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Greetings! I hope everyone had a pleasant holiday season. I would like to draw your attention to the name of the organization from which this newsletter originates. As you can see, there has been a name change from Jefferson Heritage and Landmark, to Jefferson County Historical Society.

There has been some talk recently about whether or not to continue our organization. In the past, we have had trouble getting members to attend the meetings, and become active participants in the group. We attempted for a while to have monthly working meetings where members could get together and exchange information. The general consensus was that this was too often, and wasn't working. However, the group that met on November 15, 1997 decided that we did not wish to disband. Therefore, some changes were decided upon to try and revive interest in the group.

The first change to be made was the name of the society. The name has caused some confusion in the past about what type of organization we were. We have received many calls from people who thought we were a group who could help them get houses on the National Register. Hopefully the new name will clear some of the confusion and will generate new interest.

It was also decided that we should go back to quarterly meetings with a program. Meetings will be held at 2:00 P.M. at Jefferson College on the third Sunday of the months of February, May, August, and November. Pam Fosterling offered to be in charge of getting speakers for the programs, and a budget of \$400.00 was set to allow for their remuneration.

A brochure telling about our society and its activities will be prepared for approval at the February meeting by Becky Gagnon. These are to be handed out at various county functions, and will also be included in mailings. Hopefully this will spur some interest in our group to members of the county that may not have heard of the society in the past.

The society would like to publish more books and information on county history to sell to the public. We would like to become more aggressive in publicizing what is available for sale, and produce more items to not only raise money for the society, but to generate interest in the community. Some possible projects are; a new book being put together by Della Lang on Jefferson county schools, Dave Hallemann's 1876 and 1898 indexes and their corresponding atlases, and reprinting our old newsletters in book form.

Newsletters continue to be a source of reaching the community, and attracting new members. However, there is a lot of work involved in getting the newsletter out. I have been writing and researching the newsletter for five years now. In order for me to continue, I must have some help! **Please** send me some articles! Betty Olson and Dave Hallemann kindly sent articles for me to use in this issue. Articles on county history, reminiscences, genealogy information, or any other appropriate items may be sent. I will still continue to type it, get it copy ready and send it out as long as I have your cooperation! So please, send me stuff! The address to send articles is Lisa K. Thompson, 11210 Harrison Lake Rd. Festus, MO 63028, or E-mail it to lkthmpsn@jcn1.com.

We sincerely hope we can get our organization back on track. There is so much to be learned!

Lisa K. Thompson

The following two cemeteries were surveyed on March 22, 1997 by Lisa K. Thompson. They are located on the left side of the road as you travel into the subdivision known as the first phase of Brookstone off of Doss Hollow Road. The first one consists of only two graves in an iron fence. The second is larger and is surrounded by a concrete wall.

Jos. J. McMullin
Born February 22, 1804
Died August 21, 1879
Aged 75 years,
6 months, 9 days
Footstone J. J. McM

Angeline McMullin
wife of Jos. J. McMullin
Born February 16, 1824
Died February, 1875
Footstone A. McM

Agness Tullock

Magness Tullock
Born May 20, 1803
Died April 18, 1885
Aged (broken stone) can't read
Footstone M. T.

John W. Tullock
Born January 2, 1830
Died June 30, 1914

Mary E. Boyer
Born December 3, 1891
Died January 31, 1896
Footstone M. E. B.

Andrew Tullock
Born September 10, 1805
Died July 14, 1873
Footstone A. T.

There are several other fieldstones and an iron cross that says;

Her stay Cleo? Tullock
Born April the 15th, 1805
Died ___ the 24th, 1890

Memories of Bailey School

by Miriam Carron

I read in the newspaper where you wanted information about the old schools. I am writing about the old Bailey School which burned in 1940 or 1941.

The school was built on ground donated by the Bailey family who owned the farm. Mr. Bailey built it around the year 1866. It was a one room building, heated by a potbelly stove, with a cloak room, a stage across the front, and a long blackboard in the back. It seated about 20 pupils. It had a large play ground with a place to tie the horses which the kids rode to school from several miles away.

My mother and dad attended for eight years. The teacher was P.S. Terry, who later became a well known lawyer in the county. He taught law classes with the other studies.

In later years my sisters and brothers attended for eight years under the different teachers. We all graduated. One of my sisters was ten years old when she graduated and was 14 when she graduated from Festus High School, and then she taught school the next Fall. My son went to Bailey School for one year before we moved to Portland, Oregon.

My dad, Charles Lucas was the President of the Bailey School board until it burned. He was a very good director. He visited in the school and supplied all the needs of the school. My grandfather, Lewis Lucas was a member of board, along with Mr. Bailey, when the school was started.

I think in my time, there were only 10 regular pupils who were there every day. I went from the first grade to the eighth grade, the only pupil in the class, so I helped the teacher with the reading classes. I felt rather big! I remember those days as lots of fun. Now both of my children have college degrees. We need better education in schools today! I am 83 years old and I'm still reading, and studying so Bailey School gave me a good foundation for learning.

