

Welcome Visitors,

McIntosh welcomes you to our 26th Annual 1890's Day Festival. Stroll down memory land on our oak-lined streets and enjoy the enchantment of old Florida. Step back in time by visiting our four historic churches. The unity among our churches symbolizes the spirit of our community.

As we become part of the last 1890's Festival of this millennium, it seems fitting that we remember the importance of all that made our country great. It is the reverence for the past, the respect and preservation of nature, and the commitment to each other that will guide and protect our community well into the next millenium.

Special thanks to the
Friends of McIntosh and the
many volunteers who have made
our festival a success. It truly is
a labor of love from these
individuals to make this day such
an enjoyable event.

ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE OF EVENTS MCINTOSH 1890'S FESTIVAL OCTOBER 23, 1999



Entertainment Chairman: Bill "Fingers" Munroe Mistress of Ceremonies: Carolyn E. Munroe

In Van Ness Park

- 9:00 Mrs. Beam's Piano Students
- 9:30 Roberta Beam
- 10:00 Bagpiper School of Gainesville The Dubock Highland Dancers
- 10:50 Queen Angelina & King Ira (Songs of 1890)
- 11:30 The Sweetnotes
- 12:00 Ivor E. Keys Sing-a-long w/Special guests: Joan Lenne Dennis Blackburn
- 12:30 Bob Neville
- 1:00 Big Sun Express (Barbershop)
- 1:30 Joseph MacKenzie (Bagpiper)
- 2:00 Patchwork
- 3:00 Ad lib
- 4:00 Ivor E. Keys

In Mini-Park

- Hostess: Lauren F. Munroe
- 9:00 Fairy Godmother
- 9:20 Linda DeBene Piper
- 9:40 Suga, the Party Lady
- 10:00 Gregory Harris Violin
- 10:20 Fairy Godmother
- 10:40 Mary Alice Turpen
- 11:00 Cathy Dewitt Songs
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- 12:00 Mary Alice Turpen
- 12:20 Gregory Harris Violin
- 12:40 Mary Alice Turpen
- 1:00 Joseph MacKenzie Bagpiper
- 1:20 Smedley & Sneed

At the Hotel

- 11:00 Dubock Highland Dancers
 Bagpiper School of Gainesville
- 12:30 Sweetnotes
- 1:50 Big Sun Express
- 2:15 Joseph McKenzie (Bagpiper)

At the Depot
Daniel Phillips of Monticello
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Friends of McIntosh

By Margie Karow

The Annual 1890's Festival by the Friends of McIntosh, Inc. a nonprofit, benevolent organization dedicated to the following purposes:

- To preserve and enhance the natural and historic beauty of McIntosh.
- To promote and sponsor cultural and recreational activities.
- To assist the town of McIntosh and its people, especially the senior citizens.
- To encourage friendship, community spirit, and understanding among people of all ages in our town.

Many hours are spent planning the annual 1890's Festival. Special thanks go to all those who work so diligently to make this day a success. Since its inception 26 years ago, Festival attendance has grown from 3,500 to over 40,000 visitors.

The original McIntosh Festival was organized to raise money to save the town's history depot which had to be relocated over 26 feet from the right-of-way to its current position. The cost of this initial purchase, move and restoration of the historic depot, was over \$7,000.00. Proceeds from the first publication of the McIntosh Cookbook were also used in this effort. It took the organization nearly four years to complete this first important project.

The Mini-park land was a gift from Robby T. Roess. The Friends of McIntosh bought the gazebo and moved it on to this property. A picket fence, along with Azaleas and Camellias, were also planted. Later, this gazebo was dedicated to Miss Lois Dickson, a life-long resident of the town of McIntosh who is remembered fondly as our piano teacher.

In the early 1980, the Friends of McIntosh, the former Civic League, and the local Lions Club turned their attention to the Van Ness Park in the town square. Victorian-style lamp posts were installed and later, the Friends added picket fencing to the corner. At Christmas time the Friends of McIntosh turn the Van Ness Park into a winter wonderland with beautiful decorations and hundreds of hand-made luminaries.

