

# WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News March, 2021

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## 2021 PROGRAM SCHEDULE <http://www.wccgsoh.org/meetings.htm>

Virtual meetings for 2021:

- 27 March 2021** "Introduction to Effective Newspaper Research"  
By Dana Palmer  
1:00 p.m. - This Virtual Meeting will be live and there will be time for questions after the presentation.
- 22 May, 2021** "Is There a Tartan in Your Tree?  
Searching Scottish Roots"  
By Debbie Large  
1:30 p.m. - This Virtual Meeting will be live and there will be time for questions after the presentation.

## NECROLOGY

### Gene Edward Robertson (4 Jul 1944 – 14 Feb 2021)

We were saddened to learn that WCCGS member, Gene Robertson of Hope, Indiana, passed away at the age of 76 on 14 Feb 2021. Burial was in the Hope Moravian Cemetery. Gene Was a long-time member of WCCGS going back to at least 2014 and had contributed photos and other materials to the Robertson Vertical File in our library. You may read his obituary on the Norman Funeral Hope website at <https://www.normanfuneralhome.net/obituary/gene-robertson>

## RECENT WARREN COUNTY VETERAN DEATHS (send additions to [atrelvik@gmail.com](mailto:atrelvik@gmail.com))

### World War II:

Homer Orville Miller (1926-2021), H. Vincent LaChapelle (1926-2021), Estelle L. Dick (1929-2021)

### Korea:

Dan W. Simpson (1932-2021), William E. Mehaffie (1931-2021), Paul Eugene "Gene" Hampton (1928-2021)

### Vietnam:

Michael Louis Stockman (1947-2021)

### Middle East Conflicts:

Cameron G. Jones (1988-2021)

### Other Service:

Gilbert Elmer Dudsic (1933-2020), Jeffrey Wayne Stargle (1958-2020), Dennis Joseph Healy (1954-2021), Thomas G. "Tom" Sample (1943-2021), Rev. Jon W. Barker (1938-2021), Michael K. Jones (1957-2021), William E. Woodward (1934-2021), Donald Joseph Gregory (1944-2021), James E. Adams (1957-2021), Wayne Halcomb (1951-2021), William H. "Bill" Maier (1944-2021), Thomas William Rau (1947-2021), Champ C. Brown Jr. (1968-2021)

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**“With Former LHS Students in the Armed Forces”, *Lebanon (OH) Light*, May, 1945, p. 2 col. 2**

Lt. **F. D. Sommers**, former teacher at LHS visited at the high school April 25. Sommers arrived in the country recently after being held prisoner in Germany for two years. After a 60-day furlough, he will report to Miami, Fla.

**Arthur McKenzie** is now stationed at Sheepshead Bay, N. Y., with the Merchant Marine.

Pvt. **Horace L. Palmer** is now overseas. Pvt. Palmer entered the Army Nov. 22 1944, and was stationed at Camp Robinson, Ark, before going overseas.

Miss **Beth McCoy**, class of 1835, is a member of a Red Cross clubmobile unit that has been serving in Germany. She recently went through the Ahrduf slave labor camp.

Seaman 2-c **Clifford Shutts** is now serving in the Pacific. Seaman Shutts has been in the Navy since July, 1944.

Graduating from L. H. S., Lt. **Harvey C. Schwartz** has been a member of the 364th Fighter Group as a Mustang pilot. He shot down two Messerschmitts over Germany bringing his score to six planes.

Shopkeeper 2-c **Helen Fogle**, class of 1938, has arrived at Pearl Harbor with a WAVE detachment.

**Charles E. Wilson**, AOM, 3-c, graduated from advanced naval air school, Banana River, Fla. as a radar Air Bomber and received his air crew wings. He is now stationed at Jacksonville, Fla.

**Ralph and Richard Newton** brothers, now in the Armed Forces visited LHS May 8.

Lt. **Richard Keelor**, class of '39, has reported to a base on California as a bomber pilot.

Lt. **Arnold Iams** is reported to be ill in a Belgian hospital.

**Robert V. Hatfield**, class of '43, has been promoted to the rank of staff sergeant at Camp Blanding, Fla., where he is an instructor in the infantry.

Pvt. **William Kilburn** who attended LHS in 1943-44, has been serving in Germany with the 7th Army.

