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Robin Carnahan, Secretary of State

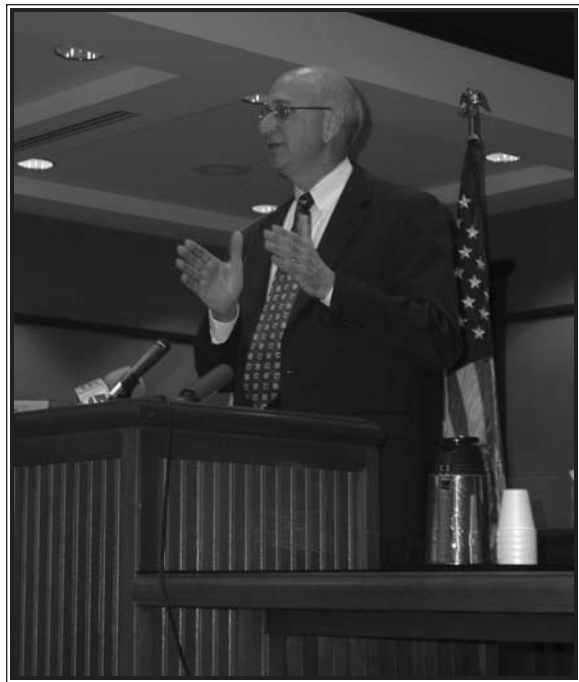
Carnahan announces historic discovery in St. Charles

Early records of the St. Charles Circuit Court have long been thought lost to historians and genealogists, depriving researchers of a valuable source of information on Missouri's territorial and early statehood period. But, Steve Ehlmann, St. Charles County Director of Administration and Friends of the Missouri State Archives board member, discovered the 200-year-old records tucked away in the basement of a county office building. When Ehlmann informed State Archivist Kenneth Winn of the discovery, a partnership to preserve the records and make them accessible to the public began.

Provided access to the records by St. Charles Circuit Clerk Judy Zerr, the Missouri State Archives is providing basic conservation of the



Secretary of State Robin Carnahan and State Archivist Kenneth H. Winn explore some of the original documents on display at the press conference.



Bob Sandfort, former president and current board member of the St. Charles County Historical Society, addresses the crowd. Sandfort also serves on the board of the Friends of the Missouri State Archives.

records, microfilming the originals, and developing an online database. Ultimately, the case files will be maintained by the St. Charles County Historical Society, which is the repository for the county's other circuit court records.

The partnership between these three, which began in April, was announced by Secretary of State Robin Carnahan, Steve Ehlmann, and Robert Sandfort, former president of the society and Friends board member, at a news conference on October 13, 2005.

The collection contains 1,650 court cases – 7,000 pages – dating from 1805 to 1826. The cases provide insight into the lives of famous Missourians, such as Daniel Boone and Thomas Hart Benton, but also share the story of ordinary people.

A biography of William Clark written for his gubernatorial campaign in 1820 has also been discovered. This is the only known copy in public hands. Many more exciting discoveries are expected as the Archives continues its effort to reclaim forgotten historic records for the people of Missouri.

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From the State Archivist

The greatest pleasure in a treasure hunt is, of course, in finding the treasure; but how much sweeter yet when the treasure's discovery has been a struggle. In 1993 Missouri State Archives Local Records Director Lynn Morrow and I visited St. Charles in search of the county's earliest court records. Though local government officials offered us the opportunity to look freely, we could not find them. We finally accepted the rumor that the records had probably long since been destroyed. In January of this year, Steve Ehlmann, then a circuit judge, told me that he had seen circuit court records in the new courthouse basement from 1822. Acting on this tip, Morrow, accompanied by Friends of the Missouri State Archives Board member (and St. Charles resident) Bob Sandfort, went to investigate. The result of their investigation is found on page one of this newsletter.

In his 1964 landmark work on the nation's historical records, Ernest Posner dismissed Missouri as "an archival no man's land." The state's system of records management was grossly underdeveloped. Millions of records were rotting in the basements of state buildings. Of the records overflowing rusting filing cabinets, many were no longer even needed. The following year Representative Alex Petrovic sponsored legislation creating the Missouri State Archives within the Secretary of State's Office. Today, the Archives stores its collections in a state-of-the-art facility within the James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center. On September 21, 2005, the Missouri State Archives Reading Room was dedicated in his honor. All who care about Missouri's past are indebted to him.

