

SATURDAY SPECIAL EVENT

Twilight on the Plantation

Travel back in time with this evening event at the historic Moore-Webb-Holmes Plantation, owned and farmed by seven generations of the family. Enjoy the best slow-cooked hog in the Black Belt.



J.C. Moore Merchantile Company, Moore-Webb-Holmes Plantation

Event includes tours of the plantation grounds and buildings, an old-fashion Hog Roast, music by the daughter VK and father Chip Spencer, and conversations about sustainable, organic farming with Spencer.

Proceeds benefit the preservation efforts and programs of the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation.

See Lyceum Registration Form for ticket prices.

Go Hog-Wild!

Right, Pit Master Chip Spencer

Spencer Farms in Marion Junction produces organically-grown food for family, friends and the Black Belt. From its first vegetable garden 12 years ago to today, Spencer Farm's produces pork, beef, lamb and a wide variety of vegetables nourishing the people of Alabama's Black Belt.

ALABAMA TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Lyceum Series

Lyceum- (li-se-am), a place for public lectures, debates, classes, concerts and entertainment.

Join the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation for the 2017 season of the **Preservation Lyceum Serie**s, a set of weekend programs for preservation-minded individuals who want to know more about, and visit, historic preservation projects in Alabama.

The 19th century Lyceum Movement that flourished in America provided hundreds of informal gatherings for the purpose of improving the social and intellectual landscape of society. Characterized by lectures and public discourse on a variety of topics and musical and theatrical performances in a retreat environment, lyceums peaked during the Antebellum Era. With the exception of the New York Great Lake's Chautauqua Institute, best known for the Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra, few remnants of this vibrant phenomenon remain on the national scene.

Drawing from the past, the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation offers the Preservation Lyceum series to travel the highways, byways and crossroads of Alabama exploring, experiencing and engaging in preservation.

SPRING 2017 PRESERVATION LYCEUM

Friday, March 31 - Sunday, April 2

Part of the original Choctaw Indian Nation – Muckle's Ridge, now Marion, was named for the famed Revolutionary War hero Francis Marion.

Come with the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation to visit the historic campuses of Judson College, the Marion Military Institute, Marion Female Seminary and the Lincoln Normal School. Explore the western frontier of historic Alabama as we tour Marion from its antebellum mansions to heritage farms, examine 19th-century educational institutions for young women to freed Blacks, and sample the tastes of locally-grown catfish and pig. The 2017 Spring Preservation Lyceum Weekend has much to offer preservation-minded and southern culinary devotees.

Cover photo of First Congregational Church, circa 1869-1871, in Marion, Alabama courtesy of Rural Southwest Alabama (www.ruralswalabama.org).

SPRING 2017 PRESERVATION LYCEUM

Sponsored by the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation, Alabama Bicentennial Commission, Alabama Black Belt Foundation and the Perry County Historical and Preservation Society.

WHEN

Friday, March 31 - Sunday, April 2

WHERE

Alabama's Black Belt Historic Marion/Folsom, Perry County

PROGRAM

FRIDAY EVENING

5:30 - 8:00

Check-In/Dinner Reception

Reverie

110 West Lafayette Street, Marion

Join the Alabama Trust and Marion preservationists for a spring evening reception and light dinner. In the Reverie parlor, listen to music performed by Molly Cole, a Fellow with Greensboro's Project Horseshoe Farm.

Purchased in 2011 by Hunter Lewis, historic Reverie now serves the public as an Antebellum House Museum. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Reverie is a Greek-Revival mansion (circa 1858). The Museum's furnishings include period pieces and portraits of prominent 19th century Perry County citizen by 19th century artist, Nicola Marschall.

Among Reverie's distinctive architectural features are four white Doric columns contributing to the mansion's monumental appearance. The house features a massive frieze board with dentil moldings and double-hung paned windows - all original to the structure. A cupola (or belvedere) with classical balustrade sits atop the low-hipped roof. The interior of the mansion is a standard four-room over four-room house with a spacious central hall and grand, unsupported staircase.

Reverie House Museum open to Lyceum participants courtesy of owner Hunter Lewis.

