

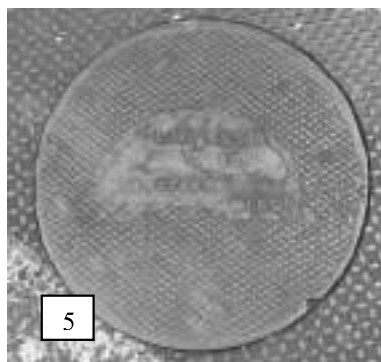
Hattiesburg Area Historical Society

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HISTORY IS BURSTING OUT ALL OVER

Tourists, area students, and new residents inundate the HAHS Museum with questions about Hattiesburg's history. They are amazed to learn that we are the only Hattiesburg in the world, excited to know that the Choctaw lived here first, and surprised that Hardy also founded Gulfport.

However, one does not have to visit a museum, read one of the numerous books about our area, or even go on line to view our history. Like the flowers of spring, pieces of our local history pop up all round us. In an age when "big bucks" or fame gets one's name on the front of a building, it is easy to forget that some names are there to honor that person's contributions of character, education, leadership, business, and community service.



Almost everyone has seen the names on the city school buildings, but do you know that Grace Christian, Lilly Burney, W. I. Thames, L. J. Rowan, F. B. Woodley, Sam C. Eaton, H. A. Camp, S. H. Blair, George L. Hawkins, and N. R. Burger are the long-time Hattiesburg educators and citizens for whom schools are named? (Continued on page 2)



The next time you pause to “smell the flowers,” just look around for Hattiesburg’s history. It is carved in stone, painted on walls, and pressed in metal all around you. Have you seen these? Do you know where they are? Can you remember how they contribute to area history? These are just a few examples that can be easily found.



If you don't recognize these, don't know how to find them, or don't know their importance, check the key on page 4.

GIFTS TO THE SOCIETY

November 1, 2011 – May 12, 2012

- Bonhomie 1923 Yearbook on DVD – Lynn T. Shaver
- DVD Women in American History, Dee Abbott; Pride of the Pinebelt, Dee Abbott DVD – Joanne Giles
- Riverview Cemetery, Forrest County, MS inventory binder, CD and Pictures; Edwards Street Fellowship Center Boy Scout Troop #461 – Lelia and Drew Wilson
- Assorted Girl Scout items and Troop 20 Flag – Nancy McMillan
- Button-hole scissors c1935 belonging to Miriam Hagan Collier (1916-1996) – June Collier
- “Lil Miss” 1939 yearbook – Robert Doherty
- California Sandwich Shop 65th Anniversary tea glass (Est. Jan 10, 1912) – Nancy Christian
- Assorted newspapers, assorted material on the Bicentennial of American Revolution, Krewe of Zeus, Colonial Dames XVII Century, First Baptist Church and other individual pieces of Hattiesburg organizations – Nancy McMillan
- Book: “George & Elizabeth (Till?) Burkett and Descendants.” Compiled by the late Mary Jane “Sam” Burkett Caruso and others – Dr. Charles J. Caruso
- Certificates and photos honoring local businessman and musician - Rebecca Roderick
- Assorted old magazines- Sara and Jack Brewton

Recent Monetary Contributions

November 1, 2011 – May 1, 2012

LIFE MEMBERS

Rosie K. Johnson
Eleanor H. Durgee
Walter Warren (deceased)
Dr. Thomas J. Malone

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ANNUAL MEETING

Dee Abbott, assisted by Ursula Jones, examines a copy of the Hattiesburg Commercial Club's 1908 publication. This was on display at the annual meeting in February along with the newly framed 1902 Citizens Bank's



etched glass sign, 1960s flood photos sent in by the city's engineering department, first aid kits made for the recreation department by the Girl Scout Troop 20, and the certificate and medal awarded in 1921 to the night telephone operator for preventing a downtown robbery.

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KEY TO PICTURES ON PAGES ONE AND TWO

1. Marker in memory of Hattiesburg boys who died in WWI: Veterans Park; originally placed with newly planted trees by members of the Business & Professional Women's Club.
2. Old street post, originally white with black stenciled letters; on many street corners of pre-1980 Hattiesburg; these posts didn't fall during Hurricane Camille (as the modern metal ones did in Katrina) and provided direction in a devastated city.
3. Osceola McCarty Park: Miller & West Streets; memorializes washerwoman who donated her life savings to USM.
4. Bonhomie Church: Molpus Woodlands Management, 178 Bonhomie Road; restored and replaced at Tatum's Bonhomie community after being used several miles away by a local church.
5. Manhole cover: corner of Pine and Mobile Streets; made by C. L. Dews Foundry on Edwards Street, established in 1941 and still family owned and operated.
6. Centennial marker: Veterans Park; contains brief area history and a quote from Captain William Harris Hardy.
7. Hudson's at Palmers Crossing mural: BCH & Co. in Midtown Market on Hardy Street; the area's original salvage store.
8. Roots marker: Mobile Street; documenting the area's contribution to Rock & Roll.
9. Loper Gate: back entrance to William Carey University; dedicated to long-time faculty member Julia (Jo) Sigrest Loper.
10. Camp Shelby Officer's Quarters: moved to Quinn Street c1945; only remaining WWII officer's house known to be in city.
11. Illinois Central 100th Anniversary markers: City Hall and Bennett Auditorium; shows relief map of eastern United States with IC main line.