Kenneth H. Winn, Ph.D.
State Archivist

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Representative Ray Salva, Secretary of State Robin Carnahan, Honoree Alex Petrovic and Senator Charles Wheeler unveil the new sign.

Special Ceremony Creates Alex M. Petrovic Reading Room

Forty years ago, Representative Alex M. Petrovic proposed legislation to establish the Missouri State Archives. On September 21, 2005, Secretary of State Robin Carnahan, the Archives, and some members of the Missouri Legislature returned the favor by giving the Missouri State Archives Reading Room his name during a special ceremony in his honor.

Carnahan, joined by Senator Charles Wheeler and Representative Ray Salva, cheered the impact of Petrovic's contribution to Missouri history. "Maintaining the historic records of our state is a responsibility we have to future generations. Through his support of the State Archives, Alex Petrovic helped make this possible," Carnahan said.

Each year, the Archives reading room is visited by approximately 4,500 people from every state in the country. Few could have envisioned the unparalleled access to state records forty years ago, when boxes of old, dirty, unsorted records were stacked in the basement of the Missouri State Capitol.

With the help of his brother-in-law Albert Petroski, an employee at the Federal Records Center, and a little extra support from former President Harry S Truman, Petrovic was able to push the legislation through.

Dozens of Petrovic's colleagues and family attended the unveiling of a sign naming the reading room after him. Tours of the Archives followed the ceremony. "The reading room is an invaluable resource to citizens of Missouri and the nation. Dedicating the room to Representative Alex Petrovic is a fitting acknowledgement of the contribution he made to our state," Carnahan said.



Before the creation of the Missouri State Archives, Representative Petrovic climbs over boxes of old records stored, alongside an old car, in the basement of the Missouri State Capitol.

Archives Afield! A Discovery in Callaway County

Judging by the recent, vast documentary discovery in the Callaway County courthouse, one thing is certain: there's a lot of history out there!

The recent renovation of Callaway's Depression Era courthouse revealed some 720 volumes and 140 drawers of loose records neatly stored and walled off in the basement. Historic records – from statehood in 1821 to 1939 – have kept archivists and volunteers working hard for the past several years to bring this heritage to the public.

The Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society and Local Records archivists from the State Archives have diligently performed 3,000 hours (and counting) of preservation work for office holders and researchers. "We are very fortunate to have recovered this history," said Linda Love, the county official who sponsored the initial project.

Many of the rare public records are in good condition. Included are state censuses from 1848, 1856, 1864, 1868, and 1876; Callaway County Military Bonds, 1860s; federal income tax records from 1865; ferry petitions, correspondence, and licenses that allow for the reconstruction of the historic geography of water transportation; Missouri River island surveys describing land that has disappeared due to channelization by the Corps of Engineers; and there is an 1876–1879 auctioneer's volume.

The first income tax records in American history are a legacy of the Civil War. The U. S. Congress passed Internal Revenue Acts in July 1862 and June 1864 to help finance the war and Callaway's income tax records are the first discovered in Missouri by the State Archives. They include interesting anecdotes about taxes owed by Callaway and Boone county residents. For example, Samuel Pasley claimed a

deduction for "horses stolen by bushwhackers." Equally interesting for local history are the Military Bond records, which show who loaned money to the Union government to prosecute the war.

History of the county's central governmental building – the courthouse – may be examined in the bonds, specifications, repairs, bids, etc. in the Courthouse Records, 1830–1938; included are the Jail Records (1838–1888) with reports, contracts, specs and a drawing. The licenses for free Negroes and payments to the local slave patrol (1850–1859) remind us of a dramatically different society in antebellum Missouri. The large series of Justice of the Peace books (1826–1876) gives us a glimpse of the most basic democratic process in the state – hearings before justices in the townships for decisions agreed upon in the neighborhoods or, lacking consensus, appeals to the circuit court.

