

Shiloh Scrapbook

SHILOH MUSEUM OF OZARK HISTORY NEWSLETTER

Vol. 28, No. 2 August 2009

What a Family Held Dear

Susan Young

Outreach Coordinator

Springdale resident Mary Braun recently donated several items to the Shiloh Museum. A glimpse at the family history associated with the artifacts reveals how special the items truly are.

In 1879, newlyweds Millard and Ida McHolland Berry left their native Indiana bound for Texas, where Millard, a lawyer by trade, wanted to try his hand at cotton farming. Accompanying the young couple were Millard's parents, Walter and Angeline Berry. After four years of low cotton prices, in 1883 the Berry family, which by that time had grown to include Millard and Ida's children Thaddeus and Ethelyn, moved to Northwest Arkansas. The Berrys looked to settle in Fayetteville, but a housing shortage led them a few miles north to Springdale, where the family rented a house on Main Street. In 1885 Millard purchased the rental property and built a new Queen Anne-style home there.



Members of the Berry family at the Millard and Ida Berry home in Springdale, ca. 1907.

From left: Hazel Ewalt, Ethelyn Van Horn, Ida Berry holding grandson Berry McQuaide, Josephine Berry, and Angeline Berry. Hazel, Ethelyn, and Josephine were daughters of Ida and Millard Berry; Angeline was Millard Berry's mother. *McQuaide Collection, donated by Bruce Vaughan*

Millard Berry quickly established himself as one of Springdale's most enterprising citizens. By 1900, he had sold farm machinery, started an abstract company, edited a newspaper, founded a telephone company, bought a 200-chick incubator, started a canning factory, opened a furniture company, and served two terms as Springdale mayor. In 1900, Millard Berry was elected county judge of Washington County, serving two terms and spearheading the construction of a new county courthouse (today's historic Washington County Courthouse on College Avenue in Fayetteville).

Meanwhile, Ida was busy raising seven Berry children: after Thaddeus and Ethelyn came Walter, Helen, Hazel, Marian, and Josephine. (Two children, Bessie and Frances, died as infants.) Amazingly, Ida found time enough to create a five-acre garden and nature sanctuary around the Berry home. Millard built a greenhouse where she grew flowers and houseplants; before long, her hobby blossomed into "Evergreen Gardens," a retail plant nursery and greenhouse.

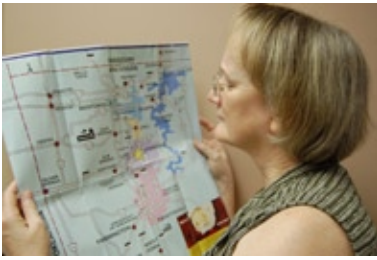
Josephine, the youngest of the Berry children, lived in the Berry home her entire life. After she married Percy Braun, a Springdale pharmacist, the house and gardens became known as the Berry-Braun home. Both Percy and Josephine were talented musicians. Percy was a founder of the Northwest Arkansas Symphony, and Josephine taught music

see BERRY-BRAUN, page 9

DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

Allyn Lord

Exploring history brings meaning, enjoyment, and inspiration to folks everyday. Witness the recent anniversary observances of the first moon landing, the first nuclear attack on Hiroshima, and even the Razorback mascot's beginning.



Not all explorations of history have such a widespread impact, but each discovery can be personally impactful. And sometimes it can literally take your breath away.

During July's "Shiloh Sandwiched-In," our monthly presentation on Ozark topics, Randall Houpp of Booneville discussed almost three dozen historic bridges in the Arkansas Ozarks. During the question-and-answer period, one woman in the audience, Lorene Schooler from Lincoln, explained that she was the daughter and granddaughter of Ozark bridge builders and that her father, Henry Powers, used to cart his family around with him to each of his building venues.

Houpp said that he had heard a story about Powers. According to the story, at one bridge site Powers' wife Delia knocked over a lantern, setting herself on fire, and in hugging her to extinguish the flames the man himself was burned. Were those her parents? Several exchanges

of information took place, before the woman, who had become quiet for a moment, then realized that yes, her mother had had numerous burns that had never been explained to her.

The museum audience audibly inhaled as one.

In the sharing of information, in the exploration of history, some amazing moments happen. Here, on an otherwise average Shiloh Museum day, a researcher learned more about an Ozark bridge builder that he'd not previously known. And one woman learned something very personal about her now-deceased parents that she'd never known.

May we all feel such power from our own explorations of history.

Remember us in your will.

If you're thinking of updating your will or changing your estate plans, please consider an endowment gift to the Shiloh Museum.

It's a great way to support our future needs, as well as memorialize your support in perpetuity. Contact us to learn how you can make a charitable gift to our endowment fund.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

David Whitmore, president; Greg Spencer, vice president; Stephanie Hegde, treasurer; Dr. Marsha Jones, vice-treasurer; Sally Walker, secretary. Carolyn Bayley, Myron Eng, Dianne Kellogg, Martha Lankford, LuAnn Little, Jim Morriss, Al Newton

EX-OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS

Jean Dipboye, Rebekah Hanes, Jenny Jones, Allyn Lord, Robert Mello, Dolores Stamps

LIFE TRUSTEES

Dr. C. S. Applegate*, Dr. Dwight Heathman, Maudine Sanders, Stephen Taylor

** deceased*

STAFF

Allyn Lord, director; Betty Bowling, secretary; LuAnn Clarkson, special projects library assistant; Cheri Coley, library assistant; Marie Demeroukas, photo archivist/research librarian; Amjad Faur, photographer; Pody Gay, education coordinator; Curtis Morris, exhibits manager; Marty Powers, maintenance; Carolyn Reno, collections manager; Jenny Vego, education assistant; Heather Marie Wells, collections assistant/podcast producer; Susan Young, outreach coordinator

