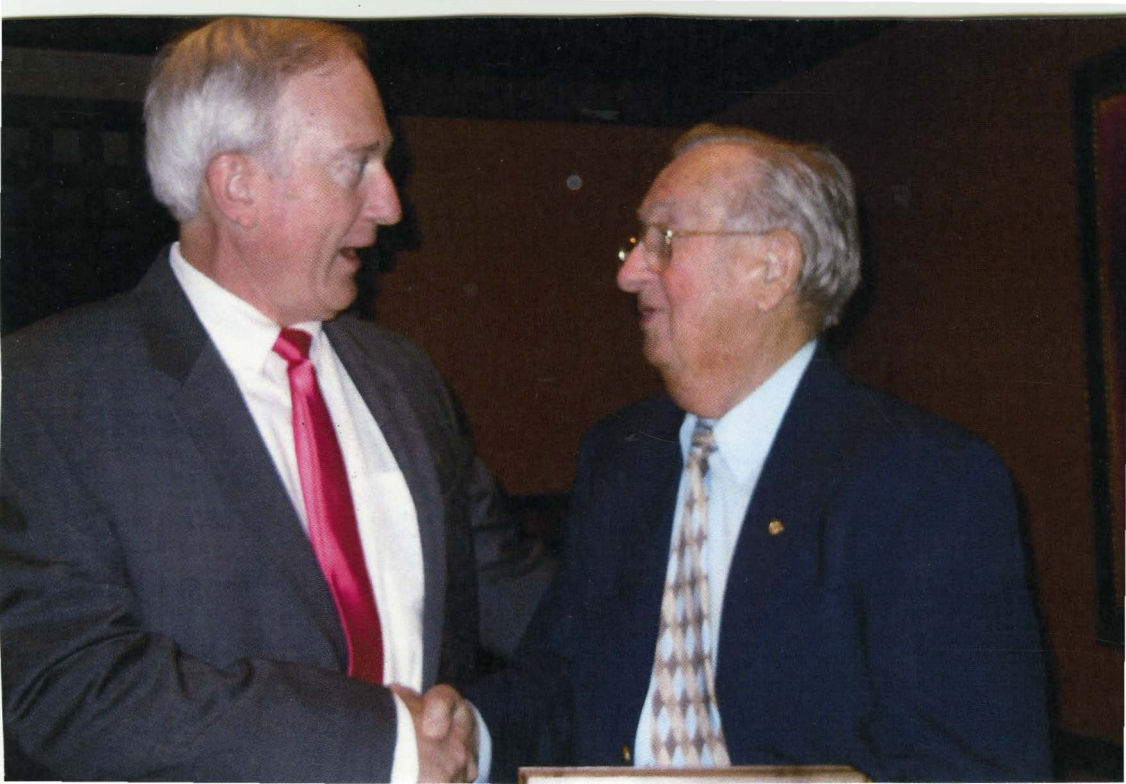




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*The House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
hereby recognizes and honors*

Dr. Jack Ellis

upon having been selected by the Kentucky Library Association as the worthy recipient of the William H. Natcher Award, a prestigious accolade given to an individual, organization or corporation that has made a significant philanthropic contribution to Kentucky libraries. Dr. Ellis was honored for having generously donated to the Rowan County Public Library an extensive collection, accumulated over the majority of his lifetime, of invaluable historic records comprised of hundreds of files and audiovisual formats, including photographs, clippings, articles, announcements, and countless other historical pieces, made even more valuable because most of the people and places are accurately identified. In addition, Dr. Ellis contributed funds to be used for the substantial task of transferring all or most of the documents to digital format, thereby making it more widely available to the public. This extraordinary collection covers the rich history of Rowan County and Eastern Kentucky; contains vital information regarding a vast array of topics, including businesses, churches, fairs, organizations, Morehead State University, specific individuals and families, poetry, theater, movies, moonshine and the Kentucky Education Television, among many others; and, of particular significance, includes an article written about President Abraham Lincoln by a man who knew him personally. Inasmuch as Dr. Jack Ellis, who has also served as a respected member of the American Library Association for sixty years, has bestowed upon his fellow Kentuckians a gift which will educate and enrich the lives of countless individuals for generations to come, the members of this august body are delighted to join Representative Rocky Adkins in offering hearty congratulations upon his having been selected for this well-deserved honor, as well as sincere gratitude for his immeasurable contribution to the recorded history of the Commonwealth, and in extending to him best wishes for continued success and good fortune in all his future endeavors.



