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Special 2018 Sesquicentennial Issue
Celebrating Pickens County's 150th Anniversary
And Sharing Memories from Pickens County's 1968 Centennial



Two time capsules were buried on October 5, 1968, one to be opened in 50 years, in 2018, and one to be opened in 100 years, in 2068. (Photo courtesy of Jerry Hughes) See more Centennial photos inside.



Pickens County's official Sesquicentennial Seal was designed by Haiden Ferreira and Isabell Wallace, students at the Pickens County Career and Technology Center.



Gary and Eloise Hiott and *The Pickens Sentinel* staff dressed in 1860's period clothing for the 1968 centennial. (Hiott family photo) See this photo enlarged and more Centennial photos inside.



State Rep. Davey Hiott, of Pickens, speaking during the 1968 time capsule opening ceremony on Friday, October 5, 2018. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher) See more Sesquicentennial photos inside.



Jerry Hughes, Charles Burkett, Joe Waldrop, Gabby Hayes, and Joe Black were present for the 1968 Centennial and the day of the time capsule excavation on October 1, 2018. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher) See this photo enlarged and more photos inside.



County Council Chair Roy Costner, Governor Henry McMaster, and County Council Vice Chair Chris Bowers at the 1968 time capsule opening ceremony at the Courthouse on October 5, 2018. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher) See more Sesquicentennial photos inside.

Reflections from the Publisher, Karen Brewer: Celebrating the Sesquicentennial

Welcome to this special pictorial Sesquicentennial edition celebrating Pickens County's 150th anniversary and sharing memories from the 1968 centennial.

This area was inhabited long before Pickens County was officially formed in 1868. The land that is now Pickens County was home to the Cherokee when it was settled in 1743 by Cornelius Keith, a native of Scotland, and his family, who moved from Virginia to what is now the Oolenoy area and traded one of his ponies for land from the native Chief Woolenoy. (The Oolenoy area is where the Pumpkin Festival is held each October).

In 1791, the Washington District was formed by what is now Greenville, Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens Counties.

In 1798, the Pendleton District was formed by what is now Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens Counties.

In 1828, the Pickens District was made up of present-day Pickens and Oconee Counties.

In 1868, Pickens County and Oconee County were officially formed when each split from the Pickens District to form separate counties. The town of Pickens Courthouse (now referred to as Old Pickens) was relocated to the current site of Pickens. Several buildings were moved from Old Pickens to the new site of Pickens. The James E. Hagood House (now known as the Hagood-Mauldin House) is the only one of those buildings still remaining. It was the home of Frances Hagood Mauldin when she served as the Organizing Regent of the Fort Prince George chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in 1920. The Hagood-Mauldin House is cared for by members of the Pickens County Historical Society. (One building still remains at the site of Old Pickens, and that is the Old Pickens Presbyterian Church.)

The 1968 Centennial celebration was a big event honoring the 100th anniversary of Pickens County's founding.

Charles Dalton, who recently retired as longtime President and CEO of Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative, was involved in the Pickens Jaycees in 1968 and recently spoke to me about the 1968 Centennial celebrating

Pickens County's history. "It was a pretty big deal. A lot of people in the county got involved. They had several different events." He spoke of the beauty pageant, as well as the outdoor pageant he attended, entitled 'So Lives the Dream', held at the Liberty High School football stadium and relating the history of Pickens County. "The parade," he added, "was in Pickens, and it was really, really big. During the wrap-up to get to the final event of the centennial, they had clubs formed. I think the men's were called Brothers of the Bush, and everybody grew a beard and wore period clothes. I don't remember what the ladies groups were called, but they had all of these different groups, whether it was a Sunday School class or a community group or the Jaycees or the Lions Club, different organizations. In the parade, each of those groups would ride a float. It was a very large parade, a huge turnout of people. They had banners decorating the street. It was a really fun time. I don't know exactly how long it lasted, but it was over a period of several weeks with the different events that sort of stretched it out, and then I guess the culmination was the parade. And then they buried two time capsules, one for 50 years and one for 100 years, and the Jaycees were asked to head that up. And different individuals, different families, and businesses would put memorabilia items in those capsules. We put some items in. It was a really good time. It was widespread. There was no part of the county that did not participate. Everybody across the county, with different towns, different clubs, different organizations, everybody got involved, and they kind of spread the events around. It was an interesting time. It was fun." Dalton said that he dressed up in period clothing for the Centennial year. "I had a beard," he added. "And the day of the parade, I remember wearing my top hat and beard and a little bow tie. And anytime the Jaycees would meet, from time to time, we would wear our period clothes."

