

DANCING RABBIT GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

OCTOBER 2015

President's Message

Greetings,

As we approach the end of this year we must start planning for the next year. We need to elect two committees. One is the nominating committee, the second is the membership committee. The nominating committee will need to be elected during the October meeting to allow them to get the slate of officers in place so they can be installed at the meeting in December.

We must also start filling our 2016 program calendar. I have received two requests from persons interested in presenting a program for us. So it is time to start thinking about the program you would like to give and sign up so we can get it on our calendar and web site for the 2016 year,

The weather has begun to get cooler which would make an excellent time for all your cemetery research.

Our Christmas get together is fast approaching so start looking for all those interesting things to bring and share with the group.

Shirley and I were given a package of material on the Barnes community. This material contains detailed information on the old Barnes school and some of the surrounding communities. I have copied it and will give it to Wayne Parrish to include in the Leake County History book material. If you would like a copy let me know.

We celebrate Columbus Day on October 12 this year. This is the day that has been set aside to celebrate the arrival of Christopher Columbus to America on October 12, 1492. This day is celebrated in many countries including the United States, Argentina, Venezuela, Columbia, Chile, Mexico and Spain.

I am looking forward to seeing each of you at our October meeting to learn all about DNA testing.

Robert

See you at the **October Meeting**



Wednesday, October 14, 2015

1:00 PM

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

About Our Program Speaker

Dr. Rebekah Ray, past president of Mississippi Genealogical Society, will present a program on DNA and Genealogy at our October meeting. She is an eighth generation Mississippian whose ancestors came into Mississippi following the signing of the Treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek. Dr. Ray has an undergraduate degree in history from William Carey University, a master's of higher education from Ole Miss, and a master's and doctorate in communications from USM. She has worked in public relations and communications for 30 years, as a practitioner and a college professor.

DAR, Colonial Dames XVII Century, Founders and Patriots, Southern Dames, Daughters of the American Colonists, and Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge are some of the genealogical and historical societies of which Dr. Ray is a member. She has 20 ancestors, including two colonial ministers, who have been recognized by DAR for their services to the American Revolution.

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