VOLUNTEERS

Ethna Billings, David and Vonita Carpenter, Karen Cordell, Beverly Cosby, Leslie Coston, Susan Dewey, Tom Duggan, Steve Erwin, Martha Estes, Meagan Franks, Linda Fulton, Regina Gable, Danielle Hansen, Michelle Hearn, Bill Jones, Mary John Jones, Ann Kabanuck, Mitsy Kellam, Jim Langford, Mira Leister, Marilyn Meek, Oda Mulloy, Pam Redfern, Debbie Reed, Don Reynolds, Larry Shivel, Jeanne Tackett, Ray Toler, Mary Vaughan, Edward Vogt, Ryan Wells. *Volunteers Emeritus:* Mada Knight, Marie Langford, Bruce Vaughan, Era Walker

MISSION STATEMENT

The Shiloh Museum of Ozark History serves the public by providing resources for finding meaning, enjoyment, and inspiration in the exploration of the Arkansas Ozarks.

SHILOH MUSEUM OF OZARK HISTORY

118 W. Johnson Avenue • Springdale, AR 72764 • 479-750-8165
www.springdalear.gov/shiloh • shiloh@springdalear.gov
Open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m. -5 p.m. • Free Admission

Volunteer Spotlight

Michelle Hearn



History is fun—no, really! A lot of people have a misconception that museums are stuffy, dimly-lit, and intimidating places filled with mysterious and unexplained exhibits. The Shiloh Museum is different because it has a hands-on approach that draws visitors and children into a tactile experience.

As an education volunteer I specifically work with schoolchildren through several different outreach programs. These include tours for classrooms visiting the museum, history summer camps, and Discovery Boxes, which contain

historical artifacts, lesson plans, games, and worksheets that teachers can use in the classroom.

My favorite experience as a volunteer is to give outdoor tours of the buildings and the grounds. The children especially love the spring house, the barn, and the log cabin. Often a child will ask, “Is that a real log cabin?” and I love the look on their faces when I tell them it is over one hundred and fifty years old. We sit in the cabin and I ask them questions about life in the past, such as “What did the pioneers do without television?” or “What was it like to live in one room with eight people?” In this atmosphere, the children can really imagine what life must have been like in early Arkansas.

There is a large collection of artifacts in the museum’s education department. These objects are meant for people to touch, examine, and use first-hand. In the main exhibit hall, children are told that if something is not behind a rope or glass, they can play with it. For example, children and visitors can view images with

a stereoscope, try on old-fashioned clothes, and use a Native American grinding stone. The hands-on exhibits add to the overall experience of the Shiloh Museum as an open and friendly place.

With the Shiloh Museum’s focus on local history, it is uniquely able to assist educators in fulfilling state education requirements. Tours and discovery boxes are designed with these requirements in mind.

The museum’s events and exhibits bring together people of all age groups, and as a volunteer, I get to learn more about local history from all these people including visitors, volunteers, expert presenters, and those who work at the museum. One of the most rewarding things about being a volunteer is when we gather the children together after a tour and ask them “What did you learn today?” Their answers let you know that they had fun, that they learned a little more about our local history, and that yes, people really did use corn cobs in the outhouse.

Welcome New Staff Members!



Photographer Amjad Faur’s parents—his father is from Jordan, his mother from Madison County, Arkansas—met in Italy. Amjad was born in Springdale, raised in Fayetteville, and now lives in West Fork with his wife Laila (“she’s half Iranian, therefore beautiful and brilliant by default”) and their amazing Irish Wolfhound, Bela Lugosi. Amjad has a BFA in painting from the University of Arkansas and an MFA in photography from the University of Oregon. After just a few short weeks at the Shiloh Museum, Amjad declares this is the favorite job of all the ones he has had (which range from working in a baby wipes factory to teaching at a university).



Library assistant Cheri Coley is a fifth-generation Ozarker, born and raised in Fayetteville. She has a BA degree in sociology from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, and recently retired from a 30-year career with AT&T. Cheri is a member of Marion Chapter DAR and Frances Ironmonger Colonial Dames of the 17th Century, and serves on the board of directors for historic McCord Cemetery near Elkins. Monday evenings, you’ll find Cheri volunteering with the “DAR Library Ladies” in the genealogy department of Blair Library in Fayetteville. Cheri’s family includes husband David, son Kyle, two dogs, and two cats.

DONATIONS TO THE COLLECTIONS

April–June 2009

Geneva Anderson: World War II booklets, Pettigrew school record books, Pettigrew Extension Homemakers Club scrapbook and booklets; all belonging to Eula Ferrel, 1940s-1972

Agnes Bowman: Harvey and Bernice Jones Nursing Scholarship program and Har-Ber School of Nursing records, 1957-2007; video histories of Harvey and Bernice Jones; video of Harvey Jones Day with Gov. Bill Clinton, July 30, 1988

Mary Braun: acoustic telephone, 1890s; picture of the Washington County courthouse, ca. 1900; photograph of Millard Berry, ca. 1900; hitching post from the Berry-Braun house, Springdale, ca. 1900; Rain King sprinkler, ca. 1930; handmade dollhouse, 1930s; Our Lady of the Ozarks, ca. 1945; chalkboard with music chart, ca. 1950; paintings of the Berry-Braun property by Joseph “Buddy” Braun, 1980s

