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APTA Antiques Appraisal Fair October 29, 2005

CURIOUS ABOUT YOUR COLLECTIBLES? Do you have something you have been wanting to have appraised? Then come out and on October 29, 2005 and support the 3rd Annual Antiques Appraisal Fair in the Belle Meade Carriage House in Nashville. The event will take place from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Appraisers will make verbal appraisals at a cost of \$10 per appraisal. Our appraisers will be appraising collectibles, books, silver, cut glass and porcelain, and jewelry. Lynn Taylor, of Taylor Made Plans, is the Appraisal Fair chairman. For information regarding volunteering for this event please call Lynn Harris at (615) 228-0789. We are depending on statewide chapter participation to make this event a success. This event is not only a fund raiser for the APTA, it is also an event to raise public awareness of the APTA and the work its members have done for over 50 years in preservation, restoration, and education.



*Appraisal Fair 2004:
Linda Dyer appraises a painting.*

*Appraisal Fair 2004: Anne Pirkle
and Janet Hasson direct attendees
to the appropriate appraiser.*



Lynn Taylor

ANTIQUES APPRAISAL FAIR CHAIRMAN

We are pleased to announce that our Antiques Appraisal Fair Chairman again this year is R. Lynn Taylor. Lynn's company 'Taylor Made Plans', www.taylormadeplans.com, provides pre-construction planning services for every aspect of residential remodeling. Her services include pre-construction consultation, creation of blueprints of home additions and renovations, as well as help with contractor selection and project administration. This has been a big year for Lynn. One of her residential designs won the 2005 Great American Home Award®, presented by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Old-House Journal in the infill housing category and was featured in the May/June 2005 issue of the Old House Journal. In addition her in-fill housing business was one of three winners out of 16,000 entries in the Oxygen Network's "Oh Get the Money: Build Your Own Business" Contest in 2004. She was also a finalist for Woman Business Owner of the Year from the Nashville Chapter of NAWBO in 2004. Her designs have won four awards in the last three years from the Historic Commission of Metropolitan Nashville. Congratulations, Lynn, and thanks again for chairing our event!

HAMBLEN COUNTY CHAPTER

The Hamblen County Chapter participated in numerous events of the 2005 Morristown Sesquicentennial. At the opening of the 1955 Centennial time capsule on May 9 the chapter presented a framed print, "David Crockett-1810" by artist John Nava to be hung in the Morristown City Center. The Sesquicentennial play "Nick of Time" featured a scene from the 1790's life of Crockett while the family lived in the area. Since the '55 Centennial was at the height of the Crockett Craze, most of the items in the time capsule featured something about Crockett—a souvenir booklet, a bearfoot ash try, buttons, pins, etc. The local chapter set a display of these items at the Morristown-Hamblen Public Library, the Rose Center, and at the 1955 class reunion of the Morristown High School. The chapter also sponsored the Disney movie, "Davy Crockett, King of the Wild Frontier" and demonstrated crafts at the Panther Creek State Park Heritage Day.



Sally Bennet presents a print of Davy Crockett by artist John Nava to Morristown Mayor Gary R. Johnson at the Morristown City Center.

The Crockett Tavern Museum has been featured in several publications this summer, including a special supplement to the *Knoxville NewsSentinel* on July 20, 2005, "A Day in the Life of Morristown"; "The Hamblen County Guidebook"; the Walters State Community College Campus Guide for 2005-06; and the new map by the Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce.

Cynthia Moses served goodies to 60 guests at Davy's 219th birthday party on August 17 (his actual birthday) at the museum. Several youth came dressed in period costume. Justin Burke explained pioneer times to the group as the youth worked on crafts and enjoyed playing on the grounds. Roger Ross gave tours of the museum.

The Hamblen County Chapter will participate in the following events this fall: Myers Pumpkin Patch in Greene County during September and October, the Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce Business Expo on September 23, the Hancock County Fall Festival in Sneedville,

October 1-2, and the Mountain Makin's Festival at the historic Rose Center in Morristown October 22-23.

A new Christmas ornament of the Crockett Tavern Museum is now available at the gift shop or from members of the General Federated Womens Clubs of Morristown. The project is a joint effort between the Hardeman County Chapter and the GFWC to raise funds for their community service projects.

Retired Carson Newman drama professor, Dr. John Welton has written a play about Crockett's life. The chapter is working with him and Zack Allen, Director of the Rose Center, to seek funding for the performance of the play as an outdoor drama in 2007 or 2008.

