

THE CALLAWEGIAN

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Our Mission: To collect, preserve and share the history of Callaway County with all generations

You're Invited to Our New

CALLAWAY HERITAGE DAY

Saturday, August 27, 2022 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Callaway Electric Cooperative—Off Hwy 54 in Fulton



**Celebrating the Callaway Century Farm of
John Board near Shamrock**



Displays of pre-1979 Tractors, Cars and Trucks
Food Trucks - Homemade Ice Cream - Delicious BBQ - Kettle Korn



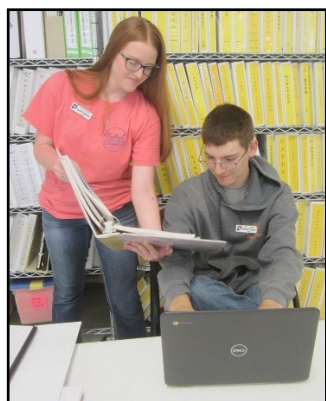
Bring the family and invite your friends! This event promises a fun-filled day for people of all ages, perfect for families to make memories together.

Classic tractors, cars and trucks will be on display and competing for prizes in each class and Best of Show via a People's Choice vote. Tractor classes will be divided into 1940 and older, 1941-1960, and 1961-1979. The car and truck classes include 1932 and older, 1933 – 1954 and 1955-1979.

Join us as we celebrate Callaway County's Century farms! Enjoy various historical displays, as well as a parade on the grounds beginning at 1:30 p.m. In addition, there will be BBQ pork steaks and brats by the New Bloomfield Lions Club and fried pickles, fritters, and specialty sandwiches by the Smokin' Pickle Food Truck, along with Chele's Kettle Corn and Fly Wheel homemade ice cream!

General admission is **FREE!** Pre-registration by August 20th for tractors, cars and trucks is \$10 per entry. Onsite registration is \$15 per entry and opens at 9 a.m. Entry forms are available on the KCHS website, at both KCHS locations or by calling the museum at 573-642-0570.

New History Interns at KCHS



Sarah and William finding treasures in KCHS archives.

Thanks to funding from the Callaway 200 project, KCHS has two high school students on board this summer. Their goal is to help create learning projects about Callaway history for public, private, and home-schooled children.

Sarah Chapman, North Callaway High School, and William Harper, Fulton High School, applied in April for the summer jobs and were excited to be selected. They began June 1. Sarah noted, "I am so grateful for this opportunity, and I can't wait to share our local history with others. I'm thrilled that I get to potentially help teachers educate their students on the past of Callaway County." William added, "The opportunity to learn more about local history, specifically the county, and to teach my findings to others is a dream come true. I am extremely grateful for being given this opportunity."

KCHS looks forward to the project(s) they design and plans to add the information to our website as well as share it with local schools and teachers.

From the President Victor Pasley

It's hard to believe that we are at the halfway point of year 2022. Our board members and volunteers have been very busy implementing the plans we put in place at our annual planning meeting in January.

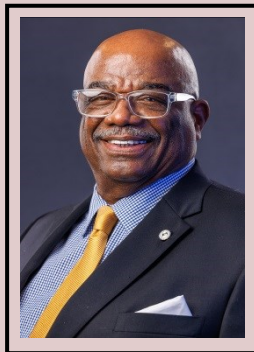
In February we conducted a successful trivia night. During our April annual meeting, our special guest, Dr. Rachael Price provided an interesting analysis of Henry Bellamann's *Kings Row*. The Sunday Luncheon at the Brick District Playhouse was well received by our members. We also took the opportunity to recognize volunteers that have made a tremendous difference in the work that gets done by the KCHS. Our planned fashion show for July is moving into 2023. Unfortunately some of our plans continue to be impacted by the pandemic.

The KCHS Museum and the Research Center are busy addressing the needs of our patrons. We are gathering data that will reflect, from a statistical point of view, the effectiveness of our services at our two KCHS locations. Triple L classes are popular and well received. The Research Center activity is growing. We did cosponsor with the library a genealogy research project involving probate records and hope to do others in the future.