*Done in Frankfort, Kentucky, this
twenty-second day of November, in the year
two thousand thirteen.*

Gregory D. Stumbo
Speaker, House of Representatives

Rocky Adkins
Member, House of Representatives

Ellis awarded for contribution to Kentucky libraries

By SHAYLA
MENVILLE
The Morehead News

The William H. Natcher award is given by the Kentucky Library Association to an individual, organization, or corporation that has made a significant philanthropic contribution to Kentucky Libraries.

Dr. Jack Ellis was recently recognized as one of those individuals for his extensive collection, which he

donated to the Rowan County Public Library.

"I'm just so proud and honored to be among the others awarded," said Ellis. "I look at the list and am blown away by the contributions others have been selected for. I'm so thankful for this recognition."

Others who have received the award include; Lucille Caudill Little, William T. Young Sr., Toyota Motor Manufacturing of North America,

Inc., Ashland Inc., and Dan Groneck and the U.S. Bank Northern Kentucky Team.

Helen Williams, director of Rowan County Public Library, nominated Ellis for the recognition. In her nomination letter she outlined many reasons why Ellis was deserving.

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Lisa Rice, president of the Kentucky Library Association, presented the William H. Natcher award to Dr. Jack Ellis.

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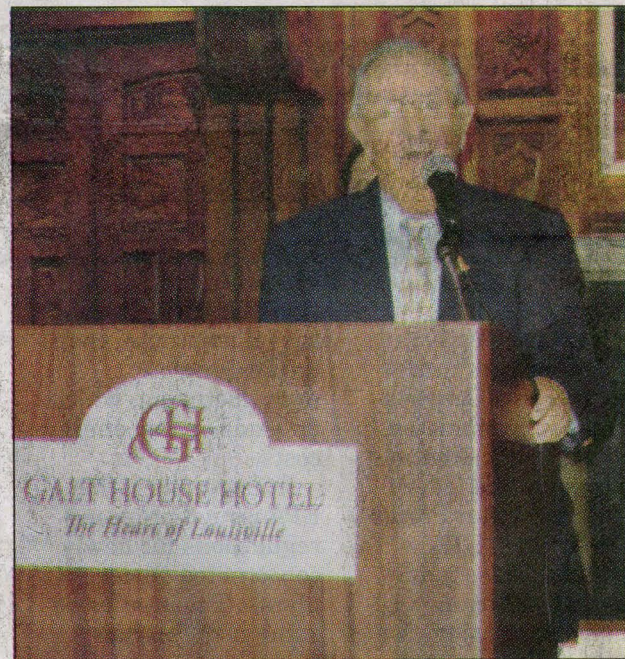
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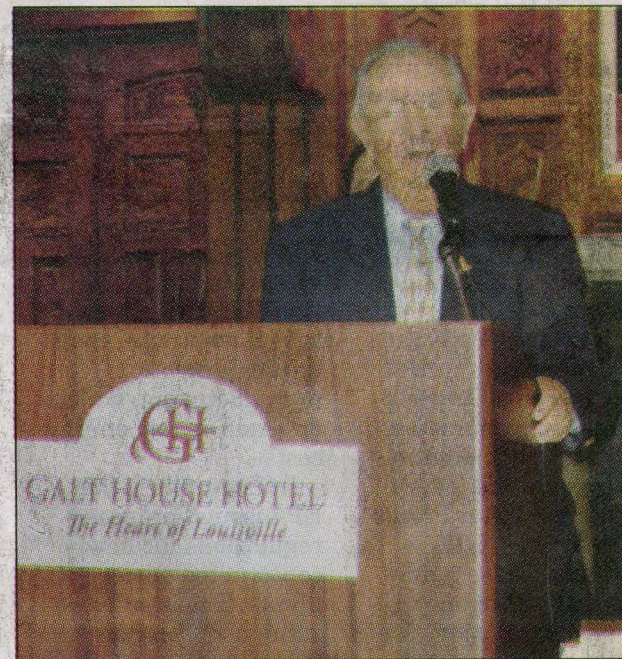
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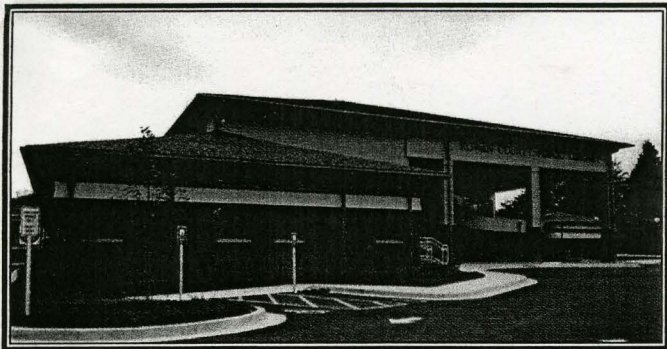
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July 15, 2013

