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December 2019

Founded in 1999 - Wildwood, Missouri, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization

Celebrate With Us!



A Message from the President

This Month is all about Celebrating. We celebrate Christ's birth, we just celebrated Thanksgiving with our families and Wildwood Historical Society will celebrate our 20th Anniversary since our founding in 1999. It is also the 10th Anniversary of our expansion to the historic Hencken House property which has allowed us to grow as an organization. Please consider participating in our

Matching Fund Raiser and giving a tax deductible donation. Our anonymous patron has agreed to match dollar-for-dollar what we raise between now and December 15th. Thank you!

Reflecting I think it's ironic though I may live in Franklin County and find myself the president of this this St. Louis County organization. I am connected through my genealogy to so many people in this organization. I am related to a Stricker by marriage that I met on the tour we gave to Hencken descendants. So, indirectly, perhaps I'm related by marriage to the Hencken family as well!

So, Let's celebrate! Please join us on Sunday, December 15th, from 1 to 4 for our Open House! Everyone is welcome so please tell your friends and neighbors.

WHS will provide refreshments but we are asking Members to help by bringing an appetizer or dessert. We will also have sheet cake for dessert.

Sincerely,
Sandra K. Becker-Gurnow
President



✓ **Membership Renewal** ✓

Please see last page on the newsletter for the form



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or

send a check to:

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P.O. Box 125
Wildwood, MO 63069**



Please join us for a
HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE



on **SUNDAY,**
December 15,
from 1 to 4 pm
APPETIZERS AND DESSERTS SERVED

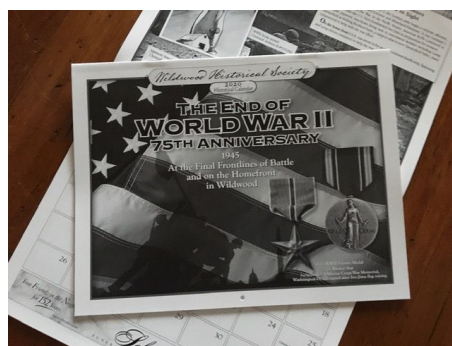
Holiday Open House

**Sunday, December
15th, 2019
1 to 4 pm**

Guests welcome! Please
bring your neighbors and
friends!

Appetizers and Desserts
Served

(Members asked to bring
appetizers or dessert)



**2020 calendars are
available for purchase**



Volunteers

Volunteers are always welcome and needed. But if you aren't able to physically help out, there are still ways to help:

Become a member or renew your membership for 2020

Donate to the December Match Challenge described at the beginning of this Newsletter

Attend our meetings & pick up a calendar

Donate supplies:

- BountySelect-Size paper towels
- Bleach
- Vinegar
- Copy paper

We are so incredibly thankful for each and

everyone who reads this Newsletter. WHS is a community of history-oriented people. It takes all of us to make this work able to be continued.



Archivists Corner

2020 celebrates the 75th anniversary of the end of WWII. December 2019 celebrates the 75th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge. Celebrate our Veterans all year long by collecting their stories, letters, and artifacts. Their service, a life-time ago, is why we are a free nation today!



Check out the New Website

Check or recently revamped website. It's up-to-date, it's full of photos and features, our past meetings and newsletters can also be accessed there.

It's truly is worth a few moments to scroll through our new site. It's the same URL address as before www.wildwoodhistoricalsoociety.org



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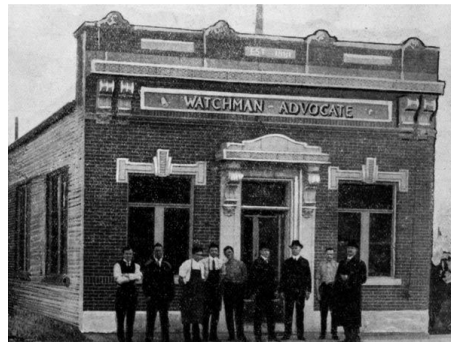
Meeting Hall

18750 Highway 100

Wildwood, MO 63069

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A Peek Into the Past



The Watchman and the Advocate county newspapers published news from towns in our area from the late 1800's thru the mid 1950's. The two became the Watchman-Advocate with the merger around 1903.

Editor's note: Articles copied in their original form.

1888.12.21- Gumbo, Birthday: birthday party at the commodious residence of Mr and Mrs Charles Boisseler for Charles. Over fifty couples present: Mr and Mrs Thomas Bayer, Mr G. Bayer and family, Mr E. Bayer and family, Mrs H. Wetzel and family, Mr F. Schultz and family, Mr E. Miller and family, Mr D. Miller and family, Mr E. Kroenung and family, Mr Wm. Rickard and

family, Mr C Kruas and family, Mr J. Walter and family, Mrs Sanders, Mrs Steffan, Misses Callie Boisseler, Alma Reuss, Permelia Breaker, Annie Wetzel, Mollie Burkhart, Ida Steinburg, Tillie and Mary Schultz, Lena Rickard, M. and C. Ferguson, Gusta Heller, Lena Walter, Emma and May Sanders, Henrietta Steffan, Minnie Kroenung, Minnie Schuester, Clara Hausel, Emma Eatherton, Clara Smith, Mina Weinrich, Bell Ficke, Della Johnson, and Messrs Peter Wetzel, Henry Sattler, Louis and Peter Steffan, Wm. Sutton, Con Corless, Aug. Kroenung, John Gaehle, Ben Ferguson, Chas. Schultz, Louis Jansen, Henry Kraus, Aug Heimann, Frank Glauser, Peter Cloak, Wm. Kroenung, Fred and Otto Ficke, and Mr and Mrs Russell from StL

1888.12.07- Pond, Social: Nolte Club party at their hall near Pond PO ...some of the elite of StL county. Among those present were noticed: Misses Annie Knappmeier, Emelia and Annie Hencken, Clara, Lydia and Carrie

Hillebrand, Lizzie Schaedler, M Haushalter, Mollie Burkhardt, Cornelia Hencken, Clara Kessel, E. Essen, Messrs Fred and Hugo Essen, Henry and Louis Knappmeier, Peter Wetzell, Victor and Fred Hencken, Geo. Kraus, Tony Deutchman, H. Bilchman, Chas. Storberrry, T. Wright, Chas and Christ Gruben, Louis Funk, S. Ewing, A. Kesselring, Rambour and Werner and many others

1888.12.14-Orrville, Roads:
Road Overseer Ernst Kroenung to repair bad places on Kehr's Mill road between the railroad and graveyard, the cost of said repairs not to exceed \$8



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**Renew your
Membership**

(see last page)

Online or By Mail

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Wildwood Historical Society Membership Form

Renewal or Initial Application



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	Individual	Couple	Family	Benefactor	Lifetime
Rate	\$25	\$35	\$35	\$100	\$500

Member Information

Name	
Address	
City	
State	
Zip	
Phone	
Email	

The Wildwood Historical Society meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at The Hencken Place, 18750 Highway 100, Wildwood, MO 63069 in the community of Dutch Hollow (West of Stovall's Grove).

Please remit form and payment to:

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Wildwood,MO 63040