Our next major event will be Callaway Heritage Day in August 2022. We will feature vintage cars, trucks and tractors and celebrate one of our very own Century Farms. The team for this event, being lead by board member Jayne Wills, is working hard and important details can be found in this newsletter.

It is exciting times at KCHS and we are working on future plans that will deliver later in the year. A brief overview of future projects are covered in this newsletter. We are financially stable and our investments are being responsibly managed.

As always we appreciate your feedback so we can ensure we are meeting our member's needs; please encourage your neighbors and friends to join our KCHS team.



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New Book on One-Room School House Stories

A new book on Callaway County is coming! This one will focus on the one-room school house and all the memories - - favorite teachers, best friends, sports stories, life-lessons learned, favorite subjects, or a love of learning ignited. Please share YOUR STORIES! **Deadline for submission is November 30, 2022.**



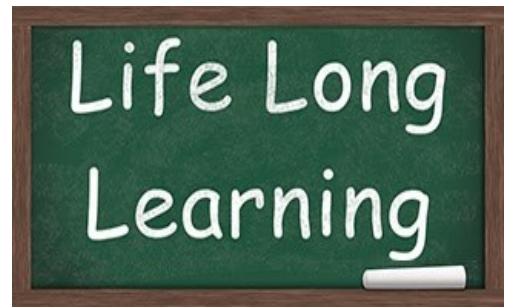
The book will be published in 2023, so we need to gather stories NOW. There is no entry fee. Articles may be up to 3,000 words and are subject to approval and editing by the KCHS editorial staff. Bruce Hackmann will again serve as editor for the book. Submit articles at anytime to **museum@callawaymohistory.org** or bring in person to the **Museum** on Court street. Either hard-copy or electronic format are welcomed.

Plan a submission today! Questions may be directed to Bruce Hackmann at brucehackmann@gmail.com.

KCHS previous books include: It Happened in Callaway (2019) and Callaway Tapestries (2021). Both are available in the Museum Gift Shop.

Life Long Learning (Triple L) Classes

Cost: \$20 for KCHS Member / \$25 for Non-Member



TRIPLE L (Life-Long Learning) CLASSES - The Spring classes were full and the comments were great! All enjoyed the sessions and the personal interactions. One attendee noted, “The instructors obviously did extensive research and preparation. It was informal and comfortable.”

We now have our topics for the fall. Registrations will start in August.

Herbs as Medicine with Barb Huddleston - September 23 at the Research Center

The Care and Cleaning of Gravestones with Amanda Burke—September 29 at Research Ctr

The Firebrick Industry with Vince Logan - October 11 & 13 at the Museum

Genealogy for Kids with Jan Finke & Linda Williams - TBD

Register after August 1 at 573-642-0570 or email to museum@callawaymohistory.org
or online at www.callawaymohistory.org



Nancy Lewis shares designs of quilt patterns used on the Underground Railroad in the spring session.

A ‘water pie’ from ‘Grandma’s Kitchen’ session. It really was tasty!

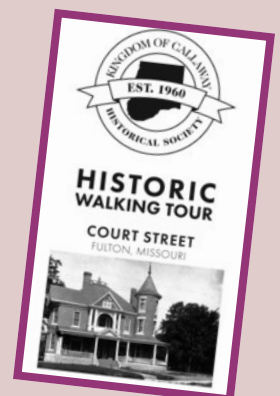


The Care and Cleaning of Grave Stones had an indoor morning session and then headed outdoors to a local cemetery.

Historic Walking Tours Popular Now

Between all the raindrops, we encourage you to get out and smell the roses, stretch your legs, and take one or more of our historic walking tours in central Fulton. There are four tours: Court Street, Fifth Street, Seventh Street/Westminster, and Downtown. Each tour has a brochure that lists key residences by number and shares a bit of their history.

You can download the walking tour brochure on our website (museum@mohistory.org) or stop by the museum to pick one up. Happy strolling!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVE OF CALLAWAY COUNTY HISTORY!

