



# Timelines



Volume 2, Issue 8

September 23, 2005

## Inside this issue:

|  |      |
|--|------|
| Lifetime Members                             | 2    |
| Introducing Wilson Blow                      | 3    |
| New Items in the Gift Shop                   | 3    |
| Bricks Sold!                                 | 4-6  |
| Order Form for Bricks                        | 6    |
| Ottumwa Days                                 | 7    |
| Coffey County Fair                           | 7    |
| Quilt Names                                  | 8-10 |
| Order Form for Quilt Names                   | 10   |
| Kansas Mega Gigantic Getaway Giveaway Update | 11   |
| Maintenance Update                           | 12   |
| Calendar of Events                           | 13   |
| Pioneer Days 2006                            | 13   |
| News from the Director                       | 14   |
| Artifact of the Month                        | 15   |
| Thank You                                    | 15   |

## Septembers Featured Coffey County Historical Society Member...*Lonnie Bedwell*

Starting with this month's newsletter, and to be included in all other newsletters thereafter, the Coffey County Museum has decided to devote a section solely to highlighting a member of our Historical Society. This gives the museum a wonderful way of giving the reader the opportunity to learn more about an individual who has helped our museum through their generous donations and volunteer time, and it also gives us the opportunity to let the person know how much we appreciate them. This newsletter will feature Coffey County Historical Society member is **Lonnie Bedwell**.

Lonnie Bedwell joined the Coffey County Historical Society in 1985 and became a Lifetime Member in 1999. His donation of the Boot Legger's still is currently on display in the Cochran Gallery.

Lonnie was born near Eagle City, Oklahoma with the Cheyenne-Arapahoe Indians as his nearest neighbors. He recently made a two day trip to revisit his birth place and noted that it has changed from what he remembers. He then was raised two miles east of LeRoy and misses seeing lots of people on farms and Saturday nights in town.

I asked Lonnie what the museum should be most proud of, as he felt that we should be proud of our well stocked "out back" historical buildings, pioneer artifacts and our beautiful entrance landscaping with pagoda.

Lonnie now lives in Wellington Kansas and is an active volunteer for their Historical Society and Museum.

### ***Board Members:***

- Kelly Hull— President
- JoAnn Phillips—Vice President
- Jody Hood—Secretary
- Kent Hoyt—Treasurer
- Andrea Badgley—Burlington
- Duane Fitch—Burlington
- Bud Redding—Waverly

### ***Staff:***

- Deborah Kennamore – Executive Director
- Shirley Gorge– Curator
- Jean Beaty– Office
- Kristin Smith—Staff
- Wilson Blow—Staff



Bootlegger Still donated by Lonnie Bedwell

## Lifetime Members!

|                         |                       |                     |                           |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Esther Raaf             | Fred S. Jones         | Irene Watson        | Herbert Hood              |
| Gary Raaf               | Kerry Trostle         | Arthur Stukey       | Polly Epting              |
| Julia Mae Birk          | Jerilee Trostle       | Mary E. Conrad      | Gary Epting               |
| Harvey G. Raaf          | Kelly J. Hull         | Opal I. Kunkel      | Helen Garn Kaufman        |
| James L. Raaf           | Chloe Woods           | Bud Redding         | Charles F. Little         |
| Fred A. Raaf            | Frank Woods           | Carol Redding       | Grace (Sauder) Clapp      |
| Richard Raaf            | Arthur W. Williamson  | Linda K. Allen      | Judith Dunlap             |
| Lois Jean Purvis        | L.F. Bedwell          | Mitch Williamson    | Dr. James Dunlap          |
| Donald L. Schick        | Bonnie Hatch          | Bernice Williamson  | Ray Sauder                |
| Judy Spriggs            | Homer Hatch           | Paul Bohrer         | Sharon Hess               |
| Betty Brecheisen        | Linda J. Matney       | Clara L. Reisbig    | Wayne Hess                |
| Peggy Banks             | Craig Meader          | Eunice Johnson Neil | Robert Lyle Bruce         |
| Emily Garrett           | Peggy Meader          | Millie Garrett      | Nellie Bruce              |
| Clarence Raaf           | Mona Veteto           | Carlita Hoover      | Edris Irwin Hayes         |
| Ralph Raaf              | Jenifer Trimble       | Dean Evans          | Al Wilkinson              |
| Ruth Schick             | Randy Trimble         | Terry L. Evans      | Opal Wilkinson            |
| John McConnell          | Juanita Cox           | Joan Adkins         | Florence Conrad Salisbury |
| Paul Martindale         | Gayla Lonene Acherman | Martha Mattox       | Barbara Gerry             |
| Ned Hoover              | Don Jones             | Donna Kniss         | Tammy Salava              |
| Dorothy Cochran         | Glenda Jones          | Clarence Kniss      | Dan Salava                |
| Gene Merry              | Loren E. Jones        | Doris L. Fulk       | Ron Hoover                |
| Barbara Merry           | Patricia Finkbiner    | Bill Knapp          | Lisa Hoover               |
| Bill Freeman            | Terry Finkbiner       | Jerry D. Johnson    | Tyler Anliker             |
| Joan Freeman            | Roy G. DeLong         | Cloyce E. Johnson   | Calvin Dean Freeman       |
| Elva Freeman            | Chuck Trimble         | John E. Johnson     | Diane Freeman             |
| Duane Fitch             | Joyce Trimble         | Diane S. Johnson    | Donald Coldsmith          |
| V.S. McAlister          | Ivan Smith            | Joanna Clark        | Edna Coldsmith            |
| Lena Griffin            | Marjorie J. Smith     | Larry Clark         |                           |
| Mary Lou DeLong Atherly | Nadine Lowman         | Betty Jo Hood       |                           |

