All programs meet on the 3rd Monday of each month
at 7:00 p.m. Unless otherwise stated.

All regular meetings will be held at the
Civic Center located in the Veterans’ Plaza

Aug 15    RANDY RUBEL
           HISTORY OF THE MONTGOMERY CO. FIRE DEPT.

Sep 19    ELEANOR WILLIAMS, ELLEN KANERVKO,
           MINOA UFFLEMAN & PHYLLIS SMITH
           SEREPTA JORDAN DIARY

Oct 17    BILLYFRANK MORRISON
           HIGH PROFILE MURDERS “BACK IN THE DAY”

Nov 21    KURT BRYANT
           RURAL ROUTE 7, THE LONGEST RURAL ROUTE IN
           MONTGOMERY COUNTY CARRIED BY MY DAD

Dec 12    CHRISTMAS DINNER    CIVIC CENTER

“The underlined items will take the place of our regular meetings. On these months there will be no other meetings, just our outings.”

THE MCHS HISTORIC RESIDENTIAL PLAQUE PROGRAM.

” Did you know that the Montgomery County Historical Society sponsors residential historic plaques for homes that qualify.? Stay tuned for the history, participation, and features of historic homes In Montgomery County which already display their Historic Plaques. We will be sharing this information with our readers in up-coming editions of the “Cornsheller”. You may not be aware that your home could qualify. Maybe then a little icon of an oval plaque beside it…. with a date on it in middle..

Joseph (Bob) Houston

Note from editor: The enclosed plaque is actually Bob ‘s. He was the first to receive one when the piolet program began.
First, thank you for asking me to share some of my major life events with your readers. I have been a proud member of the Montgomery County Historical Society since 2001 and hope I have contributed positive ideas to our organization.

Before moving to Clarksville in 1973 (the first time), I attended and graduated from Paducah Public Schools. I graduated from Murray State University with a B.A. and M.A. in languages, and began teaching at Montgomery Central High School and later New Providence Junior High (now NPMS) in 1981 in Clarksville, Montgomery CO TN.

I decided that I needed more life and pedagogical experience in other geographical locations, so I moved to Lexington, KY where I taught Spanish, English and French in Fayette County Schools. After that teaching experience, I was advised to move near the Mexican border to teach in bilingual schools. In McAllen Texas, I taught ESL, Freshman English and supervised the Learning Assistance Center at Pan American University. While there, I was fortunate to travel to various regions in Mexico to better familiarize myself with Latin culture and improve my oral proficiency in Spanish. Even though I enjoyed my time in the Rio Grande Valley, I longed for a greener and wetter climate. Hence, I found collegiate positions in Mobile, AL. While in Mobile, I taught at Spring Hill College (a Jesuit college) University of South Alabama, and Gulf Coast Community College. While living in Mobile, I became very interested in historical preservation and lived in a historical area near downtown – Oakleigh Garden Historical District, in a small shot-gun style home on piers. Mobile is where I got the idea for our MCHS Plaque Program. Someone in my church choir at All Saints Episcopal suggested I audition for Mobile Opera Chorus, which I did and continued to perform in many famous operas including my favorite, “Madam Butterfly” until 1998.

So, when and why did I return to Clarksville? In 1999 my father in Paducah was physically and mentally frail and my Aunt Billie Carroll, from Murray, KY, was dying from cancer. I felt it was my responsibility to be closer to my family. Fortunately, I was re-hired by the CMCSS and continued my tenure teaching ESL for seventeen years and Spanish at APSU as adjunct instructor. While at APSU, I also earned my Ed.S. in Administration and Supervision in 2007.

I retired May 2015 and find myself busier than ever with church missions at Trinity Episcopal Church and various civic and community activities. Presently, I live in a small cottage in the Dog Hill Historic District with my feline friend, Oscar. If you ever drive around the Dog Hill area, you can’t miss my home on Union – grey with dark maroon trim, a flag for every season, a statue of Buddha, colorful gardens, a very old, tall crepe myrtle and a historical plaque on the façade of my home which depicts: “the year built (ca. 1906), original builder and owner-Hamlett-Bilsky.”

Personally, it’s been a fantastic life adventure, and it’s not over yet!
Watson W. Wyatt son of John (S) William Sr. and Elizabeth Sallie Williams Wyatt was born 15 Nov. 1821 in TN and died in 1890 at age 69. Watson W. married Mary B. Humphreys. Mary B. was born in 1826 in TN.

Warren Addison Wyatt son of John (S) William Sr. and Elizabeth Sallie Williams Wyatt was born 15 Oct. 1826 in VA and died in 1890 in Haywood, TN at age 64. Warren Addison married Susan Dancy, in 1850 in Haywood, TN. Susan was born 30 Apr. 1828 in Haywood, TN and died about 1870 in Haywood, TN about age 42.