Callaway County Jails and Courthouses

by Bryce Gordon, KCHS Staff

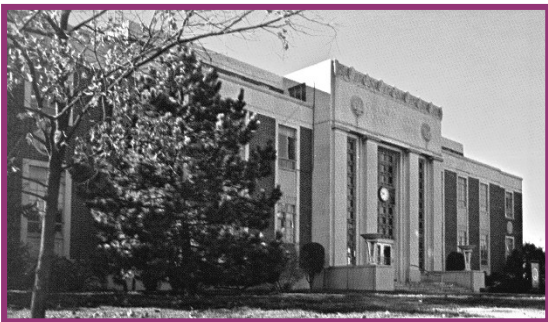
Of the various accounts of the formation of Callaway County, the first priority when organizing the County Seat was planning the location, design, and construction of the courthouse and jail. The original County Seat in 1820 was at the town of Elizabeth, located approximately one-half mile northwest of Ham's Prairie. A log jailhouse was immediately constructed there, but a courthouse was never constructed. Court matters were carried out at Henry Brite's tavern. The cost of the jail, \$785 (about \$20,000 in today's dollars), was covered by selling lots in the new town.



The more central location of Fulton was selected to be the County Seat in 1825. Once the location of the courthouse and jail were decided, the jail in Elizabeth was to be moved to Fulton, but it was destroyed by fire before it could be relocated. The two-story stone jailhouse pictured here was built in the mid-1860s, and later moved to a location on the east side of Market Street between 3rd and 4th Streets (near, or possibly overlapping, the southwest corner of our current KCHS Research Center!).

A Sheriff's residence was also constructed on Market Street in front of the jail. Prisoners occasionally escaped by removing one of the large stone blocks. The roof and interior were remodeled in 1881, adding steel cladding to the roof, interior walls, and second floor, plus updated plumbing and storm drains. The standard of the time providing for "security, segregation, sanitation, and safety." The cost of \$3,460 would be approximately \$100,000 today.

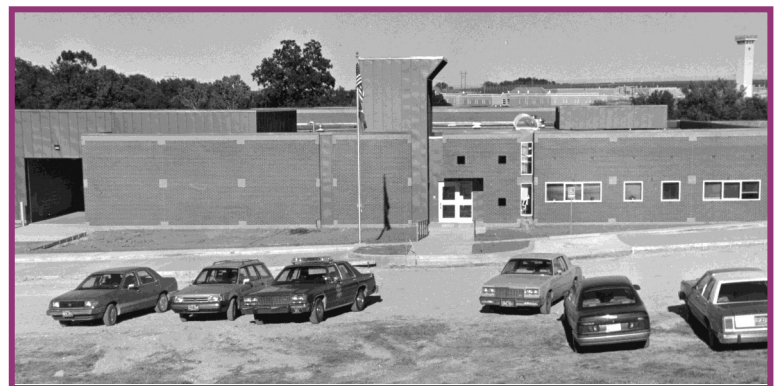
This photo at right from the mid-to late-1930s was taken from the top of the old courthouse, showing the old jailhouse to the left, Sheriff's residence center, and the old City Hall to the right. The jail yard was the setting for one of the last public hangings in Missouri.



When the current courthouse

was opened in 1940, the third floor served as the county jail. The old jailhouse was dismantled and the stones sold to Tom Van Sant, who used them to build a house near Hatton. The house was later gutted by fire.

Our current county jail on Rt. O replaced the jail space in the courthouse in the 1990s. Designed to accommodate 100 prisoners, there are frequently 85-90 detainees. The new 2022 renovation will increase capacity to 150 and allow for better separation of inmates in case of illness. It will also include much-needed technology upgrades. The jail renovation, along with the new Justice Center being built at Market & 2nd Streets, increases Callaway's court capacity and includes better, smarter jail designs and operations.



