

Chieftains Brings New Spring Events to the Community

Spring 2019



As the cold winter days give way to spring in Rome, Chieftains Museum will host three events to bring our community closer to its “roots.”

On Tuesday, March 26th, the museum will partner with the Environmental Studies and Environmental Science programs and the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Berry College to bring Dr. David Cozzo to speak as part of the Chieftains Lecture Series. Dr. Cozzo is an Area Specialized Agent for the North Carolina Cooperative Extension based at the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians Extension Center and is the Project Director for the Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Artisan Resources. An ethnobotanist, he also teaches courses and has published articles on the nutritional and medical ethnobotany of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians. Dr. Cozzo’s lecture, “River Cane: Cultural Workhorse and Ecological Powerhouse for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in North Carolina,” will focus on the importance of river cane for Native American tribes like the Cherokee and his efforts to restore this plant and the artisan techniques of weaving river cane baskets in North Carolina. The lecture is free and open to the public and will take place at 7pm in Evans Auditorium on the Berry College campus.

To tempt your taste buds, Chieftains will offer a unique culinary experience with The Season Events on March 28th from 11:00am-12:30pm. Join us at The Season Events kitchen at 300 Glenn Milner Blvd in Rome for a demonstration on how to cook with herbs. Participants will work alongside chefs to prepare their own lunch using herbs and learn the history of those herbs along the way. Cost for the event is \$20 per person and must be paid to the museum prior to March 28th. Participants must wear a hat or hair net and closed toe shoes. This event is limited to 20 people and openings are going fast! Be sure to secure your spot by contacting the museum at 706-291-9494 today.

Finally, if you want to grow your own herbs, it’s time once again for the Chieftains Herb & Plant Sale! Eagerly anticipated by area gardeners, the Chieftains Herb and Plant Sale will be held this year on Saturday, April 13th and Sunday, April 14th in the Village Building at the Coosa Valley Fairgrounds, rain or shine. Sale hours are 8am to 4pm on Saturday and 12pm to 3pm on Sunday. Current 2019 members will be allowed access to our plant sale preview on Friday, April 12th from 5:30-7:30pm.

Sale Chairperson Susan Hortman will once again lead a dedicated group of volunteers, including Kathy Cooper, Nancy Brass, and Ruth Forrester, who make the sale a big success each year. As expected, they have selected the finest plants suitable for growing in our area from several well-known regional nurseries. All plants are healthy and fresh—they’re delivered the day before the sale.

The sale will feature over 30 + varieties of herbs, native, and unique heirloom plants as well as a selection of vegetables. Plenty of annuals and perennials will be available, allowing customers a chance to refresh their sun or shade plants after this rainy winter. Knowledgeable volunteers and Master Gardeners will be on hand to help you select the right herbs and plants for your garden.

Shoppers may also purchase beautiful containers at the sale or bring their own clean pots for our experienced crew of gardeners to design and plant on-site.

Credit and debit cards will be accepted in addition to checks and cash. All proceeds benefit Chieftains Museum/Major Ridge Home. The Herb & Plant Sale is sponsored by Friends of Chieftains Museum, Inc.

Be sure to mark your calendar for all of these events and help us “Spring” into the new season!

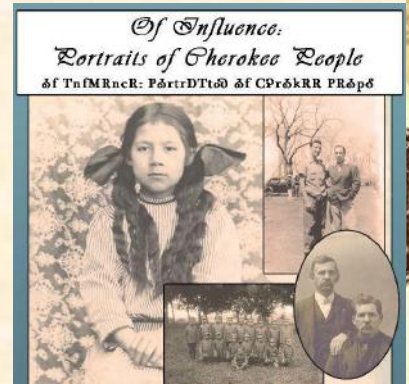
CHIEFTAINS MUSEUM / MAJOR RIDGE HOME

THE RIDGE REPORT

Winter Events a Success for Chieftains

To start the new year, the museum hosted two events to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Major Ridge coming to the Chieftains house that were well received by our community.

Beginning with a member opening on January 9th, visitors were treated to *Of Influence: Portraits of Cherokee People*, a traveling exhibition from the Oklahoma History Center sponsored with grant funds from the Rome Area Council for the Arts. This exhibition featured framed photographs depicting members of the Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma from the 1840s through the 1960s. The exhibition was a popular attraction, bringing 467 visitors to the museum by the time it closed on February 28th. Chieftains hopes to bring similar traveling exhibitions to Rome in the future and would like to thank the Rome Area Council for the Arts for making this experience possible for our community.



