

# MISSISSIPPI HISTORY

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## MDAH Plans Holiday Events

Celebrate the holidays this season with the Department of Archives and History. The department's historic sites and museums have scheduled live holiday music, model trains, displays of Christmas trees, and more throughout December.

On Friday, December 3, the governor's mansion, state capitol, Old Capitol Museum, and Winter Building will sport traditional holiday decorations for the fifteenth annual **Old Jackson Christmas by Candlelight Tour**. Free transportation will take visitors from site to site, with parking available at the Old Capitol, state capitol, and Winter Building. The Candlelight Tour begins at 4:30 and runs until 8:30.

The Old Capitol, Jackson's oldest building, will be decked with greenery in the style used in 1840 when local women prepared the building for a visit by Andrew Jackson. Garlands will hang around the rotunda railing on the second floor and the stairwells, and wreaths will decorate the exterior of the building. Enjoy cookies and cider while you listen to musical groups from across the city. Performing will be the Jim Hill High School choir at 4:45, the Mississippi Girlchoir at 5:30, the Mississippi Boychoir at 6:15, Galloway Concordia Ensemble at 7, and the Hinds Community

College Brass Ensemble at 7:45.

The grand Mississippi State Capitol will be decorated with Mississippi-grown Leyland Cypress Christmas trees, garlands, and poinsettias. Visitors will be entertained by local school and church choirs performing on the stairs on the second floor.

The circa-1841 Mississippi



Governor's Mansion will sport wreaths on the windows and doors and traditional southern holiday decorations of seasonal greenery inside, with an elegant Christmas tree in the Front Rose Parlor. Visitors can enjoy homemade holiday treats and live piano music.

The model town of Possum Ridge and its trains that have entertained generations of Mississippians at the Old Capitol are now located in the William F. Winter Archives and History Building. During the Candlelight

Tour there will be readings from *A Special Visitor Comes to Possum Ridge*, the children's book inspired by the exhibit. For more information about the Candlelight Tour call 601-576-6925.

The Old Capitol is offering a chance to give during the holiday season. Visitors are invited to donate books and non-perishable food items throughout December as part of the museum's Food For Thought program, which aims to teach that being a good citizen means taking an active role in improving our own communities. On Fridays at 3:30 and Saturdays at 10 a.m., December 3–18, the Old Capitol Museum will present *Telling Tales*, a series for elementary children featuring stories and crafts. Mississippi's first lady Marsha Barbour will kick off the series with a reading on Friday, December 3.

Carols and other holiday songs will fill the Old Capitol Museum's rotunda for *Sounds of the Season*. The Hinds Community College Choir will perform on December 3, Shirim Choir of Beth Israel Congregation on December 4, Pearl River Community College Choir on December 11, and Scotland Baptist Church Ensemble of Yazoo City on December 17; and the Wells Methodist Choir on December 18. All groups will begin at noon

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## Former Gov. To Speak at Statehood Day



Former governor William F. Winter will be the speaker for the second annual Statehood Day celebration at the Old Capitol Museum. The program, to be held at noon on Friday, December 10, in the House of Representatives Chamber, will commemorate Mississippi's entrance into the Union. A reception will follow.

"The 193rd anniversary of Mississippi's admission to the Union cannot be properly observed unless we stop to remind ourselves of the generational ties that bind us together and the shared experiences that now make us one people," Winter said. "A visual part of this memory is found in the beautifully restored Old Capitol, almost as old as the state itself, which stands as noble affirmation of our storied past. Now a new state historical museum is planned to be built to commemorate our state's

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# New Awards Program Established

The Department of Archives and History is accepting nominations for the Black, Capers, and Welty Awards recognizing excellence in the preservation, interpretation, and presentation of Mississippi history.

In 2007 the department received a contribution to establish achievement awards in honor of Patti Carr Black and in memory of Eudora Welty and Charlotte Capers. Recipients will be selected by the board of trustees of the Department of Archives and History biennially as merited. The 2011 Black-Capers-Welty Awards will each carry a \$300 cash prize.

