## **Newsletter**

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## Randolph County Historical Society

# ERCC DONATES CHAIRS TO RCHS

The Elkins Rehabilitation & Care Center (ERCC) has donated eight chairs to the RCHS for use in their meeting room. The meeting space is located in the Randolph County Museum (pictured right). RCHS member Gary Schoonover mentioned that the ERCC had some pieces of



furniture they were willing to donate, due to a remodel. Carolyn Channell, Treasurer of the RCHS, later went to see the chairs, where ERCC members loaded the chairs so they could be transported to their new home in Beverly.

The RCHS now uses this space for Society meetings, programmed events, and special events.

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#### MUSEUM UPDATES

The museum will open in May on Thursdays—Saturdays, 11am—4pm
Or by appointment!

Email us: randolphcountymuseum@ gmail.com

Or call: (304) 637-7424

The museum is located on the corner of Main and Court St. in Beverly, WV.

Free admission. Donations appreciated!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**April 26** – RCHS President Don Teter will portray Confederate topographer Jed Hotchkiss at the Valley Head Public Library, 6pm.

Sponsored by the RCHS and the Mingo District Historical Society

**May 5** – RCHS Spring Program. DAR Preserving Local History, followed by reception and museum tour, 1pm.

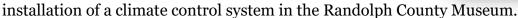
July 13-15-Beverly Heritage Days

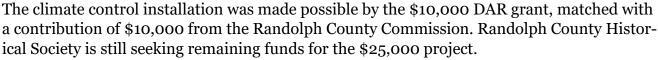


## JOHN HART CHAPTER OF THE DAR TO HOST PROGRAM

Come celebrate a unique partnership to preserve local history at the Randolph County Museum in Beverly. The John Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will be featured in a program honoring preservation of the Museum building.

On Saturday May 5, 2018 at 1 p.m., the Randolph County Historical Society will present its spring program "DAR Preserving Local History." The presentation will share about the local and national DAR organization and their work. A Special Projects Grant awarded by the National Daughters of the American Revolution made possible the





The program will recognize and thank the National Daughters of the American Revolution and the Randolph County Commission for their support for the climate control project, followed by a tour of the museum and a reception. Community members are invited to attend.

## VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE!



Our website is up and running!

Visit it at www.randolphhistoricalwv.org to see more of the museum building and collections. You can also find more information about the Randolph County Historical Society and our history!





## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



By Don Teter

Warm greetings to all our members and friends. This is an exciting time for the Randolph County Historical Society. The installation of the new climate control system in our Museum building is complete and is already making a significant difference in our ability to utilize the facility. It is also, as planned, making a huge difference in the moisture levels in the building, helping ensure that the structure and the artifacts it con-

tains will be better preserved for future generations. A generous donation from the Randolph County Commission and grant funds from the Daughters of the American Revolution have allowed us to move forward on this project, but we are still seeking donations from individuals and groups to put us over the top on funding this effort.

We continue to offer programs to help spark public interest in our history and hope you have had the chance to attend one or more of those. If not, you should come out and give us a try.

I would like to emphasize, once again, the importance to this organization of building our membership base. I thank all of you whose dues are current and encourage any who have not renewed to do so. It would also be a great thing if each of our members could encourage at least one other person to join us. Even those who do not wish to be actively involved should consider joining, and I believe they could find satisfaction in becoming members to "do their part" in our preservation and outreach efforts.

## CONSIDER BECOMING AN RCHS MEMBER!

With membership you -

- \* Receive newsletters
- \* Have access to RCHS publications
- \* Attend meetings and programs

...and enjoy the satisfaction that you are helping preserve Randolph County's history! Simply return the enclosed membership form to join!



## UPCOMING EXHIBIT: MEDICINE IN RANDOLPH COUNTY

Look out for a new exhibit in the rotating exhibit space this summer!

This exhibit will feature the objects and history of medicine and health care within the homes of Randolph County, especially around the turn of the 19th century.

Some of the items to look forward to include Dr. Hodie Daniels's saddle bags from World War I and a collection of medicinal bottles that could have been found in the average home.



### VOLUNTEER WITH US!

We'd love to have you! Here are a few ways you can help out—

- 1. Docent/Front Desk
- 2. Event Logistics
- 3. Children's Programming
- 4. Collections Management
- 5. Property Maintenance

Email us with your interest! randolphcountymuseum@gmail.com



