
◆ Boone Co. Historical Society ◆

Editor: Betsy R. Conrad

September—October 2005

Volunteers needed for historical projects

The Boone County Public Library is looking for enthusiastic history-oriented volunteers to assist with the Local History and Genealogy Collection. Projects include indexing, transcribing oral histories, organizing donations and other activities relating to the day-to-day operations of the collection.

Whether you have a few hours to spare or are looking for something worthwhile to keep you active, please consider volunteering at the Boone County Public Library.

Please contact Bridget Striker at 384-5550 Ext. 33 if you would like to volunteer.

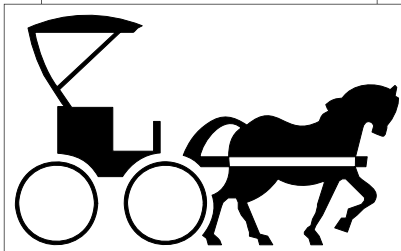


Historical Society Programs to be recorded

The Society recently purchased a digital video camera so that VHS copies of our programs will soon be available for checkout at the Boone County Public Library Scheben Branch.



THE MISSION STATEMENT OF THE BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY WILL BE TO DEVELOP AWARENESS AND PROMOTE APPRECIATION OF THE HISTORY OF BOONE COUNTY.



COPIES OF *BOONE COUNTY: FROM MASTODONS TO THE MILLENNIUM*, THE LIBRARY-QUALITY HARD-BOUND VOLUME FULL OF FASCINATING STORIES AND PICTURES OF BOONE COUNTY'S HISTORY, ARE AVAILABLE DURING BUSINESS HOURS AT FLORENCE GOVERNMENT CENTER FOR \$20. ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

September 15 topic: Genealogy Research with LDS

Pam Durstock with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will present a program on researching your family history and the genealogy resources available at the nearby LDS Family History Libraries on Buttermilk Pike and in Norwood.

The program will be held at 7 pm Thursday, September 15, at the Florence Government Center in Community Room C.

Kiger Trial to be repeated at Scheben

For those who could not attend the **reenactment of the Joan Kiger Trial of 1943** at the Courthouse in July, the play will be repeated on Thursday, September 22 at 7pm at the Boone County Public Library Scheben Branch. The Library is handicap-accessible.



Subscribe to the Northern Kentucky Heritage Magazine — only \$15 / year for this high-quality, semi-annual publication. Visit www.kenton.lib.ky.us/~histsoc or call 859/431-2666.

Genealogy Gems in the Boone County Library

Excerpted by Laurie Wilcox

Below are some transcriptions of Boone County information from books in the library.

Kentucky: A History of the State.

William Henry Perrin, et al, 7th ed., 1887.

Boone Co. Biographies transcribed by Laurie Wilcox, k r976.9 perr

JOSIAH G. FURNISH, M. D., was born October 27, 1853, in New Liberty, Owen Co., Ky., and is the only son of Absalom and Sarah (Gale) Furnish, natives of Gallatin County and Lexington, Ky. Absalom Furnish, after his removal from Gallatin to Owen County, was engaged in mercantile business at New Liberty until his death in 1857. Josiah G. Furnish received a collegiate education at Harrisburg, and studied medicine under Dr. W. H. Blanton, at Union, Boone County. He was graduated from the Ohio Medical College in 1877, and in 1887 attended lectures at Bellevue, N. Y. He began practice at Union, Boone County, in 1877, and in 1880 moved to Burlington. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and is much respected in his community.

JOHN T. CRAVEN was born in Boone County, Ky., August 8, 1824. He is a son of Benjamin and Cynthia (Markland) Craven. Benjamin Craven was born in Nicholas County, Ky., February 4, 1792, and was a son of Jeremiah Craven, a native of Virginia. Cynthia Markland was born in Ohio, February 13, 1798, a daughter of Gharey Markland. Benjamin moved to Ohio with his parents at about the age of eight years; they moved back to Kentucky and settled near Burlington, Boone County. He was a farmer by occupation, and followed the same all his life. January 21, 1819, he married, and raised a family of ten children--five sons and five daughters, viz: Washington, Noah, John T., Levina, Lucinda, William B., Jeremiah, Elizabeth, Elmire and Parmelia F., two of whom are dead, Washington and Jeremiah. John T. Craven was brought up on the farm, and received most of his early education at Burlington, Ky. He

settled where he now resides in 1881, and has 177 acres of valuable land; he also owns other valuable land in Boone County. November 3, 1853, he married Jane A. Mirick, a daughter of Col. Dorchester H. and Martha (Porter) Mirick, of Boone County. He and his wife are members of the Universalist Church. Politically, Mr. Craven is a Republican.