## **Black Award for Outstanding Museum Achievement**

The Black Award recognizes museums in Mississippi that are doing outstanding work in preserving, interpreting, and presenting public aspects of Mississippi history, art, or culture. The award may also be given to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to such an institution or to such efforts.

The award winner must have achieved distinction in one or more of the following ways:

- Building and caring for a significant and cohesive artifact collection



**Charlotte Capers, Eudora Welty, and Patti Carr Black.**

- Designing and mounting innovative exhibits for the public
- Offering effective outreach programs, especially those directed at school children
- Publishing outstanding catalogs and other materials

## **Capers Award for Outstanding Archival Achievement**

The Capers Award recognizes small and medium-sized institutions or organizations whose mission is to acquire, preserve, and provide access to materials of enduring historical value. The award may also be given to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to such an institution or organization or to such efforts.

The award winner must have

achieved distinction in one or more of the following ways:

- Showing ingenuity and resourcefulness in improving efficiency of operations or improving methods of work
- Contributing to the development of new archival practices
- Developing an archival program of unusual depth and scope
- Providing exemplary service to patrons or constituents

## **Welty Award for Outstanding Achievement in Arts and Letters**

The Welty Award recognizes institutions or organizations that have done outstanding work in preserving, interpreting, promoting, or presenting to the public great works of art, music, theater, or literature by a Missis-

sippian. The award may also be given to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to such an institution or organization or to such efforts.

The award winner should have achieved distinction in one or more of the following ways:

- Mounting a museum exhibit interpreting the work of a Mississippi artist (writer, musician, visual artist) or an aspect of Mississippi's cultural heritage
- Performing a work of music or theater by a Mississippi artist
- Publishing a book examining the life or work of a Mississippi artist or examining an aspect of Mississippi's cultural heritage
- Presenting a campaign or special event that celebrates the work of a Mississippi artist
- Supporting or promoting the work of Mississippi artists

Nominations for the awards will be accepted through February 28, 2011. All nominations must include one copy of the official nomination form available on the department's Web site, [mdah.state.ms.us](http://mdah.state.ms.us), and may also include other material supporting the nomination. Award winners will be selected at the April meeting of the board of trustees.

# Freedom Rides Commemoration Planned

On May 24, 1961, buses rolled in to Jackson carrying the first wave of Freedom Riders, who were immediately arrested upon attempting to integrate the facilities at the bus station. Fifty years later, this pivotal civil rights action will be remembered with a series of events in Jackson May 22–28, 2011.

Coordinated by the Mississippi Freedom 50th Foundation, the anniversary events will be attended by dozens of Freedom Riders. President Barack Obama is expected to attend.

Activities during the week will include private and public ceremonies to honor the



Riders, panel discussions by Riders, other members of the Mississippi Movement, historians, and former government officials on the legacy of the Freedom Rides, a trip to the maximum-security building at Parchman penitentiary, where many of the Riders were incarcerated, and a day spent with students from around the state who are working to

improve race relations in their communities.

MDAH will mount an exhibit in the lobby of the William F. Winter Building featuring photographs, newsfilm footage, and artifacts associated with the Freedom Rides. The exhibit will open in mid-May and close in October before travel-

ing to other venues in Mississippi. MDAH is also developing online lesson plans following the Department of Education's new civil rights curriculum.

For more information on the Freedom 50th events, see [www.mississippi-freedom50th.com](http://www.mississippi-freedom50th.com).

# Nominations Sought for Welty Fellowship

Applications are being accepted for the Eudora Welty Research Fellowship. Established by the Eudora Welty Foundation and the Department of Archives and History, the \$1,000 fellowship will be awarded to a graduate student for research within the department's Eudora Welty Collection.

"We're delighted to partner with the Welty Foundation in this extraordinary opportunity for young scholars who need the time and support for in-depth research," said Julia Marks Young, director of the MDAH Archives and Record Services Division. "Both the Welty Foundation and MDAH want to nurture a long-lasting interest in Welty's life and work."

