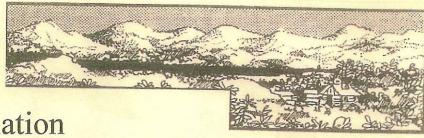
# **ESTATOEE Quarterly Newsletter**



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# What IS a Traveling Trunk?

Yancey County History Association is beginning a new project that is designed to help pupils in the area to have the hands-on experience of seeing, touching, feeling, artifacts that are contained within the museum. Not only will pupils from the public school system benefit, but homeschoolers will also be able to take part in the project.

Members of the Board and volunteers will gather various items, held in the museum and its collections, in a container (trunk) that will cover a certain area of the county's and North Carolina. history. A list of each topic, along with activities, lesson plans and suggestions for their use will be available to those having an interest in 'checking' out a trunk. The trunks will be available for over a three week period and will be accessible at the association's office, with prior arrangements being made by calling the office at 678-9578. Topics being considered will include:

- Historic McElroy House (c.1840), it 170+ years of history
- Yancey's Hall of Honor featuring Yancey County residents who served in the serving our country in peace and war.
- Yancey County's Civil War experience

- A Children's Tale growing up in Yancey County from earliest pioneer time to the present – clothing, games, activities
- The Earliest Inhabitants of Yancey County Indians of the mountains
- Working in Yancey County to include agriculture, mining, timber, railroading
- Clothing of Yancey County through the years
- A Stitch in Time quilts, weaving, fabrics and clothing production

The list could go on and on and the association will be willing to receive suggestions from the public so that we might better serve the community's needs. It also possible that a volunteer from the association would be able to bring a presentation to the classroom for an in-depth program including a costumed presenter. As the plan evolves information will become available for sharing via news releases and the association's office.

To make the production of the trunks possible the association will be presenting various projects to raise funds for this activity. The first will be a High Tea, given on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June – 2:00 and 4:00. Tickets for this affair can be obtained by stopping by the YHA's office, 3 Academy Street, Wednesday – Saturday, 10 – 4. Information? Please call 678-7587. Tickets are \$15.00 per person, with a final sales day of June 15<sup>th</sup> so that food preparation might begin.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!**

Would you have at least four hours a week in which you might share you time with us? We need help in the following areas:

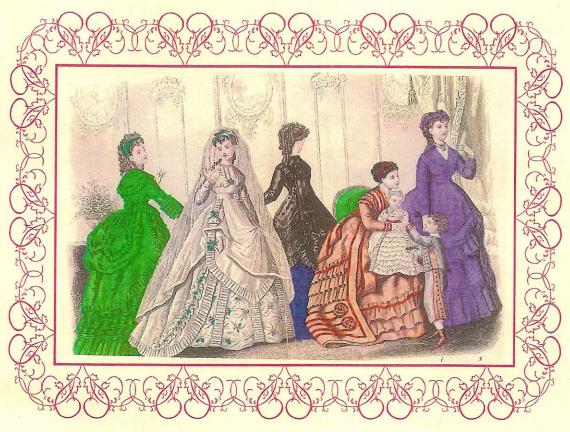
McElroy Grounds maintenance

Office help

Genealogy Library

Tours of McElroy House ~ Docent

Call the office 678-9578 if you can help out.



Yancey County History Association
Requests the pleasure of your company during
A Bridal High Tea
And Fashion Show
On the 18th of June, 2011
2:00 pm or 4:00 pm
At Historic McElroy House
11 Academy Street, Burnsville, N.C.
\$15.00 per person

Seating is limited and reservations are due by June 15th.

Tickets can be obtained at the association's office, 3 Academy St.,

Wednesday-Saturday 10:00 to 4:00. For information call:

678-9587. All proceeds will support the association's new

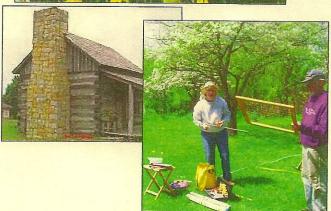
Traveling Trunk, a program benefiting Yancey County schools.

## A season at the Yancey History Association



April 15th A living History Event -150 years after the beginning of the Civil War





**Early May** - site for the placement of the Cousins-Proffit Cabin is being plotted. A number of years have passed since this project was begun and 2011 may be the year in which it will be completed.

June is the month for Brides. Special tours available of Mc Elroy House, with all things bridal on display. A Bridal High Tea on June 18th at 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm, includes a Fashion Show and door prizes.



September 9 - 10
During this local
event, a guest
speaker will be invited
to give a review of
their works to the
general public. Held
in the McElroy house.





months to honor the many veterans who have served our country. There will be special displays in the museum following this theme.



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Books, books, books

Your association is involved in the publication of three books this year including a third in the series of Yancey Co. Cemeteries. Other books are mentioned on the following page.

Your association is truly making a difference.

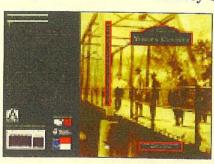




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### New book release on "Yancey County"



NEW! Yancey County, a pictorial history part of the Images of America Series by Arcadia Publishing is set to be released July 18th. Our own Elaine McAlister Dellinger is the co-author with Kiesa Kay they have compiled 200 photographs covering all townships of the county into one affordable size book. The soft cover book will sell for \$21.95 available at the history association's

gift shop, and other local book stores including Barnes and Noble.

A special reception and book signing is scheduled for the Lloyd Bailey Annex, 3 Academy St., at 2 pm on Friday, August 5th. The authors will be at Malaprop's in Asheville at 2 pm on July 31th, at the Orchard, Mitchell County, at 1 pm on August 6th. Watch your local paper for other dates and times when they might be in your area.

Also underway, a second book about the Images of Yancey County. Each Wednesday, people with pictures about the county are asked to come to the YHA Annex to have the photos scanned and to give information about these pictures. The publication is in the works at present and will be available to the general public later this year. Share your photos so that others may know the history of our county, one photo at a time. Questions? Call the office - 678-9587.



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