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In addition to Sutú, Beethoven and the featured guests September 11 (see poster at right), the 2017 Boone Piano Concert Series ends its season on November 13 with another favorite.

Tom Andes and Rob Doyen will pair up, and Stephens College musical theatre soloists will be featured in "A Broadway Christmas." It is sure to be chock-full of favorite music given the Andes/Doyen sheen we have come to love.

Mark your calendar for this finale, and keep an eye on your *News and Notes* for information about the 2018 concert series. If you are not a regular member of the *Blind Boone Piano Concert Series* audience, you are missing the best-kept entertainment secret in town.

BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

A Boone Piano Concert Series Event

Sutu Forté!

Act 1 - Beethoven's Best

Act 2 - A Tribute to the memory of Irene Haskins

Featuring Paul Pepper, James Mouser & Michael Butterworth

September 11, 2017

7pm

TICKETS \$20 ADULTS \$10 AGES 5-14

Call 573.443.8936 ext 310

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Boone County Historical Society

News & Notes

SEPTEMBER 2017 ~ BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ~ COLUMBIA, MO

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Saturday, September 9 – 10:30 am
 Meet the Author
 Dr. Stephen Watts
JFK and the Masculine Mystique: Sex and Power on the New Frontier

Monday, September 11 – 7:00 pm
 Blind Boone Piano Concert
 Sutú Forte in 2 Acts!

Wednesday, September 13
 Historic Sites Committee Meeting – 1 pm
 OCA Commemorative Poster Party – 5-9 pm

Saturday-Sunday, September 16-17
 Heritage Festival – 10:00 am – 5:00 pm
 Museum, Village and Maplewood Open Access Arts Exhibit Closes in Montminy

Monday, September 18
 Acquisitions Committee Meeting – 1 pm
 Mid-MO Civil War Round Table – 7 pm

Wednesday, September 20 – 6:00 pm
 Sons of Confederate Veterans

Thursday, September 21
 Endowment Trust Board Mtg. – 4:30 pm
 Fiddlers Jam – 5:00 pm

Friday, September 22
 Missouri Watercolor Society Exhibit Opens

Wednesday, September 27 – 4:00 pm
 Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, October 1 – 1:00 – 3:00 pm
 Missouri Watercolor Society Artists Reception

Wednesday, October 4 – 5:30 – 9:00 pm
 2017 Boone County Hall of Fame Black & Gold Gala
 UM Reynolds Alumni Center

Thursday, October 5 – 5:00 pm
 Fiddlers Jam

Friday, October 6 – 6:30-8:00 pm
 Fall Friends of Nifong Park Event
 Family Shelter



Remember these scenes from the Heritage Festival? Don't miss a chance to see more this year.

FREE ADMISSION!
40th Annual Heritage Festival and Craft Show

Columbia's Parks and Recreation Department is celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Heritage Festival and Craft Show in just a weeks time. With the support of the Boone County Historical Society, the Maplewood Barn Theater, the Daughters of the American Revolution and many other groups, the Heritage Festival is a premier public event for many thousands of mid-Missouri citizens. The festival features traditional and roots entertainment on three stages and a handmade craft show. Reenactors, artisans and tradesmen dressed in 19th century attire will demonstrate their "lost" trades and sell their wares. Other features of this year's Heritage Festival include a cowboy camp and an expanded mountain man camp. Families will be able to ride on a hayride around the park and try out traditional crafts and games in the "Fun For Young'uns" area.

When: Saturday & Sunday, September 16 & 17, 2017 10 am - 5 pm
Where: Historic Frank G. Nifong Memorial Park, 3700 Ponderosa St. (Hwy 63 S & AC/Grindstone Parkway exit west)

Parking: Shuttle parking, take Discovery Parkway exit west off Highway 63. Shuttle lots will be available at Gans Creek Recreation Area, 3360 E. Gans Road, south of Nifong Park. Shuttles will drop you off at the Boone County Historical Museum inside the park.

