

**AMITE COUNTY HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**  
Minutes of August 8, 2015 meeting (corrected)  
Approved by vote of members attending the September 12, 2015 meeting

President Dawn Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:01 am in the meeting room of the Liberty library. There were 21 members attending. Allen Terrell gave the invocation.

The minutes from the June 13, 2015, meetings were approved. A motion was made by Gay Blalock and seconded by Linda Lea. The motion carried.

President Report:

- The Angels on the Bluff tour of the cemetery in Natchez will be at 8:45 pm on November 7, 2015. Tickets are \$25 per person. Anyone wanting to attend with the group should sign up on the sheet being passed around.
- The field trip to tour the Old and New Capitols in Jackson is being scheduled to replace the September meeting (September 12, 2015). Attendees will congregate in Liberty then carpool to Jackson. Members committing to attend should sign up on the sheet being passed around. Specific details will be communicated later to those committing to go.
- Open House is scheduled for the first Saturday in December (December 5) at the Gardner house. Members attending should bring finger foods to provide the refreshments. Several musical presenters are being lined up to provide entertainment.

Vice President Report: VP Greg Barron could not be present.

Secretary Report: No report.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Gay Blalock reported we have \$10,842.59 as balance on hand. Mary Anne Huff made a motion to approve the report; Nelson Dawson seconded. The report was approved by unanimous vote.

COMMITTEES: The committees had no activity to report. Pres. Taylor stated that she would like to form a new Hospitality Committee to handle food, etc. at Open House. Volunteers are requested.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Pres. Taylor reported that the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a logging festival on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in October at Vance Park (October 24-25 with set-up on the 23<sup>rd</sup>). She would like to comply with the Chamber's request that the society set up a logging history display to complement the other activities. Volunteers are needed to handle the planning of the display, the set-up on Friday and to work at the display on Saturday and Sunday. Sam King was suggested as someone who could bring a lot to the event considering his collection of pictures related to logging. Sam, however, was absent and could not be contacted at the time.

Other Business:

- If any members have suggestions on projects or field trip they would like to see in 2016, contact Dawn Taylor and outline your ideas.
- Gay Blalock reported that her sister, Sue Severson, Life Member of the society, is researching old Bible records for genealogy related to Amite County. If anyone has any Bible records they would like to share, contact Gay.
- Pres. Taylor reported that two other projects are in the planning stages. The first is to interview surviving World War II veterans. The other is to have old school records books photographed so that the genealogical information that they contain can be more easily researched without handling the books themselves. Camera photography will have to be used; the books are difficult to scan/copy on flat-bed scanners.

The meeting adjourned at 10:28 am.