Dean Holder, a longtime Pickens County educator and now owner of The Gatehouse Restaurant in Pickens, told me

that he was living in Georgia in 1968, but he remembers coming home to Pickens for the Centennial celebration, and he has fond memories of riding horses in the Centennial parade with his father, the late Edgar Holder.

Davey Hiott and his sister, Kay, of Hiott Printing, and a son and a daughter of the late Gary and Eloise Hiott, were young at the time, but they have fond memories of the Centennial celebration, which culminated with a big parade that included old-timey cars and horses. "I remember it was a big celebration," Kay told me, referring to the entire Centennial year. "Everybody in town was involved. They had street dances. It was a fun time." The men, she said, grew mustaches or beards. "Everybody wore their dresses and their centennial outfits." She added that the dresses were all handmade. "We've still got Dad's tie that he wore," said Davey. Main Street in Pickens was blocked off for the dances, they said. "They'd bring in a band," said Davey. "Everybody would participate. It wasn't just the young people. It was everybody. Everybody came dressed up. It was a big party, and it went on for quite some time during that year. I wasn't but eight, but I remember those things. We came up town and participated, too. It was quite an event. Everybody during that time participated. If you had a business here, you participated."

The Hiott family owned *The Pickens Sentinel* at the time, and the newspaper staff worked hard at publishing special editions detailing the history of Pickens County and the Centennial celebration. The building that is now Hiott Printing was the new home for *The Pickens Sentinel* in 1968, housing a new press to print the newspaper. "That was an exciting time for us," Davey told me, "because we moved into the new building and had a Centennial edition. A lot was going on for us."

Wes Hendricks, who represents the Pickens area on Pickens County Council, was only two years of age at the time of the 1968 Centennial, but he remembers some of it. "I remember the parade," he told me, "the cake walks, music, having to wear certain outfits, buttons,

people having beards, putting people in 'jail' for charity.

Tommy Webster, who is the Building Maintenance Director for Pickens County and oversaw the excavation of the time capsule in October, was not born until the year following the Centennial, but he told me that he was honored to be a part of something that his grandparents, Eugene and Ethel Cannon, and other family members were a part of in 1968. "I was born the year after it (the time capsule) was put into the ground. It's neat to see something that they were a part of back then. It's an honor to be a part of it." He has a photograph of his grandparents, with his grandfather in top hat and wearing a beard. "That was the only time I saw my Grandpa with a beard, in that picture," he said. "He never had one except for that. I think that was a really big deal then, getting all dressed up."

Charles Burkett, Gabby Hayes, Jerry Hughes, Joe Black, and Joe Waldrop all attended the 1968 Centennial celebration and were excited to see the time capsule excavated. Burkett told me that he rode a Model T car in the 1968 Centennial parade, and Hughes has photographs that his father, E.D. Hughes, made of the parade. Waldrop, who was a member of the Pickens Jaycees in 1968, said that the time capsule was one of their projects.

Vicki Crawford, also excited to attend the excavation of the time capsule, remembers the Centennial well. "I got married in 1968, in April," she told me, "and we were here in October for the parade. My step dad was in the parade. I remember for weeks, not just that week, for weeks leading into it, all of the ladies had their Centennial gowns made, their Centennial dresses and bonnets. We had chapters, and we met weekly to go out to dinner somewhere. That was big for us back then. Men had chapters, too, and the women really got into it, and the babies had their centennial clothes."

Jo Ann Gilstrap Brewer told me, "I was young then, only 19, working at Blue Ridge Electric." She has a photograph of herself and other Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative employees dressed in period clothing to celebrate

the Centennial. "I remember lots of people sewed their own clothes," she said. "And we celebrated for a full year and had a great time."

Pat Mulkey remembers the October 5, 1968 parade, the day of his fifth birthday, and he has a photograph of himself, dressed in 1860's type clothing, standing atop the marker for the time capsule. On October 5, 2018, the day of the ceremony for the official opening of the time capsule at the Courthouse, Mulkey, with a full beard for this celebration, wore a similar outfit.