Program: For a map, stage show schedule, arts and crafts demonstrations, tours of the Museum, Maplewood House and Village at Boone Junction, go to como.gov/parksandrec/activities_and_programs/heritage-festival

Modernizing Our Bylaws

The complete rewriting of our bylaws is nearing completion. Both the BCHS Board of Directors and the Endowment Trustees will be asked to vote to approve the bylaws committee's final draft at their September or October meetings. If approved by the two boards the bylaws will be submitted to the members for vote at the membership meeting in December. Any member wishing to receive a copy or discuss the proposed new bylaws should contact Bill Powell by phone (443-3141) or email (powell@smithlewis.com).

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What's happening in the Museum and Galleries?

By Chris Campbell

- **Peters Heating and Air Conditioning** completed their installation of donated air conditioning units for both the McQuitty and Ryland homes. BCHS received \$11,000 worth of equipment and labor through the generosity of Peters' Service Manager Steve Teson, Koch Air Sales Representative Pat Simms and the Carrier Air Conditioning Foundation. Just in time for this year's Heritage Festival, both homes will not only keep our docents comfortable but our furnishings and artifacts will be better safeguarded and preserved through climate control.
- The **Stables Tour Committee** has now secured four major sponsors for the October 14 event, the 3rd Annual Boone County Stables Tour. **Orscheln Farm & Home** joins Veterans United, IMMVAC, and BMW/Mercedes Benz Gary Drewing Automotive. Tickets are on sale now for this important fundraising event and this year all five of the 'stables' are clustered around the Hwy 63 and Hwy 163 area within about 4 miles of each other. That should make for easy driving. Bring the kids and visit our stables before you go to the Pumpkin Festival later that day and further on south!
- You know from a previous edition of this column that the Boone County Community Trust and the Heinkel Foundation both contributed to provide BCHS with the funds necessary to change out all the 27-yr-old incandescent track lighting in the exhibits area and the museum store area with new LED track lighting. Last week our great friend, **Larry Slates, owner of Mid Missouri Electric** directed his employees to install the new equipment for us. The change creates a cleaner, brighter and more contemporary look to the lighting in the first 10,000 square feet of the museum. Lower electric bills will be a bonus. Thank you, Mid Missouri Electric!
- **Hall of Fame Black and Gold Gala** tickets are going fast. If you want to have a dinner seat, be sure to go to BooneHistory.org and order your tickets soon. We're delighted to tell you that **Stoney Creek Inn & Conference Center** has generously provided our guest start emcee, Mark Walberg, with a complimentary hotel room and **Veterans United** has chosen to underwrite Mr. Walberg's appearance and is our official Guest Emcee Sponsor.
- The staff is pleased to announce the hiring of two, new front desk receptionists, **Sydney Simmons** and **Julie Hilboldt**. Both are seniors at MU and will be taking many of the shifts between Thursday and Sunday each week and through April of 2018. We are also pleased to tell you that MU sophomore **Nathan Owens**, a history major and an Undergraduate Fellow of the Kinder Institute on

Constitutional Democracy, is our Fall 2017 Intern at BCHS. Nathan carries a 4.0 gpa and like Nathan, Sydney and Julie's list of awards, recognitions and leadership positions at Mizzou are lengthy. We are fortunate to have three outstanding students working with us this year.

- Our Montminy Gallery has a new sign that welcomes you at the entrance to the breezeway. The etched silver and glass gives the entrance a contemporary look. Thank you, **Bill Crawford**, for making this possible.
- Boone Museum & Galleries is the site of this year's annual **'Celebration of the Arts'**. The event is a fundraiser produced by the Columbia Office of Cultural Affairs and a citizen planning committee to raise funds for the Columbia Arts Fund. The Arts Fund is still young, but will someday be providing grants to arts organizations like BCHS. The event is September 13 and tickets are still available at the Office of Cultural Affairs.
- Nearly 150 folks from all over the United States made use of Nifong Park for their August 21 Solar Eclipse viewing. Many drove in from Iowa and other nearby states to see "totality" and more than 40 tourists visited our museum.
- For the first time, the McQuitty House will have an exhibit for the Heritage Festival. A working committee has been planning all spring and summer and will a local black history exhibit will debut at the Festival. "The First Five", and modest photo exhibit describing the first five black police officers to be hired to the Columbia Police Department will be featured in the home's front room. Many thanks to **Barbra Horrell, John Kelly, Mike Lynch, Byron Smith** and **Bill Thompson** for their efforts. Their plans are to substitute new exhibits in the house every spring and summer.
- **Lily Callahan** of Harrisburg won the 1st Annual Boone County History Scholars Essay Contest two years ago. Today she is a sophomore at Harrisburg High School and last week she promoted the \$1,000 college scholarship contest, successfully persuading an entire 8th-grade classroom to participate. Way to go Lily! This year's essay contest winners will be announced on the day of the Stables Tour, October 14. Every eight-grader in Boone County is eligible.