The Friends of McIntosh sponsor "Light Up McIntosh"- a project which brings our entire community together. Last year, the Seedling Garden Club held a tour of homes

and the Civic Chorus gave a concert following the announcement of the coveted prize for the best home decorations. This year's festivities will be held on December 11. Mark your calendars.

In the late 80's the Friends purchased a warehouse on an adjacent property. The restoration of this building is ongoing but we have already repaired roofing, windows, leveled the building, and improved its general appearance.

Another worthwhile project is our Scholarship program, established to help high school seniors living in a five mile radius of McIntosh. Four, one thousand dollar scholarships are awarded annually. Last year's recipients are using these scholarships to attend the University of Florida, Georgetown University and the University of the South.

The group contributes to such worthwhile organizations as the Cub Scouts, Brownies and Girl Scouts, the Salvation Army and the local Emergency Assistance Fund.

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Left: Unknown girl, Kimberly Lambert, and Beau Crevassee attend 1890's Festival in 1979.



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McIntosh Churches Graciously Open 9

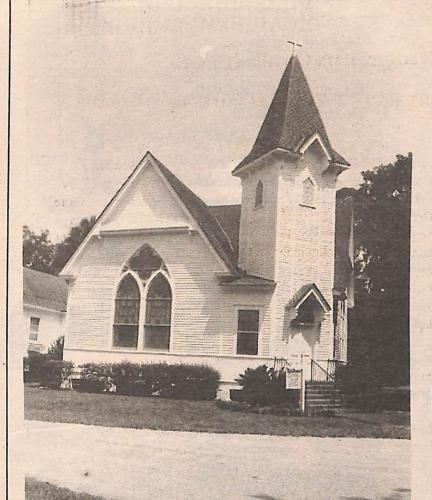
The McIntosh Presbyterian Church

McIntosh Presbyterian Church, according to early records, was first established at Center Point approximately a mile north of McIntosh on Route 441, as the Center Pint Presbyterian Church. In 1907 the congregation built the present church in McIntosh and requested that the Presbytery change the name of their church to McIntosh Presbyterian Church. That request was granted and records show that the action was taken on November 11, 1908. It is recorded that the total cost of the church building was approximately \$3000. Since that time a pastor's study and a Sunday School room were added as well as a fellowship hall, kitchen and lavatories.

The interior of the sanctuary is distinguished by the lovely stained glass windows designed in the Art Deco style. The pulpit furniture is of the East Lake Period, the carving of the pew arms is reminiscent of churches built at this time. The woodwork in the ceiling and the chandeliers are also points of interest. At the back of the sanctuary, hanging on the wall is the McIntosh plaid.

So much for history. This little church serves a small congregation which looks to the future as it serves God, our congregation, and our community.

Pastors: the Rev. Ina Boyd and the Rev. John Thompson Sunday Services are at 11:00am.





The McIntosh United Methodist Church

The McIntosh United Methodist Church has quite a history. On September 8, 1885, Rev. W.S. Richardson founded the original church with a membership of 27. They met in the Presbyterian Church until their own chapel could be built. Although church records don't show when construction began, funds were raised and the church was completed in 1888, near the Center Point Cemetery. It was named Marvin Chapel, in memory of a former bishop.

In the fall of 1894, the church was moved to the growing community of McIntosh. Logs were placed under the building, with planks beneath them. By tying one end of a rope to the church, and the other end to a windlass, they were able to slowly inch the church to its present location, having covered a distance of two miles with just one mule.

Over the years, the church has served the community in many and various ways. The women of our church have provided those in need with food and supplies through Inter-Faith and prison ministries. The church has sponsored senior luncheons for a number of years, making good use of the new fellowship hall built in 1994. At Christmas time the church heads up the community live nativity and caroling. The music ministry continues to grow, and is currently heavily involved with the community Christmas celebrations. The church participates with other area churches in leading services at Shady Hollow, as well as maintaining a vital, nurturing program for our community shut-ins. Ministries for the children have included a Vacation Bible School program for the whole town, and a newly founded preschool.

