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South East Rural Community Outreach

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"Preserving History and Enriching Communities of the Lower Richland Corridor"

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SERCO represented by members, James Adams, Mary B. Kirkland and Carrie B. White at Historic Columbia Foundation's Jubilee. – August 19, 2013



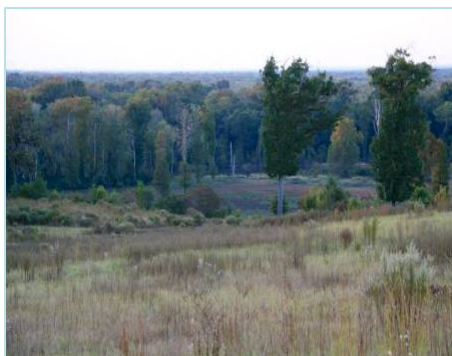
Above with USC's Cocky is Veronica Mobley at Richland School District One's Reading Rocks, held at W.G. Sanders Middle School. Cocky selects SERCO SwampJuice in center photo. Above (R), Marie Barber Adams and Mrs. Primus, SERCO volunteer .

September 28, 2013.



Friends of Congaree Swamp Annual Meeting & Oyster Roast

The Friends of Congaree Swamp held their Annual Meeting and Oyster Roast on the Congaree Riverbank, Calhoun County. Also included were several guided tours: Professor Steve Smith led the tour of the Fort Motte site. Jackie Whitmore talked to the members who toured the Goodin Cemetery. John Cely, Barry Beasley, Mardie Faucette and John Grego were re-elected to the board. Bill Stangler was elected as a new member. The traditional oyster roast followed the business meeting. Dick Watkins, owner of the historic property, hosted the meeting. **October 27, 2013**



View of Congaree National Park from Dick Watkins' Property.



John Grego Conducts Business Meeting.



Dick Watkins (L), Owner of Historic Property Greets Group.



USC Professor Steve Smith Displays Photos of Excavation Sites.



Musket Balls & Other Artifacts Recovered from Site.



Jackie Whitmore (R), Guides Tour of Goodin Cemetery.



Friends of Congaree Swamp Enjoy Oyster Roast.



Stone Marker Indicates Location of Rebecca Motte's House.





7th Annual Holiday Taste & Tour Lower Richland Heritage Corridor

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HOPKINS
This rural community grew up around the plantation of John Hopkins (1739-1775). Hopkins, a native of Virginia, settled here in 1764. A surveyor and planter, he was later a delegate to the First Provincial Congress of 1775. Between 1836 and 1842, when the South Carolina RR line from Kingville to Columbia was completed, a turntable was named "Hopkins' Turnout" for the family.



There was magic when the historic Village of Hopkins, SC, now an extinct train town, came alive for the 7th Annual Holiday Taste & Tour-Lower Richland Heritage Corridor, on December 7, 2013. For the second year, the premier feature of the event was the Norfolk Southern Exhibit Car (restored 1926 Pullman passenger car) with FREE interactive tours. Other new activities included a BBQ Cook Off (Lower Richland Local Legends), 3C's Bake Off (Cakes-Cupcakes-Cookies), Oyster Roast, and Big Tent Bingo! Guests also enjoyed **FREE**: Food Samplings, Kiddy Train, Carriage Tours, Local History Museum, Stage Entertainment, and Farmers/Crafts & Flea Markets. This event was sponsored by SERCO, and is made possible by a Richland County Hospitality Tax Grant.

Schedule of Activities

CONTINUOUS ACTIVITIES

Norfolk Southern Exhibit Car - Interactive Tours
Local Legends BBQ Cook Off - Sampling & Voting
3C's Bake Off (Cakes/Cupcakes/Cookies) - Sampling & Voting
Carriage Tours
Farmers/Craft /Flea Market
Kiddy Train Rides
Local History Museum
Wagon Rides
'Ole Fashion Big Tent BINGO- Play FREE/Prizes
Oyster Roast

TALENT SHOW

Opening/Carlos <i>Teddy G</i> Santan, Host	12:15
Burton Pack Steppers	12:25
Main Street Harmonizers	12:45
Tom Coolidge 1 Man Band	1:15
Eternal Voices	1:40
Fine Thymes String Band & Ladies of the Pickin' Parlor	2:05
Carlos Santan/3C's Bake Off Winners	2:25
Melody Holman	2:30
Lower Richland HS Dance Group	2:50
Carlos Santan /BBQ Cook Off Winners	3:05
Horizon Band SC	3:10
Carlos Santan	3:30

Thank You's

Rosa James Alston	Oliver O. Thomas
Benjamin Brown	Ron Wesley
Ray Hill	Kelvin Washington, Distr. 10
Ted Hopkins	Caughman's Meat Market
David Jackson	Eye Rose Photography
Frank Macchiaverna	Hardee's
JP Neal, Jr.	Jerusalem Baptist Church
Woodrow Portee	LR High School ROTC Cadets
Rev. William Rice	Perfect Printing
Wehman Sieling	Norfolk Southern Corporation
Rachel Simpson	Richland County Council -
Marilyn Thomas	Hospitality Tax Grant
M. Rochelle Thomas	

Our Show Host, **CARLOS *Teddy G* SANTAN** hails from the great township of Hopkins & Columbia, SC. He is a classic soul entertainer, host, and A&R Executive for a Grammy Award winning recording label. As an artist he has shared the stage with the legendary Al Green, Patti LaBelle, Ann Nesby, The Isley Brothers, as well as other contemporary artists of today.

** Fire Works **