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*Patrick McIntyre,  
Executive Director, Tennessee  
Historical Commission*

## Meet Patrick McIntyre!

Patrick McIntyre, Jr. has served as executive director of the Tennessee Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office, since March 2007. Prior to that, he worked 4 1/2 years as the first executive director of the Tennessee Preservation Trust, a non-profit preservation-advocacy organization that is Tennessee's Statewide Partner of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

A native of Montgomery, Alabama, McIntyre grew up there and in San Antonio, Texas—a city well-known for its historic preservation efforts. Before coming to Nashville in 2002, McIntyre had served three years as Endangered Properties Coordinator for the Alabama Historical Commission. Prior to that, he worked as a private consultant specializing in architectural surveys and historic property nominations. In Montgomery, he served as president of a local historical society and as a board member and vice president of the Alabama Preservation Alliance, the statewide historic preservation organization. In 2001, McIntyre spent a month in Sao Paulo, Brazil as part of a Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange Team studying historic resources and preservation issues in the world's third largest city. McIntyre also has experience in the field of archaeology, having participated in excavations at sites including Mayan ruins on Ambergris Cay, Belize; at the 17th century Creek Indian town of Fusihatchee, Alabama; and at Moundville, a Mississippian Period site that was once the largest city in southeastern North America.

McIntyre is a graduate of the University of Alabama with a B.A. in Anthropology, and he earned an M.A. in Southern Studies from the University of Mississippi in 1995. He has been through several professional training courses, including Poplar Forest Restoration Field School in Virginia and the regular and advanced editions of the National Trust's Preservation Leadership Training Program. He is on the Board of Directors of Preservation Action (the national lobbying organization for preservation issues,) and the Belmont Mansion Association in Nashville. He also serves on the Board of Advisors of Scenic Tennessee and the Tennessee Civil War Preservation Association. In March, 2004, McIntyre was named to the Nashville Tennessean's "Top Forty Under Forty" list of young leaders in Middle Tennessee. He and his wife Ellen, an assistant U.S. attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee, own a restored circa-1927 home in Nashville. They are the parents of twins Charles and Kathleen, born May 9, 2006.

## May Membership Meeting

APTA President Joe Wilson is pleased to announce that **Patrick McIntyre** is the featured speaker at the Annual Membership Meeting on **May 20, 2008**. Please make plans to attend this meeting and hear Mr. McIntyre's talk on "Working Together: Moving Preservation Forward in Tennessee." Lunch will be served immediately following the speaker.

## Welcome New APTA Associate Members!

We welcome our new associate members, some who are descendants of the original founders. They are **Ellen More, Mr. and Mrs. Livingfield More, Elspeth Payne, Chris and Michelle Burcley, Valerie Kenner, Louis Mogavero, Dr. and Mrs. MacRae Linton, Carolyn and Brett Rabatin, Donna Emerson, Doug Jones, and Barbara Perutelli**. We appreciate your support of APTA.

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## RUTHERFORD COUNTY CHAPTER

The Rutherford County APTA is marking the 1820 home of **Ed and Terry Alexander**, 746 Coleman Hill Road, Rockvale, TN on April 27, 2008 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Members and other interested persons are invited. For more information, contact Steve Cates at 896-3559 or appdancer@aol.com.

The annual **Rutherford County Chapter Summer Dinner** meeting will be held again July 12, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. at the Readyville Mill in Readyville. A short business meeting will be followed by dinner served by Susan Sanders, owner of the Filling Station Cafe at the Cannon County Arts Center. The meal charge is \$10 each and monies should be sent to Steve Cates, 1216 East Main Street, Murfreesboro 37130 no later than July 5 in order to secure a reservation.



First Baptist pastor, Dr. Michael Smith, and Ida D. Read, representing the Church History Committee, and Dr. Eugene Cotey, Pastor Emeritus of First Baptist Church (1920) which was marked in October.



Jim and Marietta Bishop at the recent marking of their 1922 home



Matt Ward talks about the history of his 1903 home.

Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Tolbert stand in front of their 1840 home on Vaughn Road in the Blackman community.

## MEMPHIS CHAPTER



A sweet meat basket from the Woodruff-Fontaine House silver collection.

