

Written In Stone

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October Programs

The month of October is always a ghoulish month, full of goblins, witches, ghostly apparitions, and trick or treaters! We tend to think of spooky stories, haunted places, and eerie happenings especially around Halloween time, or All Hallows Eve.

As one who conducts cemetery tours, explorations, preservation workshops, receiving requests of odd happenings is almost commonplace, though I've explained many times that none of the cemeteries I've ever visited have filled me with dread, fright or unhappiness. I always feel such a blessing when I walk among the stones, looking to find clues to the family puzzles, or stories I seek.

A couple of weeks ago, I had the honor of taking a news reporter from WSFA-TV in Montgomery out to several of our cemeteries here in Conecuh County in anticipation of doing a more state-wide program about cemetery preservation. This news segment will be aired this coming Thursday evening on the 10 PM newscast at WSFA-TV Channel 12. Several of our key people in cemetery preservation will be featured, as well as a couple of cemeteries here in Conecuh County and Montgomery County as well. Hope you'll tune in.

Another happening is the array of programs that one finds most interesting around this time of month, and the Covington Historical Society in Andalusia is presenting such a program at their monthly meeting. It promises to be fun. The title of the program this month is "Tales from the Tombs" (including epitaph stories) and is being presented by Alan Cotton and Sue Wilson. If you'd like to attend, be at the Dixon Room at the Andalusia Public Library, at 7 PM on October 29th in Andalusia, AL. For more information about this and the feature on WSFA-TV, give me a call at 251.578.2670.