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The Marietta Museum
of History is dedicated
to preserving the
history of Marietta
and Cobb County by
providing an educational,
enlightening, and
engaging experience.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Marietta Museum of History works hard to provide educational opportunities for our membership and our community. With that in mind, we have put together the following lecture series. These events are open to the public and free for members. Some events require advance registration where noted.

February 22, 2007, 11:30am

Author **Alan Davies** will share his experiences as a child evacuated from London during WWII. He will also be signing his book, *A Life In Shadow: Divine Spark or Chemical Imbalance?* (Bring your brown-bag lunch to the conference room on the third floor; drinks and dessert will be furnished by the Museum). Free for members, \$5 for non-members. Reservations are requested.

February 27, 2007, 6pm-8pm

In recognition of Black History Month, **Patrice Shelton Lassiter** a graduate of Spelman College, is an author and businesswoman. Ms. Lassiter will be in the Museum answering questions and signing her newest book *A Place to Remember; A Journey of African Americans in Cobb County Georgia*, featuring the City of Acworth. Also available for signing is her 1999 release *Generations of Black Life in Kennesaw and Marietta, Georgia*. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. (Both books are available in the Museum Store).

March 2007—Date and Time To Be Announced

In recognition of Women's History Month, **State Representative Steve Tumlin** will be speaking on the life and accomplishments of our own Alice McClellan Birney, who co-founded the National PTA.

June 14, 2007, 11:30am

In honor of Flag Day, World War II Bomber Pilot and POW Harry Livingston, Jr., will talk about his harrowing experiences during the War.

July 23-28, 2007—Christmas in July

Local Author Carol Aebersold will be with us to read and sign her popular book *The Elf on the Shelf*.

The HISTORIAN

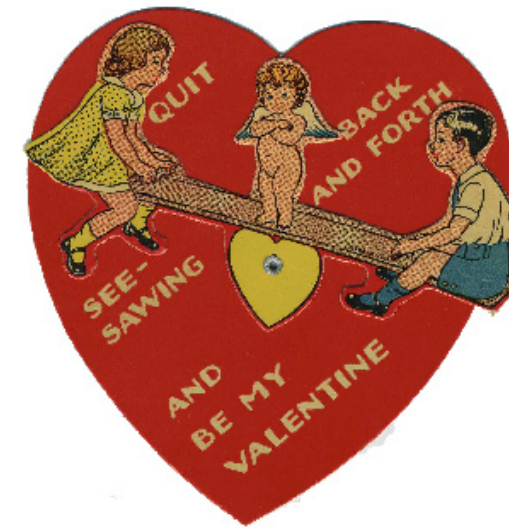
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Love Letters →

Like love itself, the origin of Valentine's Day is mysterious and romantic. In honor of Valentine's Day, we are pleased to share a portion of our collection of love letters and Valentine remembrances from local romantics.

Bottom Left: A letter written to future wife Jane Margaret Atwood by George Hull Camp. *Bottom Right:* An excerpt from a letter from Camp to his then wife Jane Camp. Letters taken from the up-coming book **Providence**. *Right:* A 1930s Valentine card with a tilting seesaw sent to a young Jean Lindsey by Florence Goodman



ROSWELL, APRIL 1ST, 1850

My own Janie,
I did not expect to write you again, and in fact each moment I spend with you now is stolen from a crowd of business incident to this being our regular semi-annual day for taking stock and settling up old scores. But the day shall not pass without an acknowledgement of the rect of a letter from you last Friday that gave me infinite happiness. Do you know Janie this is the first time you have ever told me you loved me, having all along left me to infer it? And now that you have frankly and candidly opened your heart to me, I feel a load off my mind that I freely confess has been a source of much pain. I now feel a quiet, satisfied

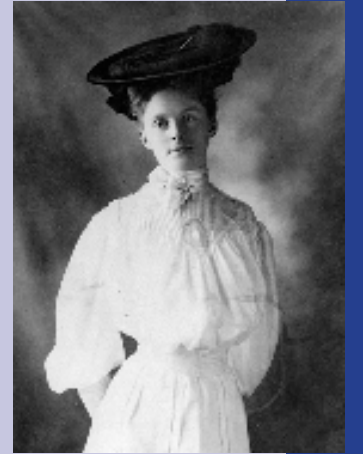
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Jane Margaret Atwood
married George Camp
in 1850

February 1851, Barrington Hall, Roswell, GA
“...The Valentine party passed off pleasantly.....The space of wall just over the folding doors in the parlor had the honour of holding the “sign” of the evening. The boys formed letters composing the name St. Valentine from leaves of holly and cedar and suspended them on the wall mentioned, and the effect was very pretty. Cedar and Holly in vases decorated the room in place of bouquets. The table was beautifully arranged and the variety excellent. About 9 o c in the evening a basket of Valentines (18 in number, purchased in NY for the occasion) was passed around and each lady, without looking, drew her Valentine, after which the sentiment was read and a good deal of fun grew out of it. I drew one for you and will bring it down to you....”

