The Altamaha Echoes

Lower Altamaha Historical Society Newsletter April 1999

LAHS MEETING, APRIL 15, 1999, 7:00 P.M.-HAYNES AUDITORIUM **HOSPITALITY:**

DUTCH TREAT SUPPER, 5:45 P.M. AT ARCHIE'S

"Historical Cemeteries of the South: A Photographic Tour" will be the program presented by W. Todd Groce, executive director of the Georgia Historical Society.

Dr. Groce was born in Virginia and grew up in Tennessee. He holds three degrees in History, including a Ph.D from the University of Tennessee. Before coming to the Georgia Historical Society in 1995, Dr. Groce taught history for three years at the University of Tennessee and then served five years as executive director of the East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville.

Dr. Groce is well published with articles, book reviews, and book. These publications are mainly devoted to the Confederacy and Civil War History. In 1997, he was appointed to the Georgia State Civil War Commission by House Speaker Tom Murphy. He frequently lectures on the South and U.S. military history.

The election of Officers for 1999-00 and three Board of Directors for 1999-01 will be held at the LAHS Meeting on April 15. In addition to the slate of Officers and Board of Directors submitted by the 1999 Nominating Committee, nominations for these positions will be accepted from the floor. Nominations will be accepted for any LAHS member in good standing that has given their consent for this nomination.

The 1999 Nominating Committee, Berkley Minor, Chairman, Fanning, ye Traer, Dyson Flanders, submit the following slate of persons for LAHS consideration:

OFFICERS 1999-2000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1999-2001

Buddy Sullivan

Dyson Flanders

Vice-President Ed Meyers Secretary

Treasurer

Ann Baggett Honey Fanning

President-

Constance Johnson Don McClain

CONFEDERATE HISTORY AND HERITAGE MONTH APRIL

1999

CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL DAY APRIL 26

For several years, LAHS member Everett Moriarty has honored, remembered and recognized the Confederate Veterans of McIntosh County. Each year on April 26, Confederate Memorial Day, a basket of flowers is placed on the Confederate Monument at the McIntosh County Courthouse, and over 120 Confederate Flags are placed on the graves of McIntosh County Confederate Veterans. The cemeteries where you may observe these flags are: St. Andrews, Ebenezer, Upper Mill, Holland, Plum Orchard, Young Island, McIntosh Family, Baillie Plantation, Reynolds Chapel, Robson Family. SAPELO ISLAND National Estuarine Research Reserve

Sapelo Island enables visitors to see virtually every facet of a barrier islands's natural community, from

the diversified wildlife of the forested uplands, to the vast expanses of salt marsh and the complex

beach and dunes systems. The Visitor Center, located near the mainland ferry dock brings to life both the natural and cultural history of Sapelo, while guided tours of the island enable visitors to experience the African-American community of Hog Hammock , the University of Georgia Marine Institute , the Reynolds Mansion and Sapelo Island's 1820 Lighthouse.

SAPELO ISLAND VISITORS CENTER 912 437 3224 in Meridian is open daily except Mondays. This interpretive center for Sapelo has much to offer .Reservations for the four hour regular tours of the Island on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays and the six hour extended tour on the last Tuesday of each month are made here. Sapelo Island Visitors Center also has the information on special group tours and School Field Trips and privately owned and operated opportunities and activities at Sapelo Island. A Gift Shop which includes Books, Art Objects, Pictures and Posters and wearing apparel is available at the Visitors Center.

SAPELO ISLAND NATIONAL ESTUARINE RESEARCH RESERVE P.O. Box 15, Sapelo Island, Ga. 31327 Phone 912 485 2251, FAX: 485 2141

The SINERR is managed by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Division, and is administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

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Special Events for March and April

March 20 <u>Struggle for the Georgia Coast</u> 10am-5pm

Throughout the early 1700's the area in which Fort King George stood was known as the "Disputed Territory" All three of Europe's mightiest powers, England, France, and