



# Nicholas County Historical Society

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## Book for the Holidays Now!

The Neal Building calendar is filling up for the holiday season. If you are interested in holding a family or work event there please give Michelle McDonald a call at 289-2614 or 289-3735. Building rental is \$75. There are plenty of tables and chairs and a full kitchen with ice maker included in the rental fee.

## Christmas Parade December 3

Stop by the Neal Building before and during the Christmas Parade on December 3. Hot coffee and cider will be available to warm up parade watchers!

**Merry**  
**Christmas**  
and  
**Happy New Year**  
from the  
*Nicholas County  
Historical Society*

# Historic Plaques are available

The Nicholas County Historical Society is offering historical marker plaques for sale.

The plaques are identical to the ones already on many homes and businesses in Carlisle.

They commemorate the addition of buildings in Carlisle

to the National Register of Historic Places in 1986.

The plaques are bronze and include the Historical Society logo and the year of the induction. The plaques are \$100 and are available in the Neal Building or by calling any NCHS board member.

# Mozart Hall Fundraising Underway

Fundraising for the renovation and restoration of the second floor of the Neal Center - Mozart Hall - has begun!

The first step to be done is

the installation of heat and air. This is also one of the most expensive parts of the project so additional help is needed and appreciated.

## History of Nicholas County Available

To order a copy of the History of Nicholas County, complete the information below and send the form with a check for \$50 per copy, plus \$5 per copy for postage and handling, to:

Nicholas County Historical Society  
P.O. Box 222  
Carlisle KY 40311

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of copies: \_\_\_\_\_

Also available at the Neal Welcome Center and the Nicholas County Library.

If you are interested in making a contribution to the fund, please indicate the project on the "note line" of your check and we will make sure it goes directly to that fund.

The Society is grateful of the support of our wonderful members.

## Rare Millersburg Photo Booklets Available

Jim Haag, the Historical Society museum curator, has produced several copies of a rare booklet of photographs of Millersburg, Kentucky dated 1901.

The booklets are for sale in the museum for \$25. A similar booklet of Lexington photographs has also been donated.

## The Curator's Report

Since the last newsletter we have received several items including an Ironrite Ironer in excellent condition from Jeannie and Mike Mills of Lexington.

When we took over the Neal building there was a large sign nailed to the wall in the basement with NOAH'S ARK printed on it.

We have found out that this was the name of a business located on Main Street prior to 1920. We have restored the sign

### Condolences

The Nicholas County Historical Society would like to express our deep sympathy to the families of Eugene Snapp and Bill Hardin, both longtime Historical Society members who passed away recently. Our thoughts and prayers are with these families.

### Society eNewsletter

If you are interested in receiving this Newsletter electronically (.pdf by email) let us know at:

NCHistorical@jones2.net

Electronic distribution reduces postage costs, providing more money for Society projects. The electronic version of the newsletter is also available on the Historical Society website:

<http://www.carlisle-nicholascounty.org/history/>

and it will hang in the welcome center with supporting documentation.

The museum at Blue Licks State Park has asked us to extend the Nicholas County exhibit. We will continue that exhibit until mid-November.

We have created a binder in the welcome center to record non-cash gifts and donations. If you bring in something please make sure the docent fills out one of these forms.

*By Jim Haag*

### Thank You

#### *Saturday in Carlisle*

Thanks to Gerald Watkins and friends for their work in the Neal Building during "Saturday in Carlisle". They provided an excellent display of antique farming and carpentry tools. It was great to have an exhibit for the people visiting during the festivities.

#### *Wonderful Volunteers*

Many, many thanks to the wonderful volunteers who are so devoted to keeping the Neal Building open for visitors.

If you have a few extra hours to volunteer please consider becoming a docent.

Call Michelle McDonald at 289-2614 to volunteer.