

COMMUNITY

Museum Musings

By Brenda Plummer

This month, at the Fleming County Covered Bridge Museum our special display is on “Bridges.” We have pictures of our covered bridges, including some of the ones no longer standing, as well as some swinging bridges, and iron bridges. We are fortunate to have several books on various Kentucky counties that have or had covered bridges by author Melissa Jurgensen, who donated several of the photographs on display. We also have a huge collection of material on covered bridges (covering at least 27 states as well as Canada), if you are interested in finding information.

Looking ahead, in September our special display will focus on “schools” past and pres-

ent. The museum is fortunate to have several yearbooks from schools of the past as well as graduation programs, and even some grade school projects which individuals completed. We have several older textbooks (such as “readers”). We also have some class pictures. However, if you have items, pictures, etc. of a school you attended, that you are willing to loan, please them in and we’ll add them to the display. Remember the museum is open on Wednesdays from 10-4 and on Saturdays from 12-4. We are happy to schedule groups on other days or at other times. Please call me at 849-2957 or the Chamber at 845-1223 for more information.

Last week, I be-

gan looking through my list of questions getting ready for our first Fleming County Trivia contest which will be held on Sunday, September 13, at 2:00 upstairs at the museum. When our Historical Society was active, we sponsored a “History Bee” for elementary students. Each school had a bee (this was voluntary) and the winner of each school then competed against each other to determine the county winner. A general information guide was provided and then the questions were developed from the guide. Looking through the questions, I realized a lot had changed since some were written over twenty years ago, so even though some of those questions will be used,

some new ones will need to be written. Unlike the History Bee, this contest will involve groups coming up with the answers. We hope it will be a fun event that will encourage more interest in our county history.

I hope those of you who make quilts or collect quilts, or just have quilts that are special to you will consider bringing them in for our quilt show on Saturday, September 26th (10-4) and Sunday, September 27th from (2:00-5:00). We are excited to display the Fleming County Quilters “Underground Railroad” quilt pattern panels which they made specifically for this event. The patterns, as well as a brief explanation of what they meant to those who were escaping slavery, will be available.

Those who want to display quilts may bring them in on Wednesday, September 23rd (10-4) or on Friday, September 25th from 5:00-7:00. While, we love seeing the various patterns, colors, and materials, we also want to have the stories behind the quilts. Perhaps it is a baby quilt that was made by a relative, or a quilt that has been passed down through the family. Or it could be (like many of mine), one that was bought at auction. This will be our third quilt show and we hope it will be the biggest yet!

Since we are celebrating America’s 250 all year long in Fleming County, I have been try-

ing to find information on some of the Revolutionary War soldiers who lived in Fleming County. Using a list from Genealogy Trails which is titled: “Fleming County KY 1818 & 1832 List of Pensioners” published in 1896 by the Sons of the American Revolution, I have been trying to find information connected with those listed. Some I have found on Find a Grave. Others I have not found anything.

Included on the list is James Moore. He is identified as a corporal in the Revolutionary Army. He began receiving a pension in 1818. Looking on Find a Grave, I found a James Fitzpatrick Moore who was born in Dublin, Ireland and died in Lawrence County, Ky. No birth or death date was given. This James Moore was brought to America by the British to fight on their side in the Revolutionary War. Not knowing anything about the British, Moore deserted, changed his name from Fitzpatrick to his mother’s maiden name of Moore, and fought with George Washington. After the war he settled in Pennsylvania, in the steel business. In 1830, he was living in Lawrence County with his son, Nicholas Moore.

Samuel Humphries is listed as a private for the Virginia line. He was placed on the pension roll in 1833. I found no listing in Find a Grave. However, a Samuel Harrison Humphrey was listed on a Gen-Web site

born in 1753 and dying in 1840. No specifics as to where he was born or where he died. This Samuel Humphrey was married to Ailsey Humphrey and had a brother John.

Archibald Gorman is listed as a private in the Pennsylvania line. He applied for a pension in 1833. Find a Grave states he was born in 1754 and died in 1836 in Fleming County. According to the site, the “Flemingsburg Kentuckian”, a newspaper, published the following on April 8, 1836: “Another Revolutionary soldier gone! Departed this life, March 22, 1836, Archibald Gorman, aged 82 years.” From the site, “Wiki Tree” it stated that Gorman was born in Antrim, Ireland. He was married to Mary Sill, and was father to Daniel, David, John Adams, and Jane Gorman.

Other names which I looked up but found no information included: George London, private in the Pennsylvania line; died Nov. 14, 1832; Peter Kendall, private, Virginia line, pension roll 1819; Benjamin Hennis, private, Maryland line, pension roll 1819; John Frazeur, private, Virginia line, pension roll 1833; and Joseph Madden, private, Virginia militia, pension roll 1834. If you have any information on these soldiers or any other Revolutionary War soldiers who lived in Fleming County, please let me know.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

The Western Fleming County Water District, located in Fleming County, Kentucky, is accepting Statements of Qualifications from qualified engineering firms to provide various services in regard to the Carlisle Water Service Project. The firm will, contingent upon securing funding and written authorization from the District, work closely with the district to conduct a system analysis/study to evaluate the feasibility of the Western Fleming County Water District providing water service to the City of Carlisle, Kentucky, as a potential wholesale provider or regional water supplier. The firm will also be responsible for planning and design activities if a viable solution is confirmed.

