

Member Spotlight

Each newsletter we will spotlight a member and volunteer of the DeKalb History Center. This quarter we will highlight **Mary K. Jarboe**, longtime volunteer, member, and past board member. Mary K. is an active volunteer with our educational programs as well as volunteer with the Archives. You can meet Mary K. every Tuesday in the archives where she organizes and processes our subject files and archival material.

Mary K. Jarboe:

I became a member of the board of directors of the DeKalb History Center ten years ago when a friend on the board asked me if I would be interested in joining the board. It did not take me long to say yes. I have a lifelong interest in history and majored in history and political science at Agnes Scott. After becoming a board member, I also became a volunteer. Most of my volunteer time has been spent in the archives working on the subject files, the library, and new collections. I have also been a volunteer for school programs and the new toddler program. One of my most interesting jobs was becoming a tour guide for our civil war walking tours around the Decatur square.

I would encourage DeKalb residents to become members of the history center. You will learn so much about the county's history through Lunch and Learn programs, DeKalb Traveler programs, and other seminars and symposiums. The newsletter also

Travel to Madison

Join the DHC for an out-of-town "DeKalb Traveler" excursion to historic Madison for the famous "Madison in May Spring Tour of Homes" – and leave the driving to us! Your day will include the tour of homes, boxed lunch, plus sightseeing beautiful Madison. We will travel by chartered bus; lunch and admission fees are included.

Madison is home to one of Georgia's largest Historic Districts and the tour of homes will feature historic private residences as well as the Madison Cultural Arts

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features interesting articles about DeKalb's history. Through the history center's programs, you will meet people who share an interest in history. As a volunteer, you can learn even more about the area's history and how the history center works to collect, preserve, and share that history.

Through being a member and a volunteer I have learned how important it is to have an organization like the history center as a resource for writers,

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Mary K. Jarboe: Volunteer, Trustee, Member, Board Member (2008-16), Past President (2014-15).

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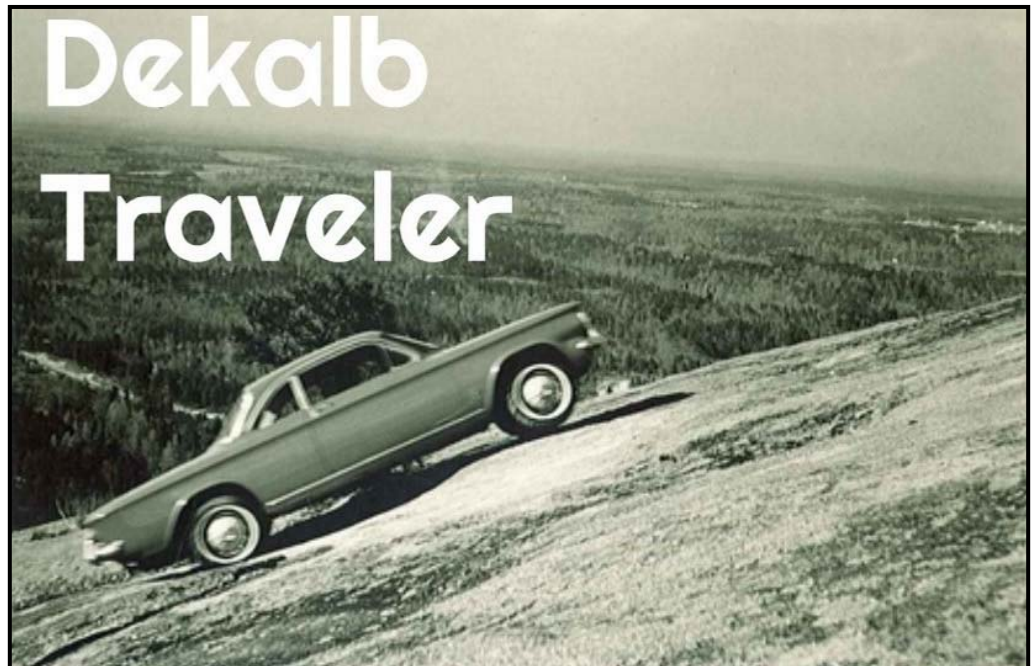
Upcoming Events

DeKalb Traveler at Callanwolde

Meet up with other members for an inside look of Historic Callanwolde in Druid Hills. Callanwolde just finished an extensive restoration of some of their buildings and we can get a behind the scenes look at their preservation and history of the property. RSVP is required and spots are limited. DHC MEMBER ONLY . Thursday, March 8 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Contact Marissa at howard@dekalbhistory.org or 404-373-1088, ext. 20, for reservations or more information.