Abby Burnett: photographs of people and places in Northwest Arkansas

Reeva Clark: Springdale Community Fund button, mid-1900s; Rodeo of the Ozarks Golden Anniversary souvenir cup, 1994; printed baseball promoting Springdale baseball league, 2006

Doug and Janet Couch: Justice of the Peace ledger, Thompson (Madison County), 1893-1923

Steve Davis: Two pair of knee-length trousers of Frank Davis, Fayetteville, 1920s

Orville J. Hall, Jr.: baby buggy and Brunswick radio, Fayetteville, 1930s; toy rifle, Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, 1944

Nena Hendricks: photo of Nena Jean Brogdon at Rodeo of the Ozarks, 1945

Path Hennon: video equipment from Fayetteville Open Channel, (FOC), 1990s

Margie Kerstetter: World War I diary and photo album of Corp. Wilber Atkinson, Battery A, 142nd Field Artillery

Martha Lankford: migrant ministry papers, Springdale Memorial Hospital certificate, Thrift-T-Wise and S&H trading stamps of Eva Lena Reder, Springdale, late 1960s-early 1970s

Carmen Lierly: *Ozark Hillbilly with Veneer: Life and Times of Carmen L. Lierly*, 2007

Gene Long family: Osburn Post Office (Washington County) cabinet and mailbox made by George Washington Long, Hazel Valley, early 1900s

Allyn Lord: autograph album of Ernestine Vinson, Rogers, 1934-1935; Tontitown Centennial commemorative program card, May 17, 2009

June Loyd: Springdale Farms photos, 1950s-1960s

Rhnee McClung: photos of Shannin Bennett and Emma Bennett (Lichlyter), Johnson, ca. 1900

Robert Mosier: interview with Springdale Public Schools assistant superintendent Dr. Ron Bradshaw about the history of the Springdale School system, 2008

Mrs. Ann Shumate: Photos of B.B. and Marge Patrick, 1960; diaries and artwork by Pauline Overholt, 1968-1977; *Teen Topics* booklets by Ann Shumate, 1959

Wanda Brewer Stephens: interior decorating and house building game sets, 1960s; Noark Girl Scout Camp counselor notebooks, 1960s

Bruce Vaughan: photo of Catherine Vaughan Sanders, Spring Valley (Washington County), ca. 1900

WACO Title Company (Patrick Curry): Royal typewriter from Berry Abstract office, Springdale, late 1930s; Millard Berry financial aid letter, 1932

Melinda Warmack: World War II Army Air Force uniform of Euel James Pinkley, Springdale

Dr. Lloyd Warren: photos of the Warren Brothers band and the Gilliland/Blake home, Goshen, early 1900s; photo of UA Vol Walker Library, 1936; negative of aerial view of Son's Chapel, 1935

Heather Marie Wells: program materials from 2009 Goddess Festival, Fayetteville

Dorothy Wilson: University of Arkansas commencement program of Vivian Horton, 1940

REMEMBER THE ICE STORM?

Did you take a great picture of the 2009 ice storm? If so, we would like to use one in our next photo exhibit, *Disasters!* Contact photo archivist Marie Demeroukas for more info at mdemeroukas@springdalear.gov or 750-8165. Thanks!

Phone Home

Springdale's first telephone dates to the early 1890s, when two acoustic telephones were installed to connect the Springdale Roller Mill (present-day northwest corner of Huntsville and Mill streets) to B. F. Deaver's store (present-day northeast corner of Mill and Emma).

A 1937 edition of the *Springdale News* carried a story about the telephones; by then, one of the phones was owned by Millard Berry, who founded Springdale's first telephone company in 1899:

Up in Judge Millard Berry's house there is a piece of polished brown wood, hollowed here, curved there, fitted with a bit of fabric, a length of wire, and a brass button. It looks like the beginning of an electric table lamp, but it isn't. It is the beginning of a telephone system.

In the days before "Central" was summoned by the lifting of a receiver and any voice on the continent was at the bidding of Springdale, this queer contraption used to be Springdale's first telephone. There was another just like it, and a length of copper wire, a quarter of a mile long, ran from one to the other. One hung on the wall of the Springdale Roller Mill and the other, uptown at B. F. Deaver's store. When the men at the mill felt the need of consultation with those at the store—which was often the case since the mill accounts were handled by the store—they went to the instrument and tapped on it with a lead pencil. The sound of the pencil tapping set up vibrations which were amplified and transmitted through the vibrating brass button along the copper wire, and the men at the store came right over and talked in the thing. The principle was much the same as that of the tin-can telephones through which youngsters shout at each other from one yard to the next, but Judge Berry says it worked.

The telephone was featured again in a 1978 *News* article which included a photo of Millard Berry's daughter, Josephine Berry Braun, holding the phone. In 2009, more than 100 years after making its debut in Springdale, the telephone was donated to the Shiloh Museum by Mary Braun, daughter of Josephine Berry Braun and granddaughter of Millard Berry.



Top: Josephine Braun in 1978 with Springdale's first telephone. Bottom: Shiloh Museum collections manager Carolyn Reno with the telephone in 2009. *Braun photo from the Springdale News Collection/ Morris White, photographer*

Going, Going, Green!



Many of you have responded to our invitation to receive the *Shiloh Scrapbook* as an online publication. If you haven't signed up for the online version, please consider doing so. You'll be helping us to be more environmentally and fiscally responsible, you'll enjoy a *color* newsletter, you'll cut down on the volume of mail you receive, and you'll receive the newsletter faster than if you wait for a printed copy.

As of December 2009, we will only mail printed newsletters to members who request one. If you wish to receive a print edition of the *Scrapbook*, please let us know: call 750-8165, email shiloh@springdalear.gov, or write 118 W. Johnson, Springdale, AR 72764.

