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Joel Lane house

Raleigh's oldest home opens to public

By AYN STRATTNER
Times staff writer

When Joel Lane lived in the 18th century Colonial house at Hargett and St. Mary's Streets, horse-drawn wagons traveled the dusty dirt roads of Raleigh.

The recently restored house, dedicated in ceremonies Thursday, sits amidst small businesses and offices bordering the downtown area.

In the 18th century, it was a pretentious house compared to the predominating log cabins of its day. But now it appears relatively simple next to modern homes.

"It's funny that everything you read describes the house as being so fancy in its day," said Anne Townsend, treasurer of Joel Lane House Inc., an organization responsible for the restoration in conjunction with the Wake County Committee of the Colonial Dames.

The Joel Lane house, which will open for public tours Sunday, is recognized as the earliest surviving house in Raleigh.

Lane was the father of Raleigh and Wake County, Mrs. Townsend said. He introduced legislation to create the county in 1770 and deeded to the state the land on which Raleigh was planned in 1792.

The house, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and is designated as a Raleigh historic site, is believed to have held the first 1771 session of the Wake County Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, of which Lane was a member.

The house's restoration required eight years and close to \$100,000 to return it to its authentic 1790 condition. And although sparsely furnished, the



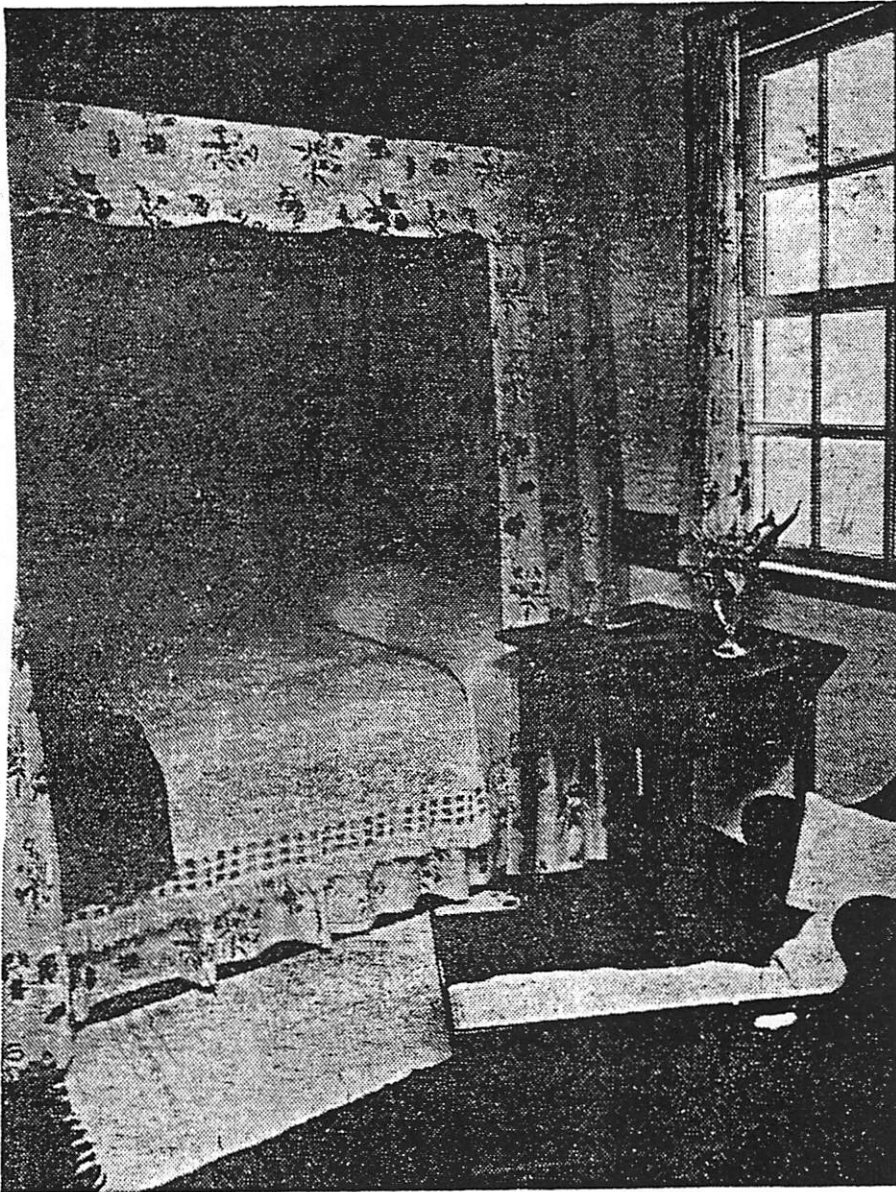
18th century Chippendale desk

The Joel Lane House is considered the oldest building in Raleigh. Lane introduced the bill that formed Wake County and is considered the Father of Raleigh because he sold 1,000 acres of his land to form the city of Raleigh in 1792. His home, "Wakefield," has been moved to 728 W. Hargett St. St. Mary's Chapel was built in

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Times photos by Karen Tam



Master bedroom features canopy, curtains from imported fabric

house features pieces that pre-date 1800.

