



Newsletter

December 2014

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 2014

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2014

- Published *Mountain Brook-A Historic American Landscape*.
- Conducted the **Annual Meeting** with a talk by Birgit Kibelka and Marjorie White entitled “*What Makes Mountain Brook Mountain Brook*” and celebrated the publication of *Mountain Brook-A Historic American Landscape* at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens.
- Mounted the exhibition *Perfectly Planned: Mountain Brook Roads and Scenic Views* at the Emmet O’Neal Library.
- Hosted the annual **Heritage Society Luncheon** at Mountain Brook Club.
- Continued to grow **Grandmother’s Garden** using heirloom plants and practices, with the help of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System and Master Gardeners. Conducted the annual Spring Equinox Plowing Party. The demonstration home garden of kitchen and medicinal herbs, flowers and vegetables is open to the public year round.
- Renovated the shotgun house that adjoins our offices in the Duncan House at Sloss and continued to explore and develop historic interpretation for Sloss Quarters.
- Inventoried 3,500 files from the Society’s research collections at Birmingham Public Library for on-line access.
- Sold 26 titles to persons across the United States
- Hosted an afternoon of talks exploring the history of Sloss Quarters with Jun Ebersole, Director of Collections, Mc Wane Science Center and Sloss Curator, Karen Utz. Julius Linn Jr. shared the history of Buffalo Rock and his Sunday afternoon favorite: Buffalo Rock Floats.
- Published *Bob Moody’s Birmingham—A City in Watercolor* and organized an exhibition of 65 watercolors at the Birmingham Public Library Gallery. Worked with the library, Gus Mayer and Little Hardware to host autograph parties and sell books.
- Organized an exhibition entitled *Shuttlesworth in Action—Civil Rights Photographs from the Birmingham News* at Bethel Baptist Church for a major symposium there.

EVENTS COMING IN 2015

- **Monday, Feb. 2, 7 p.m. The Annual Meeting** at Littlehouse Gallery, Homewood. Bob Moody will sign copies of the BHS 2015 publication: *Bob Moody’s Birmingham—A City in Watercolor*. 75 watercolors will be on exhibit and for sale.

To receive the 2015 annual publication, 2015 dues must be paid. Members’ books will be mailed to each member if the books are not picked up at the Annual Meeting.

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