# Boone County Historical Society

July-August, 2015



# UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EXHIBITS

# <u>Boone County Heritage</u> <u>Day and Chalkfest, Satur-</u> <u>day, July 11, 10-3pm:</u>

This event is getting bigger and better every year! Highlighted by historic and vintage cars, old-time farm equipment and Grandma's household items, visual arts, chair caners, good music, and Boone County's talented sidewalk chalk artists! Sponsors: the County of Boone, Historic Burlington Business Assn. and the Boone County Historical Society.

As usual, if you have an heirloom in your home or barn that we might display in the BCHS Museum on Heritage Day, please call Brent Johansen (689-7774), Betsy Conrad (371-5882), or Pat Yannarella (342-2665).

## September 17 program:

**Don Rightmyer** will present *"Kentucky's Bookends to the Civil War: Major Robert Anderson of Fort Sumter."* Don Rightmyer works at the Mercer County Public Library in Harrodsburg, KY. He served as reference librarian

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# THE HISTORY OF HOPEFUL LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTED BY MICHAEL ROUSE 7PM THURSDAY, JULY 16

One of the most beloved historic structures in Boone County is Hopeful Evangelical Lutheran Church. Located at 6430 Hopeful Church Road in Florence, the Church was founded in 1806 by German-speaking families from Madison County, Virginia. It is the oldest Lutheran Church in Kentucky.

Michael Rouse, a member of the Boone County Historical Society and former President of same, as well as a member of Hopeful Lutheran, will present the program on this faithful old congregation's history in the older sanctuary, after which refreshments will be served in the choir room immediately behind the sanctuary.

The program begins at **7pm Thursday**, **July 16**, **2015** at the **Hopeful Lutheran Church**, **6430 Hopeful Church Road**, Florence, Kentucky. The public is invited, so bring interested friends and neighbors.



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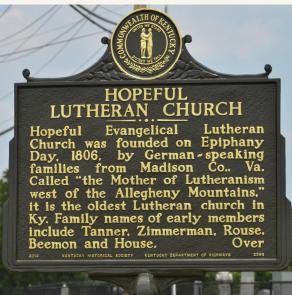


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#### BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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and Kentucky Room supervisor at the Boyle Co. Public Library, reference librarian at the KHS, and edited 25 issues of the KHS's genealogical quarterly, *Kentucky Ancestors*. He has written numerous genealogical articles as well as **Torn: The Civil War in Kentucky** (April 2014). The program will begin at **7 pm in the Boone County Public Library**, 1786 Burlington Pike, Burlington.

# November 19 program: Terry W. Lehmann, author of The Green

Line, will bring a presentation about those buses we used to ride to Cincinnati. The Green Line, the Cincinnati, Newport & Covington Railway's fleet of single and double truck cars, provided fast and convenient transportation between Cincinnati and the smaller communities located in Northern Kentucky. As times changed, the company responded by initiating interstate trolley coach operations and even obtained exclusive rights to serve the Greater Cincinnati airport on its opening. The program will begin at 7pm in the Boone County Public Library, 1786 Burlington Pike, Burlington.

#### **Historic Burlington Christmas**

event (Dec. 4-6) with Santa and Mrs. Clause, lighting of the County's Christmas Tree, BCHS Museum with American Flyer Trains and old-time Christmas toys and decorations. Check out the website: http:// www.historicburlingtonky.com/#! burlington-christmas

# Don't miss

**Boone County Heritage Day** 10-3 Saturday, July 11



Sien Baker Whitmire spinning in the Museum. (*These photos from 2014 event.*)

The McGraws will weave cane seats for your needy furniture! Bring your seat-less chair!



Alpacas and old time cars! So much to see!





Chalk Art ... it's amazing what these young folks can do with chalk on blacktop! By Buck Turner of Burlington.



#### THE PETERSBURG MARKER DEDICATION, JUNE 4, 2015

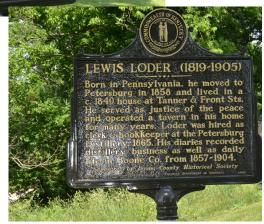


PETERSBURG DISTILLER

Est. in 1817 as Petersburg Steam Mill Co. at the south end of town. In 1833 William Snyder bought the mill: 3 years later he was distilling whiskey. By 1861, he had lost the business. In 1869, it was sold to Freiburg & Workum and it became the largest distillery in Ky. Closed & dismantled by 1919, the bricks were used in many buildings in town. were used by Bone County Historical Society Sponsored by Bone County Historical Society The historic marker has been placed in the lovely little grassy park in Petersburg alongside the Ohio River. If you go, take a chair — you can sit there for hours watching the river traffic — so relaxing!



BCHS Member Butch Wainscott chats with Judge-Executive Gary Moore after the marker dedication.





Sally Nimmo and her husband recently purchased the historic Loder House in Petersburg.

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Directions: I-71/75 Exit 181

#### THE BCHS MUSEUM

(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.



Artwork by Pattie Purnell

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P.O.BOX 23 FLORENCE, KY 41022–0023

NEWS BULLETIN! Dr. George Speri Sperti Historic Highway Marker has been approved by KHS and will be dedicated the first part of September!!!!

The Marker will be located in the Sperti Park south of Burlington off of East Bend Road. Watch for details in the next newsletter!

Website: boonecountykyhistory.org

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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-andabout" 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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