



1972 Podcast: Community Stories Needed

Do you have a 1972 story? HK wants to hear your Kansas community stories for possible inclusion in the 1972 podcast. All who submit stories will receive an invitation to HK's 50th anniversary events and a credit on the 1972 podcast webpage. You may even be interviewed for the podcast. Here are some topics HK is especially interested in learning more about:

- Who lived in your community in 1972? Was that different from before?
- How did new ideas about women's roles in the workplace affect your community? This could include the first daycare or the first time a woman was elected to local office.
- Could adults buy alcohol in your community? The liquor laws in 1972 were confusing and we're curious about how the club system worked. Insights welcomed!
- How did your community respond to Vietnam?
- What did people in your community do in 1972?
 - What did Saturday nights look like? Bands, bars, restaurants?
 - Where did your community shop in town? And what were they buying?
 - Were potlucks a thing? And, if so, what did people bring?
- Tell us about any notable politics in your area or notable legislators and legislation that impacted your community.
- The 1970s brought changes to a lot of communities in terms of downtowns and highways. Did this happen to yours? We'd love to hear more.
- Agriculture and farming began changing in the 1970s. What did farming look like in your part of the state? President Nixon began trading with the [then] Soviet Union in the 1970s. How did local farmers feel about that?
- We're also interested in learning more about local changemakers. Who was demonstrating in your town and why?
- How were your communities changing in terms of population, demographics, industry, in the early 1970s?
 - Were populations growing and getting smaller?
 - Were certain groups (immigrants, ethnic minorities, young people, older individuals) becoming more or less prominent in your community?
- What did we miss?

We look forward to hearing from you. Contact podcast project director Kara Heitz at kheitz@kcai.edu or call her at (913) 725-0225. Learn more about the podcast: <https://www.humanitieskansas.org/get-involved/1972-podcast> Thank you!