

August 2010

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# Timelines

## Annual Meeting

The Coffey County Historical Society will hold its annual meeting on Monday, September 27, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Coffey County Historical Museum. All Coffey County Historical Society members are invited to attend.

This year the speaker will be our Curator, Shirley Logan, the topic will be accessioning. She will be showing what an artifact goes through from when it is donated to when it finds a home at the Museum.

The Burlington position on the Coffey County Historical Board of Directors is up for election. Any current member of the Coffey County Historical Society is eligible to serve on the board, unless they have already reached the limit of three terms.

Enclosed in this issue of Timelines is a mail-in ballot for each member. After selecting a candidate, remember to select if you will be attending the meeting or not so we can plan snacks accordingly. Please return these to the

museum by September 24, 2010. The current Board of Directors will meet prior to the Annual Meeting to tally the votes. The newly elected Board of Directors will be presented during the Annual Meeting.

The Mail-In ballot will be the only way in which you will be able to vote, so please remember to mail them back or drop them off at the museum before the deadline so your vote will count.

We hope to see you all on the 27th!

## Agenda for Annual Meeting

1. Introductions
  - a. Pledge to the Flag
  - b. Moment of Silence
  - c. Introduction of current Board
  - d. Those running for Board positions
  - e. Staff
2. Slate of Officers (presented by Brenda Klubek and Retha Sleezer)
  - a. Announce results of the received ballots
3. Treasury Report (presented by Brenda Klubek, Treasurer)
4. Awards and Recognitions (presented by Deborah Kennamore)
5. State of the Museum address (presented by Deborah Kennamore)
6. Introduction of Speaker (Shirley Logan, Curator)
  - a. Accessioning

|              | In State     | Out State   | Total        |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Jan          | 2187         | 108         | 2295         |
| Feb          | 522          | 54          | 576          |
| Mar          | 1233         | 81          | 1314         |
| Apr          | 1476         | 27          | 1503         |
| May          | 3294         | 279         | 3573         |
| June         | 2106         | 387         | 2493         |
| July         | 1053         | 441         | 1494         |
| *Aug         | 1233         | 234         | 1467         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>13104</b> | <b>1611</b> | <b>14715</b> |

\* count since August 19.  
August also includes 3 visitors from Norway.

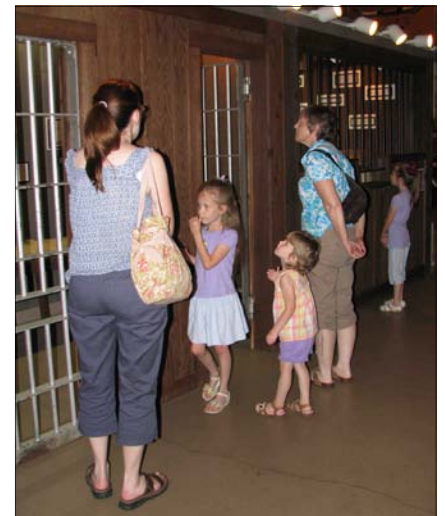
## Visitors

Since the start of the new year, the museum has had quite a few visitors. The top three months are (1) May, (2) June, and (3) January. The month of May was extremely busy for us with school tours. We had a total of 13 school tours this year with 10 of the school tours in the month of May. We also had a very generous group of Burlington Middle

School 7th graders who came by and volunteered their time helping clean the museum inside and out. We are very thankful for this group of students and really appreciate their hard work. June was the second busiest month. Most of the visitors were down for the Burlington Alumni which is held every even year. There was also a lot of researchers who used our Genealogy

Library. Some of the topics that were researched include Strawn, New Strawn, Harris, Railroads, Hughes, old town photos, Josiah Lake family, Knoblock, and Gridley. In third place was January. January of course is the month we hold our annual Chili Feed to celebrate Kansas' Birthday.