(Electricians from Mid-Missouri Electric install the museum's new LED track lighting.)

Meet the Author

September MTA moved up a week — September 9

Dr. Steve Watts to discuss JFK's "Masculine Mystique"



The August SMALL Talk speaker, Alicia Simmons (Freshman at Rock Bridge High School), made an impact on her audience as she talked about discovering her writing self. Her message about discovering the importance of making herself proud reached far beyond her years.

Dr. Bill Downey, Jr. and his sister Dawn Downey enchanted the crowd; joining forces to discuss their late father's book, *Tom Bass: Black Horseman* for Meet the Author. Former slave, Tom Bass became an internationally known Premier saddle horse trainer. The showman broke through multiple barriers and was also known for inventing the Bass bit (still used today). The Downey's stories about their father and their experiences encountering those whose lives he changed were touching. Janet M. Thompson and Tom Bass (not the aforementioned Tom Bass) also briefly shared a presentation on the impact the horseman, Tom Bass, made on the horse world.

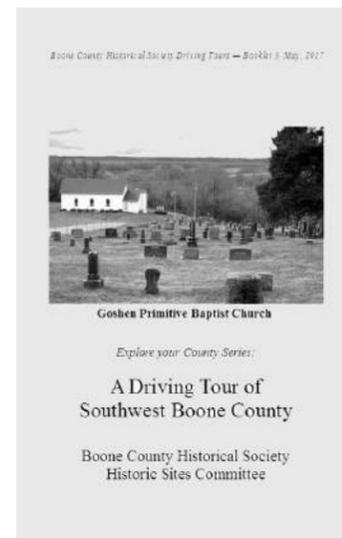
September's Meet the Author event will be moved a weekend early, in order to avoid conflict with the Heritage Festival. On September 9, Dr. Steve Watts will discuss his latest title, *JFK and the Masculine Mystique: Sex and Power on the New Frontier*. Watts is known for his writings on American cultural history. Other publications include biographical works on Walt Disney, Henry Ford and Hugh Hefner.

Doors open at 9:30 a.m.

Admission and Coffee are FREE!

Harold's Doughnuts (\$1, \$2, & \$3) available beginning at 10:00 a.m.

The presentations will begin at 10:30 a.m.



Third Driving Tour guide book is available at front desk

The Historic Sites Committee has produced the third of a planned series of five driving tour guide books of historic sites in the county. The three books cover the northwest, southeast and southwest quadrants of the county.

The two remaining books will cover the northeast quadrant and Columbia. There is a modest charge of \$1.00 for the booklets to help cover the cost of printing.

The Boone County Museum and Galleries are located at 3801 Ponderosa St, Columbia, MO 65201
Museum Hours: 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday through Saturday
12 Noon—4:30 p.m. Sunday
Phone: (573) 443-8936
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Genealogical Society News

By Rob Taylor

Did you know – we recently received a donation of 25-30 books from Carolyn Johnson of Columbia, which were part of her mother's (Marjory Goodwin Bearg) collection. The collection consists of Mayflower descendants, Early Emigrations and Colonists, several family histories: including the Bumpas Family, Goodwin Family History, Randall and Allied Families, and Wyckoff Family. In this collection there is also a History of St. Lawrence County New York, Marriages in Vermont, and Gravestone inscriptions of New Hampshire.

