

# POND SPRING

## The General Joe Wheeler Home



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**December 1, 2017**

### **Christmas Celebration**

Sunday, December 10

1:00 – 5:00pm

Pond Spring: The General Joe Wheeler Home, Hillsboro, Alabama

Pond Spring, the General Joe Wheeler Home invites you to their Christmas Celebration on Sunday, December 10, from 1:00 – 5:00pm.

This fun and family-friendly event offers a memorable start to the Christmas season! You are invited to tour the Wheeler Home which is adorned with live greenery and decorations and enjoy refreshments of sweet treats and hot cocoa. Visitors can take rides in a horse drawn buggy, and enjoy choral concerts featuring local choirs.

A very special guest will be at this year's celebration! Please be sure to bring your camera/smartphone to take your picture with Santa Claus.

**Fees:** Entrance to the grounds, horse-drawn carriage ride, and choral concerts are FREE. Admission to the Wheeler

House is \$8 adults, \$5 seniors/college students/military, \$3 children 6-18, and free for children under 6.

For more information contact Kara Long at [pondspringdirector@gmail.com](mailto:pondspringdirector@gmail.com) or 256-637-8513.

General Joseph Wheeler was a legendary Confederate general, a U.S. congressman, and a Spanish American War general. Following the Civil War, Wheeler became a national symbol for reunification and reconciliation. His 1870s home is the center point of the 50-acre historic site owned by the Alabama Historical Commission. The collection contains around 10,000 objects, furnishings, clothing, and papers associated with the family.

[Pond Spring](#), a historic property of the [Alabama Historical Commission](#), is located in Lawrence County in Hillsboro, three miles east of Courtland, on Alabama Highway 20 (US Alt. 72).

### **About the Alabama Historical Commission**

Located in historic downtown Montgomery at 468 S. Perry Street, the Alabama Historical Commission is the state historic preservation agency for Alabama. The agency was created by an act of the state legislature in 1966 with a mission to protect, preserve and interpret Alabama's historic places. AHC works to accomplish its mission through two fields of endeavor: Preservation and promotion of state-owned historic sites as public attractions; and, statewide programs to assist people, groups, towns, and cities with local preservation activities. For a complete list of programs and properties owned and operated by the AHC, hours of operation, and admission fees please visit [ahc.alabama.gov](http://ahc.alabama.gov).

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