Pickens County Clerk of Court Pat Welborn told me that he was 10 years old the year of the 1968 celebration, and he remembers the Centennial parade well. "My granddaddy had a little farm up north of Pickens," he said, "and we brought his horse and one-horse wagon down here, and he let me drive the horse and wagon through the parade. As a 10-year-old boy, that was always special to me." He was excited to see the excavation and opening of the time capsule. "I've been the one to watch over it for the last 10 years, as Clerk of Court," he told me. "This is really special to me, to see it opened and find out what's inside and to be able to put something in the one that's going back in the ground."

Glenn Brock, owner of the historic Brock's Department Store on Main Street in Pickens, has a photograph of himself, wearing overalls and a beard, during the 1968 Centennial. Brock grew a beard for the beard-growing contest that year. "If you didn't grow your beard, they would put you in 'jail', and then you would have to pay your 'fine' to get out," he told me. He remembers boys wearing overalls and the ladies and young girls wearing long dresses and matching bonnets. He took home movies of the October 5, 1968 Centennial parade, which included horses and old cars. A Centennial banner from 1968 is on display in his store. "It was a lot of fun," he said of the big celebration.

See photos from the 1968 Centennial Celebration and parade inside.

The 2018 Sesquicentennial was officially announced at the

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beginning of the year, and Sesquicentennial themes were at events and festivals throughout the county. Members of the Pickens County Historical Society also manned booths at the Pickens Azalea Festival, Central Railroad Festival, and Six Mile Issaqueena Festival, displaying a special Sesquicentennial 'cake' made by member Brenda Meyer and giving away about 1,000 miniature cupcakes made by Linda Starin and Dennis Bade.

On the first day of October, 2018, one of two time capsules buried during Pickens County's Centennial celebration in 1968 was excavated from the grounds of the Pickens County Courthouse by Tommy Webster and his crew from Pickens County Building Maintenance. (Another capsule buried in 1968 will be excavated and opened 50 years from now, in 2068, as will a time capsule buried for this Sesquicentennial year.) Those present included County Council Chair Roy Costner, County Council member Wes Hendricks, Clerk of Court Pat Welborn, County Administrator Gerald Wilson, Pickens County Tourism Director Jay Pitts, Pickens County Tourism Events Coordinator Roy B. Costner, many county employees, local police officers, city employees, high school students, and members of the Pickens County Historical Society (See photos on page 14). Also, men who were present for the 1968 Centennial celebration, Charles Burkett, Jerry Hughes, Gabby Hayes, and Joe Black were also in attendance for the time capsule's excavation. When the stone marker - 'Open 2018' - was removed, and earth was dug from around it, the name 'Joe Waldrop' was found upon the lid of the concrete culvert bearing the actual time capsule. Waldrop, who had been a brick mason and who is a neighbor to Charles Burkett, was called, and he came to the Courthouse to also join in the historic occasion. Once the concrete culvert containing the capsule was excavated, it was taken by truck to the Courthouse basement.

On Tuesday morning, October 2, 2018, Jay Pitts and Roy B. Costner IV again documented for posterity on video as Tommy Webster, Tim Owen, Harold Young, and Stephen Hester, with Pickens County Building Maintenance, and Pickens County Attorney Ken Roper broke through the concrete with a sledgehammer to reveal the 1968 time capsule. Also present Tuesday were Clerk of Court Pat Welborn, County Administrator Gerald Wilson, Risk Manager Mike Hayes, and Pickens County His-

torical Society Chief Archivist Mildred Brewer.

On Wednesday, October 3, Brewer and Anne Sheriff, Central Area Vice President of the Pickens County Historical Society, joined Daniel James of the Pickens County Museum in carefully removing and documenting contents of the 1968 time capsule at the Pickens County Museum.

On Friday, October 5, a special ceremony was held at the front of the Pickens County Courthouse to officially and publicly unveil contents of the 1968 time capsule that was excavated four days earlier. Pickens County Council Chair Roy Costner welcomed the crowd and gave opening remarks, and the Pickens High School Marching Band played the national anthem. Costner introduced his fellow Council members, the Pickens County Legislative Delegation; Pickens City Council members and Mayor David Owens; Pickens County Sheriff Rick Clark; and Governor Henry McMaster and his wife, Peggy.