OSCAR W. GAINES was born in Boone County, March 17, 1853, and is a son of J. A. and Martha (Lyne) Gaines. J. A. Gaines was the son of William; William was the son of George, and George the son of Harry Gaines, the great-great-grandfather of Oscar W. The father of our subject was a farmer by occupation, was once a member of the Kentucky Legislature, and for several years was magistrate of Boone County. Our subject is also a farmer and magistrate of Boone County. May 16, 1878, he married Miss Mary V. Gaines, daughter of Owen Gaines, and by her is the father of three children, viz: Alberta H., Lyman T. and James Donald Gaines, born in the following order: October 4, 1879, February 3, 1881, and March 20, In religion Mrs. Gaines is a Missionary Baptist.

COLUMBUS T. RICE was born near Union, Boone Co., Ky., January 10, 1826, and is the second of a family of five children, born to Edward and Annie (Utz) Rice. Edward Rice was born in Woodford County, Ky., June 15, 1795, and was a son of Benjamin Rice, who emigrated from Virginia to Kentucky at an early date, settled in Woodford County, and afterward moved to what is now Kenton County, where he lived and

died. Edward Rice was a farmer, and followed the same all his life. He was in the war of 1812, and died November 21, 1878. His wife, Annie Utz, was born in Virginia, near Fredericksburg, December 17, 1805; she came to Kentucky with her parents when quite small, and was married about 1819. Columbus T. Rice was brought up on the farm, and received his education at the common schools. He has followed farming all his life. May 14, 1850, he was married to Sallie A. Norman, a daughter of Benjamin and Margaret (Conner) Norman, of Boone County. To this union two children has been born, viz: Benjamin L., born March 2, 1851; Mary A., born November 16, 1858. Mr. Rice is a member of the Baptist Church. Politically he was formerly a Whig, but is now a Democrat.

EUGENE S. RICE, M. D., was born in Boone County, Ky., April 9, 1857, the only child born to William B. and Mary A. (Cornelious) Rice. William B. Rice was born in Boone County, and was a son of Richard Rice, one of the pioneers of Kentucky. William B. Rice was brought up on the farm, but followed stock trading very extensively all his life. Mary A. Cornelious, his wife, was born in Kenton County. Our subject was brought up on the farm, and received his education at Eminence, Ky. In 1876 he commenced the study of medicine with Dr. Orin E. Newton, of Cincinnati, and graduated from the New York Eclectic Medical College in 1879. He then located at Independence, in Kenton County, Ky., and practiced his profession until 1882, and in 1883 he moved to Florence, where he has been actively engaged in the practice of medicine ever since. Mr. Rice is not married. He is a member of the I.O.O.F. and a Republican.

...Continued on Page 3

Kentucky Vets of War of 1812

Excerpted by Laurie Wilcox

Notes from Kentucky veterans of the War of 1812. Clift, G. Glenn
kr 929.39 clif

Crigler, Nicholas - Boone County. Born in Madison Co., VA. 2 Feb. 1772, removed to Bone county 1829, married 23 Jan 1816. Father of Robert I. Crigler. He died in Boone county 13 Jan 1871. TK 1 Feb. 1871.

Jones, Leroy - Boone County Pvt., Capt. William Sebree's co. Boswell's Regt. , enlisted 29 Mar 1813; discharged 1 July 1813 wounded at storming of York, 1813; captured by Indians on his way home and taken to Malden; exchanged Aug 1814, married , 23 Aug 1813, at Burlington, KY Melinda Rosell. They had 9 children. He died 9 June 1836 at Pleasant Run, KY Argus, 12 Feb 1814, Boone county Pension list.

Noel, Littleberry - Boone county, "A soldier of the last wars and one of the few survivors of Dudley's Defeat, and was in the campaign of Gen. Jackson." He died 23 Mar 1846, in his 70th year. C. 28 Apr. 1846.

