Mark your calendar

June meeting Wednesday June 14 Flag Day Wednesday June 14 Independence Day Tuesday July 4 No DRGHS meeting in July or August September meeting Wednesday Sept. 13

JUNE, JULY and AUGUST IN MISSISSIPPI HISTORY

**June 1822** The “Poindexter Code,” prepared by Gov. George Poindexter at the legislature’s request, has served as model for subsequent editions of the Mississippi Code.

**June 3, 1903** Designed by renowned architect Theodore C. Link of St. Louis, the New Capitol was constructed 1901-1903 and dedicated before a crowd of 20,000 to 25,000 people. By tradition, all of the capitol’s nearly 5,000 light bulbs are illuminated to mark the first day of the legislative session.

**June 1, 1929** Mississippi’s earliest commercial airfield, Hawkins Field, opens for passenger service in Jackson. Delta Air Service, now Delta Air Lines, operated the first passenger flights from Dallas to Jackson.

**July 8, 1889**  The last bare-knuckle heavyweight world championship was fought at Richburg near Hattiesburg. Famous boxer John L. Sullivan defeated Jake Kilrain after 75 rounds in front of 3,000 spectators.

**July 3, 1924** Sam Rosenthal was elected mayor of Rolling Fork. “Mr. Sam” would serve as mayor for the next 45 years, guiding the town through the 1927 Flood, the Great Depression and the Civil Rights Era.

**July 1, 1928** The first issue of Mississippi Market Bulletin was published. This publication still helps farmers and others sell and exchange farm goods and products.

**August 14, 1814**  Creeks cede 23 million acres in the Treaty of Fort Jackson. This gain in U.S. land prompted thousands of immigrants to pour into the region, leading to the eventual formation of the states of Mississippi (1817) and Alabama (1819).

**August 18, 1920** Women win the right to vote. Although the required three-fourths of the states ratified the 19th Amendment granting suffrage to women, Mississippi did not ratify it until 1984.

**August 31, 1936** A mechanical cotton picker was demonstrated at Delta Experimentation Station near Leland. The demonstration by brothers John and Mack Rust attracted national press and signaled a dramatic shift in the future of cotton farming.

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**This newsletter will be taking a summer break also. Next edition will be 1st week of September.**

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