Touring the six room house, Mrs. Townsend pointed to its characteristics and recalled the lengthy, expensive restoration. "We certainly had some setbacks because we had to keep waiting for more money to be raised," she said. "It cost three times the amount we thought it would and took twice as long."

But the results would make the patriot proud. The interior was totally gutted and both wooden and plaster roofs were removed to expose the beam ceiling. Original wooden double doors lead into a front hall. Most of the original pine floors were saved and four fireplaces were remodelled with handmade bricks. Several of the window panes date to the 18th century.

And the yellow wooden exterior features a double shouldered T-stacked chimney, also constructed with handmade bricks and a roof designed with handsplit shingles.

Originally named "Wakefield" after Margaret Wake, wife of former Governor Tryon, the house first faced east at a location slightly northeast of its present site. It was moved in the 1920s shortly after the Colonial Dames purchased the site.

Although the Dames started restoration in 1968, the majority of the work has been done within the last year. Several features are noteworthy throughout the house.

In the dining room is a fireplace and several wooden pieces which date to the Colonial period in addition to authentic baseboards and sash windows. And an 18th century Chippendale desk, once owned by Lane, is in the parlor along with scattered furn-

ishings including a Chippendale Pembroke table.

Off the parlor is a tiny master bedroom featuring a canopy bed with a printed cotton fabric from France. In the rear hall is a small Hepplewhite washstand, also from the Colonial period.

In the front hallway hangs an 18th century lamp with a glass globe to protect the candle's flame and a smoke bell which shelters the ceiling.

Upstairs the two bedrooms aren't furnished yet, although a display of artifacts recovered from the Lane family cemetery are on display. A shadow box includes coffin nails, cufflinks, buttons and earthenware remnants in addition to a family brooch.

The house was constructed in the 1760s although the restoration was dated to 1790, the date when Lane remodeled the house. During that renovation the gable roof was replaced by a gambrel roof to allow more room in the upstairs bedrooms.

