

Mayberry Day created memories of the past

Years ago, they came on horseback or in buggies and farm wagons. They traveled from all over the county to buy, barter and bargain for the best deals of the day; and for decades County Court Day was a memorable Owen tradition.

In Owen County, County Court Day was held the fourth Monday of the month; and Owenton stores, sidewalks, streets and alleys were teeming with young and old alike.

Many who attended Court Day were farmers who came to town, transacted their business and returned home in time to milk.

Horse traders and gypsies added excitement to the affair, and the medicine man guaranteed his "elixir" would complement any housewife's supply of medicinal remedies.

Early in the morning, people started trading around the courthouse while waiting to see what verdicts the traveling circuit judge would hand down.

Though some attended Court Day to see if anyone was going to hang, most considered the day away from the farm as a time to socialize and trade, barter or buy anything from livestock to farm tools to knives and guns.

Over the years, horses gave way to cars and gypsies disappeared from the scene; but the excitement of antique cars, tractors, music, food and dancing continued to live on as Owen County celebrated Mayberry Day last week-



Photo courtesy of Angela Curtin

Layla Curtin from Owenton joined the Forget-Me-Not-Dancers in a 19th century dance at Mayberry Day.

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Organized by Richard Greene, Mayberry Day continues to grow each year; and with perfect weather on tap, folks from not only Owen County, but from all over Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio converged around the Courthouse Square to enjoy the day as Owenton was transformed into the town of Mayberry from the Andy Griffith Show.

The Historical Society sponsored a performance by the Forget-Me-Not-Dance Group from Cincinnati who entertained the crowd with waltzes and traditional country dances from the early 1800's.

Several from the crowd volunteered to dance with the group, including young Layla Curtin from Owenton who will be in fourth grade next year. It didn't take long for

this energetic little girl to learn to do-si-do and chasse; and Layla's enthusiasm made her a perfect addition to the Forget-Me-Not-Dancers.

The Historical Society Museum became the haunted Rimshaw House as guardians of the ghostly home, Elijah Ayres and Chloe Harmon, served visitors homemade lemonade, played the Andy Griffith episode of the Haunted Rimshaw House and gave tours to visitors who were not at all deterred by ghosts.

The streets were packed with vintage cars and tractors, while Kentucky DJ, Ice Man, played music from the Mayberry era.

Several bands entertained the crowd and a variety of food was available, including a fish fry sponsored by the Rotary Club.

There was a baking contest, as well as activities for the kids; while a look-alike contest added to the fun.

Perhaps, though, what made Mayberry Day such a special event was more than just a sunny day and vintage cars and tractors.

What made it special was the opportunity for folks to come together for a day of fun and laughter, and a time to make unforgettable and enduring memories to share with future generations.

Our thanks to everyone who helped make this happen.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 27, 8-3 when the Historical Society will hold a community yard sale at the Museum, 206 N. Main St., Owenton, KY 40359.

Please come and see our treasures and help the Historical Society with this important fund-raiser.

LIBRARY CALENDAR

The entire month of June, there will be a celebration of Kentucky's 234th birthday. Kentucky became the 15th state of the United States of America on June 1, 1792. In celebration of Kentucky's 234th birthday, we invite you to visit the Kentucky history room and explore Kentucky's fascinating history. Children can pick up Kentucky activity sheets.

Through July 31, there will be a family tree chart and genealogy brochure available. Come visit the library's Kentucky history room and pick up a family tree chart and one of our genealogy brochures so you can start your family genealogy research.

MONDAY, JUNE 29
10 a.m. Stretch and strengthen. Join KET personality Miranda Esmonde-White on the large screen for a full body workout. Strengthen your core to prevent and reduce pain and improve balance. Wear comfortable clothes and try this exercise routine with others. For all fitness abilities.

TUESDAY, JUNE 30
10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. The Kentucky Reptile Zoo. The Kentucky Reptile Zoo will be at the library for two shoes! Choose the 10:30 a.m. or 2 p.m. show and learn about the reptiles of Kentucky.

THURSDAY, JULY 2
10 a.m. Yoga with Esme. Local instructor, Esme McKee, leads our practice that connects the body, breath, and mind. Yoga uses physical postures and breathing exercises to improve overall health. she will offer modifications for many poses. wear comfortable clothes. bring a mat or use one of ours. free yoga classes meet weekly at the library.

11 a.m. Walk on. take a two-mile walk in 30 minutes with online fitness coach Jessica Smith. Follow along on the big screen in the spacious meeting room. walking is good exercise for everyone!

6 p.m. Drafting democracy. From its initial adoption in 1792, the Kentucky Constitution has evolved through multiple editions. Each document offers a unique window into the priorities and aspirations of Kentuckians at the time. explore how each iteration of the Kentucky Constitution showcases the unique features that set Kentucky's democracy apart. Kentucky Historical Society will be presenting this program.

FRIDAY, JULY 3
Closed

SATURDAY, JULY 4
Closed

MEALS ON WHEELS MENU

MONDAY, JUNE 29
Cheese omelet, hashbrown, peach crisp, orange juice, slice of bread

TUESDAY, JUNE 30
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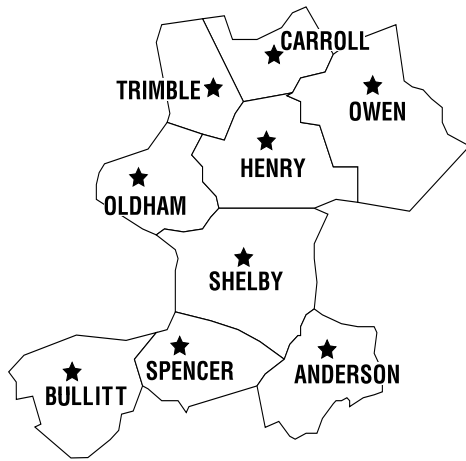
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SATURDAY, JULY 11TH 11:00 AM

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