Background of the Granite Falls Historical Association (GFHA)

As residents of Granite Falls worked to establish the Granite Falls History and Transportation Museum, they talked about forming an organization that would support the museum and expand opportunities for historical preservation beyond the scope of the Granite Falls History Committee, which oversees the operation of the museum. In the summer of 2016, the Committee held a meeting with other museum volunteers to choose an interim Board of Directors, charged with activating an association. The Granite Falls Historical Association, Inc. held its first official meeting on Monday, October 17, 2016.

Purpose: To preserve and interpret the history/heritage of Granite Falls and Southern Caldwell County by historical preservation, publications, active museum and historic site programs, public meetings, and various activities related to these programs.

The Granite Falls Historical Association, Inc. is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit corporation. Depending upon current law, donations may be tax deductible.

CURRENT INTERESTS OF GFHA MEMBERS

- Mapping Pinecrest Cemetery
- Updating Etched in Granite
- Identifying and recognizing historical buildings and sites
- Conducting special vintage/antique shows (e.g. cars and farm equipment)
- · Collecting family histories
- Promoting the museum
- Hosting special events for the public
- Assisting other groups in preserving history
- Collecting vintage/historical items for the museum

CONNECT WITH US

Granite Falls History & Transportation Museum Website

(open the Historical Association tab): www.granitefallshistorymuseum.org

Facebook Page: Granite Falls History and Transportation Museum

> Email Address gfhistoricalassociation@gmail.com

Granite Falls Historical Association



Granite Falls Historical Association PO Drawer 10 107 Falls Avenue Granite Falls, North Carolina 28630

Name(s):Address: Address: Email address(es): Home/Business phone:	_ State: Date: Cell phone: Zip:
Home/Business phone:	Cell phone:
Individual dues enclosed:	Cut off the form. enclose a check (made out to GFHA) and mail to:
Family dues enclosed:	* /
Business/Organization dues enclosed:	Granite Falls Historical Association Treasurer
Contact's name (if business or organization):	PO Drawer 10
Annual memberships run November 1st – October 31st. Persons joining mid-year pay prorated dues.	Granite Falls, NC 28630

Granite Falls Historical Association, Inc Membership Form

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR GFHA MEMBERS Open to the public for a fee

Workshops for Adults

- Researching Family History
- Ancestry.com
- DNA
- Writing and publishing a family memoir

Workshops for Children/Youth

- Oral history projects
- · Family history posters
- Giant family history maps
- Summer camps with historical themes

Special Educational Events

- Picnics at historic sites
- · Teas with special presenters
- Dinner or luncheon meetings with historical programs (\$)
- Annual Meeting in October

How to join the Granite Falls Historical Association

There are three (3) levels of membership, and members pay annual dues that correspond to the fiscal year - November 1st through October 31st. Persons joining midyear pay prorated dues.

- 1. Individual \$12.00 per year (or \$1.00 per month)
- 2. Family (Adult/s + children under 18) -\$18.00 per year (or \$1.50 per month)
- 3. Business/Organization \$25.00 per year (or \$2.00 per month plus \$1.00)

Instructions for joining are on the attached membership form.

Upon receipt of your form and membership dues, you will receive:

- 1. a welcome letter
- 2. periodical emails announcing upcoming events
- 3. two newsletters:
 - *The Granite Tablet* about the Granite Falls Historical & Transportation Museum.
 - an addendum newsletter called *Tablet II* which focuses on information pertaining the the Granite Falls Historical Association.

For information about the Granite Falls Historical Association contact us at gfhistoricalassociation@gmail.com or call 828-396-1066