

THE CALLAWEGIAN

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

CALLAWAY HERITAGE DAY

DISPLAYS OF TRACTORS—CARS—TRUCKS

(ALL PRE-1980)

Celebration of John Board Family Century Farm near Shamrock

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022 10:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M.

Callaway Electric Cooperative—Off Hwy 54 in Fulton

Food Trucks - Homemade Ice Cream - Delicious BBQ - Kettle Korn

No Admission Fee - Tractor/Car/Truck Entry Fee \$10 in advance, \$15 on site - Ample Parking

Join us for FUN and celebration as we view vintage tractors, cars and trucks from 10:00-2:00. We will also honor the Century Farm of John Board which has actually been in the family 200 years! (see page 4 for the full story)



Jim and Mary Anne Buffington pictured with their 1953 John Deere Model 50 tractor.

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. In addition to the tractor, car and truck displays, there will also be various historical displays and unique quilts. We end the festivities with a parade of all vehicles around the circle at 1:30 p.m.

Don't miss the food treats! 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! YUM!! (No alcohol allowed on the grounds)



Mike Auer with 1957 International Harvester S-110 pickup.

General admission is **FREE!** Pre-registration by August 20th for tractors, cars and trucks is \$10 per entry. On-site 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. continued on page 2



The convertible is a 1965 Chevy SS; the Ford is a 1956 Victoria hardtop; both owned by Leonard Payne.

<u>TRACTOR CLASSES</u>	<u>CAR & TRUCK CLASSES</u>
1940 and older	1932 and older
1941 - 1960	1933-1954
1961 - 1979	1955-1979

From the President - Victor Pasley

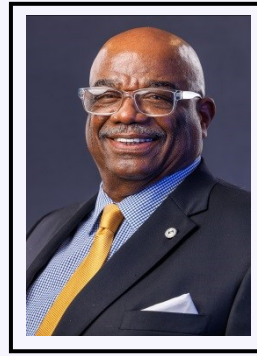
I bring you greetings from the Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society Board. As always, thanks for your support that inspires KCHS board to keep moving forward. Excitement is growing for the KCHS events planned for August and beyond that are detailed in the newsletter.

I am personally looking forward to our Callaway Heritage Day on August 27th. We will display vintage tractor, cars and trucks all pre-1980. This is a family event that is guaranteed to be fun and educational. On this day we will also feature a Century Farm that has been in the Board family for over 200 years. What is a Century Farm? See page 4 for details. As you tour this event save a room for BBQ, homemade ice cream, kettle corn and food truck specials.

With the financial support of the Callaway 200 committee, KCHS was able to hire two high school interns. These students exceeded our expectations. They developed a presentation on the Civil War that is conducive to the education of middle school students. On August 8th they shared this informative presentation with the KCHS Board (see page 5). Our thanks to them for helping create new learning materials and providing outreach to new audiences as we work to fulfill our mission to collect, preserve and share the history of Callaway County with all generations.

Finally, we have two significant projects on the horizon that needs your attention. First, October is National Family History Month and we want people to bring into the KCHS Research Center family materials for us to scan and archive, and share the story of their family. "We are the story tellers of the tribe. All tribes have one." Secondly, we are remembering Callaway County's rural schools in a new book. Callaway County had 116 rural one/two room schools serving elementary students up until the mid-1950s. Were YOU one of those students? If so, we want to hear from you. (See page 3)

Again thank you for your support. It is busy times at KCHS and we would love to hear from you on how we are doing. As always invite your neighbors as well as friends to become members and join our KCHS team.



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TROPHIES

The classic tractors, cars and trucks will be competing for prizes in each class.

Trophies will be awarded for Best of Show in each category and for 1st place in all nine classes via a People's Choice Vote.



“Our Slate Chalkboards: Remembering Callaway County’s Rural School Houses”

While often called ‘the one-room school house’ many of them had two rooms and both furnished the primary learning environment for rural children. Callaway County had 116 rural schools serving elementary students up until the mid-1950’s.

Were YOU one of those students? If so, we want to hear from you. We love to hear what day-to-day life as like in your school house. What did you and your friends do? What great lessons of life did you learn? What were the things about it you like the most? The least? Did you help teach younger children? Who was your teacher? Please share YOUR STORIES!

Deadline for submission is November 30, 2022.



Middle River School 1963

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 is 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.



Registrations Open for 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 opened August 1; limit 20 persons per class.

Beyond Morels — How to find and prepare wild edibles with Margo McMillen—September 16, 10:30–Noon, Research Center

Herbs as Medicine with Barb Huddleston - September 23 at the Research Center; 10:30-Noon

The Care and Cleaning of Gravestones with Amanda Burke — September 29 at Research Center and Cemetery—All day, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (CLASS FILLED)

The Firebrick Industry with Vince Logan - October 11 & 13 at the Museum; 2:00-4:00 pm

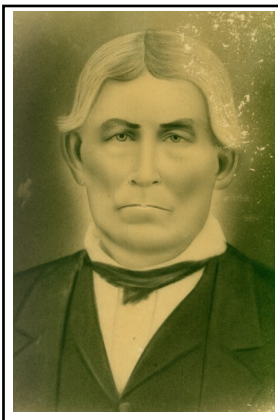
Climb the Family Tree with Me (Genealogy for Kids) with Jan Finke & Linda Williams - October 29 at Research Center (9-10:30 am; for grade school children, must be accompanied by an adult)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVE OF CALLAWAY COUNTY HISTORY!