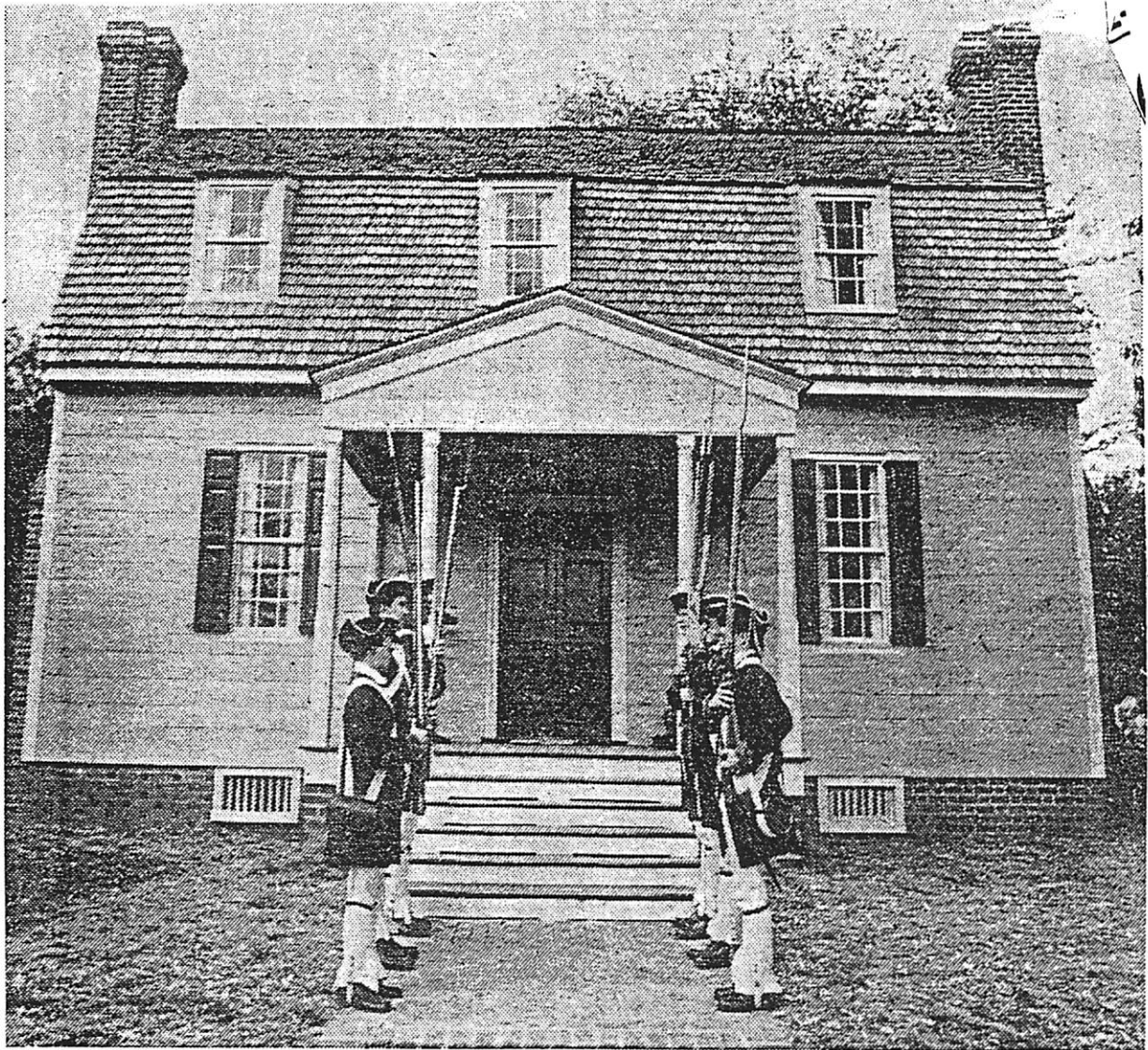
Also a 1860 wing was removed from the house to restore it to the original 1790 structure and now sits on the property facing St. Mary's Street.

The restoration was made possible by a \$45,000 grant from the N.C. General Assembly, about \$40,000 raised by the Colonial Dames and additional funds from the Smith-Richardson Foundation, the National Park Service, the Hillsdale Fund, patriotic organizations, businesses and friends.

Restoration was done under the supervision of the N.C. Division of Archives and History.

The house's public tour hours will be 2 to 4 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays. Admission is 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

With additional funds the Dames hope to plant a



Renovated Joel Lane house was dedicated in ceremonies Thursday



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Dear Friends,

November 23, 2013

With your generous support, interest and participation, the Joel Lane Museum House has enjoyed a year of major accomplishments and successful events. As always, there are many things that remain to be done. (Please see the next page for how you can help.)

This year we are proudest of:

- The completion of a dendrochronology study which determined that the wooden beams in the Joel Lane Museum House date to circa 1769, confirming the approximate date of the home's construction
- Providing tours and Hands-on-History events to classes of elementary school children, summer campers, day care classes, home school classes, Museum of History campers, Girl Scouts, Wake County libraries, and a large community center in Burlington
- An extremely well-attended lecture by Elliot Engel, and another scheduled for February, 21, 2014 on "Defining Dr. Samuel Johnson-Eccentric Inventor of the English Dictionary"
- An often sold-out series of lectures by experts on the history of North Carolina
- Hosting 650 people at our Independence Day Open House
- The construction of hand rails on the steps of the Visitors Center and completion of structural repairs to preserve the JLMH and its other buildings

And, of course, we hope you will join us for our festive **Colonial Christmas Open House** on Saturday, December 7 from 11 am until 4 pm, and our **Museum Store Holiday Open House** on Tuesday, December 10 from 10 am until 6 pm. At 5 pm on the 10th, author Nancy Rascoe of Hertford, NC will briefly speak about and sign her book "The Sandy Banks Live On."

