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#AskFCHS: Franklin County Historical Society to host online Kansas Day event

Ottawa, Kansas--On January 29, Kansas is commemorating 155 years of statehood, and the Franklin County Historical Society is celebrating Kansas' birthday with an online event.

"Kansas Day falls on a Friday this year, and not everyone can make it to the museum for an event," said Diana Staresinic-Deane, manager of the Old Depot Museum. "That's why we're bringing the resources of the historical society to social media."

The idea behind the online event is to give anyone with an interest in Franklin County history an opportunity ask questions about the county. Questions can be sent through the museum's Facebook page or via Twitter using the hashtag #AskFCHS. Questions can also be e-mailed to manager@olddepotmuseum.org.

"Questions can be sent ahead of time or during the event itself," Staresinic-Deane said. "If you send questions before the event, we'll have a little extra time to research the answers."

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., historical society staff members will use the hashtag #AskFCHS on Twitter to answer questions received. You don't need a Twitter account to read questions and answers—just visit twitter.com and search for #AskFCHS—but you will need an account to participate.

"Our social media audience continues to grow," Staresinic-Deane said. "It's not uncommon for one of our facebook posts to be seen, liked, and shared by thousands of Facebook users. This is a great opportunity for people who have connected with us online to ask us what they'd really like to know about our county's history."

For more information, contact Diana Staresinic-Deane at (785) 242-1250 or manager@olddepotmuseum.org. Find the Old Depot Museum on Twitter at www.twitter.com/olddepotmuseum.

Founded in 1937, the Franklin County Historical Society strives to preserve, present, and promote the history of Franklin County, Kansas.

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