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The First Baptist Church of McIntosh

Back in the 1880's, McIntosh Baptists worshiped in the Orange Lake Baptist Church, which was known as Lockbi Baptist Church, organized in 1884. By 1903, Baptists in McIntosh thought they would be able to have a church here. To present building was dedicated in July 1903, with 33 charter members.

The first Pastor was Rev. A.L. Prisco. The first Build Committee was J. K. Christian, H.L. Dickson and J.C. Thomas The first Sunday School Superintendent was David B. Dickson Under the trees in Van Ness Park, the first Sunday School was held, sponsored by Mr. & Mrs. McCormick Neal. The first dedication sermon for the church was by Dr. C.C. Carroll of Ocala.

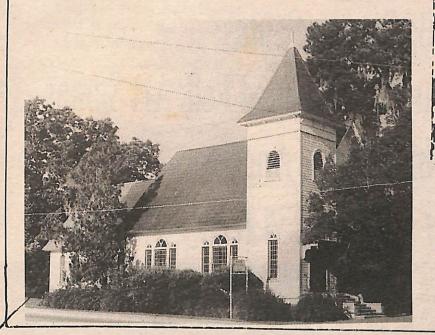
The Women's Missionary Society was organized in 1900 with Mrs. J.K. Christian as president. The ladies have not miss holding their monthly meeting very often since it was organized

E.B. Boyer, a member of the church from 1904 to 191; responded to God's call to the ministry and was ordained here a xerved churches in mid-Florida. He retired in 1967 and died in 1969, before his 100th birthday.

In the early days of the church, services were held only once a month on the third Sunday. Then in 1934 services were held twice a month, on the first and third Sunday's. In 1942 services began on a full time basis.

In 1938 the Sunday School rooms behind the sanctuary were added. The Pastorium was built in 1951 and Rev. Charles Millican and family were the first to occupy the Pastorium, moving in on July 4, 1951. Several additions have been made to the Pastorium, including a bedroom and bath.

The organ, pianos, pulpit and other appointments were gifts of Mr. & Mrs. L.K. Edwards, Jr. The church pews were given by various members. The stained glass windows were installed in 1968 in memory of Mrs. J.K. Christian. She becar a member in 1903, coming from First Baptist Church in Lincoln Illinois.



Our Sanctuary was renovated in 1982 and the pews we recovered. The Educational Building was also built in 1982. Many members and friends worked long hard hours to renovate the Sanctuary and build our Educational building.

On June 14, 1953, our church observed its 50th Anniversary, on June 11, 1978, we observed our 75th, and on August 19, 1993, we observed our 90th. On July 26, 1998 we celebrated our 95th Anniversary - TO GOD BE THE GLORY The present membership of our church is 120 as compared to 3 in 1904.



The McIntosh Christian Church

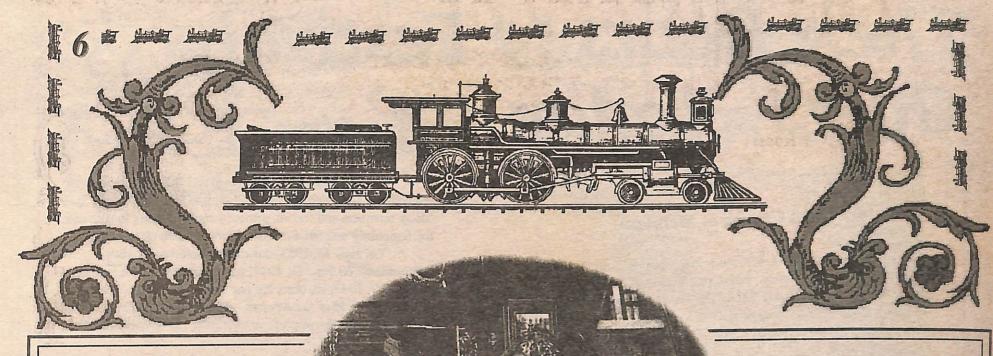
1889-1999 - 100 years of Christian Fellowship

The McIntosh Christian Church was organized on January 30, 1898, with 22 charter members. The Reverend Charles E. Powell, Evangelist, was the organizing minister. By February 20th, when the Sunday School was organized, 15 more members joined. Meetings of both Sunday School and church were held in the school house which was next door to the present site of the church building. In 1903 a building committee was appointed to make plans for building a sanctuary. The present building was completed and dedicated on January 31, 1904. Fifty years later, on January 31, 1954, the newly completed educational building was dedicated.

