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Jim Lillard

MOUNTAIN MEMORIES FEBRUARY 19TH MEETING

On Sunday February 19, 2012, Jim Lillard, Commander, Kemper-Fry-Strother Camp Number 19, Sons of Confederate Veterans, will speak at the quarterly meeting of the Madison County Historical Society. Mr. Lillard's presentation is entitled "Mountain Memories" and was designed specifically for the Madison Historical Society. It is a power point presentation about the families who lived in our local mountains before they became a portion of the Shenandoah National Park. The presentation will include original family photos as well as photos from the Library of Congress and show the mountain farms, the quality of life

experienced by the mountain folk and how they made their living.

Jim Lillard, a lifelong resident of Madison County, is recently retired from the Virginia Department of Transportation as a Bridge Safety Engineer and is presently part owner and principle inspector for Piedmont Bridge Inspection Service. He is a twenty year member of the Sons of the American Revolution, a forty year collector and hunter of civil war relics as well as a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. An avid reader and researcher of the civil war with a special interest in engineers and bridge building, Jim recently developed a presentation about "Civil War Crossings" and how the engineer regiments built, reconstructed and protected pontoon bridges, timber bridges and stone bridges.

Mr. Lillard's presentations are informative, interesting and fun and "Mountain Memories" should be of utmost interest to area residents.

The meeting will be held in the County Administrative Offices auditorium at 2pm Sunday February 19th. Everyone is invited to attend and refreshments will be provided in the Kemper Residence next door following the presentation.

CHANGES COMING TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors consists of twelve members, each serving staggered three-year terms starting in February, so that four memberships expire each February. As directed by the By-Laws, at the February membership meeting the nominating committee nominates members to fill the four expired terms. Nominations may also be made from the floor. Any one so nominated must have agreed in writing to serve prior to the nomination.

Nominations are then voted on by the membership.

At the membership meeting on February 19 the nominating committee will nominate Penn Bowers, Carroll Good, Jean Busboso, and Bill Tidball to fill the expiring terms on the Board of Directors. Penn and Carroll are returning members. Bill and Jean will be nominated to replace Michael O'Connor and Ann Miller, who have chosen to retire from the Board. In addition, the membership will be asked to approve the appointment of Roger Schreiner to fulfill the one year remaining in the term of Doris Lackey, who resigned in January.

We are grateful for the contributions made to the Society by the retiring Board members. During her tenure on the Board Doris dedicated herself to the task of gathering information on Madison County History. Along with Trish Crowe, Beppy White, and Mary Wright this information was organized into pictures and text and published in Arcadia Publishing's Images of America series. Since its publication in March of 2011 the book has been in great demand and continues to generate significant revenue for the Society. In her professional capacity as an Architectural Historian Ann has been a valuable advisor to the Society through the years. Ann uncovered the mystery of the Madison Free Press building described in the November, 2011 Newsletter. Mike has served as the membership Chairman throughout his tenure on the board.

SPRING TEA MARCH 28, 2012



Tea tables set for spring

Mark your calendar for the Spring Luncheon Tea scheduled for Wednesday, March 28 at 12:30 p.m. Reservations will be accepted beginning March 1, and if the response is anything like recent teas, it will be important to reserve your place early. Space is limited by building code regulations.

This first benefit tea of 2012 will offer a menu of scones, mini-sandwiches and other savories, as well as the ever-popular sweets, accompanied by cups of delicious Kemper House tea. You can expect some old standbys plus a few surprises.

"In March, the weather often is still on the cool side, and enjoying this popular lunchtime experience in a warm, historic setting at the Kemper Residence is a perfect way to welcome Spring," said Mary Haught, tea coordinator.

Price of the tea remains \$20. All food is prepared, donated and served by volunteers and all proceeds go directly to the Madison County Historical Society.

To reserve your space, call 540-547-4398 and leave a message with your name, telephone number and the number of spaces you'd like to reserve. You will receive a call back to confirm. The reservation line opens March 1st.



Keep in mind that the Kemper Residence is available to rent for receptions, meetings or other events. The rates are very reasonable, and rental income supports Madison County Historical Society projects. If you or someone you know is interested in discussing use of the building, contact Mary Haught at the above numbers.