County officials transferred many of the records to the Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society, where the membership continues processing and indexing of the records for public use. The State Archives Reference Room in Jefferson City was also a beneficiary of out-of-print legislative and



Callaway county volunteer Dr. Geraldine Foster prepares records for public access with a smile.

state government publications. One publication of national importance was a “report of explorations and surveys to ascertain the most practical and economical route for a railroad from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean,” published in 1856.

The continuing work on Callaway’s collective heritage includes a commitment to the large judicial collections of the circuit and probate courts. Volunteers Terry Smith, Patricia Gibbs, Doris Dudley, and Dr. Geraldine Foster prepare case files for computer database entry and microfilming at the Missouri State Archives. Citizens interested in joining this worthwhile enterprise may inquire at the Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society, Barbara Huddelston, Director, 513 Court Street, Fulton, (573) 642-0570. You may also contact the society via e-mail at: kchsoc@coin.org.

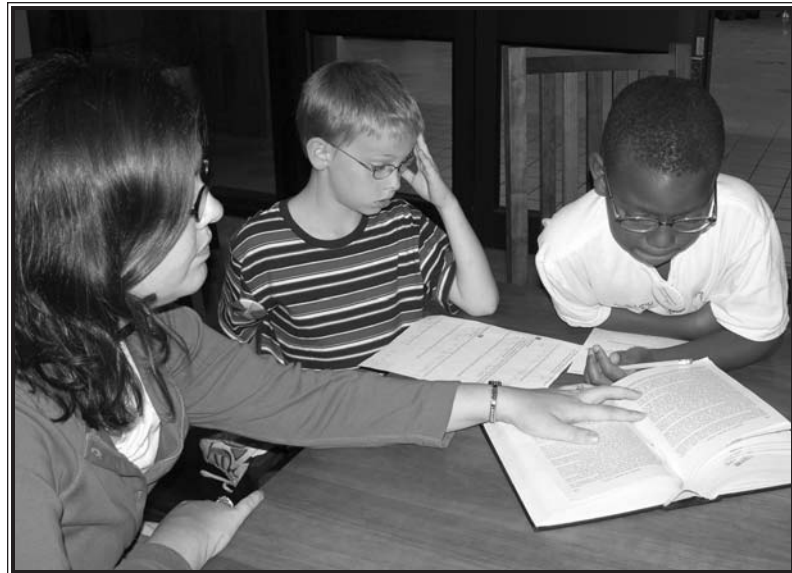
To review Callaway County public records already available at the State Archives please see www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/county/callaway.pdf

Students Visit Archives to Research Missouri’s Famous Outlaws

Missouri outlaw Jesse James was gunned down by Bob Ford on April 3, 1882. Or was he? Scholars and history buffs have debated the question for more than a century. In September, 150 third, fourth, and fifth graders from the Jefferson City Exploration, Enrichment, and Research (EER) Program visited the State Archives to explore primary sources regarding Frank and Jesse James.

The five days of visits were the culmination of a research project that will lead to a debate between the students regarding whether or not they believe Jesse James went on to live a second, secret life, living well into the 1900s.

While most historians agree that Jesse James did die in 1882, the research project is an exercise to engage the students in the exploration of primary research sources. “The students learned not only about Jesse James, but about new avenues of research available to them,” said head teacher Ruthie Caplinger.



Above: Archives Educator Kelly Smith discusses a County History volume with two EER students. Below: Exhibit Curator Greg Olson shares documents from the Governors’ Papers Collection with EER students.



Students explored census records, governors’ papers, county histories, and death records, searching for any mention of the James brothers.

“They enjoyed locating the James/Rueben family in the census records, reading about the James Gang in county histories, and using the computers. The EER students are well on their way to becoming lifelong learners thanks to the staff of the Missouri State Archives!” Caplinger said.



Archives staff members Janette Eggen, Patsy Luebbert, and Alana Murray serve the volunteers to say “thank you” for all the hard work they do.

Brunch Held to Honor Volunteers

In September 2005, a brunch was held at the Secretary of State’s office to honor the seventeen “in-house” volunteers of the Archives.

The Archives “in-house” volunteers spend their time processing death records, making copies for patrons, or processing supreme court records. Their commitment to the Archives is invaluable. These volunteers, coupled with the hundreds of e-volunteers across Missouri and throughout the country, are to thank for some big accomplishments.

