# Friends of McLeod, Inc. Volume III, Issue 2, February, 2008



## A Letter from the Chairman

We begin a new year with our continued focus on the mission to save McLeod Plantation from development. We closed out 2007 with our annual Oyster Roast

which was a huge success. Many thanks to Robert Barber for the use of Bowens Island for this event. While many enjoyed St. Helena oysters, others danced to the music of *Ellis Thomas and the Creek People*. The silent auction, combined with sales of tee shirts and bags, made it our biggest fund raiser of the year. Information about getting more tee shirts is on the next page.

Our next public meeting will see a new presentation on the history and heritage of McLeod Plantation. Bring a friend or a neighbor to introduce them to our cause.

We thank you for your continued support. Many people joined or renewed their memberships after the last newsletter, but we always welcome members - new or old - to use the enclosed envelopes to stand with us to keep this precious heritage site protected and preserved for the public. See you on March 4.

Jerry Owens, Chairman, Friends of McLeod, Inc. Board of Directors

You are Cordially Invited to Attend the Premier Showing of "McLeod: A Walk with Kistory"

Tuesday, March 4, 7:00 p.m.
at our next public meeting

St. James Presbyterian Church

1314 Secessionville Road



#### Call for Artists

Have you ever tried to capture on canvas that unique feeling of McLeod Plantation? Have you attempted to express that special light? Many people have painted McLeod and we'd like to include your work or hang a special painting or watercolor of the plantation done by someone you may know. McLeod speaks to so many people, but many have not seen the plantation. Our June meeting will be an art show, *McLeod Plantation Through An Artist's Eye*, with both professional and amateur drawings and paintings of McLeod. We'll combine that with a McLeod Art Contest for students at local schools with prizes for their best paintings done from photographs of McLeod. Call Carol at 795-7519 for more details.

#### Memorials



The Board of Friends of McLeod announces a new program to honor the memories of long-time members and friends by contributing to the reforestation project of the Charleston County Parks and Recreation Commission called the *Memorial Tree Program*. For each memorial, a card will be sent to the family letting them know that the Friends of McLeod remembers their loved ones. For more information, call 795-0625. To date, Memorials have been given to honor Sybil Asaro, Sheila Marie Johnson, McLeod Creighton Nigels, and Arthur Green.

(After the meeting, please stay for refreshments!)

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#### Buy a Tee and Be Proud!

These shirts are guaranteed to start a conversation at the gym or grocery store. Short sleeve is \$15: long sleeve is \$20. We're starting to run out of a few sizes so get the one you want at our next meeting.



### Buy a Bag and Be Green!

Keep several of these canvas bags with you for groceries – and to let people know you are helping to save McLeod! \$10

(The Tee Shirts and Bags will be available for sale at our next public meeting!)

#### Coming Up

March 4 Our next public meeting at St. James Presbyterian Church at 1314 Secessionville Road. First

showing of our new presentation "McLeod: A Walk with History."

April 19-20 Stop by our tent at the Battle of Charleston re-enactment at Legare Farms on John's Island.

May 20 Last call for artists to arrange for their work to be hung at the June meeting.

**June** Friends of McLeod Art Show and Reception – McLeod Plantation Through An Artist's Eye.

**June 27-29** Island Heritage Festival at various James Island locations. See IslandHeritageFestival.com for details.