Right: Esther Osborn shows her great grandson, Ollie, the electrical display in the Asbury Gallery. Far right: Mindy Funderburk, Amelia Funderburk, Hope Funderburk, and Maggie Birk look at the jail display while Elizabeth Funderburk looks at the bank display. Esther is one of our members from Gridley, the rest of her family came up to visit from Texas.



## Attention Schools and Teachers!

Attention all schools and groups: book your tours now! We have limited tour dates available for the 2010-2011 school year. With all the budget cuts going around, we are predicting more school tours here at the museum. There are only limited dates available for school tours. Please

don't wait until the last minute to schedule a tour. Plan ahead and schedule one today! We really enjoy giving tours to the children and watch their eyes light up with excitement. We also want every school and class to have the same opportunity, so schedule a date today. Our exhibits

are always changing and we offer several activities for the children. Please contact us for more information!

We also give tours to other large groups such as nursing homes, RV Clubx, Scouts, etc. Please call and reserve your tour today!



Our one room schoolhouse is a big hit with school tours.

**Staff News**

**I Got Married!!!!**

by Shirley (Gorge) Logan

On June 12, 2010 I married Eric Logan in Emporia, Kansas. It was the second year anniversary of the day we met. My daughter Tierra, sister Jan, and sister-in-law Melissa stood by my side as Eric and I exchanged vows. Sheri Volland, who has helped out for years cooking for Pioneer Days, made my BEAUTIFUL

cake. The day would not be complete without an “uh-oh” moment. One of Eric’s groomsmen was suppose to pick up his tuxedo. Five minutes before the wedding his friend realized that he forgot. Eric wore his friends tuxedo, borrowed pants from my nephew and shoes from someone else! The clothes were a little big on him, but that is ok,

he was still the most handsome man in there. Well.....besides my dad.



Above: Eric and I.

Left: A hug from my dad.

Bottom left: Melissa, Tierra, and Jan.

Bottom right: Yay!



**Baby Finally Came!**

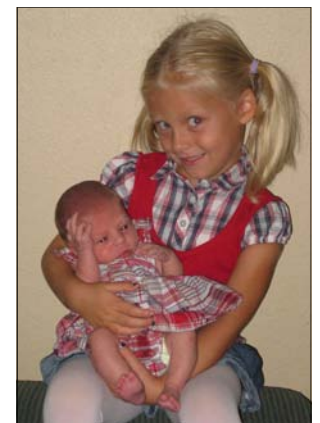
by Erin Burdick

After a long nine months, I finally had my baby girl, Alexis Raye Nicole Burdick. Alexis was born at 12:53 p.m. Friday, July 9th at the Coffey County Hospital. She weighed 6 lbs 1.5 oz

and was 19 1/2 inches long. Her sister Kaylie, who just turned five in August, has been a big help...sometimes a little too much. Rex, my husband, is a huge help with both girls and is going to have his hands full with the both of them when they get older! Alexis is now

over a month old and is starting to get her own little personality. She loves to smile and tries “talk” to you. She also has to be on the lookout of big sister, because she never knows we sissy will dive in with another hug and kiss.

Maternal grandparents are Mark Petterson, New Strawn, and Debbie Petterson, Custer, SD. Maternal great grandparents are Homer and Charlene Danford, Gridley. Paternal grandparent is Greg Burdick, Burlington.



Above: Big sister, Kaylie, holding her new baby sister, Alexis.

Left: First family photo with the new little addition.



Above: The gazebo was built in 2002 with a walkway of 500 bricks that can be personalized. As of June 2010, 286 bricks were engraved.

Left: A few of the personalized bricks that surround the gazebo. To purchase a engraved brick, fill out the form below and return to the museum.

## Bricks

We are still selling gazebo bricks! There are only 500 bricks that can be personalized and we have already sold over half of them. The personalized bricks form a walkway encircling the gazebo. Dedication bricks are a wonderful way to recognize, memorialize or honor a

loved one while providing support for the Museum. The bricks can be engraved with two lines of 13 characters each. Bricks sell for \$40 each and can be purchased at the Museum gift shop or by mailing the form (below) to the Museum. We still have room for your name! So,

hurry in and make sure your name is engraved in history! Here are the new bricks that were purchased since last newsletter: Gail Anderson BHS 1961, Andy Buckles BHS 1961, Cheryl Buckles BHS 1960, Michael Veteto BHS Year 1968, Craig Veteto BHS Year 1972



### Step Into The Past...

Step into Coffey County History!

