BLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PO BOX 416, BLAND VA 24315 info@blandcountyhistsoc.org

NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2011

Quarterly Membership Meeting will be held at the Jail building on September 17th at 1:30 PM

On Sep 17th we will be having our traditional Bar-B-Que meal (free to members donations from others). Mr. Bob Hetherington will be signing copies of his book, Life Along Walker Please attend Creek. and bring a guest.

(In case of rain we will meet at the Lutheran Fellowship Hall.)

> NEW PHONE NUMBER FOR THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OFFICE

276-688-0088

MESSAGES ARE CHECKED DAILY

June Quarterly Meeting



Keith Niday was the speaker at our June Quarterly Meeting, giving a most informative talk on maps and surveying in Bland County. He also brought a large selection of maps from his personal collection for members to view following the meeting. Another topic that Niday shared was the procedures and "headaches" associated with renaming all the roads for the new 911 addresses in the county. There were many questions and much discussion following his talk. We hope to have him as our speaker again in the near future.

Please look at our website http://blandcountyhistsoc.org/ Keep up with what's happening with the Society

LOTS OF INTERESTING ITEMS FOR SALE.

MEMBERSHIP

Historical Society memberships are \$15.00 for an individual, \$25.00 for couples, \$5.00 for Bland County students, and \$150 for a lifetime membership. Our membership year runs from January to December. Renewals received now through the end of the year will be good for 2012.

A Membership Application is enclosed. If you don't need it, please pass it along to someone else and encourage them to join.

Christmas Ornament

We are excited to have received our second Christmas ornaments and they will be going on sale soon. This year's ornament is a replica of the Bland County Jail, done from an original drawing by Christina Knapp, who is Louise Aliff's granddaughter.

Roof Painting

The Board of Directors has accepted a bid for the painting of the roof on the original part of the jail building. We expect that work to begin as soon as the weather is cooler. Any donations to this fund will be greatly appreciated.. <u>2011 Board of</u> Directors

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The Bland County Historical Society is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization. Donations, Memorials, and/or Donations in Honor of someone are greatly appreciated.

<u>UPDATE</u>

We have collected the necessary funds to purchase the Jenny Wiley Historical marker. Mr. Asbury is completing the final paperwork for this project and we hope to have the marker in place by spring 2012.



Our new Phone # 276-688-0088