

COMMUNITY

Museum Musings

By Brenda Plummer

The Fleming County Museum Society will hold their August meeting on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at our museum building on East Water Street at 6:00PM. We will be discussing our upcoming quilt show scheduled for September as well as our “Dinner with the Departed” in October. All interested persons are welcome to attend.

Our current “special” display is on tobacco. I want to thank the Evans’ sisters, (Doris McFarland and Rosemary Evans) for loaning us several wonderful items, as well as pictures of their brother’s last tobacco crop (this gives people not familiar with growing tobacco a chance to see some of the steps involved.) I also want to thank Lori Shanklin Throckmorton for her loan of items that belonged to her father and grandfather, who were in the tobacco warehouse business. Our display will run through the first week of September. If you have pictures, items, articles concerning tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, etc. that you are willing to loan, please bring them in and we will add them to our display. Remember the Fleming County Covered Bridge Museum is open on Wednesdays from 10-4 and on Saturdays from 12-4. We are happy to arrange other days and times for groups. Please call the Chamber of Commerce at 845-1223 for more information.

During the last several weeks, I have shared with you short passages about some of our towns and how they got their names, etc. “Communities of Fleming County” is a document that was compiled by Martha Harlan Royse with some information obtained from Iolene Hawkins. The original is located at the Morehead State University Library and we are fortunate to have a copy here at the museum courtesy of Ginny Reeves. We’ll continue this week.

Martha Mills— There are two possibilities for the namesake. One is Martha Dougherty Andrews, wife of Robert Andrews, who owned the mill. The document states that he probably acquired the mill from someone else rather than built it. The mill, built on Fleming Creek, was started in 1815. Both Robert and Martha are buried in the Andrews Graveyard which is near the end of Energy Road. The other is that it was named for Martha Drennan McCann, who was the wife of William McCann, who operated the mill till 1882.

Mt. Carmel--- Accord-

ing to the document, “The first settlers were attracted by the natural beauty of the area saying that it reminded them of the Bible so they decided to stay. Early settlers were the O’Bannons, Hendersons, Marshalls, Powers, Bells, Rasches, and Darnells. It was a very early settlement. Nobody seems to know of it being called anything else. It had that name before the post office was established. It was incorporated in 1825 and a large community was in place by 1831.” The post office was begun by John B. Clark in 1831 and it closed in 1915. The post office was re-established in 1925 then discontinued in 1932.” One page of information states: “Adams Grocery was the first store. It was later joined by a tavern, coffin makers, handmade cigar factory, hotel, millinery, shoemaker, watch repair shop, a stage-stop, etc. According to an 1876-7 Gazette, the population at that time was 300. Mr. Luman had a steam powered carding and grist mill. S. E. Foxworthy was the postmaster.”

Muses Mills—“This hamlet with a post office is on KY1013, 11 miles east southeast of Flemingsburg. The post office was established in 1876 with George Manchester as post master. It was named for the local grain and sawmill, which was in turn named for George Muse Sr., a Revolutionary War veteran who died there in 1827. An 1896 Gazette reported that it had a population of 60. At that time R. Y. Lewman was post master and general store keeper, O.L. Hinton had a gener-

al store (however, some report Hinton’s store was actually at Ryan), H.B. Muse & Co. were grocers. H.B. Muse and son had a flour mill and sawmill. J.D. Muse had a flour mill. S.E. Muse & Co. owned a blacksmith shop and were undertakers. Lewman & Hurst also had a flour mill.” (At one time there was a school, which was closed when schools in the area were consolidated and students began going to Fox Valley. This building was then used for the Roller Rink. Compton’s Grocery was open for many years and the post office was housed there. I do not know when the post office was closed.)

Nepton—“This hamlet is at the junction of KY367 and the L&N railroad tracks, 5 miles west of Flemingsburg. When the railroad was built in the early 1870’s, the station located here may first have been called Elizaville Station for the nearby community it served. The Nepton post office was established in 1881 and was so named by Jas. Slicer, a local resident, for his daughter, Penelope, or “Neppie”. The post office closed in 1958. A Mr. Patton owned the site before the town was established. In 1870, Sam Maddox, F. Dillon, and A.G. Slicer settled there and established a mill, store and hotel. At one time there was a bank, depot, post office, flour mill, coal yard, tobacco warehouse, several stores and shops. According to an 1896 Gazette, Nepton had a population of 300. At that time, J.W. Myall was post master and general storekeeper. There were

three flour mills including one owned by A. L. Slicer. J.W. Slicer was a railroad agent and express agent. J.H. Ryan was a cooper.”

Nisi—“The post office was established in 1899. George Cooper and Newton Richardson are listed as post masters. The post office was discontinued in 1933. According to George Cooper, names for this new post office were Cooper and Nishi. According to W.D. Rust in 1914, this post office was 40 yards east of Fox Creek, 3 ½ miles south of Smile, 5 miles south of Plummer’s Landing, 4 miles east of Ringos Mills, 1 ¼ miles west of the county line. In 1927, Mary Maxey petitioned for a site change for the post office as the owner of the store (with the post office inside), had disposed of it. The information states: “One of the earliest settlements in the county, ca. 1800, on Crain Creek. Lee Cooper built the first store and sawmill. He sold them to his sons who opened the local post office. These businesses were later acquired by W. D. Rust who arrived in 1912 and married into the Cooper family. The community was deserted by the 1930’s.” Apparently the Coopers had a large lumber milling operation. We are lucky, here at the museum, to have a piece of script (coin) that would have been used by Cooper employees at the Company store, which was donated by a Cooper descendant, Gary Cooper.

