

COMMUNITY

Museum Musings

By Brenda Plummer

During the month of August, the special display at the Fleming County Covered Bridge Museum will showcase “bridges.” Fleming County is known as “the Covered Bridge Capital of Kentucky” and the display will showcase our bridges: Goddard, Ringos, and Grange City as well as some of the bridges that used to be in the county including Bridgeport, Dalesburg, Poplar Plains and Sherburne. We also want to display other bridges such as the iron bridges at Plummer’s Landing and on what is now called Energy Road as well as pictures of swinging bridges that used to dot the county. Pictures of these types of bridges as well as railroad bridges, etc., models, pieces from the bridges, blue prints, etc. will be welcome ad-

ditions to the display. We will also welcome pictures, models, etc. of bridges from other counties, states, etc. to showcase the craftsmanship and engineering feats that were employed to build these structures. If you have pictures, models, etc. which you are willing to loan, please bring them in and we’ll add them to the 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. Call the Chamber at 845-1223 or Brenda Plummer at 849-2957 for information.

The Fleming County Museum Society will meet on Tuesday, August 11th at 6:00PM at the museum building on East Water Street. We

will be discussing upcoming events including the Trivia contest, quilt show and the second scavenger hunt. Interested persons are always welcome to attend.

Our photography contest winners have been determined. Peyton Truesdell, of Mason County, who owns “Peyton Elizabeth’s Multimedia”, had the difficult task of selecting the winners. In the professional category, Hallie Adams received first place. In the amateur category, Pam Bartley received first, Debbie Crump, second, Lindsey Crump 3rd, and Lexi Gibson, honorable mention. All of our entries were fantastic! We hope to have them all framed and on display in the near future, so that you can come in and see what a “Fleming County State of Mind” looks like

to various individuals. We appreciate everyone’s interest in our first photography contest.

There are still tickets available for the “Dinner on the Bridge” at Grange City on Saturday, August 15th at 6:00. The tickets are \$40 each and can be purchased by coming to the museum, by calling me at 849-2957 or by contacting Melanie Jones at flemingsburgtourism@gmail.com or emailing: explorefcky41041@gmail.com. The meal consisting of parmesan chicken, green beans, mashed potatoes, pasta salad and homemade strawberry cake, tea or water is being catered by V&V Catering. David Austin Tackett and Brady Vice are providing the entertainment. We also hope to have guests share stories about the bridge or the area.

During the past several weeks, to celebrate America’s 250, I have been sharing information about some of the Revolutionary War soldiers who settled here in Fleming County. I have been using a list of pensioners from 1818 and 1832 that was compiled and presented by the Sons of the American Revolution in 1896 which can be found on the website: “Kentucky Genealogical

Trails”. I have also tried to find additional information by going to Find a Grave. I have found some successfully, while others have proven more difficult to find. I thought I would share a few more this week.

James E. Rigdon—was born September 15, 1759 in Saint Georges, Baltimore County, Maryland. His parents were William and Mary Primble Rigdon. According to Find a Grave, James was a private in the Maryland Militia during the Revolutionary War. September 14, 1775 he was in Captain Love’s Company #10 Maryland Militia. November 2, 1776 he was with Capt. Robert Harris’ Company of Hartford Rifles, Philadelphia and in 1775 he was in the Maryland Militia where he served 6 months commanded by Capt. Harris; Regiment commanded by Col. Ramsey. He took his oath of fidelity before Thomas Johnson in Hartford, Co. Maryland in 1778.

James was married twice—first to Rebecca Jarvis (170-1808) and second to Elizabeth Peachee (1783-1860) Children include: James E. Rigdon, Elizabeth Rigdon Goodwin, Rebecca Rigdon Peachee, Alexander Rigdon and John Ab-

bott Rigdon. His burial site is listed as unknown.

Hugh Drennan—I did not find his name on Find a Grave. However, I did find some information on Family Search. Hugh was born in 1762 in County Antrim, Ireland as the son of William Drennan. He married Margaret Hughes in Bourbon County on January, 14, 1794.

Another site, RootsWeb gave the following information: “The first Drennans in my line, is that of Hugh Drennan and his brothers: Thomas, William, and John who appear in Colonial America about 1772 in Cumberland County, PA. It is unknown who the parents of these four brothers are. Many say that William is their father and others, think that the parents were Martha Dreamer and Daniel Drennan of Antirim County, Ireland. After the death of Daniel, Martha married William Findley and along with several children during this time period came to America as did the Drennan Brothers. . . All four of the brothers served in the Revolutionary War. Hugh and Thomas both received pensions for their service (listed as a private in the Pennsylvania Line). Hugh moved to Cumberland County in 1783. He moved on to Kentucky in 1789. He was married in Pennsylvania before 1788. He apparently married again in 1794 to Margaret Hughes in Bourbon County, KY. Margaret and Hugh moved to Fleming County before 1800. He died in 1842 and his wife in 1851. A burial site is not given. Some of his children include: Jane Lanterman, Thomas, Robert, Nancy Hineman, Martha McCann, Mary Wyatt, Margaret Finley, William, and Sarah, who died young. We’ll keep looking for more information on our Revolutionary War Veterans.

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Stephen H. Miller, President
Fleming County Water Association

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Legal Notice
Fleming County EMS

There will be a public hearing at the Fleming County EMS building on August 17 2026. The purpose of this public hearing is to discuss the property tax rate for Fleming County EMS for 2026. The hearing will begin at 8:00 AM at the Fleming County EMS building located at 2343 Bypass Flemingsburg, KY 41041.

The total taxable value of all property in the Fleming County EMS district for 2026 is approximately \$963,898,672.00.

The real property tax rate for 2025 was 0.086 cents per \$100.00 of assessed value. This rate produced approximately \$686,216.00

The compensating tax rate for 2026 is 0.083 per \$100.00 of assessed value. The revenue this would generate is approximately \$700,291.00

The property tax rate for year 2026 will be 0.086 cents per \$100.00 of assessed value. The total revenue this will generate will be approximately \$725,602.00.

The tangible tax rate for year 2026 will be 0.086 per \$100.00 of assessed value. The revenue this will generate will be approximately \$103.355.

The tax rate for year 2026 will be 0.045 per \$100.00 of assessed value on all vehicles and water craft. The revenue this will generate will be approximately \$74,088.00.

The total taxes collected in 2025 from franchise, property, tangible, telecommunications, vehicle and watercraft was approximately \$757,552

All tax revenues will be utilized for operational and capital expenses.

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