ANN MILLER SPEAKS AT THE NOVEMBER MCHS MEETING



Ann Miller makes a point

Ann Miller, historian and author, spoke at the November 20, 2011 meeting of The Madison County Historical Society. Ms. Miller presented an overview of early travel and the development of the transportation systems in Madison County, along with Madison's place within the transportation network of the surrounding region. The history of transportation is, of course, closely allied to the history of settlement and the development of our society and culture. How did the early inhabitants travel to and within the region, how did they get their goods to market and how were the early roads built and maintained. Madison County has both mountains and rivers so transportation played a significant role in the development of the County's settlement, society and culture. Ms. Miller's presentation included photographs of old bridges and roads in the county, remnants of the same and the various means of construction and technology utilized in the past. Photos also showed the difference between the county road system and the turnpikes and even of Madison County's legendary "turkey drives".



Ann Miller enjoys reception

ANNUAL MEETING ON FEBRUARY 19, 2012

The Annual meeting of the Madison County Historical Society will take place on Sunday, February 19, 2012. The Nominating Committee for Members of the Board of Directors of the Historical Society proposes the following for election: Penn Bowers, Carroll Good, Jean Busboso, and Bill Tidball. Membership will also be asked to approve the appointment of Roger Schreiner to serve out the remaining term of a retiring Board member. Nominations may be made from the floor but according to Article IV, Section 3 of the By-Laws – "Anyone so nominated must have agreed in writing prior to the nomination".

NEW MEMBERS

Here are new members who joined the Society since our last newsletter:

Galen and Candice Fountain, Madison VA

Jeffrey Green, Madison VA

Donald W. Payne, Charlottesville VA

We are happy to have you with us and hope you have a rewarding membership experience.



Waverly Yowell Civil War Club

SCHOOL CLUB VISIT

Wetsel Middle School has a Civil War Club led by teachers Karrin Temple and Melanie Ellyson. They meet once a month after school and there are 20 members this year. On Dec. 9th the club members toured the Arcade Museum, Kemper Residence, the Law Office and slave cabin. This is the second year that the club has made this visit. They also had Bill Graham, past Commander of the SCV Kemper, Fry, Strother Camp come for an after school program. We are always happy to work with our Madison school children in helping to make history come alive.

WAVERLY YOWELL FORTH GRADE CLASS WELCOMES CRAFT DEMONSTRATION



Clyde Jenkins weaves a basket while Betty Mallory looks on. On November 22, 2011 the fourth grade class at Waverly Yowell Elementary was presented with

demonstrations of crafts necessary for family life and survival during America's Colonial Period. Also in attendance were students from Oak Grove Mennonite School. The event was sponsored and coordinated by Madison County Historical Society (MCHS).

Student participation with hands on involvement was only eclipsed by their questions and comments, all which indicated their enthusiasm. This may turn into an annual event.

The expertise, hard work, and time of demonstrators, school administration, teachers, and MCHS coordinators are appreciated.

Individual demonstrators and work stations included: Jane Volchansky and Marty Taylor, Rug Hooking; Beppy White, Soap Making; Mary Ruth Kipps, Frances Lacy, and Elfreida Shank, Quilting; Candice Fountain, Spinning and Wool Carding; Betty Mallory and Clyde Jenkins, Basket Weaving and White Oak Splint making; Steve Hoffman, Shingle Making; Max Lacy, Wood Sawing; Melinda Utz, Candle Making; and Cindy Bealer, Colonial Games.

All demonstrators are Madisonians with the exception of Clyde Jenkins of Stanley, Va. who is also associated with Colonial Williamsburg.

FARMERS' MARKET



Society table at the farmers' market

Again last fall we had the opportunity to set up a sales table at the two holiday Farmers Markets. They were held at the Madison Fire Dept. on Nov. 19th and Dec. 10th. We sold quite a few of our "Images of America" book and Christmas ornaments. Table fees went to support the Literacy Council. Thanks to the Fire Dept. for the use of their truck bay.

