The Coffey County Historical Society & Museum

Timelines



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Board of Directors:

Carol Sunseri, President, Waverly

Victor Edelman, Vice President, Lebo

Retha Sleezer, Secretary, Gridley

Kent Hoyt, Treasurer, Burlington Jeri Page, LeRoy Tom Allen, Burlington

Eileen Coker, At-large position

Museum Staff:

Museum Director: Shirley Gorge-Logan

Administrative Assistant: Erin Burdick

> Registrar: Michelle Morris

Annual Meeting: September 22

The Coffey County Historical Society will be holding its Annual Meeting on Monday, September 22 at the museum. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Pioneer Gallery. During the meeting, there will be a short program and the results of the election will be announced. The agenda for the meeting is found below.

On the ballot are two board positions (Gridley and Waverly). Also on the

Annual Meeting Agenda

Monday, September 22 at 7:00 p.m.

ballot is an addition to the

the people running for the

By-Laws. Information on

board positions and the

proposed addition to the

By-Laws are found on the

Included in this issue are the ballots. Please fill

out your ballot and mail

museum. You must be a current member to vote.

Contact the museum if

you would like to check

on the status of your

membership. If you

back to the museum or drop off in the box in the

next page.

- I. Call meeting to order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Presentation of Annual Meeting Minutes for September 23, 2013
- V. Annual Treasurer Report
- VI. Old Business

VII.New Business

a. Announce the results of the ballot count

VII. Presentation

VIII. Adjournment

would like to renew your membership or to become a member, please see page 7 in this issue.



Have free time? Become a volunteer! Contact the museum for more information.

Meet the Candidates

Sandra Reedy- Waverly Position

- 1. How long have you lived in **Coffev County?** I have lived in Coffey County for four years.
- 2. Why do you want to be on the museum's Board of Directors? I want to get out and meet people and be some help in keeping our history alive.
- 3. What makes you a good candidate?

I am a good people person and maybe able to help someone to learn more about the history of Coffey County.

4. What skills or ideas do you plan on bringing with you to the board?

For a while I will want to learn what the board is all about before I give any ideas.

- 5. What are your hobbies/interests? I am a quilter.
- 6. Other information you would like the membership to know. I am a good team player.

Juanette Birk- Gridley Position

3. What makes you a good 1. How long have you lived in 5. What are your hobbies/interests? **Coffey County?** candidate? I enjoy being outside. I garden, I have lived in Coffey County I have been a teacher and counselor for the past 29 years Since 1971. and have a great interest in staying sew and refinish furniture. involved in my community. 2. Why do you want to be on the museum's Board of Directors?

I believe it is important to preserve our history and bring it to others.

4. What skills or ideas do you plan on bringing with you to the board?

I love the creative style of presenting my ideas.

spend time in my pool (with my grandkids) and love walking. I

6. Other information you would like the membership to know.

My family is of the utmost importance. I have three wonderful grandchildren.

Proposed By-Laws Additions

Article II.

- Section 4. Electronic Meetings
 - A. Conference Call or Telephone Attendance

1. In the event a quorum cannot be in attendance for a regular or special meeting, and one or more board member could participate by phone to achieve a quorum, then telephone attendance should be arranged for participation in that meeting. The board member(s) available by phone should be contacted by phone before the meeting is called to order and should participate in the meeting as if present in person. Such participation shall be recorded in the minutes of that meeting. On the rare occasion when a special or emergency action is needed, all board members not available to attend in person shall be allowed to participate by conference call or telephone connection.

B. Email

1. Email shall not be a means of conducting official business of the Coffey County Historical Society. A special meeting should be called to conduct the business that cannot wait for a regular meeting.

Church & School Lift

With thanks to the donors (Joyce Holderby, Kevin & Linda Graber, and Cindy Eccles in memory of E. Lucille Woods Atherly) and anonymous donors we were able to have enough funds to lift the foundation on the church and school house. Power Lift Foundation Repair Inc. came out in July to lift the foundation of the buildings. They put 22 steel piles under the school house and 24 under

the church. The piles, structural columns, were hydraulically driven down about 28 feet into the ground. Funds are still needed to repair the interior and exterior of the buildings. If you would like to donate, please fill out the form below.