Personalized bricks are only \$40. All proceeds will fund the upkeep of the gazebo located at the Museum.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*Please make check or money orders payable to:  
**Coffey County Historical Museum**

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Each brick may have 2 lines of print with 13 spaces each.

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## Membership

We would like to thank all current members for their continued support of the museum. Their membership dollars help fund the museum and its various projects. There are still many members who have not renewed their memberships for this year. **This is the last reminder for all overdue memberships!** Please renew your membership soon so you don't miss out on the benefits of your membership. Annual membership is \$5.00 per person per year. Members will receive a quarterly newsletter, invitations to all upcoming grand openings, and a vote during election

time of the board members during the annual meeting. We will no longer offer "complimentary" memberships.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP is our best value; with a donation of \$100 or more per person you no longer have to pay the \$5 annual dues. As a lifetime member your name will be engraved on a plaque at the entrance of the museum and you will receive a Lifetime Membership Certificate. A lifetime membership also qualifies you for the quarterly newsletter, invitations to all upcoming grand

openings, and a vote during election time at the annual meeting.

Past Due Memberships must be current before the Annual Meeting, September 27, 2010, in order to be eligible to vote!

Please take a minute to fill out the membership below and return to the museum with your payment. If you would like to check on the status of your membership, please contact Deborah or Erin at (620) 364-2653 or toll free (888) 877-2653 or by email at: [director@coffeymuseum.org](mailto:director@coffeymuseum.org) or [erin@coffeymuseum.org](mailto:erin@coffeymuseum.org).

### Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZipCode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number:( \_\_\_\_\_ ) Alt. Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

BirthDay: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Type of membership (please circle one): **Individual** (\$5.00 annual per person), **Lifetime** (\$100.00 one time fee pet person)

Name(s) as you would like it to appear on membership: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please mail completed form and check or money order to:

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If you have any questions or would like to know the status of your current membership, please call Deborah or Erin at 364-2653 or toll free at 1-888-877-2653 or email Deborah at [director@coffeymuseum.org](mailto:director@coffeymuseum.org) or Erin at [erin@coffeymuseum.org](mailto:erin@coffeymuseum.org).

