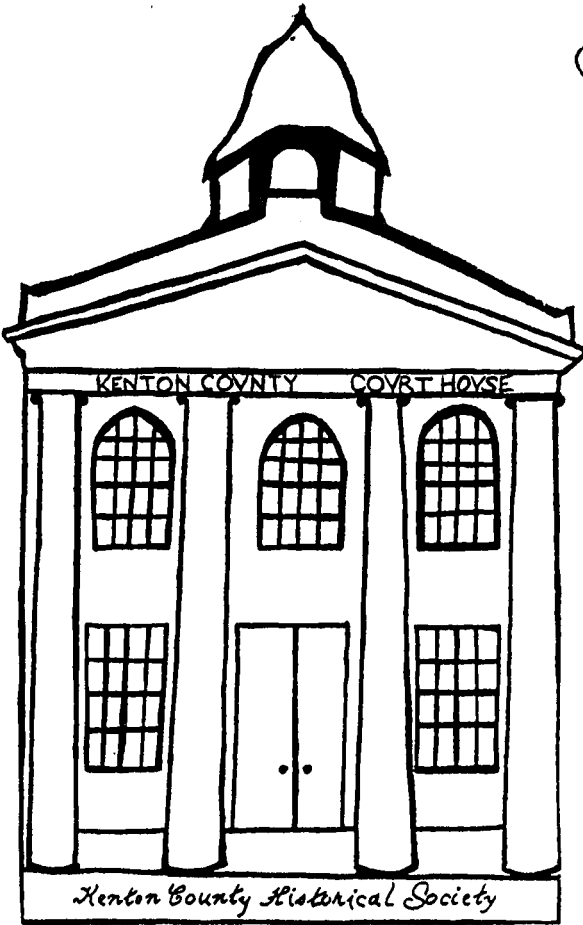


KENTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
(organized in 1977; non-profit  
-member, Historical Confederation of Kentucky  
-Publisher of the new regional magazine,  
Northern Kentucky Heritage



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Christmas party time and place  
Recapitulation for 1993  
And more

December 1993

Kenton County Historical Society

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REVIEW

December 1993

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR MEMBERS, FRIENDS,  
GUESTS

HOSTED BY THE KENTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND BY DAN AND LINDA CARTER, OWNERS OF THE SANDFORD HOUSE, 1026 Russell street. Punch, cookies and other good cheer. Parking nearby. TUESDAY; DECEMBER 14; 7:00 p. m. 1026 Russell street.

The Sandford house was originally built in the Federal style by Major Alfred Sandford, son of General Thomas Sandford, the first representative to Congress from Northern Kentucky. The Sandford House was later the property of the Western Baptist Theological Institute which operated a campus in the vicinity from 1845 until the divisiveness of the slavery issue led to the closing of the theological college by 1855. The Sandford house was later remodeled in a Second French Empire style with the construction of the mansard roof and other additions and alterations.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY HERITAGE MAGAZINE

This new magazine is meant to cover (not exclusively) Boone, Campbell, Carroll, Gallatin, Grant, Kenton, Owen, and Pendleton counties. The first issue is already out and has received widespread favorable comments. The second issue of this semi-annual magazine will be out around April. Subscriptions continue to be offered for the first and second issues, for this subscription year. You may be interested in buying a subscription as a holiday gift.

Send order to Kenton County Historical Society, P. O. Box 641, Covington, KY 41012. Editorial and composition contributed by representatives from several counties.

SUBSCRIPTION WITH MEMBERSHIP IN THE KENTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY--\$25.00\_\_\_\_\_

SENIOR CITIZEN AND STUDENT SUBSCRIPTION WITH MEMBERSHIP IN THE KENTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY--\$20.00\_\_\_\_\_

SUBSCRIPTION WITHOUT MEMBERSHIP--\$20.00\_\_\_\_\_

RECAPITULATION: THE KENTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
AND OTHER LOCAL HISTORY EVENTS REMEMBERED FROM 1993:

MONTHLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING PROGRAMS: Mr. Karl Lietzenmayer, programs chairman, arranged these programs, for which we are grateful to Karl and to the Kenton County Public Library where they were usually held. Thanks also, of course, to the speakers and others involved.

December 1, 1992--Christmas party at Karl and Peggy Lietzenmayer's home, the former home of James T. Earle, the Last Mayor of Latonia.

January 12, 1993--The Sears Mail Order Houses Built in Northern Kentucky (Leah Konicki, City of Covington Preservation Officer).

February 9, 1993--A History of Dayton, Ky in the Steamboat Era (Charles Thorp).

March 2, 1993--Amos Shinkle and the Building of the Roebbling Bridge (Joe Gastright).

April 13, 1993--Narrated Slide Presentation on the Life of Ernie Pyle (Greg Hartel).

May 11, 1993--The Beverly Hills Fire--Theories and Causes (Dr. Fred Stine).

June 8, 1993--The Life and Career of Pigmeat Jarrett (Carolyn Clark).

July 1993--no program.