Thank you again for your help in furthering our mission. With your help we can continue to bring history to life by preserving Wake County's oldest home and educating the public about colonial and early American history.

Sincerely,

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Belle

Fair Pickel, President

Claudia Brown, Vice President

Belle Long, Director

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Packing List



PACKING LIST #020
 DATE: SEPTEMBER 5, 2013

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*Received book
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		SHIPPING & HANDLING	6.00
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If you have any questions concerning this order, contact Belle Long, 919-833-3431, joellane_curator@bellsouth.net. Thank you for your business!

[Print](#) | [Close Window](#)**Subject: RE: FW: Lecture September 5,2013****From: phil@upchurchstory.com****Date: Mon, Aug 26, 2013 3:39 pm****To: "Joel Lane Museum House" <joellane_curator@bellsouth.net>**

Hi Belle---

Thanks for the help. I have a check ready to go in the mail to you tomorrow. I'll look forward to the book in due course.

Phil Upchurch

----- Original Message -----

Subject: FW: Lecture September 5,2013**From: "Joel Lane Museum House" <joellane_curator@bellsouth.net>****Date: Mon, August 26, 2013 11:03 am****To: <phil@upchurchstory.com>**

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You may send us a check made out to Joel Lane Museum House, or I can take MasterCard or Visa over the phone.

Thanks for your interest! Belle

Belle Long, Director

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From: phil@upchurchstory.com [<mailto:phil@upchurchstory.com>]**Sent: Sunday, August 25, 2013 4:23 PM****To: joellane@bellsouth.net****Subject: Lecture September 5,2013**

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Subject: September: Lectures and Tavern Party!
From: Joel Lane Museum House<joellane@bellsouth.net>
Date: Wed, Aug 21, 2013 4:43 pm
To: Phil <phil@upchurchstory.com>

"Legendary Locals of Raleigh" Lecture and Tavern Party Coming Soon!

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First Lecture: Legendary Locals of Raleigh

Thursday, September 5, 2013 , 7 - 8 pm

The JLMH is proud to announce an addition to our lecture line up: "Legendary Locals of Raleigh" by Stormi Souter and Elizabeth Weichel at the Visitors Center of the Joel Lane Museum House at 160 South Saint Mary's Street, Raleigh, NC 27603. Admission will be \$15 for the general public and \$10 for members of the Joel Lane Historical Society. Refreshments will be served. Seating is limited, and advanced payment is required. Please call 919-833-3431 with your MasterCard or Visa, mail a check to P O Box 10884, Raleigh NC 27605, or visit [Eventbrite.com](#) by clicking [here](#). Be sure to include the names of all in your party; nametags will serve as tickets. Tickets are non-refundable unless we must cancel the event.

Stormi and Elizabeth have written a new book, *Legendary Locals of Raleigh*, which seeks to capture the essence of the city by highlighting many of the individuals who have contributed to its development. They will be signing the book after their talk. They have written about people like the first resident, Joel Lane, who sold North Carolina the land to establish Raleigh in 1792; James H. Young, a courageous African American

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Above: A great time had by all at the 2009 Tavern Party! Purchase your tickets now for September 12.

Coming Events

Tavern Party In the Gardens
 on Thursday, September 12, 2013 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. For more information, click [here](#) or scroll down.

Lecture on "Exploring the Early Architecture of Northeastern NC" by Reid

politician during Reconstruction; Scottie Stephenson, a broadcasting legend and matriarch of Capitol Broadcasting Company; John Chavis, a free black reverend and prominent schoolteacher of Raleigh's black and white students in the early 1800s; and others. This book is only an overview of the many who have shaped Raleigh while calling it home.

A museum professional, **Stormi Souter** has worked and volunteered at historic sites and museums for the past decade, in collections and education. She met co-author Elizabeth Weichel while serving as the Director of Education and Outreach at the Raleigh City Museum. It was there that her passion for Raleigh history blossomed, while she researched and gave tours of the city to school children, tourists, and history enthusiasts.

In addition to her professional pursuits, Souter has been active in reenacting and living history since the 1990s and has presented lectures and classes across the South and East on topics such as material culture, clothing, and local history. She enjoys researching, keeping a collection of culture artifacts in her personal collection, and travels to volunteer her time for preservation efforts.

