Altamaha Echoes

Lower Altamaha Historical Society Newsletter

November 2012

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

LAHS Meeting, Thursday, November 15, 2012
Fort King George Historic Site
Dutch treat supper, 5:45 p.m. at B&J Pizza

Back by enormous popular demand – "SHOW AND TELL!" This program is a great time for you to share your old family photos or letters, jewelry or clothing, weapons, fascinating tales from your past – anything that you think might be of interest to the group. Our president has promised to have a "tell" for us that is sure to be a treat for everyone!

Some of the items shown in the past are displayed below. It's a wonderful time to get creative and do some "bragging" about your favorite heirlooms or treasures or just about something that has occurred in your life. Be creative and surprise us!







LAHS CHRISTMAS PARTY TO December 6, 2012, 5:30 p.m.

Our traditional holiday celebration will once again be held at the beautiful Belvedere Plantation, hosted by Howard and Jeanne Klippel. Although Everett Moriarty will not be able to "concoct" his famous eggnog this year, the Klippels have acquired the *recipe* and have promised to do their best to carry on the tradition. LAHS will provide the entrée and the table set-up and drinks. Sign-up sheets for your contribution to the menu and maps to the location will be available at the November meeting or call the Klippels at 832-3318 for more information.

The halls will be decked in their finest, the food will be "lip-smacking," as always, and the fellowship will be gracious and lively. Please join us for a wonderful evening!



LAHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, January 17, 2013, 4:00 p.m.
Fort King George Historic Site
LAHS members are always welcome

LAHS Meeting, January 17, 2013, 7:00 p.m. Fort King George Historic Site Dutch treat supper, 5:45 p.m. at B&J Pizza

Peter P. Mullen ("Civil War Medicine") returns with another exciting program, "Civil War Feuds: A Family Tradition." Mr. Mullen will review the history of North American family feuds and in particular the history of American Civil War family feuds. He will focus on selected notorious feuds from Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia and Florida. This program is a continuation of his presentation dedicated to all who suffered emotional or physical injury or death related to the troubled times 150 years ago in our nation's history.

Peter P. Mullen, Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, has an extensive professional background from teaching biology to medical technologist to Professor of medical lab science. He lives in Callahan, FL.

News from the Board of Directors:

- Two people have agreed to split the job of Membership Chairperson: Jim Bruce will be doing the computer part of the job (maintaining addresses, printing mailing labels, etc.), and Dee Slagle will be welcoming and signing up new members and taking care of the name tags worn at meetings. Carol and Bob we miss you, and hope you are enjoying your new home in LaGrange, GA. Bob's previous job of putting out books at meetings is now being done by Hoyt Carney. Buddy Sullivan was elected to fulfill Carol Churi's term as Board Member. Thanks to all for agreeing to take on these new assignments. We appreciate it immensely.
- The slate of officers as proposed by the nominating committee for 2012-2014 were elected as presented at the June picnic:

Secretary: Harriet Roberson

Board Members: Betty Ewing, Walter Pitts, Dee Slagle, Carole

Williams

- A new file cabinet has been purchased for the Archives building, as more information is being added regularly. Book sales are also booming.
- Sales are humming on the afghan project. In fact, if you want an afghan either green or cranberry you'd better get yours soon, as we have only about a dozen left.



FIELD TRIP NEWS: On Wednesday, September 5, a group from LAHS joined Kelly Tours, which picked us up at South Newport, and visited the Charleston Tea Plantation on Wadmalaw Island outside of Charleston. We had an interesting tour which explained the tea-making process, a visit to the fields to see the tea in its various stages, the rooting of the tea plants, and then the gift shop with all the

tea items and flavors. We visited the giant oak near there which covered several acres. Those attending were: Jack and Jo Godfrey, Tommy and Mary Anne Harper, Dan and Julie Good, Hoyt and Martha Carney, Harriet Roberson, and two of her daughters, Laura McIntosh and Tyler Roberson. A wonderful time was had by all, and we were sorry that several others who wanted to go were unable to as Kelly Tours changed the day on us at the last minute. Our next trip slated for early spring will be announced in the next newsletter ---- please stay tuned for further news of an exciting adventure!

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

It is always a pleasure to welcome new members:

Yvonne Carter, Darien

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COMING EVENTS:

Saturday, November 10, 10 am - 4 Pm, FORT KING GEORGE STATE HISTORIC SITE, The Debatable Land – Autumn Encampment, a wide range of living history presentations will be given highlighting all the various cultures and peoples that inhabited our region before Georgia was established in the 1730's. A battle reenactment will take place at 2 pm.

May - June, 2013 - MAJOR EVENTS TO COMMEMORATE THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE "BURNING OF DARIEN" by Union troops on June 11, 1863. More info will follow in the coming months!

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE IN JANUARY

Life Membership - \$250 Corporate - \$100 Individual - \$15 Family - \$20 Student - \$5

Make your check payable to LAHS, P.O. Box 1405, Darien 31305, or give to Dee Slagle, Co-Membership Chairperson, or Betty Cleveland, Treasurer.

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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.

A Colonial Christmas at Fort King George

Saturday, December 8 7 pm - 8:30 pm

Join the garrison for a traditional dinner in the soldiers' barracks and an evening of colonial style Yule Tide jollification. \$35 per person for the dinner.

RSVP.

OUR ARCHIVES/LIBRARY BUILDING, ON THE GROUNDS OF FORT KING GEORGE HISTORIC SITE, IS OPEN

FROM
11:00 A.M.
TO
3:00 P.M.





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