## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

DRGHS Meeting Wednesday March 8

April Meeting Wednesday April 12

## **March Program**

DRGHS has scheduled Culpepper Webb for our next meeting. Mr. Webb, a Leland native now residing in Madison with his wife Ronda, has authored "Lifted from the Waters" and "In Search of Walker Wells", novels with Mississippi settings. He will describe the process of writing followed by a question and answer session. Please come and bring a friend.

### MISSISSIPPI HISTORY IN MARCH

#### March 3 1817

Mississippi Territory is divided into Alabama Territory and Mississippi.

#### March 8, 1963

James Meredith becomes 1<sup>st</sup> black graduate from Ole Miss.

#### March 12, 1884

Mississippi establishes first U.S. state college for women. Today known as Mississippi University for Women or, more commonly, The "W"

#### March 12, 1894

Coca Cola is sold in bottles for the first time in Vicksburg.

#### March 16, 1995

Mississippi House of Representatives formally abolishes slavery and ratifies the 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

#### March 18, 1541

Hernando De Soto observes the first recorded flood in America, the Mississippi River.

#### March 19, 1687

Explorer Robert Cavalier de LaSalle, searching for the mouth of the Mississippi, was murdered by his own men.

#### March 26, 1804

Congress orders removal of Indians east of the Mississippi to Louisiana.

#### March 30, 1910

Mississippi Legislature founded the University of Southern Mississippi.

**March Birthday** American playwright, Tennessee Williams, born March 26, 1911, in Columbus, MS. Died in 1983 from On This Day.com

Caution You've Just Entered the Genealogy Zone

--Any family tree produces some lemons, nuts and bad apples.

--- Heredity. Everyone believes in it until their children act like fools.

---Hunting season is all year long in genealogy.

---I found a cuckoo's nest in my family tree.

--I looked at my family tree...there were two dogs using it.

---Evolution is God's way of issuing updates. from Metcalf Family Mews

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