Because of the volunteer programs, all of the 1910–1920 death certificate indexes have been transcribed, approximately one million names have been imported into the death certificate

database, and scanning has been completed on the first few years of death certificates.

Seiler Fellows Research Legal History with the Archives

For many years the Missouri State Archives has hosted interns and fellows through a generous sponsorship by the Supreme Court of Missouri Historical Society. Recently, the Supreme Court of Missouri Historical Society Research Fellows became “Seiler Fellows,” in honor of late Missouri State Supreme Court Justice Robert E. Seiler.

Through additional support from Seiler’s daughter, Sunny Seiler Dupree of Massachusetts,

the Archives hosted Colin Gordon, a professor of history at the University of Iowa, and Eric Gardner, an associate professor of English at Saginaw Valley State University. Gordon and Gardner took up residence at the Archives this summer, and both reported that their research into the Archives' judicial collections was fruitful and has provided information that will advance the study of legal history.

Colin Gordon is writing a history of greater St. Louis in the twentieth century. He was especially interested in cases he found involving race restrictive deed covenants, municipal zoning, and local urban renewal policies, particularly the use of eminent domain.

Eric Gardner is conducting a multi-year book project on the rhetoric used in legal arguments on slavery and freedom. Gardner began this project by studying the cases of Francis Murdoch, the attorney who filed Dred Scott's petition for freedom. Murdoch has often been characterized as an attorney with little experience in freedom suit litigation. This summer, Gardner confirmed his suspicion that Murdoch was actually heavily involved in such cases. He hopes to publish an article on his findings in the future.

The Archives is honored to host a fellowship in honor of Missouri's Justice Robert E. Seiler, who served on the court from 1967–1992, and as Chief Justice from 1975–1977. For more information on the partnership between the Supreme Court of Missouri Historical Society and the Archives, please visit:

www.sos.mo.gov/archives/judiciary/supremecourt/history.asp#project

NEH Funds Consultation with Civil War Scholars

In March 2005, the National Endowment for the Humanities awarded a grant to the Missouri State Archives to receive expert advice on how best to use documentary collections to create

a Civil War exhibit set to open in 2007. Visiting historians toured the Archives and Records Management facilities and reviewed the composite of Archives' Civil War holdings which are the largest in Missouri at well over one million pages of documents. The collection includes gubernatorial correspondence, records of special constitutional conventions, military records, loyalty oaths, records concerning slavery, court cases, and visual images.

The exciting two-day conference was held June 23-24, 2005 with the following historians lending their expertise: **R. Douglas Hurt**, professor and chair of the History Department at Purdue University, **Nicole Etcheson**, associate professor of history at the University of Texas-El Paso, **Christopher Phillips**, associate professor of history at the University of Cincinnati, **T.J. Stiles**, an independent historian in New York City, **John Y. Simon**, Executive Director of the U. S. Grant Papers Project at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, **LeeAnn Whites**, associate professor of history at the University of Missouri-Columbia, and **Louis Gerteis**, professor and chair of the Department of History at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

For more information about the upcoming exhibit and the work of staff members engaged in this process, contact Exhibits Curator Greg Olson at (573) 522-2705 or greg.olson@sos.mo.gov



Archives and Local Records staff pose with visiting scholars during a break in their conference.

Winter Program Calendar

Thursday, January 12, 2006

7:00 p.m.

Law and Order or a Coup d'etat? : The Bald Knobbers, Anti-Bald Knobbers, Politics and Violence in the Ozarks, 1860–1890
Thomas M. Spencer

On a warm April evening in 1885, a group of around 100 men met on a treeless hill called “Snapp’s Bald” in Taney County about five miles southwest of Forsyth. They met on the “Bald” (as these treeless hills are called) to ensure secrecy of the proceedings. These men claimed they came together to respond to the outbreak of lawlessness in the county. This meeting was the start of two years of night rides by the vigilante group that called itself the Bald Knobbers in Taney, Christian, and Douglas counties. Thomas Spencer, Associate Professor of History at Northwest Missouri State University, will present a program detailing the history of the Bald Knobbers. Spencer is the editor of the recent book *The Other Missouri: Populists, Prostitutes, and Regular Folk*.



