

HISTORIC MOORESVILLE WEEKEND – MAY 20 - 22, 2011
WORKSHOPS, CONCERT AND PICNIC SUPPER - FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2011
WALKING TOUR – SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2011
CHURCH SERVICE IN BRICK CHURCH – SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2011

The 53 residents of Mooresville, Alabama, incorporated in 1818, proudly invite you to step back in time and enjoy a weekend of activities Friday, May 20, through Sunday, May 22, 2011.

On Friday, May 20, the following workshops and dinner and a concert will be offered. You may make your reservation and payment through PayPal on www.moorevillealabama.com or by calling 256 353-4406.

Acrylic Painting – 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the old North Alabama Tourism building, corner of Broad and North Streets. Sara Beth Fair and Lee Ann Satterfield will choose an iconic Mooresville subject to instruct the class in painting with acrylics. All supplies are furnished. \$25 per person. Limited to 30 people.

Photography – 3:30 to 5:30 PM. Meet at the Barr home, 2008 Broad Street. Beth Pockman Young, an accomplished nature and landscape photographer, who started her professional photography career with *Southern Living Magazine*, will teach the outdoor session. Bring your own camera. \$50 per person. Limited to 10 people.

See Beth's photographs at www.kingfishereditions.com.

Cooking Demonstration, Dinner, and Concert – 5:30 PM until... in Woody Peebles' "Dance Hall." Meet our concert artist, Richard Leigh, at 5:30, before a **cooking demonstration** at 6:00 by Huntsville's Watercress Restaurant chefs, Adam DeWildt and Goodwin Clark, who will prepare a Southern meal of Hoppin' John Salad with watercress, grilled quail, grilled chicken with a honey mustard glaze, and their seasonal bread pudding. And, you get to eat the **dinner!** The **concert** will begin at 8:00 with Grammy-award winning songwriter, Richard Leigh, performing some of his well-known hits. A member of the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame, Richard has won "Song of the Year" awards from CMA, ACM, NSAI, and ASCAP. His Grammy was awarded for Best Country Song, "Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue," sung by Crystal Gayle.

www.richardleigh.com. \$135 per person. Limited to 100 people.

Saturday, May 21, 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM – Walking Tour - \$10 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12.

Visitors may experience 19th century village life by strolling our beautiful gardens and tree-lined streets and touring the following historic public buildings:

The 1821 Stagecoach Tavern, reportedly the oldest frame public building in Alabama.

The 1839 Brick Church, one of the few remaining examples of the Greek Revival Brick Churches built in Alabama in the early 19th century.

The 1840 Post Office, the oldest continually operating post office building in Alabama and one of the oldest in the country.

The 1854 Church of Christ, where General James A. Garfield, who would later become our 20th President, preached while encamped nearby during the Civil War.

Artisans will demonstrate 19th century trades and crafts, such as basket weaving, wood carving, caning, spinning and weaving, pottery and rug hooking, to name a few.

The 19th Alabama Civilian re-enactors will demonstrate life during the harsh times of the American Civil War in a civilian camp set-up. www.19thAlabamaCivilians.org.

There will be lectures on the history of Mooresville, native plants, architecture, wood turning & carving, and arrow heads, to name a few. Traditional musicians will perform on porches and streets, and food and drink will be available for purchase. A Farmer's Market and Plant Sale will be at Stone House Farm, and Woody Peebles' private collection of Americana will also be open to the public.

Four houses will be open: the Zeitler-Hill-McLain House, the Barr House, the Oliver-Bedingfield-Green House, and, for the first time, the 1890 Aunt Mandy and Uncle Zack Simmons Cottage, recently purchased and restored by Lyla Peebles.

Sunday, May 22, 11:00 AM - The weekend will end with an 11:00 AM service on Sunday in the Brick Church led by Rev. Sallie Colwick of The First United Methodist Church in Huntsville, AL. She will incorporate the historical aspects of the church in her sermon. Dan Aldridge will arrange singing and special music. Following the service, a very simple Church Mouse Dinner on the grounds will be offered. There is no charge, but donations are appreciated. Seating is limited. For information call 256-353-4406

All funds raised through the three days of our Mooresville Weekend will support the preservation of Mooresville's historic public buildings.