## Introducing... *Wilson Blow*

Hi, I'm Wilson (the new kid on the block, according to Jean anyways).

Many of you may recognize me because I've been around the county awhile.

I have been associated with Coffey County since about 1981 (Daniels Construction). My wife, Sara and I have lived in the county for around 14 years, in the same location. My mother, brother and their families also live here (which keeps me from wandering off).

Through the years I have worked for Daniels Construction, Sherwood Cabinets, American Cabinets, Huffs Gardens, Coffey County Library, Hoover's Thriftway, and now I am happy to say here at the Coffey County Historical Society & Museum. Lately I have been volunteering at the Coffey County Senior Center for the "Meals on Wheel" program. During those periods of employment and volunteering I



have had the pleasure of meeting many good and interesting citizens of the county.

I enjoy the county's rural flavor and heritage because that's my heritage also. Among my interests are natural history and wildlife observation, international politics and news, learning new things, meeting new people, research, reading,

surfing the internet, agriculture and quiet time.

I graduated from Reading Rural High School in 1966 and was a member of the U.S. Navy from 1967 to 1971 as a Signalman Second Class.

I started in this position Monday, September 12, 2005. It may be the most fun, interesting and different type of career I have ever had the opportunity to pursue.

I am looking forward to doing a great job here. I know it will be easier for me to make a solid contribution here because of the supportive, knowledgeable and fun staff here. They have been great!

I do believe that it would be even more fun here if you would help me to become familiar with you and your families by coming by and meeting me in person.

Looking forward to meeting you and enjoying my new adventure. Se ya soon!

## New Items in the Gift Shop

Come see our new arrivals at the Coffey County Museum Gift Shop!

We now have adult and youth long sleeve denim shirts with the Museum logo for \$25.00, adult size t-shirts with a picture of the museum on the front for \$12.00, and royal blue polo shirts with the museum

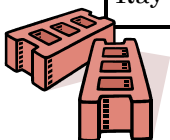


logo for \$25.00.

The picture was drawn by our local artist and friend Jim Stukey. These shirts also have a surprise element to them, as soon as you go out into the sunshine the picture becomes visible in either yellow, blue or green.

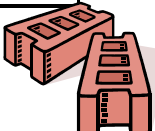
## Bricks Sold!

