

BALDWIN COUNTY



CELEBRATES ALABAMA'S 200TH BIRTHDAY
2017 - 2018 - 2019

ALABAMA DAY



DECEMBER 14, 2019

The Baldwin County Commission, during its regularly scheduled meeting held on January 2017, appointed the AL 200 Baldwin County Bicentennial Steering Committee to support, create, and execute events and activities that commemorate the stories of our people, place, and path to statehood. Between 2017 and 2019, ALABAMA 200 has engaged residents and visitors in educational programs, community activities, and statewide initiatives that teach, inspire, and entertain.

ALABAMA 200 BALDWIN COUNTY BICENTENNIAL STEERING COMMITTEE

- Mr. Mike Bunn
 - Ms. Claudia Campbell
 - Ms. Ashley Jones Davis
 - Ms. Coletta Bailey
 - Ms. Harriet Outlaw
 - Mr. Bert Blackmon
 - Ms. Kelly Stewart
 - The Honorable Judge Charles Partin
- Dr. Phyllis French
Mr. Herman Arrington
Mr. Johnny Biggs
Felisha Anderson



ALABAMA 200

DIRECTORY OF LOCAL COMMITTEES

Baldwin County

- **Baldwin County**
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- **Bay Minette**
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PROJECT LEADERS

- Claudia Campbell – President
Fort Mims Restoration Association
- Ashley Jones Davis – Executive Director
North Baldwin Chamber
- Mike Bunn – Director
Historic Blakeley State Park
- Felisha Anderson – Archives & History

CLAUDIA CAMPBELL – HISTORICAL PAINTING



Production of original, accurate artwork depicting three of the nationally significant military contests in Baldwin County - The Battle of Fort Mims, Battle of Fort Blakeley, and The Battle of Fort Morgan.

MIKE BUNN EDUCATION



This project involved working with our schools to teach our local history in the classrooms and to tie field trips and projects to Baldwin County History in celebration of the Alabama 200. We worked with the Board of Education to get in front of our educators to educate them about the Alabama 200 and Baldwin County History. A curriculum was created that is now being used in classrooms on local history.

ASHLEY JONES DAVIS – BOOK & PUBLICITY



The committee has put together one book titled "200 Things You Need to Know about the Alabama 200 Celebration in Baldwin County." In addition to the book, the committee reached out to municipalities and organizations throughout the county and encouraged them to join the celebration. The Book publication will be available for purchase by December 14, 2019.

FELISHA ANDERSON – ARCHIVES DIRECTOR



**Local Chairman, Baldwin County
Other Projects & Culminating Projects**

PROJECTS & CULMINATING EVENTS

- Regional Workshop Host
- Bicentennial Art Contest
- 2017 - Bicentennial Field Trip Program (August 2018 - This program received the ACCA's 2018 Excellence in County Government Urban County Category Award)
- Baldwin Historic Tours
- Historic Markers Program
- 200 Baldwin County Legends Book Completed
- Baldwin Heritage Families Program
- Baldwin County Heritage Families (documentary consist of four segments)
- Making Alabama: A Bicentennial Traveling Exhibit
- Alabama Day – History Fair at Daphne High School
- Bicentennial Exhibition of a selection of items (A presentation and display of the three historical paintings, our books, brochures, Education Component, Heritage Families Documentaries etc.) The tentative date for the Exhibition is November 7, 2019 at the Daphne Civic Center in the Exhibit Hall
- Bicentennial Float to be displayed in as many Christmas Parades around Baldwin County as schedules will allow

