Blockhouse Sponsor List

This blockhouse is a replica of a log structure built during the late 1790’s-early 1800’s that was used as a means of protection. This ‘place of last stand’ was designed with a cantilever—the top floor extending past the ground floor—to prevent easy entry into the blockhouse. The building was placed strategically to allow visibility down the outside walls of the fort to watch for intruders.

Included in preparing for the 200th Anniversary of Fort Mims, a funding campaign to ‘Sponsor a Log’ for the Blockhouse was conducted from May 2011-June 2013. Listed below are those who participated along with their dedications, many for ancestors who were in some way involved in Fort Mims in August of 1813.

1) Martha Crosby  
   Point Clear, AL  
   In honor of Aletha Ann Smith, survivor, & her many Crosby descendants

2) Anabeth Slaughter, Marilyn S. Davidson & Claudia S. Campbell  
   Tensaw, AL  
   In memory of June W. & Carl M. Slaughter; & their ancestors, Reese & Nancy Embree Smith, survivors, & Capt Joseph Booth & Col Lee Slaughter who rode with Jackson

3) Dr. Gregory Waselkov  
   Fairhope, AL

4) Robert Leslie Smith, descendant of Reese Smith  
   Latham, AL

5) Jimmy Faulkner, Jr.  
   Bay Minette, AL

6) Dr. Barry L. Booth  
   Spanish Fort, AL

7) Stagecoach Café, Joyce Overstreet  
   Stockton, AL

8) Rep. Harry Shiver  
   Bay Minette, AL

9) Museum of Daphne ‘Friends of the Old Methodist Church’  
   Daphne, AL

10) Military Order of Stars & Bars-Liddell Chapter  
    Bay Minette, AL

11) 6th Alabama Cavalry Regiment, Alabama Division of Re-enactors

Logs 12-19 in honor of Mary Blake Francis, Silsbee, TX, descendant of survivor Edward Steadham, on her 99th Birthday, Oct 2011

12) James & Amy Francis  
    Brooksville, FL

13) Jesse & Kathleen Francis  
    Brooksville, FL

14) James & Anna Francis  
    Brooksville, FL
15) Wayne & Jacqueline Francis  Ojai, CA
16) George & Mary Beth Francis McClain  Dubois, PA
17) Allen & Sylvia Blake Johnson  Tylertown, MS
   G. Clinton Blake, III,  Dallion J., Laci, Cami & Lynleigh Blake
   James G. Blake,  Terri, Drew & Colby Blake
18) Marian Blake Rowe  Twin Falls, Idaho
   Carole Williams Aspinwall  El Paso, TX
   James & Anna Francis  Bloomington, IN
   John L. & Virginia Blake  Vancouver, WA
   Caroline Blake  Arcadia, CA
19) Bennette & Melinda Teer, Granddaughter of Mary Francis  Sour Lake, TX
   Diana & Marian Blake Rowe, Destiny, Zachary, Levi & Nathan Pauls  Gooding, Idaho
   Lynn & Col. Charles F. Williams, Jr.  Morgan, UT
20) William & Glenda Morris  Bay Minette, AL
    In honor of the Jim Parmer & Hamilton Weatherford families & their descendants
21) Martin & Edith McGuire, descendant of Jesse Steadham  Tensaw, Al
    Patricia Watson  Latham, AL
22) Tom P. Ollinger  Point Clear, AL
23) Steve Hester  Stockton, AL
    In honor of Anabelle Lee Whitman
24) Barbara & Clark Hall  Mobile, AL
25) Julian L. Brown  Cincinnati, OH
    In memory of his mother, June Iris Slaughter Brown
26) Aviation Warrant Officer Advance Course  Ft Rucker, AL
    Class 11-09
27) Gordon & Drema Phillips  Bay Minette, AL
In memory of Moses Steadham & his family who were killed at Ft Mims & his son, Edward Steadham who survived, GGGrandfather of Gordon

