



Guale News

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SOCIETY TO MEET

Tuesday, March 12th, St. Marys City Library

7:00 p.m.

Executive Session 6:30 p.m.



Former Guale Historical Society President John Bailey in typical Confederate uniform such as seen in the video Archibald Jared, to be shown at the Society meeting on March 12th.

PROGRAM:

Ceremonies For Private Archibald Jared

Thanks to the electronic marvel VCR, Guale Historical Society members will be participating in re-burial services of Confederate soldier Jared in the neighboring state of Tennessee.

This video, presented to Guale Member Alton Murray by Jared's great, great nephew Bert Jared, portrays the homecoming of Jared's body from a Macon, Georgia cemetery where he was buried after being killed in battle near Atlanta. He was a member of the 28th Tennessee Infantry.

The film begins at the site of the Battle of Murfreesboro where Bert Jared relates the background of the search for his uncle—then moves to the family plot. Here costume and music of the 1860's allows the viewer to participate in a bit of living history as a fallen soldier returns home.

You will want to see this program!

WHY GUALE?

New members of Guale Historical Society are asking the whys of its name. Pronounced "Walley", this strange-sounding word was the name of an Indian chief on St. Catherine's Island. According to the writings of coastal historian Margaret Cate, the Indians attached this name to any territory wherever they settled, which was throughout the coastal region of Georgia.

In time Guale tribes merged with the Yemassee and the name Guale disappeared. Until ten years ago, it was believed that no Guale Indians ever settled south of the Satilla River, but archaeological studies at Kings Bay proved this wrong and they did indeed live in the southern part of Camden County as well as points north. Guale is a suitable name for the society since its interests reach far outside the bounds of Camden County.

WANTED:

Volume I issues of Guale News. Society President and Archives Chairman John Christian needs the past issues for the Society scrapbook. Please check your collections and if you have even a single issue, he will appreciate having it.

WANTED:

Help with Orange Hall Museum area. Museum Chairman Dorsey Harris would like volunteers to assist in bringing the museum section of Orange Hall up-to-date. If you type signs, organize displays or just like "old stuff", please contact Dorsey at 882-5697. He and the Orange Hall committee will be grateful.

WANTED:

Recipes. The deadline for favorite recipes to be used in an Orange Hall cookbook has been extended to March 30th. If you haven't yet submitted yours, please write them up. Place your name, address and phone number on each sheet and leave at Orange Hall or mail to Marjorie Waters, P.O. Box 1091, St. Marys, GA 31558.

WANTED:

Vintage Clothing, Old Jewelry, Grooming Aids from early days through the 1930's. These will be displayed upstairs at Orange Hall and may be donated or placed on loan. Contact Marjorie at 673-6110 if you have items you would like to contribute.

INTRODUCING

This month's out-of-town Guale Historical Society member and Atlanta accountant George E. Brown is a former St. Marys resident and Brunswick native. He is vitally still interested in this area for he has written "Every year I return to St. Marys to enjoy the hospitality of family and friends and hope eventually to make this lovely town my retirement home". A nice compliment for this community!

COMING EVENTS

March 12: 7:00 p.m. City Library, Guale Historical Society Meeting.

March 21: 7:30 p.m. The Sea Island Montage, Gullah dances, songs and stories by Ron and Natalie Daise. First African Baptist Church, Darien. Co-sponsored by Georgia Historical Society and Lower Altamaha Historical Society.

Mid-April: Guale Historical Society Spring Ramble, date and time to be announced.

April 14: Grand Opening of St. Marys City Library, details later.

April 27: Crawfish Festival, Woodbine, mark your calendar.

FROM BRYAN-LANG HISTORICAL LIBRARY

The display Women of South Coastal Georgia, organized by the Coastal Georgia Historical Society Museum, will be exhibited here until March 21st when it will move to the County Library. Please drop by and see it.

Thanks to Bebe Williams and her committee for hosting the reception on February 24th. It was a great occasion!

New books that will help with family and coastal Georgia research are being added to the library holdings. Have you seen what is available here?

If you failed to receive your newsletter last month, it may well be that it was returned to the Historical Society box. You have probably noticed that Address Correction has been added to the return address and if you failed to notify Newsletter Chairman Eloise Bailey of your change, then it is returned. We are making corrections as quickly as possible, but if you are making a change, even from box to street address, please let us know at 882-4587.