Elizabeth Weichel grew up in South Carolina, but has called the Old North State her home since 2006. After completing undergraduate study at Clemson University, Weichel moved to Raleigh to get her master's degree in Public History from NC State University. She has worked at several museums and historical organizations since, honing her interest and knowledge of Raleigh's history. This is her first book.

Weichel currently works as a fundraiser for a local nonprofit, and maintains her involvement with Raleigh's history by keeping a website, visiting historic sites, and giving impromptu historical tours to her friends.

For more information, visit the Joel Lane Museum House website at www.joellane.org, call (919) 833-3431 or e-mail joellane@bellsouth.net.

Thomas on Thursday, September 19, 2013. For more info, click [here](#).

Lecture on "**Archaeology in Raleigh**" by John Clauser on Thursday, October 10, 2013. For more info, click [here](#).

Cocktails and Art by the Pool at a private home in Five Points, Sunday, October 13, 2013.

Lecture on "**The Early Anglican Church in NC**" by John Ward on Thursday, November 14, 2013. For more info, click [here](#).

Lecture on "**African American Artisans in NC**" by Catherine Bishir. For more info, click [here](#).

Christmas Open House on Saturday, December 7, 2013, 11 am to 4 pm. Free admission. For more info, click [here](#).



**Spring
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Above: Guests enjoying the Tavern Party

Tavern Party
Thursday, September
12, 2013 6:30 to 8:30
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***Rain date Friday,**
September 13

The Joel Lane Museum House, "The Birthplace of Raleigh," will sponsor its sixth Tavern Party in the Gardens on Thursday, September 12, 2013 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm with a rain date of Friday, September 13. It will take place at 160 South Saint Mary's Street, Raleigh, NC. Admission is \$30 per person; \$25 for members of the Joel Lane Historical Society. Must be 21 years of age to attend. Advanced purchase strongly suggested either by MasterCard or Visa to 919-833-3431 or check to PO Box 10884, Raleigh NC 27605 or on line at Eventbrite. The link for online purchases can be found [here](#). Tickets are non-refundable unless we must cancel the event.



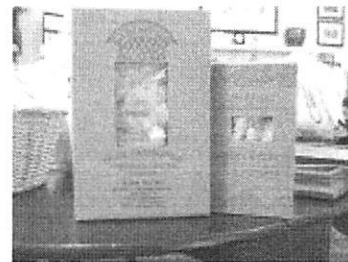
Above: Office Volunteer, David Ingle

Spotlight on Volunteers

Volunteers make this place run smoothly! They can't really know how important their contributions to our mission of education truly are. We can't thank every one here, so we are thanking two very special ones who have been working here full time for the summer.

From Mount Olive College, intern Katie Wallace spent her entire summer researching the Lane family in the State Archives. She added new materials to the timelines for Joel Lane and other family members in computerized Excel spread sheets. The spreadsheets make searching for facts about the Lanes' lives quite easy, and the sorting functions of Excel make grouping facts a snap.

Plan to order your spring-flowering bulbs from the JLMH this year and help further our mission of education and preservation! We will be buying bulbs from Terra Ceia Farms in Pantego, NC from a family who left Holland in 1938 and eventually settled in Pantego. You can choose from daffodils, tulips, hyacinths, crocus, narcissus, iris, lilies, daylilies, and peonies. Your order will be shipped to the Visitors Center where you can pick it up in early November. To download an order form, click [here](#).



In the Museum Shop

New in the shop, handsome brass seals and sealing wax! Choose from an eagle, rose, fleur de lys, a quill pen, and other historically appropriate symbols. Seal your letters with class.

Salem Kitchen cheese straws are the perfect tidbit to offer to your drop-in guests. They are available in one pound or half pound boxes. They freeze beautifully, so be sure to stock up to prevent running out.

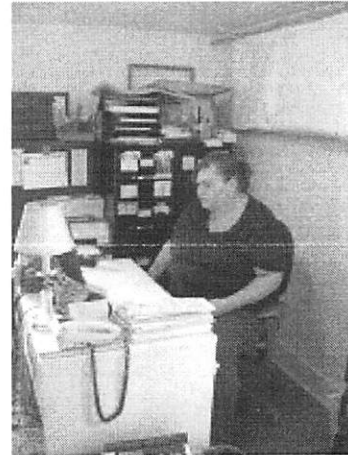
Looking for a gift for a history lover? We have a good selection of books on colonial and North Carolina history. A very popular series of small, hardcover editions include Common Sense (the book that ignited the

The event will include a beer tasting of delicious brews from *Boylan Bridge Brew Pub*, and wine and cider will also be available. Light hors d'oeuvres will be compliments of *Irregardless Cafe*, *Mitch's Tavern*, *NOFO at the Pig*, and *Sitti*. Music on Thursday will be provided by the *Southern String Band*. Some of the activities colonial gentlemen engaged in at taverns, including table top games such as dice and quoits, and dancing the Cumberland and Virginia Reels will be offered. Bear baiting and wrestling will not be permitted!

