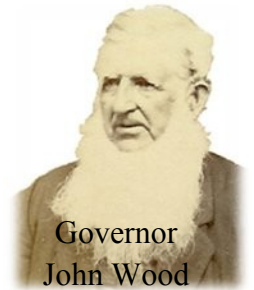


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Herald-Whig, HSQAC Partner to Restore Local History Series

Did you know that the iconic image of Betty Crocker was the creation of a Quincy woman? Or that a Coatsburg man came up with the idea for school books that taught 85 million children to read? Or that a team of oarsmen from the Southside Boat Club finished second in a world championship racing regatta in Belgium?



Neysa McMein's
Betty Crocker, 1936

These are among the first stories that the *Quincy Herald-Whig* has begun publishing in cooperation with the Historical Society on historical events and people of Quincy and Adams County.

The stories, which appear in each Sunday's newspaper, are written by scholars, students and local history buffs. HSQAC President Chuck Radel said that each story is connected to an artifact in the Historical Society's collection. The *Whig* is posting each story on its website, www.whig.com, and including the authors' sources for readers interested in further research. The series follows on the popular work of Carl Landrum, whose history columns appeared in the *Whig* for 40 years.



*The Historical Society
of Quincy and Adams County*

Invites You To A

Members Christmas Party
Music in the Mansion
With Ms. Melanie Morgan
Harpist

Join us for a special evening to celebrate the warmth and spirit of Christmas with music, fellowship, food, fun and our HSQAC Member Family in the beautiful John Wood Mansion
425 South Twelfth Street, Quincy

6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, December 15

Complimentary to Members
RSVP: The favor of a reply (222-1835)
by Monday, December 12, would be appreciated.

A Unique Christmas Gift: A Society Membership

Still looking for that one-of-a-kind gift? How about a Historical Society membership? It is not just one gift. Membership means gifts all year long: tours, programs, discounts and our new "Time Travelers" program. See details inside.

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Annual Christmas Candlelight Tours

Children Will Provide 'Music in the Mansion'



Public Christmas Candlelight tours this year will be offered with the theme "Music in the Mansion" and featuring school choirs and musicians from the area. They include:

- Dec. 11 6:15 p.m. Parochial Music Organization
7:15 p.m. Quincy Notre Dame High School Madrigal Singers
Dec. 18 7 p.m. Eric Steitz, dulcimer, and Tony Blackford, flute
Dec. 26 7 p.m. Payson Schools Chorale
Dec. 27 7 p.m. First Union Congregational Church Children's Choir

Project Collects School House Data

HSQAC intern Joel Koch has compiled the first database of one-room school houses in Adams County, a project designed to assist people looking into the history of local schools.

Koch's database includes information about 190 school houses in 19 townships. The database is available at the Historical Society's website.

The research built on earlier efforts to map the county's schools. Koch credited the Adams County Retired Teachers Association, as well as former regional school superintendent James Steinman and teacher Fred Bloss for information useful to the project.

The Four Star Library of Mendon shared many school photographs by Floyd J. Edmonson. Information about schools in what is now Liberty CUSD 2 came from Bill Waters. Other sources included the great River Genealogical Society and HSQAC records. The society's research librarian and archivist Jean Kay mentored Koch in the project.

The database includes information about school pictures and where they can be located. He said the society is seeking pictures to add to the data base. Persons interested in donating photos may contact him at hsqac@sbcglobal.net or by calling 217-222-1835.



Pin Oak 236 School, Richfield Township, where Miss Mae Tholen (middle back row) taught in 1931.

Welcome to New and Returning Members of the Historical Society

With appreciation we welcome those who have joined the Society in the most recent quarter. Membership helps sustain the work of preserving the history of Quincy and Adams County.

Mayor—\$1,000-\$4,999

Niemann General Contractors

Governor John Wood Society—\$500-\$999

Mr. and Mrs. John Cornell
 Dave Dulaney
 Hon. Robert S. Hunter
 Frank Sakulenzki

Pioneer—\$50-\$99

Mr. and Mrs. Jon Barnard
 Ms. Rebecca Butler
 Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gnuse
 Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rottman

Builder—\$100-\$499

Mr. Sayeed Ali
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 Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Mitchell
 Ms. Judy Neider-Moecker
 Supreme Electric
 Ms. Beth Young

Member—\$25-\$49

Mr. and Mrs. John Aschemann
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 Mr. Joel Koch
 Ms. Elizabeth McConnell
 Mr. and Mrs. Mike Schlipmann
 Ms. Ruth Ann Snowden
 Mrs. Judy Taylor
 Mrs. Betty Wiewel



Projects Refurbish HSQAC Facilities

Repairs and projects kept us busy this fall. Repairing a John Wood Mansion porch (left) are Rich Redmond and Frank Sakulenzki. Installing pavers in the new Governor John Wood Memorial Plaza is Larry Bennett (below) of Niemann General Contractors. Facilities manager Roger Leach supervises Scouts Joe Brink and Austin Cloke (bottom left) in Cloke's Eagle Scout project.



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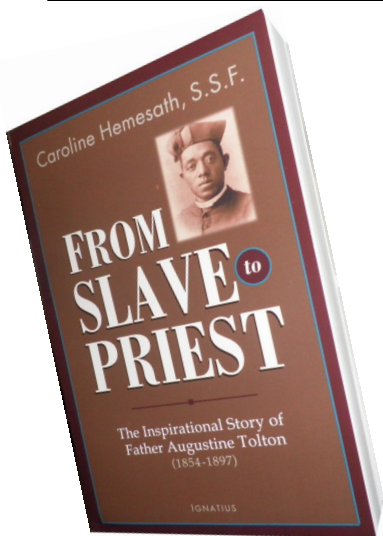
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‘The History Shop’ Offers Christmas Gifts

With a variety of new wooden toys, books—many by local authors—ball caps and shirts and Quincy collectibles, Quincy's History Shop has stocking stuffers to please even the most eclectic of family and friends on this year's Christmas lists.

Members of the Historical Society are entitled to discounts of 10 percent on every purchase, including marked down items.

Other items include notes and postcards, Mormon- and Lincoln related CDs and DVDs, Christmas ornaments, Quincy and Ad-



Local Authors' Books for Sale

Among local authors whose books the History Shop carries are:

Kevin Ahern	Lloyd Helmreich
Michael Brinkman	Connie McClellan
Ruth Deters	Paul Niemann
Lee Fortner	William Smith
Fr. Phil Hoebing	James Stewart
Roger Huff	Joan and Laverne Wagner

In Time for Christmas

Framed 1859 Quincy Map To Be Raffled

By 1859 Quincy was a federal river port and industrial economy on the Mississippi River. Its eastern boundary extended to 12th Street.

Here's your chance to win a beautifully framed map of the important river community in 1859. The size is 3 by 4.5 feet. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and are available at the History Shop, 417 S. 12th St., where the map is on display.

The drawing will be on Saturday, December 17. One need not be present to win.