Three brothers who from LHS are now serving in the Army are: Pvt. **Dick Brant**, Ft. George Meade, in the infantry; **Dan Brant** in the European theatre; and Lt. **Zain Brant**, stationed at Ft. Sill, Okla.

**Robert McComas**, who attended Lebanon Schools, has received discharge from the Marines. He was wounded in the South Pacific in 1944.

A graduate of LHS in 1942, **Harold Gross** has been promoted to the rank of sergeant. Sgt. Gross is stationed at an air base in the Marianas.

MOMM **James E. DeJarnette** is serving in the Pacific war theatre.

Ensign **James Townsley**, graduate of Annapolis, is serving in the Pacific, while Pfc, **Robert Townsley** is stationed at Ft. Benning.

S 1-c **Durwood Elbon** is now Stationed at Jacksonville, Fla., while attending gunnery school.

Pvt. **Karl Israel** has been with the Army in Germany.

S1-c **Robert Wolfe** is now stationed in the Pacific Area.

Lt. **Bruce Ralston**, Corps of Engineers, has been serving in the European war theatre since September. 1944. Recently he saw service in Germany.

Ensign **Harry Ralston** is now stationed at the Washington Navy yard in the Ordnance Department.

**Everett and Marvin Hazlewood** are fighting in the Armed Forces overseas. Marvin is on Luzon in the Southwest Pacific and has served 3 years. Everett is in France and has fought 4 long years of war. We hope both boys will come back home soon.

**Note**

The Lebanon Light was the school newspaper for Lebanon High School. The above article was included in a memory book produced in 1995 for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Class of 1945. A copy of the Memory Book was donated to the Warren County Genealogical Society by our Vice President, Debbie Osburn. Debbie's Dad, Wilbur Ritchey, was part of the Class of 1945 which graduated very near the 7 May 1945 VE day marking the end of World War II in Europe. The article was transcribed by Springboro High School volunteer Taryn Large as part of her National Honor Society community service.

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# Clues to Use

By Linda Eckert

## Celebrating Irish-American Heritage Month

Family Tree Magazine is offering **FREE** access to all of their Irish Genealogy Articles for the entire month of March!

Listed Below is a Sample of Their Irish Genealogy Research Articles:

Free Irish Poor Law Unions Map Download  
7 Steps for Finding Your Irish Ancestors  
Best UK and Irish Genealogy Websites  
How to Search for Ancestors in Irish Catholic Church Records  
6 Steps to Tracing Irish Ancestors in Griffith's Valuation  
Plotting Your Irish Roots: An Irish Counties Map  
6 Historical Irish Jurisdictions Genealogists Should Know About  
A Map of Ireland Before the Famine

To see all articles, check out their "Explore Your Irish Heritage Page:"

<https://www.familytreemagazine.com>

## OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY <http://www.ogs.org>

The Ohio Genealogical Society is located at the Samuel D. Isaly Library, 611 State Route 97 West, Bellville, Ohio 44813. Phone (419) 886-1903. As an OGS member, Vivid-Pix <https://vivid-pix.com/> will provide ten free fixes with no credit card required. OGS members who decide to purchase the program after the trial period will receive a 20 percent discount off the retail price of \$49.99. In return, OGS will receive a donation from Vivid-Pix. We hope you will enjoy this new member benefit. To start your free trial, follow this link: <https://www.ogs.org/join/affiliate-information>

## BRINGIN' IT HOME 2021 – OGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Virtual Conference, 14-17 April 2021

For more information, see <https://www.ogsconference.org/>

## 2021 FAMILY HISTORY JAMBOREE – April 10, 2021

"Family History Jamboree" will be Virtual this year. It is scheduled for April 10, 2021. All of the 30 different presentations will be recorded and will be available to watch one week before April 10 and one week after April 10. On April 10 there will be a panel available to answer any questions you may have. It is FREE but you will have to register for the "Jamboree" at the website at <https://fhj1.org/fhj1/home.php>.

