Welcome to the 21st issue of the ACHGS newsletter —
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Thank you.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be a regular Thursday night meeting.
Location: Amite County Courthouse, Liberty, MS
Date: February 14, 2008 Time: 7:00 pm

Future Meeting Schedule

February 14, 2008, 7:00 pm — Regular monthly meeting
March 8, 2008, 10:00 am — Quarterly meeting at Gloster Arboretum
April 10, 2008, 7:00 pm — Regular monthly meeting
May 8, 2008, 7:00 pm — Regular monthly meeting
June 14, 2008, 10:00 am — Annual Membership meeting

Amite County Historical and Genealogical Society
Minutes of January 10, 2008 meeting
DRAFT
(Due to the absence of Secretary Wayne Anderson, Linda Honea Lea took notes from which these minutes were compiled.
Thanks to Mrs. Lea for helping. President Oma Gordon’s personal notes relating to the agenda were also used.)

President Oma Gordon called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the courtroom of the Amite County courthouse in Liberty, MS. There were 10 attendees. President Oma Gordon asked Jeannine Dixon to open the meeting with prayer.

Glen Huff passed out copies of an outline of the school records that are now deposited in the Little Red Schoolhouse under ACHGS care.

President Gordon stated that, due to the open house in December, there were no minutes to act upon.

VP Report: VP Barron was not present.
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3. The following additional people will be working on materials collection for the book as well: Sandra Martin (information on historical people and places), Sissy Burris (churches), Anita Campbell (schools) and Hattie Nunney (history of Liberty). Glen Huff will personally work on arts and literature.

4. Expect that the book will be about 170 pages long.

5. The Board of Supervisors will be called upon for help to clean up cemeteries (a 1972 law allows such work to be done by county workers).

6. Anyone knowing the location of any old stores that existed in the past is asked to provide that information.

- James Allen Causey suggested that the historical committee meet with the Bicentennial Committee.
- David Dreyer reported that PBS will present a documentary on February 4, 2008 at 9:00 pm entitled “A Prince Among Slaves” about an African prince who was a slave in Adams County.
- Mrs. Vera Prestridge announced that the “Look Around Mississippi” segment to be aired on February 7, 2008, will feature the footage shot by Walt Grayson and his crew on their visit to the Little Red Schoolhouse. This brief feature is usually shown during the 5:00 pm and 10:00 pm newscasts on WLBT-TV Channel 3 in Jackson.

Pres. Gordon asked Gay Blalock to dismiss the meeting with prayer. The meeting closed at about 8:00 PM.
In Memoriam
Susan Jean Anderson Barnes


Susan was born in Liberty, MS., but resided in Ocean Springs since college. She taught mathematics at Biloxi High School until retirement and became manager of the Prudential Gardner Realty office in Ocean Springs most recently. She was a life member of the Amite County Historical and Genealogical Society. She was a very active member of the Towns Around Biloxi Parrot Head Club of which her husband is president. She also belonged or had belonged to the Historic Ocean Springs Association (HOSA), the Krewe of Harlequins, the Hibernia Marching Society and Rotary, Celtic Nations Heritage Foundation, along with a long list of professional organizations concerned with either her educational or realty careers.

Susan was preceded in death by her parents, James Harland Anderson and Eva Jeanette Bryant Anderson of Liberty.

Survivors include her husband of 33 years, David Hubert Barnes, her daughter, Jennifer Lynn Barnes, both of Ocean Springs, son and daughter-in-law, Daniel Joseph Barnes and Alicia Denai Aiken Barnes, currently of Starkville, MS., brother, Wayne Bryant Anderson of Raymond and sister, Wanda Anderson Miley of Madison.

Visitation was on Sunday, February 3, 2008, from 1-3 PM, with a 3 PM Memorial Service, all at the Ocean Springs Chapel of Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers the family prefers donations be made to the American Cancer Society, 447 Security Square, Gulfport, MS., 39507.


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Dot Whittington — Archives (at the Little Red Schoolhouse)
Kenneth Gordon — Amite County History
Nelson Dawson — Amite County Family History
Bobby Haygood — Amite County Cemeteries
Linda Honea Lea — Hospitality
Gay Blalock — Special Events and Food
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