



ESCAMBIA ECHOES

NOVEMBER, 2000

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Field Trip Report

October is traditionally the Society's month to "hit the road" for its fall field trip. The millenium was no exception. On October 15, society members visited four Teddy homesteads in the northeastern part of the county. Teddy residents were celebrating the centennial of their community, which was named for Teddy Roosevelt when the first post office was established October 16, 1900.

The Teddy Tour included the 1868 Mc Creary Plantation House, the turn-of-the century Hart House, the Alex McGowin Home, and Mike Williams' Octagon Log Cabin. Our thanks to the hosts and hostesses: Jimmy McCreary, Miles and Barbara Hart, Alex and Pat McGowin, and Mary, Jo, Mike and Durak Williams.

October 31 found Society members touring cemeteries. The first stop was Union Cemetery in Brewton where author Donna J. Booth shared her expertise concerning cemetery symbols as well as info from her book, *Alabama Cemeteries, a guide to their stories in stone*. The next cemetery stop was Old Beulah Cemetery, near Jay Villa Plantation in Conecuh County with many graves dating from the 1800's. Members paused at the McMillan cabin at Jay Villa, looking out over the water, for their picnic lunch. Camille Bowman, from the Alabama Historical Comission, gave insights into tombstone maintenance and restoration. The Halloween Tour concluded at Evergreen Public Library with ghost stories and a book signing by Donna Booth. Thanks to Donna, Camille, The McMillan Family, and the Evergreen Public Library staff for a memorable Halloween treat.

Submitted by: Ann Biggs-Williams, Field Trip Committee Chair

THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY AND THE
CELEBRATION OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF OUR
OWN ESCAMBIA COUNTY, ALABAMA *****

WHEN: Friday, Dec 15, 2000 AT 2:00 P.M. WHERE: THE THOMAS E. MC MILLAN MUSEUM
AT JEFFERSON DAVIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Committee will decorate for the party! Cold cuts and beverages will be furnished by the Society! All you have to do is COME and bring your favorite holiday party food! Please call any of the following Committee Members if you have questions: Peggy Bracken (334) 867-2321, Ed Seward (334) 867-2797, Louise Stone (334) 867-3903, Lynn Wixon (850) 675-6744. If you can not come to help us celebrate, we hope your holidays are special ones! Merry Christmas And Happy New Year.

*****THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN NOVEMBER, 2000*****



FAMILY QUERY

Teri Christensen, 6957 Hollowview Way ; West Jordan, Utah 84084. Email: terichristensen@juno.com
Teri requests information on the Luttrell Family. Please contact Teri if you have any information.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our own Paul Merritt has a son Ben, who will be on the television game show, "Jeopardy", December 18th.

MISSING RECORDS

If anyone has any records that belong to the Historical Society, please call me at (334) 867-7332.
or you may bring them by the Alabama Room, Monday through Friday.

ALABAMA ROOM SCHEDULE

The Alabama Room is open Monday – Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Open Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The Alabama Room will be Closed Nov. 29, 2000 and also Dec. 15, 2000 thru Jan. 7, 2001.

BOOK SALES

A HISTORY OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY.....\$55 (includes mailing fees)

HEADSTONES AND HERITAGE.....\$40 (includes mailing fees)

ESCAMBIA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY COOKBOOK...\$10 (includes mailing fees)

All of the above books may be purchased at: Jefferson Davis Community College Library, Milligans, Inc. in Brewton, Flomaton Public Library, Atmore Public Library, Pollard Town Hall or by mail.
These books make great wedding presents, Christmas presents and birthday presents!!

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