The stipend may be used

for travel, housing, and other expenses during the Welty Fellowship's stay in Jackson. The deadline to apply is January 18, 2011. The recipient will be announced in early spring.

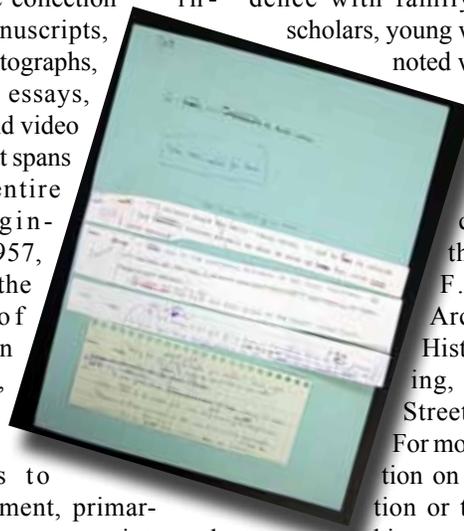
Supporting ongoing and high quality research is part of the Eudora Welty Foundation's mission. Founded in 1999, the Welty Foundation works with the 4 Department of Archives and History in achieving its goals of celebrating the legacy of Eudora Welty, enhancing appreciation of her work, and encouraging reading and the efforts of young writers.

The Eudora Welty Collection at the Mississippi Department of Archives and History is the premier collection of Eudora Welty materials in the world

and one of the most varied literary collections in the United States. The collection includes manuscripts, letters, photographs, drawings, essays, and film and video footage that spans Welty's entire life. Beginning in 1957, and over the course of more than forty years, Welty donated materials to the department, primarily literary manuscripts and photographs. At her death the remainder of her papers were bequeathed to MDAH and in-

cluded unpublished manuscripts and 14,000 items of correspondence with family, friends, scholars, young writers, and noted writers.

The collection may be accessed at the William F. Winter Archives and History Building, 200 North Street, Jackson. For more information on the collection or the fellowship, contact Forrest Galey at 601-576-6850, or by email at [fgaley@mdah.state.ms.us](mailto:fgaley@mdah.state.ms.us).



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bicentennial and the historic events that have marked those 200 memorable years."

Winter served as governor of Mississippi from 1980 to 1984, lieutenant governor from 1972 to 1976, and state treasurer from 1964 to 1968. He was a longtime member of the MDAH board of trustees, serving many years as president.

"We are honored to have Governor Winter speak at our second annual Statehood Day Celebration," said Clay Williams, Old

Capitol Museum director. "His perspective as a former governor of the state and longtime president of the MDAH board of trustees makes him a perfect choice to address the importance of this event."

The Mississippi Territory was organized in 1798 and included both modern-day Mississippi and Alabama. On December 10, 1817, President James Monroe signed the resolution admitting Mississippi into the Union as the twentieth state.

Governor Haley Barbour gave the address at last year's inaugural Statehood Day celebration.

The Old Capitol, Jackson's oldest building, is a National Historic Landmark. Located on State Street at Capitol, the museum's regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, free of charge. For more information call 601-576-6920 or see email [info@oldcapitolmuseum.com](mailto:info@oldcapitolmuseum.com).

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except the Shirim Choir, which will start at 3 p.m. For more information about events at the Old Capitol, call 601-576-6800 or email [info@oldcapitolmuseum.com](mailto:info@oldcapitolmuseum.com).

The historic section of the governor's mansion will showcase traditional holiday decorations using seasonal greenery for Christmas at the Governor's Mansion December 3-21. Guided tours are offered Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 to 11 a.m. on the half-hour. The tours are free of charge, but advance reservations are required for groups of ten or more. The

mansion will be closed for tours from Wednesday, December 22, through Monday, January 3, and may be closed at other times for official state functions. For more information about events at the governor's mansion or to make a tour reservation, call 601-359-6421.