THE SHILOH MUSEUM ASSOCIATION

We are proud to recognize these members for their generous annual contributions.

Life

Leon Allen
Roberta Platt
Tyson Foods, Inc.
Bruce & Mary Vaughan

Founding

Gerald & Vicki Harp
Steve & Cheryl Miller

Benefactor

Raymond & Martha Lankford
Multi-Craft Contractors
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Thompson
Mrs. Willard Walker

Sustaining

David & Vonita Carpenter
Don & Jeanne Harp
Pat & Earlene Henry
Allyn Lord
Cleo Matter
Louis & Lois McJunkin
Geoffrey Oelsner
Joe & Adella Roberts
Alan Smith
Springdale Kiwanis Club
Ray Toler
Marjorie Tweedy

Sponsor

Fran Alexander
Shandria Allen
Bruce & Ann Applegate
Bedford Camera & Video
Art Beeghly
Robert Bonham
Mr. & Mrs. Sandy Boone
Guy & Ellen Brown
Virginia Burdick
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Byers
Buddy & Susan Chadick
Dr. James Chase
Chris Christoffel
Mr. & Mrs. Foy Coker
Ron & Mary Ellen Connor
Jim & Cathy Crouch
Lamar & Joy Drummonds
Pete & Shirley Esch
Dr. & Mrs. Richard Forsythe
Mr. & Mrs. Gene George
James & Sandye Graham
Nancy Hamilton
Bonnie Hanks
Harps Food Stores

Dwight & Helen Heathman
Harold Hewitt
Betty Hinshaw
Donna Ruth Hoeflich
Dorothy Hood
Isaac & Doris Hughey
Hazel James
Gary & Vicki Jech
Joseph Joiner
Hartzell & Marsha Jones
Al Kaepfel
Wanda Kent
Doug & Tess Kidd
Marjorie Kjol
Frank & Evelyn Maestri
Brian & Melonie Moore
LaDeana Mullinix
NWA Medical Center
Auxiliary
Ozark Film & Video
Lois Pantzer
Don & Roberta Peters
Mr. & Mrs. Garry Roberts
Dorothy Sample
Maudine Sanders
Bobby & Diane Shaw
Alice Ann Simkins
Harvey Smith
Springdale Auto Supply, Inc.
Truman & Dolores Stamps
Wilma & Carol Sutton
Jerre & Judy Van Hoose
Mr. & Mrs. William Walker
Walker Bros. Insurance, Inc.
David Whitmore
Rep. Jon Woods
Tom & Vivian Worthy
Carl Yates

Patron

Eugene & Susan Anderson
Patricia Armstrong
Harry Artripe
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Bailey
Lynn Berkowitz &
Bob Wedge
Bob & Patty Besom
David & Jannie Bibb
Kathryn Birkhead
Hugh & Martha Brewer
Don Bunch
Jim & Teena Carpenter
Central Arkansas Library
System
Walburn Clayton

Kay & Betty Coger
Carl & Clydia Combs
Mary Condon
Jo Condra
Dr. James & Kathy Cooper
Karen Cordell
Charles & Beverly Cosby
Dr. & Mrs. Charles Cotton
Marie Crouch
Larry & Katie Dailey
Marie Demeroukas &
Tom Oppenheim
Gayle Deaver
Dwight & Nancy Dodson
Bob & Sandy Downum
Annette Evans
David & Cathy Evans
Nettie Everett
First Security Bank
Eileen Fredericks
Cleon & Fleeta Gentry
H.C. & L. H. Schmeiding
Foundation
John & Judy Hammond
Willa Harkey
Mary Gilbreath Harris
Stephanie Hegde
Dr. Sunny Hinshaw
Glenda House
Dave Hunter &
Kerry Mueller
Harriet & Jerome Jansma
Josh Jenkins
Travis & Nancy Jenkins
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Johnson
Mary John Jones
Carolyn Juhnke
Just-Us Printers, Inc.
Hannah Karnbach
Sarah King
Hiron & Mada Knight
Kirby & Becca Lambert
Jay & Polly Lancaster
James & Marie Langford
Susan Latta
Margaret Latture
Mira Leister
LuAnn Little
Mr. & Mrs. Don Love
Lois Magness
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Martin
Carl & Liz Mathews
Bruce & Kellye McElroy
Dr. F. E. McEvoy
Robert Mello

Tom & Lois Miller
Cathy Montgomery
Jim Morriss
Mike & Karen Morton
Al Newton
Marion Orton
Carolyn Page
Ival Parker
Lee & Beverly Parker
Shelley Parson
Dr. Jackie Paxton
Ralph Pendergraft
Mr. & Mrs. David Powers
Pam Redfern
Laura Redford
Don & Kay Reynolds
JoAnne Rife
Thomas & Peg Rogerson
Dr. Roy Rom
Ryan's Clothing, Inc.
Bill & Sherry Setser
Bob & Eleanor Smitherman
Greg Spencer
B. Jean Strong
Lawrence Swaim
Philip & Mary Ann Taldo
Louise Taylor
Odell Taylor
The Stylist
Walter & Clara Turnbow
Dr. Carol Van Scyoc
Mr. & Mrs. Fred Vorsanger
Dr. Linda Watts
Sam & Elizabeth Weathers
Chris Weiser Family
Libby Wheeler
Mike & Marjorie Whitmore
Dr. & Mrs. Ted Wiggins
Bob Winkelman
Mr. & Mrs. John Worster
Buddy & Linda Wray
Jacqueline Zahariades