Thursday, February 16, 2006

7:00 p.m.

Lincoln University Vocal Ensemble
Michelle Gamblin-Green,
Director

Jefferson City’s Lincoln University has had a touring choir since the mid-1940s. The Lincoln University Vocal Ensemble (LUVE) performs a wide assortment of vocal literature, including gospel and jazz music. LUVE has sung at diverse venues, including Carnegie Hall, Tuskegee University, Kentucky State University, and performed “The Messiah” with world-renowned guest artists at the LU Winter Choral Concert. The LUVE will perform under the direction of Professor Michelle Gamblin-Green.

Saturday, March 18, 2006

9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Family History Day

Senior Reference Archivist Patsy Luebbert and Staff

Has your family history research stalled? Are you looking for lesser known collections to explore? Have you tried the Missouri State Penitentiary records or the capitol fire documents? How about the land patent database or supreme court records? During Family History Day, reference archivists will use the internet to demonstrate many tools available for family history research, including the multitude of resources accessible through online databases.

9:00-10:00 Session I: Utilizing Rare Collections

10:00-11:00 Session II: Beginning Genealogy

11:00-11:30 Optional Tours of the Archives



Thursday, April 20, 2006

7:00 p.m.

Mick Byrd, Americana Singer-Songwriter



In a special performance at the Archives, award-winning singer-songwriter Mick Byrd, will perform songs from his popular country albums. Byrd's songs tell vivid stories of rural life in Missouri. Clint Harding of St. Louis Community Radio says, "Mick's songs immediately draw the listener into a world we all can hope for. Complete with a slower pace, comfortable surroundings, cleaner air . . . Every song comes with its own story." Byrd, 1995 National Award Winner of *Billboard Magazine's* Songwriting Contest, will perform songs like "The Chance," which was chosen as the theme song for the Missouri Statewide Parents Advisory Network, and "Gentle Souls," which he recorded and performed for Special Olympics Missouri.

Programming at the Missouri State Archives is free of charge and open to the public, with seating available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information contact Kelly Smith, Archives Educator, at (573) 526-5296 or kelly.smith@sos.mo.gov

Greg Olson Receives Best Article Award

At their annual meeting on November 5th, the State Historical Society of Missouri awarded Greg Olson, exhibit curator at the Archives since January, 2000, with The *Missouri Historical Review* Article Award for his article "Navigating the White Road: White Cloud's Struggle to Lead the Ioway Along the Path of Acculturation." The Society presents the award annually to the author of the article best contributing to an understanding of Missouri history published in the most recent volume of the *Missouri Historical Review*. Olson's article recounts the political life of White Cloud (c. 1784-1834), a chief of the Ioway, or Baxoje, Indians who lived much of his life in northwest Missouri. As chief, White Cloud participated in treaty negotiations that led to the tribe's cession of major portions of northern Missouri to the United States. He also struggled to help the Ioway make the cultural adjustment necessary to deal with changes being forced on them by the encroachment of settlers into their traditional homelands in the first decades of the 19th century.



The Missouri State Historical Society also honored William E. Foley with the Missouri History Book Award for his book *Wilderness Journey: The Life of William Clark*. Foley is a member of the Friends of the Missouri State Archives board and Professor Emeritus at Central Missouri State University.

Archives Website Honored by *Family Tree Magazine* for Third Year Running

Family Tree Magazine, a leading publication for genealogy researchers, has selected the Missouri State Archives website for the past three years as one of the nation's top family history research sites. In the December 2005 issue, the Archives website was listed as one of "the 95 best free state-centered cyberstops for researching ancestors in every corner of the country." Last January the magazine's readers also voted it one of their twenty-five favorites.

The Archives website includes Guides to African American History and Civil War Resources, and visitors may also search naturalization records, Supreme Court case files, military service cards, and more.

In Fiscal Year 2005, the Archives received more than six million website requests. For more information, or to begin your research, visit our award-winning site at: www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/resources.asp



Donations to the Missouri State Archives

January 2005–July 2005

Immigration, Family History and County Records

Eslinger, Paul and Myrna Wells:

The Connection of the Mincher and Poston Families in Missouri, by Paul D. Eslinger.

