

11-1991

South Union Messenger (November 1991)

Kentucky Library Research Collections
Western Kentucky University, spcol@wku.edu

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/su_messenger



Part of the [Christian Denominations and Sects Commons](#), and the [United States History Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Kentucky Library Research Collections, "South Union Messenger (November 1991)" (1991). *South Union Messenger*. Paper 18.
https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/su_messenger/18

This Newsletter is brought to you for free and open access by TopSCHOLAR®. It has been accepted for inclusion in South Union Messenger by an authorized administrator of TopSCHOLAR®. For more information, please contact topscholar@wku.edu.

Shakertown  South Union

The South Union Messenger

NEWSLETTER OF THE FRIENDS OF SHAKERTOWN AT SOUTH UNION, KENTUCKY
NOVEMBER 1991

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT SHAKERTOWN

A celebration of Shaker Christmas has become a tradition at the South Union Shaker Museum. This year the first weekend in December (Saturday, December 7th and Sunday, December 8th) will mark the fifth annual "Christmas at Shakertown" open-house. The event will feature Christmas and Shaker music performances, late Victorian decorations, holiday refreshments, and over thirty booths of fine antiques and handmade items for sale.

Admission is free to the public, although we do ask that visitors bring a non-perishable food item to be distributed to needy in the region. Bring the entire family and help us ring in the Christmas season in the historic atmosphere of Shakertown at South Union. Doors open at 9:00am on Saturday and 1:00pm on Sunday.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SOUTH UNION SHAKER MUSEUM

This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the South Union Shaker Museum. On December 15th, from 2:00 until 4:00, join the staff, Board of Directors, volunteers and Friends for a birthday party in honor of the occasion. Countless hours of donated time and effort have gone into the Shakertown project since the museum collection was moved in 1971 from Auburn to the historic site of the South Union community. Since then the collection has become one of the largest in the United States and Shakertown Revisited, Inc. has acquired four original Shaker structures and approximately one hundred acres of the Shaker farm. The birthday party is planned as a way to thank all of those volunteers who have made the museum what it is today.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Depp Britt, Nashville, Tennessee
Suzanne Burns, Brentwood, Tennessee
Sandra Schaap, Bowling Green, Kentucky

SPECIAL THANKS...

To Jonathon Jeffrey, reference librarian at the Kentucky Library, Western Kentucky University, for the hours spent at South Union preparing a bibliography of the museum's book and manuscript collection.

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

In September of this year the Shakertown Board of Directors voted for a major revision of the organization's by-laws. One of the changes was in the number of total seats on the Board, a limit being set a sixteen. Five new members were needed to fill vacancies and those new members are:

- Roland Willock, Bowling Green, Kentucky
- Charile Ray, Russellville, Kentucky
- William Holt, Bowling Green, Kentucky
- Allison Fuqua, Russellville, Kentucky
- Skip Cleavinger, Bowling Green, Kentucky

Rotating off the Board this year were Bill Gaines of Auburn, Ruth Allender of Bowling Green, and Mark Iverson of Bowling Green. Special thanks to each of these members for many volunteer hours and a lot of hard work. Each made an impression in the growth and development of the organization and will remain supporters of the museum. Others who are currently on the Board of Directors are:

- Joe Gran Clark, Russellville, Kentucky
(newly-elected president)
- Ray Clark, Russellville, Kentucky
(out-going president)
- Paula Clark, Russellville, Kentucky
- Carol Dyche, Russellville, Kentucky
- Nancy Gaines, Auburn, Kentucky
(out-going secretary)
- Deedy Hall, Auburn, Kentucky
- Jay D. Joines, Russellville, Kentucky
(newly-elected vice-president)
- Bess Martin, Russellville, Kentucky
- Trent Spurlock, Russellville, Kentucky
(newly-elected treasurer)
- Sally Ann Strickler, Auburn, Kentucky
(newly-elected secretary)
- Dianne Watkins, Bowling Green, Kentucky