HISTORIC MARKER DEDICATIONS







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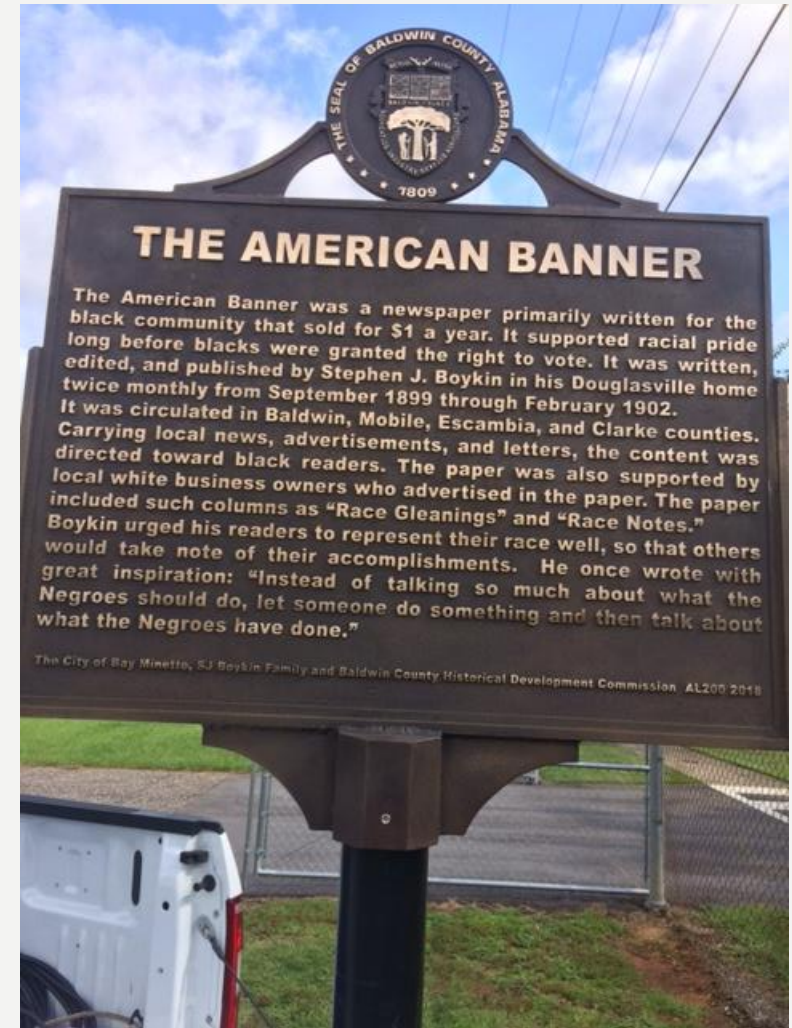
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THE AMERICAN BANNER





STEPHEN J. BOYKIN

Stephen J. Boykin was born in an unincorporated area in Wilcox County, Alabama around 1859. He was a self-educated man and worked early in his life as a laborer at a lumber mill. He married Carrie Taylor in 1906 and they raised eight children. Mr. Boykin was dedicated to improving educational opportunities for black students. In 1899, he founded the Normal School near this site in Douglasville, a Bay Minette Community. This was the first school for black students in Baldwin County. The American Banner, a widely circulated newspaper, was written by Boykin from his home in Bay Minette. The purpose of his writings was to inspire men and women of all ages to do great things. He hoped his message would encourage his family and others to make positive decisions in their lives.

The City of Bay Minette, AL, and Baldwin County Historical Development Commission. ALDOT 2014