County Council member Wes Hendricks, of Pickens, who attended the 1968 Centennial as a two-year-old boy, welcomed the crowd, saying, "It has been an exciting and historic week for Pickens County. Thank you all for caring about our history as we look forward to the future." He thanked veterans for their service and said, "Pickens County continues to be supportive of our military and our country. As this week has unfolded, I couldn't help but think back to all the people that were here in 1968 that are no longer with us. I ask you to reflect on your friends and relatives who aren't here to enjoy this. Enjoy this moment, and weep for them. Remember everything you can. To the young people here today... remember everything going on. Take lots of pictures. When you're in school, write about this in your journals. You are the torchbearer for the future. You'll be the ones telling the story in 2068, when Pickens County turns 200 years old. Responsibility rests on your shoulders." He then reflected on life in 1968 and 2018 and made predictions for 2068. "We have a storied past to remember and a bright future to look forward to," he said. "For those of you that will be here in 2068, please tell the story of 2018, so that future generations will remember the great history of Pickens County."

Costner said how proud he was to work with the State Delegation and introduced State Rep. and Pickens native Davey Hiott, who thanked everyone for

being there. Hiott told the young people in the audience, "I can assure you, as time goes on, you will appreciate this day more and more." He thanked the Pickens County Historical Society, saying, "I appreciate all that they've done to preserve this history of Pickens County." He said that he is thankful to live in Pickens County and spoke of the friendliness of the people. "My family has a long history in this community," he said, adding, "It's been very good to our family." He thanked the Governor for coming to the event and for leading the state, and he thanked the County Council and anyone who has ever helped Pickens County and will help Pickens County in the future. With Delegation members Rep. Gary Clary, Senator Rex Rice, and Senator Thomas Alexander, at his side, Hiott presented to Pickens County Council members a State Resolution honoring Pickens County for 150 years of prosperity. "Thank you for working hard to make Pickens County the great place it is. God bless."

Costner also thanked the Pickens County Historical Society and introduced Ron Masters, Special Events Director for the Historical Society, who thanked everyone for coming. "On behalf of the Pickens County Historical Society, we welcome you on this important day in our county's history," said Masters. "Fifty years ago on this date, the Pickens County Historical Society and the Pickens Jaycees placed a capsule in the Courthouse grounds. Inside were mementos representing the lives of Pickens County citizens of that era. Some who witnessed that event are present today. We all have waited with much anticipation for today's event, and the time has come to see what this capsule contains. We want to thank the Historical Society, the Pickens County Municipal Government, the Pickens County and city officials and Clerk of Court Pat Welborn for their generous assistance in making this momentous day possible. And to our Governor, Henry McMaster, for sharing this day with us, Governor, thank you. We welcome you to the Upcountry and hope that you will visit often. In a few moments, we will reveal the contents of the capsule. Again, we thank you for your presence and hope you enjoy the remaining Sesquicentennial events."

The Sweet Potato Pie Kids then sang and played Appalachian music.

Costner then introduced Governor McMaster, who spoke

about the history of South Carolina and its future and the people of South Carolina. He then read a Proclamation telling of the history of this area and its positive and significant impact "on the historical development and economic prosperity of our state and nation" and proclaiming October 5-6 as 'Pickens County Sesquicentennial Days.'

Costner explained the process of excavating the time capsule, which had been encased in concrete and covered in tar, and he and Vice Chair Chris Bowers joined the Governor in removing items to show the public, including a 1968 time capsule ceremony program signed by then U.S. Senator Strom Thurmond, a 1968 Centennial banner, Centennial wooden nickels, and rocks picked up from the former historic Fort Prince George site before it was covered by the waters of Lake Keowee. The other items were available for public viewing in displays at the Courthouse (and were moved to the celebration in Easley the following day and later moved to the Pickens County Museum in Pickens, where they are on display).

