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 History Makers Gala**

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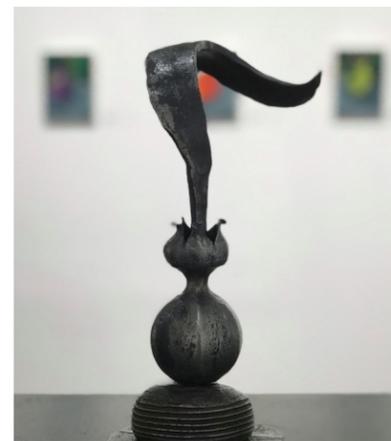
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**2019
 ANNUAL REPORT
 Boone County Historical Society**



Boone County History & Culture Center

Home of the Boone County Historical Society



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2019 Statistical Summary

Children visiting the Center, Maplewood and the Village	870*
Tickets sold to 2019 Blind Boone Concerts	450
Total Visitors to the Center, Maplewood House, Village	12,800*
'Traveling Trunk' 4th grade participants	600*
Docents and Volunteers	85*
Volunteer Hours	2,900+*
Members including all individuals in family memberships	1,060
Corporate Members and Donors	45
New Members since January 1, 2019	370
Instagram Followers in January 2019	217
Instagram Followers in December 2019	837
Facebook Follows in January 2019	2,282
Facebook Follows in December 2019	3,018

*Estimated numbers

Grant Support

New Grant Funding

\$4,311—City of Columbia Office of Cultural Affairs for fiscal 2020. The monies granted are for supporting art exhibits in the Montminy, the Blind Boone Concert Series, the Traveling Trunk and history exhibits.

\$13,500—Boone County Community Trust. The trust issued this award on November 15, 2019, and it will be invested in three, new 3-ton and 5-ton HVAC units in the Boone County History & Culture Center. The units being replaced are all between 28 and 30 years old. The work should be completed by December 15.

\$1,500—Columbia's Northwest Rotary Foundation. This foundation granted \$1,500 to assist with a new \$3,100 air conditioning unit. These monies will be combined with the \$13,500 from the Boone County Community Trust for the installations scheduled for early December.

Active Grant Funding

\$20,000—Boone County Commissioners provided this supplemental grant funding in 2019 for both general operations and for continuing work on digitizing early Boone County Records while pursuing a future online archival system. \$10,000 was granted for each.

\$9,384—Fiscal 2020 (July 2019—June 2020). The Missouri Arts Council informed BCHS of this award in early November 2019. The funds are designated for all arts-related activities, but not for history or humanities related programming. The art gallery, the Meet the Author series and the Boone Piano concerts are all supported.

Completed Grant Funding

\$9,717—Fiscal 2019 (July 2018—June 2019). The Missouri Arts Council provided funds that support the Montminy Art Gallery, Meet the Author and the Blind Boone Piano Concert Series.

\$4,435—City of Columbia Office of Cultural Affairs Commission granted these monies for October 2018 through September 2019 for programs in the Montminy, the Blind Boone Concert Series, *the Adventures of the Traveling Trunk* and history exhibits.

\$4,000—The Columbia Convention & Visitors Bureau provided this funding in early 2019 for use in redesigning and upgrading the infrastructure and search engine optimization capabilities of the website, www.boonehistory.org.

Annual Membership Meeting Agenda

President Bill Powell presiding, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., December 5

Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held December 13, 2018
Motion for approval

Treasurer's 2019 Financial Report on behalf of the Board of Directors
Motion for approval

Endowment Trust Board Report

Executive Director's 2019 Annual Report

Nominations and Election of Board Members for 2020-2022

President's Comments, Service Awards and Acknowledgements,
and Introduction of new Board President for 2020-2021

Adjournment

Financial Summary November 1, 2018 – October 31, 2019

Checking Account Balances, November 1, 2018	\$11,886
Income (Nov 2018 – Oct 2019)	\$405,544
Expenses (Nov 2018 – Oct 2019)	\$390,324
Total Investment Equity	\$861,593
Total Assets	\$1,994,101
Total Liabilities	\$50,381
Checking Account Balances, October 31, 2019	\$38,228