MEMPHIS CHAPTER

"The Art of the Bag" silent auction fundraiser to benefit the Woodruff-Fontaine House is October 27, 2005 from 5:30-:30 p.m. at the University Club of Memphis. Over 30 area artists are donating a hand bag of their own design and medium. Music will be provided by Hudson and Saleeby. This event was very successful last year and is expected to raise more money this year. Please call (901) 324-5430 for more information.

The Howard Handwerker family has raised over \$8,000 to restore the Gingerbread Play House that it donated to the Memphis Chapter. This play house was built in 1890 and three of the Handwerker grandchildren were married there before it was moved to its present location on the grounds of the Woodruff-Fontaine House. The house is currently used to host birthday parties for little girls. Restoration is scheduled to begin in early fall.



The Gingerbread Play House in Memphis

GLENMORE CHAPTER

It's an exciting time for Glenmore now that they have a new copper roof over the area of the library and dining room. The roof restoration is now complete. The dormer windows in that area and the balustrade on the balconies is also complete. The \$50,000 for this restoration project came partly from a matching fund grant from the Tennessee Historic Commission and the National Park Service. The chapter's portion came from fund raisers and rentals.

Glenmore Mansion is host to an Old Time Saturday on October 1, 2005. There will be a Trash to Treasures sale and a Fall Harvest sale from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Come early for the best finds and plan on taking some fresh produce home with you. In the evening there will be storytelling at the Mansion in the Storytelling Tent from 5:00-9:00 p.m.

"Get'er Done" is the motto of the Jefferson County Service Learning Class. The Service Learning class is back again this year and getting ready to assist the Glenmore Chapter with fall and winter activities. They are directed by teacher Sheila Evans and Glenmore Youth Director Wanda Thorson.

Glenmore celebrates Christmas with a members-only preview party on December 2, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. Tree trimming is followed by dinner and caroling in the mansion. Tours for the public are December 3 - 4 and December 10:00-11:00 a.m. from 1:00-5:00 p.m. both days and 6:00-9:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Member Rann Vaulx, formerly an officer of the Sullivan County APTA Chapter, donated numerous pieces of family silver belonging to his grandmother and mother. Both women were well-known for the lovely luncheons, teas, and dinners they hosted. The Glenmore Chapter looks forward to using the beautiful trays, tea and coffee service during the upcoming holidays. Thanks, Rann, for your generosity!



Rann Vaulx donates his family silver to Glenmore.

HARDEMAN COUNTY

The Hardeman County chapter is hard at work cataloging the clothing and art work of the Bills family and storing them in acid-free boxes. The boxes came from sponsors of the dress exhibit that was featured at the Little Courthouse during the spring homes tour. Greg Howell was instrumental in setting up the exhibit and acquiring the acid free boxes and tissue that is being used. Thanks, Greg, for helping preserve Hardeman County's treasures.

October is a busy month for the Hardeman County chapter. On October 1, 2005 the chapter will have a booth at the Rogers Springs Festival. They will be selling cookbooks and handmade items and will be holding a membership drive. Also, on October 11, 2005 the chapter will participate in the first of three leadership conferences as part of the county and city wide effort to become a Three Star Community. This State of Tennessee program assists communities in their effort to achieve excellence in economic and community development. The Pillars will host lunch and Joy Grubbs, Past President, will speak on tourism. Local government will be the theme of the next meeting on November 1 and the Little Courthouse will host lunch.

FAYETTE COUNTY

The Fayette County Chapter has been active in raising funds in Somerville for the Hannum-Rhea House this summer. The annual membership picnic in June was well attended and garnered four new members. In July, the Oak Room was the location for the fourth annual Game Day. Participants played rounds of bridge, pitch, Pete, and "head and foot" before taking a break for lunch. Also in July there was a surprise going away picnic for Bill and Patsy Gaither, longtime members who are moving to Memphis. Bill is a past treasurer and will be greatly missed. The party was at Annie and Harvey Crawford's home in Williston. Barbecue, hamburgers, and homemade ice cream were served.

This fall Fayette County chapter members will help at the Fayette County Cotton Festival on September 17, 2005 and sell food at the Williston Old-Timers Association annual event in October. This event is at the Crawford Store in Williston and features an antique car and farm equipment show.

