

# -Escambia Echoes-

newsletter of the

ESCAMBIA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

P. O. Box 276, Brewton, AL 36427

April, 1987

MEETING: Tuesday, April 28, 1987  
TIME: 7:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Thomas E. McMillan Museum on the Jefferson Davis  
Junior College campus, Brewton  
PROGRAM: "DOWNING SHOFNER INSTITUTE"  
By Jewel Williamson, Evelyn Jernigan and Hazel Wood

Truly, the Downing Shofner Institute is one of the more interesting aspects of our area history, and DSI certainly left an impact on education and culture here. We are certainly in for a triple-treat as Jewel, Evelyn and Hazel give history high-lights and share memories concerning the school. This is sure to be an interesting and enjoyable program, so don't miss it. Invite a guest!

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## SPEAKING OF PROGRAMS

Your editor continues to regret missing the March meeting as she hears comments on the excellent program presented by Caroline Liles. Caroline gave insights into the personal and professional lives of George and Martha Custis Washington. She also discussed the purchase and subsequent restoration of Mount Vernon. Aren't Historical Society programs wonderful means of increasing our knowledge and affording us personal enrichment?

## LOOKING AHEAD

We are already looking forward to the May meeting when BILLY RHODES, director of the Brewton area YMCA, will be our guest speaker. This will be a great opportunity for us to learn something of the history of the organization, the YMCA philosophy and plans for the YMCA facility to be located here.

## NEW TRUSTEE

We are happy to announce that CAROLINE LILES has been elected a trustee of the Society. Caroline, who lives in Brewton, is retired following a distinguished career as a college instructor. She was elected to fill the vacancy created by the death of Floyd Currie of Atmore. We feel very fortunate to have a person of Caroline's abilities to serve in this capacity.



## MEMBERSHIP DUES

Work is continuing on getting an up-to-date membership list. If you haven't yet paid your annual dues of \$7.50, please do so as soon as possible. We don't want anyone to miss a copy of the newsletter or quarterly. By the way, the March quarterly will be in the mail within the next two weeks.

## INPUT WELCOMED

Plans are now being made for programs for the remainder of the year. Input from members is welcomed, so if you have an idea concerning a program you would like, or if there is a program you would like to give, do not hesitate to contact President Nettie Parker or any other officer of the Society.

## Q U E R Y

WANTED: Information on the following families who lived in or near Escambia County.

Priscilla Jane Scott, 1810-1889, daughter of James Scott,  
ca. 1762-1866. Wife unknown.  
Reuben Hart, born 1783, married Nancy Ann Rindon.  
Abram Smith, died 1852, married Deliah ?  
Winnie Hunt, 1797-1857, married John Parker (Hunt Family needed).  
Jane Graves, born 1789, married Moor Bagley, daughter of John  
Graves (Bagley & Graves Families needed).  
Ephraim Lunsford, born 1766, married Elizabeth ?  
Jacob &/or Joseph Manning, born 1770.

Please contact:

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(Editor's Note: Dr. Jackson, a native of Route 2, Brewton, is a long-time member of The Escambia County Historical Society and serves as Professor and Dean of Libraries at The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.)

## M E M O R I A L S

For MAUDE WHITLEY  
By Rita Jane Boykin  
Elvira McMillan  
For J. W. LUKER, SR.  
By Rita Jane Boykin  
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