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ARCHITREATS: FOOD FOR THOUGHT PRESENTATION  
ALABAMA AND THE WAR OF 1812  
PRESENTED BY JEANNIE AND DAVID HEIDLER

ArchiTreats: Food for Thought continues another year of interesting and informative talks on Alabama history at the Alabama Department of Archives and History. Join us at **noon** on Thursday, **October 17<sup>th</sup>** as Jeannie and David Heidler present *Alabama and the War of 1812*. This ArchiTreats presentation is in conjunction with the statewide Becoming Alabama initiative.

In the early 19<sup>th</sup> century, Alabama was the crossroads of conflict for both the Creek War and the War of 1812. During the final land phase of the War of 1812, Alabama's Gulf Coast became the focus of British attempts to control the Gulf and other American ports. Join us this month as award winning historians Jeannie and David Heidler discuss the pivotal role Alabama played during the War of 1812 and the impact this conflict had on the region.

David S. Heidler and Jeanne T. Heidler are natives of Atlanta, Georgia. They met at Auburn University where both received their PhD's in United States History. After teaching at Colorado State University, Pueblo, David retired from the classroom and now devotes himself fulltime to writing. Jeanne is currently Professor of History and Director of American History at the United States Air Force Academy where she is the senior civilian member of her department. The Heidlers have written or edited numerous articles and twelve books on the Early American Republic, the Antebellum period, and the American Civil War. They have recently completed a study of the influences of the associates and family of George Washington that shaped the man and his presidency. Tentatively titled *Washington's Circle*, it is projected to be published in 2014 by Random House. The Heidlers live in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

This ArchiTreats presentation is made possible by the Friends of the Alabama Archives and a grant from the Alabama Humanities Foundation, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The public is invited to bring a sack lunch and enjoy a bit of Alabama history.

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