## 2021 VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL GERMAN GENEALOGY CONFERENCE

"Researching Together Worldwide/Weltweit Gemeinsam forschen"

July 17-24, 2021

The International German Genealogy Partnership is thrilled to announce that the 2021 **International German Genealogy Conference**, previously cancelled as an in-person event due to the COVID-19 pandemic, will now be held virtually from **17 July to 24 July 2021** with the theme of "**Researching Together Worldwide / Weltweit Gemeinsam Forschen**". This new format will allow both passionate genealogists and expert speakers from around the world – including many from our partner organizations in Germany – to attend and participate. Will you be one of them?

Registration will open in January, and an "Early Bird special" price will be available until March 31, 2021.

To stay up-to-date on conference news, be sure to sign-up for the IGGP conference newsletter.

<https://iggpartner.org/cpage.php?pt=145>

## NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY <https://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>

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## NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - VIRTUAL CONFERENCE 2021 - May 17-21, 2021

Learn new strategies, resources, records, and techniques to sharpen your family history skills at the National Genealogical Society (NGS) Family History Conference in 2021. Plans for NGS's forty-third annual conference\* include a full week of virtual events for individuals, societies, and organizations from 17-21 May 2021. NGS will feature days of great speakers, novel topics, live chat, Q&A time, a virtual expo hall, the NGS Awards announcements, drawings for genealogy-related prizes and more! Register by March 15, 2021 for the "Early Bird Special."

Click on the following link to learn more: <https://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/>

### ----- GENEALOGY WEBINARS

You need to pre-register. See websites below.

*Note: **Legacy Family Tree Webinars** understand that you cannot always attend the live webinars, which is why they make the recording available to you to view for the 7 days following the webinar for FREE! Watch it as many times as you would like. You can pause it and take notes during the free period. If you want all of the materials, including the instructor's handouts you must join and pay a yearly membership fee.*

#### **"Alcoholics and Teetotalers: Finding Your in America's Temperance"** Presented by Michael Brophy, MBA

Saturday, March 6, 2021, 1:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Southern California Genealogical Society:

[www.scsgenealogy.com](http://www.scsgenealogy.com)

#### **"Using Different Family Tree Views for Your Research"** Presented by Uri Gonen

Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

#### **"Who, What, Where, When, How to Look at Your Photographs: Analyze, Organize, and Preserve"**

Presented by The Genealogy Center - Allen County Public Library

Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 2:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Allen County Genealogical Society of Indiana at

[acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy](http://acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy)

#### **"Researching Ancestral Locations in Prussian Genealogy Records"** Presented by Nancy E. Loe, MA, MLS

Wednesday, March 10, 2021, 8:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

#### **"Expanding Your Family History Journey"**

Presented by The Genealogy Center - Allen County Public Library

Thursday, March 11, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Allen County Genealogical Society of Indiana at

[acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy](http://acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy)

#### **"Old House Do's & Don'ts"** Presented by Carissa Demore

Friday, March 12, 2021, 4:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the American Ancestors by New England Historic Genealogical Society.

[americanancestors.org/education/online-classes](http://americanancestors.org/education/online-classes)

#### **"Emigration From Scotland"** Presented by Christine Woodcock

Saturday, March 13, 2021, 11:00 a.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the ISBGFH

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7186117035495674379>

#### **"Introduction to Irish Internet Sites"**

Presented by The Genealogy Center - Allen County Public Library

Tuesday, March 16, 2021, 2:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Allen County Genealogical Society of Indiana at

[acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy](http://acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy)

**"Reporting on Research: Standards Encourage Better Communication"**

Presented by Nancy A. Peters, CG, CGL

Tuesday, March 16, 2021, 8:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

**"FamilySearch.org - 10 Links You Have to Try"** Presented by Devin Ashby

Wednesday, March 17, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

**"Find African American, French, Jewish & spanish Revolutionary War Patriots"**

Presented by Ellen Kowitt

Wednesday, March 17, 2021, 9:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Southern California Genealogical Society:

[www.scgsgenealogy.com](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com)

**"Researching Urban Ancestors in the 19th and 20th Centuries"** Presented by Danielle Cournoyer

Thursday, March 18, 2021, 4:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the American Ancestors by New England Historic Genealogical Society.

[americanancestors.org/education/online-classes](http://americanancestors.org/education/online-classes)

**"A Lonely Voyage: Late 19th Century Irish Immigrant Women in the United States"**

Presented by The Genealogy Center - Allen County Public Library

Thursday, March 18, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Allen County Genealogical Society of Indiana at

[acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy](http://acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy)

**"Effective Use of GENUKI: England's Largest Free Genealogy Website "**

Presented by Paul Milner, FUGA, M.Div.

