

JESSAMINE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

December 31, 2008

The President's Corner

Dear Friends and Members –

It has finally happened! My first computer crash! Fortunately all is back in order now and we can proceed with business as usual. However, everything due in January is now running into March.

We hope that all of you had a happy holiday season and that you had plenty to eat, family to enjoy and all the blessings that come with this wonderful time of year!

As 2008 came to an end, our Society did not have monthly meetings in November and December. Some members continued to meet on Thursday afternoons to have the office open for those wishing to come in to do research.

Bill Davidson

Meetings

The JCHS meets at 7:00 on the 4th Thursday of every month except in November and December. Informal meetings are held every Thursday afternoon from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., at which time research may be done. All meetings are held at the JCHS office at 216 North Main Street in Farmers Square unless otherwise announced. Everyone is invited!

The monthly meetings for the first quarter of 2009 are scheduled for January 22, February 26 and March 26. We hope you can attend a meeting!

2008 - 2009 Officers of the Jessamine County Historical Society:

President - Bill Davidson (859-858-3127/ pat-bilky1@aol.com)

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Committees (2008 - 2009):

Calling: Howard Teater

Cemetery: Charlie & Ernestine Hamm

Correspondence & Research: Ernestine Hamm

Finance: Bill Davidson, Bill Russell, Howard Teater, Dr. David McMurtry, Alice Hills

Food: Tommye Davidson, Inez Russell

Bower 5th Book: Bill Russell, Tommye Davidson

Newsletter: Tommye Davidson

Cemetery Update by Ernestine Hamm

It will not be long now until we will be spring cleaning. We have a couple of cemeteries that were started late last year and we hope to finish in the spring. One is the Gregg/McCampbell cemetery and other is the Campbell cemetery in Wilmore.

Our biggest project for the year will be the Samuel Hunter cemetery which we have applied for a grant to fence and purchase an historical marker that will tell the Hunter family history.

We are getting all the paper work together to order a Revolutionary headstone for Thomas

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Overstreet. His cemetery must be fenced because of cattle. If you are an Overstreet descendent and have information or would like to be a part of this restoration, please let me know at our address below.

This year is the 10th anniversary of the cemetery project. We have restored 54 cemeteries, three of these will be completed this year. We look forward to another great year with great accomplishments. If you would like to support this project, it would be most appreciated!

-Ernestine Hamm

P.S.—Late breaking news: The Revolutionary war stone for Thomas Overstreet has been approved.

Miscellany

Howard Fain Prints for Sale

The Society has been notified of many Howard Fain prints that are for sale. Howard is a former member, now deceased, who enjoyed a wide following as an artist of local landmarks as well as prints of nostalgia. There is still quite a demand for his prints. Interested parties may contact Mark H. Carter, 135 Bakers Acres Drive, Hawthorne, FL 32640, telephone 352-494-7619, for available prints, sizes and price. Some of the prints are signed, some are matted and some are framed.

This is a rare opportunity as probably no Howard Fain prints will be run again so be sure to check out those you may want.

Donations Received

- Member/Author Director Elexene Cox donated a DVD of her play on Paul Sawyier which has been shown at the High Bridge Pavilion for several years. This past year was the last showing for this excellent production.

Meetings This Quarter:

October 23, 2008:

Eight members and one guest attended this monthly meeting.

The cemetery report was given by Ernestine Hamm, who showed a film on the Gregg/McCampbell cemetery.

The Halloween program was discussed and a call made for candy to hand out to tricksters. Rozanne East is scheduled to sing at our office and we welcome any guests to come by.

The Story of High Bridge DVD by Clyde Bunch was shown and popcorn, cookies and drinks were served.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

(There were no monthly meetings in November and December.)

If you have additions or corrections to this newsletter, please write to Bill Davidson, 198 Academy Drive, Wilmore, KY 40390.

The Jessamine County Historical Society is a non-profit educational society recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization. Donations to JCHS may be tax-deductible.