The selected firm will initially be required to provide a proposed scope of work with anticipated costs associated to the system analysis/study, design and planning services, which will aid the district in making applications for funding for the initial planning phase of the project. Once funding is secured, the firm will be responsible for conducting the analysis/study and providing planning and design services. Anticipated services of the firm will likely include, but may not be limited to, review of available utility information and regulatory information, development of a proposed scope of work, schedule, performance measures, rate evaluation, and opinion of costs, as well as evaluating system capacity, interconnection alternatives, hydraulics, water quality, line routes and facilities, permitting, capital and operating costs, governance, risks, and other such information or deliverables as needed. The water district reserves the right to retain the selected firm beyond the initial planning and development stages of the project and utilize the firm with bidding, construction oversight, inspection, closeout and other such services if the project progresses past initial phases and secures funding for implementation.

Sources of funding may include but are not limited to Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), USDA Rural Development, and other such state and federal funding opportunities. The Western Fleming County Water District will accept Statements of Qualifications from engineering firms interested in working on this project until 4:30 p.m. ET / 3:30 CT on Monday, September 14, 2026. An RFQ packet containing information about the project and criteria that will be used to select the firm may be obtained at www.btadd.com or by contacting Kristie Dodge, Community Development Director, Buffalo Trace ADD, via email at kdodge@btadd.com. Statement of Qualifications must be submitted to Buffalo Trace ADD, Attn: Statement of Qualifications WFWD Carlisle Service Project. Mailed submission should be sent to P.O. Box 460, Maysville, KY 41056; hand delivered may be dropped off at 201 Government Street, Suite 300, Maysville, KY 41056. Proposals will be ranked based on written materials as set forth in the RFQ packet. The district reserves the right to reject any and all submittals and amend or cancel the solicitation. Amendments will be posted to www.btadd.com.

The solicitation for Statements of Qualifications is being conducted to fulfill state/federal funding agency procurement requirements. Attention of respondents to this RFQ is called to the following requirements that may be required of the selected firm: 1) Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968; 2) Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; 3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. All of these may be incorporated into any contract issued pursuant to this solicitation. The Western Fleming County Water District is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages responses from all qualified firms.

Vernon Barton
Chairman

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLEMING CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION NO. 26-CI-00096
ELECTRONICALLY FILED

VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC.,

PLAINTIFF

VS.

NOTICE OF MASTER COMMISSIONER SALE

DAVID E. SMALLEY a/k/a DAVID EMERSON SMALLEY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF DAVID E. SMALLEY a/k/a DAVID EMERSON SMALLEY; EUGENIA SOARD; CAPITAL ONE, N.A., successor by Merger to Discover Bank; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLEMING BY AND ON BEHALF OF SECRETARY OF REVENUE,

DEFENDANTS

In obedience to an Order of Sale entered on the 11th day of August, 2026, in the above action, I will, as Master Commissioner proceed on: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2026 FAMILY COURT ROOM FLEMING COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER FLEMINGSBURG, FLEMING COUNTY, KENTUCKY AT 10:00 A.M. to sell the real estate located at 2972 Ewing Road, Ewing, Fleming County, Kentucky 41039. This property is described in a Deed of record in Deed Book 268, Page 17, Fleming County Clerk's Office, with the PVA calling for 1 acre. Parcel Mapping number: 011-90-00-007.00.

This sale is to satisfy Judgment in the sum of \$186,614.96, plus interest, taxes, court costs and attorney fees. The purchaser may pay in enough at the sale if he/she chooses to do so. Otherwise, the purchaser immediately after the sale shall pay not less than 10% of the purchase price, and execute bond with surety, who is a Kentucky resident with net worth of greater or equal to the amount of the bond and who is approved by the Master Commissioner, and who must be present at the sale and execute the sale bond and affidavit of surety at the sale, for the balance of the purchase price, payable to the Fleming Circuit Court Clerk within thirty days with interest at 8.25% per annum on the balance from date of sale until paid in full. The bond shall have the force of a judgment and a first lien shall be retained on the property as security for the payment of said bond and interest. The purchaser shall at his/her own expense carry fire and extended coverage insurance on all insurable improvements located on the real property from the date of sale until the purchase price is paid in full, with loss payable to the Master Commissioner. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes assessed against the property for 2026 and all subsequent years. The title interest of the parties to this lawsuit will be conveyed without warranty by the Master Commissioner to the purchaser and the purchaser shall be entitled to possession upon payment of the purchase price in full after confirmation of the sale by Fleming Circuit Court, subject to any equity of redemption if the property does not sell for two-thirds of its appraised value. Buyer is advised to have a title search completed on the property and must file any exceptions to the sale within ten (10) days. The purchasers will be required to have any persons evicted or property removed from the premises. The sale is subject to any terms and conditions that may be announced on the day of sale.

DARRELL K. RUARK,
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FLEMING CIRCUIT COURT

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