

# The Kentucky Archivist

*Newsletter of the Kentucky Council on Archives*

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## Letter from the Chair

Greetings Kentucky archivists,

Well the world has taken another turn, since I last wrote a chair's letter. I am very saddened to announce that KCA will not be having an in-person meeting this Fall, due to high levels of COVID-19 community spread in Kentucky.

Instead, as a result of the survey the board sent to membership earlier this summer, KCA will be offering a virtual meeting focusing on copyright and the public domain in the archives. We are planning a workshop-style meeting, similar to the conference on disaster preparedness KCA held in Fall 2020. There will be pre-recorded content available for viewing prior to the meeting. Alternately, we will also be holding a screening of the webinar over Zoom the morning of the meeting. The virtual meeting will consist of facilitated discussions, in small groups. We will end the day with an informal chat/networking opportunity.

For Spring 2022, the board is currently investigating outdoor venues with powered pavilions. I hope that we will be able to see each other face-to-face again then. I am sure that I am not the only one with zoom fatigue, so I'm relishing the opportunity to physically be somewhere rather than staring at my computer screen.

Best,

Megan Mummey

Megan Mummey  
KCA Chair, 2021-2022



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## Fall Treasury Report

Annual Dues Collected, to date: **\$823.15**

Membership as of October 15, 2021:

**47 members**

Bank Balance (including interest): **\$9,569.91**

**(-\$250.00 pending check) = \$9,319.91**

PayPal Balance: **\$2,227.88**

Total Funds available as of October 15, 2021:  
**\$11,547.79**

## Quarterly Income/Expenditures (October)

Interest Earned October: **NA**

Membership dues: **NA**

Pending Donation for Archives Month -  
**\$250.00**

**Total Quarterly Income: -\$250.00**

Respectfully submitted on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October  
by Sandra Baird, KCA Treasurer

## KCA Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	Oct 1	2
					Archives Month	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Archives Month					Electronic Rec	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Archives Month	Columbus Day		#AskAnArchivist			
	Indigenous Pe					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Archives Month						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Archives Month						
31	Nov 1	2	3	4	5	6
Archives Mon	First Day of Ar	Election Day				
Halloween						

Events shown in time zone: Eastern Time - New York

KCA now has an online events calendar: <https://www.kyarchivists.com/calendar/>. In addition to posting the dates of upcoming KCA meetings and professional workshops, archival collections in Kentucky can submit events that can be shared on our calendar. The focus will be on Kentucky events, but if there are nearby trainings or national or regional events you think we should post, please let us know. You may email your submissions to: [mmeade@bellarmine.edu](mailto:mmeade@bellarmine.edu).

## Membership

Membership is valid from May 1 to April 30! Find the renewal form on the last page of this newsletter!

Find additional [KCA Governance](#) information on our website.

## KCA Membership News

### News from the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives

Submitted by: Jennifer Patterson

#### *New faces at KDLA!*

The Archival Services Branch welcomes two new staff to the Archives Research Room, and the Electronic Records Management Branch also welcomes a new staff member.

Rusty Heckaman joins KDLA as the Research Room Supervisor on September 16, 2021. He is moving from Austin, Texas, to come to KDLA. He brings experience in management of Archival spaces, collections, and personnel from his position as Reference Archivist for the Austin History Center, where he ensured delivery of excellent customer service by himself and colleagues for patrons accessing resources from AHC collections. Rusty also spent time as an Instruction Librarian for Austin Community College. Rusty has an MLS as well as a B.A. in History from Indiana University. A native of Indiana, Rusty now resides with his wife, Michele, and their children, Morgan and Les, in Lexington.

Jessica Herrington joined KDLA as a Reference Librarian on August 1, 2021. She performs professional reference and research assistance for KDLA's collections, public records, and archival materials, and offers training using library resources for various library customers. Jessica comes to KDLA from Garrard County Public Library. She was the Adult Services Librarian and Asst. Director for 8 years. She has a B.A in English from Morehead State University and a MLIS from the University of Kentucky. She is a native Kentuckian and currently resides in Garrard County.

Sarah Garrett joined KDLA as the Electronic Records Analyst on June 16, 2021. She is a Kentucky native who attended Asbury University for an undergraduate degree in Ancient Languages and a double minor in Business and Photography. She is currently working on a dual master's program, studying for an MLIS and MBA at Kent State University in Ohio. In her spare time, Sarah and her husband are wedding photographers and love to travel, read, and cook!



## KCA Membership News

### News from the Filson Historical Society

Submitted by: Jennifer Cole

#### *Welcome Emma Johansen!*

The Filson welcomed Emma Johansen as our Collections Assistant in late May 2021. We are excited to have her join our team to provide patron assistance on the reference desk, as well as cataloging and project work for the photographs and prints department! Emma had been with the Filson for over a year, working on a variety of digitization projects, including the Baptist Orphan's Home Records digital project and the Sanders-Bullitt Family Papers digitization project, both funded by the Kentucky Genealogical Society and Mills Foundation grants.

