



# LHS News

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## Marc's Pen...



Marc Lassalle  
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*Wrapping up another wonderful year ...*

As we draw to the end of another year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our valuable volunteers!

Without them, the Lenexa Historical Society—Legler Barn Museum would be unable to continue many of its operational and fundraising events.

So, whether you volunteered your time at the Spinach Café, organized the Pork Chop Dinner, parked cars during the BBQ Festival, archived photos at the barn, updated our website, sent out important email reminders, cooked at the Chili Chal-

lenge or even renewed your membership—everything and everyone helped make this a terrific year for the LHS.

As a result of our community's continued support, the LHS will be celebrating its 35th Anniversary in December. I would like to establish a 35th Anniversary Committee to celebrate this event throughout 2010. This important milestone presents a perfect opportunity for the LHS to grow membership and increase awareness within the community. Please feel free to email me or contact Becky at the Barn to be involved in this project.

**Once again, thanks to all for another great year and I hope to see you and your family around the barn!**

## Lenexa Historical Society General Meeting Potluck Dinner

Thursday, November 19  
Lenexa United Methodist Church  
9138 Caenen Lake Rd  
Lenexa, KS 66215

Dinner: 6:30PM  
Program: 7:30PM  
"Saturday Matinee"

**Potluck Dinner:**  
*(Bring a dish according to your last name)*

*A - I: Vegetable or Salad dish,  
J - R: Meat dish,  
S - Z: Dessert or Fruit.*

You may remember the fun of getting all dressed up to go downtown

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## Lenexa United Methodist Church 140th Anniversary

Lenexa United Methodist Church will celebrate 140 years of ministry to the people of Lenexa on November 8, 2009. On July 18, 1869 a class of five female members was organized at Lenexa. During the year it increased to fifty. When the city of Lenexa was organized in 1869, Charles A. Bradshaw, Sr. donated one acre of land for the Methodist Episcopal Church. Lenexa United Methodist Church still sits on this property today.



Lenexa United Methodist Church, Circa 1999  
Photo LHS3619 [www.jocohistory.org](http://www.jocohistory.org)

The November 8 celebration "Uniting Our Past With Our Future" will include worship at 9:00 and 10:30am, lunch at 11:40, consecration of the new education building currently under construction, and unveiling of the legacy walkway. Historic momentums will also be on display. Everyone is invited to be a part of this historic day. If you have stories or momentums of the history of Lenexa

United Methodist Church that you would like to share, would like to purchase a commemorative brick or be part of the celebration, contact Linda Lipp, Business Administrator, at 913-888-5600 or [llipp@lenexaumc.org](mailto:llipp@lenexaumc.org).

Lenexa UMC is located in Old Town Lenexa at 9138 Caenen Lake Road, Lenexa, KS 66215.

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

Lenexa Historical Society Membership Application for Renewals or New Members

Single      \$20       Family      \$30       Corporate      \$250  
 Single Life   \$200       Family Life   \$300       Corporate Life   \$2500

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!

## Congrats to Fred Schmidt

Fred Schmidt, a member of the society, was the winner of the Twin Bed Quilts at the Spinach Festival. Thank you to Evelyn Weimer for making the quilts available and to everyone that supported this effort.



Fred Schmidt & Marc Lassalle

Twin Bed Quilt



## LHS 2009 Directory Updates

### Members Updates

Kim Hearn is now  
Kim Sheahan  
12326 W. 85th Ter., Apt. 912  
Lenexa, KS 66215-4571

### New Member

Kelly K. Baehr  
10024 Monrovia  
Lenexa, KS 66215  
913-310-0542  
kbaehr4@everestkc.net

### Deceased

Velma Bogina

## Help Wanted ...

The Lenexa Historical Society is seeking a volunteer to coordinate a Video Project to preserve Lenexa history through video taped interviews of individuals from our local community.

This volunteer will be in charge of the project, set dates for production and make sure technical, talent and subject are all in place.

If you can help us or you have questions, please contact Marc, [marc@leglerbarn.org](mailto:marc@leglerbarn.org) / 310-0949, or call us at the Barn, 492-0038.

## Enjoy Breakfast with Your LHS Friends

Join us for FOOD and FUN conversation at 9:00am on the second Saturday of each month at Hy-Vee (87th & Pflumm). We have a lot of fun talking and eating!  
Buy your meal and drag more tables together as people arrive.

If you would like to receive an email reminder prior to our monthly breakfasts, contact Katie Evans at:  
[katiasevans@sbcglobal.net](mailto:katiasevans@sbcglobal.net) or 913-390-5131

### 2009

Nov. 14

Dec. 12

### 2010

Jan. 9

Feb. 13

Mar. 13

Apr. 10

May 8

June 12

July 10

Aug. 14

Sept. 11

Oct. 9

Nov. 13

Dec. 11

## November General Meeting / Potluck Dinner

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to the movies? Join us in a nostalgic look at Kansas City's oldest theaters such as The Empire, the Midland, and the Orpheum. Annette Thomas with the Historic Kansas City Foundation will be presenting a slide-show titled "Saturday Matinee", featuring historic Kansas City theaters.

This program focuses mostly on the chronological story of the city's downtown theaters, while showing the one-upmanship of making each new film palace larger and more lavish.

