

Ellore Heritage Museum & Cultural Center, Inc.



# MUSEUM NEWSLETTER

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## Note to our Museum Members:

Thanksgiving is almost here!

Christmas and the New Year are just around the corner.

The Board of Trustees and staff of the Ellore Heritage Museum want to thank you for your support through the years by your generous gifts and by your hard work. Special people like you created this museum in the beginning and still keep it going today. We are deeply grateful.

May your Thanksgiving and your Christmas be a time of great blessings for you and your family.

And may 2022 be the best year ever for all.

## November 13th - 2021 Oyster Roast a Sell Out !!!

*Get tickets early!*



*They sell out quick!*

*Because of popular demand —*

**We have scheduled another  
Oyster Roast for January 22, 2022**



**Carter Jones**, Special Projects Coordinator and Historian of the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association, presented a program at the museum on the history of firefighting. He brought a display of firefighting equipment used in the 1700's and 1800's. The attendees were fascinated by the information that was shared. Ashley Boltin, Director of Operations of the Firefighter's Association was also in attendance and gave to everyone a copy of the 15 pages of notes they collected on the first 50 years of the Ellore Fire Department. Carter & Mary Jo actually celebrated their wedding anniversary with all of us this evening.

Some tools that were used in the past for sending out a fire alarm or for fighting a fire.



Replica of a tool that the firemen carried long ago. Do you know what it was used for? (Answer in newsletter.)

On October 23rd the **2021 Low Country Boil** was held at the museum. We were so happy to be able to have this event once again. It was just a little different this year with tables only set up outside and many plates were take outs. Still the event was a huge success. The shrimp were scrumptious as was the corn, sausage, grits, potatoes, slaw, and dessert. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food plus the opportunity to visit with friends and make new friends.

Thank you for your tremendous support. And thank you to everyone who pitched in to help with the details. It was truly a team effort.



# A Big thank you to our retiring Board Members. . .

**Jane Carson, Ruby Livingston, John McLaurin, and Howard Shirer.**

They have served tirelessly in so many capacities. **Jane** was a key player in developing the audio wands, as well as helping with every fundraiser, and marketing for the museum. **Ruby** has spearheaded the Fundraising Committee for years and organized every detail of the Low Country Boils and other major events. **John** has served as President and Vice President. He has tended to the building and grounds, helped with the elevator, and assisted with every event the museum sponsors. **Howard** has been a steady servant when on the Board and off. He was president for several years and his leadership during those years was vital to the growth of the museum. These are just a few of their contributions. They have worked diligently to guide the museum through the tough Covid months as well as support every part of the museum process. Thank you all for your faithful and very generous service. Your efforts have truly made an impact, a positive difference, and serves as an example for everyone.

## Welcome to our new Board Members

**Catherine Austin** was born and raised in Cameron. She has practiced law for over ten years and been with Horger, Barnwell, & McCurry, LLP the last seven. Catherine's primary practice focus is residential real estate closings. She also drafts simple Wills and Powers of Attorney. Catherine has been active in her community and church. She is vice president of the Orangeburg County Bar Association and is a sustaining member of the Junior Service League of Orangeburg. She has served on the S. C. ELCA Synod Council and the executive council and has served as Constitutional Committee member for this organization.



She is a board member of the Orangeburg County Chamber of Commerce. She enjoys spending time with her husband and two children.

**Douglas Doster** and his wife Lynn live near Cameron. Doug just retired this past June with 50 years service in public education. He is active in the S.C. Society Sons of the American Revolution. He and Lynn enjoy living in Lynn's grandmother's ancestral home and tending their garden grounds.



**Laurin Evans** grew up in Ellore and now resides in St. Matthews. Her grandfather, Everett Gasque, along with her husband's grandfather, Clarence Evans, loved and helped create the museum. She is married to Brett and has four children ranging from the ages of 4 to 11. Laurin enjoys helping with Bible studies and serving the community. She looks forward to serving in this new role with the museum.



**Ali Weathers** lives in Bowman with her husband Landrum, son Ren (7) and daughter Anna (4). Ali is a 2006 graduate of Clemson University and currently works at Orangeburg Prep handling marketing, admissions and special projects.

