

# MUSEUM MUSINGS

WESTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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## Sat. Night Alive with Fun; Team 7 Wins Again!!

Amid cheers, jeers, questions about game fixing, arguing with judges, much heckling of the emcee and others, team #7 forged ahead to win the Trivia Night Trophy for the second time in a row.

Members of the winning team were Susan Grinlinton, Pat Benner, Barb Fulk, Connie Wilson, Barbara Bless, Cathy Murdock and Mary Jo Heidrick.

The turn-out the evening of March 23rd proved to be the largest group gathered since the event began in 2010. Despite large, wet snow flakes pelting down, 92 contestants, judges, score keepers, bartenders and others showed up for the challenge.

Marsha West and Carolyn Larsen organized the evening, with Jeanne Branff, Ruth Marr and Mrs. West serving as judges. Ann and Dennis Saugstad tended bar. Glenn Benner was emcee, Larry Clemens was scorekeeper and President Carl Felling and Director Barb Fulk welcomed the contestants.

The museum appreciates the help of head librarians, Rachel Rafuse and Rick Gath, who arranged tables, chairs and were such great hosts.

The next Trivia Night due in late summer, early fall. Watch for further announcements!

*The Weston Mid-Continent Library was crowded March 23rd, for the Museum's Trivia Night. Over 90 contestants and helpers braved snowy weather for an evening of fun. Larry Clemens, left, served as scorekeeper.*

## Price/Loyles Items on Display in Your Museum

The Col. James Price/Loyles home at 718 Spring Street, Weston, MO, was purchased in 1864 by Theodore F. Warner for his sister, Russella E. Warner and her husband, Col. James A. Price.

Russella and Theodore were the children of Minerva Boone Warner who was granddaughter of Daniel Boone. Russella's husband was a second cousin of Robert E. Lee. Eventually there would be five generations of this family to live in the house.

Following the 1991 death of Forestyne Loyles, the last of the family members, the home was sold to the Missouri Dept. of Natural Resources and all of the contents of the home removed from Weston.

The home sat empty and uncared for, for a number of years, until a group of interested Weston citizens finally motivated the DNR to sell the home. Mr. and Mrs. Terry McKenzie, of Kansas City, are the

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## Price/Loyles Items . . .

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*The Price-Loyles Home, pictured shortly after a massive restorative effort by Terry and Mary Beth McKenzie. Items from the original home of the Daniel Boone descendant are on loan to the Weston Historical Museum.*

present owners of the Price/Loyles home and they have lovingly restored it and beautified the lawns.

The contents of the home eventually found a home at the Historic Boone Home and Heritage Center in Defiance, MO, which is owned and operated by Lindenwood University. There one finds not only the Boone Home, but a "village" of a dozen 19th century buildings moved from other sites within a fifty mile radius and includes a chapel and a store. Dr. David Knotts, Ph.D., Professor of American Studies, oversees this heritage center.

It is thanks to Dr. Knotts and several students from Lindenwood University that work on cataloging the items has begun. It is also due to his generosity and belief in helping fellow museums that a number of the artifacts have been loaned to the Weston Historical Museum, coming back home for a time, and are currently on display there.

Among the items are some of the china and silver used in the home through the five generations of Daniel Boone descendants. One can also see a bible that belonged to Col. James Price; a sword and scabbard that belonged to Price's son, Benjamin, and the uniform he wore as a member of the Knights of Pythias.

The Weston Historical Museum is grateful to Dr. David Knotts and his group of students for their help in bringing these items back to Weston for a period of time.

## Our Readers Continue To Help Us Out

Joe Pepper was among those who called to help identify Dixie Gabbert as one of the children in our Mystery Corner of the last issue.

He went on to tell us about the coin mentioned in the "Bertha's Morgue" column. It was an old Masonic coin from Chapter #4 of the Royal Arch Masons which no longer exists in Weston. Among other things learned from Mr. Pepper is that the words "One Penny" is part of a ritual to remind the member that it is imperative to help those who are less fortunate. The tools depicted are those that a mason would have used.

