

The Riley County Historical Society and Museum

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RCHS NEWSLETTER

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RCHS Dinner Meeting, Tuesday, January 25, 6:30 PM Pottorf Hall, CiCo Park

Catered by: Wanda's Country Cookin'

Menu:

Roast Beef
Chicken Breast
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
California Blend Vegetables
Stephen's Salad
White/Wheat Rolls
Assorted Desserts
Tea – Water – Decaf Coffee

Cost: \$11.00

Reservations for Dinner: Please call the Museum, 565-6490, by **Tuesday, Jan. 18.**

(If you must cancel, please call as soon as possible so that someone else can have your place.)

Program:

Martin Franklin Conway—The First Congressman from Kansas

“The Patrick Henry of the West”

**Enacted by Ron Harris, Geary County
Historical Society**

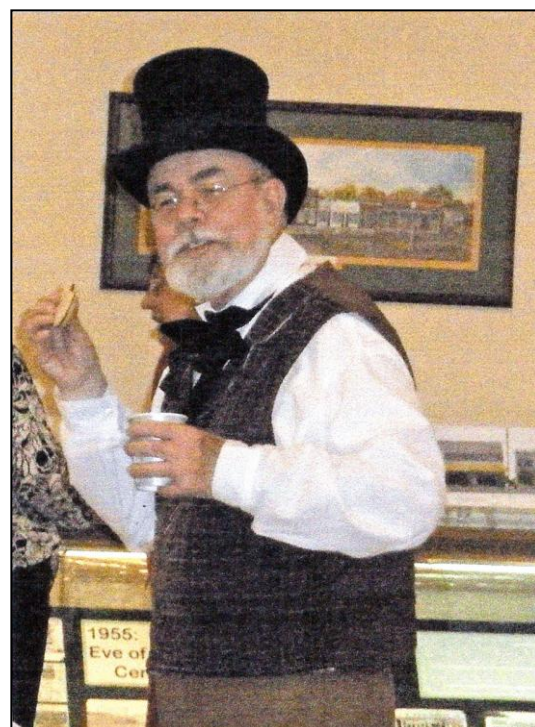


Martin F. Conway
Kansas Hist. Soc.

Born in South Carolina, Conway went to Baltimore, Maryland, at the age of 14 and learned the printer's trade. While working as a printer, he studied law, was admitted to the bar and began to practice law. In 1854, he came to Leavenworth, Kansas, and became an ardent member of the Free State Party.

Ron Harris will present the story of this colorful character, his success in politics, and his sad end.

The public is welcome to attend the program after dinner without reservations, at no charge. The program will start about 7:15.



Ron Harris as Martin F. Conway
Courtesy Geary County Historical Society

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Kansas Sesquicentennial



Kansas became a state 150 years ago, on January 29, 1861. To celebrate this important anniversary, the Riley County Historical Society is planning a series of lectures and brown bag events throughout the year.

The following events are scheduled for the first month:

Tuesday, January 25: Brown Bag program—"Notable Kansas Women with a Riley County Connection" by Cheryl Collins at the Riley County Historical Museum, 2309 Claflin, at noon.

Thursday, February 3: Lecture—"Fort Riley and World War I" by Sandra Reddish. Sponsored by the Riley County Historical Society and Museum and the Kansas Humanities Council.

At the Manhattan Public Library, 7:00 PM

Friday, January 28: At 10:00 AM a special joint session of the Kansas Legislature will be live-streamed over the internet from the Kansas Capitol to the Groesbeck Room at the Manhattan Public Library, sponsored by the Riley County Historical Society and Museum.

Friday, January 28: Happy Birthday Kansas open house at the Riley County Historical Museum/Goodnow House, 3:00-5:00 PM. Join us for refreshments and, weather and workmen permitting, tours of the Goodnow House.

If it doesn't say 2011 or L above your name, please renew your Membership

RCHS Membership Form, January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011

Membership Donations are tax deductible. Please select the membership category of your choice.

Make checks payable to the Riley County Historical Society and mail to: 2309 Claflin Rd., Manhattan, KS 66502

Name(s): _____

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New _____ Renewal _____

Amount Enclosed _____

_____ I do not wish to be on the published membership list.

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_____ Sustainer \$75 – 99
_____ Patron \$100 and above

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_____ Sponsor \$55 - \$79
_____ Sustainer \$80 - \$110
_____ Patron \$110 and above

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_____ \$300 (Can be 3 annual \$100 installments)