## Quilts



The exhibit in the gallery upstairs has been changed from *Reflections of Summers Past* to the warmth of winter with special quilts made by Ellore quilters. One quilt pattern was in a national magazine. Another is from 1899. On the quilt board downstairs is a beautiful Christmas Quilt made by the Lake Marion Piecemakers Quilt Guild. Each square is so special that it seems impossible to pick a favorite. We hope you will take the time to visit and enjoy this new exhibit.



**Shop Snider's Store !**

**Do Christmas shopping locally.**

**Private shopping times**

**may be scheduled by calling  
the museum at 803-897-2225.**

***Snider's Store*** will be open for ***"Sip & Shop"***.  
Come join us!

***Many of the businesses have contributed items to make a gift basket to be given away at a drawing the week of November 22nd.***

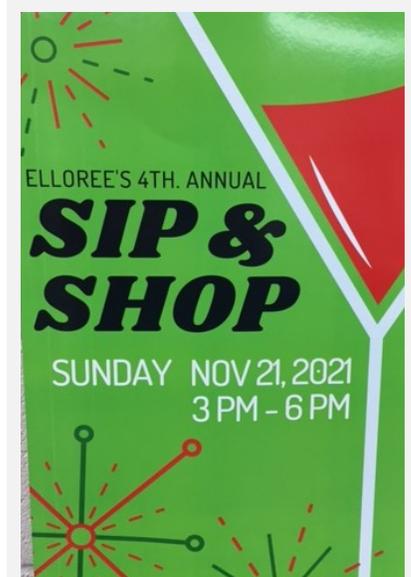
***To enter the drawing, pick up a ticket at any participating store.***

***Have your ticket stamped at each store as you shop.***

***(No purchase is necessary to win.)***

***When all stamps are secured, turn it in to one of the shop owners.***

***You will be notified if you are the winner.***



# September – October 2021 Contributions

## Memberships

### Individual

Sylvia Barnes  
Edith Ann Brandenburg  
Kathy Conley  
Maggie Griffin  
Georgianna McGee

### Family

Dustin & Allison Bates  
Richard & Tina Carson  
Scott & Deb Driscoll  
Bill & Becky Gramling  
Daniel & Krista Hassell  
John & Diana Holman  
Carter & Mary Jo Jones  
J D & Martha Emily Shirer  
George & Carole Summers

### Collector's Club

Curt Campbell  
Doug & Lyn Doster  
Willie & Mary Jeffries  
Barbara Williams Jenkins  
Tim & Marykay Martin  
Ray & Nancy Oliver  
Bill & Penny Summers

### Director's Guild

Lee & Tamalyn Blackman

## Memorials

### Haynie Bull

Jean Gasque  
McLaurin Farms:  
John, Hugh & Pat McLaurin

### Kenny Felder

Jerry & Betsy Carson  
Richard & Tina Carson  
Jane Livingston

### Frances Bowers Geiter

Hattie Mae Dantzler

### Betty Heape Jones

Hattie Mae Dantzler

### Kim Livingston

Jane Carson  
Jerry & Betsy Carson  
Hattie Mae Dantzler  
Glenn & Kay Lancaster  
Jane Livingston  
McLaurin Farms:  
John, Hugh & Pat McLaurin

### Wayne Misso

Jane Carson

### Jim Ulmer

Lane & Lawton Irick  
Jane Livingston

## Grants

The South Carolina  
Humanities Growth Grant



## Donations

### General Fund

Charity Lodge #62  
Orangeburg County



This tool was used to take beds apart in order to get them out of a burning home.

## Florence County Parks & Recreation . . .

brought a bus load to tour the museum on October 22. Sally Jo Coulliette was the docent for the day and did an excellent job.



## Special Announcement !!

Visit the Ellore Heritage Museum during the holidays. From Thanksgiving to Christmas be sure to look carefully through the exhibits to see if you can find the *cotton angel* hidden in many of them.



A candy cane prize awaits those who can successfully spot them all. A check-off list will be provided. Also be sure to check out the cotton wreaths in the gift shop made by a local artist with local cotton.



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### **Administrative Manager**

Kay Shirer

### **Gift Shop Manager**

Sylvia Barnes

### **Upcoming Events:**

- \* November 21: Sip & Shop (3:00–6:00 pm)  
and  
Community Thanksgiving Service (6:00 pm)
- \* December 4: Elloree Christmas Parade (6:00)
- \* 2022 Oyster Roast: January 22, 2022

### **Museum Hours of Operation:**

Wednesday – Saturday  
10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Private Tours and Private Shopping  
can also be scheduled by calling the museum.