28) William F. Denson, III  Birmingham, AL
29) Shirley & Bill Byerly  Robertsdale, AL
30) In Memory of Dr. Thomas G. Holmes who escaped from Fort Mims By his descendants
31) Major Uriah Blue Chapter U. S. Daughters of 1812  Daphne, AL
32) Mark Manry  Bay Minette, AL
33) Nancy Karrick  Atmore, AL
34) Regions Bank  Bay Minette, AL
35) Old Spanish Trail Chapter U. S. Daughters of 1812  Pensacola, FL
36) Addison & Linda Ford  Foley, AL
37) Alabama Society United States Daughters of 1812
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40) Timen Stiddem Society  Worcester, MA

Given to honor the descendants of the Steadham family patriarchs: Moses, who was killed at Ft Mims along with most of his family, & his brother John, who survived.

41) Bob & Betty Lou Wills  Bay Minette, AL
42) Ft. Bowyer Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution  Foley, AL
43) Kenneth Earle Steadham, Sr.  Tampa, FL
    Robert O. Steadham, Sr.
    Roy G. Steadham
    Ralph D. Steadham, Sr
    In memory of Edward ‘Ned’ Steadham, Ft Mims survivor, & Callie Stafford Steadham
44) Baldwin EMC  Summerdale, AL
45) Ann Biggs-Williams     Brewton, AL
   In memory of Henry & Mary Biggs, Lottie, AL

46) Mark Ryan            Bay Minette, AL
   United Bank           Atmore, AL
   Martha Hennessey      Mobile, AL
   In memory of Theo Middleton, descendant of Capt. Hatton Middleton, killed
   J.F. Barocco          Daphne, AL
   Gulf Coast Colony Society of Mayflower Descendants Stockton, AL
   John L. Medberry, Mayflower Society, Foley, AL

47) Georgene, Clint & Georgia Ann Conner Stockton, AL
   In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Hastie Gause, Society of Mayflower Descendants

48) William Smith Chapter Colonial Dames XVII Century Bon Secour, AL
   Christopher Branch Chapter CD XVII Century Mobile, AL

49) Ecor Rouge Chapter DAR Fairhope, AL
50) Tristan de Luna Chapter DAR Mobile, AL
51) Baldwin County Historical Society Daphne, AL
52) Alabama Society of the War of 1812 State of AL
53) C. Agnew Thompson Bay Minette, AL
   In Memory of his Great Grandfather Noel Thompson & GGreat Grandfather William Thompson, early settlers of North Baldwin County

Logs 54-56 In memory of June Whiting Slaughter, Tensaw, Al, 65 year proponent of Ft Mims, Organizing Regent Ft Mims DAR 1949, Charter Board Member FMRA 1983-2012

54) Helen Whiting Satsuma, AL
    C. Agnew Thompson Bay Minette, AL
    Ralph & Diane Grider Scottsboro, AL
    Tom & Pat Bradley Blacksher, AL
55) Mike & Carole Taylor Stockton, AL
    Barbara & Charles Slaughter Mobile, AL
56) Blakeley & David Splawn Birmingham, AL
    Linley, Benjamin, Brooks & John Dalton Splawn
57) Jim Brown Montgomery, AL
In memory of June W. Slaughter & June Iris Slaughter Brown

58) Jeanette & Roy Sexton Stockton, AL
   In memory of Jacob S. & Genia Stewart

59) Scott Sexton Bay Minette, AL
    Sherry Davison Bay Minette, AL
   In memory of Lee & Agnes Long

60) JoAnn Hall Bay Minette, AL
   In memory of T.A. ‘Sonny’ Hall

61) Pamela Rhoads Fort Worth, TX
   In memory of Clinton Dow Mims, Jr., GGGG Grandson of Samuel Mims

62) Fort Mims Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution Tensaw, AL

63-65) Charles & Patricia Earle Blacksher, AL
   In memory of Catherine Earle Cortelyou, FMRA Board Member
   & descendant of Edward Steadham, Ft Mims survivor