The following old place names, located in Jefferson County, Missouri, have been gathered by Dave Hallemann. The name is on the left, then an approximate year it was in use, and a description of the location. How many do you know? Subsequent newsletters will contain more of these names. He has eight pages!

Liberty Corner	1940	Liberty's home on curve of Old Sugar Creek Road
Long Bottom	1865	De Soto
Mooretown		Festus
Bulltown		Antonia
Hawkin's Place		De Soto 420 North 9th
Crystal Junction	1877	Festus-Silica
Rockfort Hill	1861	Sand Mine on hill above West Town Park, Festus
Derby City	1883	Festus Founded May 14, 1883 Alfred F. Sherlock
Henke		Arnold
Beck		Same location as Henke Richardson & I-55
New Hartford	1805	Near Present RR Station Illinois. Near Pevely
Hug's Landing		Crystal City near water company
Brown's Ferry	1869	Vicinity of the Hwy 231 Bridge at Flamm City
Tunnell Station	1860	Vineland
Flamm City	1960	Arnold Highway 231 and Meramec River.
Einstien Mines		Frumet Mines
Sylvan Heights	1872	North of Kimmswick
Stovesand Hills		Cedar Hill east Hgy 30 on Hgy B
Demaree	1860	House Springs Founded October 17, 1860. Mill
Creek	1867	Romaine Creek, 1867 Map drawn by J. Ed Walker.
Glenfinlas Post Office	1838-1855	Near Mammoth Mines
Silk Stocking Hill		4th & West Pratt Street, De Soto
Maddox Mill Bridge		Cedar Hill Bridge near Cedar Hill Mill
Jewitt's Subdivision	1879	North of Crystal City
North Crystal City	1886	Crystal City Founded July 31, 1886
Clifton	1840-1858	Butterfield Stagecoach stop outside Pevely
Victoria Station	1859	Victoria Founded May 9, 1859 by Henry B. Belt.
Rockport		Arnold ½ mile south of Beck
Monitcello		Original Name of Hillsboro.
Juniper Hill		Rice-Johnsons Roads
Sandy Bridge Post Office	1877-1888	Name changed to Jarvis in 1888
Avoca	1839	Near Papin Road and Hwy V
Addams Subdivision		Festus Laid out by W. J. Adams
City of Churches		De Soto
Mooney's Bridge		De Soto Railroad Bridge North side of town.
Fountain City	1904	De Soto
Brackman Hotel	1880	High Ridge
Alta Vista		Rankin's Mansion in De Soto on North 2nd
De Soto Academy		On land where Olevia Sanitarium burned in 1890's.
Boyne Spring		De Soto On Tanyard Branch creek, south bank

East Kelly Wagon Bridge	1873	De Soto Covered Bridge Built about 1873
Wire Bridge		De Soto Built behind Railroad Shops
Swinging Bridge		De Soto North of International Shoe Co. at Clement
North End Bridge	1926	De Soto Old Hwy 110, built about 1926-27.
Frizzel Hill		De Soto Across creek from Railroad Shops
Fairgrounds	1910	De Soto End of St. Louis Street
Band Stands		De Soto 2nd Street between Boyd and Easton.
Osceola Post Office	1837	Wayside of Big River on US Survey 3166.
Carson City		Hwy 21 at bus garage
Opal's	1950	Same as Carson City Hwy 21 at bus garage
Munson		Festus-Horine Road and McNutt School Road
Hunts Mines	1867	Listed on 1867 Map of Jefferson County.
Moss Post Office	1892-1893	Probably in the vicinity of Moss Hollow School.
Montesano Springs	1881	North side of Kimmswick
Beach La Paule	1935	2 miles south of Byrnesville
Schlosser's Beach	1930	Across from Byrnesville Mill
Coffman		Danby
Danby	1883-1955	Take Hwy. 61-67 South to right on Danby Road.
Bonacker's Mill		Brynes Mill was called this at one time
Reo Grand (fork of Big River)		Big River
Head's Mill		House Springs
Ludwick		Festus area of West Town Park
Gherke's Mill	1847	Yerkes' Mill or Byrnesville Mill
Regina		Regina Road and Hwy BB
Mammoth Mines		West of De Soto, Mammoth Creek Road & Hwy H
Lee's Diggins		Hearst Homestead on Big River Heights Road
Civil War Block House		At railroad bridge, Big River near Blackwell.
Moontown		Near Moontown Cemetery Road
Vinegar Hill	1876	S. of De Soto, Moontown Cemetery Road, Hwy E
Fletcher Town	1876	Valle Mines
Tarpley Mines	1845	Avoca, Near Papin and Hwy V
Tarpley's Mill		Avoca, Near Papin and Hwy V
Napton	1857	De Soto
Civil War (Union Encampment)		Victoria
Bevis		Between Victoria and Hemitite
Null/ Benson's Mill		Hematite
Kingston Road	1940	Big River Heights Road
O'Fallon's House	1860	Parkton Subdivision, I-55 & M
Seven Gables	1860	Parkton Subdivision I-55 & M O'Fallon House
Greystone Manor	1845	East of Bushburg Road, the Captain Foster Home
Kimmswick Bone Yard		Mastodon State Park
Captain Butterworth House		
Vansant's Mill		Horine Station-Pevely
Jewitt's Landing		Crystal City
Howe Mines		Howe's Crossing

Jefferson County From the Beginning

Archeologist Craig Fosterling has recently completed a book "Jefferson County and Surrounding Area From the Beginning." Craig includes geography, land use and settlements of Jefferson County, geological history from the Paleozoic Era up to the Holocene Epoch. The book contains a wealth of information for the serious scholar or the browser. A copy of it is in the DeSoto Public Library Collection.

