



Monroe County Bicentennial Schedule of Events



Bicentennial Beauty Pageant JANUARY 4	The official Bicentennial beauty pageant is sponsored by the Monroe County 4-H Council. Winners will be invited to assist in various events throughout the year.
Bicentennial Kick-Off JANUARY 19	Pomp, circumstance, and fun at the National Guard Armory! We will also file for Heritage Farms, Families, and Businesses.
Gamaliel Time Capsule JANUARY 21	Join the students at GES as they bury a time capsule in the Gamaliel Cemetery.
President Monroe Exhibit JANUARY 27 - FEBRUARY 28	"James Monroe's Tours of the Southern States" traveling exhibit kicks off at William B. Harlan Memorial Library then moves on to each Monroe County School.
Show & Tell @MCH&GS MARCH 19	Theme: "Oldest Thing I Own" during the Monroe County Historical & Genealogical Society monthly meeting at the Monroe County Economic Development Center.
"Dress Like Day" MARCH 27	Get ready for the weekend's Long Hunters Rendezvous by dressing like someone from the Daniel Boone Era!
Long Hunter Rendezvous MARCH 27-28	Partnership with the Middle Tennessee History Coalition at Old Mulkey. Living history portrayal of the Daniel Boone era complete with tanning hides!
Show & Tell + Chautauqua APRIL 16	Theme: "The 1920s" as well as a presentation by Kentucky Chautauqua during the Monroe County Historical & Genealogical Society monthly meeting.
Gospel Homecoming APRIL 18	Join us at the First Baptist Church as we enjoy the sounds and harmonies of the county's vocal favorites!
WWI Exhibit APRIL 22 - 28	Partnership with the Kentucky WWI Centennial Commission at the National Guard Armory. Includes a 3D Exhibit of Camp Zachary Taylor!
"Dress Like Day" APRIL 24	Celebrate the 20s - the Roaring 1920s, that is - by dressing as your favorite flapper or dapper!
Pioneer Days MAY 13-15	The Monroe County Fairgrounds will be bustling with an interactive presentation of 18 pioneer activities. Includes making butter, candles, corn husk dolls, and more!
"Dress Like Day" MAY 15	Spend your day dressed like your grandparents!
BBQ Festival Parade MAY 16	We're putting a historic twist on Fountain Run's Parade.
Show & Tell @MCH&GS MAY 21	Theme: "The 1930s" during the Monroe County Historical & Genealogical Society monthly meeting at the Monroe County Economic Development Center.
Old Sluggers Baseball MAY 30	Enjoy the fun as Monroe County's baseball/softball alumni hit the field.
One Room School Event JUNE 13- 19*	Partnership with Monroe Youth Theatre at various locations.
Show & Tell @MCH&GS JUNE 18	Theme: "The 1950s" during Monroe County Historical & Genealogical Society monthly meeting at the Monroe County Economic Development Center.
Tim Lee Carter Exhibit JULY 12 - 25	Partnership with WKU Special Collections Library and Kentucky Museum at Old Mulkey Meeting House.
Monroe Co. Genealogy Fair JULY 18	Partnership with Dena Chapman Green at Gamaliel Elementary School. Discussions of DNA, family info, photo IDs, and more!
SAR Grave Dedication JULY 18	Partnership with Alben Shockley and the Sons of the American Revolution.
Homemaking in Monroe AUGUST 6	The Monroe County Extension Office hosts "Homemaking Through the Years"
Show & Tell @MCH&GS AUGUST 20	Theme: The "1960s & 1970s" during Monroe County Historical & Genealogical Society monthly meeting at the Monroe County Economic Development Center.
"Dress Like Day" AUGUST 21	Break out your tie dye shirts and bell-bottoms so you can dress like a Hippie!
Korean War Era Forward AUGUST 21 - 22	Partnership with Friends of the Army Aviation Ozark held at Tompkinsville-Monroe County Airport. Variety of activities related to life from the Korean War to present. We're bringing in a Huey!
WWII Presentation SEPTEMBER 1 - 30	"Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition" WWII tribute will be on loan from the Kentucky Museum at the William B. Harlan Memorial Library.
Watermelon Festival Parade SEPTEMBER 5	We're putting a historic twist on the Watermelon Festival Parade.
Native American Artifact Show SEPTEMBER 12	Brought to you by the Gamaliel Lions Club, this event gives you the opportunity to buy, sell, and trade your favorite Native American pieces.
Show & Tell @ MCH&GS SEPTEMBER 17	Theme: "The 1940s" during Monroe County Historical & Genealogical Society monthly meeting at the Monroe County Economic Development Center.
"Dress Like Day" SEPTEMBER 19	Pay homage to the Greatest Generation by dressing like our War and Homefront Heroes of the 1940s - then head to William B. Harlan Memorial Library for a special WWII tribute.
WWII Vets Honored + CSO Tour SEPTEMBER 19	William B. Harlan Memorial Library will cap off WWII month by hosting a CSO Tour with live music and presenters honoring Monroe County WWII Veterans and their families!
200 Years of Transportation SEPTEMBER 16 - 27	Partnership with the National Corvette Museum at the Armory. We're tweaking NCM's exhibit "225 Years of Transportation in Kentucky" to focus on local transportation!
Battle of Tompkinsville OCTOBER 16 - 18	Partnership with the 9th Kentucky B US Infantry to reenact the county's only Civil War Battle. Battles will be held at "Harlan's House" on Capp Harlan Road on Saturday and Sunday.
Blue and Gray Ball OCTOBER 17	Antebellum attire appreciated (but not required) as we wrap up our year long party among the color and chivalry of a Civil War-era dance - with a dance instructor and period band!
AutumnFest Parade *TBD	We're putting a historic twist on Gamaliel's AutumnFest parade.