Mary Virginia Wyatt daughter of John (S) William Sr. and Elizabeth Sallie Williams Wyatt was born about 1827 in TN.

May Mary Wyatt daughter of William Overstreet and Katharine Sarah Tomlinson Wyatt was born in 1788 in VA and died in 1833 at age 45. May Mary married Peter P. Roberts 14 Jan. 1812 in Lunenburg CO VA.

Ermine Wyatt daughter of William Overstreet and Katharine Sarah Tomlinson Wyatt was born in 1790 in Lunenburg CO VA.

Martha Wyatt daughter of William Overstreet and Katharine Sarah Tomlinson Wyatt was born 21 May 1792 in Lunenburg CO VA and died 21 May 1857 in Quincy, Gladston CO FL at age 65. Martha married John W. Virginia Smith 29 Nov 1811 in Lunenburg CO VA. John W. Virginia was born on 8 May 1789 in Brunswick CO VA and died 13 Dec. 1851 in Quincy, Gladston CO FL at age 62.

Lucy Wyatt daughter of William Overstreet and Katharine Sarah Tomlinson Wyatt was born in 1794. Lucy married William Graves.12 Jul. 1820 in Chesterfield CO VA.

Henry O. Wyatt was born about 1818 in TN and died after 1870. He worked as a postmaster on Richardson St. 7 Jun. 1860 in Clarksville, Montgomery CO TN. He appeared on the District 17 census in 1870 in Montgomery CO TN. Henry O. married Mary C. Richardson 24 Nov. 1844 in Montgomery CO TN. Mary C. was born about 1826 in MD. They had children: Richard Theodore, Ella P., Benjamin Lewis, Sallie B., and Mary.

Henry’s son Richard Theodore Wyatt was born 1 Jan 1847 in Montgomery CO TN and died 31 Aug. 1922 in Montgomery CO at age 75. He was buried in Antioch Methodist Church Cemetery, Clarksville, Montgomery CO TN. He worked as a Farmer. Richard Theodore married Agnes Marion Edmonson 21 Dec 1871 in Montgomery CO. Agnes Marion was born 29 Aug 1849 in Montgomery CO and died 19 Apr 1925 at age 75. She was also buried in Antioch Methodist Church Cemetery. They had children: Mary Virginia, Ella Marian, Lucian Henry, and William.

Mary Virginia Wyatt daughter of Richard Theodore and Agnes Marion Edmonson Wyatt was born 25 Jul 1873 in Montgomery CO and died 24 Dec. 1946 in Montgomery CO at age 73. She was also buried in Antioch Methodist Church Cemetery.

Ella Marian Wyatt daughter of Richard Theodore and Agnes Marion Edmonson Wyatt was born 7 Jun. 1875 in TN and died 11 Jul. 1884 at age 9, and was also buried in Antioch Methodist Church Cemetery.

Lucian Henry Wyatt son of Richard Theodore and Agnes Marion Edmonson Wyatt was born 7 Feb. 1878 in TN and died 12 Jan 1936 in Palmrya, Montgomery CO TN at age 57. He was also buried in Antioch Methodist Church Cemetery. Lucian Henry married Etha Channell. Etha was born 28 Mar. 1883 in TN and died 1 Apr. 1970 at age 87. She was also buried in Antioch Methodist Church Cemetery. They had children: Robert Theodore, Lucian H., and John Andrew.

Robert Theodore Wyatt Sr. son of Lucian Henry and Etha Channell Wyatt was born 28 Jun. 1905 and died 11 May 1980 at age 74. He was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Clarksville, Plot: Section 21, Montgomery CO TN. Robert Theodore married Alberta Austin. Alberta was born 6 Oct.1905 in Stewart CO TN and died in Apr. 1983 in Clarksville at age 77, and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Plot: Section 21. They had children: Robert Theodore “Bobby” and Winifred.

Children of Robert Theodore Wyatt Sr.:

- **Winifred Wyatt** was born 16 Jan. 1934 in Montgomery CO TN, and died 15 Oct. 2012 at age 78, and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery. Her **obituary**: Funeral service for Winifred Wyatt Stapp, age 78 of Clarksville, will be Saturday, October 20, 2012 at 1 p.m., at Sykes Funeral Home. Reverend Harriet Harris will officiate. Buriel will follow in the Greenwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Friday, October 19, 2012 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., and again on Saturday, October 20th from 11 a.m. until the time of service at Sykes Funeral Home. Mrs. Stapp passed away on Monday, October 15, 2012 at her son's residence in Texas. She was born on January 16, 1934 in Montgomery County, TN to Robert T. Wyatt, Jr. and Alberta Austin Wyatt. She was a member of Salem United Methodist Church, and was a retired Librarian for Austin Peay, Ft. Campbell, KY, and was at Montgomery Central High School for more than 30 years. She is survived by her sons, Stephen Stapp and Stuart Stapp; brother, Robert T. Wyatt, Jr.; grandchildren, Samantha, Rebecca and Belle Stapp. Honorary Pallbearers will be the Salem Fellowship Sunday School Class. (Published in The Leaf Chronicle on October 20, 2012)

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Clarksville Chronicle, 5 Aug. 1859 Fri.

