# Altamaha Echoes

#### Lower Altamaha Historical Society Newsletter

May 2015

"The Mission of the Lower Altamaha Historical Society is to Preserve and Disseminate the History of McIntosh County."

# LAHS Meeting, Thursday, May 21, 2015, 7:00 p.m. Fort King George Historic Site Dutch treat supper, 5:45 p.m. at B&J Steak

Stephanie Knox will be speaking on the St. Simons Land Trust and the 777 acres that have been protected, including the 608 acres of Cannon's Point Preserve which she manages. She will go over the history of the preserve, the purchase of the preserve, the four task forces with experts in the respective fields, and how the preserve is used as a platform for education.

Ms. Knox was born and raised in Narberth, Pennsylvania and grew up camping, fishing and hiking with the family. She attended Delaware Valley College in Doylestown, PA and obtained a Bachelors in Science in Animal Biotechnology and Conservation in 2008. She completed an internship through the Student Conservation Association conducting Piping Plover and American Oystercatcher breeding monitoring at Sandy Hook Recreational Area in Sandy Hook, NJ. This led to her obtaining an internship with Little St. Simons Island conducting breeding monitoring of the American Oystercatcher in May 2010, which led to a full time position as the Ecological Management Technician. In January 2014 she began her current position as Cannon's Point Preserve Director.

## LAHS Meeting, Thursday, June 18, 2015, 5:00 p.m. Fort King George Historic Site Dutch treat supper, 5:45 p.m. at B&J Steak

Our speaker this month, Pamela Bauer Mueller, returns with an exciting presentation titled *"Strong Women: Hidden Stories."* This will be mostly about her new book, as yet untitled, about two Civil War female spies, Antonia Ford and Pauline Cushman.

Pamela Bauer Mueller was raised in Oregon. She has worked as a flight attendant, commercial model and actress, English and Spanish teacher

and a U.S. Customs Inspector. She now lives on Jekyll Island, GA with her husband Michael and their cats Sukey Spice and Morgan Maurice.

Pamela's children and young adult books have awarded her the 2006/2008 and the 2009 Georgia Author of the Year titles, three Mom's Choice and Children's Choice gold medals, the Independent Publisher Gold Book awards and other national awards with Writer's Digest and Foreword magazines. In her fifth historical novel, she presents another woman who broke the bonds of tradition and altered our country's history: Catharine Greene Miller.

# HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

# LAHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Thursday, July 16, 2015, 4:00 p.m. Fort King George Historic Site

## LAHS Picnic, Thursday, July 16, 2015, 5:30 p.m. Fort King George Historic Site

It's time for our annual summer social event – come join in the fun and fellowship! LAHS will provide the meat – just bring one of your favorite dishes to share. It's a great time to get to know new members and reminisce with old friends. There also might be a few surprises – games – puzzles – music – laughter – and great food too! See you there!

# ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE ON JANUARY 1, 2015

Life Membership - \$250 Family - \$20 Individual - \$15 Student - \$5

Mail your check, payable to LAHS, P.O. Box 1405, Darien, 31305, or give to Yvonne Carter, Treasurer/Co-Membership Chairperson.

IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT PAID, THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE YOU WILL RECEIVE.

# Coming Events

Sunday, Apríl 26<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm, Fort King George Historic Site: A Georgia Tidewater Companion. Essays, Papers and Some Personal Observations on 30 Years of Research in Coastal Georgia History, Buddy Sullivan. A lecture about his family history in coastal Georgia, his career in journalism and how his books on McIntosh County history came to be written, and about the new book itself.

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 News from the Board:
The Nominating Committee consisting of Lloyd Y. Flanders and Chris Milner proposes the following slate to serve the term of June 2015 – May 2017:
Secretary: Harriet Roberson
Treasurer: Yvonne Carter
Board Members: Dr. William Collins, Linda Daniels, Aimee G. Gaddis, Roy Williams

Elections are held in May, and those selected will assume their jobs in June.

- **Program Chairperson** position remains unfilled. The Board has been successful thus far in securing speakers each month, but LAHS needs someone to step up and fill this vital role in the organization. How about you?
- Jim Bruce, our Webmaster, has made some significant improvements to our website. A few examples are: upcoming speakers' programs are listed on our home page; annual renewal of memberships are available; PalPal is available. Check it out at loweraltamahahistoricalsociety.org.

Field Trip News:



Our field trip on March 12 to Epworth By the Sea was a lovely time. We had a delicious lunch in the Dining Hall, and then moved on to the Moore Methodist Museum where Rev. Dave Hanson regaled and enlightened us with stories about John and Charles Wesley. A guided tour through the museum which houses Wesley memorabilia, beautiful paintings, Bibles, and a large display of nativities followed. Everyone had a delightful trip.

#### LOWER ALTAMAHA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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#### LAHS Officers

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#### Committee Chairpersons

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Scholarship	Ann Howard
Field Trips	Harriet Roberson
Altamaha "Echoes"	Carole Williams
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#### FORT KING GEORGE STATE HISTORIC SITE

P.O. Box 711 – Darien, GA 31305 ---- 912-437-4770 www.gastateparks.org/fortkinggeorge

The oldest English fort remaining on Georgia's coast.

#### **Colonial Memorial Celebration**

Monday, May 25, 10 am – 4 pm Join the garrison for a day of artillery drills, musket firings, blacksmithing, and soldiers' life activities.

#### Junior Ranger Day Camp

Tuesday-Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>, 9 am– 2 pm Join us for an adventure packed week – campers will learn about the history and natural surroundings of the fort.

#### **Cannons Across the Marsh**

Saturday, July 4, 10 am- 4 pm Join the Garrison for a day of artillery drills, musket firings, and soldiers' life activities to honor Independence Day. Free watermelon and lemonade will be served.

OUR ARCHIVES/LIBRARY BUILDING ON THE GROUNDS OF FORT KING GEORGE HISTORIC SITE IS OPEN EVERY THURSDAY EXCEPT THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS FROM 11 AM-3 PM





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