

# The Filson Historical Society

March 2012 Programs

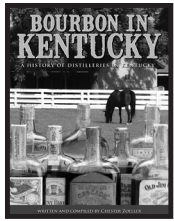
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## Kentucky Bourbon Barons Chet Zoller

**The Filson Historical Society**  
Thursday, March 1 • 6:00 p.m.



When you think of Kentucky, bourbon is one of the things that comes to mind. In the past, there were close to 1,000 bourbon brands from small and medium distilleries, many of which are no longer in existence.

In Kentucky Bourbon Barons, author and bourbon aficionado Chet Zoller will discuss the unknown distillery brands found in his popular book, *Bourbon in Kentucky*. Covering the peak bourbon period from 1836 to prohibition, Zoller has compiled what is thought to be the first and only authoritative catalog of bourbon distilleries in Kentucky.

Chester "Chet" Zoller is a native of Louisville. In 1998, he along with his son Trey established the McLain and Kyne Distillery Company, home of Jefferson's Reserve, Sam Houston, and Jefferson's bourbon.

Please join us for a reception sponsored by Castle Brands featuring Jefferson's Reserve bourbon as we learn about this integral part of Kentucky's bourbon history.

There is a charge of \$15 for Filson members (\$20 for non-members). Please visit us online at [www.filsonhistorical.org](http://www.filsonhistorical.org) or call 635-5083 to make your reservation!

**Reservations are required.**

## Exhibit Tour

### "United We Stand - Divided We Fall"

**Jim Holmberg and Mark Wetherington,**  
Curators

**The Filson Historical Society**

Wednesday, March 7 - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 13 - 10:30 a.m.

The Filson has one of the finest Civil War collections in the state, featured in the new exhibit "United We Stand - Divided We Fall." The exhibit, which commemorates the sesquicentennial of the beginning of the Civil War, will focus on the war in Kentucky and the Ohio Valley region. The exhibit takes a thematic, rather than chronological, approach to the war, starting in the 1850s and focusing on the growing division between the North and South.

Please join us for these guided exhibit tours and stay for the Civil War lectures afterward.

**Limited Capacity; Reservations are required.**

## Blood Shed in This War: Civil War Illustrations by Captain Adolph Metzner, 32nd Indiana

**Michael A. Peake**  
**The Filson Historical Society**

Wednesday, March 7 • 6:00 p.m.

Author Michael A. Peake pays tribute to the talents of Captain Adolph G. Metzner in his



latest book, *Blood Shed in this War: Civil War Illustrations by Captain Adolph Metzner*.

In this wonderful visual diary, Metzner used art to record his impressions of army life. Metzner, a German-born druggist, joined the 1st German, 32nd Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry in 1861. At first, his renditions were humorous, but after the loss of comrades at the Battle of Rowlett's Station, Kentucky in 1861, his art takes a darker turn and shows the turmoil and struggle faced by the remaining soldiers.

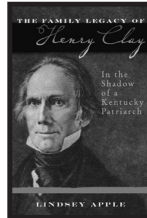
Michael A. Peake is a Louisville native with roots dating back to the early 1780s. In addition to *Blood Shed in This War*, he has published several articles and released two books on the 32nd Indiana.

**Reservations are suggested**

## The Family Legacy of Henry Clay: In the Shadow of a Kentucky Patriarch

**Lindsey Apple**  
**The Filson Historical Society**

Tuesday, March 13 • Noon



As Americans urge Congress to put aside party ties to solve the country's growing problems, we are reminded of Henry Clay, the prominent politician nicknamed "The Great Compromiser."

Lindsey Apple's *The Family Legacy of Henry Clay: In the Shadow of a Kentucky Patriarch* reveals the story of this highly influential family, whose importance has been largely overshadowed by the fame of its most celebrated member. Apple brings to light this neglected story, highlighting the generations of Clay descendants as they enjoyed success and worked to overcome obstacles, leaving behind a legacy of their own.

Lindsey Apple is a retired professor and chair of history at Georgetown College. He is the editor of *Scott County: A History* and author of *Cautions Rebel: A Biography of Susan Clay Sawtzky*.

**Reservations are suggested**

## The Hannibal of the West: George Rogers Clark and the American Revolution in the West

**Jim Holmberg**  
**Jeffersonville Carnegie Library**

Tuesday, March 20 • Noon



George Rogers Clark's efforts to defend Kentucky against the British and their Indian allies resulted in one of the greatest military campaigns in American history. In the

early years of the American Revolution, pioneers were barely hanging on under repeated Indian-

British attacks. The possible fate of the American cause hung in the balance.