Annual Meeting & Silent Auction

Join us for our Annual Meeting and Silent Auction on **Friday, March 23, from 6:00 - 8:30 pm** at the Historic DeKalb Courthouse. Enjoy an evening of wine, beer, hors d'oeuvres and music while bidding on fantastic items donated by generous local businesses. We are currently seeking Silent Auction donations; contact Fred at mobley@dekalbhistory.org or 404-373-1088, ext. 23, if you would like to donate. ✦



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Center, and historic churches. This is an exciting opportunity for anyone who loves architecture, history, and home design.

Saturday, May 5th from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Ticket information and prices coming in late February, including a limited quantity of discounted Member Only Super Early Bird Tickets. ✦

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Black History Month Celebration

This year's powerful tenth annual Black History Month program will include a soul-stirring, dramatic interpretation that will pay homage to the complex civil rights legacy of rural Georgia, including DeKalb County. It features a dynamic panel of community leaders eager to share their personal experiences, and a powerful debut documentary sure to stir the audience to inspiration. Your ticket includes lunch.

Mrs. Ladoris Davis (program moderator) and
Mrs. Melissa Jest (opening speaker)

Panel speakers include:

Mrs. Marcia Glenn Hunter, *the first African American woman mayor of Lithonia;*

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Wilson, *the first African American mayor of the city of Decatur;*

Mrs. Deborah Tatum, *descendent of Austin Callaway*
Chief Louis Dekmar, *LaGrange police chief and IACP president;*

Mr. Jamar Boyd, II, *NAACP civil rights activist and minister.*

Tuesday, February 13, 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

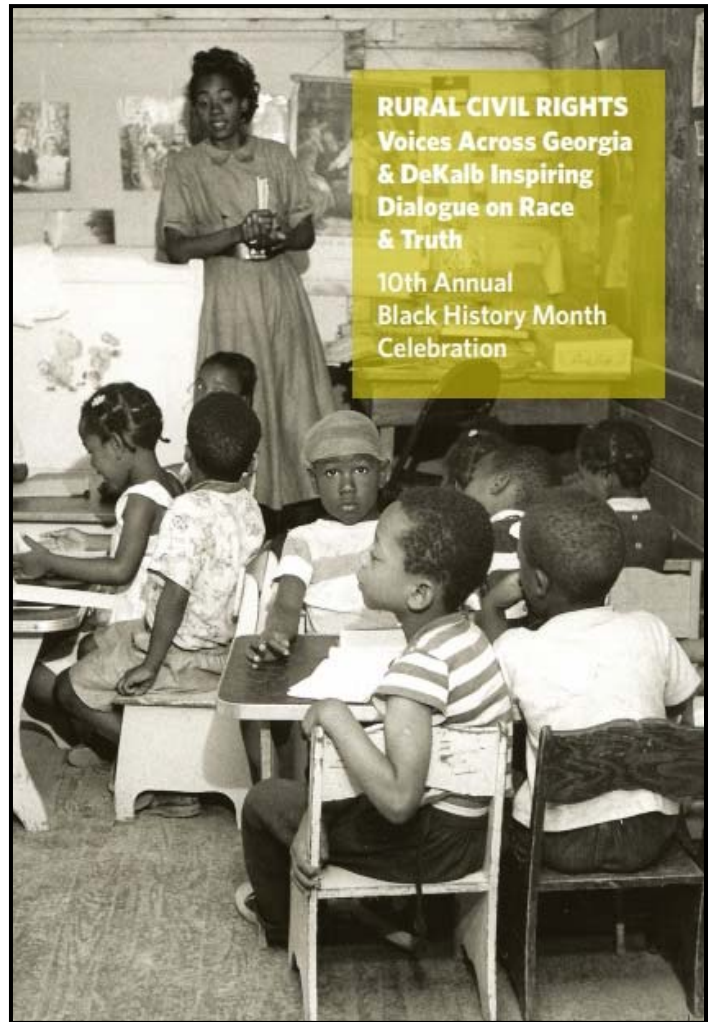
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Tickets are \$30 for members and

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Tickets are available at the DeKalb History Center offices or online at www.dekalbhistory.org. ✦



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researchers, students, and anyone who wants to know more about their family or their home. It has been very rewarding to volunteer at the programs for elementary and middle school students. They leave with such excitement and enthusiasm about the historical characters and their very interesting stories. These programs provide a unique supplement to the school curriculum.

By becoming a member, you will help provide access to valuable information for future generations. Moreover, you will be the beneficiary of interesting programs and people that you will encounter through the DeKalb History Center. Please consider joining today! ✦

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