

# ESCAMBIA ECHOES

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ESCAMBIA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## MEETING NEWS

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MEETING DATE:  
AUG. 27, 1996

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MEETING TIME:  
3:00 p.m.

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MEETING  
PLACE

THOMAS E.  
McMILLAN  
MUSEUM

JEFFERSON  
DAVIS COMM.  
COLLEGE

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PROGRAM:

Dr. Richard  
Brogdon,  
President of  
Jefferson  
Davis

Community  
College

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HOSTESSES:

LYNN WIXON

&

JANE

HOWINGTON

## REPORT ON THE ALABAMA ROOM

Evelyn Duke, Administrative Assistant to the JDCC Library for 25 years and four months has retired. The Escambia County Historical membership wishes to publicly thank her for all of the help she has given to us, and to those persons visiting the Alabama Room. You will be missed, Evelyn. We all wish that you will do all of the things you have al-



Would you like to help in  
the Alabama Room?

ways  
wanted  
to do  
and  
never  
had the  
time!  
Good  
luck!

Ann  
Biggs-

Williams reports that there have been an additional 45 visitors to the Alabama Room since the last report in May. This brings the

total number of visitors to this room to 143 in 1996. These latest visitors came from Alabama, Florida, Illinois, and Texas.

Thanks to Bonnie Smith, a JDCC student, for volunteering in the Alabama Room. We need more volunteers!

I have seen the room that it is suggested we move the historical material into, it is NICE.

## MONTEZUMA

Montezuma was an early county seat of Covington County. The city was situated on the east bank of the Conecuh River. Covington County was created by the Alabama Legislature on December 18, 1821. On December 12, 1822, five commissioners were appointed to select the

site for the county seat, and Montezuma was their choice. Little is known about the town. In 1847, it was destroyed by an overflow of Conecuh River, and the county offices were moved to New Site, which is now known as Andalusia. This New Site was four miles to the south of Mon-

tezuma.

There is an old house located there called "Old Jule Barrow" house. I understand that it is still standing and that it belonged to John Julian Barrow. This is refuted as being the oldest house still standing. Anyone know? Let me hear!