WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News March 2009

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LIBRARY HOURS: Mon-Fri from 9am to 4pm [subject to closings due to inclement weather, volunteer illness, etc]

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MARCH 18th MEETING, 7:30 PM Phillippi Meeting Room, Otterbein Retirement Community, 585 SR 741

"WARREN COUNTY RECORDER: WHERE WE'VE BEEN - WHERE WE ARE - WHERE WE'RE GOING" by Beth Deckard, Warren County Recorder

http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/meeting/meeting2009_03.pdf

The Warren County Recorder has the task of keeping the vital records pertaining to ownership in real estate (land) and to all encumbrances or liens upon it. Since the 1787 formation of the Northwest Territory, a Recorder's Office has been provided in each county. Ohio became a state in 1803. Warren County was formed from Hamilton County shortly thereafter, with lands in three distinct districts – "Symmes Purchase", "Virginia Military District" and "Congress Lands". In addition to property records, the Recorder's Office maintains copies of Veteran's Discharge papers (DD214) when filed by the veteran as well as Veteran Grave Registration Cards.

See the website for the remainder of the 2009 Meeting Calendar

http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/meetings.htm

28TH ANNUAL FIRST FAMILIES AND EARLY SETTLERS BANQUET. APRIL 22, 2009.

It's not too early to make your reservations for our annual banquet which is only \$10.00. We will have 6 new members inducted into First Families of Warren County and 1 new Member inducted into Early Settlers of Warren County. The Speaker for the evening will be Ohio Genealogical Society trustee, Patrick Crippen, who will present a program titled

"If You Cannot Get Rid Of The Family Skeleton, Why Not Make It Dance"

The banquet will be held at the Phillippi Meeting Room, Otterbein Retirement Community, 585 SR 741, Lebanon [reservations required – see flyer at <u>http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/meeting/meeting2009_04.pdf</u>]

2009 MEMBERSHIP

Membership renewals for 2009 were due by 31 Dec 2008 and are only \$10 for a single membership, \$15 for a family membership or \$100 for a Life Membership. Membership application forms are available at http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/aboutus.htm#Membership

We thank all of you who have already sent in your 2009 membership. For those that haven't renewed yet, please consider doing so soon. You will save the society the cost of sending out follow-up renewal notices.

WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS

We are pleased to welcome Linda Eckert, Carol Plumb and Debbie Aldred as volunteers at our Resource Library in Lebanon who are providing valuable assistance with a variety of projects. If you would like to volunteer, please let us know.

WARREN COUNTY, OHIO OBITUARY INDEX, 2008 EDITION

We have added 17,313 obituaries to the collection since the last edition, bring the total to 84,059. This 6th annual update nearly doubles the number of obituaries listed in the original 2003 Edition.

This 352 page book is now available from the society for only \$20.00 plus \$2.00 shipping. (Ohio residents add appropriate sales tax)

http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/publications.htm

Our website contains obituary indexes by year at

http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/obitsmain.htm

RESOURCE CENTER DONATIONS

We are pleased to be able to add the following donated publications to our Resource Library.

"The Wickersham Family of America" donated by Nancy Myerholtz

"The Descendants of William & John Johnson, Colonial Friends of Virginia" donated by Sally Foster

"History of the HorMell Family, 1737-1924" donated by Stanley Aultz

"David's Church, Kettering, Ohio, A Sesquicentennial History" donated by Stanley Aultz

"The Nathman Family History: The Descendants of Bernard Heinrich Nathman & Maria Francisca Gerding" donated by Barbara

Mouser Nathman.

SPRINGBORO UNIVERSALIST CEMETERY RESTORATION CLINIC

May 31st. 2009

This clinic for novices will empower participants providing them with the tools they will need to document, preserve and restore gravemarkers. The clinic will demonstrate in step-by-step fashion how to preserve and restore a graveyard. Restoration is described with recommendations as to what lay people should and should not undertake.

In the workshops you will learn the basics of gravestone repair and preservation; proper cleaning of gravemarkers, leveling stones, building new bases and repairing broken stones. During the workshop and under the supervision of experienenced professionals, participants will have the opportunity to work on actual gravemarkers. The clinic will include detailed handouts and carefully define the correct and incorrect ways to approach preservation and conservation.

The clinic will be conducted by professional restorationists well educated in the principles of gravemarker restoration and graveyard conservation as established by and studied at the Association for Graveyard Studies of Greenfield, Massachusetts. The Universalist Cemetery is located on N. Main St. on the north edge of Springboro's historic district. The clinic, including a continental breakfast, a picnic lunch and workshop materials, is \$35.

This clinic is sponsored by the Warren County Genealogical Society and presented by The Dayton Ghost Hunters Society. For more information go to http://Cemetery.SpringboroHistory.org Email: Clinic@SpringboroHistory.org (937) 308-0171

THE WESTERN SHAKER STUDY GROUP PRESENTS ITS APRIL PROGRAM!

Friday, April 3, at 7:30 P.M. Phillippi Hall, Otterbein Retirement Community.

"New Views of the North Family and Future Directions for Shaker Studies of Union Village" by Dr. Bruce Aument, staff archeologist for the Ohio Department of Transportation, will present a Powerpoint program on the 2005 excavation of Union Village's North Family.

Free and Open to the Public! Refreshments Served Following Program! http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/Shaker/wssg.htm OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 50TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE 2-4 April 2009, Saw Mill Creek Resort, Huron, Ohio http://ogs.org/conference2009/ Register before March 15th to get the reduced "Early Bird" Registration Fee 5th ANNUAL OUAKER GENEALOGY and HISTORY CONFERENCE "A House Divided: Quaker Responses to the Civil War" 17-19 Apr 2009, Waynesville & Wilmington, Ohio presented by the Mary L. Cook Library and the Quaker Heritage Center

For more information contact Karen Campbell (513) 897 4826 or Ruth Dobyns (937)382 6661 ext. 719

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY WEBSITE

An update to our website is now on line, or will be shortly. Over 4000 new name entries in 46 categories have been added, bringing the website total to 539,351 names. Additional details for our 2009 Program schedule have also been included. http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/

For a detailed list of changes, go to

http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/What%27s%20New.htm

WARREN COUNTY VIRTUAL CEMETERY PROJECT

http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/Cemetery/burial.htm

Work on the Virtual Cemetery Project continues with substantial additions for a number of cemeteries in the last few months. We now have gravestone photos for over 25,000 Warren County burials on line

The on line indexes for the following cemetery have been recently updated as part of the project.

Edwardsville Cemetery, Miami Cemetery, Morrow Cemetery, New Jersey Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Springboro Cemetery