#### *Filson Reopens for Research*

After closure of nearly a year and a half due to COVID, the Filson reopened for research services on September 1, 2021. We have been very happy to welcome back our regulars and meet newcomers as well! We have some new safety procedures in place, such as mandatory masking and proof of vaccination for those wishing to conduct research, along with extra space between seats. In addition to our reading rooms being open, we are also welcoming in the public to view our exhibits on demand, and to take campus tours at 2pm on weekdays. Learn more at: <https://filsonhistorical.org/visit/>.



Emma Johansen. Photo by Jamie Evans.

### News from State Historical Records Advisory Board

Submitted by: Cathrine Giles

The selected SHRAB members have been approved by the State Libraries, Archives, and Records Commission at the Commission's September 9 meeting. They are: Andy Dobelstein, InfoResources; Austin Justice, Citizens-at-Large; Elisha Taylor, University of Pikeville; Johnna Waldon, Citizens-at-Large; Adam Winters, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Cheri Daniels, Kentucky Historical Society; and Kathy Hertel-Baker, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.

SHRAB's first meeting was held on October 14, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. The recording is available at <https://www.youtube.com/user/KYStateArchives/>. For more information about SHRAB, visit this page: <https://kdla.ky.gov/archivists/shrab/Pages/default.aspx>.



## Kentucky Archives Month

*Kentucky Archives Month Observed in October*

Submitted by: Cathrine Giles

The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives (KDLA) has designated October as Kentucky Archives Month in conjunction with American Archives Month. The theme for this year is “Education through the Ages” in honor of Kentucky’s rich education history.

Archives Month is an annual celebration of the importance of archives and historical records and of the work of institutions which preserve these unique resources. These repositories and their collections are quite varied but together hold a rich documentary legacy which shapes our understanding of the state’s past and our assessment of its future. For example, the Kentucky State Archives has educational records such as reports, publications, ledgers, and faculty and student files from the 1800s to modern day.

“As an educator and a student of history, I’m excited about the theme of ‘Education through the Ages’ for this year’s Kentucky Archives Month because there are thousands of educational records and collections available to Kentuckians all across the state as well as in the Kentucky State Archives in Frankfort. Many local libraries have archives that include yearbooks and other records that tell the story of education in that community. In addition, most colleges and universities have established their own archives to document and preserve their histories and traditions,” said Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman, who is also the secretary of the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet (EWDC).

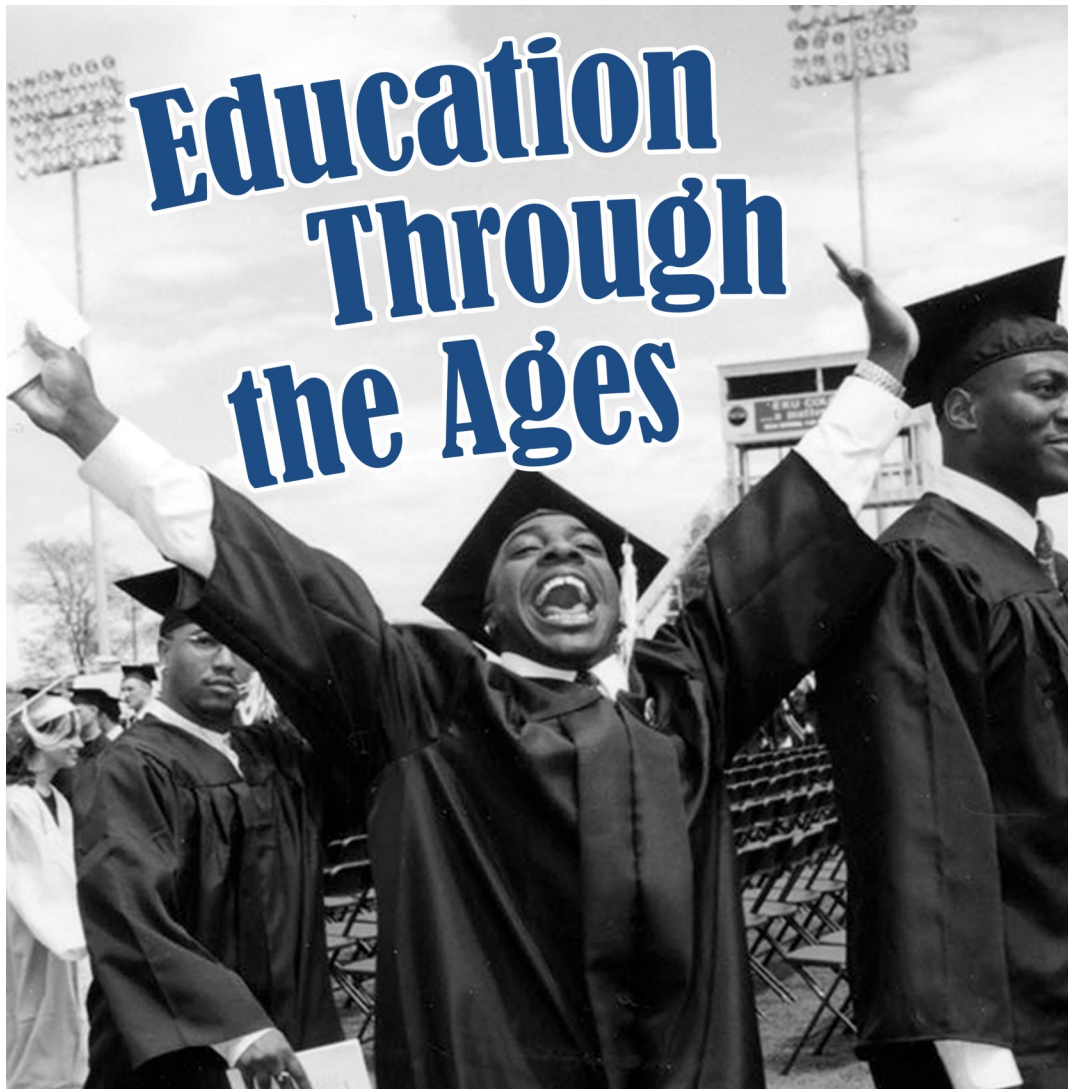
“The work of archivists is not limited to holding onto historical records,” said Terry Manuel, commissioner of KDLA and state librarian, archivist and records administrator. “Archives give us perspective and provide us with a bridge to the past. Archives Month encourages Kentuckians to seek out these institutions and discover these connections to history.”