The McIntosh Christian Church is the only church in town with an open belfry; the bell is still rung to announce Sunday services. The stained glass windows, pews and pulpit are original to the building.

The Church celebrated its 100th Anniversary this year on January 25th. The anniversary homecoming was attended by several hundred well-wishers including members, former members, friends and three former pastors. Members of the third, fourth and fifth generations of one of the charter families were also in attendance and are still active members of the present congregation.

Worship services are held on Sunday mornings at 11:00am preceded by Sunday School at 10:00am. Wednesday prayer meeting is held at 7:00pm.



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By Mitzi Karow Roess

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row

See the little driver, turn the little
handle,

Puff, puff, whoo, whoo ...

Off we go!

There was a time – our past – when children skipped over the wide plank boards of the loading ramp singing of the puffin' billie due to arrive any moment. They'd hear her thundering way down in Orange Lake, feel her rumbling up the narrow gauge track, and come, big as lightning, right through Mr. Brown's cornfield. Whistling so loud, every dog in town was carry- ing on such you couldn't hear yourself think, while just about everyone was making haste to the depot in some kind of hurry.

After all, more than mail came four times a day to Mc- Intosh: the wood burning Baldwins carried a steady flow of northerners during the winter months to fish and duck hunt on the lake. So, down to the depot folks hurried to see who was coming to town; or to buy a paper, or rave over the latest hats in Minnie Bateman's shop, or wager on the chances of Norsworth's melons making the New York market before prices dropped.

The town didn't amount to much until the puffin' billie came along in 1882. Then the deopt got built a year or two later and things started happening. Word spread that Marion County was the land where dreams turned to gold with a little water and some hoeing now and then. Families packed children and belongings on the iron horses and traveled the gleaming steel road down

from Kentucky, Georgia, and the Carolinas all the way to the good life and an orange grove of their own.

And the good life, it seemed to be. By 1894 McIntosh was bustling – a boomtown with many of its fine homes built, a two-story school house, packing houses, mercantile companies, and the

start of the nineteen room hotel – all because a handful of seeds some Spaniard gave to a few Indians two centuries earlier sprouted and grew into a bright orange fruit bigger than gold doubloons.

Settlers kept coming by the trainloads to the land of McIntosh until the night of the "Big Freeze." The shock came just after midnight of February 8, 1895. Temperatures fell below 20 degrees and hung there unitl morning despite all efforts at banking and firing the groves. The bark on the oldest trees split right down to the milky white cambium laid open like bones in the cracked, rimed skin. Every last grove looked like a withered wasteland, save a few straggling, scattered trees. Families were ruined. The hotel changed hands, unfinished. Packing houses closed.

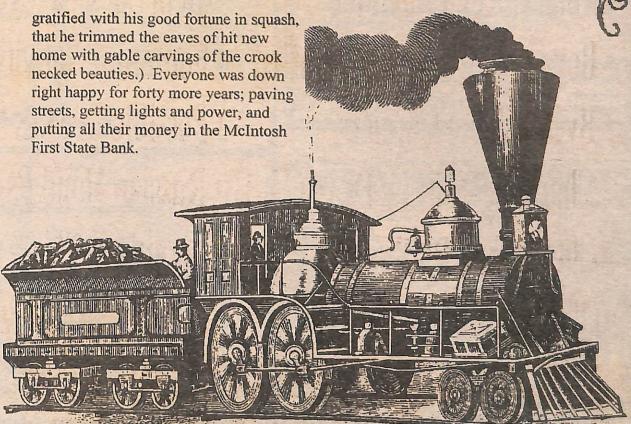
Some folks just up and left; catching the first train out of town. The rest held on somehow, their homes paid for so mortgage money could be got to turn the fertile grove land to vegetables. But the real blessing lay in the gleaming steel road down by the depot stretching all the way to those up country markets. By 1898 Mc- Intosh and surrounding country- side boasted themselves the largest vegetable shippers in Florida. Mc- Intosh was booming again; smiling as every boxcar of squash whistled out of town. (One happy farmer was so

