bern for the remainder of the Civil War.

- Owned by the Historical Society, the battlefield site has been unmarked by development. Fighting positions or *redans* remain as they were 150 years ago.
- Walking paths are well-defined. Huge battle map and all new interpretive panels tell the story of the Battle of New Bern and its impact.
- Free self-guided tours. Private guided tours can be arranged by calling the Historical Society Office in advance.
- The family- and dog-friendly park is open during daylight hours throughout the year.
- Take your picnic lunch to the Richard K. and Linda C. Lore Visitor Center covered pavilion.
- Located less than 5 miles outside of the city off US 70 East at 300 Battlefield Trail.

**Educational Programs**

- Annual Civil War program featuring renowned historian Ed Bearss.
- Dr. Richard K. Lore Annual Lecture, held each fall, brings in nationally recognized speakers and historians.
- Lunch and Learn programs are held 7-9 times a year. Have a delicious lunch from The Chelsea Restaurant while enjoying an educational, entertaining presentation.

**Harry Goodman Battlefield Adventure Day**

- Annual event held in spring.
- Hands-on living history for the entire family.
- A day of fun and learning with Civil War reenactors, drills, games, cooking, crafts, toys, and more.
- Includes commissary lunch.

**Attmore-Oliver House & Gardens**

The Historical Society offices are located in the Attmore-Oliver House, c. 1800, in New Bern’s Historic District. In addition, there is a Civil War display, historical photos, and two rooms reflecting life in the mid-19th century. Beautiful heritage gardens are located behind the house. The Attmore-Oliver House is open to the public Monday-Friday during business hours. Gardens are open to the public during daylight hours throughout the year.

**Marks Scholarship**

Administrated by the New Bern Historical Society, the Harriett Marks Scholarship is awarded annually to a senior graduating from New Bern High School, based on both scholarship and financial need.

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**Heritage Homes Tour**

- Biennial self-guided tour of New Bern’s finest historic homes and gardens held in April.
- See homes in Ghent, DeGraffenried Park, Riverside, Dryborough and Downtown historic districts.
- Garden party with live music and costumed characters. Master gardeners on site.
- Next tour April 2021

**ABC* Sale**

*Attic, Basement, Closet*

The ABC Sale is one of eastern North Carolina’s largest indoor yard sales, held annually in the spring. All items for sale have been donated to the Historical Society. Huge selection of furniture, antiques, collectibles, art and much more. Donations are accepted year-round.

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**Ghostwalk** is an annual self-guided, family event held after dark in late October.
- Encounter historical spirits from New Bern’s past in 13 Downtown Historic District sites.
- Explore Cedar Grove Cemetery by candlelight and meet its historic ghosts.
- Entertaining shows are performed in historic theatres and at the Attmore-Oliver House.