The “**Silver Linings**” exhibit opens April 2, 2008 at the Woodruff-Fontaine House. On display is the elaborate silver collection of Levin Coe, an educated, colorful attorney in the wild, early years of 19th century Memphis. Included in the collection is river boat silver, candelabras, dinner serving pieces, and Kate Greenaway figures. Summer clothing is on display and the new Textile Room is open to see how fine antique clothing is preserved.



A beautiful silver service owned by Levin Hudson Coe.

## HAMBLEN COUNTY CHAPTER

The 50th anniversary celebration of the **Crockett Tavern Museum** is April 27, 2008 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Come dressed like the 1950s and get ready to rock and roll. Local 50s history and the 50s Crockett Craze will be on display. The celebration kicks off the opening of the museum for the summer.

Eagle Scout candidate **Andrew Henry** will finish caulking and painting the outside of the new educational pavilion early this summer. He and his team also will be re-roofing the small poled shelter near the base-ment of the museum using cedar shakes, new boards, and replace one existing posts on the shelter. The chapter is hoping to acquire a couple of new benches to complete the project.

Eagle Scout recipient **Holton Goan** finished his project at the Crockett Tavern Museum by building steps and a walkway from the large visitor's parking area to the new educational pavilion. He was awarded the rank of Eagle on Scout Sunday, February 10, 2008. Lots of hard work went into completing this job!



*Children in period dress at the Crockett Tavern Museum*

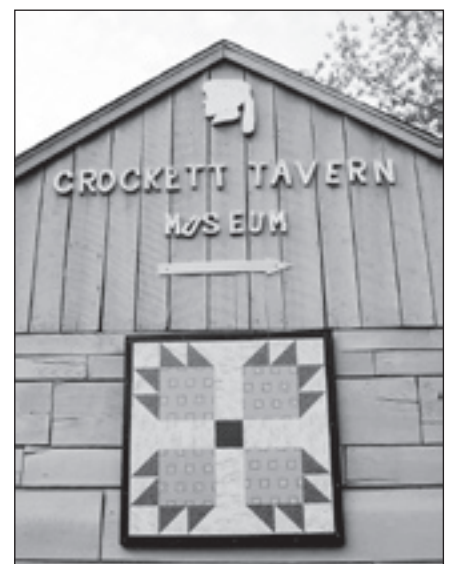


*Polly's Pavilion*

The Hamblen County Chapter APTA received a **Tennessee State Enhancement Grant** for \$5,000. The grant was used to pay the balance on the new educational pavilion, "**Polly's Pavilion**" (named after David Crockett's first wife from Jefferson County, TN). Using prior savings funds and a match from Jefferson Federal Bank, the debt was paid in full. The new structure was up and used during the Crockett Fall Fest in September 2007. Work still remains on the inside and also furnishings are needed to use with school students, guests to the museum, and special events. The pavilion will next be used during the upcoming 50th anniversary celebration. The local chapter is excited about finally having a place use for activities other than the lawn!

Thanks to the **City of Morristown** for building a pedestrian sidewalk and for painting the crosswalk lines on the pavement and erecting signage on Jim Senter Way to allow visitors to the museum safe passage across the roadway. It was great to have the better access during the fall event!

The "**Bear Paw**" quilt, a 4'x4' painted wooden quilt, was placed on the rear wall of the gift shop building in September as part of the Appalachian Quilt Trail. The site will now be included in the published brochure for those who travel the highways looking for the beautifully painted quilts. The local DAR chapter plans to mark the site in 2008. The local chapter is seeking a National Historic Register nomination for the museum.



*Bear Paw quilt at the Crockett Tavern Museum*



## HARDEMAN COUNTY NEWS

“**Education and Its Role in the Pursuit of the American Dream in Hardeman County, TN**” is a new exhibit honoring Black history and education that runs through May 24, 2008 at The Little Courthouse in Bolivar. Featured are class photos and school memorabilia from the Allen-White High School, a Rosenwald school built in Whiteville, TN in the early 20th century. Project Chair is Mr. Evelyn Robertson, Jr. and the scholar is Simon Hoskin, Ph.D. student. This exhibit was made possible with the cooperation of the El Canaan Baptist Church and a Community Historical Development Foundation Grant through Humanities Tennessee. The exhibit is open on the second and fourth Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and by appointment.



