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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Alpharetta Historical Society Monthly Meeting  
Presenting “Alpharetta City Kids”  
November 18, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.  
Mansell House & Gardens**

ALPHARETTA, GA (November 3, 2010) -The Alpharetta Historical Society (AHS) is a non-profit 501(c) (3) organization governed by the State of Georgia. It operates under a Board of Trustees consisting of elected trustees, officers, and standing committee chairpersons. The society has been in existence for 31 years.

At the Alpharetta Historical Society’s November meeting, Dorris Goswick, Nan Harman-Dempsey, and Sue DeVore Rainwater will be sharing their memories about growing up in Downtown Alpharetta. Connie Mashburn, president of the Alpharetta Historical Society, will be the emcee for the program, having fun along with the audience listening to the stories of yesteryear.

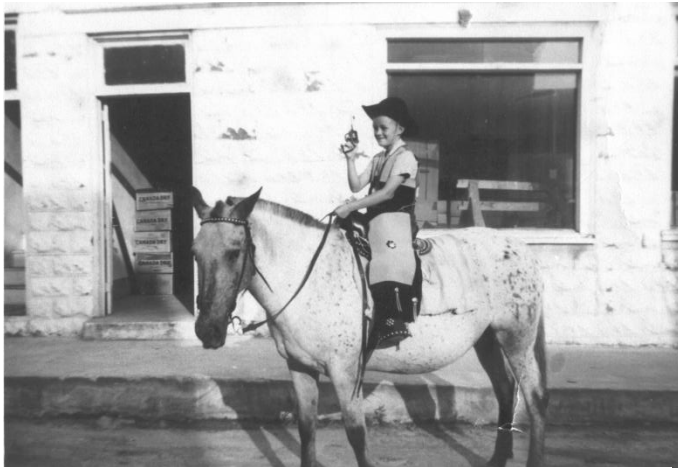
Dorris Goswick’s family has roots in Alpharetta dating back to the early 1830’s. He grew up in Alpharetta and graduated from Milton High School in 1956. He went on to attend Truett-McConnell Junior College and Georgia Southern before marrying Hilda Henderson, another Alpharetta native and fellow Milton High graduate.

Nan Harman-Dempsey remembers Alpharetta being an ideal place to grow up. She has fond memories of going barefoot all summer long and riding bikes with friends all over town. She spent Saturdays in the movie theater, now the Carroll Realty Building on Milton Avenue, which cost a dime to get in for a full day. Nan went to church and Sunday school every Sunday with her family and didn’t know what divorce was.

Sue DeVore Rainwater’s family lived right downtown on Church Street and did not have a car until her brother was a senior in high school. They walked to church and school and ordered groceries and had them delivered to their home. She remembers that on Sunday afternoons the beautiful chimes at the Methodist Church rang loud and clear and she always looked forward to hearing them, even though she was Baptist.

Sue said that she will have lots of exciting stories to tell at the meeting on November 18 and she hopes a lot of people will attend because who knows...she might mention something about you or your family.

The Mansell House & Gardens is located at 1835 Old Milton Parkway, Alpharetta.



Picture above: Dorris Goswick on Old Roswell Street



Picture above taken beside Ollie Will's house: From left to right on front row: Johnny Broadwell, Brenda Mosteller, Anith Bagwell, Glenda June Wills, Nan Harman-Dempsey, Robert Scales  
From left to right on back row: Jimmy Broadwell, George Wills, Wendell Phillips, Jr., Carolyn Spence, Nancy Scales, Dorris Goswick, David Johnson

**Mansell House & Gardens**

The Mansell House & Gardens, a special events facility, is headquarters for the Alpharetta Historical Society, Inc. Come join us and experience the ambiance of a bygone era amidst flowers and furnishings of this circa 1910 Home . . . a special place for families to celebrate the important events of life such as Birth, Marriages, Graduations, Reunions, Showers, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Christenings, and more.

**Alpharetta Historical Society**

The motto for the Alpharetta Historical Society is to “Preserve the Past, in the Present, for the Future”, helping inspire families, young and old, to find their passion for the life of yesteryear by maintaining and sharing its collections and through the preservation and dissemination of accurate historical information at AHS activities and workshops.

If anyone would like more information on becoming a member of the Alpharetta Historical Society, please contact Connie Mashburn at 770-265-3862 or by email at [conmash@earthlink.net](mailto:conmash@earthlink.net)

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