

MFS members include...

- Storytellers and jokesters
- Musicians and singers
- Artists and crafters
- Scholars and amateurs
- and just plain folks !

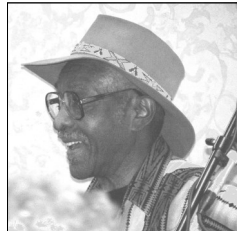


Adam Davis
Folklore Program,
Truman State University

Cathy Barton & Dave Para
Performers of Traditional
Songs and Tunes



Rachel Gholson
Folklore Program,
Missouri State University



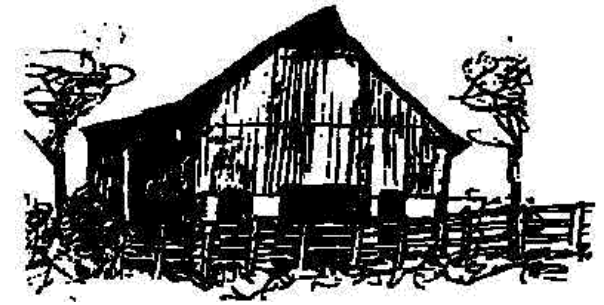
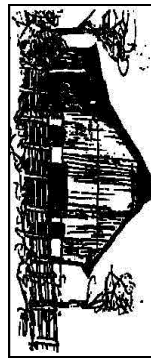
Cecil Williams
Singer, Storyteller, Poet

Gladys Cogswell
Storyteller



Judy Domeny Bowen
Musician and Auctioneer

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What We Do

Our society encourages the study, collection, preservation, and enjoyment of folklore in the widest sense—customs, beliefs, legends, tales, dialects, music, dance, arts and crafts, oral history, and other activities and materials that form the cultural legacy of local, regional, and ethnic groups in the state.

Our Annual Meeting

The annual meetings, generally held in early November or late October, usually include:

- **Performances** of traditional music and other special events in keeping with the purpose of the Society
- **Presentations** about Missouri folklore, music, tales, crafts, oral history, and other related topics
- **Displays** of publications, recordings, arts and crafts, and other material culture items

Everyone interested in Missouri's cultural life, history, and heritage is invited to join MFS and to attend the annual meetings, which have been held in these Missouri cities, among others:

Columbia	St. Joseph
Hannibal	Stockton
Jefferson City	Kansas City
Kirksville	Sikeston
Boonville	Potosi
Independence	Neosho
Flat River	St. Louis
Springfield	Fulton

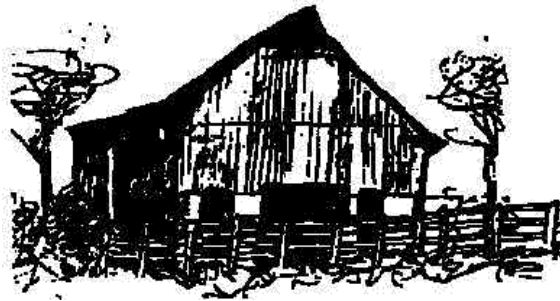
Mostly, we have fun — come and see us!

Our History

The Missouri Folk-Lore Society (MFS) was founded in 1906 by Dr. Henry M. Belden of the University of Missouri. It became inactive after its 1920 meeting, but both Belden and Mary Alicia Owen, its longtime president, continued their research on folk songs, tales, and customs from across the state. Belden published *Ballads and Songs Collected by the Missouri Folk-Lore Society* in 1940. The Society was reactivated in Columbia in 1977 by Dr. Adolf E. Schroeder, also a professor at MU, and his wife, librarian Rebecca B. Schroeder.

Our Website

Visit us at: MissouriFolkloreSociety.truman.edu



Our Publications

The Missouri Folklore Society's newsletter is produced twice a year and the *Missouri Folklore Society Journal* is published annually. Members of the society receive both of these publications as one of their membership benefits.

Join us!

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