 Right: A steel pile that was just hydraulically driven into the ground with the machine still attached.

Bottom Left: Some of the wall in the school house that needs to be repaired.

Bottom Right: Two employees of Power Lift Foundation Repair Inc. hand dig 2x2 holes by the church. A total of 24 holes were dug on the church so workers could get their equipment in to place piles and foundation brackets under the building.





Bethel Church & Rural Dale School House

Donation Form

The Coffey County Museum is	a non-profit 501(c)(3) o	organization. N	Most donations c	an be tax d	eductible.
Please see y	our accountant for mo	re information	on tax deduction	ns.	

Name:		
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Would you like named listed as a donor?		
If yes, how would you like your name listed?		
Amount of Donation: \$		
Type of Donation (circle one):	Cash Check	Money Order
A letter will be sent out as a receipt of the dot questions, please call Erin at (620) 364-2653		

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HVAC Update

The HVAC upgrade project is still going on, but gets closer every day to getting completed. We are in love with our wall in our back storage area to help protect our artifacts in storage from the boilers, kitchen and garage door that are also located there. Units are still being connected to the HVAC system. Pictured are the transformations that have happened so far.



Left: New units have been installed outside of the museum with a new fence that has been installed. The top picture is the new unit next to the old before removing the old and installing the new. The bottom photo shows the new units installed and the new fencing around the units.

Right: These two photographs are from the back storage area. This area consists of a kitchen, curator's office, artifact storage, boilers, and contains a garage door. A wall was built around the boilers to section off the kitchen/garage door area from the artifact storage to ensure the safety of the artifacts.

Spiritual Dimensions: Presentation with Readings by Traci Bray, Psychic Medium

The museum will be holding another fundraiser this year on Thursday, October 23 at 6:30. Traci Bray, psychic medium, will be back at the museum to discuss her work and life as a psychic medium inviting audience questions about the same. She will offer a sampling of readings randomly to audience members. Although Traci will be giving random readings, purchasing of a ticket does not guarantee a reading. Tickets can be purchased at the Coffey County Historical Museum for \$20 in advance or \$25 the day of the event. Refreshments will also be available at the event.

Traci Bray, B.S., M.A., Medium is a level #3 Certified Research Medium with the Wind Bridge Institute in Tucson, AZ, and is a Certified Medium with the Forever Family Foundation in Long Island, NY. For more information about Traci, visit her website at www.tracibray.com.

> Right: Traci Bray speaking to the crowd at last year's Spiritual Dimensions event at the museum.



Bill Freeman

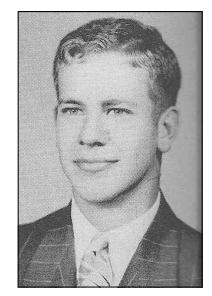
Bill Freeman, former LeRoy Mayor who served on the Coffey County Historical Society Board of Directors, will be inducted into the Kansas Sports Hall of Fame during the induction ceremony on Sunday, October 5, at the Wichita Boathouse. Freeman is part of the group of ten being inducted this year bringing the total number of Kansas Sports Hall of Fame inductees to 237. Tickers for the ceremony will be available for purchase starting August 4. For more information, visit www.kshof.org or call (316) 262-2038.

Bill Freeman, a native of LeRoy, Kansas, has football in his veins. A four -year letterman as a player at Emporia State University from 1949 to 1953, Freeman continued his success in the coaching ranks at the high school level for over thirty years. Freeman posted a career coaching record of 242-81-3, including eight state championships in three different classes. Most known for his coaching success at Lawrence High School, where Freeman coached five state championship football teams and two state track championships, Freeman also won football state championships at Osawatomie and

LeRoy and coached at Baxter Springs, Parker Rural, and Nickerson. Freeman coached several players who later played in the National Football League, including 1997 Kansas Sports Hall of Fame inductee Lynn Dickey. Freeman was a recipient of the Kansas Sports Hall of Fame's *Pride of Kansas* Award in 2012 and is an inductee of the Emporia State Athletics Hall of Fame.