|                                 |                               |                                 |                                 |                                |                                 |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| L Bedwell 12<br>Eagle City OK   | Larry G &<br>Sallee A Hess    | Marj Paden<br>2001              | Jon Salava<br>Class of 1999     | Sam J 1949<br>Somerhalder      | James S Peters<br>1853-1943     |
| Gala Ackerman<br>Chanute KS 43  | BHS 1962<br>Polly Epting      | In Memory of<br>E O Anderson    | Nick Salava<br>Class of 2001    | Frances & M M<br>McReynolds    | Paul S Bohrer<br>BHS Class 1941 |
| Harry W Arnold<br>& Family-2001 | BHS 1960 J<br>Gary Epting     | In Memory of<br>Bertie Stukey   | Alex Salava<br>Class of 2007    | Bill Knapp<br>BHS 1944         | In Memory of<br>Roy T Jones     |
| In Memory of<br>Eldon Garrett   | Dr Dale L<br>Reinker          | In Memory of<br>Ruth Stukey     | Marian Kent<br>Race-1866        | Andrew L<br>Hollingsworth      | In Memory of<br>Helen E Jones   |
| Louie & Pauline<br>Decker       | Joan A<br>Reinker             | John Henry<br>Johnson           | Fannie Kent<br>McGowan-1867     | Caroline<br>Hollingsworth      | In Memory of<br>Butch Bahr      |
| In Memory of<br>Sylvan Bahr     | Noah Plank &<br>Julia Plank   | Anna Mary M.<br>Mahr Johnson    | Larry Clark<br>Joanna Clark     | Albert D<br>Hollingsworth      | Clarence Kniss<br>BHS 1951      |
| Laurence N &<br>Esther C Hess   | In Memory of<br>David W Allen | Robert Freeman<br>Mitchell      | Melvin (Toad)<br>Freeman Family | Lula Fern<br>Hollingsworth     | Donna Kniss<br>BHS 1952         |
| L F Bedwell<br>& Family-2001    | Edward J &<br>Ethel Johnson   | Caroline May<br>Mitchell        | Ray & Laura<br>Belle Keys       | Mary Jane<br>Hollingsworth     | Wayne & Sharon<br>Hess          |
| Fred S Jones<br>Gridley         | Eunice<br>Cloyce              | Jackson George<br>Margie George | Duane A<br>Fitch                | RM Snyder DVM<br>1933-1994     | Carl W &<br>Carol A Renfro      |
| Martha Mattox<br>& Family-2001  | Loren<br>Johnson              | Zoe<br>Caldwell                 | Fitch<br>Family                 | Nadine Lowman<br>Lebo Kansas   | Cleo F Miller<br>1877-1967      |
| In Memory of<br>Alma H Bowman   | Walker<br>Trimble             | Kaitlyn<br>Caldwell             | Cloyce Edward<br>Johnson        | Joe Conrad<br>Family           | Phyllis &<br>Glenn Dorcas       |
| Jon Hotaling<br>CCED-2001       | Kennedy<br>Trimble            | Isaac<br>Caldwell               | Elouise Alice<br>Jones Johnson  | Music Box<br>2001              | Christopher<br>"C J" Foster     |
| Cloyce E<br>Phillips 2001       | In Memory of<br>H A Dressler  | Carlita Hoover<br>BHS 1955      | John E Terry<br>Jerry Johnson   | The Free<br>Family             | Pauline Mae<br>Stukey-2003      |
| Jo Ann<br>Phillips 2001         | In Memory of<br>Cora Dressler | Rod Hoover<br>BHS 1974          | Eunice Marie<br>Johnson Neil    | Ivy Dorlene<br>Hollingsworth   | Elizabeth M<br>Hull             |
| Albert and<br>Opal I Kunkel     | N E Dressler<br>Killed WWII   | Larry Hoover<br>BHS 1954        | Loren Eugene<br>Johnson         | Alice Lucille<br>Hollingsworth | Sheldon L and<br>Kelly J Hull   |
| J R & Retha<br>Sleezer-2001     | In Memory of<br>Jane K Knapp  | Dan Salava<br>Class of 1975     | In Memory of<br>Robert S Luke   | Floyd & Laura<br>Williams      | Charles & Fern<br>Curtiss       |
| In Memory of<br>Ray & E A Engel | In Memory of<br>Roy Bates     | Tammy Hoover<br>Salava BHS 76   | Somerhalder<br>Family           | Vaughan<br>Family              | In Memory of<br>Alma Hoover     |



