

Hattiesburg Area Historical Society

HAHS MUSEUM
Hattiesburg Cultural Center
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CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE

The Hattiesburg Area Historical Society and the three local Daughters of the American Revolution Chapters (John Rolfe, Norvell Robertson and Twentieth Star Chapters) held a Constitution Day Tea in the HAHS Museum on September 17, 2006, in honor of the 219th Anniversary of the United States Constitution. The community was invited.

In keeping with the HAHS purpose to promote better understanding of our American heritage and democratic way of life, a continuous slide show was presented by the HAHS. Guests mingled through a kiosk exhibit highlighting major milestones for the Bill of Rights and the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments. The three kiosks, originally purchased for the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights by the HAHS, the three DAR Chapters and the Ensign John Sheldon Chapter of Colonial Dames XVII Century, engaged the viewer in the history of the Bill of Rights and how it relates to American life today.

Hattiesburg Mayor Johnny DuPree was present to proclaim September 17 - 23, 2006, as Constitution Week, and join with Mayor Carl Scott of Petal, Mayor Roger Herrin of Purvis, and Mayor Jerry King of Sumrall in presenting the DAR Chapters with printed proclamations. Members of the DAR Chapters provided and served lemonade and cookies for refreshments.

At the conclusion of the tea church bells rang out from Main Street Methodist Church, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bay Street Presbyterian Church, Court Street Methodist Church and Central Christian Church. They tolled the good news of the Constitution's birthday at 4 p.m. just as bells announced the news in 1787.



Mayor Johnny DuPree proclaiming Sept. 17-23 Constitution Week with (left to right) Maureen Curley (Regent John Rolfe Chapter), Mrs Jonice DuPree, Paula Harvey (President HAHS and Tea Chairman), Betty Ray (Regent Twentieth Star Chapter), and Ursula Jones (HAHS Vice President and Norvell Robertson Chapter Americanism Chairman).

ANNUAL MEETING

The HAHS will hold its Annual Meeting in the Museum room at the Hattiesburg Cultural Center on November 18, 2006. All members and prospective members are encouraged to attend the business meeting at 10:00 a.m. At the conclusion of the business session, refreshments will be served and members and guests may view the museum exhibits. A "History of Hattiesburg" slide program will be presented after refreshments.

SOCIETY NEWS

HAHS ON THE NET - The HAHS is now circling the globe on the world wide web. Thanks to the expertise and talents of member Jim Yelverton our web site is up and running. Preserving the past and keeping up with the technology of the present requires the HAHS to keep eyes on the 19th Century and hands in the 21st Century. Check out the web site yourself at <http://www.hahsmuseum.org>. Take the HAHS Museum virtual tour, view the old postcard collection, and read newsletter articles from the comfort of your computer room—wherever in the world it might be—just by the click of your mouse.



NEW ACQUISITIONS and REDISCOVERED TREASURES

The following items have been placed on permanent loan with the HAHS Museum:

- ✦ Medal flag that hung on Hattiesburg High School during World War II years - on loan from Brian Blair.
- ✦ Antique typewriter and office machine collection from Geiger Printing and Office Supply Co. - on loan from Terry Cress.

Tom Rhea Phillips III, HAHS Board of Directors member, is in charge of our re-discovered treasures program. With limited volunteer staff and a constant flow of visitors it has been difficult to unpack, sort, file, document, display, and store many items in our collection that were placed in the back of the archives room after our move from Kamper Park. Tom has devoted long hours and much energy and enthusiasm to the project of organizing our collection. In the process items that we knew we had, but had been unable to locate are being rediscovered. Some of our most exciting finds are: a small blue pitcher with a picture of the Main Street High School building (c1910) that was torn down in 1911, an original postcard depicting the same building, and a panoramic view of the crowd gathered on Hattiesburg's Main and Newman Streets along the Southern Railway on November 11, 1918 to celebrate the end of World War I. The pitcher and picture are now on display in the museum room.

Jeanne Herring, HAHS Board of Directors member and volunteer, has turned her hand to dressing the passengers and crew in period dress on our boat replica "The Leaf." Her efforts have created an authentic looking company.

Recent Monetary Contributions

February 2006 - September 2006

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Memorials:

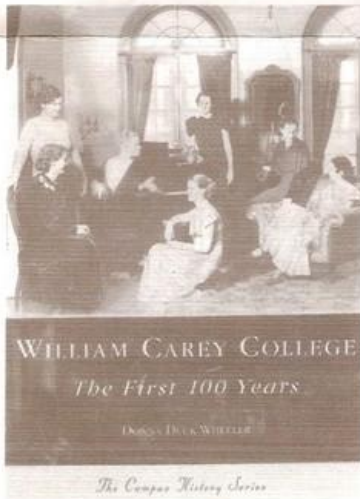
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GIFTS TO THE SOCIETY

