

NEWSLETTER

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Meetings are held at the Historic Courthouse on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. The Society extends a hearty welcome to all.

LAHS Meeting, April 15,1993: Nomination of Officers and three Board Members for 1993-94

"Historical Archaeology in Coastal Georgia" will be presented by Professor Ann Yentsch,PhD. Dr. Yentsch is Professor of Historical Archaeology at Armstrong College, Savannah, Georgia, she also teaches extension classes at Brunswick College.

Dr. Yentsch a native of the New England States was awarded her doctorate of philosophy by Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. She has conducted extensive seventeenth and eighteenth century research in Plymouth Colony, Massachusetts and in the Chesapeake area. Dr. Yentsch has written a book on Eighteenth Century Maryland which is being published by Cambridge University Press.

LAHS Meeting, May 20,1993: The election of Officers will be held.

"LAHS ANNUAL MEETING" President, Mattie Gladstone will present the Annual Report for 1992-93 LAHS Year.

SPECIAL INTEREST

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Historic Preservation Section has granted CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT STATUS to the City of Darien, Georgia.

Darien is one of two Coastal Georgia Cities to achieve this distinctive award, the other city is St.Marys, Georgia. Because of this Certification, Historic Grants are now available to Darien for Historic Preservation.

The Darien Historic Commission is congratulated on recommending and having approved : Vernon Square-Columbus Square areas as a local historic district. This local historic district is also on The National Register of Historic Places.

COUNTY HISTORY IN 3rd EDITION The official book of history of McIntosh County and Sapelo Island has been issued in a new, expanded edition, it was announced recently by the McIntosh County Board of Commissioners, publishers of the book.

"Early Days on the Georgia Tidewater, The Story of McIntosh County and Sapelo", was first issued in December 1990 as a 784-page first edition. A second edition was published in September 1991 in 824 pages. The new third edition is 848 pages with an expanded text and index.

The author of the book is Darien News Editor Buddy Sullivan, a McIntosh County native who has spent seven years of intensive research into the history of Sapelo Island and McIntosh County.

The new material in the third edition appendices includes a selection of excerpts from the long-obscure antebellum plantation journal of Roswell King, Jr., 1845-1854, recently located by the author in the Louisiana State archives; excerpts from the writings of Georgia Bryan Conrad of Broughton Island plantation; new interpretations of the Butler's Island plantation journal by Frances Anne Kemble; documentary material on Altamaha River rice plantations; new material