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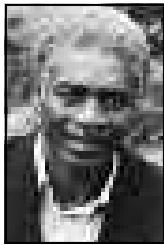
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Heritage Library News

Burke and Campbell Elected to HLF Board

At the recent Annual Meeting of The Heritage Library Foundation two new directors were elected to the Board of the Foundation, Nancy M. Burke and Emory S. Campbell.



Campbell

Mr. Campbell is a well known native islander who is active in numerous community organizations. Former director of Penn Center on St. Helena, he has been honored by many historic and cultural institutions for his contributions to the preservation of native island culture. He is the co-founder of

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2005 Outstanding Volunteer Awards to Ben Russell and Barbara Vernasco



Barbara Vernasco, Volunteer of the Year with Ben Russell, Distinguished Service Award

The annual volunteer appreciation celebration returned once more to the Sea Pines home of Norma and Norm Harberger. During the evening Bill Altstaetter, President of the Foundation, presented the 2005 Volunteer Appreciation awards to Barbara Vernasco of Port Royal Plantation and Ben Russell of Sea Pines.

Each year the Board of Directors recognizes the great work of the Foundation's volunteer corps. Without the dedicated and tireless work of these thirty plus men and women the current level of historic preservation, education and family heritage research provided by The Heritage Library and its sister divisions would not be possible.

The "Volunteer of the Year" the Directors' Award is presented annually to the volunteer who has made the most significant contribution to the Library over the

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The Heritage Library—Hilton Head Island's Center for history education and preservation, also Family Heritage Research



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President's Column
Bill Altstaetter

President's Report on Fiscal Year 2005 results and plans for 2006.

The majority of the goals we set for ourselves for 2005 have been successfully met. With one critical exception I am generally pleased with the overall accomplishments of the Foundation last year. We had targeted five major areas for action:

1. Completing the integration of the HHI Historical Society into the Foundation. All assets have been identified and recorded; records have been consolidated and all members contacted and provided with new membership cards in the Foundation. Two committees have been set up and are working on the maintenance and preservation of the Fort Mitchel and Zion Chapel of Ease Cemetery sites. Jason Stevens is heading a Task Force developing a renovation plan to include a Revolutionary War Memorial Park on adjacent town owned land. Renovation work is already underway at Fort Mitchel where Ron Boyd and new members Don Jones and Nan Nelson are developing a master plan to include the removal of dead trees, making minor safety repairs to paths and pruning back overgrowth and developing a signage replacement plan as well as future improvements to the site.

2. Implementing a series of workshop and lecture programs designed to raise the visibility of history, both education and preservation on Hilton Head Island.

MICHAEL REINSCH DESIGN INC PROVIDES FOUNDATION WITH "NEW LOOK"

The new look of Heritage Library News and the new Foundation logo pictured below are the creations of Michael Reinsch of Michael Reinsch Design Inc. The Foundation is deeply appreciative of Michael's outstanding work on our behalf. A long time resident of Hilton Head the graphic artist is widely known for his designs which include the logo for the Town of Hilton Head Island. Again Michael, Many Thanks.



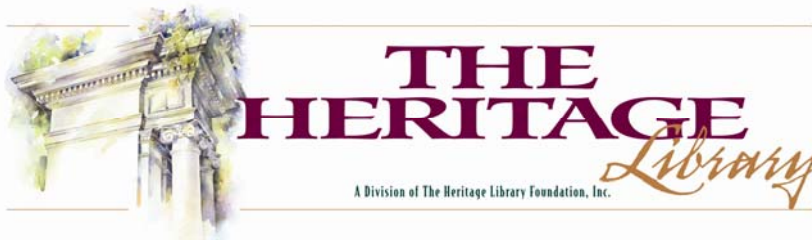
A lecture on General Francis Marion and two historical movies about World War II, The Battle of Britain and Pearl Harbor were featured in the Foundation's History Series. New program series are in development for the 2006-2007 educational year beginning in September.

3. Expanding the library physical plant to improve the quality of the patron research experience especially with regard to on-line research and the microfilm areas.

Work on the new Computer Center and administrative offices carried over into the new year. Both areas are now fully operational.