August 10, 1993--Discussion of Northern Kentucky Heritage, the New Regional Magazine (Karl Lietzenmayer, and other members of the editorial board).

September 14, 1993--Annual Meeting--Doing Research in County Courthouses (Frank Levstik).

October 5, 1993--The Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company--the Past 150 Years (John B. Deye).

November 2, 1993--The Cultural, Educational, Social, and Other Achievements of Afro-Americans of Greater Cincinnati (Gertrude Robinson).

IN OUR MONTHLY REVIEW WE CARRIED THESE ARTICLES:  
December 1992--Recapitulation of the Kenton County Historical Societies' activities and other Local History Events Remembered from 1992; Highlights of Kentucky's Bicentennial Year Celebration.

January 1993--The Cincinnati and Covington Coal Supply (John Boh).

February 1993--The Riddle-Arnold-Davasac Mansion--an Odyssey (John Boh).

March 1993--Golden Spike Years in Northern Kentucky (John Boh).

April 1993--Local Civic Advocates Affect Railroad Modernization (1927) (John Boh).

May 1993--KC Junction and Other Connections (John Boh).

June 1993--Alexander L. Greer (John Boh).

July 1993--The Two Branches of the Culbertsons (John Boh).

August 1993--no article.

September 1993--no article.

October 1993--People Named Rich in Present-Day Kenton County (John Boh).

November 1993--Kenton County's First "Full Time" Health Officer, Dr. H. Clay White (1873-1957) (John Boh)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEWS, EVENTS REPORTED:**

December 1992--The Family Papers Project of the Historical Confederation of Kentucky will attempt to organize state-wide in order to locate, collect, organize, and conserve personal papers, family archives, and private collections. Current board members and current publications for sale of the KCHS are listed.

January 1993--Announcement of vote at next general membership meeting to amend the by-laws in order to raise membership dues in the KCHS from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per person.

February 1993--Laurie Risch has been appointed as the new Director of the Behringer-Crawford Museum in Devou Park. The Campbell County Historical and Genealogical Society will open the second floor of the Alexandria courthouse on a limited, regular schedule for its headquarters and museum.

**NEWS RELEASE**

FROM: Richard L. Helmes, 369-6959  
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Relations Department

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
November 9, 1993

**EXHIBIT AND CONCERT TO REMEMBER HAVEN GILLESPIE  
AT MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY NOVEMBER 15-December 31**

HAVEN GILLESPIE: COVINGTON'S TIN PAN ALLEY SONGWRITER, detailing the songwriter's long career, will be on display at the Main Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, 800 Vine Street, from November 15-December 31.

The display, which will be exhibited in the Art and Music Department, third floor, has been organized by Gillespie's nephew, William E. First of Cincinnati. First, who is retired from the U. S. Army, is finishing up three years of research in preparation for a biography he is writing.

Pianist Shirley Jester and vocalist Ann Chamberlain will also be hosting a special concert on Tuesday, November 30 at 12 noon in the Main Library Atrium, performing many of Gillespie's tunes that span 60 years. The concert is made possible by the Friends of the Public Library.

Haven Gillespie was born on February 6, 1888 to William and Anna Gillespie, one of ten children. The family was poor and lived in Covington, Kentucky. As a youngster Haven gathered firewood and coal from the banks of the Ohio River. He dropped out of school when he was in the fourth grade. (MORE)

At age 14 he went to Chicago, working for a printer, then traveled to New York, working for The New York Times setting type. During his songwriting career he published 230 songs and claimed another 1,000 in his files. He was married to his wife Corene for 49 years until her death in 1958, then remarried and divorced. He died on March 14, 1975.

Gillespie was inducted into the Songwriter's Hall of Fame in New York City in May 1972, and in April 1985, the American Society of Composers and Publishers conferred a singular honor on him posthumously: Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town was selected for an award as one of the most performed standards in society.

Both the exhibit and concert are open to the public. Hours of the exhibit are 9-9 weekdays, 9-6 Saturday, and 1-5 Sundays. For additional information, call 369-6960.

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DISPLAY: Third Floor/Art and Music Dept./November 15-December 31  
9-9 weekdays/9-6 Saturday/1-5 Sundays

SPECIAL CONCERT: Tuesday, November 30, 12 noon, Main Library Atrium

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March 1993--Membership in the KCHS is \$5.00 but will be \$10.00 in 1994 [since revised again]. The KCHS offers for sale these publications: 1810, '20, '30 Campbell County Federal Census indices; the 1840, '50, '60, '70, and '80 Kenton County Federal census Indices, by Dorothy Wieck; also the History of Wallace Woods, Covington, by Joe Gastright, and the Collected Papers of the Kenton County Historical Society (3 volumes); the Behringer-Crawford Museum offers these volumes among others The Celestial City, a History of the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, by Bob Krebs and Northern Kentucky Back Roads Tour.

April 1993--Kentucky Preservation Coalition Spring Meeting co-sponsored by the city of Copvington with the themes of Cultural Diversity and preservation will be held April 23, 1993 in Covington.

May 1993--Membership and publications for sale by the KCHS; publications for sale by the Behringer-Crawford Museum.