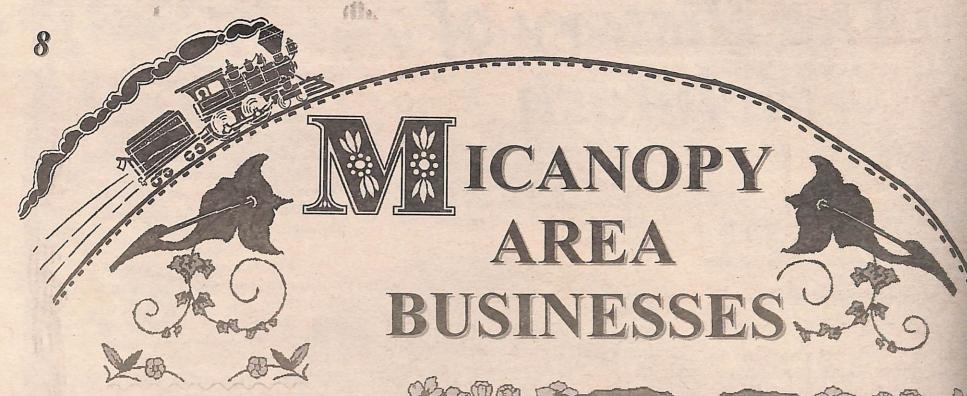
Then something call "The Depression" got started some- where up in New York maybe. Though no one knew exactly what went wrong with their vegetables, before anyone could stop this dep- ression thing, it had spread like blight all the way to McIntosh. And, to make matters worse, the country down south was grabbling the vegetable market all for itself.

Well, folks just pulled in their belts again and managed to get through the next thirty years. The town stayed pretty. The trains kept passing through all right, but less and less, until the day they no longer stopped at all. What business way left moved on up to the highway. The depot was forgotten. Stuck off down at the other end of town - paint pealing, windows broken - it was a sad reminder to old timers of better days. A few years ago, things were such with the building that it faced becoming a pile of scrap lumber. It didn't seem good for much of anything. But the Friends of McIntosh, preservationminded townspeople, got busy. After months of correspondence with Seaboard Coast Line officials, it was agreed that the group could have the building. All they had to do was move it off of the railroad's right-of-way.

It seemed simple enough. But, when they came down to it, how did a club raise \$13,000 to move and restore

See Puffin'Billie Page 16





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Above: Frances DeVore and Great grand daughter Center: Dottie Cake, Ben and Stoney Sharp and Meg Ellison Right: Mildred takes Miss Burnett and Master Roess on a buggy ride.





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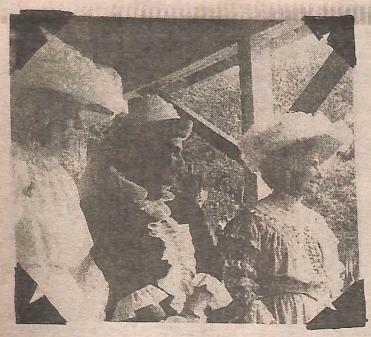
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Old and New Friends of McIntosh Celebrate the 1890's Festival in Years Past.