From December 4 through 23, trains will again run through the model town of Possum Ridge on the first floor of the William F. Winter Archives and History Building at the corner of North and Amite streets in Jackson. As a part of Winter Holidays, historic Christmas trees and

toys will be on display Monday, noon-4 p.m., Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tours for school groups are available by reservation Tuesday-Friday, December 7-17, 9 a.m.-noon. For information call 601-576-6800.

Outside Greenville, Winterville Mounds will hold its Christmas open house inside the museum on Sunday, December 5, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Local choirs will perform holiday music and refreshments will be served. For more information call 662-334-4684 or email [info@wintervillemounds.com](mailto:info@wintervillemounds.com).

In southwest Mississippi, Historic Jefferson College will again have its Celebration of Christmas Trees. Trees are brought into the first-floor classroom of the historic West Wing. Classes decorate the trees with ornaments they have made and learn the story of Jefferson College during the Territorial period. Last year more than four hundred young people participated. The Celebration of Christmas Trees will run from December 6 to 31 and is open to the public. For more information call 601-442-2901 or email [info@historicjeffersoncollege.com](mailto:info@historicjeffersoncollege.com).

# Plans for Preservation School Developing

A shortage of trained tradespeople and artisans able to work on historic buildings has led MDAH to explore the establishment of a preservation trade school at Historic Jefferson College in Washington, Mississippi. The century-and-a-half-old buildings on the campus would provide students a unique laboratory to learn masonry and window restoration and other historic rehabilitation projects.

Staff of the department's Historic Preservation Division began developing the idea earlier this year in conjunction with the Natchez National Park and the National Park Service, the Mississippi Heritage Trust, and the Historic Natchez Foundation. In October, Robert Ogle, the dean of the Career and Technical Education program and director of the historic preservation program at Lamar Community College in Lamar, Colorado, was brought in as a consultant. Ogle recommended the program be incorporated into the curriculum of a local community college to offer an Associate in Applied Science degree for the course of study. Copiah-Lincoln Community College has joined the effort, and will participate in meetings in December with the original groups plus the Mississippi Development Authority, the Mississippi School for the Arts in Brookhaven, and the economic development group Natchez, Inc.



The second floor of the circa-1839 West Wing at Historic Jefferson College.

The goal of the December meetings is to develop a strategic plan and business model for the school.

Most historic preservation programs in the U.S. are at the graduate level. There are only four community colleges in the country that offer degrees in historic preservation, none of which are in Mississippi or the Deep

South. The proposed preservation trade school curriculum at HJC combines a heavy emphasis on hands-on skills with classroom training in architectural history, preservation planning, archaeology, research, and more.

To learn more about the plans for the preservation trade school, contact Mingo Tingle at 601-576-6940.

## Longtime MDAH Supporter Libby Aydelott Dies

Elizabeth (Libby) Harden Aydelott died October 11, 2010, in Eugene, Oregon. A longtime resident of Clinton, Aydelott was a tireless volunteer for many organizations including the Department of Archives and History and the Mississippi Historical Society. During the 1990s, she spearheaded the effort to marshal support across the state for the Local Government Records Management program and construction of the William F. Winter Archives and History Building.

Aydelott was a leader in the historical and genealogical community. She was among the most active members of the Mississippi Historical Society and served as president in 2000-01. Aydelott was instrumental in establishing the Federation of Mis-

issippi Historical Societies and served as its first president. She was also active in the Mississippi Genealogical Society and the Family Research Association.

Aydelott was a devoted supporter and active patron of public libraries; she served on the board of the Clinton Library, as president of the Friends of Mississippi Libraries, and as chair of the trustee section of the Mississippi Library Association. She volunteered for Mississippi Goodwill Volunteer Services, the American Association of University Women, and the Girl Scouts. Among her many awards were the Public Humanities Achievement Award given by the Mississippi Humanities Council in 2001, the Ageless Hero Award given by BlueCross BlueShield of Mississippi in 2005, and the



2007 Girl Scout Woman of Distinction Award.

Elbert Hilliard, MDAH director emeritus and MHS secretary-treasurer, said of Aydelott, "No volunteer has ever done more for the Department of Archives and History and the Mississippi His-

torical Society. She was indeed a remarkable lady."