Our October 3 meeting will feature J.D. Smith's presentation of "It's All 'Dutch' to Me: Using the Sounds of German to Improve Your German-American Research." Have you ever come across a German or German-speaking ancestor in U. S. records, only to find their name spelled five different ways? Those "misspellings" might be important clues.

Because many U. S. records before 1890 used phonetic rather than actual spellings for names, learning the basic sounds of German can help untangle even the trickiest of these situations, and may even help you learn useful details about your ancestor's German-language heritage or even their place of origin.

This talk will cover the sounds of spoken German, a few regional dialects, how to use those sounds to decode difficult records in both English and German, and the basics of reading German-language church records.

We meet the first Tuesday each month, except August, at 7:00 p.m. at the Boone Electric Building at 1413 Rangeline Street, Columbia. We operate the Wilson-Wulff Genealogical and History Library in the Boone County Historical Museum. Membership benefits include meeting people with shared interests, research trips, monthly programs, quarterly journal, and a newsletter. Individual membership costs just \$20 per year! Learn more at boonecomogen.org.

Genealogical Quicksand

By Charles Hargrove

It all started with my mistaking Alva as a man's name! This will be the fourth issue with some iteration of that subject.

Last month dealt with Laura Crane (another familiar Boone County surname) correcting yet another of my mistakes. Laura sent me a nice note about that article, which got me thinking – didn't my first wife, the mother of my two sons, have a Crane somewhere in her lineage? Proud of myself for remembering a clue from many years ago,

I decided to devote a full five minutes to research. A quick "GOOGLE" revealed she was related to the Cranes – her mother's maiden name was Crane! Of course I once knew that, but like so many things, all the things I've learned in the past tend to get crowded out by all the new things I've learned in more recent years! It has nothing to do with age!!!

Proud of connecting my kids (ages 38 and 40) to one of the most respected (and numerous) names in Boone County, I decided to do another five minutes of research. I looked in Anywho.com, an online phone number information site for six names in the Ashland/Columbia areas. The results are: Acton – 71; Pauley – 71; Nichols – 101; Cunningham – 56; Easley – 37; Cranes – 78.

My disclaimer is that this is simply a count of the number of these names listed in the quoted source. It doesn't prove anything, except what most southern Boone County folks know – dang, there's a lot of Nichols down there!

Wanted! Historic Sites!

By Dianne Hart Miller

Do you have an interesting house, commercial building, or whatever, with historical significance in your neighborhood, anywhere in Boone County? Would you like to see it recognized by the rest of the county? If you think you might have a suggestion for a nomination for a Boone County Historic Site, we'd love to hear from you. Just contact Dianne Miller, Chairman of Historic Sites, at 573-445-2453, or dill@aol.com.



(Some of the 150 visitors to Nifong Park who came for the Solar Eclipse on August 21)

Volunteer Opportunity!! Heritage Festival September 16-17

By Carolyn Doyle

We're scheduling folks to help with our BCHS venues for the Heritage Festival for Saturday September 16 and Sunday the 17th. I've sent out a list from last year, and if I missed you, let me know. If you're new and would like to volunteer, we need you!

Volunteers are scheduled in three shifts each day, 9:30 AM-12 noon; 11:45-2:00, and 1:45-4:30 PM. Boone Village, which includes the McQuitty House, Ryland House, Gordon Cabin and Easley Store, needs one or two people for each building per shift. Maplewood House needs one person per shift for each of six rooms downstairs and four rooms up. A few will work more than one shift, but that's still a lot of people!

We provide 'cheat-sheets' for each venue, plus you get free parking as a volunteer!

If you're interested in this fun event, or just want more information, please contact me: Carolyn Doyle, carolynddoyle@netscape.net or 573-881-6376, cell or 573-445-1381, land line.

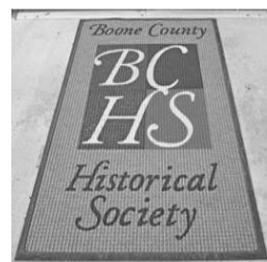
Silver Desired

Laura Crane reports that furnishing the Village's Ryland House for the Heritage Festival is proceeding nicely. For setting the table they have "Depression Glass" settings with plates, cups, tumblers, etc. While they have a few pieces of "silver", really silverplate flatware, it would be great to have more for more a more authentic look. If you have some silverware that looks like farm families used in the early 1900s, please bring it by the museum for it to be considered for accession. Please note that not every item donated will be utilized.