NASHVILLE CHAPTER

The Nashville Chapter presents the 20th Annual Fall Fest September 17-18 at Belle Meade Plantation. The two-day family event will feature fine antiques, noted crafters, musical performances, jewelers, children's games and entertainment and food for all tastes. Hours for Fall Fest are Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children ages 6-12 and children 5 and under are free

The Second Thursday Film Series is a new program offered by the Nashville Chapter every second Thursday each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Martin Education Building. This free program will feature films from the Tennessee Humanities Council film library. On September 8 a two part series called *Tell About the South: Voices in Black & White* begins. The series explores the story of Southern literature in a historical and cultural context. Among those interviewed throughout the series are Eudora Welty, Shelby Foote, Willie Morris, and many more. Part I covers the period between the World Wars, and explores the Fugitive Poets, Blues poetry, the Southern roots of the Harlem Renaissance, and the works of Faulkner, Zora Neale Hurston, Thomas Wolfe, Jean Toomer, and many others. Part II, "Prophets & Poets," on October 13 explores the period 1941-1962, and features discussions of Richard Wright, Lilly Smith, Eudora Welty, William Faulkner, Ralph Ellison, Robert Penn Warren, Flannery O'Connor, and others. On November 10 *Southern Stews: A Taste of the South* chronicles the intimate role that food plays in not only helping Southerners retain their connections to the past, but also to each other. On December 8 *Long Shadows* explores the legacy of the Civil War upon the United States' society, economy and national psyche. On January 12 *You Got To Move* highlights the personal transformations resulting from civic engagement of five individuals battling for rights in different communities.

Celebrate autumn at the 10th Annual Hands on Harvest October 15, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Belle Meade's 1790's frontier Harding Cabin. Discover the work of harvest time first-hand and learn to perform chores without the use of modern conveniences. Scheduled activities include dipping candles,



Children visiting Belle Meade Plantation snap beans at the Hands on Harvest Celebration.

spinning and carding wool, churning butter, and quilting. Open hearth cooking will be demonstrated by costumed guides.

The Nashville Chapter will host its 3rd annual Halloween event October 28-30, 2005. This event includes nighttime tours on October 28 and 29 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. A Halloween party for children on October 30 from 1:00-5:00 p.m. includes games and activities such as pumpkin decorating and making a trick-or-treat bag are sure to entertain children of all ages. Visit all of Belle Meade's historic buildings for trick-or-treating fun. Remember to wear your costume! There will be a special costume contest on the grounds.

A Victorian Christmas at Belle Meade is from November 12, 2005 - January 2, 2006. You are cordially invited to step back in time to the Victorian Era. The mansion's Christmas decorations will serve as the backdrop to a snapshot of life at Belle Meade Plantation in the 1880s. In addition to covering relevant historical events of the time, there will be a discussion of Victorian traditions and lifestyles.

Come learn to knit with Elizabeth Atrack on December 3, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. This class is perfect for grandmothers, mothers and daughters. Knitting is gaining new life as a great stress reliever and a way to impress friends and family. Plus, your new skill can be put to use creating inexpensive holiday gifts! Participants will work on a scarf project during class. This class is geared for participants ages 10 and up, kids under 15 must be accompanied by an adult. The cost is \$10/person with a 20% discount for members. Call Beth Cooper at (615) 356-0501 to inquire about the supplies needed.

Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday will be celebrated at Belle Meade Plantation on January 16, 2006 from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. with music, crafts, and storytelling. There will be activities to engage the entire family. The activities are FREE with a mansion tour of \$11 for adults and \$5 for children 4 and up.

DONELSON-HERMITAGE CHAPTER

On September 17, 2005 from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. the Buchanan House Fall Folk Festival will feature many 'old time games' and demonstrations of quilting, weaving, caning and several crafting activities in which children and adults can participate. Frontier re-enactors, storytellers, music and dancing will be the entertainment throughout the day. Admission is FREE, donations are appreciated. Moderately priced lunches will be available.

MAURY COUNTY CHAPTER

On June 26, 2005, Judge George Lovell was the guest of honor for the installation of the 2005-2007 Executive Board of Directors for the Maury County Chapter. The ceremony followed Arts at the Athenaeum, a summer series focusing on arts and music. Recognizing Maury County's rich heritage, with special recognition for Maury Countians who have supported the preservation of that heritage, Judge Lovell spoke before the membership of APTA at their chapter headquarters. He noted the far reaching effects the teaching of history and historical preservation lend to the community. He also stated that the Athenaeum Rectory is a fine example of the achievements of those dedicated to providing the vehicle on which we travel into our futures.

