

May 2016

# “Shine in the Pines” Promises Good Times on the River May 27<sup>th</sup>

Chieftains Museum/Major Ridge Home will host an evening of fun at the “Shine in the Pines” Moonshine Tasting event scheduled from 6-9pm, Friday, May 27th on the museum campus at 501 Riverside Parkway.

Products from both the Dawsonville Moonshine Distillery and Treehorn Cider will be sampled in free tastings offered with each purchased ticket. The



Dawsonville Moonshine Distillery creates genuine moonshine in different flavors, all produced in Dawsonville, Georgia, which they label the “Moonshine Capital of the World.” Made in Marietta, Treehorn Cider was established in 2014 and is currently available on draft throughout Metro Atlanta, as well as Savannah, Athens, Rome, Macon, Valdosta, Cartersville and more. Representatives from both Dawsonville Moonshine Distillery and Treehorn

Cider will be at the “Shine in the Pines” event to talk about their products and the processes that go into making them.

In addition to the tasting, guests can purchase food from Lou Cora’s and Charbucks as well as other drinks, including two moonshine cocktails, from a cash bar as they play lawn games and listen to local musicians.

Tickets for the event cost \$20 in advance, \$25 at the gate and include entry to the event, five free samples of moonshine and/or hard cider, and a tour of Chieftain Museum/Major Ridge Home. You must be 21 years of age or older to purchase tickets and attend this event—valid I.D. will be checked at the gate.

Tickets are currently on sale and can be purchased at Chieftains Museum/Major Ridge Home and the Last Stop Gift Shop at the Rome Visitors Center. Portions of each ticket sale are tax-deductible.

For more information, contact the museum at (706) 291-9494 or visit [www.chieftainmuseum.org](http://www.chieftainmuseum.org).

Mark your calendar today and come visit the museum for a night of “shine” by the river on May 27th!



TREEHORN CIDER



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CHIEFTAINS MUSEUM / MAJOR RIDGE HOME

## The Ridge Report

## “Rome in Bloom” features Chieftains Demonstration Garden

Members of the local community could see our garden grow at the 2016 “Rome in Bloom” Garden Tour sponsored by the Junior Service League of Rome. Held on April 30<sup>th</sup>, this year’s event featured six signature gardens in Rome, including Chieftains as a signature stop on the tour.

Visitors to the Chieftains property were treated to a guided tour of the Major Ridge Demonstration Garden by Master Gardeners as well as entry to the museum. In all, 80 guests visited the campus the day of the garden tour, each one leaving with a new understanding of the blend of history and agriculture we are creating on the campus.

If you missed the garden tour, be sure to come by the museum this summer and see the new features of our campus. In the meantime, thank you to the Junior Service League for including us on the “Rome in Bloom” Garden Tour this year!



## 2016 Art Contest Winners Announced

Top awards were given in the 2016 Chieftains Museum/Major Ridge Home art contest for local high school students. This year’s theme was the Treaty of New Echota, with young artists asked to depict their interpretation of the turmoil surrounding the treaty and the effects it had on the relationship between the United States and the Cherokee Nation prior to their removal.

Approximately 70 entries were submitted by local students for the contest. After judging by members of the Chiaha Art Guild, the following winners were chosen:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place      Jamie Armstrong, Armuchee High School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place      Rebecka Neal, Cedartown High School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place      Emmaline Cunningham, Cedartown High School
- 4<sup>th</sup> place      Caroline Gammage, Cedartown High School



Three of our art contest winners from Cedartown High School. From left, Rebecka Neal, Emmaline Cunningham, and Caroline Gammage

Winners received a certificate and cash prize for their artwork. All students who entered the contest received a certificate of appreciation for their efforts. The entries for this year’s contest will go on display in July 2016 and will rotate throughout the summer.

Thanks to all of our young artists for making our contest great again this year!

## Collections Corner

In honor of Memorial Day, our featured piece this month is a Bible carried by Joseph Jones during the Civil War. Originally from Virginia, the Addison Jones family lived in the Chieftains House from 1863 to 1900.

