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President's Message, Fall 2013

Throughout the country and perhaps in particular in Alabama, we have been commemorating important historic anniversaries. We are currently in the third year of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, last year marked the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812, and the 200th anniversary of the Ft. Mims Massacre was this past summer. Next spring marks the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Horseshoe Bend. All of these events had an impact on Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama, and the entire nation.

I hope that you are taking advantage of the events and re-enactment of these occasions, and the ability to experience them as close to first hand as we will ever be. There are a number of interesting articles coming out as a result, in many different venues. We owe it to the people of our past to remember them, respect and recognize them for their trailblazing and sacrifices.

More importantly, don't miss an opportunity to involve our young people in learning about these events. Take someone with you, encourage them to research and write about our history, bring them to our meetings, and write your own story. How many times have *you* said, "I wish I had asked more questions!"

Jacquelyn Procter Reeves, President

It has been a while since the *Huntsville Historical Review* has arrived in your mailbox . . . but it is finally here! I would like to apologize for the long wait and promise you that we have enough articles to already have a winter 2014 edition ready for printing. This promise, however, comes with a caveat. In order to continue to publish articles about local history we need local historians to write and submit them. We would love to have an embarrassment of riches when it comes to future articles about Huntsville, Madison County, northern Alabama, or the Tennessee River Valley. I am asking anybody with an idea, rough draft, or finished manuscript to contact me at john.kvach@uah.edu and we can talk about your project.

As you will see in this edition we have some emerging local historians who explore Huntsville's distant and more recent past. John O'Brien's article on housing in Huntsville after World War II might bring back some memories for those of you old enough to remember "Boogertown" and other downtown areas that conflicted with Huntsville's contrived "Rocket City" image. Ben Hoksbergen and Brian Hogan explore a Civil War skirmish that occurred in Madison County in 1864 but that continues to yield archeological clues. Their interesting historical/archeological approach creates a unique look at the affair at Indian Creek Ford. Lastly, Jennifer Coe compares Civil War-era Huntsville with Knoxville, Tennessee, and finds similarities and differences in both towns. All four authors are excited to share their research with members of the Huntsville/Madison County Historical Society. So sit down and enjoy the *Review* and we will continue to find new articles about our past.

John F. Kvach, Editor

