

MINUTES

Newcomers of Catawba Valley Board Meeting

June 13, 2018

Catawba County Courthouse
30 N. College Avenue, Newton, NC

WELCOME: Carol Hoover

Carol Hoover welcomed NCV members and non-members. She introduced the Mayor of Newton and Director of the Catawba County Historical Association.

PROGRAM

"Scoundrels, Rogues and Heroes of the Old North State" - Randell Jones

Randall Jones, author and storyteller, spoke on the topic of famous and infamous women of North Carolina. His presentation was from a book which covers 400 years of women from the coast to the mountains. *H.G. Jones: Scoundrels, Rogues and Heroes of the Old North State*.

A few examples are listed below.

- Frances Culpeper: Married three times to three Governors
- Mille & Christina McCoy: Conjoined twins who were slaves and leased to travel shows, state fairs and worked for PT Barnum. The twins performed duets and died at age 61."
- 'Tiny' Jones was a career 'Jumper' and was instrumental in providing parachuting basics for the military following World War I.

Books by Randall Jones are listed below.

- *In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone*
- *On the Trail of Daniel Boone*
- *My Blessed, Wretched Life*
- *From Time to Time (2017 NC History Book Award)*
- *Bearing Up – Personal Essays by 40 Authors*

Randall Jones comes to the Newcomers through the North Carolina Humanities Council and in cooperation with the Catawba County Historical Association.

Next General Meeting: Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 10:30 am/Hickory Airport. The President of Lenoir Rhyne University will be the presenter.

Minutes submitted by,
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