Addison and his wife Susanna had a son, Joseph, who was a courier for General Robert E. Lee during the Civil War. Joseph delivered several copies of letters from Lee during the war, but kept a copy of the original surrender order #9 as well as a letter detailing Stonewall Jackson's death after the war. Shown here is the Bible Joseph carried during the Civil War, the same Bible in which the



Joseph Jones letters were discovered years later.



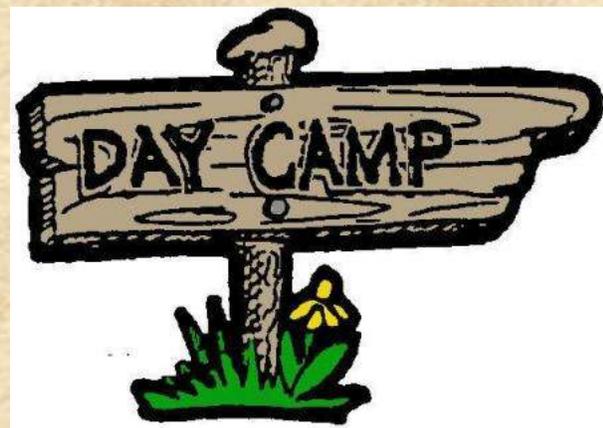
Bible with Joseph's name written inside

## There's Still Time to Join Our History Explorers Camp!

Although the official date has passed to sign up to participate in our History Explorers Camp, we still have a few spots open for any student that has just completed the 4<sup>th</sup> grade!

This free half-day camp will take place from 9:30am-12:30pm, June 20-22, 2016. Camp participants will be given a chance to delve into our local history and explore three museums in Rome and Floyd County. Partnering with the Rome Area History Museum and Oak Hill & Martha Berry Museum, Chieftains will begin the camp on June 20<sup>th</sup> with learning activities about Cherokee history and culture. The Rome Area History Museum will challenge camp participants to discover more about their local history the second day of the camp. The camp will conclude on June 22<sup>nd</sup> with students visiting Oak Hill & Martha Berry Museum and the Berry College campus to explore the life of Martha Berry and the school she created.

To register for the camp, visit the museum's website at [www.chieftainmuseum.org](http://www.chieftainmuseum.org) and download a camp application form. The camp is free and open to students who have completed 4<sup>th</sup> grade in 2016. Parents are required to provide transportation to and from each site for all three days of the camp.





**CHIEFTAINS MUSEUM/MAJOR RIDGE HOME**

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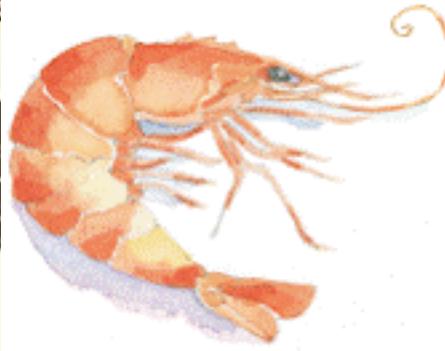
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**We're on the Web!**

**Visit us at [chieftainmuseum.org](http://chieftainmuseum.org)**

## Save the Date: 2016 Low Country Boil & Barbecue



Be sure to mark your calendars for the Chieftains Museum annual Low Country Boil & Barbecue, scheduled for Thursday, August 4, 2016 at the Rome Civic Center.

Guests at the event this year will be treated once again to a buffet of low country boil and

barbecue provided by Two Can Do Catering as well as an open bar. Bid on one of our auction items, savor the wonderful food, and catch up with friends old and new at this signature fundraising event for the museum.

Tickets for the Low Country Boil & Barbecue will go on sale later this summer, so check the museum website or look for your invitation and join us for a low country celebration August 4<sup>th</sup>!

## Have You Renewed?

Be sure to renew your membership to the museum for 2016!

Memberships are good for January 1—December 31 each year and give you free admission to the museum, a 10% discount in our gift shop, and invitations to exclusive member events throughout the year.

Contact the museum to find out how you can continue to be a part of the excitement at Chieftains!

## Upcoming Events

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| <b>May 27th:</b>       | “Shine in the Pines” Moonshine Tasting |
| <b>June 20th-22nd:</b> | History Explorers Camp                 |
| <b>August 4th:</b>     | Low Country Boil & Barbeque            |