

Taverns in Early America *More Than Just a Place to Get the Spirit*



While early American taverns are generally associated with the spirited drinks they served, they often played a wider role in the social life of the surrounding community, offering a place for local citizens to meet and catch up on the latest news, gossip, and politics. Some also provided post services and acted as stage stops where travelers could eat, rest, and tend to tired horses.

Kernersville natives Mike Marshall and Jerry Taylor will give an illustrated presentation that will focus on taverns that served the central Piedmont in the 18th and early 19th centuries, with emphasis on Dobson's tavern in Kernersville visited by President George Washington in 1791.

Both men have an avid interest in genealogy and history, and their research has been featured in several newspaper and magazine articles. They are also active in genealogy and local history groups, and have authored three local history books.

Tuesday January 20, 2015 at 6:30 pm Walkertown Public Library Everyone welcome! WalkertownAreaHistoricalSociety.org