John Board Century Farm Honored at Callaway Heritage Day

At our first Callaway Heritage Day **Century Farm Recognition**, we will honor a farm, a man, a family and a great heritage. Century Farm recognition was begun in 1976 (see box below) and the John Board farm has actually reached TWO centuries in the same family, spanning five generations in the family.

John Board first came to Missouri in 1819 when granted land from the government, then found his way to Callaway County and his 160 acres of land in 1825. The trip was made on one horse, which carried the entire family of husband, wife and child, with their household goods, etc. The land was in the northeast corner of Callaway County, about one mile southwest of Shamrock, MO. Mr. Board was a stonemason by trade, and built nearly all the old-fashioned mammoth stone chimneys in his neighborhood.



John Board

On a high knoll John Board and his family built their brick home, taking over 5 years to complete. All of the brick, lumber and other materials used in the construction of the house came from the farm itself. Two doors lead from the porch into the front rooms, each nearly twenty feet square. The original kitchen was back of the main house and connected by a wide passageway. In 1905, a dining room was added between the kitchen and living room. Enclosed stairways, built without nails, lead up to each of the bedrooms. The bedrooms, like the two rooms below and the original kitchen, contained fireplaces nine-feet wide. The walls were all solid brick, 19-inches thick, which provided ample space for deep seats at every window. The excellence of the work was attested by the fact that in the first one hundred years, only one crack developed in the walls and this is thought to have been caused by the heat from the two large fireplaces.

What is a Century Farm?
In 1976, the Centennial Farm project was initiated in Missouri to award certificates to people owning farms that had been in the same family for 100 years or more. Interest in the program continued, so the College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources and University of Missouri Extension planned a 10-year update in 1986 called the Century Farm program. The Missouri Farm Bureau joined as a program co-sponsor in 2008. This program has been sustained as a yearly event with over 100 farms recognized each year.

The house was beautifully placed on a knoll not far from the banks of Bachelor Creek, the contour of the spot affording

drainage in three directions from the building. The foundation was of yellow limestone, quarried on the farm. The brick used were made of clay from the farm. The mortar which held the brick in place was said to be of exceptional hardness and strength and this was made from lime produced on the same place. All the lumber used was sawed by hand with a whipsaw from timber which grew nearby and all of the finishing lumber in the house was black walnut, and the floors were of white ash. The original roof was of shaved oak shingles, which is said to have lasted 35 years before needing replacement.

Mr. John Board lived to be 84 years old. He married 5 times and had 12 children in all. The original large farm has been divided and subdivided and the official Century Farm is now about 116 acres and is owned by great-great granddaughter Kathleen Books Rudeen, daughter of Mary Maupin Books, granddaughter of John Board.



The Board family home, circa 1905. Shown are Martha Board Maupin, daughter of John, and her grandchildren, Francis Maupin and James Drury Maupin.

20,000th Image Goes into KCHS System

Volunteer Janet Hafey scanned the 20,000th image into Thumbs Plus on Friday, July 22, 2022. Thumbs Plus is KCHS's archival photo system.

The image was a professional portrait of a young lady, Mattie Elley, taken in the early 1900s. Records indicate she was from the Tebbetts area. CONGRATULATIONS KCHS!



Slate of Officers and Directors for 2023 Presented

The board of directors of the Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society is elected by the membership each October via a mail ballot. More details will be presented in the next newsletter about that process. The following is the slate of officers presented for 2023 by the Nominating Committee.

President	Susan Krumm
Vice President	Victor Pasley
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Board directors presented for the term of 2023-2025 are:

Susan Krumm
 Rodney Latty
 Dennis Shryock
 Don Soph
 Marilyn Whitehead

History Interns Produce Webquest for Middle Schools

A webquest is an interactive learning experience with basic topical information, links to text, quotes, video, and other research pieces, and strategic learning activities and exercises.

KCHS is fortunate enough to now have a webquest on the Civil War geared to middle schoolers. You can check it out on our website later this fall at callawaymohistory.org.



William, standing, and Sarah, seated at projector, share their work with KCHS board members.

This new webquest is the outcome of our first History Intern Project funded by Callaway 200 monies. Sarah Chapman, North Callaway HS, and William Harper, Fulton HS, have spent the summer researching, reviewing, selecting and creating the webquest. They are anxious now for teachers and students to enjoy their efforts and provide feedback.

In addition to the webquest, Sarah and William also reviewed the artifacts in the KCHS museum. On July 8, they were given a tour by Nancy Lewis, museum director. Also part of this project was a tour of the State Historical

Society of Missouri in Columbia which they did on July 28th.

Sarah and William presented their comprehensive project to the KCHS Board of Directors at the August 8th meeting and answered questions. The board was extremely impressed with their work. Now it is back to the classroom for these two talented interns. Our thanks to them for helping create new learning materials and providing outreach to new audiences.



Museum Visit

Above—Sarah studies uniforms and military medals.



Left—William inspects Civil War artifacts and food containers.



Sarah and William with Thank You certificates from KCHS.

October is National Family History Month

KCHS plans project to gather family histories.

“We are the story tellers of the tribe. All tribes have one. We have been called as if it were by our genes. Those who have gone before cry out to us: *Tell our story. So we do.*” (author unknown)

The Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society is interested in expanding our collections of Callaway history and preserving the stories. 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/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.

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



SIP and SHOP a Great Success

Between 4:00 and 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 14th, the Brick District was full of shoppers and sippers as downtown merchants stayed open.

KCHS welcomed more than 67 guests during that time and provided refreshments and lots to look at! We even had a new member sign up. THANKS to all who dropped by! It was wonderful to see everyone!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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