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African-American Photographs

In honor of African-American History month the Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture and the Department of History at Salisbury University sponsor special guest speaker Ross J. Kelbaugh who will discuss his latest work, *Introduction to African-American Photographs, 1840-1950: Identification, Research, Care and Collecting*, published in May of 2005. The lecture is 3:30 p.m. Thursday, February 23, in the Great Hall of Holloway Hall.

Kelbaugh's interest in the Civil War and early photography began while he was still in elementary school at the time of the Civil War Centennial celebrations in the early 1960s. He soon acquired his first photographs of Union and Confederate soldiers as part of his general collecting of relics from the conflict. So



passionate was he about collecting that he often skipped eating at school so he could save his weekly lunch money allowance for acquisitions. After graduation

from college, Ross broadened his focus to include 19th and early 20th century American photographs as part of his collection of vintage Maryland photographs and related material from the state. This interest has also laid the foundation for his life-long involvement with historical artifacts with the mission of furthering their use in public education.



Kelbaugh's books include the *Directory of Maryland Photographers, 1839-1900*, the first reference work ever published on this state's photographic industry; *Introduction to Civil War Photography* now in its seventh printing; and the multi-volume series *Directory of Civil War Photographers*.

Kelbaugh's lecture is made possible through a grant by Nabb Center members Niel and Helen Carey of Ellicott City, MD.

For questions concerning this event please contact the Nabb Center at RCDHAC@salisbury.edu or 410 543-6312. 📞

Maryland Archeology Month Lecture

Dr. Elizabeth Regan, SU history faculty, presents "Rogue & Dogg & Scotch Irish Men's God: A 'Scotch peddler' in the 17th-century Chesapeake" 1 p.m. Saturday, April 22, at the Nabb Center. The presentation examines the archaeological and historical evidence for David Brown, a free Glaswegian who emigrated to Somerset County, MD, by 1670. He rapidly gained wealth and high office, but unlike most men of his status, he rarely traded on credit. Was this because he was smuggling Scottish goods? For more information please e-mail RCDHAC@salisbury.edu. 📧

"We're History... Without You"

A Star Shone Over His House

by James Edward Jensen

After the dust had settled, following the storm of visitors that came to see the Tony Tank Creek exhibit this past January, we had time to review all the interesting stories that the exhibit goers had imparted to the Nabb Center. The star pictured here, with James Landing, once ornamented the barn house roof owned by his parents Clarence Vernon Landing and Helen Bassford Landing. This Landing family is connected to the Revell family, one of the oldest of the Eastern Shore, via Clarence, the son of John Henry Landing who had originated from the Lawsonia/Crisfield area, who married Helen Bassford, the daughter of George Washington Bassford and Drusilla Revell.

The barn house star once shone over the land Clarence bought in 1921 which was bounded by a ditch to the south, Camden Avenue to the west, Cedar Lane to the north and the

railroad to the east—stretching from the Tony Tank Creek area through to present Route 13. As the years went by the barn house fell to disuse following the extension of the highway from Fruitland to Princess Anne and the creation of the bypass. A newer building was erected to face the current street in the mid 1900s. Although barns are slowly disappearing on the Eastern Shore, the stories and memories of yesteryear will hopefully live on through treasures like James Landing's rescued star. ☺



BOOK WISH LIST

David Dobson, *Huguenot and Scots Links, 1575-1775*
(Baltimore: Clearfield Company, 2005). \$14.50

David Dobson, *Transatlantic Voyages, 1600-1699*
(Baltimore: Clearfield Company, 2005). \$12.50

David Dobson, *More Scottish Settlers, 1667-1827*
(Baltimore: Clearfield Company, 2005). \$18.50

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