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ALEX HALEY MUSEUM STATE HISTORIC SITE
QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

The Alex Haley Museum
State Historic Site
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Coming In 2020

April 25, 2020
Annual Authors' Day
CANCELLED

August 15, 2020
Birthday Celebration

COVID-19

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

As the situation surrounding the coronavirus continues to develop, the health and safety of our visitors, as well as our staff and our community is our priority. Therefore, until further notice, the Alex Haley Museum and Interpretive Center has temporarily modified operational procedures. We will update these procedures as necessary.

Effective 3/21/20 the museum will temporarily close to all public touring and public use.

Staff will work a modified rotating schedule on site (Tuesday-Friday from 10am-5pm), but will only be available through technological means, email, text, phone call or social media.

On Saturday, staff availability will be suspended beginning 3/21/20.

As we navigate our way through this unprecedented situation, do not hesitate to contact the museum Monday - Friday (10 a.m. - 5 p.m.) at 731-738-2240 or alexhaleymuseum@bellsouth.net if you have additional questions.
The Alex Haley Museum hosted an art exhibit for Black History Month

Artwork from local schools was on display for the month

Crestview Middle School
Covington, TN
Tipton County Schools
Linda Carmack
Instructor

Ripley High School
Ripley, TN
Lauderdale Co. Schools
Terrell Harmon
Instructor

Halls High School
Halls, TN
Lauderdale Co. Schools
Kelli Hytinen
Instructor
The Alex Haley Museum Celebrates Women

March - National Women's History Month

Alice Stokes Paul was an American suffragist, feminist, and women's rights activist, and one of the main leaders and strategists of the campaign for the Nineteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which prohibits sex discrimination in the right to vote. Paul initiated, and along with Lucy Burns and others, strategized events such as the Woman Suffrage Procession and the Silent Sentinels, which were part of the successful campaign that resulted in the amendment's passage in 1920.

Madam C. J. Walker

Sarah Breedlove, known as Madam C. J. Walker, was an American entrepreneur, philanthropist, and a political and social activist. Walker was considered the wealthiest African American businesswoman and wealthiest self-made woman in America at the time of her death in 1919.

Katherine Coleman Golie Johnson was an American mathematician whose calculations of orbital mechanics as a NASA employee were critical to the success of the first and subsequent U.S. crewed spaceflights. During her 35-year career at NASA and its predecessor, she earned a reputation for mastering complex manual calculations and helped pioneer the use of computers to perform the tasks. The space agency noted her "historical role as one of the first African-American women to work as a NASA scientist".

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Ida B. Wells

Ida Bell Wells-Barnett was an American investigative journalist, educator, and an early leader in the civil rights movement. She was one of the founders of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Wells arguably became the most famous black woman in America, during a life that was centered on combatting prejudice and violence, who fought for equality for African Americans, especially women.

Clara Barton

Clarissa Harlowe Barton was a pioneering American nurse who founded the American Red Cross. She was a hospital nurse in the American Civil War, a teacher, and patent clerk. Nursing education was not very formalized at that time and she did not attend nursing school, so she provided self-taught nursing care. Barton is noteworthy for doing humanitarian work and civil rights advocacy at a time before women had the right to vote. She was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1973.

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METHODS OF GIVING

- Donate by mail
  (Call and request a form)
  535 Haley Avenue
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- Donate in Person
  Come to the Museum
  535 Haley Avenue
  Henning, TN 38041

- Pay electronically
  We can take your Payment via telephone.

BECOME A FRIEND OF THE MUSEUM

You are invited to become a friend of the Alex Haley Museum. Your generosity will make it possible for us to continue our efforts to preserve, protect and maintain the museum as a Historical Treasure and Literary Landmark in West Tennessee.
Vegetarian

- **Ingredients**

  - 2 ounces sliced melting cheese (about 2 slices), such as American, Cheddar, muenster, Havarti, Swiss, fontina, Mozzarella, Monterey jack, pepper jack, provolone
  - 2 slices bread, such as white, rye, brioche, sourdough, potato, whole wheat, pumpernickel
  - 1 tablespoon fat, such as mayonnaise, butter or olive, chili or coconut oil

*Skillet method (fool-proof and low-tech):* Sandwich 2 slices of cheese between 2 slices of bread. Preheat a skillet over medium-low heat. Spread or brush the outside of the sandwich with 1 tablespoon of fat and cook until lightly browned, 3 to 4 minutes. Flip the sandwich, and continue cooking until browned and the cheese is melted, 3 to 4 minutes more.

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**The Perfect Grilled Cheese**

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**Serves:** 4

**Ingredients**

- 5 medium plum tomatoes, halved lengthwise, seeded, and thinly sliced
- 1/4 red onion, peeled, halved lengthwise, and thinly sliced
- 1 Kirby cucumber, halved lengthwise and thinly sliced
- A generous drizzle of extra-virgin olive oil, about 2 tablespoons
- 2 splashes red wine vinegar
- Coarse salt and black pepper

**Directions:**

Dress the tomatoes, onions, and cucumber with olive oil, red wine vinegar, salt, and pepper.
Museum Visitors

Students from East Arkansas Community College visited the museum on

February 28, 2020

Pictured in photo on the left: Victoria Britt, Tyeisha Murphy, Darius Thomas, Isaiah Evans, Aaron Wright

Bob and Ginger Wierman

Visited the museum on

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

The Wiermans sell antiques from their shop
located in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin

They stopped by for a visit on their way
home from picking up some southern
antique items.
The Wiermans specialize in
antique furniture

Watch for our new website, coming soon! @ Alexhaley museum.org