## Bricks Sold!

|                                |                                  |                                |                                |                                     |                                |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| In Memory of<br>B L Hoover     | In Memory of<br>Jack Roush       | United States<br>Marines       | Dale & Judy<br>Milburn         | Carolyn Ables<br>Sister & Friend    | Maxine<br>Garrett              |
| Howard Hoover<br>6-4-20 6-8-02 | In Memory of<br>Marion Carter    | Local Draft<br>Board #13       | In Memory of<br>Susan Hawley   | B C Weast<br>Mom, We Miss U         | Stanton<br>Garrett             |
| In Memory of<br>Donald D Jones | In Memory of<br>Fred Garrett     | United States<br>Coast Guard   | In Memory of<br>Larry Hoover   | R & Nita Nelson<br>Love U Both R    | Dorothy L<br>Garrett           |
| In Memory of<br>Mary Cummings  | Imo Garrett<br>Age 102 years     | VFW<br>Post 1030               | Randy Rogers<br>Family         | Bessie Little<br>Luv U Grandma      | Wolf Creek                     |
| In Memory of<br>H Todd Hoover  | James & Linda<br>Salava          | All Gave Some<br>Some Gave All | Norman & Irma<br>Griffin       | J L & Lula Lee<br>Grandparents      | (Wolf Creek<br>logo)           |
| Erma M<br>Salava               | McAlister<br>Family              | Burlington<br>Kansas           | Lori & Kent<br>Hoyt & Family   | Geo & Marla<br>Massingill           | Generating<br>Station          |
| Lada E<br>Salava               | Loretta White<br>Nelson White MD | World War I<br>KIA             | Kirkham<br>Family              | Lee & Patty<br>VanTassel            | Ed L Mitchell<br>6-1961 4-1990 |
| Helen L<br>McMullen            | Don Fry Jr<br>Class of 1960      | World War II<br>KIA            | Charles &<br>Evonne Gash       | Clarence &<br>Alice Malik           | Don Mitchell<br>6-1963 7-1995  |
| William H<br>McMullen          | Gene John<br>Class of 1960       | Vietnam<br>MIA                 | Ermadean &<br>Merle Newkirk    | Brig '98 Wes '06<br>Miranda '01 JOY | CMSgt Gorge<br>Ret & Family    |
| Kennamore<br>Family            | Catherine &<br>Larry Crotts      | Joe Conrad Jr<br>Class of 1970 | George &<br>Evamay Remy        | Cosmos Club<br>Severy KS            | Shirley Gorge<br>& Tierra      |
| In Memory of<br>Clyde R Traw   | Jayden<br>Payne                  | Joe Conrad Sr<br>Conrad Store  | James & Nancy<br>Banks         | In Memory of<br>Ira Hatch           | Smith: Dennis<br>and Kristin   |
| In Memory of<br>James C Traw   | Mackenzie<br>Payne               | Herbert &<br>Jody Hood         | In Honor of<br>Lena Mitchell   | In Memory of<br>Velda Hatch         | Alex, Abby &<br>Antony Furse   |
| In Memory of<br>Nora Norris    | Mike & Janet<br>Payne            | In Memory of<br>Lee Alvis      | Memory of Art<br>& Ruth Stukey | In Memory of<br>Edna Wilson         | Louise & Fern<br>Manderino     |
| In Memory of<br>George Traw    | George & Mary<br>Theobald        | Elijah<br>Caldwell             | Memory of<br>Shirley Woods     | Carlson<br>Ed & Nancy               | Darren & Amy<br>Isch & Family  |
| Marjorie J<br>Ivan D Smith     | United States<br>Air Force       | Aiden<br>Caldwell              | Lee<br>Van Tassel              | Spring Creek<br>7 Gen in Museum     | Gary & Linda<br>Keys           |
| In Memory of<br>Ralph W Woods  | United States<br>Army            | Louise D Knapp<br>BHS 1954     | Fern<br>Davidson               | Dr AB & Bess<br>McConnell           | Boyd Ferman<br>Neil Ferman     |
| In Memory of<br>E J Mitchell   | United States<br>Navy            | Mary & Thomas<br>Markwalter    | Robert L<br>Collins            | John BHS<br>McConnell 45            | Bud & Velma<br>Strawder        |

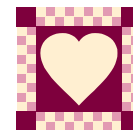


## Bricks Sold!

|                             |                             |                            |                            |                           |                            |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Meek/ Eicholtz Families     | In Memory of Merlin Hoover  | Wayne L McCormick          | Devin Hoover Class of 2007 | Janelle Shoup BHS 2003    | Coffey County Chamber 2005 |
| The Faimon Family           | In Memory of Freeda Worrell | Greg & Pam Stice Family    | Ron Hoover Class of 1979   | Lori Shoup Rand BHS 1991  | Brady Rand Brett Rand      |
| Ronald & Diana Irey         | Hodges Family               | Emily Jane Napier          | Badgley November 1983      | Mildred Schif BHS 1935    | The Rands Brian & Lori     |
| In Memory of John&Cora Irey | W Jean Beaty                | In Memory of Rose Williams | Dan & Linda Allen          | In Memory of Melvin Schif |                            |
| Norma Hoover Hudson BHS '47 | Dorothy M McCormick         | Rick & Cheryl Muench       | The Shoups Bill & Sharon   | In Memory of Bill Veteto  |                            |



## Step Into The Past...



Step into Coffey County History!