For example, if we want to look at a list of the deeds a family member held, the spreadsheet can sort them by date, location, and a host of other factors. Now that she has gone back to school we are really missing her and her always helpful attitude!

Keen Trucking is lending us volunteer extraordinaire, David Ingle. Unable to go back to his regular job yet because of an accident, David is entering his fifth month as a volunteer. He has done photo scanning, data entry, on-line research, and general handyman tasks. We have accomplished much, thanks to both of these wonderful volunteers!

American Revolution), The Declaration of Independence, George Washington's Rules of Civility and Decent Behavior, and Benjamin Franklin's Way to Wealth. Just \$10.75 each, they make a nice small gift.



Above: Intern, Katie Wallace, hard at work

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#2. I am heavily interested in the history of Snyft Creek Township and its people. Descendants of Barnabas Lane are among those I track to get a good grasp of their involvement in the Township. I hope to publish a book on the Township but as an interim step am publishing an E-Newsletter for the Snyft Creek Community - INSIGHTS. Copies of the first two issues are enclosed.

My main work has been on the Upchurch family as illustrated by the enclosed flyers.

I include Profiles as follows:

1. Barnabas Lane, Sr - 10 Pages - 13 Items
2. Barnabas Lane, Jr. - 2 Pages - 2 Items
3. Barnabas Jones, Sr. - 10 Pages - 12 Items
4. Barnabas Jones, Jr. - 14 Pages - 14 Items
5. Barnabas Jones, III - 2 Pages - 2 Items

Please note that the Items have been accumulated from a variety of sources and placed in the various Profiles without determining the validity of the details presented. There could be errors in the data created by me or the originator(s) - and/or I could have placed an item in the wrong Profile. My Profiles represent a starting point for me or someone else to undertake definitive work.

Due to many other projects underway I am unable to take on a personal effort to deal further with these Profiles. However, if someone else can take this on as a project I would be a willing cooperator. The Profiles cry out for someone to create a proper narrative embracing the people involved. It is my hope you would have a volunteer who would take on this activity.

At any point I would welcome input to improve or add to these Profiles.

I have about 40 4-drawer file cabinets of family history information reasonably well organized. In due course all of this will go into the Upchurch Collection in the D.H. Hill Library at N.C. State University which collection I have endowed. All of my professional, business, farming, consulting and personal records will reside there also. Several increments have already been sent to the collection. We hope to get some of the information on line.

I am unsure as to how all of the enclosure fit into your interests, needs, desire to do more along this line, etc. You can let me know if we have more to do together.

Thank you for helping to preserve our heritage
Phil Upchurch

JOEL LANE MUSEUM HOUSE, INC PEJ
(BELLE P. LONG)

① JOEL LANE MUSEUM HOUSE, RALEIGH, NC

11 OCT
2012

On 11 OCT 2012 Hope Blackford of WCGS alerted members of the society that there would be a lecture in the Joel Lane House by ^{Dr} ROBIN SIMONTON entitled "Beyond the Gates: Stories of Historic Oakwood Cemetery". Robin is Exec Director of the Historic Oakwood Cemetery.

As a follow-up to the above I sent an idea about the cemetery via email on 11 OCT 2012. This triggered two responses and two ongoing interactions as follows:

1. Robin Simonton - we will explore mutual interests on Oakwood Cemetery. See ^{Dr} OAKWOOD CEMETERY - Geographical Files NC/WC/Raleigh for details and more exchange
2. ^{Dr} Belle P. Long - Curator JOEL LANE MUSEUM HOUSE, Inc. See Geographical Files NC/WC/Raleigh Joel Lane Museum House, Inc for details and more exchanges

- RPU 12 OCT 2012

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11 OCT
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Subject: Oakwood Cemetery
From: "Joel Lane Museum House" <joellane_curator@bellsouth.net>
Date: Thu, Oct 11, 2012 12:36 pm
To: <phil@upchurchstory.com>
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Hi Phil, Thanks so much for writing! I've forwarded your email to Robin Simonton, so I expect you'll be hearing from her.

