

# Hattiesburg Area Historical Society

**HAHS MUSEUM**  
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## HAHS is active . . .

HAHS members and volunteers have seen that all the pre-ordered books have been delivered or mailed to each recipient.

HAHS has spent over \$500.00 in postage, and has mailed books into 20 different states. All but four of the pre-ordered books have been placed in the hands of the owners.

Do you know either of the people listed below? If you have any knowledge of them, please contact **HAHS Museum** so we can get their books to them: Betty A. Reichel  
5981 Arapaho Rd #1106  
Dallas TX 75248 paid in '94

Hoyt Ming  
was manager of Fred's on  
Broadway Drive.

Their books were sent to the addresses given when they purchased their copy, but have been returned.

Now that the book is in print and has been placed in the hands of the consumers, the copyright application is

pending.

Over 500 books have been purchased to date. 40 copies have been sold through **HAHS Museum** since mid March.

Available at the **HAHS Museum** is a book containing all corrections, comments, some stories, etc. that have been relayed to HAHS.

Books are available for purchase at the **Museum**. The books sell for \$70.00 per copy. If you would like to give this great book as a gift to someone, we have gift cards available. You may order a book by sending your check, payable to The Hattiesburg Area Historical Society, to P O Box 1573, Hattiesburg, MS 39403-1573. Your book will be sent to you. Postage on the books are \$6.50 each. If you would like to include that with your purchase price, it will be a tax deductible donation.

If you have not seen a copy of the book, or would simply like to look over one before you buy, there are copies available to view at the **HAHS Museum**.

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**On  
Display at the  
museum**

**The  
Price  
of  
Freedom**

## Welcome, Dixie Darlings . . .

The photo shows Dixie Darling, Kelly Beckett of Hattiesburg delivering a copy of the *History of Forrest County, Mississippi* to Dr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lucas. The Lucas took a few moments to stop and enjoy some of the photos in the book.

Dixie Darlings, Kelly McShane and Katie Hinkle, also delivered Hattiesburg's copy to a City Council Meeting.



The Dixie Darlings have joined HAHS and have been working to help get the books delivered. They have also will be helping to get collections sorted and filed at the **HAHS Museum**.

HAHS will assist the Dixie Darlings in collecting and organizing their history.



# Freedom has its Price.



In display cases are "life" size bust figures of Many great Americans



On loan to Hattiesburg Area Historical Society Museum  
Owned by Ken and Grace Gower  
Cruger Mississippi

## Hours

**Monday - Thursday**  
**2:00 - 5:00 p.m.**  
(if volunteers available)

**By Chance**  
**545-4582**

**By Appointment**  
**583-1362**

Volunteers are being trained to work at the **Museum**, if you are interested, please call.

HAHS is planning for a visit by a  
Pearl River Community College  
History Class  
and

with the ADP-Leaders for a New Century project will be I  
in cooperation with **HAHS MUSEUM**.

This quilt was made by Miss Lelia Jones in 1936. It was possible made for Mrs. J. Maury Gandy, who lived many years at the YMCA. Each figure on the quilt represents a local student, many were in 1939 HHS graduating class.

Listed on the quilt are:

Row One

Mr. Lawrence Hawkins  
Miss Betty Jo Holcomb  
Mr. Malcolm Duke  
Mrs. Gandy

Row Four

Miss Helen Katz  
Mr. Eugene Wilder  
Miss Mamie Lee Hibbitt  
Mr. Martin Clapp

Row Two

Miss Dora Frances Green  
Mr. Scotty McAulay  
Jessy Wayne Gandy  
Mr. Camp Stickney

Row Five

Mr Banett Achee  
Miss Frances Gandy  
Mr. Jack Gandy  
Miss Bertha Gandy

Row Three

Mr. Desty McAulay  
Miss Helen Holmes  
Mr. Barney Boyles

Row Six

Miss Jean Tally  
Mr. James Ogden  
Patty Gandy

## Freedom is every citizen's responsibility.



Mary Frances Blackard, HAHS vounteer,  
is working on the Bilbo Collection

*You're Invited*

*to attend*  
*"The Curious Lore Of Precious Stones"*  
*presented by*  
*Light's Jewelers & Gemologists*  
*in the Village*  
*by Turtle Creek Mall*

*Thursday, June 29, 2000*  
*6:15 p. m.*

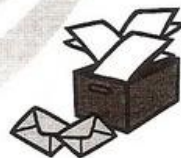
*seating is limited*  
*r.s.v.p. to 545-4582 OR*  
*583-1362*

### Collections Update

#### *Who Wrote Bilbo???*

Volunteer Mary Frances Blackard has been working to get envelopes addressed to U. S. Senator Theodore G. Bilbo from area people, sorted in order by their writer. These envelopes are from the 1930's and 1940's and were donated to the HAHS by Connie and Jim Riley

Many boxes yet to be sorted and displayed. Watch for updates in following editions of our newsletter. Would you like to volunteer?



Lights Jewelers & Gemologists is pleased to present Tom Light, C.G.A. as the June program for the Hattiesburg Area Historical Society. Tom is Hattiesburg's only Certified Gemologist Appraiser. He is one of only three people in the entire state with this level of expertise and experience. On **Thursday, June 29th**, Tom will present "The Curious Lore Of Precious Stones" accompanied by several slides to illustrate gems from antiquity throughout history and into more modern times. An alternate title for this lively presentation could be "If only these gems could talk, what tales they would tell!" Although Tom is relatively new to the Pine Belt, he has over 38 years in the business. He began in his dad's store as a sophomore in high school. Tom has acquired many interesting anecdotes and experienced literally thousands of unique situations involving gems and jewelry - be sure to ask him about the million dollar sapphire confiscated at the Canadian border! If time permits, Tom will be available to answer personal gem-related questions. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this unique, lively and informative presentation at **Lights Jewelers & Gemologists, "The Village", Weathersby Road**. In the meantime, if you have any questions, you may contact Tom at 296-6750, or by e-mail at [atlight@juno.com](mailto:atlight@juno.com). See you on the 29th!





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## MY FLAG

I think of my flag

*Red* stands for blood that our Veterans shed for freedom and justice.

*White* is for freedom that we sometimes take for granted.

*Blue* stands for the tears of families that hear of a loved one that has died.

I think of my Dad.

I've been to the black wall.  
I found my dad's friend's name.  
His life was taken by the hands of death.

I think of my flag.  
I think of my dad.

I think of all the men and women that have served before him.  
I think of all who serve today.

I FEEL SPECIAL AND LUCKY TO BE AN AMERICAN !!!

Krista Mott

**You are an important part of our team effort.** HAHS is constantly working on its mailing list to keep it current. There are approximately 1,000 on the mailing list and 289 members. If you are not a current member (see your label) or have not purchased a *History of Forrest Mississippi* book and want to receive all newsletters, please notify HAHS in the return envelope.

*Thanks!!!*

HAHS thanks our members and contributors. It takes your dues and donations to keep our programs and activities going. HAHS appreciates all that you do.

### HAHS appreciates these recent monetary contributions

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