

Boone County Historical Society



September–October, 2016

UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS AND EVENTS

November 17: Dr. Paul Tenkotte will present a program entitled "**More than Beer, Brats and Polka: Germans in Northern Kentucky.**"

So many families in this area claim German ancestors. Here's your opportunity to learn more about those German folkways, traditional foods and polka music. 7 pm at the Main Library.



December 2 & 3: Put this event on your To-Do list: **Historic Burlington's Christmas at the Museum.** Our Railroad Engineer, Steve Conrad, will set up his 1950s era American Flyer train which always excites the youngsters! And we'll display antique toys and dolls, along with old-time holiday decorations. Santa will stop by, too! As always, we partner with the Historic Burlington Business Association and the County of Boone.

Presenter Terry W. Lehmann, author of *The Green Line*, 7pm Thursday, September 15



The Boone County Historical Society is pleased to welcome **Terry Lehmann** to the podium to tell us about the old Green Line buses, and introduce his book about that memorable mode of transportation! The event is co-sponsored by the Boone County Public Library, and is free and open to the public.

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 Northern Kentucky communities. As times changed, the company initiated interstate trolley coach operations and even obtained exclusive rights to serve the CVG on its opening.

Invite your friends — **7pm Thursday, September 15, at the Main Library.**

Hope you can join us there.

Upcoming speakers for 2017 include Dr. Richard Crisler of North Bend, Kentucky and BCHS member Ed VonEye.

ELECTION DRAWING NEAR

As 2016 draws to a close, some of our Officers and Board members will have completed their terms. The current President (Betsy Conrad) and Vice President (Virginia Lainhart) are currently serving their second terms, and may not be re-elected to those positions according to the organization's By-Laws. Therefore the **positions of President and Vice President will have to be filled in January 2017**. If you would be willing to serve in either of these positions, please contact one of the Officers or Board members so that we may place your name on the ballot that will be presented to the members in January.

The Treasurer (Steve Conrad) and Secretary (Pat Yannarella), whose current terms will be completed by our January 2017 meeting, may serve an unlimited number of two-year terms if re-elected by the membership. Both have agreed to continue in these posts should the members concur.

Board members may serve an unlimited number of three-year terms if re-elected by the membership. Betty Poole and Brent Johansen are currently serving the second year of their three-year terms. Ron Buckley is currently serving the first of his three-year term as Board member. Thus no election is required for a Board member position.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT NEEDS FUNDING

Life Scout Joseph Kiely, a member of Troop 727, has proposed a project that involves improving the Graves-Duncan Cemetery in Hebron. Joseph believes there are approximately 9 graves, including those of John Graves, captain of the Culpepper Militia in the Revolutionary War, and who just happens to be his Sixth Great Grandfather!

Joseph states that the overall condition of the cemetery has been in decline for years, that the surrounding fence is rusted and broken, and that at least two headstones are missing (John Graves and his wife Ann Rice). He has received permission from the current property owner to conduct the project.

Joseph is working with the local DAR chapter to apply for a marker, and he is seeking funding for materials, tools and supplies. After removing the old fencing, he hopes to erect a new fence with a gate in front. He has recruited fellow scouts as well as his extended family members to assist with the project. The projected time for completing the project is this November. Joseph has requested and received assistance and advice from **Matt Becher and Bridget Striker**.

The Boone County Historical Society has been asked to donate to the funding of this Life Scout's project. The estimated cost of the fence is \$480, concrete is estimated at \$35, Weed Killer \$75, DAR marker \$300...

Would it be your desire to "Pass the Plate" or approve a donation from our General Fund??? Please be prepared to take action on this request at the September meeting!



PETERSBURG BAPTIST 100TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Petersburg Baptist Church and Pastor and Mrs. Steve Cable have invited the members of the Boone County Historical Society to attend their official 100th anniversary celebration service on Sunday morning, November 6, 2016 .

We greatly appreciate their hosting the Historical Society's "Out-and-About" meeting in July. We were indeed impressed with the presentation of the church's history, as well as the treats and fellowship afterwards. Thank you to **Joseph English**, a member of the church, who has been doing research on the congregation's history.

The baptistry was painted by **Mary Amanda Moore**, the Boone County artist whose peaceful scenes were applied to a number of Boone County churches' murals by that wonderfully talented lady.

The community of Petersburg is located along the Ohio River where the residents enjoy the peacefulness and serenity that draws folks to the town. The church is located at 6537 Market Street.

UPDATE ON HISTORIC MARKER FOR C.C.C. SITE IN WALTON

Betsy & Steve drove to Frankfort on August 30 to deliver the application for the CCC marker to the Kentucky Historical Society (KHS). The application included letters of support from **Senator John Schickel , Representative Sal Santoro, Boone County Judge Executive Gary Moore, Walton Mayor Mark Carnahan, Walton-Verona School Superintendent Robert Storer.** Thanks to each of those officials who prepared the letters.

Our deepest gratitude goes to **Matt Becher** who wrote the application and to **Bridget Striker** who helped in gathering and verifying the documentation that was needed to prepare the application.

Our thanks to **Boone County Historic Marker Chairman Dennis Vesper** who added his signature to the application. Once approval is received from KHS, Dennis and Steve will meet with School Superintendent and the Department of Highways official to determine the exact spot for the placement of the marker.

We should be notified by November 1st whether the application has been approved. The dedication would be held sometime next spring.

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.

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ceed 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,

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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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