

Boone County Historical Society



March—April 2013

2013 PROGRAMS & EXHIBITS

Thursday, May 16

Program: John Brady Walton explains the history of the **Boone County Fair**. 7pm, BCPL Main Library.

Saturday, July 13

(note date change)

BOONE COUNTY HERITAGE DAY

with Historic Burlington Business

Assn.'s Annual Chalkfest. Museum Exhibit of antique cars, vintage farm equipment and old-time household items 10am—3pm. If you would like to loan any items like old-time equipment/household items, please call Virginia Lainhart 689-7240, Pat Yannarella 835-2435, or Betsy Conrad 371-5882.

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DR. JAMES HUEY'S SERVICE IN THE U.S. CAVALRY IN WWII 7 PM, THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Dr. James Huey is, without a doubt, a WWII Hero, and a member of, as author Tom Brokaw identifies them, "*The Greatest Generation*."

Born in 1916, Dr. Huey graduated from New Haven High School (near Union) in 1933, enrolled in UK's pre-med program, and waited tables to earn enough to pay his rent and tuition. He graduated from U.of L. Medical School in 1940. During his internship in St. Elizabeth Hospital in Covington, he married Cordella Turner, R.N., nicknamed "Corky."

After the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, Dr. Huey enlisted in the U.S. Army. His service to our country included attending the sick and wounded on the 350-mile jungle march through Burma, an event detailed in John Randolph's book, *Marsmen in Burma*.



Dr. James Huey and Biographer Asa Rouse

Later, he was named the Assistant Surgeon of the Southern Combat Command, and rode by Jeep or on a Chinese pony to inspect medical facilities in Chinese Divisions. He was then assigned to Shanghai's prisoner internment camp where English businessmen had been held prisoners by the Japanese. He returned home in late 1945, and began his long-time medical practice in Walton.

The Boone County Historical Society, in partnership with the Boone County Public Library, is proud to host **Dr. James Huey and his biographer, Asa Rouse**, as they present **Dr. J.M. Huey's Service in the U.S. Cavalry in WWII** at 7 pm, Thursday, March 21 at BCPL Main Library, 1786 Burlington Pike, Burlington, KY.

The public is invited, so bring your friends and neighbors.

HISTORIC MARKERS UPDATE

The recently approved markers are being cast at the foundry at this writing. The marker commemorating CSA General John Hunt Morgan's 1863 escape through Boone County from the federal prison in Columbus, Ohio, is to be erected on US 42 in Union, and the one commemorating the historic Anderson Ferry and the 1937 Flood's effect in Constance will be planted on KY 8 at the Anderson Ferry entrance.

The dedication ceremony details will soon be finalized, and after that, we'll begin working on the next marker applications!

NK HISTORY DAY MAR. 16, 2012

The 20th Annual Northern Kentucky Regional History Day is 8am to 2pm Saturday, March 16 in the Student Union on the Northern Kentucky University campus. The opening session features **Dr. James Claypool** speaking on notable Kentuckians. BCHS's **Lee Frakes and Asa Rouse** will present a program at 12:15. More information at <http://artscience.nku.edu/departments/hisgeo/projects/historyday.html>.

Members are needed to help staff Boone County Historical Society's display table, so please let Betsy know if you're interested.

WHAT'S IN YOUR CLOSET?

BCPL's Local History Librarian **Bridget Striker** is compiling photos and memorabilia related to the effort to establish **Big Bone Lick State Park** back in the 1950s and '60s. If you have photos or documents she could copy/digitize, please contact her at 859/342-BOOK(2665).

Big Bone Lick Park staff needs rawhide scraps, deer bones/antlers for the summer education program. If you can help, contact Jeannine Kreinbrink at kreinbrinkjmo@gmail.com.

2013 BCHS PROGRAMS & EXHIBITS (Continued from Page 1)

Thursday, July 18 Annual "Out-and-About" 7pm at the Evelyn Kalb Gathering House at Florence Nature Park. (note change of location)

Thursday, September 19: **Judy Clabes**, former owner of *The Boone County Recorder*, will speak about her experiences in the newspaper business, as well as her current endeavors as President and Founder of the KY Philanthropy Initiative and President/CEO of Judith Clabes Associates, a consulting firm.

Saturday, November 9: Museum Exhibit honoring *Boone County's Veterans*.