Income

Memberships	\$55,950
Donations	\$84,016
Grants	\$49,488
Center	\$13,425
Center Store	\$7,373
Montminy Gallery	\$24,244
Maplewood House	\$16,429
Concerts	\$15,844
Hall of Fame	\$95,990
Boone Village	\$716
Endowment Trust	\$24,450
Photo Lab Fundraiser	\$10,112
Meet the Author	\$2,143
Other	\$5,364
Total	\$405,544

Expense

Advertising	\$21,837
Hall of Fame	\$47,577
Concerts	\$13,409
Maintenance	\$7,759
Material Grant Expense	\$5,646
Insurance	\$13,122
Membership Mailings	\$4,508
Newsletter	\$7,783
Office Supplies & Postage	\$7,106
IT/Hardware & Security	\$11,957
Personnel (with taxes)	\$144,271
Utilities	\$17,799
Collections & Exhibits	\$17,305
Center Store	\$4,981
Maplewood House	\$5,149
Montminy Gallery	\$10,539
Boone Village	\$3,470
Other	\$46,106
Total	\$390,324



Boone County History & Culture Center Minutes of the Boone County Historical Society Annual Meeting December 13, 2018

The Boone County Historical Society Annual Meeting was held at the Boone County History & Culture Center in the Montminy Gallery on Thursday evening December 13, 2018. Social hour was held at 5 p.m., with covered dish dinner at 5:30 p.m. Dinner was followed by business session called to order by President Bill Powell. President Powell declared a quorum, with over 40 in attendance.

Each in attendance received the 2018 Annual Report of Boone County Historical Society, Minutes of 2017 Annual Meeting, a 2018 Financial Report, as well as a general review of 2018.

President Powell began by announcing that BCHS was named the Best Non-Profit, Best Art Gallery and Best Museum in latest voting by *Columbia Tribune* readers.

Wilson Beckett moved to approve 2017 Annual Membership Meeting Minutes as circulated. The motion was seconded by Dan Viets and the motion passed.

Jim Marberry, BCHS board treasurer, gave a summary of fiscal year financials and total assets, thanking members for support by their donations and support of the concerts. Marberry also noted possibility of contributing from required RMD of IRA with substantial saving. No action was taken on this report which is filed for audit.

Tom Pauley, treasurer of BCHS Endowment Trust, gave report on the Trust finances and noted the Hall of Fame proceeds were not yet included in figures.

Chris Campbell, BCHS executive director, gave the annual report of the Society, stating that he was thankful for the privilege of serving for four and a half years as director. Also Campbell noted that regrets were received from board members Dick Otto, recovering from heart procedure and Charlie Lee with back issues. He stated the Hall of Fame inductees, Norm Stewart, Eliot and Muriel Battle and Boone Electric Cooperative were outstanding and the Hall of Fame gala held in November 2018 was the best ever.

Financials as stated in the report did not include Hall of fame auction proceeds and more, which now have been estimated by Campbell as an additional \$53,000.

Campbell praised Janet Thompson for the Stables Tour success with 300 children benefiting. Meet the Author and exhibits for the year were excellent, thanks especially for the efforts of Laurel Wilson and Ryan Noffke, Facility Manager. In addition, BCHS was the only museum in the nation to produce a *Fake News* exhibit. CoMoGives has 122 choices for donations and BCHS set a goal of \$15,000. Campbell noted one concern, the parking lot needs repairing and the bid is currently \$49,000.