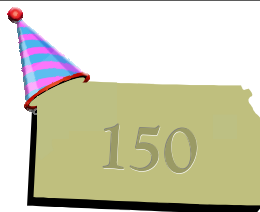
## Lifetime Members

|                                    |                      |                               |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Ackerman, Gayla Lonene             | Croll, Susan         | Hoover's Thriftway            |
| Adkins, Joan                       | Curtiss, Larry M.    | Hoover, Carlita               |
| Allen, Linda K.                    | DeLong, Roy G.       | Hoover, Lisa                  |
| Anliker, Tyler                     | Dunlap, Dr. James    | Hoover, Ned                   |
| Atherly, Mary Lou DeLong           | Dunlap, Judith       | Hoover, Ron                   |
| Atkin, Patricia                    | Epting, Gary         | Hoyt, Kent                    |
| Banks, Peggy                       | Epting, Polly        | Hoyt, Lori                    |
| Beaty, W. Jean                     | Evans, Dean          | Hull, Kelly J.                |
| Bedwell, L.F.                      | Evans, George        | Hull, Sheldon L.              |
| Birk, Julia Mae                    | Evans, Sue           | Johnson, Cloyce E.            |
| Bohrer, Paul                       | Evans, Terry L.      | Johnson, Diane S.             |
| Brecheisen, Betty                  | Ferrara, Melchoir A. | Johnson, Jerry D.             |
| Bruce, Nellie                      | Finkbiner, Patricia  | Johnson, John E.              |
| Bruce, Robert Lyle                 | Finkbiner, Terry     | Johnson, Loren E.             |
| Central National Bank              | Fitch, Duane         | Jones, Don                    |
| City of Burlington                 | Freeman, Bill        | <b>Jones, Carol</b>           |
| City of Lebo                       | Freeman, Calvin Dean | Jones, Fred S.                |
| Clapp, Grace (Sauder)              | Freeman, Diane       | Jones, Glenda                 |
| Clark, Joanna                      | Freeman, Elva        | Kaufman, Helen Garn           |
| Clark, Larry                       | Freeman, Joan        | Kennamore, Deborah            |
| Cochran, Dorothy                   | Fulk, Doris L.       | Kennamore, William "Pete"     |
| Cockrell, Gilan                    | Garrett, Emily       | Klubek, Brenda Grace          |
| Coffey County Council for the Arts | Garrett, Millie      | Knapp, Bill                   |
| Coffey County Honda                | Geery, Barbara       | Kniss, Clarence               |
| <b>Coffey County Hospital</b>      | Griffin, Lena        | Kniss, Donna                  |
| Coffey County Land Title Co. Inc   | Hatch, Bonnie        | Kunkel, Connie                |
| Coffey County Library              | Hatch, Homer         | Kunkel, David                 |
| Coldsmith, Don                     | Hayes, Edris Irwin   | Kunkel, Opal I.               |
| Coldsmith, Edna                    | Herr, Bob            | Lifecare Center of Burlington |
| Conrad, Mary E.                    | Hess, Wayne          | Little, Charles F.            |
| Cordell, Larry                     | Hood, Betty Jo       | Lowman, Nadine                |
| Cox, Juanita                       | Hood, Herbert        | Luke, Linda Sue               |

**Lifetime Members**

|                           |                            |  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Luke, Lola Mae            | Raaf, Mark                 | Trimble, Chuck                           |
| Luke, Robert Standley, Jr | Raaf, Ralph                | Trimble, Jenifer                         |
| Martindale, Paul          | Raaf, Richard              | Trimble, Joyce                           |
| Matney, Linda J.          | Raynesford, Carolyn C.     | Trimble, Randy                           |
| Mattox, Martha            | Redding, Bud               | Trostle, Jerilee                         |
| McAlister, V.S.           | Redding, Carol             | Trostle, Kerry                           |
| McConnell, John           | Reeves, Glen W.            | TrustPoint Services                      |
| McReynolds, Richard L.    | Reeves, Karen K.           | Ubert, Ann                               |
| Meador, Craig             | Reimer, Paul               | Ubert, Gary                              |
| Meador, Peggy             | Reisbig, Clara L.          | Vannocker, Rebecca Louise                |
| Merry, Barbara            | Salava, Dan                | Veteto, Mona                             |
| Merry, Gene               | Salava, Linda J.           | Watson, Irene                            |
| Montgomery, Dean R        | Salava, Tammy              | Wildman, Kay                             |
| <b>Morey, George</b>      | Salisbury, Florence Conrad | Wilkinson, Al                            |
| Muench, Cheryl            | Sanborn, Patty A           | Wilkinson, Opal                          |
| Muench, Rick              | Sauder, Ray                | Williams, James E., Jr.                  |
| Neil, Eunice Johnson      | Schick, Donald L.          | Williams, Kathleen (Asper)               |
| Norris, David             | Schick, Ruth               | Williamson, Arthur W.                    |
| Norris, Kasu Stinson      | Schultz, Achsah Carter     | Williamson, Bernice                      |
| Park, William H.          | Sleezer, Johnnie R.        | Williamson, Mitch                        |
| Parnay, Arlene Carpenter  | Sleezer, Retha I.          | Wilson, Ida M.                           |
| Payne, Janet              | Smith, Darlene             | Wilson, Warren D.                        |
| Ponder, Mary Lou          | Smith, Ivan                | Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation |
| Ponder, Randy             | Smith, Marjorie J.         | Wolken, Deanna                           |
| Purvis, Lois Jean         | Spade, Sharon              | Woods, Chloe                             |
| Raaf, Clarence            | Spatz, Caroline B.         | Woods, Frank                             |
| Raaf, Esther              | Spatz, Robert J.           | Worrell, Dallas G.                       |
| Raaf, Fred A.             | Spriggs, Judy              | Zscheile, Lila L.                        |
| Raaf, Gary                | Stine, Phyllis A.          |  |
| Raaf, Harvey G.           | Stukey, Arthur             | <b>*new members are bolded</b>           |
| Raaf, James L.            | Stukey, Kent               |  |
| Raaf, JoAnn               | Sunseri, Carol             |  |

