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AHS Conducts Tours of Milton Log Cabin

For nine years, Norm and Martine Broadwell, Alpharetta Historical Society Board Members, have conducted tours of the Milton Log Cabin. The Cabin, which was built by the 1934-35 class of Future Farmers of America (FFA), is the only FFA-constructed log cabin in the United States that is still in use today.

Bringing a group to the Milton Log Cabin is one example of how it's easy to incorporate historical activities into your group tour of Alpharetta. Additionally, complimentary brochures for other activities, like the Alpharetta History Walk, are available at the Welcome Center. There are plenty of group-friendly activity, dining and lodging choices in Alpharetta for those seeking heritage tour options.

“We offer the tours to all age groups including senior citizens. Usually the groups are from kindergarten, scout troops, and elementary school groups,” says Norm.



Greeting students from Alpharetta Elementary School, Norm describes the Cabin's exterior construction.

Hand-hewn notched log construction with cement chinking characterizes the one-room, one-floor Cabin

with a loft. Split log benches border all the walls. A massive rock fireplace with a stacked stone chimney is the focal point of the Cabin and is used for warmth as well as for cooking. The Cabin was originally an FFA clubhouse and also served as a central meeting place for the community for dances, meetings, weddings, and suppers. Tours are available on an ongoing basis to groups of all ages and impart information about historical topics related to life in a log cabin on the Georgia frontier of the 1830's and '40's. Explore awesomealpharetta.com for comprehensive information or call 877-202-5961 for complimentary assistance in planning your group's visit.



Dressed in an outfit reflective of life during the late 1800's, Martine explains to students what it was like to live in a Cabin.

Last year, the couple showcased the Cabin to more than 250 young people.

“As retired history teachers from the Fulton County schools, we thoroughly enjoy presenting new ideas and information about the past to our visitors. We dress in period costume and attempt to include hands-on activities with each group,” adds Norm.

The Log Cabin is located at Milton Center, on Milton Avenue just one block west of Main Street in Alpharetta, Georgia. Volunteers are available to answer your questions. Tours and programs may be scheduled by contacting the Alpharetta Historical Society at 770-475-4663. The Log Cabin is handicap accessible.

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