*Mr. Evelyn Robertson, Jr. and former Allen-White students enjoy the Education Exhibit at The Little Courthouse.*



*The Mitchell House, a 1923 Craftsman-style bungalow with a distinctive eyebrow dormer, is one of the houses featured on the Hardeman County Homes Tour.*

“**The Bills Street Home Tour and Music Festival**” is April 19-20, 2008. It will feature several 19th century homes, the gothic Episcopal Church and Polk Cemetery (burial place of the extended Polk family). Visitors will experience historic architecture, lovely gardens, and will hear fascinating stories of the various owners relayed by costumed docents. On view are original furnishings dating back to the early settling of Hardeman County. Visitors will be able to stroll between sites under the ancient shade trees in this lovely southern neighborhood as they reminisce about bygone days and relive historic events. Homes on the tour include **McNeal Place**, an elegant, privately owned 1862 French Chateau with original outbuildings; **The Columns**, a Greek Revival home circa. 1860; APTA’s **The Pillars**, expanded from a modest brick Federal Style home, circa 1828; and the **Maxwell/Bertin House**, a 1956 treasure of Chippendale, Hepplewhite and Sheraton furnishings. Tickets may be purchased by mail (APTA, P.O. Box 148, Bolivar, TN 38008) or on the days of the tour. Cost is \$20 each. (There is a 10% discount for pre-paid tours of 10 or more.) Children under 12 are free. Phone (731) 518-7148 for information.

The Smithsonian “**New Harmonies-American Roots Music**” exhibit will be at the Little Courthouse from August 9 - September 21, 2008. The main beat of the exhibition is the ongoing cultural process that has made America the birthplace of more music than any place on earth. The exhibition provides a fascinating, inspiring, and toe-tapping listen to the American story of multi-cultural exchange. With instruments, photographs, artifacts, and audio components, New Harmonies explores regional and social history from across America as expressed by the diverse origins and transformations of music traditions. The story is full of surprises about familiar songs, histories of instruments, the roles of religion and technology, and the continuity of musical roots from “Yankee Doodle Dandy” to the latest hip hop CD. Hours will be Fridays 4:00- 7:00 p.m.; Saturdays 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and by appointment for groups of 10 or more on Thursdays. Call (731) 518-7148 for information. Museum admission is \$5.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children. The traveling exhibit is funded in part through a Congressional appropriation to the Smithsonian, and in part with funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

## NASHVILLE CHAPTER

It's a busy spring once again for the Nashville Chapter. **"Entirely Entertaining,"** the spring fundraiser for Belle Meade Plantation, is April 23, 2008 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Host a table, pick a theme and invite your friends! Cost is \$100 per person, \$1,000 per table of ten.

Belle Meade Plantation and the Nashville Ballet are partnering to offer two new **"Dinner, Tour & Show"** packages in 2008! The first of these packages is **"Romeo & Juliet"** from Friday, April 25 to Sunday, April 27. Guests start their journey with an interactive guided tour of the Belle Meade Mansion—set to the theme of a Venetian Masquerade—and have dinner or lunch in our historic Carriage House. Then participants travel downtown to the Tennessee Performing Arts Center to enjoy a wonderful performance of the world-renowned ballet **"Romeo & Juliet."**

Two new camp experiences are being offered this year in addition to the traditional summer camp programs. **Civil War Soldier camp** gives participants an inside look into the life of a Civil War soldier. Activities include drilling, camping, games, and the chance to fire a black powder rifle. This camp is offered the week of June 9 and July 21. **Archaeology Camp** is for 9-14 year-olds. Youths participate in a mini-field school and excavation near the location of the original slave quarters on the northeast side of the Belle Meade Plantation property. Representatives from the firm Cumberland Research Group Archeological and Historical Services, along with Belle Meade staff, will