Memorials for Aydelott may be made to the Mississippi Historical Society (P. O. Box 571, Jackson, MS 39205) and designated for *Mississippi History Now*.

## Board Meets in Columbus



The board of trustees and staff members of MDAH traveled to Columbus for the October board meeting. The group also met at the Tennessee Williams home (above) and enjoyed a daylong tour of the area's historic sites on the Columbus Convention and Visitors Bureau's double-decker bus. A public reception was held at Whitehall, the home of Carol and Joe Bogess, where board of trustees president Kane Ditto (far left) presented resolutions of commendation to local organizations and citizens, including Mayor Robert Smith (left) and the City of Columbus.

## Secession Revisited at Old Capitol Jan. 7

A century and a half after Mississippi voted in the Old Capitol to withdraw from the Union, the state's contentious secession convention of 1861 will be the topic of a program in the same room of the same building. On Friday, January 7, 2011, at 10 a.m. in the Old Capitol Museum, *Secession Revisited* will open with reenactor Ray McFarland's dramatization of Attala County delegate John Wood's published reflections on secession.

Historians Tim Smith, University of Tennessee—Martin, and George Rable, University of Alabama, will analyze Mississippi's decision to leave the Union, moving the state toward Civil War.

"Mississippi's vote to secede from the Union is probably the single most significant event to take place in this building," said Old Capitol Museum director Clay Williams. "That event led Mississippi down the road to Civil War, which dramatically altered the state's history."

The ordinance of secession was drafted on Monday, January 7, 1861 and by Wednesday, January 9, Mississippi's fate was decided when the ordinance passed with an eighty-four-to-fifteen vote. By February Mississippi had joined the newly formed Confederate States of America and was preparing for war.

For more information call 601-576-6920 or email [info@oldcapitolmuseum.com](mailto:info@oldcapitolmuseum.com).

## Author, Historian James G. Hollandsworth, Jr. Dies

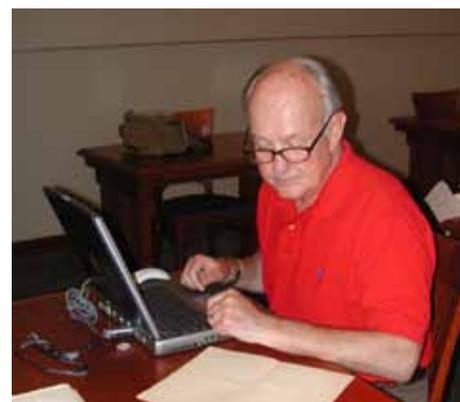
James G. Hollandsworth, Jr., died Tuesday, September 21, 2010, at his home in North Carolina. A retired professor and dean of the graduate school at the University of Southern Mississippi, he was the author of *Portrait of a Scientific Racist: Alfred Holt Stone of Mississippi*, published in 2008 by Louisiana State University Press, as well as many publications and books on psychology and Civil War history.

Hollandsworth became aware of Stone through the MDAH Alfred Holt Stone Collection, an important but underused collection of more than three thousand documents dating from 1690 to 1909. Beginning in 2004, Hollandsworth volunteered five days

a week for fourteen months to create an index for the massive collection, opening a rich resource for students of ethnicity and African roots, race relations, slavery and abolitionism, and Jim Crow and civil rights. In 2006 the Mississippi Humanities Council presented Hollandsworth with the Humanities Achievement Award for his work on the Stone Collection.

Hollandsworth continued to volunteer at MDAH, was active in the Mississippi Historical Society, and served briefly as assistant editor of the *Journal of Mississippi History* before returning to his native North Carolina in 2009.

Those wishing to may make contributions



in his memory to the Asheville School's James G. Hollandsworth, Sr. scholarship fund.

