

# Museum filled with local history, artifacts

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Longhunters menu items, such as soups, salads and sandwiches were named after historic people and historic places.

Landrum said the museum's mission is to advance the knowledge of history related to Green County.

The organizational structure of the museum will include a board of directors, officers, curatorial staff, and an advisory board.

The museum is a 501c3 nonprofit establishment. Heritage items or artifacts donated will remain with the museum, but those making a donation reserve the right to determine the length of stay of a particular item.

"I do have a lot of items that individuals wanted to be deeded," he said. "When we have a heritage item or artifact deeded or donated, it will be authenticated."

Fundraising is vital for an entity to remain solvent.

Landrum mentioned the importance of honor patron and financial/in-kind donations.

"The most precious thing an individual could provide to the museum is their time."

he said. Because it also has an in-kind financial value. For every hour an individual works \$10 will be allocated toward an Honor Patron level.

Museum Honor Patron Levels include:

Jane Todd Crawford - \$7,500, General Edward Hobson - \$5,000 - \$7,499, Mentor Graham - \$3,000 - \$4,999, Long Hunter Trustee - \$1,000 - \$2,999, Bluff Boom Benefactor - \$500 - \$999.

Landrum commented on the makeup of the museum, including a board of directors' room and display rooms. It is climate-controlled and handicap accessible by way of a first floor elevator.

One of the biggest challenges is getting display cases made.

Landrum hopes to receive assistance from the local school system in the building of displays.

He spoke of the importance of memberships and the establishment of admission fees when touring the museum begins.

Donations are crucial to the museum's success. Various sources have contributed, including a \$5,000 donation from Kentucky Utilities.



The Greensburg Rotary Club, above, toured the Green County History Museum on the second floor of Longhunters Coffee and Tea Company recently. This cabinet from the old Woodson Lewis store was refinished by Max Downey. Dr. J. W. Miller's medicine cabinet is among the items in this display. At right, Col. Bill Landrum shows Judge William Green Howell's Simon Settles rifle, saddle bags, and spurs he used as he traveled from county to county.



A woman's mourning dress from the late 1830's and a donated side-saddle that made its way through the Cumberland Gap into Kentucky are on display.



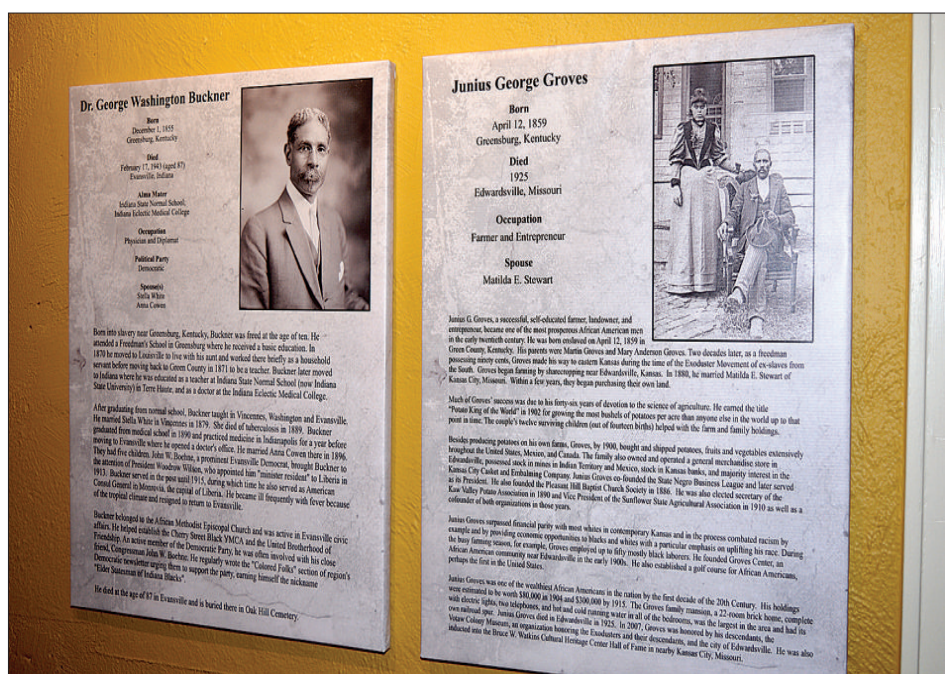
Ownership of this large muskie was hotly contested.



A Japanese rifle used during the Battle of Guadalcanal is in the room featuring military history.



This Indian Military Motorcycle, Model 741, was manufactured in June 1943, at the Indian Motorcycle Company, Springfield, Mass. It is one of a growing list of items displayed in the Military History room.



The African American Exhibit will include Green Countians who made significant achievements, the history of schools, communities, cemeteries and more.

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