



Moravian Archives

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GIVING FOR AN ARCHIVES PRESENT, AND AN ARCHIVES FUTURE

n Thursday, September 19, Friends of the Archives gathered for our second Supporters Appreciation Night for an evening of good conversation, fine musicianship and art and serious scholarship. Rev. Dr. C. Daniel Crews, retired archivist, spoke on "Celebrating the past, envisioning our future." He emphasized that the expanding demand for searchable archives holdings in a digital format, if not also accessible, was a new challenge for this generation of Moravian record-keepers. In gratitude for Dr. Crews' innumerable contributions to the scholarship and development of the Archives, Commission Chair John Larson announced that the annual fund has been named in his honor the "Dr. C. Daniel Crews Friends Fund." Approximately one third of the Archives budget is provided by individual giving. Also announced was that the Archives Commission has created a special projects fund for technology to increase Archives search capabilities. (More information about the technology fund is included in this issue.) It was an exciting night to be surrounded by so many whose work and gifts have taken other visions of what "might be" and made them reality. We are grateful for your help as we seek to secure both our present and future dreams. God bless us, every one! - J. Eric Elliott, Archivist



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Our annual supporters appreciation night September 19. Top: John Larson, chair of the Archives Commission (right), presents a certificate to Dr. C. Daniel Crews after announcing that the Archives' annual giving fund has been named in his honor with gratitude for his innumerable contributions as archivist. Crews was the evening's guest speaker. Middle: A crowd of friends in attendance that night enjoyed music by Max Brady and his Lower Brass Ensemble. Lower: Gail Morris, a Moravian and former Archives Commission member, donated one of her original paintings, "Gathering the Flax," for auction toward the annual fund. The winning bidder was Meredith Yarbrough Cohoon of First Moravian Church, Greensboro, NC. First three photos by Eric Elliott, last by Nicole Crabbe.





Recent activity at the Archives (from upper left to right, each row): Moravian Studies Collaborative monthly meeting in October; in October. Kernersville Moravian's Sylvia Lewis and Judith Bullock review church records in advance of the church's original sanctuary rededication service on Sept. 15; Eric previews the Archives' new botany exhibit in July with the Forsyth County Master Gardeners; BCM photo of Eric at the Aging Well Fall Rally at Advent Moravian in October; Rev. Dr. Amy Rio visited with her Salem College class in September; photo by Matt Joyner of his illustrated transcript of Rev. Christian Lewis Rights' 1867 diary of the Herrnhut Synod; Nicole Crabbe, assistant archivist, shows map to attendees of MESDA's Summer Institute; Family History Docents Cindy Casey and Janet Beck.

Technology fund, matching gift, announced

In September the Archives Commission announced the creation of a special projects fund for technology. The new fund will enable the Archives to acquire new software and hardware to better serve the next generation of church members, families, and researchers searching our holdings. The Fund seeks to raise \$20,000 by June 30, 2020. Sallie Greenfield, through her Greenfield Ministries Fund, has pledged to match dollar for dollar the first \$5000 given to the technology fund. Here's what the fund will make possible.

- \$10750 for new hardware and furnishings, including reading room computers, volunteer scanning and data entry stations, info kiosks, instructional screens and digital storage capacity
- \$3500 for computer software, including Past Perfect Collection
 Management and Adobe Creative Cloud licensing
- \$5750 to establish a reserve for future technology needs

For more about the Fund and to donate online, see
https://moravianarchives.org/technology-fund-a-special-projects-fund-for-2019-2020/



TWO WAYS YOUR GIFTS CAN HELP

Crews Friends Fund gifts help now, Tech Fund gifts prepare our future

he annual budget to operate the Moravian Archives in 2020 is \$303,806. To meet that budget, the Archives needs to raise \$36,000 in Dr. C. Daniel Crews Friends Fund annual gifts. Additionally, the Archives Commission hopes to raise \$20,000 by June 30, 2020 for new technologies. Sallie Greenfield and the Greenfield Ministries Fund has pledged a dollar for dollar match for the first \$5000 given to the Technology Fund. We are grateful for all financial support, and especially appreciate donor consideration of gifts to both funds this year. We thank you in advance for your prayers and support!

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New Records: Cherokees book, Botanizers exhibit

Retired archivist Richard W. Starbuck beamed widely on October 18 as he took delivery of the latest volume, "March to Removal, Pt. 4: 'They Shall Not Be Forsaken,' 1830-1833," number nine in the Records of the Moravians Among the Cherokees series, which he has edited. The series has been supported by grants from the Cherokee Nation and the Wachovia Historical Society. Books are available through our Web site. At right, former archivists Dr. Thomas J. Haupert and Dr. Crews flank Eric on the September opening of the Archives' newest traveling exhibit, "The Botanizers of Salem, 1785-1835." Featuring six Salem botany-lovers and their legacy, the exhibit was funded by grants from the Garden Club Council of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County and the Old Salem Garden Club. (photos by Nicole Crabbe and Mary Audrey Apple)



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IN CELEBRATION AND REMEMBRANCE



Mid-year 2019 marked both joys and sadness at the Archives. In June, the Archives and the Moravian Music Foundation celebrated Nicole Crabbe's 20 years of service to the Archives *left*). Within the next month, we mourned the passing of our long-time housekeeper Sabrina Pardue (*lower right*) and Grace Snavely Robinson (*right*). In a tribute on our Facebook page, Nicole wrote that Grace, the widow of Pastor Ken Robinson, "loved the Archives, the people, and the church."



Our continuing thanks for our governing body, the Archives Commission. Front row: Peggy Carter, Heather Fearnbach, Christine Ebert, Toni Bigham, Paul Knouse, Jr. Back row: Michael Gwyn, Kirk Saunders, Chair John Larson, Barry Miller, Rev. Scott Venable.

During her 40 years at the Archives, Grace (above) was also known for her love of Wilbur buds, the little chocolate treat from Lititz, PA. Sabrina (right) paused here to be photographed with the building vacuum that was purchased when she arrived in 2004.