# Vintage Base Ball, Civil War Reenactment at HJC



The Natchez Indians defeated the Natchez Democrats 15-14 in a hard-fought contest of 1870s rules base ball (as it was then written) at Historic Jefferson College on the morning of Oct. 23. More than 625 people attended the ballgame and the Wirt Adams Raid reenactments staged on the afternoons of Oct. 23 and 24.



# Historical Society Meeting Set for March 3–5

The 2011 meeting of the Mississippi Historical Society will be held March 3–5 in Jackson at the Old Capitol Museum. Presentation topics will include cotton and race, the Freedom Rides, longtime Speaker of the Mississippi House Walter Sillers, Mississippi in Liberia, and local history projects.

On March 4 author and Ru-leville native Gene Dattel will give the banquet address, “Mississippi’s Destiny: Cotton and Race in the Making of America.” Dattel’s book *Cotton and Race in the Making of America* (2009) examines the connection between cotton, race, and the American experience between

1787 and the 1930s. Dattel received his B.A. in history from Yale and his J.D. from Vanderbilt Law School. He worked as an international capital markets investment banker at Salomon Brothers and Morgan Stanley for twenty years and is now a government and private sector advisor on American and Asian financial institutions.

At the March 4 luncheon Benjamin Sperry will present “Mr. Delta: Walter Sillers, Jr., and Fifty Years in Mississippi Politics (1916-66).” Sperry is a historian of the South, race, and civil rights. He holds a PhD

in history from Case Western Reserve University. During the 2009-10 academic year, Sperry was a visiting professor of history at Delta State Univer-

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sity, where he also conducted research on Walter Sillers, Jr. Sperry is currently a lecturer in U.S. history at Cleveland State University and Lakeland Community College, both in Ohio.

A walking tour of downtown Jackson is planned, and winners of the McLemore Prize for best book and the Betterworth Award for outstanding history

teacher will be announced on March 5 at the awards luncheon.

Registration cost for the annual meeting is \$50 for individuals and \$65 for couples, or for MHS members \$25 for individuals and \$30 for couples. Rooms are reserved at the Old Capitol Inn, 888-359-9001 or 601-359-9000, until February 11, 2011; specify MHS rate of \$110 plus tax per night. Additional rooms will be available for \$89 plus tax per night at the Cabot Lodge Millsaps, 601-948-8650. For more information call 601-576-6849 or email [mhs@mdah.state.ms.us](mailto:mhs@mdah.state.ms.us).

## Historical Records Awards Nominations Deadline Nearing

Time is winding down to submit nominations to the Mississippi Historical Records Advisory Board (MHRAB) for awards honoring efforts to identify, preserve, and provide access to Mississippi’s historical records.

The four awards are for Archival Program Development, Documenting Mississippi’s History, Use of Historical Records in Grades K-12, and Use of Historical Records in Higher Education. To learn more about the individual awards, see the MDAH Web site, [mdah.state.ms.us](http://mdah.state.ms.us).

Nominations must be received by 5 p.m., December 17. Award recipients will be notified by March 1, 2011, and awards will be presented in conjunction with the Society of Mississippi Archivists biennial meeting in Starkville in April 2011.

Visit <http://mdah.state.ms.us/admin/mhrab/programs.php> for nomination forms. For more information about the awards contact Melanie Collins at 601-576-6810 or by email at [MHRAB@mdah.state.ms.us](mailto:MHRAB@mdah.state.ms.us).

## Judge Robert G. Evans Dies at 61

Robert G. Evans, member of the board of directors of the Mississippi Historical Society and dedicated jurist and public servant, died July 13, 2010, in Jackson following a brief illness. He was 61 years old.