**188 Total Lifetime Members; 19 new Lifetime Members this year.**



Mark it on your calendars: Annual Chili Feed is Saturday, January 29, 2011. Come help us celebrate Kansas' 150th Anniversary. Any one who would like to volunteer to help work the event or would like to donate pies, please contact the Museum at (620) 364-2653 or email [erin@coffeymuseum.org](mailto:erin@coffeymuseum.org).

## Calendar of Events

### August:

19- Board Meeting

### September:

6- Labor Day- **Museum Closed**

9- Board Meeting

27- Annual Meeting 7:00 p.m.

(everyone is invited!)

### October:

14- Board Meeting

31- Halloween

### November:

11- Veterans Day- **Museum Closed**

18- Board Meeting

25- Thanksgiving- **Museum Closed**

26- **Museum Closed**

### December:

9- Board Meeting

24- **Museum Closed**

25- Christmas- **Museum Closed**

26- **Museum Closed**



New Strawn celebrated it's 40th Anniversary. The town was officially incorporated May 18, 1970.

## Town Milestones



Above: Early 1900's Gridley looking down main street and what it looks like today. Gridley celebrated it's 100th Anniversary this year. The town was incorporated July 8, 1910.

## Repairs Needed



Part of the sidewalk that is in need of immediate repair.

The Museum is in great need of repairs and we are asking for your help to raise funds to fix it. Our sidewalk has become a safety issue and needs fixed as soon as possible. The church's foundation is falling apart and needs fixed

before animals decide to make it their home. We are expecting lots of tour groups this fall and spring and wish to have these problems fixed before that time.



Foundation of the Church.

SLATE OF OFFICERS  
THE COFFEY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM  
SEPTEMBER 2010

Burlington: (Please check one)

|   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| Sheri Volland                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Write-in: (must be a Historical Society Member) | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Will you be attending the Annual Meeting Monday, September 27, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.?  
(Please check one)

|     |                          |
|-----|--------------------------|
| Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| No  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

You may select either the person listed or add your own candidate next to “write-in.” Place a checkmark in the square corresponding to your selection. Be sure to select if you will be attending the meeting or not so we can plan accordingly.

Please mail back or drop off your completed ballot **before September 24, 2010.**

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**Meet the Candidate**

**Sheri Volland**, Burlington, was born in Burlington and has lived here her entire life. Sheri is no stranger to the Coffey County Museum. For the past 15 years, she has helped out with our annual Chili Feed/Pioneer Days/Ham and Bean feed and other

various functions. Sheri has her own catering business, Sheri’s Catering, so one of her favorite hobbies is cooking. She also enjoys history and genealogy and she believes these qualities makes her a great asset to the Board of Directors. Sheri is

retiring from Wolf Creek and would like to become more involved in the community. She believes this desire will be filled if she is elected on the board.

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**LAST REMINDER** FOR ALL OVERDUE MEMBERSHIPS! All overdue memberships will be removed from our computers and lose membership benefits.



Last day of Summer Gift Shop Sale is Monday, September 27, 2010! Stop by the gift shop on your way to the Annual Meeting and see what we have. All gift shop items are 25% off and books are 50% off. (excludes "As I Remember It," "A Quirky Little Cookbook," "Nine Thousand Miles to Kansas," and "Gutsy Women")



We are in need for more weekend volunteers! Please contact the museum for more details.



We're on Facebook! Join our group today!

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