Our 2022 Annual Meeting and Awards

Individual Callaway County Historic Preservation Award—Kelly Borman



Corporate Callaway County Historic Preservation Award—New Bloomfield Area Historical Society



The Barbara Dunavant Huddleston Volunteer Service Award

Mike Boulware (posthumously)

Sheila Guthrie



The Program



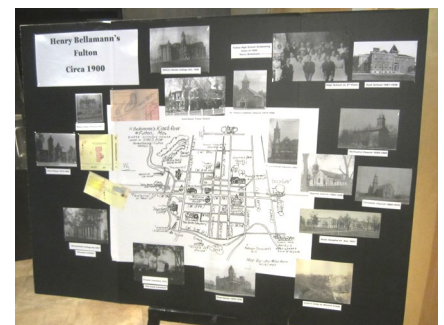
KCHS Annual Meeting Sunday, April 24, 2022, 12:30-3:00 pm

Following a delicious buffet luncheon, President Victor Pasley gave a 'state of the society' message and then conducted the annual business meeting. More than 67 members and guest were in attendance.

Vice President Bruce Hackmann presented KCHS awards for historic preservation and for volunteerism (see recipients above) to our very worthy recipients.

The Brick District Playhouse was the perfect venue for spotlighting Henry Bellamann and his novel, *Kings Row*. Dr. Rachel Price, Assoc. Professor of English at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton, GA., has long been interested in small-town America and feels Bellamann's novel has much to offer as a model. Following her presentation, she did a book signing and visited with guests. Also on display were items from the 1940's *Kings Row* movie, including play-bills from the movie and the actual suit worn by Ronald Reagan.

KCHS had another successful year and looks forward to continuing to collect, preserve and share the history of Callaway County with all.



Dr. Rachel Price shared her findings of Henry Bellamann (top); map of Fulton with Kings Row sites; suit worn in movie by Ronald Reagan.



KCHS National Family History Month Archive Project Coming October 2022

The Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society is interested in expanding our collections of Callaway history and we need your help. October is national Family History Month and we want people to bring in family materials (items/photos/documents) for us to scan and archive. It takes time to find these items, so we present this list now to assist you in collecting your family's Callaway history for archiving in October.

Below is a listing of items/photos/documents we hope to have presented to us for archiving. All must have a Callaway connection, dates, and and/or names.

1. Family Photos – photographs of family members (individuals, family, reunions, B&W or color, WITH names and dates
2. Group Photos – church groups, schools, organizations, clubs; WITH names, dates and events noted
3. Business Photos – especially with employees; WITH names and dates; memorabilia from business
4. Events - Tebbetts Picnic, Hatton Craft Fair, Kingdom Days, Portland Days, Morels & Microbrews; WITH names, location and dates
5. Work Related – photos of Callawegians at work; WITH names and dates
6. Agricultural Activities – WITH names, locations, dates and activities
7. Special items – documents, maps, or items of unique or special value to Callaway's history, WITH names, dates or relevant identification.

NOTE: Birth certificates, death certificates, and marriage records are available from public sources and do not need to be brought for scanning.



Family binders on the shelves at KCHS. Help expand our collections of family histories.

You may sign up for a time-slot in October to bring in your things (allow 30 minutes). If possible, they will be scanned at that time and returned to you. Otherwise, materials will need to be left at the Research Center for 2 weeks so they may be scanned and archived. All materials will be returned to the owner.

Questions may be referred to the KCHS Research Center, 573-826-2460 or research@callawaymohistory.org. The Research Center is located at 106 E. 4th Street, Fulton, MO 65251

Juneteenth – KCHS Welcomes New National Holiday



As a new holiday enters our historical records, KCHS is honoring the occasion with a colorful Juneteenth window display featuring various segments of black history in Callaway County. Drop by to check it out.

July Fashion Show Cancelled

Sadly KCHS is having to cancel the July Fashion Show as we did not secure enough clothing from the 1910-1950's era. We look forward to next year's event.

Brick District

Sip 'n Shop

Thursday, July 14 - 4-7:00 pm
Come visit us at the Museum

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Welcome New KCHS Members

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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