Emma Davis Hamilton

In celebration of Black History Month, Chieftains partnered with the Rome Floyd County Library and the Theta Omicron Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority to sponsor an African American genealogy workshop on February 2nd. Genealogist Emma Davis Hamilton shared her knowledge with participants on how to find their African American ancestors, which is often a challenge. The workshop brought 74 participants to the Coosa Room at the Rome Floyd County Library to start their genealogical journey. The museum appreciates the help of both Alpha Kappa Alpha and the Rome Floyd County Library that made this special program possible!

200th Anniversary Events to Continue Throughout 2019

In addition to our winter and spring events, Chieftains Museum has planned additional programs to commemorate our 200th anniversary throughout the remainder of 2019.

We will kick off the summer season with the return of Pat Garrow to the Chieftains property. Garrow, the leader of the original archaeological digs at Chieftains in the late 1960s and early 1970s, will direct a new dig on the museum campus to see what new treasures we can find for our collection. The dig will take place May 20th-25th to celebrate Georgia Archaeology Awareness Month and will feature programs including a reception for Mr. Garrow as well as chances for the public to see the dig in progress.

On June 29th, Chieftains will celebrate Cherokee culture by bringing the Warriors of AniKituhwa to perform in Ridge Ferry Park. A dance troupe, the Warriors have been designated as official cultural ambassadors by the Tribal Council of the Easter Band of Cherokee Indians and are sponsored by the Museum of the Cherokee Indian in North Carolina. These performers wear traditional Cherokee dress while they perform and explain both the significance of the dances and share living history demonstrations of their culture with the audience.



The month of July will bring another traveling exhibition to the museum. Chieftains is currently working with the Northeast Georgia History Center at Brenau University to develop an exhibit that explores the legal history of Indian Removal in the United States and how that history shaped the future of our nation as well as native nations in our country.

Stay tuned to the museum's website at www.chieftainmuseum.org and our Summer newsletter as more details develop for these anniversary events.

Thank You to Our 2019 Members!

Sue Anderson
Pat & Wright Bagby
Fran & Harris Bagley
Bill Banks
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Frank Barron
Tammy & George Barron
Al Barron, Jr.
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John & Ann Bennett
David Boyle
Nancy Brass
Andrew Brewer
Greta Willougby & Jeff Bunch
Marny Busbin
Amy & Brian Campbell
Carolyn & Steve Carpino
Bill & Glenda Carroll
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Nancy & David Hunter
Virginia & Guy Hunter
Raleigh Hussmann
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Leslie Johnston
Fran Jordan
Helen & Jim Keaten
Alice & Olley Keel
Jim Keel
Ellen & Buddy Keene
Bill & Mai Mai Kelly
Frances Knight
Nancy & Jack Knight
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We're on the Web!

Visit us at chieftainmuseum.org

Help us commemorate the 200th anniversary of Major Ridge coming to the Chieftains house by becoming a 2019 member! Members receive free admission to the museum, museum store discounts, and special access to our 2019 events. For a complete list of benefits or to download a membership form, visit our website at www.chieftainmuseum.org or visit the museum.

“I support Chieftains because within its walls a story is told of both local and national importance. Within its walls you can see the logs of one of the earliest Cherokee cabins. Within its walls Cherokee leaders discussed signing the Treaty of New Echota and having to leave their homeland to survive. The house has also stood witness to the past 200 years of war, renewal, progress, and growth in Rome. Stand on the river bank beside the house and you too will feel “the power of place!”

--- Jacquelyn Wright, Board Member and Museum Member

Chieftains Museum Now on Instagram

In order to expand our social media outreach, Chieftains Museum is now on Instagram!



Upcoming Events

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| March 26th: | Lecture by Dr. David Cozzo at Berry College 7:00pm |
| March 28th: | Cooking with Herbs Demonstration at The Seasons Events |
| April 13th: | Annual Herb & Plant Sale 8:00am-4:00pm |
| April 14th: | Annual Herb & Plant Sale 12:00-3:00pm |
| May 20th-25th: | Archaeological dig at Chieftains with Pat Garrow |