Senior Couple

Ron & Lois Allen
Dr. & Mrs. David Andrews
John & Carmen Archer
John & Jeannette Atkins
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Bahar
Gary & Donna Barnes
Lonnie & Jane Barron
Curt & Carolyn Bayley
Dr. & Mrs. John Boyce
Eddie and Betty Bradford
Denny & Diane Bray

Andrew & Marie Breuer
 Jerry & Kay Brewer
 Mr. & Mrs. M. E. Brown
 Dr. & Mrs. Walter Brown
 Robert & Carolyn Brown
 Tom & Shelby Jean Carter
 Paul & Jo Bee Chapman
 Richard & Pauline Clark
 Larry & Beverly Clinkscales
 Norman & Lois Clizer
 Bill & Janet Clower
 Elaine Cobb
 Dr. Don & Wylene Cohagan
 Mr. & Mrs. Bob Collins
 Lavon & Lucion Cowart
 Mr. & Mrs. Norman Crowder
 Neil & Donna Danner
 Forrest & Jean Dipboye
 Wesley & Irma Eckles
 Mr. & Mrs. John Eddleman
 Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Epley Jr.
 Pat Erwin
 Burr & Ada Fancher
 Bill & Catherine Foster
 Kenneth & Claudia Galloway
 Earl & Mary Garrison
 Donald & Alyce Gates
 Dr. & Mrs. Willard Gatewood
 Bob & Arva Goodwin
 Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Graham
 Ken & Lynn Griffin
 Alex & Carol Hamilton
 Ed & Jo Ann Hansen
 Glenn & Barbara Hardy
 Ron Harrison
 Ralph & Wilma Hawkins
 Dr. & Mrs. Morriss Henry
 Tommy & Tommie Hensen
 Don & Norma Hoag
 Al & Florence Hockel
 Robert & Rose Ann Hofer
 John & Rose Marie Hogle
 O. L. & Irene Holleque
 Billy & Verna Hutchens
 Eldon & Nel Janzen
 Don & Zelpha Johnson
 Tommy & Lora Jones
 George & Bobbye Kelly
 Tommy & Darlette Kendrick
 Tom & Mary Lynn Kennedy
 LeRoy & Sue Kerst
 Jack & Sylvia King
 Donald & Suzanne Krutsinger
 Walter & Joyce LeFevre
 Mr. & Mrs. Herb Lewis Jr.
 James & Marie Lookingbill
 Robert & Louise Maringer
 Gordon & Mona McCann
 Bob & Mary McGimsey

Chrystene &
 Sonny McKenzie
 Dennis & Kay Murdie
 Lon & Barbara Netherton
 David & Carolyn Newbern
 Jerry & Cheryl Park
 Gerald & Peggy Parsons
 Bob & Bonnie Patton
 James & Mary Pettyjohn
 Mr. & Mrs. Deryl Powers
 Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Rankin
 Fred & Ruth Ann Ritchie
 Laurence & Margaret Roberts
 Mr. & Mrs. John Robinson
 Len & Lois Rott
 Bruce & Junellia Russell
 Russell Self &
 Mary Umbaugh
 Don & Shirley Schaefer
 Karen Shapland
 Bill & Ada Lee Shook
 Charles & Ann Shumate
 Mr. & Mrs. H. H. Simmons
 Dr. & Mrs. Mitch Singleton
 James & Mary Ann Skelton
 Robert & Anita Smith
 Ollen & Mildred Stepp
 Gene & Glenda Stevens
 James & Nadene Steward
 Jerry & Wilma Stockton
 Gerald & Jeanne Tackett
 Scott & Connie Test
 E. E. & Lee Thompson
 Lyell & Marcella Thompson
 Kurt & Gene Tweraser
 Mr. & Mrs. William Ussery
 Nola Van Scyoc
 Mr. & Mrs. Guy Wann
 Patsy & Jesse Ward
 Dr. & Mrs. Lloyd Warren
 Dr. & Mrs. Tom Whiting
 James & Mary Jo Wickliff
 Roger & Katherine Widder
 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Wobbe
 Ann Yates

Senior Individual

Dorothy Allen
 Loretta Armstrong
 Alma Barnes
 Jan Blaylock
 Jean Bollinger
 Oleta Bronson
 Marcelyn Brown
 Sallyann Brown
 Fern Brown
 Jack Browne
 Janice Bunch
 Mildred Carnahan

Donna Charlesworth
 Joetta Clark
 Edith Claypool
 Patricia Cornish
 Ed Counts
 Jean Crone
 Hilma Curlee
 Madelyn Curry
 Dorothy Davis
 Marilyn Davis
 Natalie Davis
 Mary Dryden
 Eugene Eddy
 Dr. Alfred Einert
 Nancy Elkins
 Thelma Ellis
 Martha Estes
 Mary Farley
 Betty Fischer
 Diana Fischer
 Helen Fisher
 Grace Grame
 Joe Guinn
 Nadine Hamilton
 Donald & Kim Harington
 Foy Haywood
 Richard Holland
 Theresa Hoover
 Minerva Houser
 Dorothy Hoyle
 Gerald Hudder
 Mary Ellen Johnson
 Elsie Jones
 Phyllis Kettleman
 Beth Kimbrough
 Marian Ledgerwood
 Carolynn Logan
 Larue Mabry
 Kathrine Magruder
 Nancy McCollum
 Carol McCormick
 Mary McGetrick
 Marilyn Meek
 Beverly Melton
 Charlene Mooty
 Patricia Morgan
 Drucilla Morris
 Weldon & Edwina Peters
 Joan Pharr
 Pat Pond
 Virginia Preddy
 Anne Prichard
 Barbara Pulos
 Joyce Richards
 James Ritter
 Ray Ritter
 Ann Roberts
 Carolyn Roberts
 Veda Russi