Be sure to mark September 16 & 17 for you and your family to attend this year's event. It's going to be a great event.

Welcome New Members

Please help us welcome this new member to our Society, and help recruit others to join us.



Tim Trogdon

Please make it a goal to each month invite at least one person to join you as a member of our Society.

Major Gifts in August

- Bruce & Betsy Odle**
\$1,500 Bronze Sponsorship for Hall of Fame Gala
- Betsy Peters**
\$500 Summer Give donation
- Gary & Carol Smith**
\$500 Friend of the Hall of Fame Gala
- Dick & Donna Otto**
\$500 Friend of the Hall of Fame Gala
- Marvin & Kathleen Sapp**
\$1,000 Friend of the Hall of Fame Gala
- Valerie Shaw**
\$400 to purchase a new display case for the museum
- Wilson & Jan Beckett**
\$1,000 to underwrite the Valet at the Gala
- Mike & Bobbie Matthes**
\$1,000 Table Sponsor for the Gala
- Shelter Insurance Foundation**
\$1,000 Stables Tour Sponsorship
- MFA Inc. Charitable Foundation**
\$500 Friends of the Stables Tour
- Fox Run Properties**
\$250 Corporate membership renewal
- Veterans United**
Hall of Fame Gala Guest Emcee Underwriter
- Orscheln Farm & Home**
Stables Tour Venue Sponsor
- Dave Griggs Flooring America**
\$2,000 donation to a flooring project
- Peter's Heating & Air Conditioning/Carrier Foundation**
\$11,000 in materials and labor to install AC in two Village venues

New Acquisitions

Acquisitions Committee

- Verna and Jim Rhodes** - cast iron dutch oven, medical book;
- Anonymous donors** - Gillaspie Drug Co. box, photo of 1964 Sinclair Nursing School, 1920 & 1925 MU Commencement programs in leather, 1923 Missourian newspaper, 1875 Christian College Report Card;
- Carolyn Spier**—Easley Store painting;
- Carol and Charlie Lee** - 1870s Wilcox and Gibbs sewing machine;
- Raithel Collection** - 2 riding crops;
- Alan Easley** - hand-made, small wooden chair, c. 1825;
- Marilyn and Charlie Hargrove** - child's warming dish, MFA Glass jar, wood and metal toy;
- Richard and Rose Ditter** - MKT Spike sculpture, curling irons;
- Mary Helen Allen** - traffic gard lantern;
- Barbara Spencer** - 1918 Kansas City Star newspaper announcing the end of WWI;
- Jackie Glenn** - Two Mile Prairie School photo

Midway Locust Grove UMC Bicentennial finale Sept. 29-Oct. 2

After a nearly year-long celebration of its founding 200 years ago, Midway Locust Grove will conclude its observance with a long weekend of activities September 29 through October 2.

Here is the schedule of activities:

Friday, September 29. At 5:00 p.m., the band *Ironweed* will play, followed by a barbecue dinner at 6:00. The evening also will feature a portrayal of a visit by the Rev. John Scripps, who was circuit rider for the Boonslick Circuit in 1817-1818.

Saturday, 6:00 p.m.: A carry-in dinner will be followed by a musical and narrative history of the church, presented by the church choir.

Sunday: Regular worship service, followed by snacks and fellowship.

Monday, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.: Tour of the Locust Grove Cemetery, conducted by Dana Bocke of the Daniel Boone Regional Library, discussing the customs, art and symbols used in the evolution of American cemeteries.

Friends of Rocheport Mum Sale September 15-17, 2017 Rocheport Community Hall



Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Please note that the Mum Sale will end at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Tomato relish and Friends of Rocheport t-shirts and sweatshirts will also be available for sale.