My colleague, Kathy Ruse, has suggested that the website Find-a-Grave is an appropriate repository for the info you are referring to. (I suspect the records at the cemetery may have some of it.) We have more than we can handle here with keeping track of the Lanes! Belle

Belle P. Long
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JOEL LANE MUSEUM HOUSE PG2
(BELLE P. HOWE)

Subject: Oakwood Cemetery
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Thu, Oct 11, 2012 11:49 am
To: joellane@bellsouth.net
Cc: "Hope Blackford" <WCGS-Journal@nc.rr.com>, "Diane Richard" <dianerichard@mosaicrpm.com>

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11 OCT
2012

Hi Contact Person (Belle P. Long?)---

I live in MO but am a Wake County native and a member of the Wake County Genealogical Society. Hope Blackford of the Society recently informed members about the upcoming Robin Simonton talk on Oakwood Cemetery. I have a keen interest in the Cemetery and regret I cannot attend the talk. However, I have an idea I would like to pass along. I have a list of the original 100 share holders and also a 1922 document on people involved. My idea is that it would be productive for currently interested individuals to contribute to a file telling more about these people. Some of them are well known but others not so much. I have details on some I could share if someone can maintain he needed file. This would make a nice compilation on people historically connected to Raleigh and the Cemetery.

Perhaps this idea could be passed along to Robin or to others who might be interested.

Thank you and all best wishes.

Phil Upchurch

Subject: RE: Oakwood Cemetery
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Fri, Oct 12, 2012 8:02 am
To: "Joel Lane Museum House" <joellane_curator@bellsouth.net>
Bcc: "Diane Richard" <dianerichard@mosaicrpm.com>

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12 OCT
2012

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Hi Belle---

Thanks for your help. Robin did respond and we have started to interact re the "idea". Your email causes me to reflect on another thread of thought that touches on Joel Lane. I'll give you a brief sketch and you can decide if we should interact more on the thread.

Joel Lane had a brother Barnabas Lane who had three children who grew up in the home of Joel. One of the three, Jane Lane, married Etheldred Jones. Their son Barnabas Jones had a huge Plantation in SW Wake County, NC. Barnabas had three daughters each of whom had a large inheritance. Children of these three daughters married into the Upchurch family, hence my keen interest and my efforts over the years to link facts back up the line to Barnabas Lane.

Additionally, I have an interest in this array of people as descendants of Barnabas Lane married into the prominent Ballentine family and other descendants moved to Swift Creek Township in Wake County where I grew up. I knew many of them. This array of people now come to life as an important component of my effort of many years to document the history of the Township and it's people. The effort is now being highlighted in INSIGHTS an E-Newsletter I issue about the Swift Creek Community.

If all of this takes you too far away from a strict interest in Joel Lane I will understand and we need to take it no further. But, if we need to tiptoe into this a little more I will mail you a few items to flesh out what I have mentioned.

With All Best Wishes.

Phil Upchurch

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From: "Joel Lane Museum House" <joellane_curator@bellsouth.net>
Date: Fri, Oct 12, 2012 9:54 am
To: <phil@upchurchstory.com>
Cc: "Kathleen Ruse" <kathleen.ruse@gmail.com>

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Hi Phil,

Yes, we are very interested in ALL descendants. A couple stopped by not too long ago who descend from Etheldred and told us about the local cemetery and house connected to them. I don't remember the details off the top of my head. We'd love to have copies of your genealogy info as my colleague, Kathy Ruse, is working on a family tree in Roots Magic. We don't share info on living descendants without permission, but we do get inquiries from time to time from people trying to connect to our Lanes. Belle

JOEL LANE MUSEUM HOUSE PG 3

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17 OCT
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Subject: RE: Oakwood Cemetery
From: "Joel Lane Museum House" <joellane_curator@bellsouth.net>
Date: Wed, Oct 17, 2012 1:58 pm
To: <phil@upchurchstory.com>
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Hi Phil, We received your enormous package yesterday. Thank you so much! It will take us some time to go through it. We are just starting to compile all the data we have collected over the years into Roots Magic's database—a daunting task! Belle