Frances Sabbe
 Madge Scharber
 Marcella Sharum
 Corinne Shipman
 Harold Sims
 Amelia Smith
 Jackee Smith
 Martha Sutherland
 Henrietta Swacina
 George Tait
 Ruby Terry
 Dorothy Vaughn
 Rebecca Wasson
 Tonya White
 Conjie Williams
 Dorothy Wilson
 Eugene Womble

Family

Elizabeth Adam &
 Doug James
 Martha Agee
 Earl & Nancy Sue Allain
 Timothy Anderson Jr.
 John Andrews
 Dr. Murl Baker
 Kevin & Candace Barnes
 Cassandra Barnett
 Jerry & Dona Barnett
 David & Amy Bates
 Betty Battenfield
 Michael & Mary Bauer
 Charles & Sherrie Bayles
 Lou & Trisha Beland
 Cynlee & Tim Billings
 Jessie Billings & Myron Eng
 B. R. & Katy Black
 Richard & Gaye Bland
 Jim & Lisa Blount
 Harry & Kathi Blundell
 Anna Bowie & Lee Pridmore
 Randy & Linda Bradley
 Charles & Jana Britton
 Jan Brown & Blake Clark
 Linda Brown
 David & Nancy Buckley
 Steve Burch
 Jacqueline Burnett
 Abby Burnett
 Jan & Paul Bynum Jr.
 Robert & Bernie Callier
 Robert & Karen Chambers
 Dr. & Mrs. James Cherry
 Leslie Coston
 Richard Covey & Nan Lawler
 Jerry & Joey Danenhauer
 Susan Dewey

continued

Tom & Mary Dillard
Michael & Lela Donat
Ray Dotson
Carolyn Dowling
Thomas & Marion Duggan
Dick & Valerie Dunagan
Ione Duncan
James Duncan &
Sharon Donnelly
Juanita Duncan
Ovi & Mary Beth Dyson
Jess & Sherrie Eoff
Emerson & Connie Finn
William Flanagan &
Barbara Jaquish
Lloyd Foley
Alan & Patricia Fortenberry
Tom & Darlene Fraizer
Charles Fredrick
Mr. & Mrs. John Freeman
Byron & Kiersten Garibaldi
Gene Glick & Deb Smith
Marjorie Goff
Jim & Anne Greene
Robert &
Dorothy Gulbransen
Jan & Joyce Hale
Dr. Joe B. Hall
Al & Dorothy Hanby
Jason & Noah Hayward
Donald Hendrix
Mr. & Mrs. Harold High
Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Hornor
Don House
James & Dodie Hunter
Ted & Janet Huntsman
Ralph & Mickey Jensen
Elise Joerger
Bill & Alice Jones
Robert & Ann Kabanuck
Charles Kappen
Mitsy Kellam
David & Dianne Kellogg
Bob Kohler
Richard & Phyllis Kuehl
Mary Kwas & Bob Mainfort
Don & Louise Lareau
Robert & Sarah Leflar
Mark Lenartowick &
Keith Lord
David & Lois Loghry
Walt & Mary Lumpkin
Jack & Malinda Lynch
Jim & Sue Lynch
Ray & Loretta Mansell
Dwain & Rita Manske
Steve & Cathy Marak
Gregory & Victoria Marshall

Jerry & Betty Martin
Donald & Patricia Marts
Mr. & Mrs. Bill McCully
Park & Bebe McFerrin
Bill & Kelly McGowan
Jim & Kathy Miller
Eda Montag
Gordon & Izola Morgan
Donna Morris
Shannon & Craig Mueller
Rhonda Neal
Mr. & Mrs. Vaughn Neil
Talmadge & Laverne Nelson
Paul & Eunice Noland
Wendel & Sarah Nothdurft
NWA Christian Home
Educators Association
NWA Civil War Round Table
NWA Sacred Harp Singers
Charles Oliver
Nicholas & Barbara Olsen
Janine Parry &
Bill Schreckhise
Mike & Denise Pearce
Frances Pelton
Jay & Betsy Penix
Ben Peters
Rebecca Peterson
Jim & Kay Phillips
Mr. & Mrs. Win Phillips
Teresa Pichoff
Thomas Pittman
A. D. & Janet Poole
James & Donna Ramey
Bob Razer
Deborah Reed
Janelle Riddle
Robin Riedle
Jim & Susan Rieff
Peggy Rogers
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Rollins
Bob & Cathy Ross
Charles Sanders
Preston & Carol Sappington
Tom & Susan Schallhorn
Jane Scroggs
Mr. & Mrs. Russell Seay
John Selph
Larry & Rhea Shivel
Loyd & Judy Sigmon
Mike & Brenda Smart
Kim & Nancy Smith
Tommy & Vicki Smith
Cyndy Spencer
Charlotte Steele
Alice Stilwell
Juanita Story
Fran & Cynthia Strawser

Tenney Family
Ruby Tevebaugh
Dana Thompson
Sue Thompson
Ray & Vera Tripp
Don & Shannon Walker
Era Walker
Mark & Martha Wann
Morgan & Sandra Ware
C. W. & Ann Webb
Gay Wheat
Beth Wilkins
Don & Joanna Williams
Mrs. Bromo Wilson
Mildred Winborn
Duane & Judith Woltjen
Billy & Jo Ann Woodward
Ora Vay Worthy
Seth Young