Greene County Archives:

- *Cemetery directory of Hickory County, Missouri*
- *1930 Plat Book of Dallas County, Missouri*
- *Douglas County, Missouri Government Land Sales Index*
- *Let Us Remember II*
- *A Reprint of the Young Brothers Massacre*
- *Standard Atlas of St. Clair County*

All by the Greene County Archives.

Harmon, Margaret:

History of Scott County, Missouri, by Lois Dimberger Spalding, Tom Lett, Carolyn Graham Frey, and Margaret Cline Harmon.

Jackson, Jane Randol:

Index to Probate Records: 1797–2002, compiled by the Cape Girardeau Archives Center.

LeGrand, Louis:

Pierre LeGrand in Virginia, 1700, by Louis Everett LeGrand.

Luetkemeyer, Joe:

Anton and Anna Wilhelmina Luetkemeyer Family, by Joseph F. Luetkemeyer Jr.

Steinkuehler, Loretta and Leland:

The Koechner Family History and the Steinkuehler Family History, compiled by Loretta (Koechner) and Leland Steinkuehler.

Stone, Ilona Hinrichs:

The Millikan-Hinrichs Connection: Ilona's Side of the Family, by Ilona Hinrichs Stone.

Williamson, Betty:

Irish Emigration to New England: Through the Port of Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada: 1841 to 1849, by Daniel F. Johnson.

Missouri/United States History

Hall, Jean:

Frogs in their Pockets, by Jean Hall (illustrations by Jamie Schobey).

Kenton, Joe:

Stamp Stories: Real Tales of Real People Spanning More Than 70 Years of Collecting and Dealing in Postage Stamps, by Joe Kenton.

Long, Vince:

Local Laws and Private Acts of the State of Missouri, 1856.

McGhee, Jim:

Various Newspaper Articles, transcribed by Jim McGhee.

Mallinckrodt, Anita:

150 Years Augusta: 3-Act Historical Review, Augusta Sesquicentennial, June 18 and 19, 2005.

Morrow, Lynn:

The Historical Schools of Jefferson City.

Rockbridge: A Brief History, by Keith Cary.

Cemetery Stroll into the Past, Program for a fundraiser, April 30, 2005, Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Winn, Kenneth:

George Caleb Bingham: Missouri's Famed Painter and Forgotten Politician, by Paul C. Nagel.

Military History

Edwards, Christyn:

Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Lower Missouri River Guide to Recreation & Visitor Safety, by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Haimerl, David:

- Civil War Microfilm; Clarkson's BN and other units.
- Buster's 15th Arkansas Cavalry and other units.

McGhee, Jim:

With Jeff Thompson: The Diary of Adam W. Perkins, edited by James E. McGhee.

Weant, Kenneth:

- *The Mexican War Index for Missouri Militia Muster Rolls*
- *The Missouri Volunteers of the 1st and 2nd Regiment and Their Attached Units: Chronological Index to Selected Articles and Unit Musters*, Vol. 1.

Both edited by Kenneth Weant.

Church History

Diocese of Kansas City:

Diocese Directory of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

Miscellaneous

The White River Band of the Northern Cherokee Tribe of Missouri and Arkansas:

2004 Annual Report of the White River Band of the Northern Cherokee Tribe of Missouri and Arkansas.

New Book Accessions January 2005–July 2005

Immigration, Family History and County Records

Buchanan County Collector's and Recorder's Inventory, prepared by Becky Carlson, Missouri State Archives, Local Records Program.

Christian County Circuit Court, Index to Case Files, prepared by Linda Myers, Missouri State Archives, Local Records Program.

Gateway Families: Ancestors and Descendants of Richard Simrall Hawes, III and Marie Christy Johnson, by Christy Hawes Bond.

Irish Emigration Lists, 1833–1839, compiled under the direction of Brian Mitchell.

Lewis County and La Grange City Clerk Records Inventory, prepared by Mary Vogt McIntosh, Missouri State Archives, Local Records Program.

Malindy's Freedom: The Story of a Slave Family, by Mildred Johnson and Theresa Delsoin.

Mathews: The Historic Adventures of a Pioneer Family, by Edward C. Mathews.