Jarvis Cemetery History

by: Dave Hallemann

(note: the editor made corrections and remarks to the original story because of additional information)

This cemetery is located 1/2 mile east of Sandy Valley Road, on 513.20 acres of land owned by Thornton Jarvis in 1876 and 504.61 acres owned by Charles T. Jarvis in 1898.

Thornton Jarvis, born (in Kentucky) on Saturday March 15, 1806, died on Saturday November 25, 1893, at the age of 87 years 8 months and 10 days, and is buried in the Jarvis Cemetery. He was probably a lawyer, money lender, and land speculator. He was married to Mary Ann Williams on Wednesday, March 24, 1852. She being born Sunday, January 22, 1826, and dying Thursday, November 29, 1900, at the age 74 years 10 months 7 days, and is also buried in the Jarvis Cemetery.

C. T. Jarvis, the son of Thornton and Mary Jarvis was born Tuesday September 6, 1859, died Friday January 19, 1900, aged 40 years 4 months 13 days, and is buried in Hillsboro Cemetery Old Part.

Below are the names on the stones as recorded by myself and my brother in 1990. Also it is alleged that the slaves of the Jarvis' are buried on the south side of the road, however this cannot be substantiated. There are probably other unmarked graves.

(editors remarks noted in parenthesis)

One Foot stone marked PAJ.

(footstone F. H. S. near Dorothy and Joseph Frazier)

Frazier, Dorothy, born Monday December 8, 1794, died Monday October 4, 1880, aged 85 years 9 months 27 days, spouse Joseph Frazier. (mother of Sullivan Frazier)

Frazier, Joseph, born Friday July 6, 1792, died Friday November 1, 1878, aged 86 years 3 months 26 days, spouse Dorothy Frazier. (father of Sullivan Frazier)

Frazier, J. H., born Friday November 24, 1854, died Monday October 11, 1880, aged 25 years 10 months 18 days.

Jarvis, Thornton, born Saturday March 15, 1806, died Saturday November 25, 1893, aged of 87 years 8 months and 10 days. (husband of Mary Ann). (previous survey done Spring 1982 shows death date as Nov. 9).

Jarvis, Mary Ann, born Sunday, January 22, 1826, died Thursday, November 29, 1900, aged 74 years 10 months 7 days. (wife of Thornton, daughter of Landon & Elizabeth Williams)

Phillips, Mary, born 1817, died Sunday March 26, 1865, aged 48 years, spouse James Phillips.

Williams, Georgie A., born Thursday December 18, 1856, died Monday October 30, 1882, aged 25 years 10 (1) months 12 days. (previous survey shows death date as January 30, 1882) (daughter of Felix A.)

Williams, Felix A., born Wednesday May 22, 1822, died Tuesday December 20, 1881, aged 59 years 6 months 28 days. (son of Landon Williams)

Williams, L.(Landon) born Wednesday March 4, 1789, died Friday October 15, 1852, aged 63 years 7 months 11 days. (Previous survey shows birth date of May 1, 1789)

Williams, Elizabeth A., born Thursday August 22, 1799, died Saturday December 11, 1869, aged 70 years 3 months 20 days, spouse L. (Landon) Williams.

Williams, Phidelo, born Monday January 15, 1821, died Friday November 25,

1859, aged 38 years 10 months 10 days. (son of Landon Williams)

Jarvis, (Ethel, born on Jan. 12, 1889, died Jan. 12, 1889. Daughter of C.T. & L. J. Jarvis. Grand-daughter of Thornton Jarvis).

Landon Williams died 7 months after Mary and Thorton were married and is quite possibly the first person buried in this family cemetery.

I'm not sure how the Fraziers' might have fit in to this family. Joseph and Dorothy Frazier were born around the time of Landon and Elizabeth Williams and Thornton Jarvis. The Fraziers' all died around 1880, well after the cemetery was established. They may have just been pioneer neighbors.

Thornton died in 1893 and C. T. Jarvis who owned the land in 1898, possibly sold the land between this date and 1900, as he is buried in Hillsboro Cemetery and not in the family cemetery.

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Meeting!

Sunday, February 15, 1998

2:00 at Jefferson College Little Theater
Gary Kramer, a University professor, author, and former Missouri state archivist will present a study on local history, as self discovery. He will talk about how reading your family letters, visiting the local city hall, and studying local history can help you with understanding more about yourself.

Two friends were discussing their family histories when one of them lamented that he knew precious little about his roots. "I've always wanted to have my family history traced," he said, "but I can't afford to hire someone. Any suggestions?"

"Sure," replied his friend. "Run for public office."
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