4. Increasing both the number of

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THE CIVIL WAR

By Isobel Bitner

April was an important month in the history of the Civil War. It included the beginning, the end, and many significant dates in between. The firing on Fort Sumter occurred in April 1861, and that month in 1862 saw the battles of Shiloh

and of New Orleans. The siege of Vicksburg occupied much of April 1863. The 13th Amendment to the Constitution was passed by the Senate on April 8, 1864 on its way to abolishing slavery in the United States; and the surrender at Appomattox in April of 1865 finally brought active hostilities to an end.

Countless books have been written about the war, and one can find several names depicting the conflict, besides the most common one of "The Civil War". The War between the States, The War of Northern Aggression, The War for Southern Independence, The War of the Rebellion, The Recent Unpleasantness: – all of these titles have been used, depending on the bias of the writers.

The Heritage Library has recently acquired several important additions to its collection of Civil War materials, thanks to a generous gift from the Low Country Civil War Round Table. Donations have also been received

from individuals, among them Mrs. Bernard Von Hoffman and John Griffin.

With the Round Table gift we have, to date, purchased four CDs : The Civil War in South Carolina; South Carolina Civil War soldiers index; The Civil War in Georgia; The Roster of Confederate soldiers of Georgia. These are valuable additions, containing rosters useful for those searching for ancestors who fought in the Civil War from these states.

Books so far purchased with this gift are:

"Bouquets from the Cannon's Mouth: the History of a Pennsylvania Regiment in the Civil War", by Robert Eberly (Hilton Head resident and Heritage Foundation member), a 2005 release.

Battles and Leaders of the Civil War", a 4-volume set, containing a collection of contemporary reports and memoirs by the commanders and men who fought in the battles of the Civil War, edited by Robert Johnson and first published in 1887.

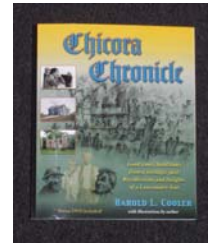
An original copy of the November 1861 edition of Harper's Weekly, covering their reporting of the Battle of Port Royal Sound. This valuable issue has been placed in our Rare Books collection.

In the months to come we will be using the rest of the gift to purchase other material to flesh out our collection, which now includes a complete set, in both hard copy

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Book Review *by Lyman Wooster* **Chicora Chronicle** *Author Harold L. Cooler*

"Chicora Chronicle" by Harold L. Cooler is a nostalgic look back at a not too distant past, an account of a family's pleasures and hardships in the 1920s and 30s and a description of an area and an era that is undergoing great changes. Chicora



is evidently an ancient Indian term for what is more commonly referred to today as South Carolina's Lowcountry. Cooler's reminiscences are of the tidewater lands, and rivers, not of the barrier islands.

The central figure in this autobiographic tale of a family and a region is the author's petite mother, Allene, who was married in 1919 when almost 16 years of age and in rather rapid succession had five children, the author being the second son. During the 1920s the family lived in Coosawhatchie where the Coolers, but particularly Allene, ran a moderately successful store; and the children went by bus on unpaved U.S. 17 to Ridgeland where they attended school. The store was successful until the sawmill burned down and about 300 people became unemployed in 1928.

With the town's economy depressed, Ernest Cooler sought employment elsewhere and found it in 1930 on Mackay Point plantation owned by the wealthy Philadelphian, George D. Widener. The family moved there and the new location introduced the children to

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The
HILTON HEAD ISLAND
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**NEW HISTORY LECTURES
 FOR 2006-2007
 AT THE HERITAGE LIBRARY**

Announcing a new series of historical programs at the Heritage Library for the 2006-2007 Educational year, Bill Altstaetter, President of the Heritage Library Foundation emphasized that the subject matter selected will be taken from requests from the audience.

Initially four Sunday afternoon sessions have been reserved for topics proposed by members of the public. One Sunday in each of September, November, March and May has been set aside. Scheduled to start at 1:30 p.m. and conclude by 3:00 p.m., "Sundays With Your Ancestors" offers brief respite from the TV world of football, basketball, golf and hockey.

The four "Sundays With Your Ancestors" will be free, however reservations are needed as seating is limited, and a donation of \$5.00 would be appreciated.