Joe also mentioned that in the "Do You Know" column Mr. O. G. Watson may have helped build the retention wall, but Joe remembers, fairly specifically, that a Mr. Guyles was the main builder of the wall.

Justin Hill has recently donated a book entitled *Memorial Addresses on the Life and Character of James N. Burnes*, February 23, 1889. The book has been cataloged and added to the Burnes family file.

James N. Burnes came to Weston with his parents, attended grade school here and later moved to St. Joseph with the family. James returned to Weston to finish his schooling, attended Harvard and later became a member of the Missouri Congress from this district. After many years as a representative, he died in office in Jefferson City in February of 1889.

The Burnes family lived where Mr. and Mrs. L.R. Vaughn now live, on the south end of Washington Street.

## Group Has Fun; Adds to Restoration Funds

A group of museum volunteers and friends recently enjoyed an informal luncheon at Pasttimes restaurant. The occasion was arranged to honor Mrs. Ann Saugstad for her many years of work and dedication as the director of the museum. Ann has recently stepped down from that position and become "just a volunteer".

Besides visiting, eating and just having plain old fun, the group also collected ten dollars per person attending the event. The monies were given to the museum, also in honor of Ann, and her work. It is hoped this will help "jump-start" the existing fund for the conservation and preservation of items needing such care in the museum.

## Was a Family Member Involved in These Clubs?

We were recently given a list of women's clubs that existed during W.W.II and wondered how many of our readers were either members or perhaps had a mother or grandmother, perhaps an aunt, who was a member?

These ladies were asked to help with the war effort in many different ways. Some helped the young boys and girls of their communities to plant "Victory Gardens"; others grew extra corn, potatoes, tomatoes to share with others in the community or to sell, at reasonable prices, to those without a place to grow a garden or those who could not do so; still others knitted sox, blankets, rolled bandages for the Red Cross, etc.

The list below includes the name of the presidents of each club:

- Beverly Better Homes, Mrs. L.K. Poos, Beverly
- Boydston Homemakers Club, Mrs. Carl Sharitz, Parkville
- Brenner Ridge Friendship and Service Club, Mrs. James Galetti, Parkville
- Burruss Community Club, Mrs. Rex Bowlen, Weston
- Camden Point Community Club, Mrs. Richard Scott, Camden Point
- Eldorado Extension Club, Mrs. Ed C. Gaiser, East Leavenworth
- Fairview Extension Club, Mrs. Winfield Martin, DeKalb
- Farley Community Club, Mrs. G.P. Younger, Farley
- Ferrelview Extension Club, Mrs. R.J. Clark, Ferrelview
- Fry-Horn Club, Mrs. Frank Fry, Smithville
- Hampton Jolly Neighbors, Mrs. Lyle Babcock, Platte City
- Merry Makers Club, Mrs. O.M. Van Cleave, Gashland
- Moore Home Economics, Dorothy Dean Babcock, Parkville
- New Market Extension Club, Mrs. George E. Downing, Weston
- Pleasant Ridge Community Club, Mrs. R.L. Schaback, Weston
- Prairie Extension Club, Mrs. Frank L. Martin, Parkville

## Sandra Miller, Emeritus Member, Passes Away

Sandra K. Miller, a long time volunteer and Museum Director, died April 1, 2013, after a lengthy illness. She was 69 years old.

Sandy put her love of history to work as a historical columnist for several county newspapers, as well as an organizer for the Weston Homes Tour and Heritage Festival and the Applefest. She was also an author, having compiled two "Memories of Weston" pictorial books.



When the Museum was open, Sandy or her late husband, Ron, could be found showing visitors around the Museum and town. She also volunteered at the Weston Development Company (now the Weston Chamber of Commerce).

Just this past winter, Sandy was honored with Emeritus status for all her work at the Museum.