66) Charles & Pat Earle Blacksher, AL
    Donnie Barrett Fairhope, AL
    Price Legg Lillian, AL
    Helen McMillan Wooten In memory of June Slaughter Clemson, SC
    Raymond Neil McMillan In memory of June Slaughter Stockton, AL

67) In Honor of Claudia Slaughter Campbell, President FMRA

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70) Billy Holmes Gulf Shores, AL
   In memory of Fred Boyles Holmes; Descendant of Dr. T.G. Holmes, survivor
    Elizabeth Brown Montgomery, AL
    Robertsdale United Methodist Church Robertsdale, AL

71) Michael Davis Andalusia, AL

72) John Earle & Carrol Anne Chason Little River, AL

73) Samuel & Ann Crosby Descendant of Aletha Ann Smith, survivor Foley, AL
'With thanks to the Lord for the beauty of His creation'

74) John L. & Ginny Blake  
    John L. Blake, III  
    Deborah N. Blake  
    Vancouver, WA  
    Vancouver, WA  
    Carson City, NV  
    In memory of John Luther Blake, Great Grandson of Edward Steadham, survivor,  
    & Grandson of John Edward Blake, builder of Montgomery Hill Baptist Church

75) Jim Staff, Mayor of Atmore, & the Atmore City Council  
    Atmore, AL

76) Colleen O’Neal Sanders  
    Birmingham, AL  
    Descendant of John Hoven, Ft Mims survivor; in honor of Benjamin  
    & Mary Dunn Hoven

77) Leo & Barbara Reville  
    Mobile, AL  
    In memory of his mother, Lizzie Mae Deaux Reville  
    Descendant of George & Elizabeth Adcock, killed, & Susannah Stiggins Hatterway, survivor. Leo is the GGG Grandson of George Stiggins

78) Montrose Garden Club  
    Montrose, AL  
    Lois A. Boykin  
    Ernestine Bryars Fleming & her daughter, Rosemary F. Robertson Monroeville Al  
    In memory of their ancestor Mary Louisa Randon Tate, killed at Ft Mims

79) Thomas E. McMillan, Jr.  
    Brewton, AL

80) Kathleen Louise Bryant Gianetti  
    Whiteshore, NJ  
    Elizabeth Holmes Bryant Stevenson  
    Huntsville, AL  
    In memory of Dr. Bessie Swanson Bryant, descendant of Dr. T.G. Holmes

81) Kathleen Louise Bryant Gianetti  
    Whiteshore, NJ  
    Elizabeth Holmes Bryant Stevenson  
    Huntsville, AL  
    In memory of Ausphera Charles Bryant, descendant of Edward Steadham

82) Tom & Helen Wooten  
    Clemson, SC  
    In memory of her parents, Raymond & Marian McMillan  
    In honor of their children & grandchildren: Marian Wooten, Eugenia w. Iredale, Raymond Wooten, & Thomas Iredale, descendants of Aletha Ann Smith
83) In honor of John Murphy & Madie T. McMillan  Stockton, AL
   By their sons, John, Stephen & Phil McMillan
84) Authur Cole Weatherford family                  Bay Minette, AL
   direct descendants of William Weatherford-- Red Eagle
85) Gordon Phillips                             Bay Minette, AL
   In memory of his Great, Great Grandfather, Far Off Warrior
86) Slaughter Brothers: William, Robert & Joe       Tensaw, AL
   In memory of Jesse Howell & Helen Slaughter, Jesse H. Slaughter, Jr. & Claudia Smith Slaughter
87) Morton & Carol Slaughter                     Birmingham, AL
   Brian, Margie, Sam & Celia Slaughter
   Adam & Henry Slaughter
   Justin Slaughter
   In loving memory of Carl & June Slaughter
88) In honor of Kelly Bullin Stewart, Kristen B. Grider;       Tensaw, AL
   Forrest, Carley & Seairra Bullin; Erin & Katey Bullin, Descendants
   of Ft Mims & the Tensaw Country

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