

Historical Happenings

C R A W F O R D C O U N T Y H I S T O R I C A L S O C I E T Y

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Peaches to Beaches Yard Sale
- Weird Georgia
- Old Courthouse Update
- Great American Clean Up 2007
- Chicken Que Supplies Needed!

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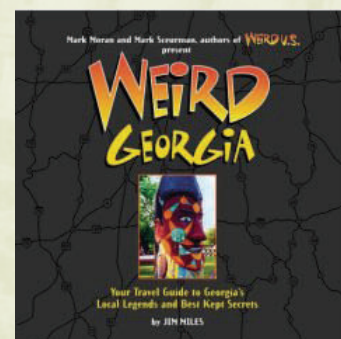
MARCH GUEST SPEAKER

Ever heard of the book "Weird Georgia" by Jim Miles? Weird Georgia: Close Encounters, Strange Creatures, and Unexplained Phenomena. Well it's all here in this wonderful book! Get your copy today or come to our March meeting to get yours signed! I've only just recently read the book, thanks to Elaine, and I've already learned the following: In the 1950's Georgia Senator Richard B. Russell witnessed two UFOs during a tour of the Soviet Union, which may have made Senator Russell weird, depending on your beliefs where UFOs are concerned, but not necessarily Georgia. Apparently long-dead Native Americans have been heard wailing in the pre-dawn hours at

Macon's Ocmulgee Mounds. Apparently folk in Georgia regularly succumb to inexplicable odors that sicken them, even in locations as improbable - or perhaps probable - as a Marta Train. Atlanta, ICK! There is an allegation that a UFO crashed in rural Heard County, Georgia in 1977 and was later recovered. One day in 1987, a house in Atlanta *bled*. *Ok, right?!?!?!?*

Anyway, be sure you join us at the March meeting to find out all about Weird Georgia!

The meeting will be held at the Civic Center on March 27th at 5:30 pm. Please bring some type of finger food for everyone to snack on.



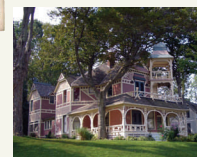
What a book!...

JANUARY GUEST SPEAKER MR. PAT ROYS

Mr. Pat Roys spoke of 19th Century Romance, a story about his great grandparents at our January meeting. If you missed it, you missed a great story. It was an exciting meeting for all. Got an idea for a program for another month? If so, please contact Kim at 836-3121 or

Elaine at 836-3029.

Mr. Pat Roys...
A 19th Century Romance...



JUSTAJOY.COM

JustaJoy.com - A new website meant to be an artifact matching service designed for families who are searching for original, authentic items that belonged to their ancestors. "Orphaned" surname-related American History items are consigned to the site from reputable antique dealers and indexed by sur-

name. The site has more than 1000 items related to nearly 10,000 surnames. Launched on January 16, 2007, JustaJoy.com is the concept of Joy Shivar, owner of JustaJoy Historical Treasures, an antiques business that specializes in items from the Civil War, America's colonial period, the World Wars, black history and

other artifacts of America's history.

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800-211-3560

JustaJoy.com...

GEORGIA JUGFEST

*"Join us for
Lunch & Learn
and Pot Luck
Pottery ID"*

Georgia JugFest will be held this year on May 19th. Festivities will start on May 16th with the Foundation's annual Lunch & Learn with guest speaker Dan Elliot. Call Kim to make your reservations at 550-2017. On May 17th we will have Pot Luck Pottery ID with guest speaker Dr. Joe Joseph of New South Associates which is woman-owned small business spe-

cializing in the archaeology, history, architectural history, and preservation planning of the Eastern United States and Caribbean. For the Pot Luck Pottery ID you need to call Kim at 550-2017 to reserve your spot then just bring your pottery and a pot luck dish. On the 19th the historical society will have our annual chicken

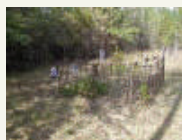
sell tickets for. Also on the 19th will be the foundation's annual pottery auction. If you have questions about any event, please let me know!