Nine additional special history programs have been selected for presentation this year. "History at the Heritage" will be scheduled for Wednesdays, either mornings from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. or afternoons between 2:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sessions will be open to the general public as well as Library Foundation members.

Scheduled for September will

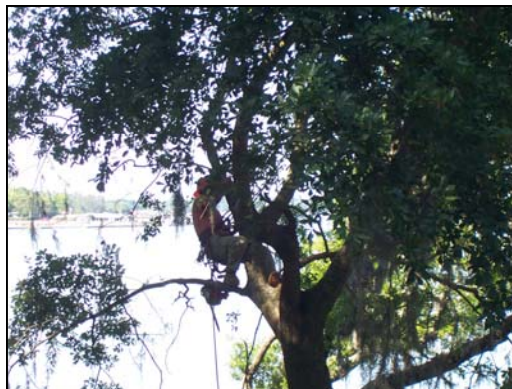
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WORK BEGINS AT FORT MITCHEL



Before (left) and after (right) views of the Watch Tower area

Initial cleanup phase of renovations at the Fort Mitchel historic site began in May with the removal of a number of dead trees by local specialists from All Care Tree Service in close proximity to the paths used by some 7-8,000 visitors to what remains of the Civil War era Union Battery guarding the Skull Creek approaches to Port Royal Sound. Work will continue throughout the Summer and Fall on improvements to the site. Anyone wishing to assist with the project should contact the Foundation at 843-686-6560.



Pictured above and right are professional tree surgery staff members of the All-Care Tree Service in action

Feature Article — Some Historic Houses of Worship in South Carolina
A Photographic Journey Through the Lowcountry — Conclusion

By Lyman D. Wooster

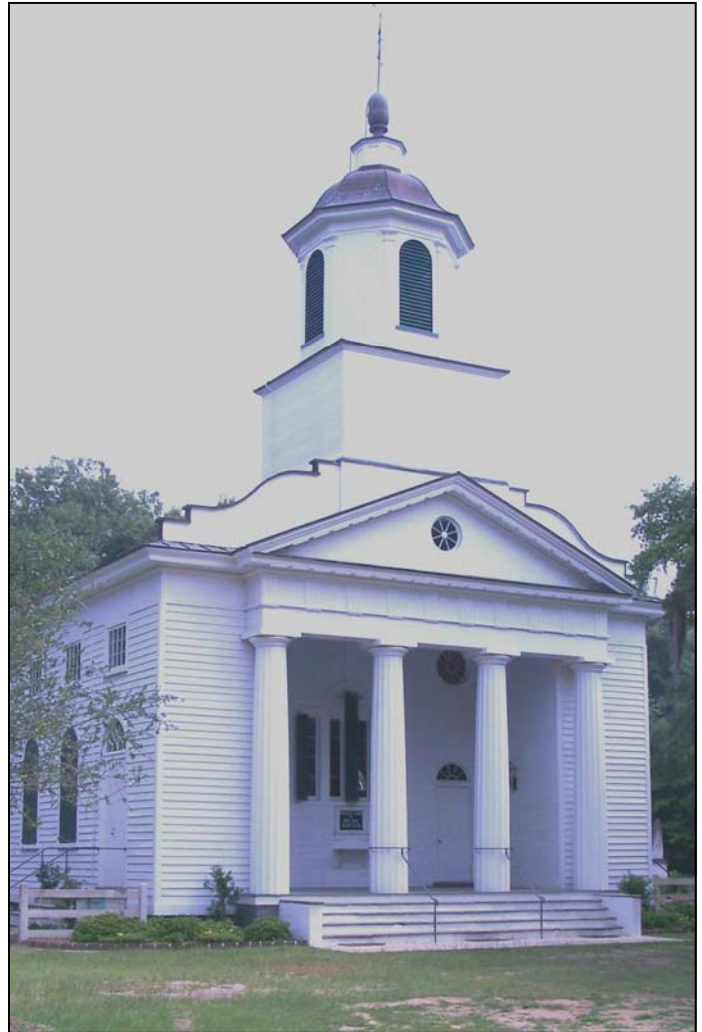
This Issue's feature article concludes Lyman Wooster's photographic sojourn to the historic churches of the coastal lowlands and sea islands of South Carolina winding up his travels where he started in Beaufort County.