Personalized bricks are only \$40. All proceeds will fund the building & upkeep of the gazebo located at the Museum.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Please make check or money orders payable to:**

**Coffey County Historical Museum**

Each brick may have 2 lines of print with 13 spaces each.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### The Coffey County Historical Museum

1101 Neosho Street  
Burlington, KS 66839

620-364-2653

1-888-877-2653

[www.coffeycountymuseum.org](http://www.coffeycountymuseum.org)

email:

[director@coffeycountymuseum.org](mailto:director@coffeycountymuseum.org)





## Ottumwa Days

Ottumwa celebrated its 150 year as a town this past July 2005. Ottumwa was settled in 1855 by Thomas Bowen and was originally called Booneville until Bowen renamed it Ottumwa in honor of Ottumwa, Iowa. Built in 1863, Ottumwa was home to the Western Christian. The University was built for \$8,000, with all but \$2,000 being raised by Ottumwa. In 1868, the doors were closed to the college due to lack of funds. In 1872, the college was burnt down to the ground by an arsonist, and ended the honor of being a college community in Ottumwa.

Ottumwa at one time was a very busy and growing community. It was the home of three churches, the Christian, Methodist and Baptist. It was also home to the Ottumwa Journal. In 1857 the first newspaper was published in Coffey County at Ottumwa. Ottumwa also had the first horse powered sawmill in the county, a three story Hotel built which was built in 1856, and a general store was opened in 1857. Some believe that if not for the railroad going through Burlington instead of Ottumwa, that Ottumwa may have continued to be a booming town and possibly the county seat.

Even though Ottumwa's glory days are over there are 27 people who still live in the small community. There are also those who remember the good old days and enjoy the chance to get together and reminisce about Ottumwa's more prosperous times. Saturday July 16, 2005 was one of these times; Ottumwa hosted a picnic to celebrate its 150th year. Many people showed up to help celebrate Ottumwa's history and its contribution to the building of Coffey County. Reverend Bill Winters and his wife Leona were instrumental in arranging the days celebration.

## Coffey County Fair

On July 29, 2005, the museum staff participated in the parade celebrating Coffey County's 125th consecutively ran fair. The museum's float theme was "Covering History At Coffey County Museum" in which many personal quilts of Deborah and Kristin's were draped over the float.

Bob Saueressig lent us his trailer, and local artist Jim Stuke drew the outlining letters for the signs that were placed on the sides of the float. Once the letters were drawn, Courtney, Shirley, Kim and Kristin painted them in.

In addition to the quilts that Deborah and Kristin supplied, Kristin brought a wooden high chair, and a cradle that was made by her brother Clayton, and Kim's family let us use a metal framed bed.



The museum's float before the parade.

Once everything was put in its place on top of the trailer, Richard and Sue Freeman pulled the float behind their truck in the parade.

Walking beside the float in the parade and throwing candy and stickers to the crowd was Kim, Courtney, Shirley and her daughter Tierra, and Kristin and her son. Jean participated in the parade too by riding in the truck with Richard and Sue.



Left to right: Kim Schmidt, Alex Furse (Kristin's son), Tierra Withers (Shirley's daughter), Shirley Gorge, Courtney Meeker, and Kristin Smith.

The following day, Shirley, Kristin and Kim were at the fairgrounds selling quilt blocks for the memory quilt that is being put together to commemorate the Fair. This quilt will be on display at the museum when it is finished.

# Have your name stitched into History!

To commemorate the 125<sup>th</sup> Coffey County Fair, we are making a friendship quilt! If you were at the fair and would like your name, your families name, your organization, or your business name embroidered onto the quilt, then please stop by the museum or send in the order form located on page 10, along with \$3.00. The quilt will be on display at the Coffey County Historical Museum once completed.