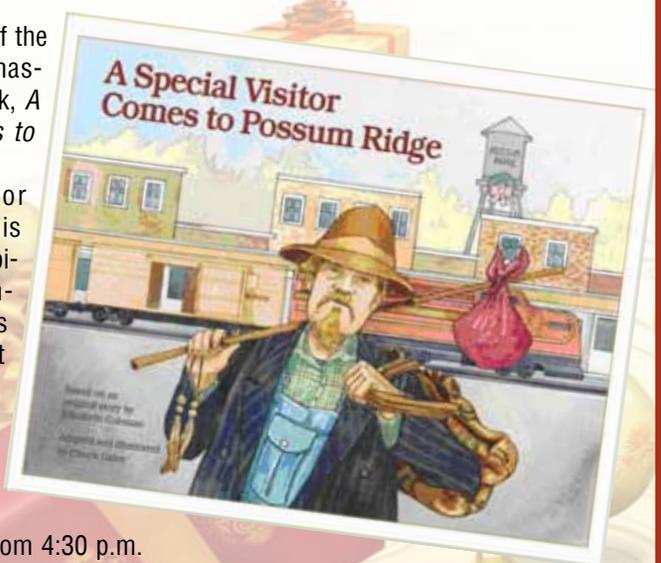
Evans served as district attorney for Simpson, Smith, Covington, and Jasper Counties from 1980 through 1991, when

he was elected judge for the 13th Circuit Court. He was deeply interested in the state’s history and was the author of *The 16th Mississippi Infantry: Civil War Letters and Reminiscences*, published by the University Press of Mississippi in 2002. Judge Evans was elected to the MHS board of directors in 2008.

Get your copies now of the department’s Christmas-themed children’s book, *A Special Visitor Comes to Possum Ridge*.

The book sells for \$15.95 plus tax and is available at the Old Capitol Museum throughout December. Copies will also be available at the William F. Winter Archives and History Building on December 3 during the **Old Jackson Christmas by Candlelight Tour** from 4:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

The book is also available anytime by mail order at 601-576-6921, or email [storemanager@mdah.state.ms.us](mailto:storemanager@mdah.state.ms.us).



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## HISTORY IS LUNCH CALENDAR

The department's History Is Lunch series has wrapped up another successful year, setting new attendance records and drawing more than 2,400 people to forty-two talks. The programs are held in the Winter Building at noon on most Wednesdays. During December the room used for the series houses the model town of Possum Ridge and its trains that formerly ran in the Old Capitol.

"History Is Lunch programs next year will run the gamut from commemorations of civil rights heroes such as the Freedom Riders and Medgar Evers to upcoming book releases, the examination of the lives of notable Mississippians such as Duncan M. Gray, Jr., and Margaret Walker Alexander,

and presentations related to the sesquicentennial of the Civil War," said program coordinator Chrissy Wilson.

Scheduled for the first quarter of 2011 are Andy Anderson talking about his forthcoming book *Memoirs of the Original Rolling Stones*, January 5; MDAH architectural historian

Jennifer Baughn on Mississippi's Rosenwald schools, January 12; Fred C. Clark discussing his experiences as a Freedom Rider, February 9; historian William Parrish on the responses of southern governors to civilians during the Civil War, March 2; and former secretary of state Dick Molpus on the restoration of the buildings at the Bonhomie lumber camp near Hattiesburg, March 23.



## MDAH Launches Blog, Facebook Pages for Sites

MDAH is making it easier than ever to explore online the department's resources and keep up with events and programming. Our new blog (short for "Web log") "A Sense of Place" takes visitors inside the collections, highlighting several images and artifacts each week. In November a special series on the Mississippi Governor's Mansion has examined that site's history, architecture, furnishings, and more.

The blog format offers a dynamic and frequently updated site to which readers can subscribe via email or e-reader; notifications are sent whenever new content is published. New content

is posted about three days a week, and we encourage interaction through comments and social media, such as Facebook.

The department also has a Facebook page, where our friends receive updates on History Is Lunch lectures and other events in and around Jackson. Pages for the Old Capitol Museum, Historic Jefferson College, and Winterville Mounds allow anyone interested in those sites to stay informed and current.

Join us as we explore the history of Mississippi together! You can reach all of these sites through our homepage, [www.mdah.state.ms.us](http://www.mdah.state.ms.us).