June 1993--Meeting of the Northern Region of the Historical Confederation of Kentucky will be held at the Alexandria Courthouse on Saturday, June 19. The Behringer Crawford Museum's main exhibit is Seeds of Change from the Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian; KCHS membership reminder.

July 1993--KCHS and Behringer Crawford publications for sale.

August 1993--Preserving Diversity, this years annual meeting of the Kentucky Heritage Council will be held September 23-25 in Bardstown; notes on the proposed Kentucky History Center; reminder of the annual meeting of the Kenton County Historical Society in September.

September 1993--Fresh Arts Auction fundraiser for the Behringer-Crawford Museum; notes on the proposed Kentucky History Center and on the Kentucky Historical Society.

October 1993--listing of the KCHS officers and Directors for 1994; the Erlanger Historical Society will host a Heritage Day in the Railroad Park on September 19; also a flier for the Kentucky Humanities program as NKY entitled "The Evolution of Useful Things" by Henry Petroski.

November 1993--flier on the proposed Kentucky History Center and on Covington's Historic Plaque program; publications for sale by the Kenton County Historical Society are listed.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY HERITAGE, a new regional magazine: December 1992--Publications Committee including Jim Kiger, Mike Flannery, Karl Lietzenmayer, Ted Harris, Shawn Ryan make proposal that Kenton County Historical Society publish regional magazine for eight or more counties of Northern Kentucky. Magazine will contain formal, documented historical articles on Northern Kentucky. Other purposes include the desire to bring together other local historical societies in common efforts to organize, preserve, advertise, and publish regional history; the desire to get greater participation from local college and secondary schools in local history; the desire to publish a magazine that will be welcomed by libraries; and the desire to promote in general historical and genealogical activities.

February 1993--contest announced to give the magazine a title. The first issue will be published in April, it was also announced.

March 1993--contest to give the magazine a title continues.

July 1993--revised plans announced: first issue to come out in September; Charles King, from the Kenton County Public Library, has proposed the title "Northern Kentucky Legacy," or variation. "Northern Kentucky Heritage" is finally chosen. Karl Lietzenmayer has also been organizing and meeting with an editorial committee regarding selection of articles and concerning other content and style decisions.

September 1993--Annual Meeting--Northern Kentucky Heritage will be out soon, Karl Lietzenmayer promises.

October 5, 1993--General membership meeting; first issue is just off the presses and available; looks great; Karl Lietzenmayer, Sharon Pigg (Composition Editor), James Kelly (Production Editor), worked especially hard preparing copy for printer. Shaun Kelly gave technical support and Susan Tobergte gave composition assistance. Stephanie Helmer (The Artery) did the cover design. The front cover has a picture of the Laidley house. Besides articles by Michelle Stamm, John E. Lemming, Jr., Karl Lietzenmayer, and Lawrence R. Borne, Michael A. Flannery, and Lemming contributed book reviews, and Robert L. Bickers reviewed Grant County Newspaper Genealogical Abstracts. Rene Thompson and John R. Lemming, Jr. each contributed to the genealogy section. Finally, Northern Kentucky Heritage contained two ads., one selling copies of reprints by the city of Covington of reprints of the 1877 Covington Atlas (\$15.00 plus \$4.00 for shipping) and one for the new Campbell county history entitled, Campbell County-200 Years (1794-1994), ordered (\$12.00 plus shipping) from the Campbell County Historical Society, 19 East Main Street, Alexandria, KY 41001 [one of the few factual errors in our first issue was an incorrect zip code number for the Campbell county address].



CORRECTION: The speaker at last month's program was Gertrude Robinson (not Geraldine).

#### BEHRINGER CRAWFORD MUSEUM 491-4003

For the Christmas season the museum will provide a display of model trains and one of dolls.

#### PROPOSED HISTORY CENTER, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY

If you will, please contact your Kentucky Legislators and recommend funding (bonds) for this Center planned to be built near the Lieutenant Governor's Mansion. It would house the growing collection of Kentucky memorabilia and state and local records under the direction of the Kentucky Historical Society. The Center would constitute a significant investment in Kentucky tourism by providing space for displays, programs (including for school children) and for family history and genealogy.

#### CAMPBELL COUNTY BICENTENNIAL

Campbell County will be celebrating its 200th anniversary in 1994. Already the county has a new history, just published entitled, Campbell County-200 Years (1794-1994), with an introduction by Dr. Frank Steely. \$12.00 plus shipping to Campbell County Historical and Genealogical Society, 19 East Main street, Alexandria, KY 41001. Copies may also be purchased over the counter at the Newport, Ft. Thomas, and Alexandria branches of the Campbell county library system.

#### QUERY

Would like to hear from anyone connected with the Wayman line. This line is found in Boone, Campbell and Kenton counties, Kentucky, and also in Illinois and Indiana. Not all Waymans in Indiana and Illinois are of my line. Would be glad to exchange information. Reba E. Wayman Poster. R. R. # 1, Box 38, Cleveland, Missouri 64734.

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