Presbyterian Church—John's Island, SC

Islands along the South Carolina coast are part of the Lowcountry and they are also an important element in this account of historic churches. On John's Island, early English, Scottish, and French settlers founded, in 1710, a Presbyterian congregation that built a sanctuary about 1719. Later, in 1823, it was enlarged.

On Edisto Island, Old First Baptist Church is significant as one having been founded by a woman, Hephzibah Jenkins Townsend. She obtained the original site in 1811 and had the building erected. It was dedicated in 1818. After the Civil War the trustees turned the church over to the black members of the congregation.



Old First Baptist Church—Edisto Island, SC

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Voices from the Past—

"We only have one past, and if it's destroyed it's gone forever! Preservation is the one thing we can do to ensure that future generations will have a past to appreciate."

*Nick Honerkamp, Historic Archaeologist for Fort Frederica
 Saint Simons Island, Georgia*

Historic Churches

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Presbyterian Church—Edisto Island, SC

Also on Edisto is a Presbyterian Church constructed in 1830 by a congregation that claims to be the oldest in continuous existence in the state. The church is of Classic Greek Revival architecture.



Brick Baptist Church—St Helena's Island, SC

St. Helena's Island is the site of a church with an unusual, perhaps unique history. What is known as the Brick Baptist Church was built in 1855 by slaves for their plantation owners, but in 1861 after the Battle of Port Royal, won by the Yankees, the plantation whites dispersed and blacks assumed control of the church. It has been a major African-American house of worship ever

since. Brick Baptist Church has served as a classroom for Penn Center – which is across the road – and has been the inspiration and a moving force in the development of other Baptist churches in the area.

An Episcopal “chapel of ease” was built on Hilton Head Island before the Civil War but there is no evidence of its existence after that conflict. Even the lumber was gone. *[Editors Note—Only the cemetery remains. Its story will be featured in an upcoming issue of Heritage Library News.]*



St. Luke's Methodist Church— SC Route 170 near Sun City

There are, however, in the area three churches that belong in this commentary. One is St. Luke's Methodist Church on Route 170 and a short distance south of US 278. It was built in 1824 as an Episcopal church and was sold to the Methodists in 1875. It has served that denomination ever since, and is architecturally significant as a blend of the Georgian and Greek Revival styles.

A second area church is Bluffton's Church of the Cross, in which services were first held in 1854 but were interrupted until 1870 by the Civil War. There is something of an architectural similarity between the Church of the Cross and Grahamville's Church of the Holy Trinity – the third in the area and also an Episcopal church. Construction on the latter's charming sanctuary, built on land said to have been donated by William Heyward, was completed in 1858 and is an outstanding example of Carpenter Gothic.



Church of the Cross—Bluffton, SC



Church of the Holy Trinity—Grahamville, SC

wealth of information about the Lowcountry’s social and cultural as well as religious past.

It is quite evident from the information gleaned from the history of these churches that religion as it is represented by all of these denominations, has had a major role from South Carolina’s earliest years in the Lowcountry’s growth and development.

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*About the Author*—Lyman Wooster and his wife Anne are 17-year residents of Hilton Head Island. They came here from Northern Virginia where he had been a civilian analyst of Soviet military and political affairs for Army Intelligence and the DIA. Born and raised in Western Kansas, he received his formal education at Ft. Hays State University, at the University of Pennsylvania-where he also taught Political Science, and at the National War College. He saw service in the Army in both World War II and the Korean Conflict. On Hilton Head, he has been on the board of directors of the HHPPOA, a member of a mayor’s council that developed the Community Roundtable, and an occasional contributor of commentaries to The Island Packet.

***Library Needs Researchers for Special Projects in History and Family Heritage***

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Do you love to “play in the past?” - ***IF YOU DO*** a number of research projects in local history and family heritage are on the drawing boards at the Heritage Library just waiting for someone to jump in and take charge.

If you have a computer, know just a little about MS Word and Excel spreadsheets you can help and have fun at the same time.