**Join us November 19th, starting at 6:30PM for a Potluck Dinner followed by the program!**



Orpheum, Kansas City, 1921

## How were the Pork Chops?

Friends of Lenexa Historical Society gathered for a fund raising dinner on Wednesday, October 8th. This event was held at the Lenexa VFW and has fast become a favorite of members and friends alike.



A wonderful dinner of smoked pork chops, salad, apple sauce, a baked potato, green beans and a dessert of your choice was offered by this year's event. The dinner was a chance to enjoy a wonderful meal and catch up with old friends.

This year's event was the biggest ever with a crowd estimated at 160. A special thanks to event organizer and head chef, Rita, who continues to amaze us at putting together this event each year.

## Did you sample our Chili?

The Lenexa Historical Society was once again able to participate this year with a booth at the Lenexa Chili Challenge. The group gathered for a social evening on Friday to enjoy the cool crisp weather. Old town Lenexa was a buzz of socializing, bon fires, chili tasting and entertainment.

On Saturday, with great weather, the competition got underway. The LHS team was able to field a fine bowl of competition chili and chicken wings, amongst the record field of 160 contestants.

Although our entry did not place in the finals round for a ribbon, we did have a great time and are looking forward to retaking the crown next year.

Many thanks to event sponsors, Sharon and Marvin Hammontree.



## Want more LHS Pictures?

Then check out:

<http://lenexahistoricalsociety.shutterfly.com/>

This is the LHS shutterfly website, where

you'll find the latest pictures from Society events and activities. You will be able to view, download, or order prints of the pictures for your enjoyment



## Old Town Lighting

Come out to see Santa and stand in awe of the lights!

**Where:** Old Town Lenexa &  
Lenexa Community Center  
Near corner of Pflumm  
& Santa Fe

**When:** Friday,  
December 4, 2009  
6:30PM–8:30PM

### Old Town Lighting

This year the Holiday Lighting Ceremony will take place at the Lenexa Community Center

in the parking lot between the Lenexa Community Center and the Lenexa Senior Center.

From this vantage point you can see the full impact of the lights in Old Town Lenexa. Afterwards meet up with friends in the Community Center for additional festivities: school choir performances, visits with Santa, holiday re-

freshments, and dance performances. Also, the Secret Santa Shop is set to return this year, allowing youngsters to purchase gifts for under \$5.

More info available online at:  
<http://www.ci.lenexa.ks.us/parks/lightingceremony.html>

Lenexa Community Center is located at 13420 Oak Street.

# 6 What's been happening around town...



## Chili Challenge



See more pictures online: <http://lenexahistoricalsociety.shutterfly.com/>



Amelia  
Earhart



# 8 What's been happening around town...

## SpinFest





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Pork Chop  
Dinner



# Hang This Calendar On Your Fridge

## November 2009

Upcoming Events  
 Lenexa Historical Society

November 5, 7PM:  
 LHS Board Meeting,  
 Legler Barn

November 8, Uniting Our  
 Past with Our Future  
 Lenexa United Methodist  
 Church

November 14, 9AM:  
 Social Breakfast  
 Hy-Vee 87th & Pflumm,  
 9AM

November 19, 6:30PM:  
 General Meeting  
 Potluck Dinner  
 A - I: Vegetable or Salad,  
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 S - Z: Dessert of Fruit.  
 At Lenexa United  
 Methodist Church (Old  
 Town Lenexa)  
 Speaker: Annette Thomas  
 Saturday Matinee

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 7pm LHS Board Meeting	6	7
8 140th Ann. iv, Uniting Our Past With Our Future, LUMC	9	10	11	12	13	14 9am Breakfast at Hy-Vee
15 At Lenexa United Methodist Church (Old Town Lenexa)	16	17	18	19 6:30pm Potluck & General Mtg., Lenexa Unit. Meth. Church	20 27	21
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Lenexa, Kansas 66215-4135



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*The Lenexa Historical Society is dedicated to the appreciation, preservation and promotion of Lenexa's historical heritage through management of the Legler Barn Museum and Lenexa Train Depot.*

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Legler Barn Gift Shoppe & Museum  
Hours of Operation:

Tuesday – Friday 10:00a.m.-4:00p.m.

Saturday – Sunday 1:00p.m.-4:00p.m.

Contact us: 913-492-0038

Comments: marcl@leglerbarn.org

### Find us on the web:

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

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

[lenexahistoricalociety.shutterfly.com](http://lenexahistoricalociety.shutterfly.com)

Facebook: Legler Barn Museum-  
Lenexa Historical Society

## We Invite YOU to Join OUR Team

Volunteers play a crucial role in the daily operations of the Legler Barn Museum. We invite you to become a part of our volunteer staff, whether it's providing one hour a month or fifty. Every Volunteer can be a part of the Legler Barn Museum by assisting in various roles, whether working with the public or behind the scenes.

- Front Desk
- Administrative
- Computer Projects
- Tour Program
- Library
- Gardening
- Speakers Bureau
- Special Day and Evening Events

### Volunteer Benefits:

- Complimentary admission to the Museum
- 10% discount in the Museum Store
- Volunteer and Tour Training
- Guest Passes
- Outstanding Volunteer Recognition
- Special invitations to Exhibits/Events
- Opportunities to meet new and interesting people with similar interests
- Inner satisfaction from volunteering

**Come by the Barn to pickup additional information  
or inquire about being a volunteer.**