REGIONAL WORKSHOP – JUNE, 2017 ROBERTSDALE CENTRAL ANNEX





DISTINGUISHED YOUNG WOMEN OF BALDWIN COUNTY CELEBRATES ALABAMA 200



ART CONTEST



JOHN MONGIORNO

FAIRHOPE HIGH SCHOOL

WINNER OF THE AL 200 T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST



ACCA AWARD FOR THE BICENTENNIAL FIELD TRIP PROGRAM















BALDWIN HISTORIC TOURS



TOUR GUIDES



**BALDWIN HERITAGE FAMILIES PROGRAM
RECOGNITION CEREMONY
BALDWIN COUNTY COLISEUM
DECEMBER 6, 2018**



MARY CALHOUN WILLIAMS

104 YEARS YOUNG

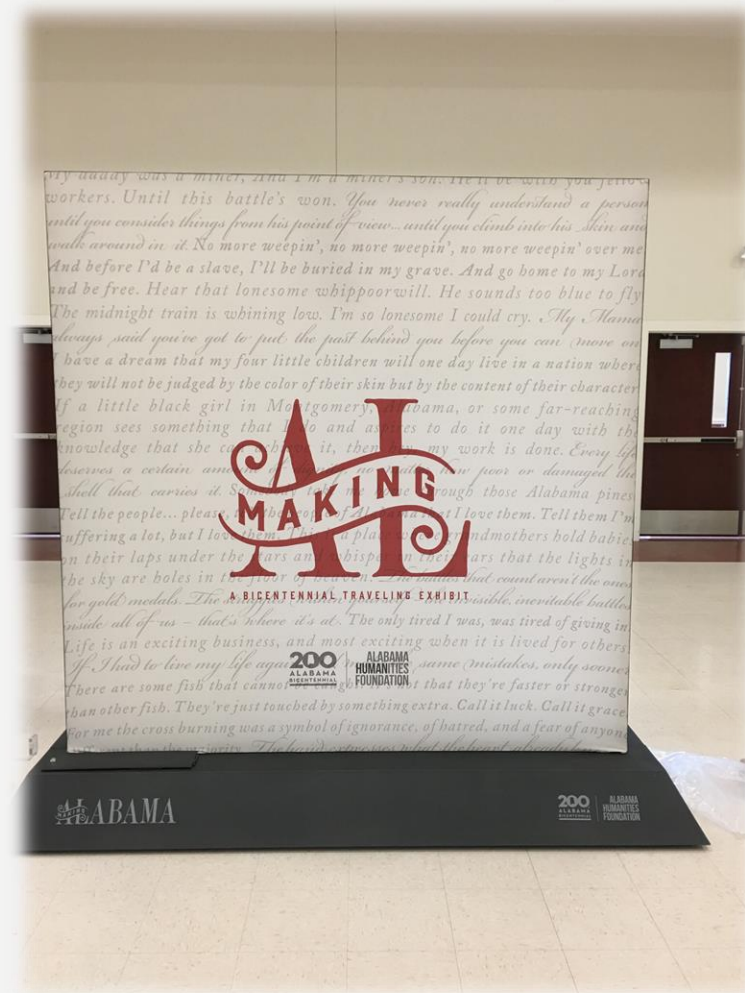


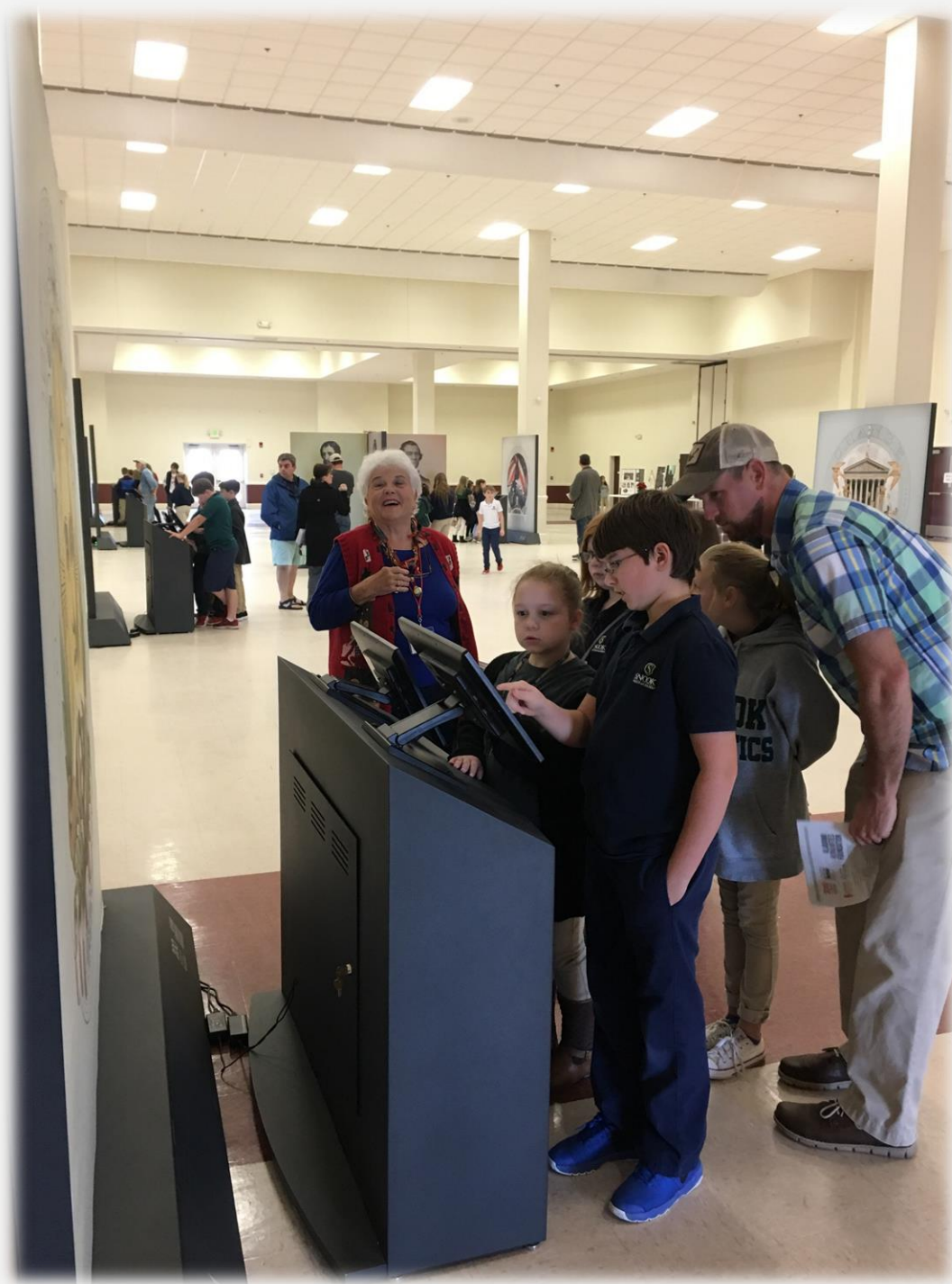






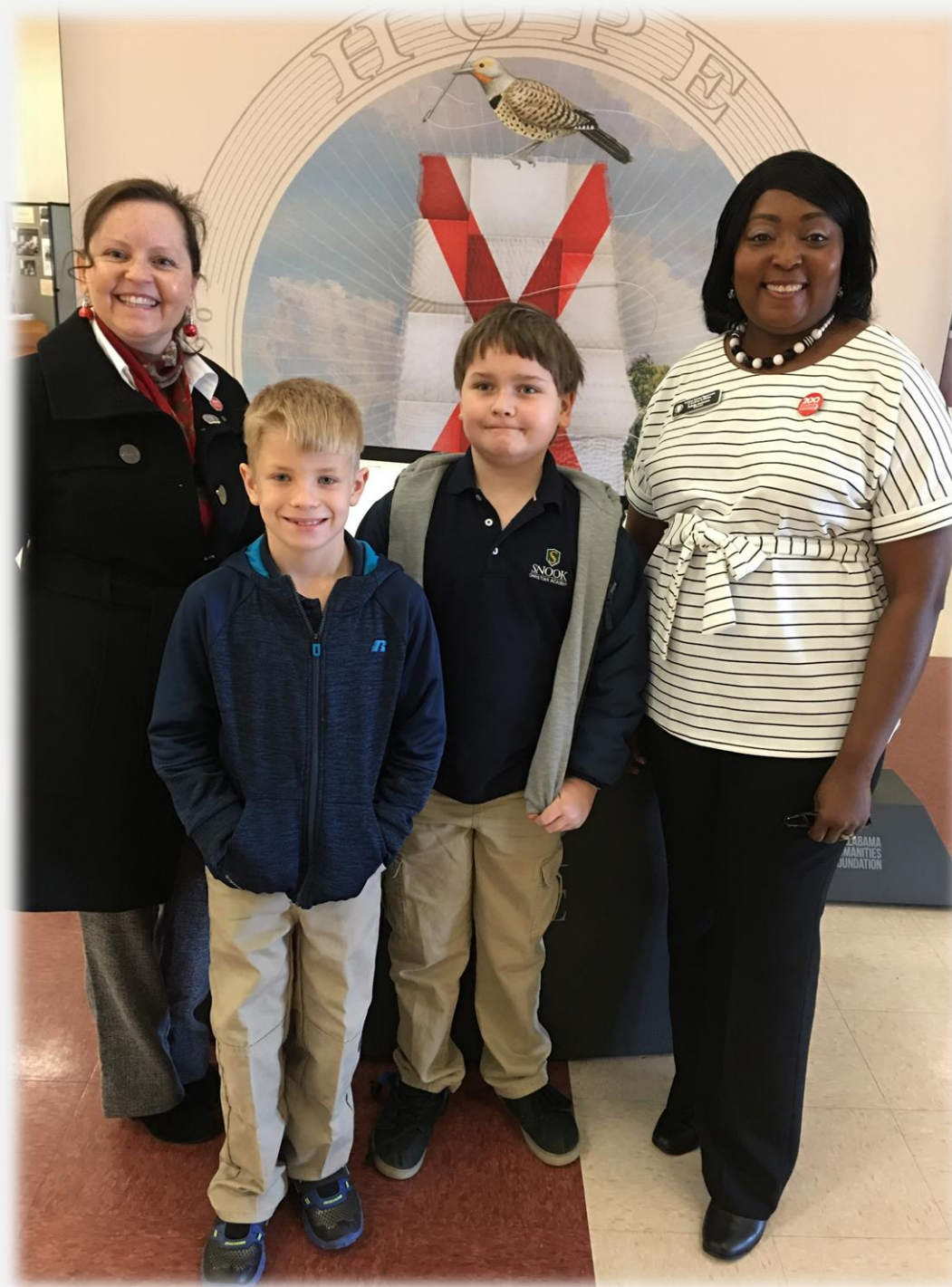
MAKING ALABAMA: A BICENTENNIAL TRAVELING EXHIBIT













