



THE PEACOCK QUILL



Whitfield-Murray Historical Society

November 2010

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Fri./Sat., Nov. 12-13:**
Reopening of refurbished Blunt House, Hamilton House, & Archives
- **Sat./Sun., Dec. 4-5,**
1:00-5:00 p.m.:
Holiday House at the Wright Hotel & Chatsworth Depot
- **Fri./Sat., Dec. 10-11,**
5:00-8:00 p.m.:
Candlelight tours of the Vann House

See WMHS Current Events on Facebook!

Become a fan of the Whitfield-Murray Historical Society Page! We are already 1,000+ fans strong! You'll receive the latest updates & photos.

You can also become a Facebook fan of the Chief Vann House.

CAN YOU DONATE THESE ITEMS?

- Screen & projector for DVD's
- Gently used folding chairs & tables

AT LAST! REOPENING ON NOV. 12 & 13

The grand reopening of the History Center & Archives, Blunt House, & Historic Hamilton House is Fri., Nov. 12, 5:00-8:00 p.m. & Sat., Nov. 13, 12:00-6:00 p.m. This event is part of the Dalton area Sesquicentennial Civil War Celebration kickoff. Following the 10 a.m. Veterans' Parade downtown on Sat., the Colonial Dames will present a marker at the Hamilton House.

At the Blunt House, new siding (hand-cut to match the 1848 size!) has replaced deteriorated boards on the north & south sides; & the entire house has been painted. Unexpected structural damage was found when our contractor began to work on the front porch. More funds are needed not only to finish paying the original estimate, but also to repair the front porch so it is safe, repaired, & painted.

At the Hamilton House, you'll note the new roof & new back porch that camouflages the steel-braced west wall. Inside, fresh paint & the beginnings of a refurbished look are evident.

The old Crown Mill office will look as it might have appeared in the 1920's. Period music & hosts dressed as mill employees will add to the atmosphere.

Colonial Dames Will Present Marker at Historic Hamilton House

The Colonial Dames will present a marker in front of Hamilton House at noon on Sat., Nov. 13. The marker reads:

HAMILTON HOUSE
Dalton's oldest brick house built in 1840 on a Cherokee Improvement purchased by John Hamilton from Absolom Holcomb. House served as a hospital during War Between the States. The grounds used as campsite by Brig. Gen. John Lewis KY Orphan Brigade
With respectful remembrance
CDXVIIC – Giles Webb Chapter
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TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS HELP YOU & US!

As we maintain our properties to insure their use in future generations, we partner with our members & our community. Tax-deductible gifts are welcome at any contribution level & may be earmarked for sponsorship of specific sites in either county.

Just as important as money is the time donated by our many volunteers. We truly have a job for every ability level. If you love local history & want to contribute, just talk with Erik to discover the niche for you.

THANK YOU FOR THE DONATIONS!!

Many thanks to those of you who have already made your 2010 donations!

TO OLD SPRING PLACE METHODIST CHURCH

- Spring Place United Methodist Church congregation--upkeep of the Old Spring Place Methodist Church.
- Tommie Headrick & Yvette Franklin--books from the Colvard Estate.
- Mr. John Brownell from Westville, FL--five old singing convention songbooks.

TO HAMILTON HOUSE

- Bruce Davies
- James & Rethia Spence --In honor of Howard Hamilton
- Ellen K. Thompson--In honor of Sarah T. Swanner & Mary Gene Dykes & in memory of Emily Davies

TO BLUNT HOUSE

- Carlene C. Blunt
- John T. Blunt
- Moses Bond
- Conrad Easley
- Peggy Glaze
- Marvin & Joanne Lewis
- Reece McWilliams, Sr.
- Marvin Sowder
- Frances B. Steinwedell
- Ethel Sumner
- Ellen K. Thompson—in honor of Joanne Lewis & Jean Manly

TO GENERAL FUND

- Wayne & Judy Alderman
- Marilyn Arthur
- BB & T of Dalton
- William Bain
- Idawee Bowen--In memory of Marvin Green
- Melissa Burchfield
- Community Foundation of Northwest Georgia
- Dalton Home & Garden Club
- Tim Howard--In memory of Jan McNeill's father, Laura Ballew, & Mildred Brown.
- Susan Keith
- The Lesche
- Little Rome, Inc.

- Carolyn Martin--In memory of Tammy Brindle
 - Nathan Matthews
 - Kevin McAuliff
 - Al & Joan McGovern
 - Jan McNeill
 - Virgelia Meek
 - Fran Moore
 - Mark Pace
 - Martha Robertson
 - Ethel Sumner
 - United Way of Northwest Georgia
 - Denise Wood
- ### TO ARCHIVES
- Betty Bowling—in memory of Homer & Mamie Smith
 - Marc & Penny Carpenter
 - City of Dalton
 - Bernice Crumbley—in memory of Marla Hendricks
 - Bruce Davies—in memory of Emily Hamilton Davies
 - D/M Donald Felker—in memory of Dr. Felker's parents
 - Nancy Gregg—in memory of L. N. "Smiley" Gregg
 - D/M Scott Hannah—in memory of their parents
 - M/M Paul Houston—in memory of M/M Glenn Howard
 - Juanita Hughes—in memory of Samuel Waters
 - In memory of T. R. Jones by his great-grandchildren: Patricia Bethel, Jamie Jones, Jeane Jones, Frances Lewis, Cathy Rauschenberg, & Henrietta Turley.
 - Marvin & Joanne Lewis—in honor of Jean Manly
 - McDaniel Family Foundation
 - Ellen K. Thompson—in memory of her parents, Edd & Sue Keith, & in memory of Helen Shope.

Condolences to . . .

- * Sam & Greg Brown in the death of their grandmother & mother, Mildred Brown.

Welcome, New Member!

- * Mary King Giddens, Sylvester, GA

JOIN OUR NEW FRIENDS GROUPS FOR HAMILTON HOUSE & BLUNT HOUSE!



RACHEL'S STARS WILL SUPPORT CONTINUED PRESERVATION AT THE HISTORIC HAMILTON HOUSE.



MISS EMERY'S STUDENTS WILL SUPPORT CONTINUED PRESERVATION AT THE HISTORIC BLUNT HOUSE.

**Dues are \$5 each or 5 hrs. of work.
\$10 for both or 10 hrs. of work.**

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