ADOPT A CEMETERY

The Crawford County Historical Society currently cares for six local cemeteries and we need your help!. It is getting more and more expensive every day to care for them. Would you be interested in adopting one and caring for it? There are a few ways this can be done. You can do it yourself, pay someone to do it, or pay the Historical Society to do it. If we can get some participation,

maybe we can even start caring for more local cemeteries! There are many in this area that need a lot of TLC. If you are interested in adopting a local cemetery, please call Kim @ 836-3121 or Elaine @ 836-3029.



*Interested in adopting
a local cemetery?*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January

03—Kim Gordon

09—Deloris Roys

February

01—Mona Lowe

02—Bill Neace

March

03—Betty Hammer

13—Melinda Horne

18—Betty Harris

22—Nita Walker

April

21—Pete Carroll

23—Brent Gordon

May

05—Pat Keller

17—BJ Bassett

June

02—Charlie Harris

10—Elaine Westberry

16—Patricia Bassett

17—Clifford Byrd

18—Kathleen Cook

July

07—Martha Carter

18—DeLores Smith

August

30—Jeanette Roach

30—Pat Roys

September

03—Jim Horne

07—Carolina Rucks

October

18—Jane Hampton

24—David Lowe

November

18—Faye Parker

18—Doug Preston

December

04—Ed Gordon

12—Sherri Childres

13—Charles Westberry

24—Libby Scarborough

If I don't have your Birthday listed, please let me know when it is.

Kim



OLD COURTHOUSE UPDATE

We have to make a decision on the date we want to restore the old courthouse back to and we need your help. Got any old photos from inside the courtroom? When were the dormers put on the building? Where they removed because of a fire? Please look through your old things and see if you have any information that may help us.

Have some free time you can spend at the Library? Can you look through old newspapers there? We could use some folks that have a little time to spend researching to help us out. There is no December meeting scheduled for the Historic Crawford Foundation, Inc.



Photo by Kim Gordon



Have time to do a little research?

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The Crawford County Historical Society currently has 47 paid members for 2006. We need to get our membership numbers up higher so we have more people to help with our events. Don't forget that we offer student memberships for \$5.00 per year!

The Historic Crawford Foundation, Inc. currently has 24 paid

members for 2006. We also need to work on our membership for the foundation as this money all goes towards nothing but the old Courthouse.

If anyone has any ideas for membership drives, please let Membership Chair Kim Gordon know as soon as possible.



Photos by Kim Gordon

Members hard at work!

PEACHES TO THE BEACHES YARD SALE

The historical society has decided to join in with the "Peaches to the Beaches" yard sale going on this weekend on March 9th and 10th. We desperately need volunteers to man the booth. We plan to load Elaine's truck Thursday evening after 5:00 pm at the old Courthouse and then we need to be at the old Liberty Auto Parts lot at 7:00 am Friday morning to unload.

Schedule
Friday
 8-12—Betty Harris
 8-12—Nita Walker
 12-3—Vacant
 12-3—Vacant
 3-6—Brent Gordon
 3-6—Ed Gordon
Saturday
 8-12—Clifford Byrd
 8-12—Vacant
 12-3—Kathleen Cook
 12-3—Vacant
 3-6—Vacant
 3-6—Vacant

Please contact Kim at 550-2017 or
 kimeye1@bellsouth.net to
 volunteer!

*Calling for
 volun-
 teers...*



2007 GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP

*"Everyone needs
 to pitch in for
 the 2007 Great
 American
 Cleanup"*

This year for our part of the 2007 Great American Cleanup we will be cleaning the old Courthouse grounds. This will take place on 28th beginning at 9:00 am. Bring your brooms and rakes and whatever else you think we might need! We need your help, come on out and let's make the old Courthouse look nice!



2007 MEETING SCHEDULE

2007 Historical Society
 meeting dates are:

March 27

April 24

May 22

June 26

July 24

August 28

September 25

October 23

November 27

Meetings are held at the
 headquarters building at
 5:30 PM each of the days
 listed.