"Tennessee Crossroads" and Sharon Puckett visited the Athenaeum Rectory Girls School in July. They filmed the girls receiving different lessons in handwriting, needlework, and the art of flirtation. They also observed the high tea that took place in the afternoon. Ms. Puckett was also taken on a carriage ride through town in the afternoon. Check your local PBS listings for air times.

The Athenaeum Rectory is just one of many sites to be visited on this year's 2005 Majestic Middle Tennessee Christmas Tour which takes place December 1-4, 2005. This is the 37th year of Majestic Middle Tennessee Tours. Baked goods and a lunch by reservation will be offered at the Athenaeum all four days. Call Becky Logue at 931-381-4822 for more information.



*The Maury County Executive Committee with Judge George Lovell
L-R: Mary Lib Hedrick, Recording Secretary; Helen Petty, Treasurer;
Judge George Lovell; Kitty Chaffin, Vice-President;
and Doris Sudberry, President*

RUTHERFORD COUNTY

The Rutherford County APTA held their annual barbecue July 9, 2005 at "Big Holly," the home of Gordon and Sara Bell. Big Holly was originally built in 1866 in the Italianate style. Then in 1892 Adeline Maney and her sister, previously owners of Oaklands, made many structural changes to the interior and exterior of the house to change the style to Queen Anne. Some of the changes included raising the roof, adding a gazebo to the porch, and removing columns. The barbecue was attended by more than 40 people who got to see the recently restored sunroom, new carport, and lovely gardens.

The Sykes House, one of the oldest homes in Rutherford County, will be presented with an APTA historic marker October 1, 2005 by the Rutherford County chapter. The house was originally a two-story dog trot log cabin built by a Revolutionary War soldier who was given a land grant for his participation in the war. The house had many additions over the years with eight cedar columns added to the front in the antebellum period. The restoration and renovation has been a labor of love by Allen and Wanda Lamb. The Lambs found the house in a great state of disrepair and have taken great care in preserving original elements of the house including some of the floors, the mantles, and the doors. The house was used as a hospital during the Civil War during the Battle of Stones River and many artifacts have been found in the house and on the grounds. The public is invited to the ceremony at the home located 3867 Asbury Rd. in Murfreesboro. Call Alice Ray at 615-893-4297.

Bob and Jane Bakey are hosting the Christmas Open House on December 3, 2005 at their home, "Hastings House," at 223 N. Academy St. in Murfreesboro. The house is an American four square that was built between 1908 and 1912. The Bakeys are restoring the home to be used as a bed and breakfast. Come and enjoy the many Christmas decorations and treats that will be on hand.

ARLINGTON CHAPTER

The Rachel H. K. Burrow Museum is open the first Saturday of every month from April - October. In August children who visited the museum received free school supplies. The museum will be hosting an "Around the World" exhibit in September and October. This exhibit features items that several Arlington Chapter members have collected on their trips abroad.

A Harvest Festival is planned November 5, 2005, by the Arlington chapter in downtown Arlington. Homemade stew will be served. Old fashioned games for children, including a scavenger hunt at their five sites, is planned. Plan on coming out and having a fun day with the Arlington Chapter APTA.

How Can History Help You? Be a Preservation PAL!

The APTA is creating a Preservation Alliance of professionals in Tennessee who work, consult, or invest in preservation. We are building a network of professionals who can consult with one another and who our members and the general public can contact with their preservation questions and concerns.

Take Advantage of Our Special Introductory Offer!

Individual PAL Membership \$100 - Listing on the APTA website, link to your business and/or email on APTA website, listing in the APTA newsletter twice a year, free admission to all APTA sites across Tennessee, receipt of APTA newsletter twice a year, invitation to the APTA annual membership meeting.

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For more information call Lin Pendleton at (615) 352-8247 or go to our web site at www.theapta.org.

IMLS Climate Management Workshop

The Nashville Chapter will be hosting a free Climate Management Workshop on Tuesday, October 4, 2005 from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the Martin Education Building at Belle Meade Plantation. For the last year, Belle Meade Plantation has been monitoring temperature and humidity levels in the 1853 mansion, collection storage areas, and extant historic buildings of the plantation site. IMLS funded the purchase of monitoring equipment and professional services and expenses for monitoring as well as examination of the stucco exterior of the 1853 mansion. The data have been analyzed and will be presented to the Belle Meade staff, Board and workshop participants. Featured presenters are Wendy Claire Jessup, Michael C. Henry, and Norman Burns. To reserve your place for this workshop, contact Norman Burns at (615) 356-0501 ext. 24 or by email at noburns@bellemeadeplantation.com.