***Call Gwen at 843-686-6560 or 689-9558 and sign up.***

Associated with nearly all of the churches mentioned in this article are graveyards where names, dates, and inscriptions on headstones provide a

## Book Review

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an adventurous rural setting of hunting, fishing, and horseback riding, to a house with hot and cold running water and indoor plumbing, and to God-fearing and dignified Gullah neighbors. Yemassee became the focal point of family activities, and it was there that the author's love for baseball was born – and where he saw the inside of a church for the first time.

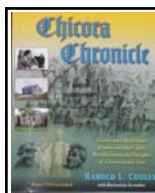
In 1937 Ernest had to look for another job and got one at a nearby plantation, a change of employment that was to be repeated a number of times during the next years. The eldest son, Wes, entered Clemson “through some marvelous circumstances never explained to us,” and arrangements were made for Harold to live with an aunt in Coosawhatchie and to finish high school in Ridgeland where he was president of the senior class. A capable and enterprising mother, no doubt, had skillfully manipulated matters.

This chronicle concludes with the father, Ernest, dying in 1965 and the mother, Allene, 13 years later, both dying in localities some distance from the section of South Carolina where they had been born and where they had raised their family. The section is also the area about which their second son writes in some detail and with obvious affection. Moreover, it is an area whose uniqueness is fast disappearing. For example on April 24, 2006, The Island Packet carried a news story in which it was re-

ported that the Jasper County Council had in February “approved The Settings at Mackay Point, a 450 home vacation community with lots ranging from \$90,000 to \$600,000 on the Pocotaligo”. In short, the rural setting that Harold Cooler found “idyllic” as a youngster is undergoing irreversible change.

For those who were born in the Lowcountry, Cooler's *Chicora Chronicle* is a refreshing, highly readable, and nostalgic reminder of what the Okatie-Coosawhatchie-Yemassee region was like 60 and 70 years ago, and for recent arrivals in the Lowcountry it could provide insights into the region's past that would help to explain the present.

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The 200 page book comes with a Compact Disc, a bonus DVD on which there is a section dealing with the Gullah dialect; another provided by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, the subject of which is oysters; and a part in which the author discusses his experience as an architect in Charlotte, N.C. Mention should also be made of what the author terms “Sidebars”. They are inserts indirectly related to the *Chronicle's* principal theme; some of the sidebars are “Speaking of Gullah,” “Wideners on the Titanic,” “Mackay Point during the Civil War,” and “The Pristine Okatie.”



Available at the
Heritage Library Bookstore

Price \$24.00

President's Column

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active members and donors as well as the number of volunteer staff. Membership at the beginning of January was at an all time high, over 400. Unfortunately the number of new volunteers has not kept pace. We need genealogists willing to donate from three to six hours at a time to assist patrons in the library or to prepare databases from the wealth of resource material in our collections.

If we are to avoid the financial burden of a paid professional staff for management and administration, members with the necessary skills will have to step forward. We need people willing to serve on committees in the areas of education, membership development, fundraising and grant writing. Also, we have specific clerical and accounting jobs which must be filled to keep our day to day operations running smoothly. There is also need for members to serve in positions of leadership as committee chairs, service on the Board of Directors, and as officers of the Foundation. *Now is the time for a few good men and women to rise to the occasion.* The original band of thirty is shrinking with each passing year. With the approach of our Tenth Anniversary Year 2007 *it is time for a new generation.*

Last but not least, the financial results for the year were at best mixed. Revenues from sales at our Bookstore and general library services met our expectations, but we fell short in the area of fundraising.

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The Heritage Library is home to The Hilton Head Island Genealogical Society which meets on the second Tuesday of each month from September through May of each year at 9:30 am. and to The Island Writers' Network which meets on the first Monday of each month except for July and August at 7 pm.

Persons interested in these organizations may reach them by contacting The Heritage Library at 843-686-6560.

History Classes

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be a three part series - "A New Look at the Pre-Columbian Americas." The series, based upon the work of Charles C. Mann's *1491 - New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus*, will explore three major themes from the book:

Origins - They came from Where?

Genetic Engineering - Environmentalist Par Excellence

Downfall - East meets West Again - Emptying the Land

A second three part series - "Hilton Head Island - The Early Years" will explore:

The Shell Rings - If Only They Could Speak

Port Royal Sound - Spanish North America

Hilton's Head and Trench's Island

The final three part program is scheduled for May 2007 and will involve the audience as a fundamental part of the program. The three part series - "I Remember Hilton Head When ---." Essentially a group discussion, participants will reminisce about their own personal recollections of their early days on Hilton Head Island.