VERY NEARLY A DIFFICULTY.—A disturbance that came near being a serious one, occurred last night, in front of those dens of brawling drunkenness known as Mardin Lally's and Callahan McCarthy's. It seems that the last named one of this charming pair, who had his Hibernian blood considerably warmed by the rejection of several illegal Irish votes during the day, and afterward., heated to such a fever pitch, by frequent potations of the national beverage, that he boited over, by night, and sallying forth from his door, with pistol in hand, he fired three times, up and down the street, at random, calling, at the same time, for the D—k Know Nothing scoundrels to come on with many other "illegant" compliments of the same sort. In a few minutes a highly excited crowd collected and whilst they were deliberating what to do, some boys commenced assailing the house with rocks. Whereupon, McCarthy, who had retreated inside, opened his door and fired twice at the crowd, fortunately hitting no one. At this moment they started forward to seize him, when wiser counsel prevailed, and they sent for the police. When they arrived and searched the house, McCarthy had "vamosed the ranch." When such abominable nuisances as these infamous dens have always been in our midst, get to such a pitch as to endanger the lives of persons walking upon the streets by wanton and unprovoked attacks, they should be at once abated by short notice to quit.

Clarksville Chronicle, 4 Aug. 1865, Fri. Page 2

A New Way To Kill Rats.—A girl employed in the service of a family in a neighboring city, having seen the effects of "old Bourbon" whiskey on bipeds, thought she would try an experiment on rats. Accordingly she took a small quantity of the fluid, made it very sweet with sugar, crumbled in bread enough for the crowd, and set the dish in the cellar. A few hours after, she found several rats gloriously fuddled," engaged in throwing potato parings and hauling one another up to drink. These, as a matter of course, were easily disposed of and none have been seen about the premises since.

Clarksville Chronicle, 4 Aug. 1865, Fri • Page 3

Refreshing!—Not the sultry days of August through which we are perspiring and melting—not by any means—but it is decidedly so after passing through one of them that would test the endurance of a salamander, to receive an invite—ment to take a buggy ride, as we did from our friend Roach the other evening. His fleet-footed bays struck up a Flora-Temple lick that sent the cooling breezes flying by us in such a refrigerant style that we almost forgot it was summer. Rocah keeps fine stock at his stables—real blooded animals—and furnishes a turn-out in the horse-and-buggy line that is nothing less than "splendid elegance."

Chronicle, 25 Aug. 1865, Fri. Page 2

The funniest story of the age is told by a Detroit paper. A lady suspected her husband of improper intimacy with, the hired girl. Without informing her husband of her Intention, she sent the girl off that night and went to sleep in the girl's bed. She had not been there long when somebody came and took the other half of the bed. About two hours after, the wife arose, intending to reveal the, infidelity of her spouse, and struck a light, when, lo! it was the hired man!

Clarksville Weekly Chronicle, 17 Aug 1866, Fri. Page 3

We are glad to announce that Rob Graham has refitted and started the City Flouring Mills again. We also notice that the Lafayette Mills are about to be put in operation again. These Mills are of the most valuable property in our city, and we are glad to see them in full blast once more.
Lucian H. Wyatt Jr. was born 19 Mar. 1909 in Montgomery CO and died 7 Jun. 1979 at age 70. He was buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

John Andrew Wyatt son of Richard Theodore and Agnes Marion Edmonson Wyatt was born 8 May 1912 in Palmyra, Montgomery CO and died 14 Aug. 1978 in Nashville, Davidson CO TN at age 66, and was also buried in Greenwood Cemetery. John Andrew married Elizabeth Anne Allen about 1935 in Montgomery CO. Elizabeth Anne was born 13 Dec. 1916 in Montgomery CO and died 30 Jan. 2003 in Montgomery CO at age 86. She was buried in Greenwood Cemetery. They had children: Bill, Unk, John Andrew, and Lucian Lowe.

John Andrew Wyatt Jr. son of John Andrew and Elizabeth Anne Allen Wyatt was born 18 Jan. 1938 in Clarksville and died 16 Feb. 2000 in Clarksville at age 62, and was buried in Martha’s Chapel Cemetery, Cunningham, Montgomery CO TN.

