

DANCING RABBIT GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

January/February 2017

President's Message

Greetings,

We began the new year with our annual business meeting on January 11 where we closed out 2016 business and discussed plans for a great year in 2017. As we start the new year the first order of business is to renew our memberships. Many of you have already done so. **If you have not, please do so as DRGHS dues are due January 1st.**

As always we need to get our program calendar filled for the upcoming year. Bob Cauthen (Mississippi author and DRGHS member) will be presenting the program for our February 8th meeting. He will discuss his latest books entitled "Old Structures of North Madison County Mississippi". Culpepper Webb (Mississippi author) will be speaking in March when he will discuss his books. Please think of a program that you can present or get someone to present one for you and sign up now while you have a good choice of months.

The state of Mississippi became a state on December 17, 1817 and we need to start making plans for the 200th year celebration. To do so we need a committee to discuss what we might do. Please contact me if you are willing to serve on this committee.

The foundation company that we have asked to give us a quote for foundation work on the Sudduth House has not done so as yet. I'm exploring others options concerning the work and we will discuss it at a later time. The foundation work will be the greatest expense we will incur. The other repairs and cosmetic work can be done at a reasonable cost. The total renovation cannot be done short term. It will take several years to complete. This restoration is a monumental task for our small group to undertake but it is achievable with the help

See you at the February Meeting



Wednesday, February 8, 2017

1:00 PM

**Carthage-Leake County Library
114 E. Franklin St., Carthage, MS**

of volunteers, donations and the community helping us to save this historical house. It can be a showplace that DRGHS, the city of Carthage and all of Leake County will display with great pride. Working together we can accomplish great things.

Janelle Everett Bryant, editor of the Howling Tigers Newsletter (a newsletter for graduates of CHS), has been very instrumental in getting word out about the acquisition of the Sudduth House and our need for help in this restoration effort. She has provided invaluable suggestions and continues to keep our cause before her readers. We are very grateful for her ongoing help.

DRGHS was well represented on January 21st at the Mississippi Genealogy Society seminar in Jackson. Carolyn Gilchrist, Shirley Jones, Kathy Heidorn, Wayne and Wynell Parrish and I enjoyed lectures by Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS. Joshua Taylor has been a featured genealogist on "Who Do You Think You Are?" and at present time is a host on the popular PBS series "Genealogy Roadshow".

Please come and support Bob as presents his program on February 8th. And bring a friend.

Robert

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

December meeting Wed. December 14

January meeting Wed. January 11, 2017
(Business meeting---no program)

Annual Seminar of MS Genealogical Society
Ag Museum in Jackson Sat. January 21, 2017
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