



Nicholas County Historical Society

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Building Our Future By Preserving Our Past

July 2009

Society holds annual dinner

The Nicholas County Historical Society held its annual dinner meeting on June 12, 2009 at the Neal Building. The meal was catered by Ed Taylor and more than 50 members were in attendance.

During the business session the following members were elected to serve on the Board of Directors: Rick Broderick, Bob Garvin, Sue Conley, Carl-

ton Jones, Alex Kazunas, Ginny Kingsolver, March McCormack, Michelle McDonald, Carol Power, Kay Shankland, Gladys Shrout, Wanda Shrout and Jan Taylor.

The program was a talk on Daniel Boone given by Thomas Strohfeldt. Mr. Strohfeldt, a former resident of Nicholas County, spoke on Boone's capture by the Indians while camped at Blue Licks.



Thomas Strohfeldt discusses discusses Daniel Boone's capture by the Indians while camped at Blue Licks, as Curator Jim Haag listens intently.

(More photos of annual meeting on next page.)



Socializing surrounded by the history of Carlisle and Nicholas County was the primary activity as members ate during the Annual Society Dinner at the Neal Welcome Center.



Genealogy Library Decorated, Organized

Thanks to the efforts of Ron and Sherry Howard the Neal Building Genealogy Library has been tastefully decorated and with the help of Kimball Booth our extensive collection of genealogy material organized and shelved or filed.

Over the years we have accumulated a valuable collection of reference books, documents and

family histories relating to Kentucky families, particularly Nicholas County families. Thanks to Ron, Sherry and Kimball the Neal Library now provides easier access to these materials in a comfortable "library" atmosphere.

Sherry is an experienced genealogist and both she and Kimball are quite knowledgeable about Nicholas County history and early families. They graciously share their time assisting visitors or responding to queries from people all over the country who are researching their family history.

Sherry has agreed to contribute articles of genealogical interest to the newsletter. Her description of recent valuable acquisitions is on page **3**.



The Curator's Report

We continue to add to our collection of Nicholas County artifacts. Recently, I was at Bascom Sorrell's house picking up the remainder of the memorabilia from Jockey International given to our museum for safe-keeping and a future exhibit.

At that time, Bascom donated a wonderful oil painting of the Jackstown covered bridge by Nicholas Countian Robert Tout. We are very grateful for that gift.

We have taken over a large part of our basement used by Dorothy Neal during her life. This is being cleaned up and will allow us room to organize our collection.

While working in this area, we discovered a box of display grocery products such as cereal, canned goods, spices, etc. Come and see this display that depicts how the shelves of the Square Deal grocery store looked in the 1970's.

It seems that every time I go in the museum, there are histori-



cal items left by Gladys Shrou for our collection. Thanks Gladys for your generosity and dedication to the history of our town and county.

Please keep watching the museum and newspaper for news of future exhibits.

By Jim Haag



The Businesses of Carlisle Display

Garden Party held at Forest Retreat

The 3rd Annual NCHS Event at Forest Retreat Farm was held May 3, 2009.

Jerry Galbraith, noted local saxophonist, provided the music and food and drinks were also included.

The silent auction was again a big success, with numerous donated items obtained by attendees.

The event is an annual fundraiser for the continuation of the restoration of the Neal Building.

Our sincere thanks to Phil and Trudy Tibbs who provide the

beautiful setting for this event as well as many of the amenities.



More color photographs on the next two pages.



Garden Party at Forest Retreat





Garden Party Silent Auction



Genealogy News

Kimberley – Brothers Papers

Mrs. Dorothy Stone Kimberling has donated material on the Barney Kimberling family including a copy Barney Kimberling's naturalization papers dated July 1866.

Mr. Kimberling came to the United States from Prussia in 1854 before he was 18 years old. The original naturalization papers are on file with the Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort. Mrs. Kimberling also donated material

on the Brothers family. These papers are now on file and available for researchers to use.

Jilson (Cap) Stone's Ledger of Deaths

As a memorial to W.J. (Buster) and Lucille Clark, Ms. Harriett Burton has donated Jilson (Cap) Stone's ledger of deaths starting in 1885. This ledger was maintained by Mrs. Clark until 1972.

By Sherry Howard

History of Nicholas County Available

To order a copy of the History of Nicholas County, complete the information below and send the form with a check for \$50 per copy, plus \$5 per copy for postage and handling, to:

Nicholas County Historical Society

P.O. Box 222

Carlisle KY 40311

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Number of copies: _____

Also available at the Neal Welcome Center and the Nicholas County Library.

Special Thanks

Many thanks to those who prepared baked goods and to those who patronized the Historical Society Bake Sale during the Blackberry Festival parade.

We had many delicious items and quite a few visitors to the building before and after the festivities.

Condolences

Our sympathies to the families of Marshall Cox, Dollie Galbraith, Ann Harper, Lucy Stigall, Kathryn Moore, and James Wells, all longtime members who recently passed away. We appreciate the donations in their memories we have received.

Also condolences to member Wisby Anderson on the loss of her mother Ann Shearer.