Sandy is survived by a son, a daughter, two grandchildren, one brother and two sisters.

A "Celebration of Life" was held May 4th at Vaughn Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorials were requested for the Museum.

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Second Creek Homemakers, Mrs. L.P. Ketteman, Ferrelview

Simmons Community Club, Mrs. Bert Wright, Weston

Sunshine Gleaners Club, Miss Beulah Deal, Platte City

Swamp College Club, Mrs. Lee Whallon, Weston  
Iatan Extension Club, Lorene Goble, Iatan.

If you have any information about members, minutes, special projects, as well as any photos, the Museum would love to see the items to copy for our files and future displays. Call Carolyn Larsen or Barb Fulk at the Museum - 386-2977.

## Bits and Pieces from Bertha's Morgue

"The new service station in town is called the F & W and replaces the one run by George Steele in the old Renz Livery building. It is run by Fluharty and Waterman." This comes from an issue of *The Weston Chronicle* dated July 5, 1928.

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Girl Scout news came in March 1964 from *The Weston Chronicle*:

"On March 6, the Brownie Scouts met in their regular meeting place for investiture ceremonies. Mrs. Robert Kottman and Mrs. Donald McAdow conducted the ceremonies. Following the services the Brownies served punch and cookies to the parents attending.

"Brownie Scouts are Lana Sue Taulbee, Diane Kottman, Rhonda Kottman, Anita Hall, Cathy Searcy, Cindy Schaback, Debra Ann Graves, Barbara Bless, Sandra Burns, Linda Caldwell, Penny Calvert, Jo Lea Collison, Karen Webb and Margaret Ann Spratt.

"Ruth and Leann Anderson will receive their Brownie pins next week."

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From an issue of the local newspaper dated April 23, 1965, we read:

"The Girl Scout House on Washington Street is 'sporting' a new sign. It has a white back ground with the Girl Scout Trefoil in green, outlined in gold.

"It was made and donated to the girls by Sp/5 Roger Larsen."

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From the newspaper dated June 12, 1964 we read:

"Miss Diza Pepper, graduate of West Platte High school, received her B.S. in Business Administration and her major is Marketing.

"Diza is a member of the Scholastic Honorary fraternity, Sigma Epsilon Sigma; the Professional Sorority Phi Chi Theta, which is a national organization for women in business; and of the social sorority, Kappa Kappa Gamma where she served as Treasurer for the group.

"She has accepted a position as a Management Trainee with Woolf Brothers of Kansas City."

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It was noted, in May of 1967, that:

"Gary Anderson, a graduate of West Platte High School, has completed two tours of duty aboard the aircraft carrier The Kitty Hawk."

## New Industry in Town Plans Open House

*Article taken from the August 16, 1963 issue of "The Weston Chronicle".*

Weston's newest industry, mixing of fertilizers for local distribution, bids hello to visitors from the entire agricultural area tomorrow at the plant of the Sur-Gro company, between the two (tobacco) warehouse (on Main). Simultaneously with the opening of the plant, an Open House will be held for the area, with refreshments, personally conducted tours, and welcome from the official of the company. Many interesting displays will be shown; there will be a free drawing with prizes for all ages.

"The whole program of the Sur-Gro company is based on soil tests. No one fertilizer or combination of fertilizers will meet the requirements of all farms," said Foulke to a Chronicle reporter yesterday. "We already have a record on from five to six thousand soil tests in the area we serve. We do not make the tests they are made by the University of Missouri Agriculture College. We mix and supply the needs of the soil as indicated by the tests when they are returned. We keep a copy and record of the ingredients, the proportions and the results. The farmer receives a copy of the College's findings and the Extension office of the county has a copy."

All the operations at the Sur-Gro plant are automatic from unloading the component parts of the different mixes as they arrive on the siding, to the measuring and mixing of the ingredients, to the loading of the trucks.