Dan Sharp poses as a photographer for the first



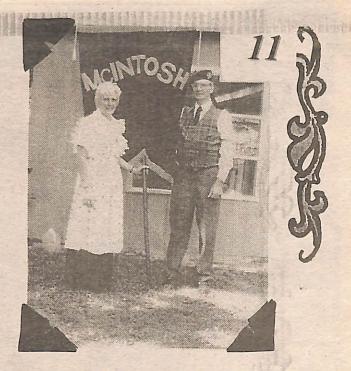
Betty McKoone, Ernie Hopwood, Sharon Little, Robby Roess, and Fancy reenact a Virginia Slims Advertisement



Margie Karow, Anice Johnson and her sister dressed in 1890's costumes for the first festival



Ginger Blinn in front of her restored Victorian home.



Betty and Ernie Hopwood with the McIntosh standart



Stoney Sharp and Meg Elison at the depot in 1981



Joe Phillips, Sadie Alston and Margie Karow. Joe is Master Of Ceremonies and Sadie is about to sell the McIntosh Cookbook to the audience at the Festival in 1974



Clean up crew dressed as convicts follow the horses In the McIntosh parade. Convict on the right is County Commissioner Glenn Fiorillo.



Tampa Pipe Band drum major



W.A. Hendrix at his printing press preparing the first Edition of the McIntosh Gazette



Young ladies posed in the garden during the first McIntosh Festival 1973



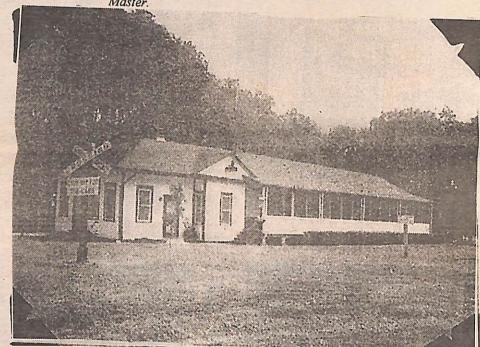


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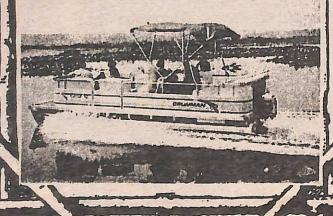
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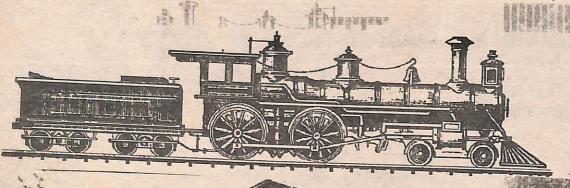
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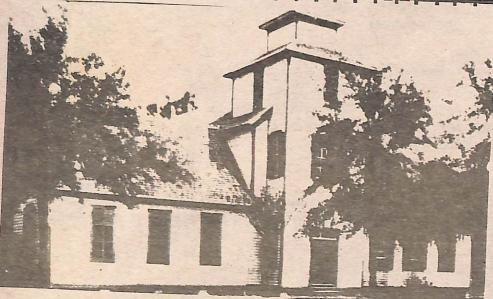
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Picture of McIntosh area ladies from the turn of the Century. Second from left is original McIntosh Resident Elizabeth Walkup



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½ green pepper
all purpose flour

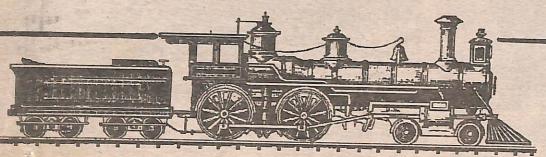
salt black pepper garlic powder

Cut rabbit so as to obtain 4 legs and 3 pieces of back strap. Sprinkle with salt and garlic powder to taste and sprinkle fairly heavy with black pepper. Shake in bag with flour. Brown rabbit on each side in hot grease, then reduce to a simmer, (covered pan) and add a little water. After approx. 1 hour, add the onions and pepper. Cook an additional 12 to 20 minutes or until green pepper and onions are tender.



THE PARTY NO. 1





From page 1, Puffin' Billie

an 80 ton structure over 109 feet long when their main source of income bake sales and monthly dues (none if you're over 65)? So the group had more bake sales and more chili dinners and then an 1890's Festival recreating a day from the Gaslight Era when the town and its depot were happy together. They made enough money to buy the land, but not enough to get the building moved onto it. Faced with a deadline, they were forced to sign a promissory note to move the building before the wreckers came. That's when they wrote The McIntosh Cookbook with the help of every cook in North Marion County.

