

Pike County Historical Society Photo Contest 2026

The Pike County Historical Society will be holding a photo contest on Facebook. Entries will be accepted July 8-11. Voting will be July 12-16. Winners will be announced soon after.



Entries

Photos should be submitted by email at PikeCountyLHHistoricalSociety@gmail.com between **Wednesday July 8 and Saturday July 11** by midnight.

There are no defined age groups and there are not separate professional and amateur categories. **All photos must be taken in Pike County.** The entrant does not have to be a current Pike County resident.

The photo does not have to be recent. By entering, the entrant is indicating that they took the photo and have the right to use this photo. Photos previously entered are eligible to be entered again **with the exception of winners and honorable mentions.**

Photos do not have to be patriotic, but voters may prefer patriotic photos in celebration of America 250. Each entrant may submit **TWO (2)** photos. Please limit photos of sunsets and sunrises to **ONE (1)** per entrant. Please try to avoid photos of people's faces.

The following must be included with each entry:

- Photographer's name
- Date taken, or approximation
- 1-3 sentence description or caption for each photo that includes, at minimum, the location. **Location must be included.** Further context is optional but encouraged. Because this contest is anonymous, **do not include any identifying information.**

Voting

Voting will take place solely on Facebook **Sunday July 12 - Thursday July 16**. Winners will be announced and contacted by July 18 and arrangements for receiving their prizes will be made.

Entries will be posted on Facebook (@PikeCountyHistoricalSociety) and our website (pikecountyilhistoricalsociety.org) along with their dates and captions (names will be omitted). Again, voting will be on **Facebook only**. Instagram will be used to promote.

All entries will be posted at the same time in the same post. Only votes on the original post will be counted, no matter where else the post is shared.

Information provided by the entrant will be combined into a uniform caption. Names will be omitted so voting is anonymous. Captions will otherwise be posted exactly as entered.

Winners will be chosen based on how many likes each photo gets. This means that there is no formal judging, it is people's choice.

First, second and third place prizes will be awarded. Honorable mentions will also be recognized based on the number of votes received across all entries.

Other Information

There is no cost to enter your photos or to vote but donations are always appreciated. Please visit our museums or website to learn how to show your support.

Photos will only be used for the contest, except for winning photos. Winning photos will be published in the Pike County newspapers and will be featured on our Facebook and Instagram pages and our website.

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