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*"The Weston Chronicle", August 23, 1963*

"Friday evening, a pre-view of the plant was held for all the business people of Weston, to whom invitations had been mailed. Almost every business house and professional office in Weston was represented in the gathering. Several large arrangements of flowers were seen in the offices, the gifts of local firms.

"Only two watermelons were left out of a single ton and the town was depleted of buns and most of the soda pop before the evening was finished. By five o'clock practically everything was gone but the friendly spirit which prompted such an attendance. According to Manager M.C. Brill, the hopper had almost been emptied of practically a capacity load of fertilizers."

# From Our Members . . .

Beverly McConnell called us to tell us that her husband, Charles, remembers that Al Turner had been a night watchman in Weston. Though he was not certain of the dates of Mr. Turner’s service, he is certain that he was a lawman here. Further evidence has come to light that says Charles is correct. However, no one seems to know the dates. Can anyone help us?



Beverly later recalled there being a Stamper (Elmer?) served as a marshal or night watchman in the 1950’s.

Harlen Carter, pictured above, had the distinction of being the last City Marshal and the first Police Chief of Weston, when the change was made in 1972.

His daughter, Cynthia Dusenberry, sent us this photograph for our files.

We have also found a small item from the local newspaper dated February 14, 1908 that reads: “The city council, at its regular meeting last Monday appointed A.A. Williams as city night watchman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of B.H. South. M.R. Searcy is also retained as a night watchman.”

So, it would seem that at different times Weston was blessed with more than one night watchman at the same time. Perhaps they served different shifts or different days.

In our list of Weston lawmen, neither Williams, South, Searcy nor Turner shows up. If anyone knows of others and/or has photos of these gentlemen, please give us a call, a note or stop by the museum.

Thanks to the McConnells and the Carter family for the help.

## Check Us Out Online

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

*For pictures, curator columns, special events and other bits of information.*

# Display Honors Weston Veterans

One can see gas masks, life preservers, captured items, guns, books on insignias, and orders for U.S. Savings Bonds in the newest display at the Museum. A large number of items were loaned by Weston veterans and their families.

Spread over three cases and several easels, visitors can find uniforms, hats, helmets, flags, medals, photographs and letters having to do with some of the many wars the United States has been involved in since 1917.

Come in and learn about your neighbors and friends who served in uniform.

# Rumpel’s “Ladies” Find New Home

Patrick O’Malley and his children Kathleen and Sean recently purchased the old Rumpel’s Hardware store from the Rumpel’s great-niece, Margaret Spratt. The O’Malleys are currently doing renovations with plans to open The Tin Kitchen Restaurant later this year.

They graciously donated three tin panels which Mr. Rumpel often referred to as his “ladies”. The panels are having some preservation work done on them and hopefully will be on display before the end of the summer.

## Museum Officers & Staff:

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May 2013

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\* Denotes additional donation

## Did You Know . . .

. . . that one of the best kept secrets in the history of the American Press was that when President Franklin D. Roosevelt made a tour of the American military bases, during W.W. II, he left a full itinerary with all newspapers, asking that not a word be printed about it? The secret was kept perfectly.

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. . . that Richard Marr was in the Shriners', of St. Joseph, saxophone band? He traveled with them to New Orleans for an American Legion convention in late 1922.

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. . . that Steve Payne, son of the West Platte High School Principal, was named as Student of the Month in November of 1969? Joyce McFarland was named as Student of the Month in January of 1970 and in April of that same year, Catha Jane Hall received the honor.

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. . . that Tom Bunge, a senior in the West Platte High School in 1958, gave a talk to the Weston Rotary Club in March of that year? He was defending the teenagers of Weston and their desire for something "for them" in Weston, as well as their reasons for going out of town for entertainment.

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. . . that Roger Hardesty appeared in a choir over nation-wide TV broadcast in a program of lighting the Christmas Tree at Rockefeller Center in Dec. of 1967? Others who have appeared on TV from Weston, to name a few, are Abe Shafer, Browning Hull, Sandy Miller, Charles Bless, Mike Bohaty and Clay Bauske.

