

# DANCING RABBIT GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

APRIL 2021

## *President's Message*

Hello and Welcome Spring.

In spite of storms and the threats of tornadoes, Mississippi is a wonderful place to be this time of year. The grass is lush and the beautiful egret has returned to the pond on Red Dog Road. We see him only during certain months. I don't know why.

Our April meeting has been changed to Friday, April 23, beginning at 1 PM. There will be a piano concert by Irene Martin. She is well known for her performances and her talent. The performance will last 45 minutes and refreshments will be served after the concert. The Henderson family has been invited so that we may thank them for the beautiful gift of a silver service. It was given in loving memory of Dorothy, Hudson, and John Kent. We are grateful and wish to honor their family.

At this time we are happy for our members and their guests to enjoy the Sudduth House for small private gatherings. While we are not yet prepared to be a venue for others in the community, the house is ready for small private functions for our members. If you should want to have a small event, please contact me at 601-900-9767 and we will work with our calendars.

Guidelines for use of the house are as follows:



**Friday, April 23, 2021**

**1 PM**

**Eads-Mansell-Sudduth House**

**309 N. Van Buren Street**

**Carthage, MS**

1. All events must be approved by the Board.
2. No alcohol may be part of the celebration.
3. No lighted materials may be used at the event, such as candles, etc. No smoking in the house or on the outside property.
4. Any food that is part of the celebration must be removed from the house after the event.
5. The Research Room is not available at this time; it is a work in progress.
6. Cleaning up is the responsibility of the member who is hosting the event.
7. Any damage or problem must be reported to a Board member immediately.
8. When arranging for your event, I will meet to share with you how the house works.
9. The kitchen is being prepared so you will have space for your event and your guests. This home is very special and should be enjoyed by our members and their guests.
10. No parking on the lawn.

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NOTE: There will be a \$ 15.00 fee for Sudduth House use by our members; however, when we move toward a community venue, this fee will change. Members and guests will fall under the contractual guidelines and fees as established at that time. .

Spring cleaning is in progress. The front closet has been cleaned out and the storage shed has been improved until a new permanent building is available. Furniture is being rearranged to accommodate our ability to serve members and to make life at Sudduth more efficient.

We will return to our regular meeting schedule (second Wednesday of the month) in May and we are planning a schedule of interesting speakers and topics.

All in all, we are making great strides and look forward to seeing all of you on April 23.

HAPPY SPRING

Susie

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

DRGHS Meeting	Friday	April 23
Mother's Day	Sunday	May 9
DRGHS Meeting	Wednes.	May 12
Memorial Day	Monday	May 31
DRGHS Meeting	Wednes.	June 9

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## April in Mississippi History

### April 7, 1798

Congress establishes Mississippi Territory, including portions of present-day Alabama and Mississippi. The territory was governed by a ruling council comprised of a governor, a secretary and 3 judges. Natchez was selected as territorial capital. President John Adams appointed Winthrop Sargent as first territorial governor.

### April 1813

U. S. forces capture Mobile from the Spanish. Spain no longer controlled any part of Mississippi Territory.

History (cont.)

### April 1825

Marquis de Lafayette visits Natchez. The visit of the Revolutionary War ally was considered one of the social events of the decade.

### April 12, 1861

The Civil War begins when Confederate forces opened fire on Fort Sumter in Charleston, S.C.

### April 1862

The Union Army, with 100,000 troops, began the siege of Corinth, MS, an important railroad crossroad.

### April 1865

After Robert E. Lee's surrender at Appomattox Courthouse, VA, Confederate forces began surrendering. General Joseph E. Johnston surrendered the Army of Tennessee to General Sherman at Durham, N.C. Lieutenant General Richard Taylor surrendered all forces in the Confederate Department of Alabama, Mississippi and East Louisiana.

*From Mississippi History Timeline. MDAH*

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