Proceeds help support the Friends of Rocheport Museum

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2017 The 3rd Annual Boone County
Stables Tour
Saturday, October 14
9:30 am - 3 pm
Tickets on Sale Now!

FEATURING
LionHeart Riding Academy
Equine Medical Services
Cedar Creek Therapeutic Riding Center
Stephens College Equestrian Center
Jim Dudley Quarter Horses

TICKET PRICES
Family Pack: \$50 2 adults & 2 kids (additional children: \$5 each)
Adults: \$20
Children 7-14: \$10
Children 6 & Under: Free

Buy your tickets at Boone County Museum, McAdams' Ltd or online at BooneHistory.org

Go to www.BooneHistory.org for more information.

Jim Dudley on National Champion Tullula Can Hula

WWW Websites of Interest:

B.C.H.S. Facebook Page:
www.facebook.com/boonehistory

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http://boonehistory.blogspot.com

Centralia Historical Society Museum:
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http://www.dbrl.org/community

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www.extension.missouri.edu/learnforlife

Museum of Art and Archeology:
www.maa.missouri.edu

State Historical Society: www.shsmo.org

*Fellow citizens, we cannot escape history. We of this Congress and this administration will be remembered in spite of ourselves.
Abraham Lincoln, 1862
Message to Congress*

Historic Street Names

By Charles Hargrove

One lesson I learned from thirty-four years in local government is "Don't screw around with street names or memorial locations"!!! Maybe that's two lessons.

Many Columbia streets developed gradually, over many years in separate sections. The best example is Rock Quarry, College, Price, Tandy Avenue! As you can imagine, such naming creates many problems, particularly for the postal service and emergency services. However, public sentiment against any name change was almost 100%. That's how I first learned about the historic significance of street names.

One of the more thoughtful attorneys in town, David Rogers, had a simple suggestion for such problems. His idea was to rename the street to a single official name and attach a brown sign beneath showing the historic names. Thus, College, Price, Tandy became, "College Avenue" for addresses and locations on emergency response location systems.

I would be remiss if I didn't point out that another series of street names on what should probably a single name is Worley; Rogers; Hinkson; Country Club! Yes, David's family name was on one of these. The city council at the time was only brave enough to tackle one problem. Modern computer (continued next column)

Bill Clark Goes Digital

By Charles Hargrove

The volunteer docent and Blind Boone Piano Concert Series promoter, emcee, newsletter reporter, etc., has taken his writing to the internet. For someone who's age is four score and something, acquiring a computer and going online is a big deal. It deserves mention in our newsletter, not only because Bill is a long time volunteer and supporter, his columns include one a week about birding; one a week about local history going back to 1824; and a thrice-weekly general interest column covering subjects such as weightlifting, major league baseball (Bill was a pro-ball scout), theater, music and interviews with area citizens from all backgrounds.

You can check out Bill's web page at: patreon.com/YeOldClark I'm looking forward to continue reading his items. Now that he's stepped up to the digital age with a computer, is anyone taking bets on how long it will take him to get a cell phone?

technology has taken care of most of the postal and emergency response problems, so, as my mama used to say, "Let sleeping dogs lie"!

Where did the name of your street originate. If it has a place in Boone County history, email me a brief description of how the name originated. We'll try to work it in to a newsletter.

Friends of Rocheport celebrate 50 years preserving town's history

A group of proud residents of Rocheport celebrated 50 years of preserving the history of the town and its surrounding area on Sunday, August 20. The following day, the sun went dark in homage to the group's efforts.

While a variety of activities, from face painting, to games, musical performances, and refreshments were featured throughout the town, the focal point of the celebration was



under a tent on the lawn next to the town's museum.

Bill Clark was emcee for the day, and told the history of the town in a series of comments interspersed with music from the musical group *The Meanwells*.



A passing bicyclist tries to catch a few of Bill Clark's words, above. At left, Monet Lite shares the speaker's role in the event.

Sharing the speaking duties with Clark was Monet Lite, who recounted her many years of involvement with the Rocheport Museum.

The Museum also was open for visitors. Friends of Rocheport membership is open to all persons and businesses interested in the historical preservation of the Rocheport area.