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. . . that Norman Richardson and Jo Bradley won 1st prize in the Pony Express Show held in Liberty, MO, in 1963? Jo rode her horse, Topsy, and Norman rode his, Ginger. They showed in the Matched Pairs division. Norman later rode his horse in the American Royal Parade in 1964.

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. . . that it took less than 20 seconds for a computer to reply to queries and descriptions in the Platte County Sheriff's office? This was in early 1969 when the department had their first computer installed.

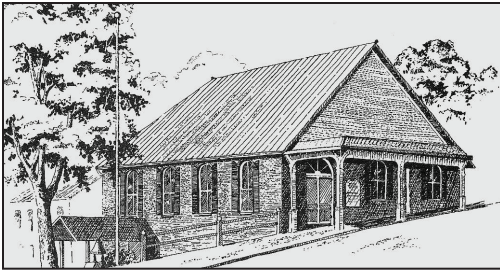
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. . . that a four-year-old child can beat a 72-old-woman in navigating the computer? It happens all the time in 2013, particularly to your newsletter editor. The four-year-old? Her grandson Wyatt.

## Platte County Rural Teachers for 1942-1943

Before the re-organization of schools districts in 1952, the county was dotted with one- and two-room schools. Below are the schools and teachers of the 1942-43 school year.

Fairview, Emma Lee Huffard  
 Simmons, Josephine Best  
 Valley Forest, Kathryn Lecht  
 Block, Karen Elder  
 Hutson, Mary Lee Hord  
 Enterprise, Reta Fulk  
 Iatan, Mary Lillian and Melveleah Fisher  
 Cook, Patricia Myers  
 Cox, Loretta Miller  
 Burruss, Mary D. Dooley  
 Swamp College, Catherine Chinn  
 Pleasant Ridge, Mrs. George Pumphrey  
 Platte Valley, Minnie Murdock  
 Hazelwood, Viola Turner  
 Quinn, June Patchin  
 Franklin, Belle Rollins  
 Horn, Zelene Holliday  
 Collins, Mrs. Richard Vaught  
 Farmer, Thomas B. Chinn  
 Beverly, Charlene Carter  
 Stillings, Edna Nelson  
 Farley, Helen McDonnell  
 Eldorado, Ida Mae Brown  
 Morton, Charley Collings  
 Park, Pauline Kirkpatrick  
 Hoover, Helen Dennis  
 South Gale, Lorene Asher  
 Second Creek, Lucille Skinner  
 Prairie View, Jean Scharfenberg  
 Hampton, Leona Niemann  
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 Rocky Point, Frances Shelton  
 Prairie Point, Hope Hardesty  
 Barry, Luella Atterberry and Alice Hinkle  
 Boydston, Beulah Barnthouse and  
 Marjorie Aikmus  
 Graden, Lois Holmes and Joan Douglas  
 Brink, Alberta Ruhnke  
 Waldron, C.C. Adams and Mrs. C.C. Adams  
 Lakeside, Emma Margaret Beach  
 Line Creek, Maurine Brawner and Flora Lee Lake  
 Ferrelview, Sallie Belle Rule  
 Brenner Ridge, James Stevenson, Mrs. A.L. Runyon  
 and Dorothy Riggs  
 Northern Heights, Mary Allen and  
 Alva Lou Atterberry  
 Tracy, Marie Kerr And Eloise Harryman



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*“If we do not know our history, we will lose our road to the future.”*

*Unknown*

## Today's Mystery Corner: Recognize These Children?

Jerry Adams was the first individual to let us know that the older girl in the photograph last issue was Dixie Gabbert. Many others called to affirm that identification but no one has identified the other child.

These charming children were photographed at The Weston Chronicle office sometime in the 1940's we believe.

If anyone can identify them, please call us at 386-2977 and leave a message.