be on hand to oversee this experience. This camp starts on June 23 and July 7. **Indian Camp** teaches a respect for Native American heritage through games, stories, crafts, and observations of nature. A replica tipi is set up on the grounds during the week. This program is offered in June and July to pre-school - 4th grade students. Coming back again in 2008 is the **Junior Docent Camp**, beginning June 2, and the **Museum Theater Camp**, beginning June 16. These two offerings are designed to nurture the young historian and performer and provide pre-teens the chance to be artistic, creative and learn about the behind-the-scenes work at Belle Meade Plantation. These programs are for rising 5th - 10th graders. All camps run for five days (9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.) and the cost per participant is \$175. For more information email [summercamp@bellemeadeplantation.com](mailto:summercamp@bellemeadeplantation.com), call 615-356-0501 x48 or visit our website at [www.bellemeadeplantation.com](http://www.bellemeadeplantation.com) where you can download a registration form.

The **Belle Meade Plantation museum shop** features a different local artist monthly. You can meet the artist while enjoying an evening of good food, friends, and shopping on the first Thursday of each month. Following is spring/summer schedule:

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|------------|-----------------------------|
| April 3-30 | Margy Brooks and Lucie Mays |
| May 1-31   | Janet Concepcion            |
| June 5-30  | Susan McDermott             |
| Aug. 2-31  | Buford Winfrey              |

### *In Memoriam*

The APTA mourns the loss of our last remaining founder, **Margaret Lindsley Warden**, 103, who died in November 2007. Miss Warden was a long-time member and past board member of the Nashville Chapter. She had a love of history and horses. Miss Warden wrote a book on the history of Belle Meade Plantation and one on Fairvue Plantation as well as an autobiography. In 1966 she helped form the Nashville Metropolitan Historical Commission and served as its secretary from 1966-1973 and then served as its chair from 1973-1977. Her weekly column "Horse Sense" appeared in *The Tennessean* for 55 years and she formed the Middle Tennessee Pony Club in 1954. Miss Warden was unable to attend the Founders Reception in 2006 due to declining health but was represented by May Dean Eberling, who took her a flower arrangement from the APTA Friends and reported to her on the event. Our condolences go out to her close friends.



*Miss Margaret Lindsley Warden, left, at the book signing of her autobiography Life Has Been Kind To Me*

## KNOXVILLE CHAPTER

The Ramsey House Board of Directors hosted its **7th Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon**, properly titled **“Stylish Lifestyles: Past and Present”** on Tuesday, March 25, 2007 at the beautiful Cherokee Country Club. Attendees saw the latest fashions by Dillard’s Department Store. There were door prizes and a delicious lunch was served.

In conjunction with the **Dogwood Arts Festival**, Ramsey House’s gardens are open to the public throughout the month of April. Enjoy the early spring flowers on the grounds. Bring a picnic lunch for the whole family. Free throughout the month of April.

Come experience the Civil War with Ramsey House during the **Civil War Living History Days** on Saturday, April 19, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 20 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Feel the excitement of live skirmishes, encampments, historic demonstrations, period fashion shows and church services, historic house tours and much more!



*Civil War re-enactors at Ramsey House*

## ARLINGTON CHAPTER

The Rachel H. K. Burrow Museum is hosting an elaborate display of buttons, belt buckles, and sewing notions during **“Arlington in April”** on April 26, 2008 in historic Depot Square. The blacksmith shop will have demonstrations and the post office, log cabin, and cemetery will be open for tours. Woody’s Wagon will be available for a ride that will follow the Historic Walking tour.

In May there is a **Mother and Daughter Tea** on May 10, 2008 with craft making and special attire for the daughters. The annual **Memorial Day celebration** is May 26, 2008 and flags will be placed on the graves of all veterans. An honor ceremony will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the Scout Color Guard presenting the flags, recognizing the veterans who are present and closing with a special guest speaker.

The **Annual Membership Breakfast** will be held in the Senior Center at 9:00 a.m. on June 14, 2008. Come bring a friend or neighbor who wants to help preserve the past and share a great breakfast. Celebrate **Independence Day** early on June 28, 2008 with a children’s bike and wagon parade, a most patriotic family contest, and an old-fashioned pie baking contest.