Individual

Allen County, Indiana
Public Library
Erwin Baird
Jeanie Baltz
Agnes Bowman
Helen Brannan
Cindy Brown
Deborah Brown
Lulu Bruns
Travis Burnett
Holly Childs
Donald Choffel
City of Lowell Museum
Charlene Clark
Jackie Collins
Sherrie Curry
Georgia Davis
Kent Detmer
Ted Downum
Everett Fields
Elizabeth Floyd
Lani Froelich
Regina Gabel
Joan Glassell
Sam Goade
Bette Hayes
Randy Hayes
Henrietta Holcomb
Charlotte Horvath
Wanda Irwin
June Jefferson
Margaret Johnson
Katsuren Family Homeschool
Dr. Robert Lafferty
Evy Lamb
Jeff Ledbetter
Tammi Ledbetter

June Loyd
Carolyn Madison
Teresa Maurer
Chris McCollum
Robert McCorkindale II
Beverly Cortiana McEuen
Sharon McGuire
Dr. Jim Metheny
Pati Mitchell
Mary Mullen
Oda Mulloy
Maxine Noble
Juanita Nordgren
Lou Orr
Peggy Osbourn
Sara-Lou Parsons
Barbara Prewit
Grace Quinones
Rarden & Friends
Homeschool
Carol Reel
Bertha Reid
Wilma Samuel
Elizabeth Scott
Betty Seale
Heather Semon
Marjorie Shafer
Marilyn Shubat
Kitty Sloan
Linda Slothower
Thelma Smallen
Caroline Smith
Ruby Smith
Dick Stamps
Robert Stark
Wanda Stephens
Keith Sutton
Suzanne Ternan
Betty Thomas
Jo Ellen Thomas
Demara Titzer
Jean Toenges
Quintin Trammell
Thomas Triplett
Sally Walker
Nova Jean Watson
Mary Ann Westphal
Louise Williams
Dianne Wilson
Dr. Diana Worthen
Rev. Cyrus Young

Berry-Braun

From page 1



Siblings Buddy and Mary Braun made names for themselves as professional musicians: Buddy as a trumpet player, Mary as a harpist and piano teacher. *Springdale News Collection* and *Caroline Clark Collection/Howard Clark, photographer*

lessons for many years. The Brauns had three children, Raphael, Josef “Buddy,” and Mary, all of whom received their parents’ musical genes and appreciation for the natural world.

When 21-year-old Raphael joined the Army during World War II, he listed his occupation as “musician and music teacher.” In the spring of 1944, Corporal Raphael Braun was stationed in the South Pacific. He wrote his family and asked them to send him a sprig from one of the trees he knew would be in bloom in the gardens at the Berry-Braun home. Raphael would never see the gardens again. He was killed during the New Guinea campaign on May 2, 1944. In 1949, Raphael Braun’s body was returned to the United States and buried with military honors at Arlington National Cemetery.

Buddy Braun grew up to be a professional trumpet player. He was only 14 years old in the mid-1930s when he accepted his first paying job as a musician—the trumpet player in the Braun family band. Father Percy switched between playing the bass and flute, brother Raphael was the piano player, and cousin Jimmy McQuaide played the marimba. (There was also a drummer, but he was not a Braun relative.) The group played at dances throughout the region. After serving in the Army Air Corps during World War II, the war, Buddy toured with several orchestras, playing in New York, Chicago, Las

Vegas, and Los Angeles. He was also a talented painter; he supplemented his musical career by selling his oil and pastel artwork. Buddy retired in the 1980s and eventually returned to Springdale, where he lived with his sister Mary until his death in 2008.

Mary Braun, the youngest of the Braun children, became an accomplished pianist and harpist. She followed in her mother’s footsteps as a music teacher, and began giving piano lessons while in her teens. In 1948, Mary was a featured performer at a Christmas party hosted by the Springdale Women’s Civic Club. In the audience was Roberta Fulbright, publisher of the *Northwest Arkansas Times*. Afterwards, Fulbright wrote in her editorial column, “High on the program was Mary Braun, harpist, daughter of Mrs. Percy Braun and the late Percy Braun, who concluded her playing with “Silent Night” so beautifully that the very essence of Christmas spirit was left in our souls.” Mary studied under the French-born Carlos Salzedo, a virtuoso harpist and composer who was the first harpist for the Metropolitan Opera and founder of the Summer Harp Colony of America in Camden, Maine. She continued to give piano lessons at the Berry-Braun home into the 1980s.

Through the years, Josephine Braun and her family nurtured and added to Ida Berry’s gardens. In a 1963 *Springdale News* article, columnist Billie Jines noted

continued next page

dozens of plant materials found at the Berry-Braun home, including Southern magnolia, saucer magnolia, sweet bay, tulip poplar, yellow pine (transplanted from the War Eagle area), white pine, redbud, dogwood, maple, oak, elm, hickory, walnut, hackberry, cedar, weeping cherry, crabapple, apricot, purple-leafed plum, high bush cranberry, Asiatic euonymus, yellowwood, Russian olive, English haw, witch hazel, sweet shrub (Josephine noted that she and her sisters used to gather the blossoms and carry them in their hankies to church as a perfume), fir, Norway holly, blue spruce holly, English yew, arborvitae, hemlock, Golden Pfitzer juniper, mimosa, ginkgo, fringetree, Moraine locust, Indian cherry, silver bell, quince, leather-leaf viburnum, bittersweet, lilac, snowball, beauty bush, ivy, narcissus, and iris.