A natural leader and bold soldier, George Rogers Clark devised a plan to take the fight to the enemy. The result was Clark's epic 1778-1779 Illinois Campaign. Clarks' success helped secure the United States' claim to the vast area north of the Ohio River that eventually became five states, including Indiana. In this illustrated lecture, Filson Curator of Special Collections Jim Holmberg will discuss Clark's life and his famous Illinois Campaign.

Holmberg is a long-time member of The Filson's staff. He received his BA and MA in history from the University of Louisville.

This is co-sponsored by the Paul Ogle, Inc. Foundation and the Jeffersonville Library Foundation.

**Reservations are suggested**

## Book Discussion Kentucky Rising: Democracy, Slavery, and Culture From the Early Republic to the Civil War

**A. Glenn Crothers**  
**The Filson Historical Society**

Wednesday, March 21 • 3:30 p.m.

Please join Glenn Crothers for a book discussion of *Kentucky Rising: Democracy, Slavery, and Culture From the Early Republic to the Civil War* by James A. Ramage and Andrea S. Watkins. This book offers a new look at Kentucky history in the 60 years prior to the start of the Civil War.

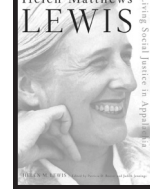
Dr. A. Glenn Crothers is the Director of Research at The Filson Historical Society and an associate professor history at the University of Louisville. His research interests include southern United States History before 1865.

**Limited Capacity; Reservations are required.**

## Helen Matthews Lewis: Living Social Justice in Appalachia

**Judith Jennings**  
**The Filson Historical Society**

Tuesday, March 27 • Noon



Helen Matthews Lewis changed society's perception of Appalachia in many ways by building bridges locally and globally among students, academics, cultural workers, coal miners and activists. By being the living embodiment of her mantra "living social justice," she linked scholarship with activism and encouraged deeper analysis of the region.

*Helen Matthews Lewis: Living Social Justice* is a collection of Lewis' writing and memories. Documenting her life and work, editor Judith Jennings, along with Patricia Beaver, highlight Lewis' extensive achievements, bringing us the story of one woman's quest for activism and social justice.

Judith Jennings is the executive director of the Kentucky Foundation for Women. She is the author of *Gender, Religion, and Radicalism in the Long Eighteenth Century: The "Ingenious Quaker" and Her Connections*.

**Reservations are suggested.**

Call The Filson at (502) 635-5083 - reservations are requested to assure seating for all programs.

All programs are free unless otherwise noted.

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**Saturday, March 3**

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. • The Filson Historical Society  
The Filson Bourbon Academy • \$100 (includes lunch)  
Mike Veach, Associate Curator of Special Collections

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# Save the Date! The Gertrude Polk Brown Lecture Series

## A World on Fire: Britain's Crucial Role in the American Civil War by Amanda Foreman

**Tuesday, April 3 • 6:00 p.m. • Ballard High School**



Acclaimed historian Amanda Foreman's long-awaited second book, *A World on Fire: Britain's Crucial Role in the American Civil War*, which tells, with extraordinary sweep, one of the least known great stories of British and American history.

**Free for members • \$10 non-members**

# The Filson Bourbon Academy

**Saturday, March 3 • 9:00 - 5:00 • \$100**

Come enhance your appreciation of bourbon and increase your knowledge of Kentucky whiskey products at The Filson Bourbon Academy. This seminar is supported by the Kentucky Distillers Association and the Louisville Convention and Visitors Bureau.

This eight-hour course will take place on Saturday, March 3 at The Filson Historical Society. The class will be led by The Filson's bourbon historian, Mike Veach, an inductee into the Bourbon Hall of Fame.

The Academy is limited to 25 students, with a cost of \$100 for the day-long session and box lunch. Please call The Filson to make your reservation at (502) 635-5083 or visit us online at [filson-historical.org](http://filson-historical.org). Please reserve your spot by February 28.

To collect, preserve and tell the significant stories of Kentucky and the Ohio Valley history and culture  
Our Mission:

Save the Date!  
1812: War Along the  
Wabash  
April 26, 27, & 28

Reservations are important to ensure seating. Now enjoy the convenience of our new online registration system - [www.filsonhistorical.org](http://www.filsonhistorical.org)

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