

Boone County Historical Society



May-June 2024

2024 Meetings & Events

All meetings at the Boone County Public Library will start at 6:30 pm.

May 4: N. K. History Day will be held at the **Kenton County Library in Erlanger** from 8:00 am till 2:00 pm.

May 18: Serve & Socialize at The Library from 9:00 am till 12:00 pm.

June 1: 225 Celebration at the Boone County Fair Grounds

July 18: Annual Out & About at the **Gaines Tavern** in Walton Ky.

September 19: Robin Bennett will talk about the **Boone County Daughters of the American Revolution.**

November 21: Carrie Herrmann will talk about the **Boone County Public Library's 50th Anniversary.**

CAPTAIN DON SANDERS WILL TALK ABOUT HIS LIFE ON THE RIVER ON MAY 16 AT 6:30 PM.



The Delta Queen steamboat docked at the public landing in Marietta, Ohio in the fall of 1971.

Captain Don Sanders is a river man. He has been a riverboat captain with the Delta Queen Steamboat Company and with Rising Star Casino. He grew up in a houseboat on the Ohio River and later worked on the steamboat, Avalon. He learned to fly an airplane before he learned to drive a “machine” and became a captain in the USAF. He is an adventurer, a historian, and a storyteller.

THE 28TH NORTHERN KENTUCKY REGIONAL HISTORY DAY

The 28th Northern Kentucky Regional History Day will be held on Saturday, May 4th from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Kenton County Public Library's Erlanger branch.

Good news! This year there will be **no admission fee**. Individual registration starts immediately at <https://kcpl.us/historyday2024>.

Our society plans to have a display table at this event.

Keynote Presentation

From Old Latonia to Turfway Park -- A 140-Year History by Bob Webster

Sessions and Presenters

Forgotten History in Your Own Backyard by Peter Bronson

Hard Living: Everyday Life at the Newport Barracks by Patrick Coggins and Brian Hackett

Researching at the National SAR Library & Archives by Cheri Daniels

The Old Barber of Covington by Paul Duryea

The Judge's Collection: The History of Judge Robert O. Lukowsky by Holly Hall

What's With Cincinnati? by Micha O'Connor

Cincinnati Panorama of 1848: A Window to the Past by Christopher Smith

The ORVILLE Project and You: Ohio River Valley Innovation Library and Learning Engagement by Paul Tenkotte and Dave Schroeder

Genealogy Resources at the Kentucky Historical Society by Daniel Ware

BOONE COUNTY'S 225TH CELEBRATION

Celebrating Boone County: 225 Years

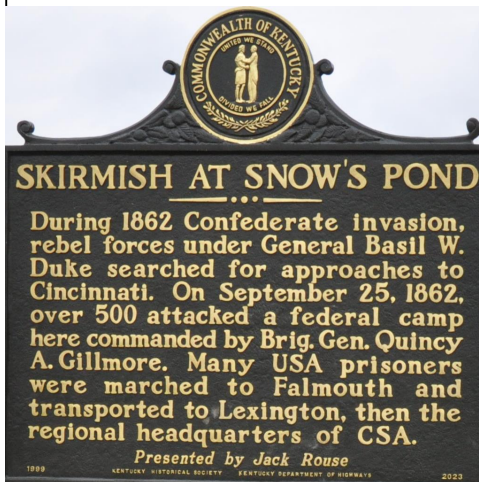
Boone County is celebrating its 225th Anniversary with a big bash on Saturday, June 1st. Celebrations start at 11:00 am with a county proclamation and flag presentation at Burlington Commons Park. The party will move to the Boone County Fairgrounds at noon, where there will be activities for the whole family from noon until 6:00 pm. Along with food trucks, browse the community tables and the Farmer and Vendor Market throughout the day. Kids will enjoy Touch-a-Truck and a Children's Tent will all sorts of activities, as well as a short parade through the fairgrounds led by the SAR Color Guard followed by a musket demonstration. Entertainment on the Lents Stage will include the Ockerman Choir, the Florence Community Band, the Hills of Kentucky Dulcimers, and square dancing with the Rabbit Hash String Band. There will be additional demonstrations in the Floral Hall with Don and Ester Drewry, the Sons of the American Revolution, and a presentation of the 225th Anniversary Quilt. From 2-4p, Boone County Parks will sponsor a fishing derby at the fishing pond, while the Young Guns Drill Team performs in the 4H Arena.

