

ESCAMBIA ECHOES

newsletter of the

Escambia County Historical Society

August, 1984

MEETING: Tuesday, August 28, 1984
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Thomas E. McMillan Museum
at Jefferson Davis Junior College, Brewton
PROGRAM: John Powell

As we all have learned, when John Powell, our able museum curator, has charge of a program, it's really a treat! This month, John plans to have a program on the topic "Long Leaf Pine, Then and Now." Whether he has a guest speaker to address this subject, or chooses some other method of presentation, you can be sure the program will be interesting and informative. Remember, guests are always welcome.

ACHIEVEMENTS NOTED

We proudly note the honors of the following members and commend them for their achievements.

Bob McMillan

The name of Bob McMillan is synonymous with all areas pertaining to revitalization and progress in his hometown of Brewton. The following is from The Preservation Report of the Alabama Historical Commission, July/August, 1984:

"The Alabama Historical Commission announced the winners of this year's Distinguished Service Awards at the annual preservation conference in Birmingham on May 11.

Mrs. Billy Bliss of Talladega, Mr. Robert C. McMillan of Brewton, and Mrs. Louise Tomie of Bessemer were honored for their individual commitment to the preservation of landmarks in their own communities..."

"...For a number of years Robert C. McMillan has actively promoted the revitalization of downtown Brewton. His efforts resulted in the creation of the Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee, which he serves as chairman, the listing of the downtown commercial area on the National Register, and the development of a conceptual plan by Auburn University. He currently serves as the chairman of the Brewton Development Authority and is rehabilitating two historic structures in the downtown."

Nettie Parker

We can all appreciate how diligently Nettie Parker has worked this year as president of the Historical Society, in every area from organizing mailing lists to scheduling executive board meetings and arranging for programs.

Nettie has been named "Woman of the Year" by the American Legion Auxiliary, an honor well deserved and justly earned. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated and hard-working person as our president. Congratulations, Nettie, for this achievement!

FALL QUARTERLY ON SCHEDULE

Material is now being assembled for the fall quarterly, and plans are to have this issue mailed on schedule in late September.

Remember, the newsletters and quarterlies are your publications, and you are encouraged to make suggestions concerning their content. If you have interesting items in the areas of history or heritage, know of achievements that should be recognized, or just wish to make suggestions or comments, please write to The Escambia County Historical Society, P. O. Box 276, Brewton, Ala. 36427.

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