2007 Historic Crawford Foun-
 dation meeting dates are:

March 12

April 9

May 14

June 11

July 9

August 13

September 10

October 8

November 12

Meetings are held at
 Roberta City Hall at
 5:30 PM each of the
 days listed.

ANNUAL CHICKEN QUE SUPPLIES NEEDED

Our annual Chicken Que will be held this year on May 19th. We need supplies! Won't you volunteer something on our list? If so, please let us know! Besides the items on this list, please remember that each of us is to bring at least a gallon of tea, lemonade, and pre bagged cake slices.

- 100 pounds cabbage
- Pre cut wax paper sheets
- Disposable gloves
- Salt & Pepper
- 3 gallons mayonnaise
- 2 gallons relish
- 2 pounds carrots
- 10 pounds sugar
- Tea cups
- 3 gallons Mrs. Griffin's BBQ sauce
- 4 pounds margarine
- 3 gallons oil (cheap)
- 3 gallons ketchup
- 4 gallons dill chips
- 5 gallons vinegar (cheap)

"Help!"



2007 DUES

Dues are past due for 2007.

Remember, if you join the foundation, you are automatically a member of the historical society as well. Make checks payable to which one you want to join.

Please send dues to:
CCHS or HCF
PO Box 622
Roberta, GA 31078-0622

Dues are as follows:

Foundation:

Student Membership: \$10.00
Individual Membership: \$35.00
Family Membership: \$50.00
Patron Membership: \$100.00
Sponsor Membership: \$250.00
Benefactor Membership: \$500.00
Corporate Membership: \$1,000.00

Historical Society:

Student Membership: \$5.00
Individual Membership: \$15.00
Couple Membership (Husband & Wife): \$25.00
Business/Institutional Membership: \$50.00
Sustaining Membership: \$75.00
Life Membership (In one payment): \$250.00

*"It's that time
of year again"*

CRAWFORD COUNTY WEBSITES

Crawford County Historical Society

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~gacchs/>

Historic Crawford Foundation, Inc.

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~gahcf/>

Crawford County AHGP

<http://www.usgenet.org/usa/ga/county/crawford/index.htm>

Crawford County GAGenWeb

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~gacrawf2/>

Crawford County Saving Graves

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~gaccsg/>

Roberta/Crawford County Chamber of Commerce

<http://robertacrawfordchamber.org/>

Crawford County Extension

<http://www.ugaextension.com/crawford/>

WE'RE ON THE WEB!
WWW.ROOTSWEB.COM/~GACCHS/



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History and Preservation from The Crawford County

Historical Society in Crawford County, Georgia, USA

A major part of the Historical Society's mission is to promote an appreciation for historic structures, artifacts and records. Recognizing the relevance these treasures hold for today and the future, we want to encourage protection, use and responsible community development. We are working closely with the Regional Development Commission, the Georgia Historical Society, and the Georgia Trust for historic Preservation in identification and stewardship of these treasures. Join us today!

**CCHS Meetings are the 4th Tuesday,
5:30 PM, Historical Society Headquarters**

We still have ornaments for sale:

- #1—Old Courthouse—2003
- #2—Roberta Depot—2004
- #3—Roberta Civic Center—2005
- #4—Knoxville Journal—2006

Crawford County was created from Houston County in 1822. It was named for United States Secretary of War and Treasury **William Harris Crawford**. Before 1822, the area was inhabited by the Muskogee people, called Creeks by the Europeans.

P R E S I D E N T I A L P O N D E R I N G S

Dear Members,

Spring is near! We have much to do in the coming months. Please consider volunteering your time for a worthy cause. I appreciate each and every one of you!

Kim Gordon
President, CCHS

The historic Crawford County Jail and the Knoxville Journal Building are open for the 2007 season. The schedule has been mailed so be sure you open the buildings when you are scheduled. If you cannot, please be sure to call another member about switching days. We appreciate your support!



**Old Knoxville Journal
Old Jail**