Norris, Captain John - Petersburg, Boone county (long article) participant of Com. Perry's victory Sept 10, 1813; born Maryland 13 Apr 1791. enlisted in Mason co KY in Capt. Payne's co., volunteered navel battle on ship Caledonia Lake Erie 1813; sharpshooter, captured HMS Hunter, KY Legislature Feb 17, 1860 awarded gold medal , died in 1879.

Piatt, John H. - no place listed, long standing petition to government for reward of service, awarded to heirs 1875.

Sanders, Isaac D. - Boone County, en-

tered service 1813 as srgt. Capt. Henry R. Graham's Co.; WIA in 1814 at Fort Erie. Boone county pension list.

Wilks, Mills - Boone County. Enlisted 15 Aug 1812, for 6 months in Capt Uriel Sebree co. WIA 18 Jan 1813 at Frenchtown, POW 22 Jan 1813, received his discharge from Major Richard Gano placed on pension list 24 Feb. 1834.



Genealogy Gems...Continued from Page 2

SAMUEL W. TOLIN, a native of Boone County, Ky., was born January 4, 1849, and is a son of James A. and Frances (Hensley) Tolin, natives of Clark and Boone Counties, respectively. William Hensley, the maternal grandfather of our subject, was born in Virginia, and reared in Scott County,

Ky. James A. Tolin is a farmer in Boone County, living between Petersburg and Burlington. Samuel W. Tolin was reared on the farm, and was educated in private schools. He entered the law department of the Louisville University in 1878, and graduated in 1879, when he was admitted to the bar, and has since

been in active practice. Mr. Riddell was his chief preceptor. In August, 1882, he was elected county attorney, and elected in August 1886. Mr. Tolin has lately married. He is a close student, and a rising young lawyer.



Upcoming Events

September 24-25: Dinsmore Homestead's annual **Harvest Festival**. Noon to 6 pm both days. Step back in time for a weekend of heritage crafters, music, food and fun. Adults \$5, Seniors & Members \$3, Children 7-17 \$2, under 7 free. Dinsmore is located 5656 Burlington Pike, 6 miles west of Burlington on KY 18. Call 586-6117 for more in-

formation or to volunteer.

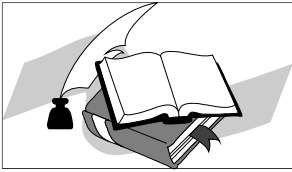
November 17: BCHS program on farming the banks of the Ohio River with the Hempfling family. 7 pm at Florence Government Center.



December 3-4: Dinsmore Homestead's annual **Christmas in the**

Country. Enjoy Dinsmore in its holiday splendor with historic dancers, music and refreshments. Adults \$5, Seniors & Members \$3, Children 7-17 \$2, under 7 free. 1-5 pm both days. Special Saturday evening candlelight tour 7-9 pm. Call 586-6117 for more information or to volunteer.





Boone Co. Historical Society
P.O. Box 23
Florence, KY 41022-0023

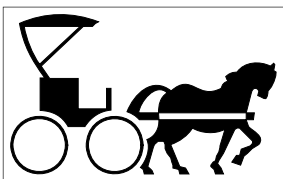
Websites of local interest:



BooneCountyKy.org.
BooneCountyHeritage.org
Kenton.Lib.Ky.US/~histoc
DinsmoreFarm.org
SaveAmericasTreasures.org
Nkyviews.com
Geocities.com/boonehistory

SEPTEMBER 15 PROGRAM ON *GENEALOGY RESEARCH*

The Boone County Historical Society provides program meetings on the third Thursday evenings of January, March, May, July, September and November (with occasional exceptions). Unless otherwise announced, the meetings will be held at the Florence Government Center, 8100 Ewing



BCHS Membership Privileges

Annual Membership Fee is only \$15 per household, **due every January**. This modest fee covers the cost of our newsletter mailings. We appreciate all who have joined the Boone County Historical Society to help us preserve and make known some of the history of our County. Encourage your friends and neighbors to join and attend our meetings. Membership fees can be sent to:

**BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
P. O. BOX 23
FLORENCE, KY 41022-0023**

The Boone County Historical Society has received **tax-exempt status**. This means that all gifts to the Society are tax deductible.