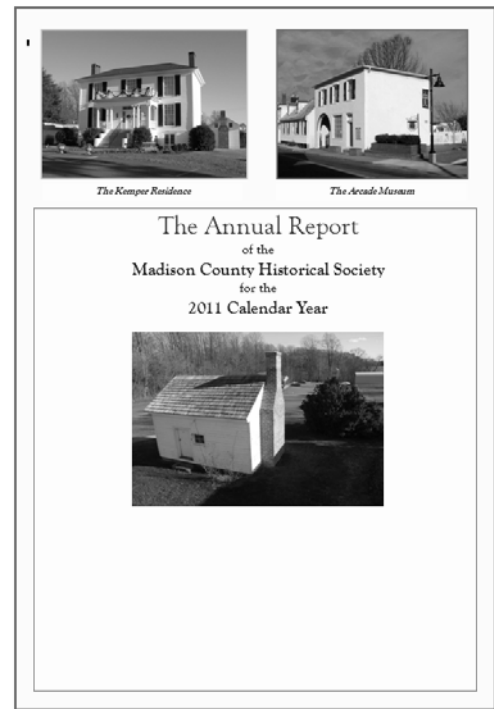
ACQUISITIONS



This walnut wash stand has been donated to the Historical Society from the estate of Alice Goodwin Jones and Walker Lewis Jones, long-time Madisonians, supporters of the Historical Society and members of Piedmont Episcopal Church. As their daughters settled the estate, they identified two items they wished to donate to the Kemper Residence to continue the Jones' legacy. This wash stand, in beautiful condition, is a welcome addition to the lower level bathroom.



This lovely china, which includes a teapot, creamer and sugar, waste bowl, several plates, plus cups and saucers, were handed down from Walker Jones' family, and dates from the mid 19th century. The china is on display at the Kemper Residence, and some pieces will be used at the March 28 tea. Members of the Historical Society have expressed their gratitude to the Jones family for these lovely gifts.



2011 ANNUAL REPORT AVAILABLE SOON.

The 2011 Annual Report of the Madison County Historical Society will soon be available. The Annual Report comprises a summary of information published in the 2011 Newsletters, plus a financial report for the year. In order to reduce printing and mailing costs, copies will be distributed only by request. When completed the report will be posted on the Society's web page, Madisonvahistoricalsociety.org, and can then be viewed on-line by clicking on Newsletter and selecting 2011 Annual Report. Email or printed copies can be requested by emailing madisonhistory@verizon.net or phoning 540-948-5488.

The financial report for 2011 is printed on page 6.

NEW DISPLAYS

This year we will be displaying many of the items that have been donated to us over the years by the people of Madison. Everything from a horsehair lap robe to a still, old toys to Hoover's speaker's stand and much more. We would like to display some of the old dresses we have but need a way to hang them. We would appreciate a gift or loan of dress forms or mannequins. These displays will be ready for the reopening of the Arcade Museum on Thursday, March 1, 2012. The Museum hours will remain from 10:00AM to 2:00PM on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

2011 Financial Report

Balance on Hand, January 1, 2011		\$25,748.24
Disbursements		\$16,382.77
	Preservation Virginia (APVA)	\$60.00
	Arcade Electric	\$1,642.00
	Arcade Security	\$273.60
	Arcade Telephone	\$876.95
	Arcade Maintenance	\$355.52
	Arcade Water/Sewer	\$337.20
	Award	\$100.00
	Corporate Registration	\$25.00
	Checking Account Service Charge	\$7.50
	Display Cases	\$112.14
	Entertainment	\$119.28
	Genealogy Reference Books	\$28.94
	Insurance	\$538.00
	Items for resale	\$4,273.52
	Kemper Maintenance	\$170.00
	Kemper Security	\$250.80
	Kemper Telephone	\$355.54
	Office Supplies	\$28.34
	Postage	\$282.48
	Post Office Box Rental	\$56.00
	Printer cartridge	\$23.09
	Printing	\$450.00
	Sales Table	\$70.00
	Slave Quarters Restoration	\$5,440.00
	State Sales Tax	\$382.42
	Supplies	\$7.13
	Supplies for Tea	\$67.32
	Web Posting	\$50.00
Receipts		\$18,087.89
	Interest on Money Market	\$7.28
	Kemper Rent	\$450.00
	Donations	\$1,915.72
	Dues	\$4,635.00
	Royalties	\$776.43
	Sales	\$8,654.46
	Tea	\$1,649.00
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Balance on Hand, January 1, 2012		\$27,453.36

The Arcade Museum will reopen on Thursday, March 1st. The following items will be available at that time.

