



Madison County Historical Society

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Old Cane Springs Church

Historical Society News Update

Winter/Spring 2008

NEXT MEETING:

Day and Time: April 17th at 6:30

Location: Kentucky Artisan Center (just off exit 77 of I-75)

Topic: Dr. Jacqueline Grisby Burnside, associate professor & chair of Berea College's Department of Sociology—talk and slide show on new book, **Understanding Our Past: Interracial Communities in Berea and Madison County.**

Remaining Programs for 2008

June 19th at 6:30 at the Kentucky Artisan Center, Jim Prichard, head of Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives Research Room—**Jesse James in Kentucky: Fact, Fiction, and Folklore.**

August 2nd at 6:30 at the Cane Springs Baptist Church, Dr. Larry Hood, an independent Kentucky history researcher—**What is a Kentuckian?**
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October 16th at 6:30 at the Kentucky Artisan Center, Dr. Lindsay Apple, professor emeritus of history at Georgetown College—**The Clay Family Legacy: A Duty To Country.**

Membership as of March 1st: TOTAL---90 (Richmond-46, Berea-9, Rest of Kentucky-5, Out of State-30) 21-Family, 48-Individual, and 2-Student. We have 2 Benefactors (\$100) and 7 Patrons (\$50).

- **Treasury balance as of March 1st: \$51,003.16. A dues form will be included in this mailing if you have not paid your 2008 dues.**
- **Madison County Board of Education has given the city of Richmond title to Mt. Pleasant and the land on which it sits. Plans are to renovate the house for use as an office and Civil War interpretative center.**
- **Friends of the Richmond Battlefield was recently formed with two objectives: 1. to create an endowment fund for helping public and private entities to preserve battlefield land, information, and artifacts; 2. to establish a society of members whose ancestors fought or helped the fighters in the Battle of Richmond or Madison County descendants who fought in the Civil War. For more information contact Bob Moody---859-623-0541.**
- **Battlefield Park important dates: Park cleanup---April 12 [9-1]; Living History---May 8 & 9; May 10---Civil War Trails day and dedication of the Masonic Memorial monument at Quarters 29 (now called the Madison Visitors and History Center) at 10:30; re-enactment---August 23 & 24.**
- **Unfinished Important Ongoing Activities: Miller Building preservation, further development of Madison County Heritage Walk of Fame, and updating current web site.**
- **Historical Society president, Philip Seyfrit, was recently appointed by the Madison County Fiscal Court as director of Madison County historic properties.**
- **Historical Society BLOG formed. To access it use the following URL; *mchs1787.blogspot.com* and engage in conversations about Madison history and genealogy.**
- **Look for “Surname Communication Link” to appear in the upcoming issue of *Heritage Highlights* along with an up-to-date list of Blue Grass Trust for Preservation BGT plaques in Madison County.**
- **The Battle of Richmond Historical Highway Marker, which concerns Berea’s involvement with the battle, has been installed and will be formally dedicated to coincide with the Battle of Richmond re-enactment in August.**
- **Two Kit Carson highways markers will be reinstalled sometime this summer, once the Tates Creek road-widening project has been completed.**