As with all programs at The Heritage Library, space is at a premium. Therefore "History At The Heritage" lectures and workshops are "first come first served." To avoid disappointment advance reservations are encouraged.

History At The Heritage is a subscription series. Preference will be given to persons subscribing to the whole series.

The full nine programs are priced at \$85.00. The full nine program series is \$70.00 for regu-

Newly Arrived Books/CDS

Each month we process many books, and CDs which are made available to those of you who visit the library. Some of these are purchased with money donated for that purpose by members and friends of the Library. Others are donated from individuals' private collections.

The following, listed by collection, were added in the first 2 weeks of May. Many thanks to Isobel Bitner and Nancy Burke for all their hard work.

African-American

973.8 FON *Forever Free*

929.308966 HEI *Free African Americans of North Carolina, Virginia & South Carolina*

929.10732073 ROS *Black Genesis*

929.308996 MOS *African American Patriots*

929.308996 MOS *African American Loyalists*

Canada

971.6 FAR *Great and Noble Scheme*

Genealogy

929.32573 MIT *Irish Passenger Lists*

Wars of the 20th Century

940.5371 CRO *Homefront and Battlefield*

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lar members of The Heritage Library Foundation. .

Based upon the availability of seating one Three part series is regularly \$35.00, \$30.00 for members. Seating for an individual program may be available at \$15.00 per program, \$12.00 for a member.

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## President's Column

The Annual Campaign for Operating Funds where the Goal was \$35,000 produced \$23,062. Similarly we fell short of the Capital Fund Goal of \$15,000 raising only \$11,000. We must do better this year.

Over the years since 1997, the Foundation has developed into a significant and valuable community resource enhancing the cultural life of Hilton Head Island and the Lowcountry and providing much enjoyment to residents and visitors.

If we are to continue it is imperative that we become self sustaining, free from dependence on the largess of the taxpayer. To achieve this independence we need to partner with other individuals, groups, organizations and businesses with interests and purposes similar to ours.

To begin this process we are announcing a Community Partners Program under the direction of Smittie Cooler.

### 2006 GROWTH TARGETS

1. Double total dues paying membership in all categories in the Foundation from 400 to 800 members.

2. Recruit 15 additional volunteers raising the number of members active in the management of the Foundation to 45.

3. Raise \$50,000.00 for general operating funds.

4. Raise \$30,000.00 dedicated to the Endowment Fund.

5. Raise \$20,000.00 dedicated to the Building Fund.



## The Civil War

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and on CD, of the "War of the Rebellion: Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies", as well as these recent additions:

A History of the Confederate Navy, by Raimondo Luraghi. (1996)

Sherman's March Through the Carolinas, by John Barrett (1956)

The Civil War on the Western border, by Jay Monaghan (1955)

The Southern History of the War, by Edward Pollard (1866)

Lee's Lieutenants, by Douglas Freeman (1945)

The Third Day at Gettysburg, by Ford Young (1981)

How the North Won, by Herman Hattaway (1983)

And biographies of Generals Lee, Longstreet, Jackson and Admiral Porter.

For a complete listing of books and CDs containing information on this episode in our history, go to the "Catalog" button on our Website, and enter the keyword "Civil War".

The Vertical Files contain a large collection of pamphlets and periodical articles on the Civil War, containing much material on local as well as conflict-wide history. We also have maps covering the period in the Map collection.

With the recent merging of the Heritage Foundation and the Hilton Head Historical Society, we have assumed responsibility for the site of Fort Mitchel on the Island. With the help of local residents, there are plans underway to upgrade the site with new signage and landscaping.

Two research projects are being conducted by volunteers :

A \$10,000 grant from the Heritage Classic Foundation is being used to obtain service and pension records of local colored troops who

fought in the war.

An effort is planned to identify the names of Union and Confederate soldiers and any civilians who were buried in the Union Cemetery on Hilton Head, but whose bodies have since been moved to other burial sites.

