



Fourth Tuesday Program

In the Eye of the Border Storm: *The Under Ground Railroad at Quindaro, Kansas Territory 1857*

Presented by Dr. Steve Collins

The Tonganoxie Community Historical Society will welcome Dr. Steve Collins for his program: *In the Eye of the Border Storm: The Under Ground Railroad at Quindaro, Kansas Territory 1857.*

The presentation will focus on the history of this Free State town and its Under Ground Railroad from the arrival of the Wyandot Natives to the issue of the final copy of *The Quindaro Chindowan Newspaper* in the summer of 1858.



Looking north through the mouth of the cooling cave in the Brewery Building at the Quindaro Ruins. It is said that John Brown met with Quindaro abolitionist leaders in the brewery and that it was one of the cluster of safe houses at Quindaro.

**August 22, 2023
7:00pm – 8:30pm**

**Tonganoxie Community
Historical Society
Site & Museum**

**201 West Washington St.
Tonganoxie, KS 66086**

TCHS presents programs on the Fourth Tuesday of every month (except June, July, November and December).

This program meeting will be held in the Reno Methodist Church on the museum site.

The meeting begins at 7:00 PM and includes a brief business meeting and historical program.

All members of the community are welcome. The program is free; and refreshments are served after the program.



Dr. Steve Collins

Dr. Collins was project manager/grant administrator of the only official stabilization of the Quindaro Ruins, implementing a \$400,000 Save America's Treasures Grant in 2006. He was Chair of the Sociology Department at Kansas City Kansas Community College where he taught for 35 years. He has led students and the public in over 25 tours of the ruins and he has presented numerous times in the past twenty years about the history of the site. He was the first community college instructor in Kansas to be awarded the Carnegie Foundation Instructor of the Year award in 1998 in recognition for his early stabilization work and teaching about the history of Quindaro, and his pioneering of student internet development.