

# MUSEUM MUSINGS

## THE NEWSLETTER OF THE JEFFERSONTOWN HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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**EXHIBITS:** Our current exhibit, *Jeffersontown 1900-1919*, features photos, clothing and other Jeffersontown-related artifacts from that time period. It will remain up through September 1, 2017.

September 4<sup>th</sup> will be the start of a new exhibit called "Through the Lens." It is part of a Photo Biennial exhibit taking place in various venues throughout Louisville. Our particular exhibit will feature photographers Bee Buck and Judy Rosati, and well as a display of vintage photographic equipment. Everyone is invited to the opening reception for this exhibit, which will take place Friday, September 22, 2017, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Jeffersontown Historical Museum. The exhibit will remain up through June 15, 2018.

**DONATIONS:** Dottie First donated yet more important information about Jeffersontown history, as well as many local newspapers, business-related "give-aways," and other items.

Dottie's niece, Sandy Tobe Derby, donated an archive of Mildred First Tobe's scrapbooks, which are an invaluable resource, since they are full of Jeffersontown-related photos and news clippings. Included in the accession are several books on Jeffersontown and Louisville community history.

Sharon Cummings donated the 1951 wedding dress of Clara Cook, the 4<sup>th</sup> great-granddaughter of Squire Boone.

Fred Jury donated two framed aerial pictures of Jeffersontown from around the 1930s and 1960s.

Linda Swan Wieland very generously donated a Swan family quilt that contains the embroidered names of many of Jeffersontown's founding families.

Steve Tipton donated another framed picture of Henry Watterson – this one complete with an autograph from the famed editor of the Courier-Journal. It was donated as a gift of Margaret & Hubert Tipton.

James Allen donated a swim badge from Tucker's Lake – when swimmers arrived at the lake, they gave their clothes to an attendant who put them in baskets for safekeeping; in return, the swimmers were given a safety pin with a numbered token attached, so they could later reclaim their possessions.

David Olshansky, former Director of the Jeffersontown Historical Museum and Jeffersontown Economic Development, donated some historic information on previous Gaslight Festivals.

**HISTORIC PHOTOS:** Just another reminder that we are always on the lookout for historic photos of the Jeffersontown area. We are primarily interested in historic homes and businesses in the area, but we are also happy to have photos of historic families from Jeffersontown. We do not need to keep the original photos – we can scan the photos and return them promptly. Please keep in mind that the entire town relies on the generosity of those who allow us to scan these photos, so the information can be preserved for posterity. We greatly appreciate your help!

*Section of the Swan Family quilt, bearing various local names, such as Omer, Miller, & Funk, among others*



## NEWS FROM THE ARTS PROGRAM IN JEFFERSONTOWN

The Misty Mountain String Band Event in May was a great success. Over 400 people came to the Pavilion on the Square to hear this amazing Bluegrass band perform. Traveling Kitchen food truck served up some good food to make this a fun night in Jtown. **Here is a list of future Art Events:**

Monday thru Friday, July 10 – 14, 2017. 9am – noon and July 17-21, 2017, 1 pm – 4 pm. Children's Art Camps. Our teaching artist will instruct 15 children in two camps ages 7-12. Fee is \$ 85.00 per child for a week of art instruction. Please call 261-8290 to reserve a spot in the popular, fun and artsy camp. Held at the Jeffersontown Community Center.

Friday, September 22, 2017-June 15, 2018. 2017 Photo Biennial - Through the Lens Exhibit.

\*Opening Reception is Friday, September 22, 2017, 6:30-8:30 pm-light appetizers and wine at the Jeffersontown Museum. Photographers Bee Buck and Judy Rosati and Vintage Photographic Equipment. Free Event.

Friday, October 20, 2017 from 7:30pm-9pm. Ghost Stories by Keith Age at the Senior Ballroom. Adults over 18 will enjoy these scary stories at this free event.

Friday, November 10, 2017; 6:30-9:30. Louisville Orchestra Art Show Event at the Community Center. Enjoy the Louisville Orchestra, 14 local artists and free wine and cheese. Tickets are \$20 through the Louisville Orchestra or at the door. 6:30 to 7:30 Art Reception/ Performance 7:30-8:45/dessert, art and door prize end at 9:30pm.

\*Event details are available on the City of Jeffersontown webpage under the calendar and City of Jeffersontown Facebook page. Send me an email to be included in our Arts Eblast of future Art Events in Jtown. [rowland@jeffersontownky.com](mailto:rowland@jeffersontownky.com) Rhonda Rowland, Arts Program Mgr.

*Misty Mountain String Band at the Pavilion on the Square*

