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This Week's Pod Cast



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Two hundred years ago this week the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie. There were apparently 600 men of color who were in that battle. Only about 10-12 men of color have been identified. Well a project called Hidden Heroes, has been created to identify these individuals. Additional researchers, and societies are invited to participate in this project. This project is expected to correct or to write another chapter in American history by identifying these 600 plus men of color who served in this battle.

Them Central VA African American genealogy society will host Alice Cannon who will discuss the history of Bleak House plantation. This will be in Charlottesville at the LDS Chapel

A Family Project is looking at the history of the Foxbank Plantation, located in South Carolina. This was covered in one of the Charleston newspapers. The Lynes family is the group leading this effort to preserve what remains and to explore the history. The website is called the Foxbank Project. The site looks at the lifestyle, and objects that have been found from the site also. The website looks interesting, and is worth exploring to learn more about the family's preservation efforts.

I mentioned the effort to document the black soldiers who fought in the Battle of Lake Erie. Well, I also want to bring to your attention, the Center of Black Genealogy. This is the group behind the project. The center is a non-profit organization that is devoted to advancing, "the scholarship of African American genealogy and promote genealogy research and preservation throughout the African Diaspora." Well that is quite impressive. It is spearheaded by Tony Burroughs, FUGA, who has an international reputation, and who has already put Black Genealogy on the map in many arenas. His board of directors look impressive, and their initial project looks like a sound one, with the Hidden Heroes project. This is an organization to watch, and it promises to be one from which new data will emerge.

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