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"Tennessee Samplers: 19th-Century Schoolgirl Embroidery" A Brown Bag Lecture by Jennifer C. Core and Janet S. Hasson

DATE: Noon, Wednesday, July 25, 2012

LOCATION: East Tennessee History Center

601 South Gay Street Knoxville, TN 37902

ADMISSION: FREE | Attendees are encouraged to bring a "brown bag" lunch

Originally worked as records of stitches, patterns, and motifs, sampler making became a skill expected of educated young ladies. For almost a decade, the Tennessee Sampler Survey team of Jennifer Core and Janet Hasson have been documenting Tennessee samplers made prior to 1900. In their lecture they will talk about the findings of the project, regional characteristics they have observed, and highlight some of the individual samplers.

Jennifer C. Core is the co-founder of the Tennessee Sampler Survey and is the director of programs and membership at the Tennessee Historical Society. Janet S. Hasson is a former curator of Belle Meade Plantation in Nashville and the director of the Tennessee Sampler Survey. The lecture is held in conjunction with the Tennessee Sampler Survey exhibition on display at the History Center July 6-29, 2012.

The program is sponsored by 21st Mortgage Corp, and free and open to the public. The lecture will begin at noon at the East Tennessee History Center, 601 S. Gay Street, Knoxville. Guests are invited to bring a "Brown Bag" lunch and enjoy the lecture. Soft drinks will be available. For more information on the lecture, exhibitions, or museum hours, call 865-215-8824 or visit the website at www.EastTNHistory.org.

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