

Preserving and Promoting Historic Halifax since 1954



Shown at the organizational meeting in 1954 are the first elected officers, Ray Wilkinson (center), Chairman; Mrs. Sterling "Nannie" Gary (right), Vice Chairman; and John Daniel (left), Secretary/Treasurer.

The Historical Halifax Restoration Association was established in 1954. Local residents and history enthusiasts, Nannie and Emily Gary, had become involved in trying to save and restore the town's quickly vanishing historic buildings. They were able to persuade well known North Carolina agricultural broadcaster, Ray Wilkinson, to become involved in the project. Ray listened to their stories

and took immediate interest. Over the next 50 years, Ray served as Chairman of the Association overseeing many important restoration projects and presiding over annual Halifax Day events, ceremonies, and annual meetings. Property acquired by the Association was deeded to the State of North Carolina to begin the formation of Historic Halifax State Historic Site in 1965. The Historical Halifax Restoration Association continues to actively preserve, restore and promote Historic Halifax. Among other recent projects, the Association restored and furnished the Tap Room tavern making this building a main attraction of the historic site.



The Sally-Billy Plantation House

The Historical Halifax Restoration Association's many successful Projects and Annual Events include:

Sally-Billy House Relocation to Historic Halifax and Restoration

Tap Room Restoration

Building Repairs and Repainting

Annual Halifax Day Celebration

Annual Christmas in Halifax Event

Purchase of AME Churchyard and Church Memorial

Repairs and Restoration of Colonial Cemetery

Federal-Era Free Church Site Markers and Church Memorial

Billboard Advertising Fees for Promotion of Historic Halifax

Sponsorship of workshops and other Educational Activities

Land Acquisition and Bus Parking Lot near William R. Davie House

Purchase of Costumes for the Interpretive Programs at Historic Halifax

Interior Restoration of the 1838 Jail



The Tap Room interior after restoration, now furnished with reproduction items, offers a hands-on tour experience.

Become a member today!

Help support the important work of the Historical Halifax Restoration Association through annual membership. Your membership includes invitation(s) to the Association's annual business meeting. The annual meeting is held in early spring in the Historic Halifax Visitor Center. Meeting announcements are mailed to members in advance. Meetings generally conclude with refreshments, provided by the Association. Memberships are renewed by submitting dues by April 12th, each year.

Membership Type and Annual Dues:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Student	\$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Family	\$30.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contributor	\$ 50.00 — 99.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Donor	\$ 100.00 — 499.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Patron	\$500.00 & Above

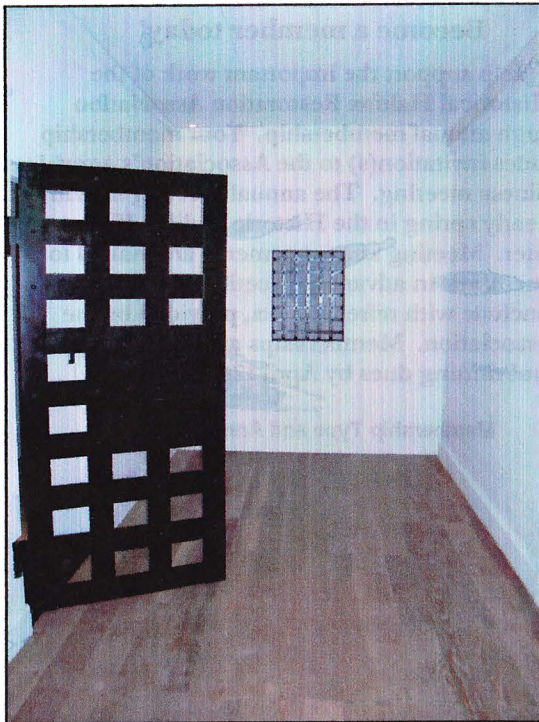
Please select preferred membership type and provide a mailing address in the space below. This address will be used to send information about events, meeting notifications, and newsletters. Please detach and mail this form, along with dues payment to the treasurer using the address provided below.

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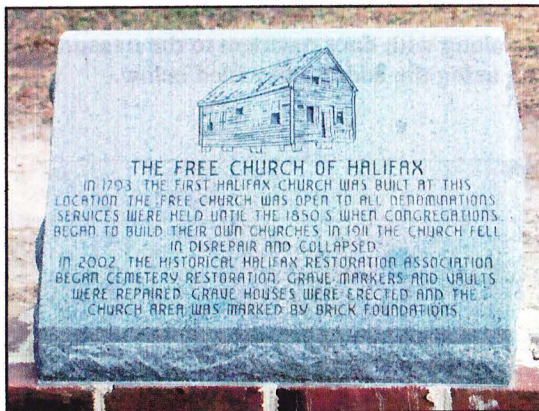
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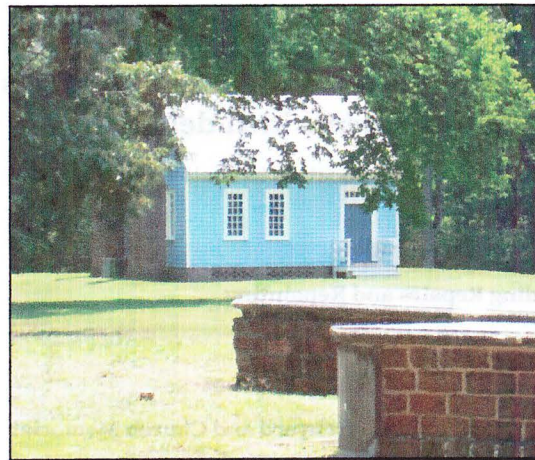
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1838 Jail interior showing a newly reconstructed jail cell



Federal-era Free Church Memorial, this stone marks the original site of the first house of worship in the town of Halifax, constructed circa 1796 and collapsed circa 1911. The church was built within the colonial cemetery at the center of the town of Halifax, adjacent to Market Square.



View of the Burgess House from the Colonial Cemetery

We encourage you to visit Historic Halifax to see the many fine historic buildings and exhibits that highlight Halifax's important place in North Carolina and United States history. Tours of the historic site's buildings are available at the Historic Halifax Visitor Center which houses the site offices. For further information please contact Historic Halifax using the addresses and phone numbers provided below.

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The Historical Halifax Restoration Association, Inc.



A non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and restoration of historic buildings and properties within the town of Halifax, one of North Carolina's most influential colonial towns.