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Fleming County Property Transfers

LeviM Stoltzfus and Rebecca F. Stoltzfus, to Elam B. Stoltzfus and Mary Stoltzfus, for and in consideration of the sum of \$217,984.60, property located in Ewing.

Sam J. Miller and Elizabeth D. Miller to Patricia Keenan and Joseph Keenan, for and in consideration of the sum of \$260,000, property located on Butlers Branch in Fleming County.

Autumn Stacy and Jalen Lofton to Thomas Reeves and Laura Reeves, for and in consideration of the sum of \$14,000, property located near the Wallingford and Beechburg Roads in Big Tree Estates Development.

Jeffrey A. Doyle and Cara C. Doyle and Mark B. Doyle to Mark T. Hendrix and Donna J. Hendrix, for and in consideration of the sum of \$1.00, property located at Grandview Circle.

Jeffrey A. Doyle, Trustee of the Doyle Family Trust and Jeffrey a. Doyle and Cara Doyle and Mark B. Doyle nad Ramona L. Swim and John Swim to Mark T. Hendrix and Donna J Hendrix, for and in consideration of the sum of \$1.00, property located along Ridgecrest Way in Flemingsburg.

Jeffrey A. Doyle and Cara C. Doyle and Mark B. Doyle to Mark T. Hendrix and Donna J. Hendrix, for and in consideration of the sum of \$8,000, property located at Glenview Circle in Flemingsburg.

Jonathan Carroll and Hillary W. Carroll to Barbara Whiteside-Carroll, for and in consideration of the sum of \$50,000, property located northeast of Ear Main Street between Crawford Street and Garr Ave in Flemingsburg.

Back to School Gala August 15th

The Fleming County Family Resource and Youth Service Centers in collaboration with the local Interagency/Early Childhood Council will be hosting a Back to School Gala on Thursday, August 15, from 4-6 pm at Fleming County High School in the Multipurpose Room.

Numerous community partners will be in attendance distributing school supplies at the event and can provide helpful information about resources available to you and your family. Please note that this event is for all students enrolled in Fleming County Schools from Preschool through 12th

James Michael Bradley and Rachel Salyers to Danny Bradley, for and in consideration of the sum of \$29,000, property located in Ashton Estates in Fleming County.

Nathan A Johnson to Jackie King, for and in consideration of the sum of \$7,000, property located on the outskirts of the City of Flemingsburg.

Mary Thompson to Justine Louise Thompson, for and in consideration of the love and affection the Party of the First Part holds for her daughter, property located in Toll Gate Hills Sub-division of Flemingsburg.

Celtic Ventures LLC to Jerry Bradley Wagner and Cornethia Glynn Wagner and Wesley James Applegate and Glenna Brooke Applegate, for and in consideration of the sum of \$307,826.43, property located west of Ewing on the north side of Ky Hwy 165 in Fleming County.

Celtic Ventures LLC to Jeff D. Stephens and Angela Beth Stephens, for and in consideration of the sum of \$382,173.57, property located west of Ewing on the north side of Ky Hwy 165 in Fleming County.

Sharon Meade to Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways, for and in consideration of the sum of \$1,500, property located on the south side of Ky 32.

Tony L. Jones and Kimberly Jones, for and in consideration of the love and affection that the Parties of the First Part hold for their grandson, property located on the west side of Wooley Road in Fleming County.

grade. Student names will be checked at the door to verify they are a current enrolled Fleming County student. If you are new to the area, we ask that you enroll your student(s) at the FC Board of Education prior to attending the Gala. Green forms and applications for Community Christmas will be provided at this event.

If you have further questions about the Gala or are interested in setting up a booth, you may call 845-1371, 849-8216, or 859-429-0085 for more information. If someone is not available when you call, please leave a message.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY AMY SAUNDERS FLEMING COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK ADVERTISED AUGUST 07, 2024			
The following fiduciary appointments were filed in the month of July, 2024. All creditors must file their claims within six months of appointment KRS 395.100.			
DECEDENT	FIDUCIARY	ATTORNEY	DATE APP'T
Charles Ward 6946 Goddard Rd. Wallingford, KY 41093	Alice F. Garner 1200 Sheffield Pl. Lexington, KY 40509	John M. Sosbe 1590 Bond Pike Stamping Ground, KY 40379	6-07-24
Elwood Ritchie 4537 US 68 Ewing, KY 41039	Charlotte Ritchie 84 Judy Lane Lexington, KY 40505	None	7-09-24
Roger D. Emmons 32 Waggoner Ln. Hillsboro, KY 41049	Wynonia Johnson 244 Upper Rock Lick Rd Hillsboro, KY 41049	None	7-09-24
Nigel H. Fisher 60 Asbury Rd. Flemingsburg, KY 41041	Barry Fisher 457 Larue St. Harrodsburg, KY 40330	None	7-12-24
Jordyn Carlson, Guardianship 1660 Maxey Flat Rd. Hillsboro, KY 41049	Brandis, Cox Guardian 1660 Maxey Flat Rd. Hillsboro, KY 41049	None	7-12-24
Donald H. Bradley 4537 US HWY 68 Ewing, KY 41039	Than Cutler 115 E. Main St. Stanford, KY 40484	Than Cutler 115 E. Main St. Stanford, KY 40484	7-19-24
Margaret Mitchell 115 Pioneer Trace Flemingsburg, KY 41041	Connie Lee 477 Metcalf Mill Rd. Ewing, KY 410439	B. Travis Newman 2420 Frankfort Ave. Ste. 300 Louisville, KY 40206	7-19-24
Amy M. Saunders, Fleming Co. Circuit Clerk			
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