

NEWSLETTER

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Meetings are held at the Ida Milton Library, Haynes Auditorium, on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM. The Society extends a hearty welcome to all.

LANS Meeting, June 16, 1994, 7:30 P.M.: Roswell, Georgia will be the subject of the program that will be presented by Mr. Carl Owens. Carl Owens was graduated from Georgia Tech with degrees in both Electrical Engineering and Industrial Engineering. His Consulting firm in Roswell, services mainly industrial clients. He is active in the Roswell Historical Society, Chattahoochee Nature Center in Roswell, and the Rotary Club. He will use slides to tell the story of Roswell which was established in 1837 by Roswell King of Darien. King was Major Pierce Butler's man of business and overseer of Butler Island. Roswell contains many antebellum houses including Bullock Hall, built by Theodore Roosevelt's grandfather.

LANS Meeting, July 31, 1994, 7:30 P.M.: The program will be "The History of Ashantilly," presented by William G. Haynes, Jr. Ashantilly was built in Darien by Thomas Spalding of Sapelo Island ca. 1820. It has been the home of William G. Haynes, Jr. since 1918 when his parents moved from South Carolina to Darien and purchased this fine old mansion, Bill Haynes was 10 years old. The making of Tabby, which is the main building material of Ashantilly will also be explained.

With the encouragement of his parents and sisters, in 1927 Bill went to New York City to attend Art School. He was fortunate to have a job at the New York City Public Library, located at 42nd Street and 5th Avenue, Manhattan Island. In this environment he was exposed to the great art and literature of the past and the present. After serving in the U.S. Army (1941-1945), Bill returned to Manhattan to study Commercial Art at Cooper Union School. During this time, the art of printing and setting type was introduced into the life of Bill Haynes. After 3 years work on the Frick Catalogue, Bill and his wife Natalie, returned to Ashantilly and started the Ashantilly Press, in 1955. William G. Haynes lives today at Ashantilly, surrounded by his books and art and actively contributes to his community, his church and his fellowman.

LANS Meeting, May 19, 1994, 7:30 P.M.: The program will be "Invisible Americans: American Indians in Georgia" presented by Bryan G. Garrison, Assistant Professor, University of Georgia, Department of Anthropology. Professor Garrison has been made available to LANS from the Franklin College Outreach Program of the University of Georgia.

Reading from "Early Days on the Georgia Tidewater", we are informed "The Chale Indians came first. Evidence of their presence in the land that is now McIntosh County is plentiful and well-documented. The name "Chale" came to designate both the Georgia barrier islands and the coastal Creek Indians whose territory it was before the arrival of the Europeans."

SPECIAL EVENTS:

June 18, 1994-McIntosh County Day on Sapelo--Boat leaves dock 9:00 A.M.--
First 100 people to sign up will go--tour Big House, Light House, Beach,
Lunch will be served.