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APTA THROW

Display your pride in the APTA!

This special custom-designed afghan is a richly-colored, cotton tapestry that is suitable as a warm cover, for a throw on the sofa or chair, or as a wall hanging. It measures 51" x 68." The design includes 12 of the 16 sites that the Association for the Preservation of Tennessee Antiquities (APTA) maintains and preserves.

These throws make wonderful holiday gifts! Don't delay—use the coupon below to place your order today. The cost is \$65/afghan which includes the cost for shipping and handling. Please return your order to APTA Headquarters, 110 Leake Ave., Nashville, TN 37205.

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Events Calendar

- Sept. 2-30.....**Marie Dodson Maxwell art exhibit**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Sept. 8.....**2nd Thursday Film Series**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Sept. 10-11.....**Country Market at the Ramsey House**, Knoxville
Sept. 17.....**Fall Folk Festival at the Buchanan House**, Donelson
Fayette County Cotton Festival, Somerville
Sept. 17-18.....**19th Fall Fest**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Sept. 23.....**Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce Business Expo**, Morristown
Oct. 6-31.....**Hayden Pickel art exhibit**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Oct. 1.....**Old Time Saturday and Trash To Treasures Sale**, Glenmore, Jefferson City
APTA Marker at the Sykes House, Murfreesboro
Hardeman County APTA booth, Rogers Springs Festival, Middleton
Oct. 1-2.....**Hancock County Fall Festival**, Sneedville
Oct. 10.....**Hands on Harvest**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Oct. 11.....**Hardeman County Leadership Conference**, The Pillars, Bolivar
Oct. 13.....**2nd Thursday Film Series**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Oct. 22-23.....**Mountain Makin' Festival**, Rose Center, Morristown
Oct. 27.....**"The Art of the Bag" show**, University Club, Memphis
Oct. 28-29.....**Halloween Ghost Tours**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Oct. 29..... APTA APPRAISAL FAIR, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Oct. 30.....**Community Halloween Festival**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Nov. 1.....**Hardeman County Leadership Conference**, The Little Courthouse, Bolivar
Nov. 3-30.....**Abbe Demontbreun art exhibit**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Nov. 5.....**Harvest Festival**, Burrow Museum, Arlington
Nov. 10.....**2nd Thursday Film Series**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Nov. 12 - Jan. 2.....**A Victorian Christmas**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Dec. TBA.....**Holiday member event**, Woodruff-Fontaine House, Memphis
Dec. 1.....**Majestic Middle Tennessee Christmas Tour**, The Athenaeum, Columbia
Dec. 2.....**Members Christmas Preview Party**, Glenmore, Jefferson City
Majestic Middle Tennessee Christmas Tour, The Athenaeum, Columbia
Dec. 3.....**Christmas at Glenmore**, Glenmore, Jefferson City
Majestic Middle Tennessee Christmas Tour, The Athenaeum, Columbia
Dec. 4.....**Christmas at Glenmore**, Glenmore, Jefferson City
Majestic Middle Tennessee Christmas Tour, The Athenaeum, Columbia
Dec. 8.....**2nd Thursday Film Series**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Dec. 10.....**Christmas at Glenmore and Candlelight Tours**, Glenmore, Jefferson City
Dec. 11.....**Christmas at Glenmore and Candlelight Tours**, Glenmore, Jefferson City
- 2006**
Jan. 12.....**2nd Thursday Film Series**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
Jan. 16.....**Martin Luther King Birthday Celebration**, Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville

APTA Has a New Web Site!

The APTA has a new web site at www.theapta.org that was designed by Daniel Brown at Company Zero. All of our chapters that have sites are linked as well as other preservation and history related sites. It is our hope that this web site will increase tourism to our sites and attract new members to our organization.

*Thank
You*

Thank you to Beth Goyer for her generous donation to the APTA. We appreciate your support of preservation in Tennessee.

KNOX COUNTY CHAPTER

The Ramsey House Plantation expects over 5,000 visitors for their 2005 Country Market on September 10-11, 2005. Come and shop for crafts, antiques, books, plants, and food. Crafts demonstrators and music liven up the day. The hours for Country Market are Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 12:00 a.m. until 5:00. The cost is \$5/car.



Driver and horses are ready to give carriage rides at Country Market.



Live music will be performed this year at Country Market.

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