



A Newsletter for Members and Friends of the Lenexa Historical Society

# LHS News

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## A Presidential Letter

*A letter from Alan Uhl*



The LHS parking concession at the just concluded Great Lenexa Barbeque Battle netted \$1,966 for the society. This is down a little from last year but Dorothy Rose said that a lot of cars were already there when the first crew arrived at 8 AM Saturday. Next year we'll arrange to get there a little earlier. This is still a very nice bit of income for the Society and our thanks go to Dorothy and her volunteers; Bob Lillie, Doug Bartley, Sharon and Marvin Hammontree, Connie Andrews, Scott Rose and Patty Lierly. Hope I haven't missed anybody.

Please try to come by the Barn and visit the Old Fashioned Herb Garden. It is beautiful. Marie Hormann and Pat White have been working very hard on it this year and the results show. Thank you so much.

I'd like to call your attention to the subject of bequests and memorial contributions. Before doing so here's what the Bylaws have to say on the matter:

A reserve fund shall be kept consisting of Life Membership dues and moneys received and designated either by the donor or the Board of Directors, as "Endowment Funds". Only the interest from this fund may be used for any operating expenses, subject to Board approval. Disbursements from fund principal may be made only for long-range purposes for example, capitol improvements, subject to Board approval.

Memorial Contributions will be held in a separate fund and will be identified as to the honoree and the dollar amount.

Unless specifically designated by the donor at the time of the contribution, such funds may be used for any Lenexa Historical Society contribution, such funds may be used for any Lenexa Historical Society purpose as determined by the Board of Directors in consultation with the families of the honorees, if possible. A record of attempts at such consultations will be kept.

From this you can see that your Society would benefit greatly from inclusion in our wills and designation as a recipient for memorial contributions in our final arrangements. Keep in mind, LHS is a 501-c-3 not for profit corporation to which all contributions are 100% tax deductible. I urge you to give this serious consideration. I already have.

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Thursday, July 24, 2008  
Lenexa United Methodist Church  
Schneeberger Hall  
91<sup>st</sup> and Caenen Lake Road  
Call for reservations 913-498-8117

## MR. ENTERTAINER

Presented by: Garland Woodson

*See inside flyer*

ALL ARE WELCOME

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# MULTI-TALENTED

Elaine Pegram has been with the Legler Barn quilters since their inception. She is also experienced in wood carvings for which she has won awards. At various times some of these have been on display in the museum. Below Elaine gives a history of how she got started in wood carvings.



My first recollection of carving was when my mother would give me, my sister and my brother each a large bar of P & G soap and a pattern of a Scottie dog to carve. I still have that pattern. I'm sure her intent was to keep us quiet for a while.

In the early 1990's I read in the newspaper about Woodcarving Classes at the Johnson County Community College and I enrolled there. Jerry Reinhart was the instructor. He often offered for sale Carousel Horses at Metcalf South Mall. Herb Cast held many carving classes and I enrolled in those.

I entered my first woodcarving, a carousel horse, at the Johnson County Fair in Gardner, Kansas, and received a red ribbon.

Since then I have carved many animals, wall hangings and santas.

Elaine Pegram

## Schedule for the July LHS General Meeting POTLUCK "Picnic" DINNER

For a good variety please follow this schedule



**A - I Dessert or Fruit**



**J - R Vegetable or Salad Dish**



**S - Z Meat Dish**



# *Lenexa Historical Society*

## *Membership Meeting*

Thursday, July 24, 2008

Lenexa United Methodist Church

Schneeberger Hall

91<sup>st</sup> and Caenen Lake

Dinner: 6:30 p.m. - "Indoor Picnic"

Program: 7:30 p.m.

### **MR. ENTERTAINER**

Presented by: Garland Woodson



Garland Woodson has performed throughout the Kansas City Metropolitan area. Last year he won first place at the Star Quest competition for the 100<sup>th</sup> year celebration of Lenexa, Kansas.

Singing music from Big Band, ballads and yesteryear standards, he takes his audience back in time for a nostalgic musical interlude. His style of song and antics have dubbed him "Mr. Entertainer".

Call for reservations:  
913-498-8117

Free Will Donation  
Everybody is Welcome!  
Bring a guest and receive a gift.

Our July meeting is traditionally an "indoor picnic". Therefore, I wanted to choose a program that would be light and entertaining. Hence Garland Woodson's "Mr. Entertainer" is providing the program. It is a departure from our typically historic programs, but we might say it presents a little musical history.

Mary Kay Smith

# Photo Gallery

by Marvin and Sharon and Hammontree

## LHS 2008 Directory Updates

### New Members

**Erin Riley**  
9218 Park  
Lenexa, KS 66215

**Bob Schluben**  
14330 W. 86<sup>th</sup> Place  
Lenexa, KS 66215

**Barbara Zook** 913-636-6273  
13205 Oak St. [virgogirl67@yahoo.com](mailto:virgogirl67@yahoo.com)  
Lenexa 66215

### New Email Address

Pat Lierly  
3105 Logan Lane [plierly@everestkc.net](mailto:plierly@everestkc.net)  
Lenexa, KS 66215

### Deceased

Dorothea Schweiger (Mrs. Robert E. Schweiger)  
8505 Pflumm Road  
Lenexa 66215



Legler Barn Museum 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cake from May 3, 2008

## RECORDED HISTORY

We have recorded interviews of some long-time Lenexa citizens at our new web site:

[www.lenexahistoricalsociety.org](http://www.lenexahistoricalsociety.org)

We will be updating this site periodically  
-- once trained.

Just click on the upper right corner  
"Recorded History" to watch and listen to these fantastic videos.

## THANK YOU

The Lenexa Historical Society wishes to thank Barb Dains with Embarq for all the volunteers she has sent us. Also thank you to the Volunteer Center of Johnson County for the volunteers who responded to the ads we placed on their web site.

All have been and are a tremendous help.

## Waterfest

and

## ICE CREAM SOCIAL



August 2, 2008





### Join the Lenexa Historical Society or Renew Your Membership

Lenexa Historical Society Membership Application for Renewals or New Members

- Single \$20
- Single Life \$200
- Family \$30
- Family Life \$300
- Corporate \$250
- Corporate Life \$2,500

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized person, if corporation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to: LHS, 14907 W. 87<sup>th</sup> St. Parkway, Lenexa, KS 66215

Make checks payable to: Lenexa Historical Society. Thank you!

## Enjoy Breakfast with LHS

Join us for FOOD and FUN conversation

Where: Hy-Vee, 87<sup>th</sup> and Pflumm  
 Time: 9:00 a.m.  
 When: the second Saturday of each month

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July 12  
 August 9  
 September 13

October 11  
 November 8  
 December 13

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*The Lenexa Historical Society is dedicated to  
the appreciation, preservation and promotion of  
Lenexa's Historical heritage.*

# SPINACH FESTIVAL

**Saturday, September 6, 2008**

**9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

at

**Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park**

Located at 87<sup>th</sup> Street Parkway & Lackman Rd in Lenexa, KS

For more information call: (913) 492-0038



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