January 16, 2006 - September 2006

- ★ HHS Yearbooks: 1981, 1982, 1998, 1999, 2000 plus a pictures of Lion's Band Member, Susan Barksdale - Agnes Barksdale.
- ★ Handmade quilt c1930's made by Mattie Waller (mother of Bob Waller) and three photographs of Mattie Waller - her granddaughter, Gerri Ross.
- ★ Saxette horn c1939-40, child's choir robe, HHS 50th reunion booklet class of 1946, 1943 Phi Kappa skin, three items made in Jr. High shop c1940's, letters and memorabilia to Doc Green, child's costume, knife given to Doc Green by J. Maury Gandy, Sr., tie clasp, 1946 YMCA Basketball Team and Editor of High Flashes medals. - Dr. Byron E. Green, Jr.
- ★ Framed painting of the Turner Home on Bay Street, Hattiesburg - Mr. & Mrs. Parham Turner.
- ★ Soap Box Derby memorabilia 1968 and 1970's - Greg and Preston Bounds.
- ★ Soap Box Derby T-shirts - Gerald Hanson.
- ★ Fifteen black & white photos of the Pinebelt Regional Airport opening and tour plus two enlargements - Ott S. Brockman.
(Mattie Waller)
- ★ Set of 2 DVD's "Katrina-South Mississippi's Story" and a separate DVD disk to the companion book, Katrina Devastation, Survival, Restoration.
- ★ Three steel shelving units with two glass cases and assorted shelves with attachments - Terry Cress.
- ★ Booklet, "How's the Game" Hattiesburg, MS 1953-54 - Bettye W. Holmes for Bud Holmes.
- ★ Framed photo of HHS Class of 1938 and HHS sepia print #29/300 - Nellie Phillips.
- ★ A print of the Hattiesburg Depot painted by Linda Wicht 1977 - Evelyn Slough.
- ★ Swingline electric stapler - Helen Erickson.
- ★ Framed HHS Class of 1956 composite picture of class reunions - Richard Smith.
- ★ McInnis 5 gallon water bottle and frame, "McInnis Springs" telephone number "#802" - A J Jones.
- ★ Front page of "The Reveille," Nov. 16, 1944 - Mrs. Herbert Aplin.
- ★ Large Shaefer's script ink bottle and Essanay fire extinguisher - Terry Cress.
- ★ Gold spike given at the groundbreaking ceremony on 12-2-2004 for the Hattiesburg Intermodal Facility - MDAH.
- ★ Assorted Junior High School "Scribblers" 1950-51 and program "Twelfth Annual Kiwanis Minstrel" - Russell Johnson.
- ★ 75th Anniversary Hattiesburg Coke bottle 1906-1981 - Tom Rhea Phillips III.
- ★ Postcards: Church Camp Meeting, A. F. Dossett, Trinity Episcopal Church, Hattiesburg - J. P. Kelly.
- ★ Memorabilia HHS Class of 1950, 1953, 1948 and other saved items - Joyce Craig.
- ★ Book: Covington Co., MS Cemetery Census; updated 2000 by Ann McDonald and the 1880 U.S. Census and National Index on CD - Geraldine Simmons.
- ★ 1919 Automobile Blue Book and Rules of the Gulf & Ship Island Railroad 1912 - Mary Ross Daniels.
- ★ Handbook 1927-28 Mississippi Woman's College - Rick V. Forte, Sr.
- ★ Framed photo of the 1936-37 HHS Basketball Team - Emily Blakeney.
- ★ 1939 HHS "Lil Miss" Yearbook & April 12, 1939 "Hi Flashes" - Mary Louise Bailey Williams.
- ★ 1935 HHS Commencement Program - Martha Gunn.
- ★ HHS May 29, 1931 "Hi Flashes" - Carolyn Phillips.
- ★ Assorted old books (some c1886, 1887), 1943 HHS football program, William Carey annuals Vol. 1-1913 & Vol. 2 - 1914, bust of William Carey, 1985 Key to the City, pine needle tray, and gloves worn by Jacq Jones in the 1950's - Ursula Jones.
- ★ Christening dress with slip c1900 worn by Riley O'Neal, flapper dress belonging to Riley's sister, and a c1920's dress pattern - Bobbie O'Neal Cloy daughter of Riley O'Neal.
- ★ Book: Forest Trees of Mississippi - April 1925 - Marcia C. Mayard.
- ★ Book: William Carey College: The First 100 Years by Donna Duck Wheeler and CD of pictures of Cary College - Donna Duck Wheeler.



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A Note of Thanks

The HAHS is deeply indebted to all of you who have continued to support the society and museum with your membership, contributions, and suggestions. Remember this is your museum, and we are only able to expand our collection by donations from area families. We always need Hattiesburg High School yearbooks and memorabilia, post cards, city directories, and any other items of interest to researchers. Your financial support enables us to operate our office, present programs, and purchase materials necessary to preserve and display area treasures. 100% of your donation is used for these purposes. All museum personnel are volunteers.

The status of your membership is found on the address label. After your name is the last year your dues were paid. Life members will find "L" after their names. A 2007 dues card and envelope are enclosed for your convenience.



HOLIDAY ART WALK SAT. DECEMBER 9TH 5 - 8 p.m.

Southern Strings Dulcimer Club will perform Old Time and Traditional Christmas music in the HAHS Museum. Come step back in time and enjoy hot cider and free entertainment. The community is welcome.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE HATTIESBURG AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, PLEASE RETURN THIS SHEET.

2007 HAHS DUES

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Tax exempt donation of \$4.00 for S/H if mailed \$ _____

Book shipped to above address unless other specified Total: \$ _____

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