KDLA encourages statewide repositories of historical materials to celebrate Kentucky Archives Month throughout October by promoting special activities or exhibits that highlight the role of archives in the state. Events are listed here: <https://kdla.ky.gov/archivists/shrab/pages/kyarchivesmonth.aspx>.

Items from the Archives Month and Education collections will be on display in the cabinets just outside the rotunda in the Capitol building. These items include the current Archives Month poster, the 2005 Archives Month poster, the 2003 Thomas D. Clark Award, and several state publications highlighting education.

Kentucky Archives Month is sponsored by the Friends of Kentucky Public Archives, Inc., Kentucky Council on Archives, and KDLA. The Kentucky Archives Month Committee members are Rebecca Halbmaier, Taylor Metzger, Devon Stivers, Renita Van, and Cathrine Giles.

Kentucky Archives Month Poster



# Kentucky Archives Month

October 2021

Sponsored by Friends of Kentucky Public Archives, Inc., Kentucky Council on Archives, and Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives

## 2021 Fall Meeting

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Copyright can be Scary! Deciding whether materials are in the public domain is not always straightforward or has an easy answer. Join us virtually on **November 12th** for a workshop on the types of copyrighted works most frequently found in archival, museum, and library collections, including books, unpublished archival materials, works of art, and scientific data. Participants will learn about tools and resources to help their public domain determinations, as well as ways to communicate those determinations with their users.

Watch the Lyrasis webinar on “When Copyright Ends (or Never Was): Understanding the Public Domain” either on your own or during the KCA Zoom screening of the webinar on the morning of the workshop. Then join us for an hour of facilitated discussion about copyright and the public domain. Stay over lunch for an optional informal chat/networking hour.

**November 12, 2021**

**[REGISTER HERE!](#)**

**Schedule (times in Eastern Time Zone)**

9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.: [Screening of “When Copyright Ends \(or Never Was\): Understanding the Public Domain”](#)

11:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.: Break

11:15 a.m.—12:15 p.m.: Discussion

12:15 p.m.—1:15 p.m.: Optional Brown Bag Social Hour!



## Membership Form

### KCA Dues (May 1, 2021 – April 30, 2022)

KCA membership cycle goes from May 1-April 30 and is **\$20**.

Please fill out this form as if it were a mailing label to you. You can email the form to the KCA treasurer, Sandra Baird, at [Sandra\\_Baird@georgetowncollege.edu](mailto:Sandra_Baird@georgetowncollege.edu) or you can mail it to the address at the bottom of the page.

**PLEASE DO NOT USE PERSONAL INFORMATION YOU WOULD NOT WANT ON THE KCA WEBSITE!**

We accept membership dues via Paypal, although there is an additional \$1 convenience fee.  
Please see the membership page of the KCA website to pay your dues electronically.

<http://www.kyarchivists.com/membership/>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Include my name and contact information on the KCA website membership directory.

\_\_\_\_\_ Do not include my name and contact information on the KCA website membership directory.

Send dues checks to:

**Sandra Baird  
400 E College St.  
Georgetown, KY 40324**

### Make Checks Payable to: Kentucky Council on Archives

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