The Brauns sold their home in the early 1990s; today it is Magnolia Gardens Bed and Breakfast. Mary Braun still lives in Springdale, and recently donated several family items to the Shiloh Museum, including Springdale's first telephone (see story on page 5); a cast iron hitching post installed at the Berry home by Millard Berry; an artist's rendition of the 1904 Washington County Courthouse; a dollhouse handmade by Percy Braun in the early 1930s; invoice forms and envelopes from Ida Berry's Evergreen Gardens nursery; a copper kettle the Braun family used first to make soap during World War II and later as Josephine Braun's flowerpot; drawings by Buddy Braun; and a chalkboard used by Josephine and Mary Braun to teach music. All are reminders of what the Berry and Braun families held most dear: art, music, nature, innovative thinking, public service, and a creative spirit. 🐾

Great Shakes



Thanks to a grant, the Steele General Store now has a beautiful cedar shake roof. When it was built in 1871 or 72 just south of the present-day museum (then the center of town), it was Springdale's first general store. The building later served as the first post office, a private residence, the Church of Christ, a school, a hospital thrift store, and a Christian Science reading room. In 1978 the building was donated to the Museum and moved in 1989 to its current location on the Museum campus.

The double layer of thick, asphalt shingles that had served as the building's roof were old but not original. The fully-grant-funded project allowed us to replace the roof, add drip edges and flashing, repair damaged wood trim, re-stain it, and prolong the building's life as an active center for community engagement. The project was made possible by a grant from the Department of Arkansas Heritage, funded by General Improvement Funds provided by the Arkansas 86th General Assembly.

With the completion of the General Store roof, the Museum procured six new roofs in less than a year: three new metal roofs on the Museum building, a new cedar shake roof on the Shiloh Meeting Hall, a new corrugated metal roof on Dr. Carter's office, and the new General Store roof. To say we've raised the roof would be an understatement!

Wish List

For research library

- phone books/city directories from Benton, Boone, Carroll, Madison, Newton, and Washington counties
- back issues of *OzarksWatch* magazine
- *Obituaries of Washington County Arkansas, Volume Three, 1903-1908* by Easley and McAnelly

For collections storage

- mechanic's rolling stool (\$100)
- (2) five-tier wire shelving and casters (\$130 each)

For education programs

- beaver, fox, raccoon, skunk, and deer skins
- rug hooking supplies and sample
- JB Hunt and Jones Truck Lines toy truck
- (4) fossil casting kits (\$50 each)
- 1920s-era men's and women's hats (can be reproduction)
- (4) metal shelving units (\$150 each)

CALENDAR

Through Jan. 16, 2010. *Squeaky Clean*, an exhibit on the history of hygiene in the Ozarks.

Through Sept. 26. *Carry On*, an exhibit featuring baskets, trunks, purses, and other artifacts used to contain and transport items.

Through December 19. *Prized Possessions*, a photo exhibit featuring people posed with their favorite things, be it heirloom, horse, or household goods.

September 12, 10:00 am.-2:00 p.m. 32nd Ozark Quilt Fair, with antique and new quilts for show and sale.

September 16, noon. September 16, noon. "Mystery of the Trees," a program on trail trees by Don Wells, president of Mountain Stewards.

October 12-March 27, 2010. *What's Its*, an exhibit of oddities from the museum collections.

October 21, noon. "How Life Changed in Madison County in the 1860s," a program by Joy Russell of the Madison County Genealogical and Historical Society.

November 8, 1:00-5:00 p.m. 8th annual Tontitown Polenta Smear, celebrating Tontitown's Italian heritage. Co-sponsored by the Shiloh Museum and the Tontitown Historical Museum; held at St. Joseph Parish Hall.

November 18, noon. "Not a Good Sign: A Backroads Photographic Love Affair," a program by photographer Don House.

December 22-April 10, 2010. *Disaster!*, a photo exhibit of crashes and catastrophes.

January 16, 2010, 10:00 a. m.-2:00 p.m. Cabin Fever Reliever, the museum's annual celebration of the new year.

Follow us on

Twitter is a free and easy way to send and receive short instant messages (called "tweets") via computer, cell phone, or hand-held device. We use Twitter to let you know about upcoming events or interesting things that are happening at the museum as they occur. Create your own Twitter account at www.twitter.com, then go to www.twitter.com/ShilohMuseum to become one of our Twitter followers!

Join the Shiloh Museum Association

- Satisfaction of knowing you are supporting an important cultural institution and helping preserve our Arkansas Ozark heritage, *and*
- 10% discount on Shiloh Store purchases
- Reduced fees for children's and adult workshops
- Invitations to exhibit openings and special events

Consider a Gift to the Shiloh Museum Endowment Fund

☐ Check here if you would like more information about the endowment fund.

☐ Check here if you would like to receive your newsletter by email.

Email address _____

Membership Levels

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual - \$15 | <input type="checkbox"/> Patron - \$50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School class - \$12.50 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor - \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family - \$20 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining - \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Individual (65+) - \$10 | <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor - \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Couple - \$15 | <input type="checkbox"/> Founding - \$1,000 |

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Please make check payable to: Shiloh Museum
118 W. Johnson Avenue
Springdale, AR 72764
479-750-8165



Meeting the train at Patrick, a stop on the St. Paul Branch of the Frisco Railroad, ca. 1925. At that time, passenger trains ran seven days a week between Fayetteville and St. Paul. Leaving Fayetteville at 8:10 a.m., the train arrived in Patrick (a trip of 27.3 miles) at 10:30 a.m., after stops in Fayette Junction, Leith, Harris, Elkins, Durham, Thompson, Crosses, and Delaney. *James Bayles Collection*



118 W. Johnson Avenue
Springdale, AR 72764

Return Service Requested

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
Springdale, AR
Permit No. 371