SATURDAY MORNING

8:00 - 8:15

CHECK IN/WELCOME

Marion Military Institute Chapel (circa 1857) 1101 Washington Street, MMI Campus

HISTORIC MARION - PAST AND FUTURE

Enjoy this personal introduction to Marion, its past and its future, presented by local Marion historians and scholars.

Brief History of the Marion Military Institute

Col. David Mollahan, President, Marion Military Institute

A Historical Overview of the History of Marion

Dr. Paul Reitzer, Museum Curator, Perry County Historical and Preservation Society

Marion's Present & Future

Cooper Holmes, Executive Director,

Alabama Black Belt Foundation/Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation

9:00 - 9:15

BREAK

9:15 - 11:45

TOUR OF SCHOOLS AND CHURCH GROUND

Tour starts on the front steps of the Chapel.

Take a leisurely stroll through the historic campuses of Marion Military Institute and Judson College. Visit the American Missionary Association's historic Lincoln Normal School and First Congregational Church.

Comfortable walking shoes recommended.

ALABAMA MILITARY HALL OF FAME

Old Marion City Hall, MMI Campus

The Alabama Military Hall of Honor honors Alabama's military heroes and represents a permanent, visible tribute to these service men and women.

ALABAMA WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME

Main Floor, A. Howard Bean Hall, Judson College Campus

The Alabama Women's Hall of Fame honors Alabama's most outstanding women where visitors learn about the significant contributions made by women to the State of Alabama and nation.

LINCOLN NORMAL SCHOOL (circa 1867)

Intersection, Lincoln Avenue and Lee Street

Also known as the Lincoln School, the school was started after the Civil War to educate newly-freed African Americans. By 1870, the school expanded to include teacher training and, for a time, became known as the Lincoln Normal University for Teachers, which primarily trained African-American high school graduates to become teachers. The Lincoln School building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MARION

601 Clay Street, Marion

Established by freed slaves and representatives of the American Missionary Association, the church building circa (1869-1871) is the oldest and most unaltered of the churches built by African Americans in Marion. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Tour Guides: Col. John Gibler; Students, Judson College/ Honors College, University of Alabama

The American Missionary Association (AMA) was a Protestant-based abolitionist group founded 1846 to abolish slavery, educate African Americans and promote racial equality and Christian values. Beginning in 1861, the AMA opened camps in the South for freed slaves and played a major educational role for freed blacks during the Reconstruction Era.

11:45

Car pool to Vaiden Field for Fly-In and Lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

12:00 - 1:30

LUNCH

BI-WINGS AND CAT-TALES

Vaiden Field, 531 Vaiden Access Road, Marion Junction

Watch and learn about modern and vintage planes during this lunch time fly-in of bi-wing aircraft. Hear tales of that "Big Daddy Catfish" that got away. Dine on the best of the Black Belt's farm-raised catfish – a favorite local cuisine for southern food fans.

1:20 p.m.

Depart for Marion Female Seminary and Downtown Stroll. Parking available across the street from the Seminary building.

1:30 - 4:30

EXPLORING MARION

Explore Marion at your own pace and leisure.

MARION FEMALE SEMINARY AND MUSEUM BUILDING

Intersection, Monroe & Centreville Streets, Marion

The Marion Female Seminary building (circa 1836-1850), also known as the Old Perry County High School, is a historic Greek Revival-style school. The building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Constructed to serve as a 19th-century female seminary, it housed the studio of artist Nicola Marschall. Marschall taught painting, music, French, and German. Originally a three-story building, in 1930 the uppermost floor was removed. Currently, the Seminary building houses the Perry County Historical Society and the Perry County High School Alumni Association.

A prolific portrait painter and generally accepted designer of the first National Confederate Flag, "Stars and Bars," Nicola Marschall (1829-1917) is considered one of Alabama's most celebrated portrait artists.

DOWNTOWN STROLL

Courthouse Square, Marion

Stroll the streets of Marion's historic downtown. Explore Courthouse Square with its flourishing businesses. Foray into this small Alabama town's treasures and history. Among the points of interest are the following:

ANDERSON-BARNES ANTIQUES

207 Washington Street

Don't miss an opportunity to hunt for and find some Black Belt antiques and treasures.