So, if you buy a copy of <u>The McIntosh Cookbook</u>, and cook some thing choice from its collection of nostalgic recipes, think of the depot in fresh white paint, content with its new life and good times once more – all paid for too!

Maybe, who can tell, a thunder puffin' billie may come whistling through Billie Brown's cornfield and sigh to a stop while we all climb aboard with our little cookbooks tucked away in overnight bags tagged, "ANYWHERE, U.S.A."

Puff. Puff.
Whooooo!
Whooooo!

Off we go.

By Mitzi Karow Roess



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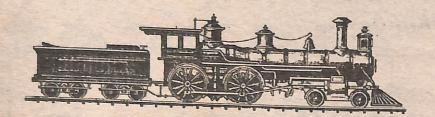
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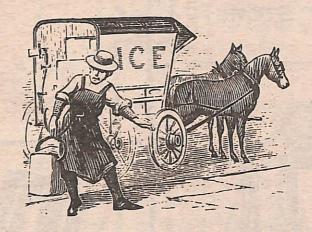
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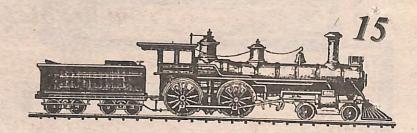


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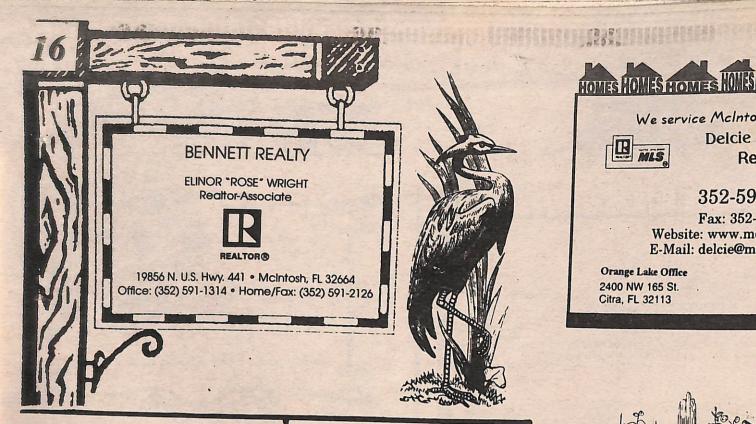


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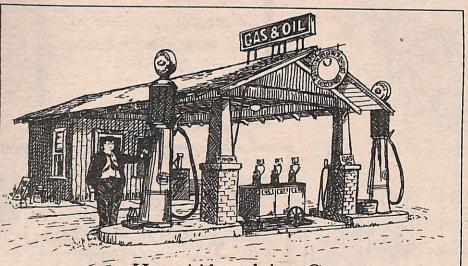
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Friends of McIntosh 1999 Scholarship Award Winners

About the scholarships....

Each year the "Friends of McIntosh award four scholarships worth one thousand dollars each to college freshmen from the McIntosh area. Awards are based on academic achievement and essays submitted to the committee. The following are the winning entries for the year 1999-2000. The "Friends" wish each of these four talented young people the best of luck!

Paul Roess - Sewanee



College has been my goal since starting elementary school. It was always expected of me to attend a University after I finished High School. Although at times I thought the time would never come, graduation is around the corner. Since I was lucky enough to have developed good study habits and a work ethic at an early age, I was able to perform well and was accepted at Sewanee. Sewanee was my one and only choice for a University. It was the only place I applied. I was so sure of my decision because I felt that Sewanee had everything that I need to

begin to expand on the foundation that I have worked to build. Being a High School senior I have seen my friends faced with the question of want they want to do with the rest of their lives. At this point I am not ready to answer that question. However I believe that a solid Liberal Arts education will at least leave my options open, and help me decide the direction that I want to go, be it higher education or directly into the job market. Sewanee takes pride in its reputation of producing well rounded people who can explore whatever path they choose and contribute to society



in the process.