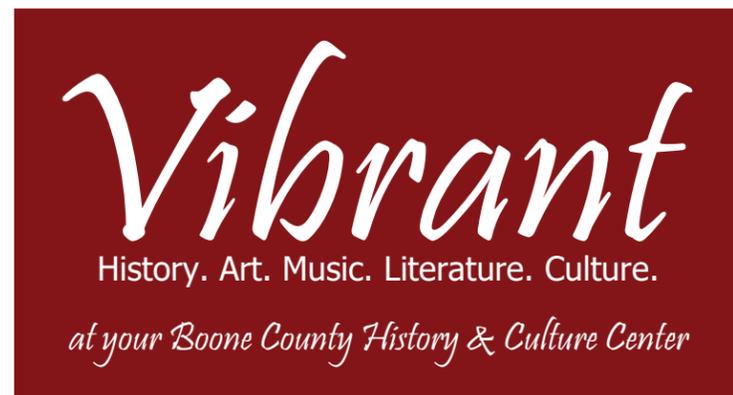
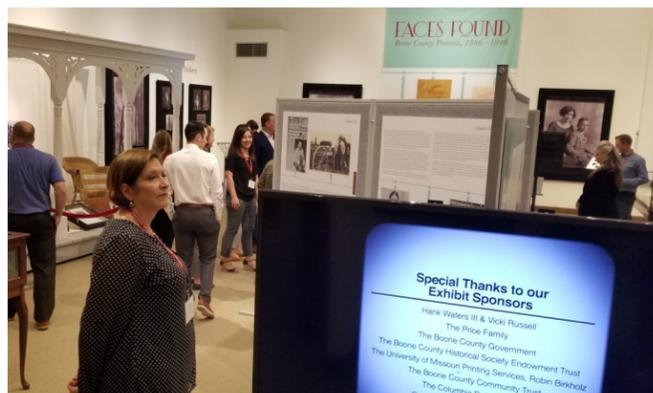
President Powell introduced Julie Kalaitzandonakes, chair of the "Traveling Trunk" program, which provides historical education to Boone County fourth graders. Kalaitzandonakes visits with schools and sets appointments, then committee members assist with presentations. These are shared with students, letting them see and examine articles from a by-gone era. Any one wishing to assist is encouraged to volunteer.

President Powell then introduced five candidates nominated by the Board Committee, to serve three year terms on the BCHS Board of Directors: Carolyn Doyle, Charlie Lee, Karen Miller, Andy Waters and Lisa Weil. Powell spoke briefly about each nominee to acquaint the membership with the individual. With no additional nominee from the floor, Gary Smith moved to accept the slate of five candidates by acclamation. Cleo Kottwitz seconded the motion which was passed.

Retiring board members Joan Bay and Karen Moore were recognized for their service. Mike Lynch, Nancy Thomas, Dick Otto and Karen Miller were noted for their invaluable help at BCHS, and work by staff members Kate Gray, Rebecca Grant, Bethanie Irons and Noffke was praised as exceptional.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Marjorie Motley, Board Secretary



2019 Highlights

This year marked the second full year for our building's new identity - The Boone County History & Culture Center. Our home is aptly named when considering all of the magnificent art exhibits, literary and music events that take place under its' roof.

Yet our activities spread beyond the Center. The *Adventures of the Traveling Trunk* program brought history into the hands of hundreds of students in Columbia and Boone County area schools.

Once again our executive director partnered with the Columbia Cemetery for a look into the lives of prominent citizens from the past in a Memorial Day event featuring reenactors. We also honored the contributions of the late Don Faurot, Buchroeders Jewelry, and Judge Ann Covington when we inducted them into the Boone County Hall of Fame at our annual gala.

The Society partnered with Barnes & Noble in Columbia to produce future *Meet the Author* events. Barnes & Noble will be booking authors and introducing them at these thought-provoking Saturday morning discussions.

The *Faces Found: Boone County Portraits 1886—1940* exhibit, created by volunteers Karen M. Miller, Mary Waters, Tim Trogdon, Laurel and Howard Wilson, Nancy Thomas, director Chris Campbell, and many others, received notice in the nation's preeminent museum trade magazine, *Museum*.

