

Perry County Historical Society Journal

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The Perry County Historical Society held its January meeting at BJ's in Du Quoin. We are still staying with having lunch at noon or 12:30 and meeting at 1:00 p.m. Eric Pflanz donated two more whiskey spigots from the family saloon and a cap that soldiers in World War 2 could send home to wives and girlfriends. The whiskey spigots handles came off so that saloon customers couldn't serve themselves from the whiskey barrel. The officers from 2009 were voted back into office by acclamation.



Most historical society members have paid their dues for 2010, if you haven't, please do so, and

Joyce Kuhnert, left and Flossine Schrader, right stand beside the new museum display at the First National Bank in Pinckneyville. This display case is in bank lobby at the east entrance of the bank. The First National Bank added this display case as part of a remodeling of the bank building. Local groups may place displays. The Perry County Historical Society and Jail Museum had the honor of placing the very first display in February 2009 celebrating the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth. The present display takes up half of the space available and is part of yesteryear's entertainment at the community at the museum. There are no electronics these toys relied on imagination. There are toys made of wood, pressed steel, cast iron, and some plastic toys made their way into this exhibit. There are also puzzles, card games, and pick-up sticks.

Dorothy Montgomery
1925-2010

Member of Perry County Historical Society and
quilters at the museum

The museum is accepting Memorial donations

Meetings

Perry County Jail Museum Committee
1:30 p.m., Monday, February 8, 2010
Perry County Jail Museum
Pinckneyville

Perry County Historical Society
Tuesday, February 9, 2010
Eat at 1:00 p.m. meet at 2:00 p.m.
Grecian Steakhouse, Pinckneyville
Program: Show-and-tell



The Tourism Bureau Southwestern Illinois has issued a new visitors guide and celebrating its 25th anniversary this year with a contest. In the ten county area covered by the Tourism Bureau Southwestern Illinois 25 attractions have been designated top spots. The Perry County Jail Museum in Pinckneyville has the honor of being one a top spot for area museums. Each of the top spots has a visit code that must be included with an entry form. To find out more about this contest go to www.thetourismbureau.org or call 800-442-1488.

2010 Annual Perry County Jail Museum Rummage Sale

The annual museum rummage sale will soon be upon us. The first Friday and Saturday in April is the usual time for the rummage. The rummage sale is actually three events there will be a yard sale on the east driveway of the museum and a rummage sale in the basement of the museum. The museum kitchen will be the site for the annual bake sale; this is always a popular part of the rummage sale because of the quality of the treats sold. In the quilting room the quilters will put aside the quilt they happen to be working on and hold a fabric and notions sale. The sale begins at 7:00 a.m. on Friday to allow shopping before going to work.

Rummage items are already arriving at the museum. Small items may be brought to the museum now so they may be priced and put on display. For larger items please call the museum, as in previous years pick up will be arranged. The museum will deliver in the immediate area for an extra donation.

Civil war records offered to the museum turned out to be one record. If you want information on Jacob Cole, Chaplain, 31st Illinois Infantry, from the national archives, you are in luck. The Perry County Jail Museum now has copies of Jacob Cole's military and pension records.

February 2, Groundhog Day

February 12, Lincoln's Birthday

February 14, Valentine's Day

February 15, President's Day (federal holiday)

February 22, Washington's Birthday