On Saturday, October 6, the Blue Ribbon Birthday Bash, held at the J.B. 'Red' Owens Recreation Complex in Easley, included the United Christian Ministries 5K 'Feet for Heat'; a Meals on Wheels cookoff; carnival rides for children; a men's beard contest; a bakeoff competition; artisan vendors; fiber artists from the Pickens Senior Center; Linda Hall and Ronny Hall of Quilts of Valor; Mike Durham, Jesse Moss, Tom Turner, and Brad Duncan with Dacusville Farm Days; entertainment by the Sweet Potato Pie Kids, the Swingin' Medallions, the Anna Leigh Band, the Luke Smith Band; and children and adults in the Pickens County's Got Talent competition, including Luke Brazinski, Ansley Burns, Landon Rueda and Cameron Heard, Ella Hennessee, Grayson Lane, Devin Nix, Paul Kalchthaler, Chris Haile, Fionna Childress, Tansy Pocerlich, Brittany Lockaby, Kee Rucker, Hot Foot Cloggers, and Luke Riley Smith. The evening was capped off by a fireworks display by the City of Easley.

Pickens County Council Chair Roy Costner opened the event in prayer, and State Senator Thomas Alexander also welcomed the crowd. "It's a pleasure to be here on behalf of the Pickens County Legislative Delegation," Alexander said. "We were with you for the time capsule unveiling yesterday. It was a great day. You've got a lot of

the contents out in the tent out there. I would encourage you to go out and take a look." He then told Costner, "I appreciate the great work that you, as Chair, and the County Council have put in this 150-year celebration together. The Lord has truly blessed Pickens County these 150 years, and we look forward to the great things that He has planned for us as individuals and for Pickens County in the years to come. And it is a milestone. It is critical that we stop and celebrate. We think back to these last 50 years, and we can't imagine what the next 50 years will provide. I would encourage all of these young people to savor and remember these things, so that they can share it with their children and grandchildren. It's a great day of activities, and may you have a wonderful time and it be a special memory of your lives and the life of Pickens County. It's a pleasure to be here. God bless each and every one."

I took 1,200 photographs during the first week of October's events alone, in addition to photos at other events related to the Sesquicentennial earlier in the year and also the event in November at the Pickens County Museum, with Mayors reading letters from each of their respective cities placed in the 1968 time capsule. Space is limited in print, but more information and photos may be found online on The Christian View magazine's website.

Young people will remember the events of 2018 when the time capsule buried this year is opened in 2068. And that time will pass quickly. On October 1 of this year, the day of the 1968 time capsule excavation, Louise Hope told me that, back in 2001, when she was a teacher at Pickens Middle School, she would take students on a walking field trip and visit the Courthouse. "I would always bring them out here to the front, and I would say, 'Can you believe, in the year 2018, we're going to open this time capsule?' And they were like, '2018?' And they didn't even know about the time capsule. And so I've been waiting for 17 years. I was not here 50 years ago, but I was here 17 years ago. Time flies. Here we are."

Time does pass quickly. In 2068, many of us may be a memory, but young people of today will witness the opening of the time capsule that Pickens County will bury the day of the Pickens Sesquicentennial Christmas Parade, and they will remember back to this time, 50 years earlier, as if it were yesterday.

Pickens County's 1968 Centennial Celebration



Dignitaries and members of the Pickens County Courthouse staff dressed in 1860's period clothing for Pickens County's centennial in 1968.



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Jay, Wes, and David Hendricks.



Men grew beards for a contest during the 1968 Centennial Celebration.



Pat Mulkey standing on the time capsule.

Pickens County's 1968 Centennial Celebration



The Hiotts and the staff of *The Pickens Sentinel* dressed in 1860's period clothing for the Pickens County Centennial Celebration in 1968. Sitting, left to right: Dwight Holcombe, Jerry Holcombe, Earl Huckes, Mark Owens. Standing: Lewis Pace, Dana Crowe, Eunice Hiott, Jerry Gilstrap, Rachel Durham, David Hiott, Eloise Hiott, Clennon Huckes, Gary Hiott, Jr. (As identified by Kerry Hiott Harper)




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The 'Singer Belles', second shift employees of The Singer Company, dressed for the 1968 Centennial. Front Row: Mary Evatt, Louise Patterson, Becky Garrett, Alice Roach; Second Row: Margaret Trotter, Blanche Hannah, Peggy Hendricks, Pat Rowland; Third Row: Elaine Reece, Glenda Bowen, Willie Mae Burgess, Mary Todd. (Photo from the Blanche Hannah collection) (Photo by William E. Payne)



Blanche Hannah wearing one of two dresses she made and wore during the 1968 Centennial, with her husband, Bill Hannah, and their grandson, Allen Brewer.



