

Boone County Historical Society



November-December, 2013, Revised

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EXHIBITS

Boone County Christmas



Boone County Historical Society will participate with the County and Historic Burlington Business Assn. for the annual Christmas event, **6—8 pm Friday, Dec. 6 and 10 am—4pm Saturday, Dec. 7.**

The traditional Christmas Tree Lighting will take place at the Gazebo by the County Administration Building at 6:30 pm Friday—that is when Santa Claus himself, along with Mrs. Claus, will make their appearance!

The BCHS Museum exhibit includes antique toys, dolls and trains. Volunteers and loaned items are needed! Please contact Virginia Lainhart 689-7240, Pat Yannarella 835-2435, or Betsy Conrad 371-5882.

“BANKING ON BOONE” A PANEL OF BANKERS REMINISCE ABOUT BANKS OF BOONE COUNTY 7 PM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

The Boone County Historical Society is honored to present a panel of speakers including **Dennis McEvoy, Steve Gillespie and Lee McNeely** at our November 21 meeting. They will tell about their careers in local banking institutions, as well as the institutional history and interesting anecdotes about some of the local banks in Boone County in the old days.

Additionally, the “Berkshire collection” of memorabilia from the old **Florence Deposit Bank** will be on display.



The program begins at **7 pm, Thursday, November 21 at BCPL Main Library, 1786 Burlington Pike, Burlington.** The public is invited, so bring your friends and neighbors.

Don't forget our Veterans!

The Boone County Historical Society's Museum Exhibit honoring Boone County's veterans will be held **Saturday, November 9, from 11 am to 3 pm.** The exhibit will include permanent as well as loaned items including photos, uniforms, military equipment, and lots of cherished memories.

If you would like to loan any items relating to Boone County's veterans, past and present, please call Virginia Lainhart 689-7240, Pat Yannarella 835-2435, or Betsy Conrad 371-5882.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS FOR 2014

JANUARY 16: As a youngster, **Ron Buckley** of Union always dreamed of becoming an archaeologist, but for economic reasons, he pursued a business management degree, then specialized in jet engines, and finally became a Registered Nurse! He's now retired and spends his time researching Boone County History, collecting Revolutionary War documents, and nature photography. Ron has spent the last three years researching the **Piatt family of Boone County**, their military records, the roads they built, the properties they owned, and the people who lived on those properties after the Piatts left. Ron will share his fascinating (and ongoing) research with all of us at **7 pm Thursday, January 16, 2014.**

MARCH 20: **Joyce Foley** of Florence is an avid quilter. In fact, she exudes keen interest and enthusiasm for any project related to quilts. So when she got the idea of creating a **Barn Quilt Trail** for Boone County, Kentucky, she took it to the Florence Woman's Club, and the members agreed to sponsor the project. In planning and preparing the boards for each barn, she's discovered lots of stories about the barns and the families who are partnering in the project. Joyce's presentation will include

photos of each of the 75 (more or less) barn quilts that have been mounted thus far. The program will be at **7 pm Thursday, March 20, 2014.**

MAY 15: The **Mosaic Murals**, some of which had been moved years ago from Cincinnati's Historic Union Terminal to the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport in Boone County, are now endangered because of the Airport's plans to demolish the terminals in which they had been installed. *Cincinnati Enquirer* reporter **Cliff Radel** has been covering this dramatic situation in a series of articles ever since the public was advised of the murals' plight. Mr. Radel has agreed to present a program on his research at **7pm Thursday, May 15.**

JULY 17: OUT-AND-ABOUT Our annual "out-and-about" meeting is tentatively planned for the historic **Richwood Presbyterian Church**, 1070 Richwood Road, Walton. **Rev. Rhoda Brumfield** has indicated that tours are given, but that it is still a bit too early to lock in the date/time. We would be grateful to learn more about this historic sanctuary that was established in 1834. This program is **tentatively 7 pm Thursday, July 17, 2014.**

SEPTEMBER: The **Gaines' Tavern History Center** in Walton will be 200 years old in 2014! **Connie Goins** and the **Friends of Gaines Tavern** are planning a big family reunion for everyone who traces their family history to Abner Gaines. Connie is planning an interesting presentation for BCHS at **7 pm Thursday, September 18, 2014.**

NOVEMBER: **Mary Sue Rudicil** and friends will exhibit her extensive collection of memorabilia from the old Citizens' Bank in the Belleview Bottoms, where she got her start in banking. This will be the second in the series of programs on Banking in Boone County. **7pm Thursday, November 20, 2014.**

JANUARY 2015: **Ron Buckley** presents the second of his series on the **Piatt Family of Boone County**. This program follows his continuing archaeological exploration and research of Piatt's Landing, the site of Robert Piatt's home (Duke Energy's complex) along Boone County's Ohio River shoreline as well as Federal Hall, Jacob Piatt's property near the Judge Cropper Bridge (I-275) to Indiana. **7pm Thursday, January 15, 2015.**

KEITH HOWARD EXHIBIT

The artwork of our own **Keith Howard**, local artist and musician who performed an original composition at the dedication of the historic marker at Anderson Ferry earlier this year, is being exhibited at the Boone County Public Library during the month of November. The exhibition includes his beautiful painting of the Anderson Ferry which he donated to the Boone County Historical Society Museum.



NEW BOOKS AVAILABLE

Judge Tony Frohlich, a BCHS member, introduces his new book, ***Kentucky Court: A History of Boone County Courts***, at 7pm Thursday, Dec. 5 at the Main Library. He will be signing copies then... and they make excellent gifts!

Bob Schrage, a BCHS member, presents his latest book, ***Eyewitness to History: A Personal Journal***, at the Main Library at 7pm Monday, December 2. Purchase your autographed copy there!

THANKS JUDY



“Thank you” to Judy

Clabes for providing a fascinating program about the Kentucky Philanthropy Initiative and *Kentucky Forward*, an online “good news-letter” published by Judy, at our September meeting. We appreciate her presentation and her willingness to share with us. *(Judy Clabes with Bruce Ferguson and Asa Rouse)*

AN UPDATE ON PLANS FOR HISTORIC MARKERS FOR CRAIG’S CAMP / BURLINGTON AND DINSMORE

The applications were successfully completed and hand-delivered to the Kentucky Historical Society office in Frankfort for two more historic markers for

Boone County — one for Craig’s Camp/Burlington, the other for the historic Dinsmore Homestead. Notification of approval is expected about December 1st.

Again, our thanks to Matt Becher, Bridget Striker, Tom Schiffer, Katie Presnell, Marty McDonald, Cathy Collopy and Steve Conrad for research.

THE BCHS MUSEUM

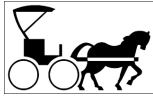
Boone County Historical Society expresses appreciation to the Boone County Judge/Executive and Fiscal Court Commissioners for permission to use the Old County Clerk’s Office as a repository for items of historical significance to Boone County’s heritage.



Directions: I-71/75 Exit 181 (KY 18 Burlington Pk). Proceed west-bound 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 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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