## Quilt Names!

|  |                          |                         |                             |                    |                       |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| American Red Cross, Coffey County Volunteers | Blue Ribbon 4-H          | Coffey County Museum    | Eric Faimon                 | Antony Furse       | Alice Hess            |
| Andrea Badgley                               | Hub Casper               | Coffey Health Systems   | Garrison Fiedler            | Millie Garrett     | Alvan Hess            |
| J.D. Badgley                                 | Central National Bank    | Ginger Cole             | Duane Fitch                 | Bill & Jo Gorge    | Kobe Hill             |
| T.E. Barker                                  | John Christian Family    | Cody Collins            | Jeff Fleming Family         | Shirley Gorge      | Tyler Hill            |
| W. Jean Beaty                                | City of Burlington       | Lucille Combes Family   | Tamara Jean Fleming         | Gravel Road Band   | Alan Holmes Family    |
| Brandon Bell                                 | Jackie Clarkson          | Timmy Comfort           | Bud & Glenda Freeman Family | Kent Gunlock       | Jeff & Ronda Holmes   |
| Linda Bell                                   | Lucas Clarkson           | Austin Croll            | Dick Freeman                | Sandra Gunlock     | Shelby & Blake Holmes |
| Warren Bell                                  | Nicholas Clarkson        | Crow-Moddie Ford        | Elva A. Freeman             | Melissa Kay Hall   | Herb Hood             |
| Seth Bell                                    | Class Act Day Salon      | Eli & Abby Crutchfield  | Sue Freeman                 | Ron Hazlett Family | Jody Hood             |
| Beta Sigma Phi Nu Delta Chapter              | Coffey County Airport    | Kelsy Crutchfield       | John W. Freerksen           | Andrew Hedges      | The Hood Family       |
| Kaitlyn Beyer                                | Coffey County Chamber    | The Damashek Family     | Mary Beth Freerksen         | Ben Hedges         | Hoover Thriftway      |
| Payton Beyer                                 | Coffey County Fair Board | Samuel Dowd             | Abby Furse                  | Deena Hedges       | Lonnie Hoskins        |
| Jeff Blair                                   | Coffey County Libraries  | East Central Kansas T's | Alex Furse                  | Stephen Hedges     | Robert Hoskins        |



## Quilt Names!

|                                |                             |                              |                          |                                    |                       |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Rosann Hoskins                 | Mary Jane Laws              | Carmen Mautz<br>RPh          | Cloyce Phillips          | Dan Salava                         | Dodge Slead           |
| Vanessa<br>Hoskins-Tatman      | Dan & Mary<br>Levering      | Isaac Mautz                  | JoAnn Phillips           | Tammy Salava                       | Smilin' Thru 4-H      |
| Jon Hotaling                   | Liberty 4-H                 | J.C. Mautz<br>Farms          | Dennis Polson            | Bob & Joyce<br>Saueressig          | Darlene Smith         |
| Kent Hoyt                      | Bryant & Alex<br>Linsey     | Dorothy M.<br>McCormick      | Linda Polson             | Mildred Schif                      | Dennis Smith          |
| Lori Hoyt                      | Nathan & Allison<br>Linsey  | Wayne L.<br>McCormick        | Claudia Pottorf          | Derek Schmidt                      | Kristin Smith         |
| Ann Huml                       | Shane Lohse                 | IMO Bill &<br>Helen McMullen | Jason Pottorf            | Faye Jean<br>Schmidt               | Merle G. Smith        |
| Kirk Huml                      | Traci Lohse                 | Bruce Meeker                 | Mike & Gayle<br>Powell   | Kim Schmidt                        | V. Laverne<br>Smith   |
| IMO James &<br>Agnes Ingwersen | Jared Lutz                  | Courtney<br>Meeker           | Harvey & JoAnn<br>Raaf   | Joe Shaffer                        | Christian Solano      |
| Colton Jackson                 | Audra Mahar                 | Sidney Meeker                | IMO Esther Raaf          | Lane Shaffer                       | Joe & Kayla<br>Solano |
| Conner Jeffers                 | Barney Mahoney              | Barb Merry                   | Mark & Cindy<br>Raaf     | Logan Shaffer                      | Nicholas Solano       |
| Deborah<br>Kennamore           | Phyllis Mahoney             | Gene Merry                   | Brady Rand               | Wendy Shaffer                      | Zi Solano             |
| Pete Kennamore                 | IMO Charles H.<br>Makepeace | Thatcher Moddie              | Brett Rand               | Janelle Shoup                      | Alyssa Spielman       |
| Summer<br>Kirchner             | IMO Dwight L.<br>Manning    | Shelby Murray                | Michael Raymer           | Sharon Shoup                       | Kyle Spielman         |
| Kevin Kirk                     | Ruth Manning                | Garrett Myers                | Nancy Raymer             | William Shoup                      | Norman<br>Spielman    |
| Brenda Klubek                  | Mary Markwalter             | Kyle Myers                   | Rick Raymer              | Silver Threads &<br>Golden Needles | Joni Stiner           |
| Makena Klubek                  | Irish Master                | Stacie Parks                 | Bud Redding              | Casie Skillman                     | Keith Stiner          |
| Uriah Lawrence                 | Andrew Mautz                | Mark Petterson               | Cade & Amanda<br>Rensink | Karen Jane<br>Skillman             | Vicki Stiner          |