New Exhibit



*S*OMETHING OLD,
SOMETHING NEW...
THE BEAUTY AND GRACE OF
BRIDAL ENSEMBLES

Exhibit Runs
February 12, 2007
through
January 12, 2008

Marietta Museum of History
Next to the
Welcome Center at
Marietta Square

Monday - Saturday
10a.m.-4p.m.
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This Victorian-style dollhouse was lovingly built, decorated and furnished by Jackie and Dick Weitzel. The couple spent countless hours creating the house and its accessories, which when finished, nearly filled the spare room in their home. We received this donation from their estate in 2006.

Stuff, stuff, stuff and more stuff! I recently went through my own house and looked at all of the stuff that I have accumulated over the years. I thought of my mother's house and all of the stuff that is there. I then thought of my grandmother's house—where did we put all the stuff when we cleared it out? I realize that some of the things that I hold dear, have no meaning to other people. What should I do with them? What will happen to all of my stuff? I am considering donating some of it to the Museum. Have you thought of what you are going to do with all of your stuff?



A favorite display at the Museum is the Victorian Doll House. Did you know that we inherited the dollhouse? It was part of an estate and it was bequeathed to us. What a neat gift! So many people get to enjoy this great treasure that someone put so much time and effort into! We are so grateful to be remembered!

Food for thought....What are you going to do with all of your stuff?

- Jan E. Galt

MUSEUM VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are vital to the mission of the MMH. Last year volunteers worked over 3,500 hours to keep our Museum running smoothly. If you would like to find out more about volunteering your time please contact the museum at 770-528-0430 or by email to info@mariettahistory.org with the subject heading of volunteering.

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happiness, that guarantees a joyous future, and from this onward, you will have no more occasion to receive a complaint from me. I thought, too, the delay in sending the invitations grew out of some disinclination to send them at all, and here the lot came, to chide me for such a thought. I know you now my Janie, and if you will forgive me, I will no longer pain you or myself with such a doubt. Your meeting, the evening of my arrival, must testify to a complete surrender of your heart to my affection for you prompts to an abandonment of every reserve between us. I cannot write you more just now but dear one, soon I shall have the happiness of taking you to my arms as my own Wife, and the feeling which over comes me, is a surety that I love you as you deserve to be loved.

May God bless and protect you is the constant prayer of one who now, more than ever, loves you.

Remember me as your own affectionate,
George

MARIETTA MUSEUM OF HISTORY STAFF

- Dan CoxCEO/Founder
- Jan Galt..... Director
- Amy ReedCurator
- Christa McCay.....Registrar
- Shannon Ferketish.....Director of Education
- Mary Koronkowski.....Public Relations

JUNIOR DOCENTS

The MMH Junior Docents came out to support the Museum during the Holidays at a gift wrap event at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore at The Avenue West Cobb. Junior Docents Megan D'Ambra, Chase Moon, Allison Vitali, Stephen Callazzo, Claire Mott and Museum Intern Maria Dearen volunteered on Saturday, December 9th providing gift wrapping services for donations.

Over \$100 in donations were received on behalf of the Museum. Barnes and Noble has already invited the Docents back to participate in their 2007 Gift Wrapping Event.

The Junior Docent Program was introduced by the Education Department of the Marietta Museum of History last June. Students from grades 7- 12 volunteer to work in the Museum as well as participate in many outreach programs presented through the Museum. Several Junior Docents have been trained to conduct tours, greet guests and work the front desk. Since that time, the Junior Docents have volunteered over 600 hours. Museum Board President Mary Ladd praised the efforts of the Junior Docents at a recent board meeting where she took note of the number of hours they have put in for the Museum to date. Currently there are 15 students in the Junior Docent program. Many activities are planned for the Junior Docents through the upcoming year.



DUNLEITH ART EXHIBIT

From time to time, a project comes along that opens the door for community recognition in an untraditional way. Recently, the MMH Education Department got involved in a project like this. Shannon Ferketish saw an opportunity and arranged for Dunleith Elementary School to exhibit art at the T-Gates of the Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport through the Youth Art Program. (Dunleith Elementary is a Partner in Education with the Museum). Forty pieces of art from students grades 1 through 5 were chosen by Dunleith to be exhibited. Through this program, the talent of young artists is showcased and the school is highlighted.

The art show was meant to be an exhibit only, but an airport visitor expressed interest in purchasing 3 pieces of the student artwork. The students, one each from grades 1, 3 and 5 received payment for their artwork as well as an art kit and a certificate from the City of Atlanta. Dunleith Elementary Principal Tiffany Pollack said, "You have truly made a difference in the lives of three young people," in a note thanking the Museum for facilitating such a "unique experience" for her students.

The Dunleith Art Exhibit at the T-gates will be on display through March.

Top Right: MMH Junior Docents Stephen Callazzo and Claire Mott at the Barnes and Noble Gift Wrap Event Second From Top: Dunleith Art Exhibit in the T-Gates at Hartsfield Jackson International Airport.



Gift Shop

Looking for a unique gift idea? The MMH Gift Shop carries a variety of seasonal and gift items focusing on local interests. You'll find books, music cds, specialty sauces, children's souvenirs, Christmas ornaments, Big Chicken memorabilia and more.