Blanche Hannah wearing one of two dresses she made and wore during the 1968 Centennial, with her husband, Bill, and two of their daughters, Dottie and Martha, wearing dresses Blanche made for them for the Centennial.

Pickens County's 1968 Centennial Celebration



Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative employees dressed for the 1968 Centennial: first row: Emily Watson; Carol Chappell; Julia Looper; Thelma Clardy's daughter, Joy; Sharon Durham; Ruby Holliday; JoAnn Brewer; Barbara Holliday; Sadie Nix; second row: Thelma Clardy; Carol Bates; Delta Crenshaw; Linda Crumpton Wood; third row: Peggy Asmus; Mildred Lewis; Maxine Clardy; Dot Bates; Louella Parkins (as identified by Jo Ann Gilstrap Brewer).

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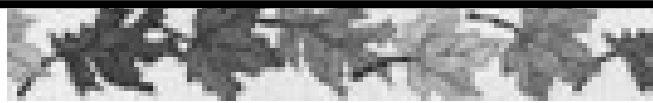
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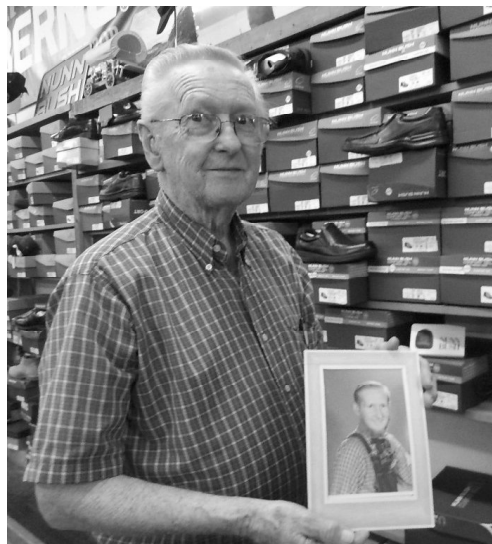
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(Photos by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Glenn Brock, owner of the historic Brock's Department Store on Main Street in Pickens, holds a photograph of himself in 1968, when Pickens County celebrated its Centennial. Brock grew a beard for the beard-growing contest. "If you didn't grow your beard, they would put you in 'jail', and then you would have to pay your 'fine' to get out," he told *The Christian View* magazine. He remembers boys wearing overalls and the ladies and young girls wearing long dresses and matching bonnets. He took home movies of the October 5, 1968 Centennial parade, which included horses and old cars. The Centennial banner, pictured at left, was found, rolled in a tube, in the store and is now on display. "It was a lot of fun," he said of the big celebration.

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Pickens County's 1968 Centennial Parade



(This photo and the two photos below from Hiott Printing collection)



1968 Centennial Queen Shirley Abercrombie, who made her Centennial dress. (Abercrombie family photo)



Photo by Glenn Brock of Brock's Department Store



Photo by Glenn Brock of Brock's Department Store

Pickens County's 1968 Centennial Parade



Pickens County's Centennial Parade photos from 1968 at left and above are courtesy of Jerry Hughes. The photos were taken by his father, Edward Dean 'E.D.' Hughes. The photos at left show two of the floats, and the photo above shows part of the crowd that lined Main Street.

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Pickens County's Sesquicentennial Celebration October 1, 2018: Excavating the 1968 Time Capsule



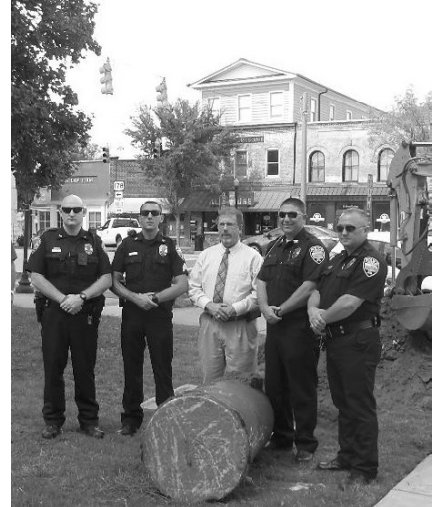
Jerry Hughes, Charles Burkett, Joe Waldrop, Gabby Hayes, and Joe Black were present for the 1968 Centennial and for the October 1, 2018 excavation of the 1968 time capsule.