Sarah Alexander – University of Florida

As a child, I always dreamed of becoming a doctor and serving those in need. My dream will begin to become fulfilled next year as I enter the University of Florida in June, 1999. I will major in Microbiology and Cell Science and minor in Health and Human Performance. I am working toward admittance into UF's early admittance medical program beginning my first year of medical school in my senior year of college. I will continue my education to obtain my MD in neurological surgery and I intend to establish my medical practice in Marion County. I would also like to serve on teen awareness board and talk to Marion County youth about making the right decisions.

During college, I am going to be involved in Student Government. I would like to eventually become President of Student Government at the University of Florida. This will prepare me for politics as an adult. I would like to become the mayor of Marion County or a Florida Representative.

My education will provide me knowledge and leadership necessary to succeed in life. The Friends of McIntosh Scholarship will enable me to pursue my education and return to my community to serve in every area I possibly can.

Jason Lewis Myhre -University of Florida



The past four years of my life are characterized by hard work, achieving outstanding academic success; community service, affording me a sense of purpose and meaning; and club involvement, offering me the opportunity to develop leadership and communication skills.

However, this firm foundation of excellence serves only as a steppingstone for my lifetime goals. It has been my aspiration to solve the worldwide problem of hunger. Thousands of men, women, and children go hungry everyday; yet, the solution to this ever-growing dilemma is at hand. Through the use of modern biotechnology and gene mapping, researchers have been able

18 1999 Scholarship Award Winners

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Anne Rittman – Georgetown
University

Affecting the world around me positively resonates as my primary goal. I look forward to becoming a lawyer committed to aiding others as I pursue litigation on the behalf of a public interest group. I chose to attend Georgetown University in Washington, DC because completing my education at the Georgetown College of Liberal Arts, then transferring to the Georgetown University Law Center, will enable me to take advantage of the manifold opportunities Washington affords. By completing my higher education in our nation's capitol, I will have access to internships in Congress, as a lobbyist, and in the Supreme Court.

Since higher education is the key to my goals, I will delve into my schooling before I begin my career Not only will my college education enable me to pursue a career in law, but it will enthrall me as I learn about logic, philosophy, literature, history, psychology, theology and politics. I anticipate the impact I know I will make in America, but I also await the personal gratification I know I will experience as I spend the next six years learning about myself, my community and my world.



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Above: Stoney Sharp, Ben Sharp And Beau Crevasse help Tom Sawyer paint the fence at the McIntosh Festival in 1981.



Below Rt: The Tooneville Trolley passes through Mc-Intosh carrying visitors during The Festival parade, 1977



Below Left: The McIntosh Scouts lead the 1890 Festival Parade in 1981.

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In Memorium



Little did I know that having a cup of tea with Betty Hopwood and her husband, Ernie would begin a loving friendship that spanned over two decades. A Scottish heritage furnished me with tales of valor and knights of old. Over the years, we worked together many hours on Friends of McIntosh projects including the cookbook, 1890's festivals and quilt shows. But, work was always fun with Betty. Laughter was there as we struggled to learn all we needed to know to save and restore the depot. She has left us a legacy of loyalty and compassion and I shall always be grateful for that first cup of tea with our beloved "wee Scottish lassie."







As a couple, Dottie and Ned Cake contributed so very much in time, talent, love and vegetables to all of us in McIntosh. There are stories, too numerous to recount about Dottie and Ned helping people. All of us remember Ned's delicious vegetables. He was famous for his beautiful garden which he tended with loving care. Ned gave away most of its bounty. Laughter was always a part of any visit with Dottie and Ned.

Dottie Cake started the Seedling Garden Club, the Library Club and she and Ned were Charter Members of the Friends of McIntosh.

Ned spend countless hours working on peoples tax returns in McIntosh and Reddick. They were an outstanding influence in our lives. A super couple!



