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HAVE A VERY
SPECIAL
THANKSGIVING.

Next regular meeting will be in
January 1999.

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ESCAMBIA ECHOES

THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY WILL NOT MEET IN NOVEMBER 1998.

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Thanksgiving Day

Thanksgiving Day, national holiday in the U. S. Commemorating the harvest reaped by the Plymouth Colony in 1621. The first national Thanksgiving Day was proclaimed by President Washington for November 26, 1789. President Lincoln revived the custom in 1863. In 1941 Congress decreed that Thanksgiving should fall on the fourth Thursday of November. The customary turkey dinner is a reminder of the four wild turkeys served at the PILGRIM'S first Thanksgiving feast.

Sympathy

The Members of Escambia County Historical Society would like to extend their sympathy to Mrs. Bryars Byrd in the loss of her husband.

Welcome new members

We would like to welcome new members: Douglas Williamson (joined in Oct), Diana W. Smith and Sammye Baker.

October 1998 meeting news

Our October 27 meeting was a field trip to Jay Villa Plantation and Beulah Cemetery. We enjoyed the trip very much and would like to express the appreciation of the Society to Mrs. Elvira McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Leigh McMillan II and those at Jay Villa.

Reminder of dues

Please remember that membership dues should be paid yearly with the year beginning on the first day of January each year. If it is more convenient, dues can be paid in advance for more than one year.

LOOKING AHEAD

January 1999	Cemetery Indexes for Escambia County
February 1999	Earthquakes in Escambia County
March 1999	Family History Center in Escambia County
April 1999	Water powered mills in Escambia County Alabama and Northwest Florida

THINGS TO REMEMBER

November 26---Thanksgiving day
December 7 ---Pearl Harbor Day
December 21--- First day of winter
December 25 ---Christmas Day

Membership application

Membership is open to any individual interested in the history of Escambia County. Membership dues are \$7.50 per individual per year and are due January 1 each year. Please clip, complete and mail the following form with a check to the Escambia County Historical Society, P. O. Box 276, Brewton, AL 36427.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No: _____

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