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Notice of Meeting

The Society will meet on Tuesday, January 26, at 7 p.m. at the Thomas E. McMillan Museum on the campus of Jefferson Davis State College in Brewton.

This month's program will be given by museum curator John Powell. Entitled "The Production and Preservation of Photographic Images," this program will consist of a demonstration of antique to modern methods of photography and a discussion of how to preserve and care for treasured photographic heirlooms, snapshots, portraits, and images. Members are encouraged to bring any old photographs they may have to use for demonstrations and examples in the program. It might be advisable to bring a notebook and pen to take notes so that you, too, may be able to identify and treat problem areas in your photographic files and scrapbooks.

MENTAL PICTURES

One of the most practical things a man can do with his holidays and leisure time is to store his mind with pictures of beauty and truth. By discriminating thought, conversation, observation, he may lay up hidden sources of strength and grace.

Historical Marker to Be Placed

Working in conjunction with the Alabama Historical Association, the ECHS has completed and filed all necessary forms and documentation for the placement of the first of a series of historical markers at selected, significant historic sites in Escambia County.

The first site selected is that of Pollard, the county's first seat of government and the location of a series of Civil War Confederate camps, among other locally significant historic characteristics. The marker is to be placed at or near the intersection of the Pollard Road (old highway 29) and U.S. Highway 29/31 on the East side of that road. The Jernigan-Fitzpatrick estate has generously consented to placing this marker at this strategic location on the property.

The next marker planned for placement will designate and commemorate the site of Fort Crawford in East Brewton. Placement of the Pollard marker will occur in the near future at a date to be announced.

Museum News

The museum's next exhibition will be a one-month showing entitled "Treasures of the Orient" in February. Several private collectors will be contributing objects of porcelain (Ming, Sung, and Han dynasties), decorative arts, costumes, and art works from China, Korea, Thailand (Siam), and Malaysia. The exhibition will interpret facets of oriental culture over a period of over 1,000 years.

The museum is seeking any old camera and photographic equipment for use in exhibits and in its demonstrations and training programs. Old cameras, tripods, darkroom equipment, light meters, viewing devices, stereoscopes, photographs, glass negatives, postcards and other photographic paraphernalia (examples need not be of local origin) are urgently needed. Old photographs and equipment will be placed on exhibit under the case title "Images and Imagery: The Photographic Record"; newer equipment acquired will be used to teach courses in graphic and photography in the museum under strict supervision. The museum is still seeking other sorts of materials--tools, medical/dental memorabilia, costume goods, housewares, etc. for exhibit use. Please look through your closets, storage areas, and trunks to see if there might be anything you could help with. (Remember; it doesn't have to be in perfect condition; we are equipped to preserve and restore nearly all kinds of objects.)

Another exhibit area that we are hoping to develop pertains to home entertainment objects such as old radios, record players, music boxes, games, and other things that would have been used to provide for a pleasant passing of leisure time in "the good old days." Again, such collections are acquired because of the willingness of persons to support exhibition programs-- please keep us in mind.

Memorials

In memory of . . .

Mr. John Robinson Swift, Sr.
by: Mrs. Margherita Swift Jones

In memory of . . .

Esther Shellenberger
by: Mr. John David Finlay
Mrs. Thomas E. McMillan
Miss Rita Jane Boykin
Mrs. Emily Finlay Smith

In memory of . . .

Alfred Ball Carter, Jr.
by: Mrs. J. W. Adkisson, Jr.
Mrs. Thomas McMillan
Mr. John David Finlay

In memory of . . .

Clara
Clara Buland Brooks
by: Mrs. Alice Till Beall
Mrs. W. S. West
Mr. and Mrs. W. S. West, Jr.

In memory of . . .

Emily Wallace Finlay
by: Mrs. David B. Miller
Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Phillips and family
Mrs. Gladys Byrd
Mr. and Mrs. John Byrd
Mrs. Thomas McMillan
Mrs. Sara L. Sowell
Mrs. J. W. Adkisson, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hurd
Mr. and Mrs. John Warner
Mr. Charles B. Carlton
Mr. and Mrs. Broox Garrett, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Leigh McMillan II
Mrs. Margaret Caldwell
Management and Employees of WERJ Radio
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Mrs. Emmett Brooks
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Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Luttrell, Jr.
Mrs. Henrietta Till
Miss Dorothy Campbell
Mrs. Mary McCain
Mrs. H. M. Simms
Mr. R. C. Wallace
Miss Rita Jane Boykin

Memorials cont'd

Emily Wallace Finlay cont'd

by: Mr. and Mrs. James P. Dawson
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Waldo Buson
 Miss Ruth Barrow
 Mr. and Mrs. James K. Jones
 Mrs. Frank Alex Kuttrell
 Mr. and Mrs. Herman Melton
 Mrs. Hermine Holzborn
 Mr. M. M. Gorrie
 Mr. and Mrs. Bobby McCullough
 Mr. and Mrs. John Warner, Jr.
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 Mrs. Jain Watson
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 Mrs. Malcolm McMillan
 Mr. and Mrs. John Terry
 Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Tate
 Mrs. Myrtise West
 Mr. and Mrs. W. S. West, Jr.
 Mrs. Mazie B. Owens

In memory of . . .

Ruth Padgett Harold Sowell
 by: Mr. John David Finlay
 Mrs. Thomas McMillan
 Miss Dorothy Campbell
 Miss Rita Jane Boykin
 Mrs. Emily Finlay Smith
 Mrs. Myrtise P. West
 Mr. and Mrs. W. S. West, Jr. and sons
 Miss Marjorie Davison
 Miss Ethel Davison
 Miss Sallie Davison

In memory of . . .

Helen Roberts Kelly
 by: Mrs. Sara J. Sowell
 Miss Dorothy Campbell
 Mrs. Henrietta Till
 Mrs. Emily Finlay Smith

In memory of . . .

Bernice Iarkin
 by: Mrs. V. G. Philips

Dues

The dues for 1982 are \$7.50.

Memorials

Send memorials to Elvira McMillan, Drawer 649, Brewton, Alabama 36426.

HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!