Top Right: Bill Freeman's Senior Photograph from the 1949 Burlington High School yearbook, *Master Key*. During his years at BHS, he was part of Hi-Y three years, Football four years, Basketball three years, B Club three years, Class Officer two years, Junior Play one year, Glee Club four years, Mixed Chorus one year, Emporia Scholarship Tests one year, Co-Captain Football one year, Attendant Escort one year, Intramural Basketball two years, Softball one year, Music Festival one year, Outdoorsman Club one year.

Bottom Right: This photo is from the 1949 *Master Key* when Bill Freeman was Co-Captain of the Football team his senior year.





Antiques: What's It Worth?

To help raise funds for the restoration of the church and school house, the museum held a fundraiser, Antiques: What's It Worth?, at the museum on Saturday, August 2nd. Michelle Ferris, Steve Cregut, Junior Price, and Betty Price volunteered to give informal appraisals to people who brought in antiques to the museum.

Michele Ferris owns Ferris Wheel Antiques in Topeka with her husband, Ronnie. Steve Cregut owned Packrat Antiques in Topeka. Junior and Betty Price used to own B&J Antiques in Topeka. Junior is currently the President of the Topeka Antique Dealers Association. Both the Price's and Cregut closed their antique stores several years ago to retire.

Top Right: Ed Taylor, with the Coffey County Sheriff's Department, examines a gun that was brought in to be estimated. The Sheriff's Department was on hand to check weapons to make sure they were not loaded. Steve Cregut estimated the German-made firearm's value to be around \$650 or more.



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Lifetime Members

Ackerman, Gayla Lonene Adkins, Joan Allegre, Peter Allen, Dan Allen, Linda K. Anliker, Tyler Atherly, Mary Lou DeLong Atkin, John D. M.D. Atkin, Patricia Banks, Peggy Beaty, W. Jean Bedwell, L.F. Birk, Julia Mae Bohrer, Paul Brecheisen, Betty Bruce, Nellie Bruce, Robert Lyle Central National Bank Citizens State Bank City of Burlington City of Lebo Clapp, Grace (Sauder) Clark, Joanna Clark, Larry Cochran, Dorothy Cockrell, Gilan Coffey County Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center Coffey County Council for the Arts Coffey County Honda Coffey County Hospital Coffey County Land Title Co. Inc Coffey County Library Coldsmith, Don Coldsmith, Edna Combes, Irene E. Combes, Kenneth L. Conrad, Mary E. Cordell, Larry Cox, Juanita Croll, Susan Curtiss, Jerilyn Curtiss, Larry M. Danford, Charlene DeLong, Roy G. Dunlap, Dr. James Dunlap, Judith Edelman, Albert L. Edelman, Victor Epting, Gary Epting, Polly Evans, Dean Evans, George Evans, Sue

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Calendar of Events

<u>August</u> 14– Board Meeting @ noon 15– Father's Day

September 4- Labor Day- Museum Open 14- Board Meeting @ noon 19- Ballots Due 22- Annual Meeting @7 p.m.

<u>October</u>

4- Fall Festival @ Kelley Park children's activities 10:30-12:30
9- Board Meeting @ noon
23- Spiritual Dimensions @ 6:30 p.m.

November 11- Museum Closed- Veterans Day 13- Board Meeting @ noon 27-28- Museum Closed- Thanksgiving

VIEWING HOURS:

Winter Hours: (mid-November to mid-February)

Monday- Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

CLOSED on Weekends and Federal Holidays

Summer Hours: (mid-February to mid-November)

Monday- Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*

Saturday & Sunday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.*

CLOSED Holiday Weekends except Memorial Day & Labor Day