## *TDOT Needs Your Help*

Historians with the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) are conducting a comprehensive survey of historic bridges throughout the state. This survey will serve as a planning tool for TDOT while documenting each bridge with photographs and research that provides information about the structure. They are looking for bridges (not railroad bridges) that are historic and any non-highway bridges (excluding railroad bridges) that have been abandoned and left as ruins or located on driveways or trails in your county. A map or location of the bridges is helpful as well as any newspaper articles, county court records, etc. Please contact Martha Carver, Historic Preservation Manager, TDOT at 615-253-2461 or [martha.carver@state.tn.us](mailto:martha.carver@state.tn.us) with your information.



## Event Calendar

- Feb - May 24 ..... **“Education and Its Role in the Pursuit of the American Dream in Hardeman County, TN”** – The Little Courthouse, Bolivar
- April 1-30..... **Dogwood Arts Festival** – Knoxville
- April 2 - Aug 31.... **“Silver Linings” Exhibit** – oodruff-Fontaine House, Memphis
- April 3-30..... **Margy Brooks and Lucie Mays Art Exhibit** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- April 5..... **Tennessee History Day State Finals** – FedEx Institute of Technology, University of Memphis
- April 19-20..... **Bill Street Home Tour & Music Festival** – The Pillars, Bolivar
- Civil War Living History Days** – Ramsey House Plantation, Knoxville
- April 23..... **“Entirely Entertaining”** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- April 25-27..... **Romeo and Juliet Package** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- April 26..... **Arlington in April** – Arlington
- April 27..... **50th Anniversary Celebration** – Crockett Tavern Museum, Morristown
- Alexander House Marking** – Rockvale, TN
- May 1-31 ..... **Janet Concepcion Art Exhibit** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- May 2-3 ..... **“Ladies Weekend”** – Athenaeum Rectory, Columbia
- May 10 ..... **Mother-Daughter Tea** – Arlington
- May 16 ..... **Donelson-Hermitage Chapter Fish Fry** – Buchanan Log House, Nashville

May 20 ..... **APTA Annual Membership Meeting** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville

- May 26 ..... **Memorial Day Celebration** – Arlington
- June 5-30..... **Susan McDermott Art Exhibit** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- June 2-6..... **Preschool Indian Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- Junior Docent Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation
- June 9-13..... **Preschool Indian Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- Civil War Soldier Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- June 14 ..... **Annual Membership Breakfast** – Senior Center, Arlington
- June 15-19..... **National History Day Finals** – University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland
- June 16-20..... **School Age Indian Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- Museum Theater Workshop** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- June 23-27..... **School Age Indian Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- Archaeology Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- June 28 ..... **Independence Day Celebration** – Arlington
- June 30 - July 4..... **Preschool Age Indian Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- July 12 ..... **Rutherford County Chapter Summer Dinner** – Readyville Mill, Readyville
- July 12-18..... **“Girls School”** – Athenaeum Rectory, Columbia
- July 7-11..... **Archaeology Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- July 13 ..... **4th Annual Ice Cream Sunday** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- July 14-18..... **School Age Indian Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- July 21-25..... **School Age Indian Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- Civil War Soldier Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- July 28 - Aug. 1 ..... **Preschool Indian Camp** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- Aug. 2-31 ..... **Buford Winfrey Art Exhibit** – Belle Meade Plantation, Nashville
- Aug. 9 - Sept. 21... **“New Harmonies: American Roots Music” Exhibit** – The Little Courthouse, Bolivar
- Aug. 17..... **Davy Crockett Birthday Party** – Crockett Tavern Museum, Morristown

# APTA Antiques Appraisal Fair

The 5th Annual APTA Antiques Appraisal Fair was held at the Belle Meade Plantation Carriage House on October 27, 2008. Professional appraisers were on hand to appraise items and educate the public. Antiques appraised included jewelry, toys, paintings, furniture, books, silver and other fine items. Many thanks to our Publicity Chairman **Tim Walker**. Special thanks to **Joe Wilson**, State APTA President; **Pam Hood**; **John Rochford**, Nashville Chapter APTA President; and **Frances Harris**. We also express our heartfelt appreciation to the following appraisers who offered their services: **Tom Anderson**, **Connie Sue Davenport**, **Chuck Koehler**, **Ashley McAnulty**, **Helen and Mary Rose McCabe**, **Sally Matlock**, **Felix Perry**, and **Ron Robinson**.

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