COMMON GROUND EXHIBITION

Historic Smith Building, 301 Washington Street

Photography of the Alabama Black Belt and Cuba by visual artists Chip Cooper and Julio Larramendi, the exhibition draws parallels between the two rural cultures.

P3/UA HONORS BUILDING

109 East Jefferson Street

Community space for local residents and University of Alabama's Honor College students engaged in local initiatives to improve the economy, education and health of Perry County. P3 stands for "third place" – a third place in addition to home and school where people can find a personal and community identity.

JIMMY LEE JACKSON HISTORIC MARKER

Front, Marion County Courthouse

This 2016 historic marker honors native Marion son and Civil Rights activist Jimmie Lee Jackson who was shot in 1965. The Selma Voters Right March, in part, is attributed to his death eight days later.

Return to cars for mid-afternoon and evening touring of Perry County historic places.

EXPLORING HISTORIC PERRY COUNTY

Visit two of Perry County's historic homes from the early and mid-19th century and end the evening with touring and dining at one of Alabama's oldest plantations of the early 1800s.

KYNARD-HOLLEY HOUSE (circa 1827)

3841 Fikes Ferry Road, Marion

Elam Holley, Jr., a direct descendent of the original settlers, and his wife Sandra Bonds Holley restored the historic cottage – an ongoing, 20+ year preservation project. Today, their historic home is furnished with primitive antiques and family artifacts and memorabilia.

In the fall of 1818, Jacob and Rosannah Kynard traveled by oxcart from North Carolina to the Alabama territory settling close to the Cahaba River approximately four miles from present day Marion. Their original log cabin was replaced in 1827 with a six-room, Greek-Revival styled raised cottage featuring simple Doric columns. The plantation property includes several barns and other buildings used for farming as well as the restored family cemetery with dozens of graves dating back to the 1820's.

The great- great- grandchildren of Jacob and Rosannah welcome you to their 199 year old 'homeplace'!

Home open to Lyceum participants courtesy of owners Sandra and Elam Holley, Jr.

KENWORTHY-CARLISLE HALL

23200 Ala Hwy 14, Marion (2 miles west of Marion Courthouse on Hwy 14)

Kenworthy Hall (circa 1858-1860), also known as the Carlisle-Martin House and Carlisle Hall, is a plantation house and one of the best preserved examples of architect Richard UpJohn's distinctive asymmetrical Italian villa style. The only surviving residential example of this form of Upjohn's style, the house was especially designed to suit the Southern climate and the plantation lifestyle. The structure has a massive four-story tower, windows of variable size and shape and a distinctly Southern division of family and public spaces. The house is a National Landmark. The plantation is currently a horse farm.

Home open to Lyceum participants courtesy of owner Tashery Otway-Smithers.

4:30 - 5:45

HOLMESTEAD COMPANY

Moore-Webb-Holmes Plantation (circa 1819) 28011 AL Hwy 14, Folsom (7 miles west of Marion on AL Hwy 14, towards Greensboro)

Tour one of Alabama's last active plantations operated by the same family with seven generations living and working on the farm, the property has more than 20 historic buildings dating back to the 1820s including a carriage house, chicken coop, log cotton seed house, cotton gin, gristmill, smoke house and general store, among other historic structures. Most of the plantation buildings are original to the site and show the handiwork of William Moore, a wagon maker who originally settled the site.

Historic papers, a deed signed by Andrew Jackson, and other items of interest may be viewed in the country store and blacksmith shop and weaving house. Also, see a two-story early Federal/Greek Revival style house with clapboards covering the original log structure, a canning house, the overseer's house (Folsom Inn), tenant quarters, barns, a fire house with a 1930s fire engine, and much more in their authentic setting.

Plantation open to Lyceum participants courtesy of Jenny and Charles Holmes.

SPECIAL EVENT - TWILIGHT ON THE PLANTATION

Separate ticketed event. See Lyceum Registration Form for price per reservation. Proceeds benefit the preservation efforts and programs of the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation.

