

March 2012

The **Annual Association Meeting** will be April 4, 2012, at 7:00 PM in the school lunchroom in Russell Springs. Election of four Board Members is on the meeting's agenda. Jason Herschberger has resigned.

Persons interested in being on the Board must have been an active, paid-up member for at least 6 months prior to the meeting.

The **Butterfield Trail Museum** will open for the season on May 1st. The hours will be 9:00 to Noon and 1:00 to 5:00 Monday - Saturday, and 1:00 to 5:00 on Sundays.

There is to be construction on Highway 25 north of Russell Springs, so we'd like you to remind your friends of the alternative routes into town.

From Highway 83: Seneca west to Road 370, south 3 miles to Plains, then west into Russell Springs. The *scenic route* from 83 is to go west on Gold Road, then north and west to Indian & 350, north on 350 for 7 miles, then west on Plains. From Highway 40 @ Monument: south on Road 350 to Plains, then west. Highway 25 from the south is going to remain open and Road 270 into town from the south is good gravel.

The Butterfield Trail Association & Historical Society of Logan County, Kansas

The Charles & Gladys Smith Memorial Scholarship applications are due March 15th, and the recipient will be determined at the April meeting.

Clean-up days at the museum and Porter Park are set for March 24th, weather permitting, and April 21st. We have quite a list of repairs that need to be done so any and all help will be greatly appreciated.

The 46th Annual **Trail Ride** will be June 2nd and 3rd. The 5th Annual **Ranch Rodeo** will be on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 PM.

Donations taken at the start of the ride help support the upkeep of the museum and grounds.

Approximately thirty people attended the **Christmas Dinner** held at the St. Francis Chapel in Russell Springs. Marilyn Holt, the Kansas Humanities Council's speaker on *Orphan Trains*, wasn't able to make it due to weather & road conditions.

The **monthly meetings** are held on the first Wednesday of the month in the school lunchroom: 7:00 PM during the winter and 7:30 PM from May through October.

Membership fees are \$10 per year, which runs April to April, and \$100 for a lifetime membership, per person.

visit: www.butterfieldtrailmuseum.org