



## LOWNDES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Update Page: Since the time this newsletter was sent to the printer, several “good news” items have occurred for the society and museum. A quick report is given here:

\*At the July 23 City Council meeting, the Society received “the Outstanding Achievement Award, 2020 Valdosta Preservation Awards, In Recognition of the Historic Rehabilitation of the Mixson-Bird Hospital Museum Annex.” J. Glenn Gregory, architect, was also awarded for the project. This is their top preservation award.

\*Unrelated to the above award, the museum is featured in an article in **Valdosta Scene** Magazine. August 2020 issue, in their recurring “*hometown heroes*” series. The article spread includes one of the impressive drone photographs taken by Jay Blanton that include both museum buildings, thus our campus. You can view this magazine online by searching **Valdosta Scene** Magazine 2020 and clicking on the August issue.

\*Other very good news. The Lowndes County Commission included the Historical Society in its last SPLOST tax for \$150,000. This was not for direct benefit to the society but for repairs to this Carnegie Library building which the County owns. We were glad to learn that the building is placed in the first set of projects. Assessors have just begun coming by checking on roofing needs, leak damage, water seepage areas in the lower gallery (basement), etc.

Also, a newsletter correction: In the first paragraph of the newsletter the title of the book should read, **The History of Lowndes County Georgia, 1825-1941** not “1925-1941”



This photo by Jay Blanton picturing the museum and annex is mentioned in the updates above as one used in the article in the August 2020 issue of the **Valdosta Scene** Magazine.