RECENT DONATIONS

- Shaker Clay Pipe, Eastern.....Sharon Bennett, Bowling Green
- Cotton Sheets to be used as dust covers...Rena Milliken, Russellville
John and Linda Tanner,
Madison, Tennessee
- Monetary Donation for Restoration.....Kit Cress, Mansfield, Ohio

RECENT DONATIONS...CONTINUED

Monetary Donation in memory of Amanda Gordon...Mary Frances Russell,
Russellville, Kentucky
Monetary Donation in honor of Julia Neal and
Deedy Hall.....Rose Mary Lawson, Dayton,
Ohio

STUDY GROUP BEING FORMED FOR SOUTH UNION AREA

Ten people met on November 16 to organize a Shaker study group for the South Union area. The purpose of the group is to share interests and knowledge of Shaker among its members and to provide an opportunity for fellowship among Shaker enthusiasts. The group will have no formal ties with the museum at South Union, only a desire to support it and to be of assistance when needed. This will become the ninth known Shaker study group in the United States.

The charter meeting will be held Saturday, March 21, 1992, at the South Union Shaker Museum from 2:00 until 4:00pm. Organizational business and a program is planned along with a time for members to become acquainted. Future meetings will be held at other locations in the area.

For additional information contact Sheldon and Brenda Baugh, Russellville, KY, phone 502-726-7616 (day) 502-726-2712 (night) or Dale Spencer, Franklin, KY, phone 502-726-8432 (day) 502-586-6380 (night) or John and Linda Tanner, Madison, TN, 615-865-9125.

The next planning meeting will be held on January 18, 1992 at 4:00pm at the home of Sheldon and Brenda Baugh. A potluck meal will be served. Anyone wanting to attend should contact the Baughs at the numbers listed above.

FROM THE DIRECTOR

1991 has been a great year at South Union. Over 13,000 visitors have toured the museum during the seven month season and the Smoke and Milk House is almost complete. Finally, when people ask, "Is the Centre House the only building we can see," we can say a resounding, "No." There is much on the horizon for 1992 but without your continued support we will not reach our goals as quickly. Thanks so much for your help this year and in years past.

Thank you to Ray Clark, Nancy Gaines, and Mark Iverson, out-going Board officers, for invaluable support and volunteer time over the past several years. We look forward to years of progress with the new officers and members of the Board.

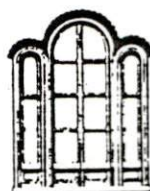
Join us for "Christmas at Shakertown" on the 7th and 8th of December and for the museum birthday party, December 15th, and, again, thank you for your part in the progress and growth of the museum.

"Riverview" and Shakertown at South Union
invite you to a...

19th Century Christmas



**Shakertown at
South Union**



Riverview
HISTORIC HOBSON HOUSE

Christmas at Shakertown

... an open house celebration with period decorations, Christmas caroling, holiday refreshments and booths of handmade treasures and antiques.

Dates: December 7-8
Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Saturday
1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
Sunday
Cost: Free Admission

Non-perishable food items will be accepted for Logan County needy.

Shakertown at South Union is located 10 miles west of Bowling Green on Hwy. 68.
(502) 542-4167

A Victorian Yuletide at Riverview

... featuring candlelight tours of the house, period music, Victorian decorations, readings of "The Night Before Christmas," refreshments and holiday treasures in the Museum Shop.

Dates: December 6-7-8
Time: 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
Friday & Saturday
1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Sunday
Cost: Adults-\$4.00
Students-\$2.00
Families-\$9.00

Convenient parking and free shuttle service.

Underwritten by Trans Financial BankCorp. Inc.

Riverview is located in Hobson Grove Park, 1100 West Main Avenue, Bowling Green
843-5565

Shakertown  South Union

Shakertown at South Union, Kentucky 42283

NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
SHAKERTOWN AT
SOUTH UNION, KENTUCKY 42283
PERMIT NO. 3

*Serials Unit
Helm Cravens Library
WKU
Bowling Green, Ky 42101*