Missouri Pacific Railroad Collection Finding Aid, compiled by David Young.

Railroads in Jasper County 1865–1900, Finding Aid by Mathew M. Stith.

State Census Records, by Ann S. Lainhart.

Missouri/United States History

Arrow Rock: The Story of a Missouri Village, by Authorene Wilson Phillips.

Crossroads: A History of St. Charles County, by Steve Ehlmann.

Early St. Louis Places of Worship, by David A. Lossos.

A Gazetteer of Indian Territory, by Henry Gannett.

George Caleb Bingham the Missouri Artist (1917 edition), by Fern Helen Rusk.

The German Element in St. Louis, by Don Heinrich Tolzmann.

Historical Gazetteer of the United States, by Paul T. Hellman.

A History of Missouri: 1953–2003, by Lawrence H. Larsen.

History of the Cherokee Indians and their Legends and Their Folklore, by Emmet Starr.

Immigrant Women in the Settlement of Missouri, by Robyn Burnett and Ken Luebbering.

The Other Missouri History: Populists, Prostitutes, and Regular Folk, by Tom Spencer.

Military History

Freeman's Regiment, the Missouri Cavalry, CSA: The Biography of Colonel Thomas R. Freeman.

Such a Foe as Livingston: The Campaign of Confederate Major Thomas R. Livingston's First Missouri Cavalry Battalion of Southwest Missouri, by John C. Livingston Jr.

Miscellaneous

Arranging and Describing Archives and Manuscripts, by Frederic M. Miller.

Red Book: American State, County, and Town Sources (3rd edition), edited by Alice Eichholz.

Selecting and Appraising Archives and Manuscripts, by F. Gerald Ham.

Recent Accessions

May 2005–September 2005

This accession listing is provided to the research community to advise it of recent Archives accessions of state and local government records. More detailed listings of the Missouri State Archives holdings are available at the Archives facility.

Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Branch Records

Department of Economic Development.

Public Service Commission. Case Ledgers. 1916–1934. 2 vols.

General Assembly.

Session Laws. 93rd GA, 1st session. 2005. 4 cubic ft.

House Bills and Resolutions. 93rd GA, 1st session. 2005. 16 cubic ft.

Session Laws. First Extraordinary Session. 93rd GA, 2005. 0.1 cubic ft.

Senate Records. 93rd GA, 1st session, 2005. 13 cubic ft.

Legislative Committees.

Public Employee Retirement System (PERS) Plans. 1998–2000. 12 cubic ft.

Legislative Papers.

Papers of Missouri State Representative and Senator Joan Bray. 1992–2002. Includes material on 4 cubic ft.

rebuilding communities (1998–2001), tax credits (1999–2002), high speed rail (1992–1999),

Amtrak (1995–2001), and the Midwest Interstate Rail Compact (1998–1999).

Missouri Court of Appeals.

Eastern District. Case Files (57321–85031). 1989–2004. 253 cubic ft.

Missouri Ethics Commission.

Campaign Disclosure Reports. 1987–2000. 49 cubic ft.

Secretary of State.

Records from the Administration of Secretary of State James C. Kirkpatrick. 1972–1985. 2 cubic ft.

Records from the Administration of Secretary of State Roy Blunt. 1985–1992. 56 cassette tapes

Records from the Administration of Secretary of State Rebecca McDowell Cook (1993–2001). 10 videotapes

Records from the Administration of Secretary of State Judith Moriarty (1993–1994). 3 videotapes

Missouri State Archives

Records. 1938–2002. Including accession records (1981–2002), Moving 2 cubic ft.

Committee records (1991), Capitol Fire Document Collection records,

Abandonment Aid records (1938–1952).

Commissions

Records. 2000–2005. Including executive appointments (2004), 10 cubic ft.

Extraditions (2004), proclamations (2004), governor's appointments (2001–2005).

Elections

State Board of Canvassers Reports. 2005. 0.1 cubic ft.

Writs of Election for the 94th and 150th districts of the Missouri House and for the 29th district 0.1 cubic ft.

of the Missouri Senate. 2005.

State Library. 2003–2005.

Missouri Depository Documents. 1.5 cubic ft.

Supreme Court of Missouri.