6:00 - 8:00

DINNER ON THE GROUNDS - GOING HOG WILD, LIBATIONS AND MORE

Support the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation and enjoy an old-fashion whole Hog Roast. Spend an April evening at the Moore-Webb-Holmes Plantation, one of Alabama's oldest family-held plantations. After touring this 1800s plantation, relax with **Libations and More** and pig-out on locally grown produce during the **Dinner On The Grounds** repast. Go *hog-wild* with Chip Spencer of Spencer Farms, sustainable farmer and pit master extraordinaire. This fundraising event includes the best slow-cooked hog in the Black Belt, music by the Spencers, Chip and daughter VK, a student at the Alabama School of Fine Arts, and remarks and conversations about sustainable farming by Spencer and host Cooper Holmes.

As a special treat of the evening, don't miss the opportunity to browse and take home a personal copy of Visions of the Black Belt: A Cultural Survey of the Heart of Alabama (2015) by author and photographer Robin McDonald and author and historian Dr. Valerie Pope Burnes. Published by the University of Alabama, Visions of the Black Belt is much more than a beautiful coffee table book, it is "a richly illustrated tour of the Black Belt, the fertile arc that represents the cultural efflorescence of Alabama's heartland."

SUNDAY MORNING

11:00

Church on Sunday morning? Marion's houses of worship welcome visitors.

SUNDAY DINING

Breakfast/Lunch

Kalico Kitchen Intersection of Hwys 5 & 14, Marion (334) 292-0095

Lunch Only

Judson College Dining Hall 302 Bibb Street, Judson College Campus

Lottie's Restaurant 207 Washington St, Marion (334) 683-5055

Marion Military Institute Dining Hall 1101 Washington Street

Whillard's BBQ & Grill 12267 Ala Hywy 5, Marion (334) 683-4200

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS

SLEEP INN & SUITES

1605 Highway 5, Marion, Phone: (334) 683-8600 Fax: (334) 683-8777

Lyceum Rate: \$89

Deadline for Lyceum Rate Reservations: March 15, 2017

When making reservations at the Sleep Inn & Suites, ask for the group rate for the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation.

Alternate Accommodations

Amenities B&B

112 Green St. East, Marion Phone: 877-733-1843

The Johnston-Torbert House B&B

1101 South Street, Greensboro (20 miles from Marion and 13 miles from Folsom) Phone: 334-352-5271

www.airbnb.com/rooms/14167526

Marion English Gardens B&B

210 Fikes Ferry Rd, Marion Phone: 334-546-8715

Email: hello@marionenglishgardens.com

www.marionenglishgardens.com

PRESERVATION LYCEUM REGISTRATION

Spring 2017, Marion

Lyceum packets with tour information will be available for pick-up on Friday evening at the Reverie House Museum or Saturday morning at check-in at the Marion Military Institute Chapel.

LYCEUM REGISTRATION FEE

Registration fee includes Friday reception/dinner and Saturday lunch. For non-members, fee also includes one-year membership.

For ATHP Members\$50 per person
\$75 per person

SPECIAL EVENTS RESERVATION FEE - \$40 per reservation

Saturday evening event, Twilight on the Plantation and Dinner on the Grounds benefits the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation and its preservation programs statewide.

REGISTRATION FORM Preservation Lyceum Weekend Spring 2017 - Marion

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Daytime Phone		E-mail		
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ATHP Members \$50 per registration	# Reservations		\$	
Non-Members \$75 per registration	# Reservations		\$	
EVENTS				
Friday Night Reception/	Dinner	# Reservations		
Saturday Lunch		# Reservations		

SPECIAL EVENT

Saturday Night – Twilight On The Plantation

Help the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation continue its preservation efforts and programs around the state by attending this special fundraising event "Twilight on the Plantation." Tour a seven-generation working farm, while enjoying an old-fashion Hog Roast, live music, and stimulating conversation.

In addition, Visions of the Black Belt: A Cultural Survey of The Heart of Alabama by photographer Robin McDonald and historian Valerie Pope Burnes will also be available for purchase.

Saturday Night \$40 per person/per reservation	# Reservations	\$			
TOTAL REGISTRATION FEI	E(S)/RESERVATIONS	\$			
Charitable Contributions to th	e Alabama Trust for Historic Preserva	tion			
General/Unrest	ricted Operations	\$			
Alice Bowsher	Operating Reserve	\$			
Endangered Pro	pperties Trust Fund	\$			
Alabama Places	s In Peril Fund	\$			
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To make reservations by phone, call the Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation at 205-652-3497.