MADISON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRICE LIST

ITEM	Full Price		
	Price	Tax	Total
ORNAMENTS			
Society Ornament – any year	\$11.00	\$0.55	\$11.55
Jamestown Medallion Key Chain	\$11.00	\$0.55	\$11.55
BOOKS			
<i>Adopted Son</i> By Greg Glassner	\$12.00	\$0.60	\$12.60
<i>Madison County, A Revised History</i> By Margaret Davis	\$15.00	\$0.75	\$15.75
<i>Madison County Land Grants 1722-1865</i> By Dewey Lillard	\$25.00	\$1.25	\$26.25
<i>Shenandoah National Park and its Neighbors</i>	\$21.99	\$1.10	\$23.09
<i>President and Mrs. Hoover's Rapidan Camp</i>	\$1.00	\$0.05	\$1.05
<i>Ask for Nothing</i> By Maxine Weaver Crane	\$18.00	\$0.90	\$18.90
<i>A Sky-Line Drive</i> by Reed Engle	\$16.95	\$0.85	\$17.80
<i>Everything Was Wonderful</i> by Reed Engle	\$16.95	\$0.85	\$17.80
<i>Light of the Mtn. Moon</i> by Reed Engle	\$16.95	\$0.85	\$17.80
<i>Images of America: Madison County</i> by Doris Lackey et al	\$21.19	\$1.10	\$23.09
<i>In the Shadow of Ragged Mountain</i> By Audrey Horning	\$16.95	\$0.85	\$17.80
<i>The Dean Mtn. Story</i> by Gloria Dean	\$5.50	\$0.28	\$5.78
<i>Lewis Mountain Man</i> by John Stoneberger	\$8.00	\$0.40	\$8.40
<i>Shenandoah Secrets</i> by C & J Reeder	\$13.95	\$0.70	\$14.65
<i>Shenandoah National Park Undying Past</i> By Darwin Lambert	\$19.95	\$1.00	\$20.95
<i>Walking Tour of Madison County</i>	\$2.00	\$0.10	\$2.10
<i>Madison County Almanac 1907</i>	\$4.50	\$0.23	\$4.73
<i>Madison County Directory 1896</i>	\$4.50	\$0.23	\$4.73
<i>Bicentennial Plate</i>	\$10.00	\$0.50	\$10.50
<i>1776 Map Culpeper, Madison, Rappahannock</i>	\$10.00	\$0.50	\$10.50
<i>Note Cards (Arcade) - per package</i>	\$1.00	\$0.05	\$1.05
<i>Note Cards – Photos</i> by Martha Cornwell	\$1.25	\$0.06	\$1.31
<i>Legacy of the Land</i> note cards, series 1	\$15.00	\$0.75	\$15.75
<i>Legacy of the Land</i> note cards, series 2	\$15.00	\$0.75	\$15.75
<i>Sheet Music – Madison Song</i>	\$1.25	\$0.06	\$1.31
<i>Madison County Calendar - any year</i>	\$2.00	\$0.10	\$2.10
<i>Indian Tribes Puzzle</i>	\$16.00	\$0.80	\$16.80
<i>Twelve Generation Family Charts</i>	\$4.00	\$0.20	\$4.20

The Madison County Historical Society is a non-profit organization founded and operated for the perpetuation and preservation of Madison County heritage and traditions. The mission of the Society is to record, preserve, and stimulate interest in the history of Madison County, its families, occupations and way of life.

Membership is for one year with renewals due on the anniversary date of membership. Membership and other contributions to the Society are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Types of Membership:

Sustainer.....	\$500 or more	Business	\$50
Benefactor	\$250 to \$499	Family	\$30
Partner	\$100 to \$249	Single	\$20
Friend	\$50 to \$99	Student	\$5

Membership applications are available at the Arcade and the Kemper Residence, and on-line at the Society's web page - www.madisonvahistoricalsociety.org. (Click on "ABOUT US", and then on "application"). For more information call the Society Office at 540-948-5488 Please leave a message if no one answers. We will return your call. You can also email us at madisonhistory@verizon.net.

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