

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.

DONATIONS: Audrey Albin donated Earl Albin's USAF military cap. Joe Redmon donated a framed photo and note found years ago in the Mansfield estate of Henry Watterson. Robert Smith donated a c1926 letter and miniature pair of pants sent by Levy Bros. to the Smith family upon the arrival of their newborn son, Billy – it was actually a coupon toward a pair of pants when he was old enough to wear them.

Sylvia Lippold Duch and her husband actually traveled from Jacksonville, FL to donate several of her mother, Nancy Lippold's, award-winning paintings, as well as an historic United States flag that flew over the U.S. Capitol, presented by letter to Congressman Gene Snyder to her grandfather, Weldon V Lippold, in 1971 by the Architect of the Capitol. She also donated several old photos and other family-related documents.

Sandy Cochrane Wilder donated photos and information related to the Mansfield Players, as well as the openings of Kennedy and Cochrane Elementary Schools (Cochrane, by the way, was named for her father, Garland Cochrane, who was also the contractor responsible for building Jeffersontown Christian Church). Annie Duncan-Ponvert allowed us to scan several 1937-38 photos of the Peter Funk house at the corner of Taylorsville and Hurstbourne Lane, when it was still red brick.

We are always on the lookout for Jeffersontown photos here at the museum. Even the most unassuming pictures of buildings might contain a wealth of information about how things were in the past. We actively encourage everyone to at least allow the museum to scan copies of old Jeffersontown places, because people who inherit these photos years from now may not be aware of what they are or where they were taken. We need to preserve our history *now*, while it is still fresh in our minds, so those who come later can learn from and enjoy it.



NEWS FROM THE ARTS PROGRAM IN JEFFERSONTOWN

Family Performing Arts Night had a great turn out and the Wheeler Elementary children did an awesome job performing Gilbert and Sullivan songs alongside of KY Opera. KY Shakespeare put on a great interactive performance of Midsummer Night's Dream. Here is a list of future Art Events:

Friday, April 21, 2017, 6:30-8pm, KY Shakespeare performs Julius Caesar at Veterans Park. Celtic Pig food truck will be on site. Bring a chair and enjoy this free performance. In case of rain we move inside the Jeffersontown Community Center.

Friday, May 12, 2017, 7-9pm. Misty Mountain String Band will perform Bluegrass music at the Pavilion on the Square. Traveling Kitchen Food Truck on site. Bring a chair and enjoy this free event.

Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 2pm, Stage One Storytellers will perform at the Jeffersontown Library. This interactive dramatic reading of children's books will entertain children ages 5-10 yrs. old. Must register with the library at 267-5713 for this free event.

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. Please call 261-8290 to reserve a spot in the popular, fun and artsy camp. Held at the Jeffersontown Community Center.

**Event details are available on the City of Jeffersontown webpage under the calendar and City of Jeffersontown Facebook page.

**Send me an email at rowland@jeffersontownky.gov to be included in the Arts Program Events *eblast* of coming events. Please tell your family and friends and join us in Jeffersontown for these great events. Hope to see you soon. *Rhonda Rowland, Arts Program Manager*



Family Performing Arts Night presented Gilbert and Sullivan tunes with the Kentucky Opera, assisted by students from Wheeler Elementary School, and A Midsummer Night's Dream by Kentucky Shakespeare.