Lucian Lowe Wyatt son of John Andrew and Elizabeth Anne Allen Wyatt was born 2 Jul. 1941 in Montgomery CO TN. He was educated at Austin Peay State College in 1961 in Clarksville, Montgomery CO TN. He was a member and President of The Agriculture Club in 1961 in Clarksville, Montgomery CO TN. Austin Peay State College Lucian Lowe married 20 Jul. 1969 in Montgomery CO TN. (I believe the enclosed picture is the correct person)

William Wyatt son of Richard Theodore and Agnes Marion Edmonson Wyatt was born in 1888 and died in 1888.

Ella P. Wyatt daughter of Henry O. and Mary C. Richardson Wyatt was born in 1849 in TN.

Benjamin Lewis Wyatt son of Henry O. and Mary C. Richardson Wyatt was born 2 Nov. 1852 in Clarksville died 16 Jul. 1919 in Irvington, Mobile CO AL at age 66. He was buried in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Bayou La Batre, Mobile CO AL. Benjamin Lewis married Mary Sumner Neblett. Mary Sumner was born 21 Oct. 1858 in Montgomery CO TN and died 15 Mar. 1912 in Belmont, Montgomery CO at age 53. She was buried in Roberts Cemetery, Salem, Montgomery CO. They had children: Julia, Bessie, Laura, Hayden Byrn, Lattie, Glenndyl, Natalie, and Mary.

Children:
- **Julia Wyatt** was born 13 Feb 1883 in TN. She died 18 May 1962 in Collierville, Shelby CO TN at age 79, and was buried in Magnolia Cemetery, Collierville, Shelby CO TN. **Julia** married James M. Pool. James M. was born about 1875 in KY.
- **Bessie Wyatt** was born in 1885 in TN and died 23 Apr. 1952 in Memphis at age 67. **Bessie** married Frank Comer Chenault. Frank Comer was born 15 Mar. 1887 in TN and died 23 Jul. 1958 in Memphis at age 71.
- **Laura Wyatt** was born 12 Jan. 1887 in Clarksville and died 18 Nov. 1958 in Bessemer, Jefferson CO AL at age 71. She was buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Bessemer, Jefferson CO AL. Laura married Marvin Harrison Dunlavy. Marvin Harrison was born 1 May 1887 in Clarksville. He died 1 Jan 1970 in Birmingham, Jefferson CO AL at age 82 and was also buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Bessemer, Jefferson CO AL.
- **Hayden Byrn Wyatt** was born 4 Jun. 1889 in Memphis, Shelby CO TN and died 16 Jul. 1944 in Memphis at age 55.
- **Laura Wyatt** was born 12 Jan. 1887 in Clarksville and died 18 Nov. 1958 in Bessemer, Jefferson CO AL at age 71, and was buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Bessemer, Jefferson CO AL. **Laura** married Marvin Harrison Dunlavy. Marvin Harrison was born 1 May 1887 in Clarksville; He died 1 Jan. 1970 in Birmingham, Jefferson CO AL at age 82, and was also buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

We love you all!

**REMINDER**

Our annual BBQ chicken fundraiser will be on Saturday, August 13th from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the same place as before, Civic Hall. The menu will be the same: 1/2 chicken, two sides, bread, dessert and cold drink for $10

Kurt Bryant
President

(Desendants of Henry O Wyatt cont.)

**Hayden Byrn Wyatt** was born 4 Jun. 1889 in Memphis and died 16 Jul 1944 in Memphis, at age 55

**Lattie Wyatt** was born in 1891 in TN and died in Sep 1985 at age 94. **Lattie** married William Wood. William was born about 1889 in TN

**Glenndyl Wyatt** was born in 1893 in TN. **Glenndyl** married A. F. Jackson 19 Aug 1915 in Birmingham, Jefferson CO AL. A. F. was born in 1886.


**Mary Wyatt** was born 25 Aug. 1899 in Clarksville and died 22 Nov. 1957 in Memphis at age 58. Mary married John Jones Ogden 15 May 1920 in Memphis. John Jones was born 14 Jun. 1894 in Madisonville, KY and died

(More information on the Wyatt families is available at the Montgomery CO Archives in Clarksville, Montgomery CO TN.)
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM
MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
*** (Membership period is January 1 to December 31) ***

NAME: ____________________________ ____________________________ ____________________________
( First) (Middle) (Last)

ADDRESS ____________________________ ____________________________ ____________________________
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

PHONE: ___________ EMAIL: ______________________________ DATE: ________________

Please make checks payable to MCHS
Please check type of membership

Individual [ ] $25 Family [ ] $35 Student (K-12) [ ] $10 Life [ ] $500

Corporate [ ] $255 Institutional [ ] $500 Preservation Society (2 years) [ ]
$2,000

New Member [ ] Renewal Member [ ] Changing Membership [ ]