

Richmond County Historical Society

October 2017 Newsletter

'Those who don't remember their ancestors don't deserve to be remembered!'



This could be you at Discovery Place Kids, Rockingham.

On Monday, October 16 at 6:30 p.m., Discovery Place Kids in downtown Rockingham will open its doors for a special meeting of the Richmond County Historical Society.

This facility is a premier educational experience for children in North Carolina attracting individuals and groups within the Sandhills and beyond.

The facility will give us a guided tour of the special activity exhibits following an introduction.

Just like children having a party there, we will be treated to cupcakes from Kool Kakes and individually packaged homemade vanilla ice cream.

To reserve your cupcakes, call Neal Cadieu at 895-1660 or John Stevenson at 997-2595 as soon as possible.

An adventure in learning through play, Discovery Place Kids offers unique opportunities for learning for children from birth through age 10.

Through play, children explore their world, discover how to get along with others, test their

skills and muscles, experiment with new ideas and feel competent enough to try different activities.

This children's museum features developmentally appropriate experiences that encourage interactive learning through play.

This visit to Discovery Place will offer us a chance to try these same activities.

Society Notes

The Richmond County Historical Society will not meet in November. The annual Christmas Drop-in will be held December 3 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Leak-Wall House. Once again, call Cadieu at 895-1660 or Stevenson at 997-2595 if you plan to attend.

A \$5,000 grant from the Richmond County Commissioners has been applied to the renovation of the roof at the Bostick Schoolhouse. The roof shingles have been replaced. The grant was given for all the contributions the Society has made in Richmond County.

Grants for roadside markers for Hinson Lake/CCC and Henry Frve are being sought to cover the expense. The Lake marker will be at Hinson Lake and the Frye marker is proposed for the Ellerbe Park on Main Street. They will be private markers and not N.C. Archives markers.

Articles for RichmondObserver.com, such as the one on page 2 of this newsletter, are continuing as written by the Society. So far, eight have been put on line, one is pending and more are ready to be sent. The Observer asked if the Society would be willing to submit historical articles.

A book, **"The Hamlet Fire"** by Bryant Simon, history professor at Temple University, Philadelphia, has been donated to the Leak-Wall history library. Society archives on the fire were made available to Simon throughout the years of his research.