School Days at Fort Mims



February 2019
6th, 7th & 8th
9am - 2pm



Learn about Historic Fort Mims & 1800's Pioneer Life
in the Mississippi Territory thru Living History Demonstrations

\$8.00 per child - includes sack lunch & drink

Souvenirs will be available for purchase

Interested Teachers contact Claudia Campbell 251-533-9024
or claudia_cmpbll@yahoo.com by January 15th, 2019



200 BALDWIN COUNTY LEGENDS BOOK

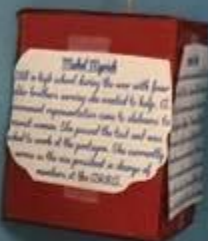


ALABAMA DAY-HISTORY FAIR AT DAPHNE HIGH SCHOOL





WOMEN'S Roles of war



During WWII women played a very important role in the economy. Women were put to work as laboratory technicians, they rigged parachutes, flew military aircraft, test flew newly repaired planes, drove trucks and took over mens jobs in factories. Many women served in the nurse army corps. Up to 6 million women joined the civilian work force & took mens jobs. Even though women were crucial to WWII they were still viewed as less. WWII inspired women to fight for social justice, they wanted the same job's, treatment and pay that men recieved. One major influence on American women was Rosie the Riveter, an image of a woman showing her muscles with the caption "We can do it!" This was a new, different way to portray women, instead of Hollywood glamour, women were shown as hardworking, independent and self-sufficient. Even though women gained this new independence, they still had troubles such as learning new things such as finances along with dealing with sexual harassment, harsh working conditions and low paying wages.

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Burnt Corn

Alabama

THE TRAGEDY

AT BURNT CORN CREEK

It all started on July 27, 1856, when Hugh Hunt, Jim, Pleasant Francis, and Peter McGowan had gathered a large group of Red Stick Warriors to begin their journey back from Tallapoosa, Florida, after they had exchanged goods with the Spanish. The Americans thought that meeting parties of Indians would show their strength and prevent the Indians from starting a war. As the Americans began to march up the Indian territory of Burnt Corn Creek with a troop accompanied by Colonel Fuller with the assistance of four dragoons, the Indians moved out about 100 yards. The battle broke out when the white men surrounded the camp and the Indians had to flee. They were very sad and left their possessions.



Illustration of a person on a horse, possibly a warrior or soldier, in a landscape setting.

Although it seemed that the Americans had no advantage, their lack of experience led them to let their guards down while resting the Indian camp which is where the Indians surprised and ambushed a surprise attack on the Americans in the morning. The Indians were very brave and fought back. The Americans were very surprised and the Indians were very brave. The Americans were very surprised and the Indians were very brave. The Americans were very surprised and the Indians were very brave.



Illustration of a group of people, possibly a family or a group of warriors, standing together.



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DHS Student Government Organization
DHS Girls Service Club
DHS National Honor Society
DHS Ladies Ensemble
DHS AFJROTC
Eastern Shore Optimist Club
Daphne United Methodist Church
Reese Smith
Mr. Jamar Dumas

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ALABAMA
BICENTENNIAL

BICENTENNIAL SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS & OUTREACH





Department



CULMINATION:

BICENTENNIAL EXHIBITION
& RECEPTION

DAPHNE CIVIC CENTER

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2019

5:-00 PM – 8:30 PM

BICENTENNIAL FLOAT

OUTCOME

- All of Baldwin County's projects will last beyond the Bicentennial Celebration.
- All Baldwin County events are educational investments that will repay decades forward.

DISSOLUTION

The Alabama 200 Bicentennial Commission as
well as the Baldwin County Bicentennial
Committee will dissolve at the end of December
2019

THANK YOU,
BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION FOR
YOUR UNWAVERING SUPPORT!