**KLA Library Awareness Committee
ATTN: Debbe Oberhausen
C/O Louisville Free Public Library
301 York Street
Louisville, KY 40203**

Dear Members of the KLA Library Awareness Committee,

When the call for nominations for KLA awards came, I thought that I could not find the time to nominate Dr. Jack Ellis. As the deadline for nominations loomed, I thought, "I simply have to nominate Dr. Ellis; his gift to the people of Rowan County cannot be matched."

Please consider Dr. Jack D. Ellis for the Kentucky Library Association 2013 William H. Natcher Award. My original nomination document was twice the length permitted, so I have rewritten and tried to present the significance of the contributions of Dr. Ellis with quality rather than quantity of words.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this nomination. Having served on award nomination committees, I fully understand that you are performing a valuable task using precious time you can ill afford.

Sincerely,

Helen Williams, Director

Attachment: Nomination Documents

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Award Nomination Form

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The William H. Natcher Award

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**NOMINATION of DR. JACK D. ELLIS
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KENTUCKY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
WILLIAM H. NATCHER AWARD**

Dr. Jack D. Ellis has spent most of his life collecting and compiling information about Morehead and Rowan County, Kentucky. Over the years, he has written articles and columns for The Morehead News about the history of Rowan County people, places, businesses, and historical events. In cooperation with the Jesse Stuart Foundation and as an independent author, he has written several books about Morehead and Rowan County: Morehead Memories: True Stories from Eastern Kentucky; Kentucky Memories: Reflections of Rowan County, 1856-2006, A Sesqui-Centennial Edition; Patriots & Heroes: Eastern Kentucky Soldiers of WWII; Alpha M. Hutchinson: The Biography of a Man and His Community; and, Missing Christmas: My Life in the Depression and World War II. Dr. Thomas Clark, a close friend of Dr. Ellis, wrote the introductions for both Morehead Memories and Kentucky Memories, saying: "The history of a county in Kentucky is little short of being a microcosm of the state itself. Dr. Jack Ellis has performed for Rowan County, Morehead, and the outlying communities an invaluable service."

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Because of the uniqueness and significance of the materials, and because of the extreme interest in accessibility to the Collection, the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives has been contracted to digitize the materials for inclusion in the online catalog of the Rowan County Public Library.

When Dr. Ellis decided that it was time to donate his historical research collection to a library, he considered the library at Morehead State University; the library personnel there would have liked to have been the recipient of this priceless collection. However, Dr. Ellis said that, after much thought, he believed the materials belonged at the

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Recognizing that additional expenditures would be involved with processing and housing the materials, Dr. Ellis also donated \$1,000 to the Library.

By donating his historical collection of research about Morehead and Rowan County to the Rowan County Public Library, Dr. Jack D. Ellis had given the people of Rowan County a gift that will be treasured for generations to come. I know that he would be honored to receive the Kentucky Public Library Association 2013 William H. Natcher Award.

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