She Got the Vote, an incredibly informative and educational exhibit, centered on the centennial of the nation's 19th amendment opened in September. It has since received wonderful reviews and feedback from those who have visited the exhibit. It was co-produced with the guidance and assistance of the local League of Women Voters.

Board director Karen M. Miller led the board and the trustees in a dramatically successful membership drive this summer that recruited 330 new members to the Historical Society.

The Henry (Hank) J. Waters III Digital Imaging Lab has now digitized over 6,000 vintage Columbia glass plate photography negatives, thanks to the efforts of 20 community volunteers.

There were also two terrific events of note: the Heart of American Marathon began and ended its course in *The Village at Boone Junction* and Aina Cook headlined our first-ever *Blind Boone Piano Series* outdoor concert.



From the Desk of the President

The view is scintillating from up here. We seem to me to be approaching a sort of summit with the progress over the last few years for the Boone County Historical Society. I ended last year's message to the members by saying that I hoped 2019 would be even better than 2018 was, "although that's kind of hard to imagine." Well, we made it so. We've had a tremendous surge in membership. Our profile in the community is now as one of the top museums, galleries, and entertainment venues in central Missouri, and we as a charitable organization are recognized as one of the best around. Our annual Hall of Fame gala has become one of the top social events of the year. I've had the great good fortune over the past four years as your Vice President and then President to have helped reshape our governance, hopefully positioning us for even greater things in the future. Just before becoming President I chaired a committee to revamp our bylaws and did the drafting. My efforts as President primarily have been presiding over a delightful group of directors on your Board and working with our many committees of volunteers, nudging them along. All these people are deeply committed to helping our organization thrive, and their multifaceted contributions as volunteers cannot be overstated or appreciated enough. I'm talking about all of you.

Executive Director Chris Campbell and all of our staff are equally remarkable. Volunteer organizations like ours thrive best when they have paid staff on the job seeing to operations and taking action in pursuit of our mission. To have staff as strongly committed to our work and as thoughtful and creative as each of ours is contributes greatly to our success. Thanks to our relatively good overall financial picture at year's end (although of course significant challenges remain) and your board's determination to do what we are able to do to recognize and reward the dedication of our staff, we have approved establishing a retirement plan benefit for them, effective January 1, 2020, to which, if they choose to participate, both they and we will contribute.

This year, in my role as pushing our updated governance model, I've focused upon creating better historical records for our own decisions, functions, and achievements. We have more and somewhat better organized written records now of the activities of our many committees, and have made a start on compiling a volunteerism handbook. I hope this work continues over the next couple of years. In the meantime, if you'd like to know what any of the committees have been up to recently, or what particular volunteer jobs involve, it's now much easier for your officers and directors to tell you and for us to help coordinate that work.

From my personal perspective, as one who has had considerable responsibility for the organization's governance for the past two years, here are some of the things we've achieved that I feel are of the greatest significance.

- We now have a system of annual goal-setting for the Executive Director and the organization, and evaluate the E.D.'s performance primarily against those goals, as required by our bylaws and his contract.
- We have twice now extended Chris's contract, so that at present his contract extends through the end of 2021.
- Thanks primarily to Karen Miller's organizational efforts, our membership has swelled by more than 300 just this year.
- The nomination process for directors and officers and trustees is resulting in leadership for BCHS that is more dynamic, energetic, and diverse in various ways while keeping rock-solid ties with our own history.
- Our organizational structure seems well-equipped to accommodate and assist with the great proliferation of activity of various kinds that we are seeing, including just this year our first outdoor concert and hosting the Heart of America Marathon, just to name a couple. We have truly become a hotbed of both history and culture, with authors, musicians, painters, photographers, historians, and researchers all feeling and being welcome here.

You'll get more numbers and other information elsewhere in this annual report. I trust they will back up these words from me.

We have a little farther to climb yet to achieve all we can, but we are making great progress, as a well-functioning team. Thanks to each of you for all you personally have done. Keep it up; we are getting there. It has been a great pleasure serving you in this role.

Bill Powell