## Quilt Names!

|                        |                |                |  |               |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|---------------|
| Stringtown Bombers 4-H | Tip-Top 4-H    | Angela Weidner | Alice Williams                           | Shane Wolford |
| Jim Stukey             | Jordan Torrez  | LeRoy Weidner  | Merlin Williams                          | Vicki Wolford |
| Tate Swank             | Bill Walker    | A.J. Welch     | Tierra Withers                           |               |
| Scott Tatman           | Mary K. Walker | Wideman Family | Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation |               |

*Have you name stitched  
into history!*

Please fill out the below section on how you would like the name on the quilt square to appear, and then mail it, along with your check or money order to address listed below:

---



---



---

Coffey County Historical Museum  
 1101 Neosho Street  
 Burlington, Kansas 66839  
 620-364-2653  
 1-888-877-2653 (toll free)  
[www.coffeycountymuseum.org](http://www.coffeycountymuseum.org)  
 email: [director@coffeycountymuseum.org](mailto:director@coffeycountymuseum.org)

\*Please make check or money orders payable to:  
**Coffey County Historical Museum**

# Kansas Mega Gigantic Getaway Giveaway Update

This years Kansas Mega Gigantic Getaway Giveaway has been amazing! We have seen many people from all around the world here at the museum this summer! Here is an update of the monthly winners to the Kansas Giveaway:

The three winners for the month of June were Deanna Jones of Mound Valley, Kansas who won a getaway to Salina, Kansas; Katherine Wilson of Apache Junction, Arizona, who won a



Bushnell Legacy 8-20X Zoom binoculars with case; and Russ Neufeld of Newton, Kansas who won a weekend getaway to Leavenworth, Kansas.



The three winners for the month of July were Janet Monk of Gardner, Kansas who won a getaway to Hutchinson, Kansas; April Luiz of Barling, Arkansas who won a trip to Olathe, Kansas; and Tom Luginbill of San Luis Obispo, California who won a Garmin eTrex Vista GPS unit.

Congratulations to the lucky winners! Remember, the Kansas Mega Gigantic Getaway Giveaway runs through October 31, so if you stop by the museum and have traveled more than 100 miles, we will take a picture of you and enter it into the getaway contest online for you. All you have to do is smile big for the camera and fill out a short questionnaire. We hope to see you soon!



## Maintenance Update

This summer has been very busy!

The outside door in the Pioneer Gallery does not leak any more. Jeff Fleming was able to fix it for us by putting a new weather strip along the bottom of the door.

Our windmill is pumping fine, it was a little slow earlier this summer, but the flow is where it should be now. We added some chemicals to keep the algae from

forming and this seems to be keeping the pump and water clean and running smooth.

We have one of our air conditioning units shut off when a thunder storm comes through our area. This summer we were taught to reset this particular unit which saves us the aggravation of calling in a maintenance person.

The mowing is going fine this

summer. We hope the lawn shows how much hard work goes into it each week.

Below is a maintenance report outlining some of the problems that we are now needing to address. If anyone is willing to volunteer their time or funds to the museum to help us with some of the items from the list, please let us know!



1. Ramp for the church door way needs repaired.
2. Board walk south of the bridge has a board that will need fixed or replaced.
3. Church and school need painted both exterior and interior.
4. The board walk needs to be weather proofed.
5. The double steel doors in the Cochran addition leak at the bottom when it rains.
6. Loading dock door needs a new seal.
7. The ceiling of the shed needs calked.
8. Seam on the back wall of the storage room needs new calking.
9. Hot water tank under the sink in the men's room needs repaired.
10. Plumbing in men's restroom needs repair work.
11. Some of the galleries are in need of fresh paint.
12. We need carts made that would help in the moving of heavy artifacts from one location to another.
13. We need to slope the outside concrete at the base of the garage door.
14. Floors needed painted in most of the galleries and the back room.
15. Dirt to fill in low areas of the yard.
16. The yard needs a slope so that the water from the Church sump pump can drain properly.
17. Railing needs to be added for the loading dock steps leading to the loft area in the Asbury Gallery.
18. Eventually will need some of our light fixtures replaced.
19. Office, pantry, library are in need of carpet.
20. Sky light in Cochran Addition needs cleaned.
21. Honey comb and bee remnants need cleaned from inside the walls of the church.
22. Siding of the Church and school needs repaired/ replaced.
23. School floor needs striped and refinished.
24. Mold problem in the school entrance.
25. Gutters need to be cleaned, snow sealed, downspouts repaired and leaf guards added.
26. Metal benches need painted.
27. Bird bath needs painted.