Thursday, March 18, 2021, 8:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

[fgstampa.org/event/202102-fgs-meeting](http://fgstampa.org/event/202102-fgs-meeting)

**"Tracing Your War of 1812 British Soldier"** Presented by Paul Milner

Friday, March 19, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

**"See Your Ancestors Like Never Before With MyHeritage's Photo Tools"**

Presented by MyHeritage Webinars

Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

**"Genealogy Research in Poland and Their Former Territories"**

Presented by The Genealogy Center - Allen County Public Library

Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 2:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Allen County Genealogical Society of Indiana at

[acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy](http://acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy)

**"John Matteson With A Worse Place Than Hell: How the Civil War Battle of Fredericksburg Changed a Nation"**

Presented by Debbie Applegate

Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the American Ancestors by New England Historic Genealogical Society.

[americanancestors.org/education/online-classes](http://americanancestors.org/education/online-classes)

**"20th Century Immigrants to The West Coast"** Presented by Linda Harms Okazaki

Wednesday, March 24, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

**"An Extraordinary Irish Immigrant: Dr. Gertrude B. Kelly"**

Presented by The Genealogy Center - Allen County Public Library

Thursday, March 25, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Allen County Genealogical Society of Indiana at

[acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy](http://acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy)

**"Digging Deeper: Lesser Used Court Records - County Court Orders & Circuit Court Case Files"**

Presented by The Genealogy Center - Allen County Public Library

Tuesday, March 30, 2021, 2:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Allen County Genealogical Society of Indiana at

[acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy](http://acpl-cms.wise.oclc.org/genealogy)

**"Fifty Overlooked Genealogical Resources in Fifty Minute"** Presented Diane L. Richard

Wednesday, March 31, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

**"In Their Own Words: Genealogy in the Slave Narratives"** Presented by Renate Yarborough Sanders

Friday, April 2, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

**"Suddenly Scotland: An Introduction to Scottish Research"** Presented by Sara Cochran

Saturday, April 3, 2021, 1:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Southern California Genealogical Society:

[www.scgsgenealogy.com](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com)

**"Four More Sources for New Zealand Family History"** Presented by Fiona Brooker

Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 10:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

**"Boston's Jewish Family businesses: The Colonial Era to the Present"** Presented by Michael Feldberg

Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 4:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the American Ancestors by New England Historic Genealogical Society.

[americanancestors.org/education/online-classes](http://americanancestors.org/education/online-classes)

**"DNA for Dog Lovers"** Presented by Shellee Morehead, PhD, CG

Wednesday, April 7, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com)

*The following Webinars from the Southern California Genealogical Society can be watched at your convenience and are free to the public:*

**"Neither Filmed or Scanned: NARA Treasures Await"** Presented by Kerry Bartels

Link to the webinar on the Southern California Genealogical Society:

[www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html)

**"How To Get The Most Out Of A Genealogy Conference"** Presented by George Morgan

Link to the webinar on the Southern California Genealogical Society:

[www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html)

**"The Many Facets of the National Archives Website"** Presented by Kerry Bartels

Link to the webinar (2 hrs.) on the Southern California Genealogical Society:

[www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html)

**"National Archives Website Microfilm Catalog, Archival Databases, and Guides"** Presented by Kerry Bartels

Link to the webinar on the Southern California Genealogical Society:

[www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html)

**"Military Records At The National Archives"** Presented by Kerry Bartels

Link to the webinar on the Southern California Genealogical Society:

[www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/overview.html)

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## **WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

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Membership is \$10 for a single membership, \$15 for a family membership or \$200 for a Life Membership.

Membership application forms are available at <http://www.wcgs.org/DownloadableForms.htm>

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WCGS Website <http://www.wcgs.org/>

Facebook group at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/262311627671559/>

Western Star Digitization Project: <http://www.ohiomemory.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/p16007coll84>

Warren County OHGenWeb Site: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/>

**LIBRARY HOURS:** Mon-Fri from 9am to 4pm [subject to closing for inclement weather, volunteer illness, etc.]

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