We are most grateful to the Civil War Round Table for their gift, and to all our donors – without them our shelves would be much barer! If you would like to contribute in any way to our genealogy or history collections, or to

## Newly Arrived Books/CDs

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940.53 COM *Story of the Second World War*

929.1072 SCH *The Great War Virginia*

929.3755295 PIP *Alexandria Virginia 1808 Census*

**Family History**

929.2 SMI *The Smiths of Exeter*

*[Editors Note: An update of a rare edition, this one is by our own Bob Smith!]*

**England**

929.1072041 BAX *In Search of Your British Roots*

**World History**

900 NEW *100 Years of Famous Pages from the New York Times 1851-1951*

Each month selections from the new arrivals are on display in the People's Heritage Room. Stop in and browse awhile.

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New Board Members

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the Gullah Trail Tours and founder of the Gullah Heritage Consulting Services. He frequently lectures to museums, cultural foundations, churches, schools and universities throughout the Lowcountry.



Burke

Mrs. Burke is Deputy Director of the Heritage Library and Assistant Head Librarian and holds a master's degree in library science. She has traveled

widely and spent a year in England as a Fulbright Scholar and has worked in both public and school libraries. She is an outstanding genealogist and published author. She has lived on Hilton Head Island since 1992. Nancy and her husband Joe have two children. Their son Michael, a career officer in the Marine Corps has two children. Kathryn is married to an Army reserve officer and has one daughter. Nancy and Joe enjoy bridge and traveling and have been to seventy countries.

Officers of the Foundation for 2006 are President Bill Altstaetter, Vice President and Secretary G. Norma Harberger, and Treasurer Ben Russell. Other members of the Foundation's Board of Directors are Isobel Bitner, Earl S. Cooler, Natalie Hefter, Hunter Montgomery, Rev. E.H. Peebles, Robert P. Smith and Iva Welton.

Anyone wishing to suggest historic or genealogical subjects they would like to hear presented or would present themselves, please e-mail their topic idea with a brief description to:

bill@heritagelib.org

About Our Members and Volunteers

*from the Membership Desk
By Gwen Altstaetter*

A special thanks to all of our members who are continuing to renew their memberships. We know some of you are not actively using the library at this time, but several have said they want to be sure we will be here when they are researching again. We do count on your support.

Our new members hail from a variety of locations. Welcome to Leslie Hunt and Don Driscoll from Massachusetts, Luther Mitchell from Florida, Herb DeLaney from Illinois, Malcolm C. Veidenheimer from New Hampshire and welcome back to Robert and Constance Prescott of Pennsylvania. New members from Bluffton and Hilton Head are: Carol Clemens, Peter and Pamela Ovens, Robert Buck, Dorothy Ely, Sallie Moore, Christine Flanagan, Lynne Curtis, Debora Brower, David Thomas and H. William Bollinger.

Our newest membership option, the Premiere Membership has been met with much enthusiasm. We now have 48 members in that category. We hope those of you who are trying that option are enjoying being able to use many of our resources from your home.

Remember to spread the word about the Library! We are continuing to hear people say "I didn't even know you were here!" You are our best publicity!

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## YARD SALE A SUCCESS!

Once more the Library's participation in the World's Largest Yard Sale was a success with an approximate total of \$1700 raised through the generous donations of the library's members and friends.

Many thanks to those of you who donated items for us to sell. Needless to say without those things there would be no sale! Also thanks to those of you who came to buy!

A special thanks to those "team" members who gave of their time as well as many items. Connie Blain who did most of the pricing as well as putting some items on E-bay worked the whole day. Cheryl Echols priced, arranged the jewelry and spent the day "pushing" the sale. Ben Russell was our cashier for the day – we appreciate that financial help. Bob Smith stored many of the articles in his garage and then delivered them to the site and even stayed to help sell! Others who gave of their time and energy were Molly Green, Beth, Bill and Gwen Altstaetter.

Participation such as this is what helps to keep our Library going strong.

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Volunteer Awards

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course of the calendar year 2005. Ms. Vernasco was the principal architect of a new database of Hilton Head Island residents found in the 1868 South Carolina Agricultural Census. She prepared and completed the documentation necessary to bring a searchable database on-line making it available to researchers both in the library and remotely through the Foundation's website.