Pickens County Historical Society members present for the excavation included, pictured above: Wayne Kelley, Louise Hope, Joe Black, Billy Crawford, Kathy Black, Barry Crawford, Anne Sheriff, Jane Chastain, Dennis Chastain, Linda Starin, and Mildred Brewer. Also present was Ron Masters. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Risk Manager Mike Hayes; County Council members Roy Costner and Wes Hendricks; Tourism Director Jay Pitts; Daniel James of the Pickens County Museum; Billy Crawford of the Hagood Mill; Stephen Hester, Harold Young, Tommy Webster, and Tim Owen of Building Maintenance; Jason Anders, Director of Solid Waste; Chris Carroll with the Hagood Mill and Pickens County Museum; and Administrator Gerald Wilson. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Chief Travis Riggs and officers with the Pickens Police Department and Pickens City Administrator David Poulson. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Pickens High School students, above and at right with Roy B. Costner IV. (Photos by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Pickens County's Sesquicentennial Celebration

October 2, 2018: Getting the Capsule Out of Concrete and Tar



Tommy Webster, Tim Owen, Harold Young, and Stephen Hester with Pickens County Building Maintenance and Pickens County Attorney Ken Roper break through the concrete. (Photos by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Pickens County Risk Manager Mike Hayes, Pickens County Administrator Gerald Wilson, Pickens County Clerk of Court Pat Welborn, Pickens County Tourism Events Coordinator Roy B. Costner IV, Stephen Hester, Harold Young, Tim Owen, Tommy Webster, Pickens County Tourism Director Jay Pitts, Ken Roper. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)

Pickens County's Sesquicentennial Celebration

October 5, 2018: The Ceremony for Opening the 1968 Time Capsule



Pickens County Council members Wes Hendricks, Carl Hudson, Ensley Feemster, Chair Roy Costner, Vice Chair Chris Bowers, and Trey Whitehurst. Many more Sesquicentennial photos will be found online at www.TheChristianViewMagazine.com (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



State Representative Davey Hiott (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Rep. Davey Hiott, pictured with members of the Pickens County Legislative Delegation and members of Pickens County Council, presents a State Resolution honoring County upon its Sesquicentennial. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Ron Masters, Special Events Director of the Pickens County Historical Society and Time Capsule Committee Chair (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Governor Henry McMaster, pictured with County Council Chair Costner and Vice Chair Bowers, reads a note, on a 1968 Centennial program, signed by Senator Strom Thurmond, from the 1968 time capsule. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



The Pickens High School Marching Band (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



The Sweet Potato Pie Kids (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Pat Mulkey dressed in 1868 period clothing, as he did in 1968 as a five-year-old boy. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)

Pickens County's Sesquicentennial Celebration

October 5, 2018: The Ceremony for Opening the 1968 Time Capsule



Members of the Fort Prince George chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR): Harriet Nash, Barbara Clark, Mildred Brewer, Lynda Abegg, Kathy Galofski, and Teresa Efant. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Mildred Brewer, Chief Archivist of the Pickens County Historical Society, wears a dress that her mother, Blanche Hannah, made and wore for the Centennial. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)

Pickens County's Sesquicentennial Celebration

October 6, 2018: The Blue Ribbon Birthday Bash



At left: State Senator Thomas Alexander and Pickens County Council Chair Roy Costner with The Sweet Potato Pie Kids. See many more Sesquicentennial photos on *The Christian View* magazine's website. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Jamie Burns and Daniel James with the Pickens County Museum sell Sesquicentennial t-shirts at the Birthday Bash. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Brenda Meyer, Marketing Director for the Pickens County Historical Society, gives free Sesquicentennial cupcakes made by Treasurer Linda Starin and Dennis Bade. (Photo by Karen Brewer, Publisher)

Pickens County's Sesquicentennial Celebration October 6, 2018: The Blue Ribbon Birthday Bash