In the evening, Boone County Parks will sponsor the bands, Adkins & Lewis (6 pm), followed by the John Morgen Band (8 pm) which will perform at the Parks Stage on the Midway, with fireworks as the grand finale at 9:45 pm.

SNOW'S POND MARKER SAVED

Last year, the Snow's Pond Historical Highway Marker that was paid for by Jack Rouse, was knocked down. Since the marker was broken from its base, the Kentucky Historical Society has allowed us to display it in our museum until a replacement marker is made.

We understand that it may take several years to make a replacement since there are over 100 markers that need to be replaced.



THE BCHS MUSEUM

Boone County Historical Society expresses appreciation to the Boone County Judge/Executive and Fiscal Court Commissioners for permission to use the Old County Clerk's Office as a repository for items of historical significance to Boone County's heritage.

Directions: I-71/75 Exit 181 (KY 18 Burlington Pk). Proceed westbound 4.6 miles, turn right at the first traffic signal (Bullittsville-

Burlington Road aka Garrard St.) and then turn left into the Boone County Administration Building parking lot. The Museum is the small white brick building marked "County Court Clerk's Office...1853" The street address is 2965 Gallatin Street, Burlington, KY 41005.

The museum will be open on the third Tuesday each month 10—1.



Artwork by Pattie Purnell

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

The **Dinsmore Homestead** will host its annual **Derby Day Fundraiser Party** on **Saturday, May 4th**.

The Friends of Big Bone will host **Lewis & Clark Ranger Badge Day** at the Big Bone Lick State Historical Site on **May 18 from 11-2**.

The **Gaines Tavern** will host their **Spring Tea on May 19 from 2-4 pm**. Contact **City of Walton** for tickets.

The **Friends of Big Bone** will present a program on the **Underground Railroad** by **Hillary Delaney** on **Thursday, May 23 at 6:30 pm** at the **Scheben Library**.

The **City of Florence** will host **Public Services Night Out** at the **Florence Mall** on **May 21 from 6—8 pm**.

The **City of Florence's Aquatic Center** will open to the public on **May 25 at 11:00** for the season.

The **City of Florence** will host the **Parade and Memorial Day Program** on **May 27 starting at 10:00 am**.

The Friends of Big Bone will host **Discovery Days** at the Big Bone Lick State Historical Site on **June 8 from 11-2**.

The **Gaines Tavern** will open with the theme of "Trains" on **Sunday, June 9 from 2 —4 pm**.

The **City of Florence** will celebrate **Flag Day on Ewing Blvd. on June 14**.

The **City of Florence** will host **Movies in the Park** at the **Florence Nature Park** starting at **6:00 pm** on **June 14, 21, & 28**.

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ABOUT THE BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The **mission** of the Boone County Historical Society is to develop awareness and promote appreciation of the history of Boone County, Kentucky. We are fortunate to partner with the Boone County Public Library.

The Boone County Historical Society provides program meetings at 6:30pm on the third Thursday evenings of March, April, May, July, September and November. Meetings (except for July) are held at the Boone County Public Library, Main Library, 1786 Burlington Pike, Burlington, Kentucky. July "out-and-about" meetings are held at various locations around the County.

The Society will be hosting a number of exhibits at the BCHS Museum (*see page 3*) each year. Most items for these exhibits are borrowed on a temporary basis from our members and friends, and do not belong to the Society. We greatly appreciate being entrusted with these loaned items that relate to our exhibits.

Items in our permanent collection have been donated by individuals and families, who desire to share with others items of historical significance to Boone County. Their generosity is gratefully appreciated.

Annual membership fee is \$15 per household, due every March. This covers the cost of printing and mailing our newsletters. Checks, payable to the Boone County Historical Society, can be mailed to the Boone County Historical Society, P.O. Box 23, Florence, KY 41022-0023.

The Boone County Historical Society has received a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status — all gifts to the Society are tax deductible.

All programs and exhibits are free and open to the public.

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