## Calendar of Events

### October

13—Board Meeting

### November

10—Board Meeting

24—Closed in observation of the Thanksgiving holiday.

25— Closed in observation of the Thanksgiving holiday.



### December

8—Board Meeting

26—Closed in observation of the Christmas Holiday

### January

2—Closed in observation of New Years

12—Board Meeting

28—Pioneer Days 10:00 am—3:00 pm;  
Ham and Bean feed 11:00am—2:00 pm..

## Pioneer Days 2006



It's about that time again! As September winds down, the staff at the museum have already started planning for Pioneer Days, set for January 28, 2006. It will be held from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm, with the Bean Feed running from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm.

Last year saw a few new

stations added for the children and adults to enjoy, such as Indian Headbands, Paper Quilts, Silhouettes, Tatting and Old Fashioned Food. We also had rope making, Indian Face Painting, Quilting, Weaving, Butter Churning, Apple Peeling, Candle Dipping, along with real teachers in the School and real preachers in the Church! This

year we are hoping to included a few more new stations in as well, so If anyone is interested in donating pies for our Ham and Bean feed, volunteering for one of our stations, or if anyone has a Pioneer type of activity they would like to have as a station, please contact Shirley Gorge at the museum.



## News from the Director

What an amazing staff we have here at your museum. These are some of the hardest working people I have ever had the privilege to work around. Our Cochran gallery is undergoing a huge transformation this week. Our bay window has to go—every time it rains we get water in the gallery and we finally found a contractor who had the solution! But with that ordeal every artifact and display had to be covered in plastic—Shirley, Kristin, and Wilson managed to get it done while doing all their other chores and get the newsletter out to boot! What a deal! People often think we have more staff than we do

because so many things around here constantly change and we are always working on something new—nope it is just us! If you stop by try thanking the staff in person for the great job they do!

The summer is over and I can not even think back as to where it went. We were very busy all summer with the genealogy library and visitors. I know the gas prices were supposed to impact our visitations but honestly we did GREAT!

I spent last week in Omaha, Nebraska at the Mountain-Plains Museum Association

meeting. The association includes museums from Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Texas and Wyoming. It was an amazing meeting with advice, workshops, networking, funding possibilities and fellowship all shared! More about that in later issues.

Please stop by the museum and see all that we are doing and mark your calendars now for Pioneer Days, 2006 and K is for Kansas Traveling Exhibit! We are expecting quite a year for 2006 and you don't want to miss out.



## Artifact of the Month



Patented in 1866, this rocker style iron was designed to crimp, ruffle and press pleats into fabrics by manually rocking the top of the iron over the bottom while the fabric was pressed in between the two. Fluting irons were widely used between the 1860's and 1880's.

## A Special Thank You



This past year, many people have been generous enough to donate to our museum. I would like to take the opportunity now to say thank to those who have helped to make our collection grow bigger and more wondrous!

A big thank you to:

George Hayes  
Lesto Hess  
Donna Wilcox

Ladonna Knight  
Nadine Lowman  
Odd Fellows  
Russell Hodges  
Virgil Stewart  
Georgia Masten  
Dennis Ferman  
Myrtle Edwards  
Lola Mae Luke  
Herb and Jody Hood  
Dr. H. B. Smith  
Dave Codney  
Kim Schmidt

Jerame Hugunin  
Coffey County Fair Board  
Robert Osburn  
USPS Burlington  
Wilson Blow  
Mary Holloday  
Kurt Zscheile  
Roger Mollnow  
Dave Donohoe  
LaVeda Mollnow  
Coffey County Commissioners and Engineers

Coffey County Historical  
Society  
& Museum  
1101 Neosho Street  
Burlington, KS 66839



is for Kansas

Teachers are invited to attend the “Teachers Sneak Peak” on February 16, 2006 from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. “K” is for Kansas will be on display at the Coffey County Museum from February 18, 2006 until April 16, 2006. February 18, 2006 will be the opening night and book signing with Marci Penner, founder and director of the Kansas Sampler Foundation and author of The Kansas Guidebook for Explorers.

Phone: 620-364-2653  
Fax: 620-364-8933  
Toll free: 1-888-877-2653  
Email: [director@coffeycountymuseum.org](mailto:director@coffeycountymuseum.org)