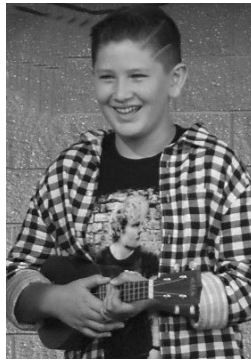
A beard-growing contest was held for the Sesquicentennial, reminiscent of the beards grown for the 1968 Centennial. First, Second, and Third Place honors went to Stephen Turner, Mark Moore, and Shawn Miller. (Photos by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Mildred Brewer, Chief Archivist for The Pickens County Historical Society, is pictured at left with one of two Sesquicentennial cakes made by Brenda Meyer, Marketing Director for the Pickens County Historical Society, and at right with the 1968 time capsule opened in October, 2018.



Many more Sesquicentennial photos will be found online on *The Christian View* magazine's website, www.TheChristianViewMagazine.com. (Photos by Karen Brewer, Publisher)



Pickens County's Got Talent was part of the Birthday Bash and included these young singers: Landon Rueda and Cam'ron Heard, Luke Brazinski, Ella Hennessee, Ansley Burns, and Grayson Lane. Look for these and more photos from Pickens County's Got Talent and the Birthday Bash on *The Christian View* magazine's website. (Photos by Karen Brewer, Publisher)





Hagood Mauldin House/Irma Morris Museum of Fine Arts

The Fort Prince George Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will complete 100 years of significant history and celebrate its anniversary in November 2020.

The chapter was organized November 15, 1920 by Mrs. Walter Duvall, State Regent, with 20 charter members. At the time of their 75th Anniversary in 1995, there were 38 members, and today there are 75 members.

The name Fort Prince George was chosen in honor of the fort that was built by the English settlers in 1753 on the banks of the Keowee River directly opposite the Indian Village of Keowee.

Mrs. Thomas J. Mauldin (Frances aka "Miss Queen") served as the Organizing Regent, first chapter Regent, later as state Vice Regent, state Regent, and Vice President General NSDAR. She also served as Chair of the Tamassee school's governing board for two separate terms and as a board member for 29 years.

The house, her birthplace and where she lived with her husband, is now the Hagood-Mauldin House/Irma Morris Museum of Fine Arts. James Earl Hagood, Miss Queen's father, built the house around 1856 in Old Pickens in what is now Oconee County. It was dismantled, moved by wagons, and reconstructed in present-day Pickens in 1868 at the time Oconee and Pickens became separate counties. Mr. Hagood was Secretary and Treasurer of the appointed Board of Commissioners, which was authorized to select a site for the town of New Pickens (the present town of Pickens).

The following were the Organizing Members in 1920 of the Fort Prince George Chapter: Mrs. Lucia Earle Allgood, Mrs. Cornelia Breese Kirksey, Mrs. Lena Bowen Bannister, Mrs. Sophie Dunbar Kirksey, Mrs. Daisy Heath Bivens, Mrs. Ella Lewis Lanham, Miss Florence Bowen, Miss Aurie Kirksey, Mrs. Frances Bruce Parham, Mrs. Frances Hagood Mauldin, Mrs. May Grogan Bruce, Mrs. Josie Boggs Mauldin, Mrs. Mildred Cox Woodruff, Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen Odell, Mrs. Mary Lewis Craig, Mrs. Lillie Bowen Parsons, Mrs. Edna Earle LaMaster, Mrs. Grace Smith Sasseen, Mrs. Hattie Baker Earle, and Mrs. Helen Boggs Tribble.

Daughters of the American Revolution are active women who are passionate about serving their communities, preserving history, and educating children along with honoring the men and women who have served and are serving our nation. Would you like to be a part of an organization whose tenets are God, Home and Country? We would love to have you join us! Our meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month from September through May. If you have questions and would like more information, please contact the Regent of the Fort Prince George Chapter, Carolyn Nations, at 864-630-4862.



Mrs. Frances Hagood Mauldin



Fort Prince George Chapter DAR: Row 1: Erica Cauley, Carolyn Nations, Mildred Brewer, Harriet Nash, Una Welborn; Row 2: Eleanor Pinkowski, Martha Keller, Renee Castor, Edith Moran, Beverly Walker; Row 3: Marianne Holland, Carolyn Yarborough, Ann Warmouth, Kathy Galofski, Anne Kilpatrick; Row 4: Teresa Efant.

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