Case Files (#69167–85932). January 2004. 33 cubic ft.

Records. 1858–1904. Case # 8627. (1904–1905). 2 reels

County and Municipal Records

Boone County.

Circuit Court. Case Files. 1963–1967. 104 reels

Buchanan County.

Collector of Revenue. Records. 172 reels

Callaway County.

County Clerk. Records. Road District 21 and 22. 1900–1931. 12 reels

<i>Cass County.</i>		
Probate Court. Case Files. 1835–1991.		3 reels
<i>Cedar County.</i>		
Collector of Revenue. Records. 1861–1999.		88 reels
<i>Clay County.</i>		
Probate Court. Case Files and Case File Index. 1998–1999.		15 reels
<i>Cooper County.</i>		
Circuit Court. Case Files. 1850–1855.		12.5 reels
Coroner's Records. Inquests and Index to Inquests. 1824–1929.		2.5 reels
Probate Court. Case Files. 1967–1990; 2001–2002.		2 reels
<i>DeKalb County.</i>		
Recorder of Deeds. Deeds. 1870–1959 and 1963–1980; Index to Deeds. 1961–1991; Marriage Licenses. 1972–1976.		76 reels
<i>Gasconade County.</i>		
Probate Court. Case Files. 1902–1977.		3 reels
Probate Court. Case Files. 1821–1996.		0.5 reels
<i>Howell County. City of West Plains.</i>		
City Clerk records. 1885–1945.		4 reels
<i>Jackson County [Kansas City]</i>		
Circuit Court. Case Files. 1955.		10 reels
Probate Court. Case Files. 1905–1914.		140 reels
<i>Lafayette County.</i>		
Probate Court. Case Files. 1820–1970.		30 reels
<i>Lawrence County.</i>		
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Patsy Luebbert Celebrates 30 Years at the Archives

On November 10, 2005, Senior Reference Archivist Patsy Luebbert celebrated her thirtieth year as an employee of the Missouri State Archives in the Secretary of State's office.

As reference area supervisor, Luebbert is responsible for supervising, scheduling, coordinating and training reference staff and volunteers, creating and updating finding aides, and working directly with patrons. She began working at the Archives as a clerk in 1975 and has since earned her master's degree and holds certification from the American Academy of Certified Archivists.

In 1991, the Archives moved from the old facility (with no heat or air conditioning in the stacks!) on Industrial Drive to the Kirkpatrick Building. Luebbert likened this to moving from "the dark into the light." Regarding the growth of the Archives, Luebbert said, "We moved 6,000 reels of county records on microfilm in 1991. We now have over 48,000."

Looking back over her 30 years, Luebbert can see a significant impact made by the Archives. "I think that over the years we have made it a real goal to make records accessible to the public. Since moving to this building, we have had a dramatic increase in visitors to the Archives, and we see an extraordinary number of people coming in to do history research. I think we are making it clear why it is worth it to save these records."

A life-long Central Missouri resident, Luebbert lives with her husband, Richard, near historic Westphalia. With their six children, they live on their 125 year-old family farm. In her spare time she is involved with 4-H, the Extension Council, and high school religious education at her church.



Friends of the Missouri State Archives Hold Annual Meeting

On June 11, 2005, the Friends of the Missouri State Archives gathered at the Zion Historic Chapel in Jefferson City for their annual meeting. At the meeting, new board members submitted for election were Roseann Bentley of Springfield and Wayne Goode of St. Louis, both former state senators.

Following the business meeting, owner June Netta Nivens gave a tour of the historic grounds. At dinner, Board Member Vickie Myers presented the Jonas Viles Award to the Supreme Court of Missouri Historical Society for their continued support of internships and fellowships at the Archives and Sandra Walls presented the Missouri State Archives 2005 Volunteer Award to e-volunteer Vickie Barker of Arizona and Alaska for her 1,056 hours of work since September 2000.

After welcome remarks from President Bob Priddy, the crowd of 80 were entertained by the *Boogie Woogie Babes*, Suzie Nichols, Kimberly Vogel, and Debra Walker.



After the Friends annual meeting, attendees settle in for dinner and a performance by the Boogie Woogie Babes at the Zion Historic Chapel.