For exhibiting outstanding leadership in implementing a complete restructuring of the Foundation's accounting and financial management information systems, Mr. Russell was awarded the Distinguished Service Award for 2005. Russell serves as a member of the Foundation's Board of Directors and is its Treasurer. He also chairs the Finance and Investments committees and is a member of the Management committee.

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**Have you read something recently worthy of passing along to your fellow members?**

**Write a review and E-mail to <bill@heritagelib.org> Attention Editor, Heritage Library News**

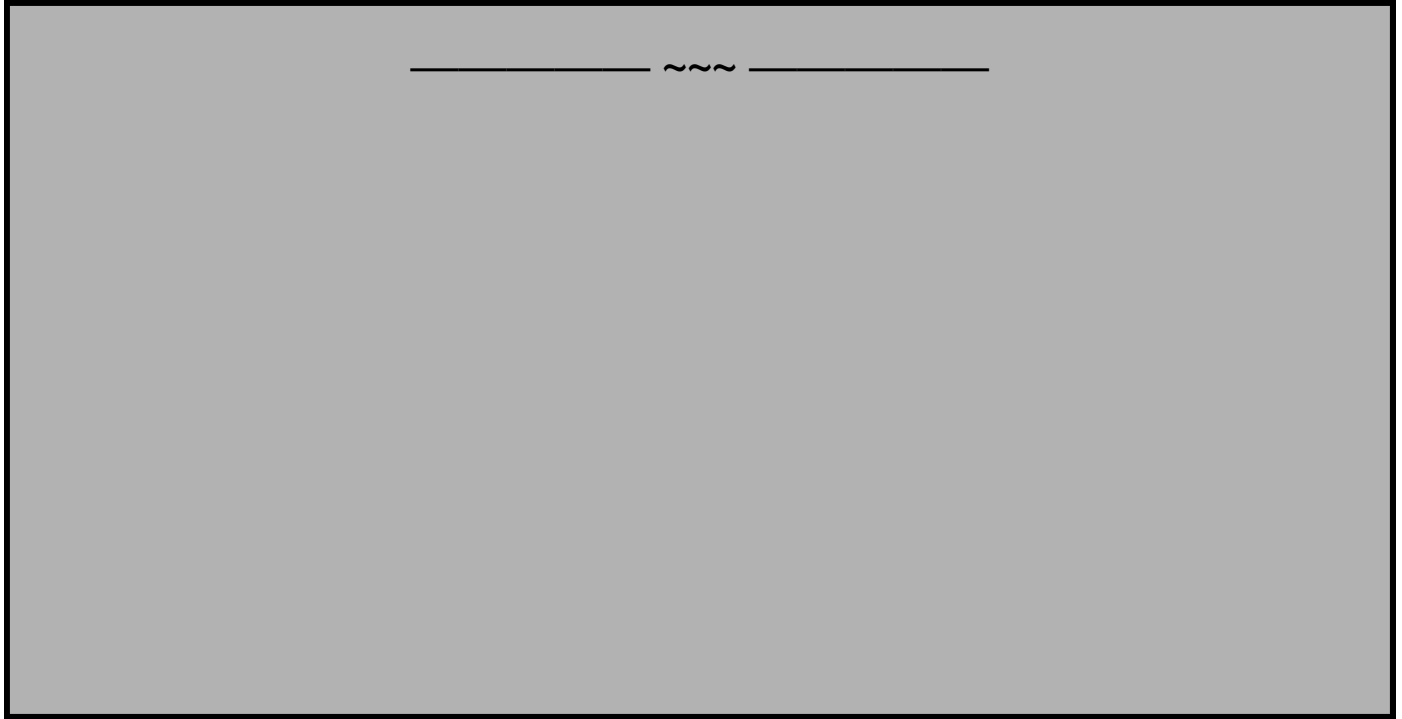
### URGENT CALL FOR HELP

**Volunteers are needed to help in the library during the Summer Vacation to fill in for the Winter regulars who have taken flight. Openings exist Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.**

**WE NEED YOU NOW!**

*Have the Passion? Have some time? Willing to help?  
Ready to Volunteer?*

**Call Gwen at The Heritage Library 686-6560 or at home 689-9558**



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