Thursday, Nov. 21: *Bank on Boone County*. Retired bankers reminisce about their experiences.

Saturday, December 7: *Historic Burlington/Boone County Christmas*. Museum exhibit of antique toys, dolls, trains, etc., in conjunction with the Historic Burlington Business Assn., the 3-day event including lighting of the Christmas Tree on Friday evening, music, visits with Santa, etc.

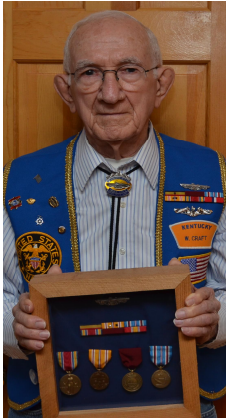
PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO

Friends of Big Bone and the BCPL present **Big Bone Lick: Past, Present, and Future Research** by **Dr. Ken Tankersley**, University of Cincinnati Professor, **7pm Thursday, Apr. 25** at

the **Florence Branch** of the BCPL.
Let's Talk About it: War of 1812 (Part 1 of 3). 7pm Monday, Mar. 18, Main Library.
A discussion of Kentucky's sig-

nificance in the events that led up to the War of 1812. Please pre-register: 859/342-BOOK(2665).

Spotlight on Genealogy/ Preserving historic documents, 7pm Monday, Mar. 11, Main Library.



Our thanks to **Watson Craft** for his fascinating presentation at our January meeting. He is definitely one of Boone County's WWII heroes and a member of "the Greatest Generation."



The **George W. Terrill house in Petersburg**, where the contents was auctioned off recently.

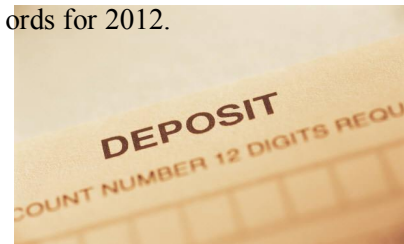


The recent (last fall) dismantling of the old **Stephens 2-story log home** at the corner of KY 18 and KY 237 (North Bend Road), making way for the new Single Point Urban Interchange.



The Aurora Ferry between Aurora, IN and Petersburg, KY in about 1957. Photo is taken from the Indiana side looking across the Ohio River at the Kentucky shoreline, by Steve Conrad.

Our thanks to **Becky Lancaster** with **Heritage Bank** for performing an audit of our Treasurer's records for 2012.



THE BCHS MUSEUM

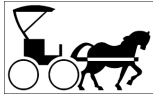
Boone County Historical Society expresses appreciation to the Boone County Judge/Executive and Fiscal Court Commissioners for permission to use the Old County Clerk's Office as a repository for items of historical significance to Boone County's heritage.

Directions: I-71/75 Exit 181 (KY 18 Burlington Pk). Proceed westbound 4.6 miles, turn right at the first traffic signal (Bullittsville-Burlington Road aka Garrard St.); turn left into the Boone County Administration Building parking lot. The Museum is the small white brick building marked "County Court Clerk's



Office...1853" The street address is 2965 Gallatin Street, Burlington, KY 41005.

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ABOUT THE BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The **mission** of the Boone County Historical Society is to develop awareness and promote appreciation of the history of Boone County, Kentucky.

The Boone County Historical Society provides program meetings at 7pm on the third Thursday evenings of January, March, May, July, September and November.

Meetings (except for July) are held at the Boone County Public Library, Main Library, 1786 Burlington Pike, Burlington, Kentucky. July “out-and-about” meetings are held at various locations around the County.

The Society hosts a number of exhibits at the BCHS Museum (*see page 3*) each year. Most items for

these exhibits are borrowed on a temporary basis from our members and friends, and do not belong to the Society. We greatly appreciate being entrusted with these loaned items that relate to our planned exhibits.

Items in our permanent collection have been donated by individuals and families who desire to share with others items of historical significance to Boone County. Their generosity is gratefully appreciated.

Annual membership fee is \$15 per household, due every January. This covers the cost of printing and mailing our newsletters. Checks, payable to the Boone County Historical

Society, can be mailed to the Boone County Historical Society, P.O. Box 23, Florence, KY 41022-0023.

The Boone County Historical Society has received a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status — all gifts to the Society are tax deductible.

All programs and exhibits are free and open to the public.

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