**Yard Sale a Success**

On Saturday, April 1st, DRGHS participated in Pickin’ 35, a 50-mile yard sale held along Hwy. 35 from Carmack in Attala County to Walnut Grove in Leake County. This first-time event attracted visitors from all over Mississippi as well as from several surrounding states. Our booth sold items from the Sudduth House that we will not be using such as kitchenware, bedding and some small furniture pieces. Several members also donated items for sale. We realized a net profit of $371.00.

**A Visit to a New Museum**

Last month, on a beautiful spring day, my husband and I along with Wayne and Jane Bilbro Upchurch took a road trip to the city of Cleveland in the Mississippi Delta. The aim of the trip was to visit Mississippi’s newest museum, Grammy Museum Mississippi. This museum, opened March 5, 2016, is the first Grammy Museum to be built outside of Los Angeles. Located on West Sunflower Road, adjacent to the campus of Delta State University, the museum recognizes Grammy winners over the years with special emphasis on the numerous Mississippians who have been awarded this trophy. Many of the exhibits are interactive and fun for all ages. A large showroom will feature special exhibits which will change several times a year. The current exhibit is on the life of Taylor Swift---featuring great music with beautiful costumes from her many tours. The Grammy Museum is open Monday- Saturday from 10AM to 5:30 PM; Sunday from 12 to 5:30 PM. Cost for adults is $12. by Kathy Heidorn

**MISSISSIPPI HISTORY IN APRIL**

**April 5, 1936** Tupelo Mississippi virtually annihilated by a tornado, 216 die. **April 7, 1798** Mississippi Territory is organized. **April 17, 1863** Grierson’s Raid wasa Union Cavalry raid through the heart of Mississippi during the Vicksburg Campaign. It lasted from April 17 to May 2, 1863. The raid diverted Confederate attention from Grant’s plans to attack Vicksburg. **April 20, 1920**  Tornadoskill219 in Alabama and Mississippi**.**

**HISTORY (cont)**

**April 27, 1865** On the Mississippi River the worst steamship disaster in U.S. History occurred as an explosion aboard the *U.S. Sultana* killed nearly 1,800 passengers, mostly Union soldiers who had been prisoners of war and were returning home. **April 30, 1900** Casey Jones dies heroically in a train wreck at Vaughn, MS, while driving Cannonball Express (immortalized in “Ballad of Casey Jones”.

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