

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News Sept. 2010

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FORT ANCIENT, A SLEEPY LITTLE TOWN IN THE VALLEY

September 15, 2010, 7:30 PM in the Phillippi Meeting Room of the Campus Center at the Otterbein Retirement Community, 585 Rte 741 (north of Rte 63), Lebanon, Ohio

"**Fort Ancient, A Sleepy Little Town in the Valley**" is a brand new book by Nancy Miller Myerholtz. The area is well known for the ancient earthworks up on the hills as well as the popular Morgan's Canoe livery down in the valley and the new zip line installed by Camp Kern. Nancy's book touches on these but her main emphasis is on the mostly forgotten little village, beginning with the earliest land transactions and residents in the area. Nancy provides a glimpse into the past by her accounts of many of the families that resided in the village during its short life as well as their business and social activities.

Nancy is a long time member of the Warren County Genealogical Society. She was inducted into First Families of Warren County in 1997 (Member #48) as a descendent of Thomas Evans who settled here in 1818. She will be available to sign copies of her book following the program. See attached PDF flyer. If you have a place to post it, please do so.

WCGS 2010 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month beginning at 7:30 PM in the Phillippi Meeting Room of the Campus Center at the Otterbein Retirement Community, 585 Rte 741 (north of Rte 63), Lebanon, Ohio

- September 15, 2010, "**Fort Ancient, A Sleepy Little Town in the Valley**" presented by Nancy Miller Myerholtz
- October 20, 2010, "**Researching in Hamilton County, Ohio**" presented by Kenny Burck & Deb Cyprych
- November 17, 2010, "**Ancestry.com**" presented by Diane Haddad, Family Tree Magazine
- December 15, 2010, **Annual Holiday Social Gathering**
- Jan & Feb 2011 – no meetings

BIBLE RECORDS

Michelle Holmes has donated images of the Franklin and Melissa (Hatfield) Drake Bible to our on line Bible collection at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/Bible/drake.htm>. Printed copies of the images have also been added to the Bible collection at our Resource Library. Thank you, Michelle! To add images of your family Bible to the on line collection, email the images to atrelvik@gmail.com. See Debbie Schneider's project below.

NEW RESOURCE LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

We have been fortunate to have a number of new volunteers come forward to help with the staffing of the Resource Center and assist with various Society Projects.

***Faith Peel** has been working for some time in abstracting the funeral home records from the Oswald Hoskins and the Vale Hoskins funeral homes. When completed, her work will be used to compile our 4th Volume of Funeral Home Records.

***Debbie Schneider** is in the process of creating an "every name" extract of the Bible Records available in our library and so far has over 2,600 entries. If you have any old Family Bible Records, this would be a great time to donate a photocopy of them to the society.

***Mike Palmer** has created an 2,846 name electronic index of our book, "Birth Records 1920-1925." His work is being used to expand our Birth Records Master Index. He is now working on a project to extract data from a collection of post 1953 death certificates on file in our Resource Library.

PRESERVE THE WAR OF 1812 PENSIONS

With the upcoming 200th anniversary of the War of 1812, the Federation of Genealogy Societies <http://www.fgs.org> and the National Archives <http://www.archives.gov> have started a project to digitize all of the War of 1812 Pension Records (7.2 million images in 180,000 files) and provide free internet access to the images. To contribute to this project, see their website at <http://www.fgs.org/1812/>

Historical Footnotes of Lebanon, Ohio ISBN 0-9726224-0-3

This 2002, 64 page book by Lebanon historian, John Zimkus and illustrated by his son, Charlie Zimkus is now available through the Warren County Genealogical Society for \$10 plus tax. For mail orders, please add \$1.00 for shipping.

6th ANNUAL SUMMER GENEALOGY WORKSHOPS June through August 2010

Dana Palmer’s classes were again a big hit. The average number of attendees was 23 with the largest class packing the room at 27. Most sessions had 23-24 in attendance. It was great to see both new and familiar faces. More than 60 summer workshop books were printed and distributed. If you could not attend but would like to order a copy of the book, they can be purchased for \$10. Feel free to stop by our resource library M-F 9 AM to 4 PM. We would love to help you search for your ancestors. A class photo from August has been posted on Flickr at

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/15663136@N08/4863259306/>

CALENDAR of EVENTS

* 18 Sep **“Clermont County Heritage Day Luncheon”**. Paid reservations required by Sep. 8th. The Program is **"Soldiers, Settlers, and Speculators: An Overview of Kentucky Land Patents & the Land Office Website"** by Kandie Adkinson, Administrative Supervisor, Land Office Division, Kentucky Secretary of State’s Office. I saw this great presentation at the recent FGS conference and highly recommend it. <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohclecgs/2010%20Heritage%20Day.pdf>

* 2 Oct **“Fall Seminar”** featuring Curt Witcher presented by the Ohio Genealogical Society (**Hurry – almost full!**)

<http://www.ogs.org/fallseminar2010.php>

* 2 Oct **“Family History Fair: A Day with the Experts”**, Cincinnati Public Library. Programs at 10 AM and 2 PM.

* 8 Oct **“Genealogy Librarians’ Seminar”** presented by the Ohio Genealogical Society

<http://www.ogs.org/genlibseminar.php>

* 9 Oct **“Do You Want To Know Who You Are”** Butler Co. Gen. Soc., 10:30 AM

West Chester Library, 9363 Centre Pointe Dr (513 777 3131)

* 9 Oct **“Genealogy Seminar featuring Elissa Scalise Powell, CG** at Sinclair Community College sponsored by the

Montgomery County Chapter, OGS. See flyer at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohmontgs/flyer.pdf>

* 16 Oct **Fall Seminar, Ohio Chapter Palatines to America**, Ramada Hotel and Conference Center, Columbus, Ohio

“Researching German Immigration in the 18th Century”, Four presentations by Marianne W. Wockeck on Indentured Servitude and Immigration to America in the 18th Century See website for Registration and Fee information

<http://www.oh-palam.org/bookstore/images/2010fallregistrationform.pdf>

* 31 Mar–3 Apr 2011 **“Ohio Genealogy Society Conference”**, The Hyatt on Capitol Square, Columbus, Ohio

<http://www.ogs.org/conference2011/index.php>

* 11–14 May 2011 **“NGS Family History Conference”**, Charleston, South Carolina (**the host hotel already sold out**)

http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/conference_info or their blog at <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/>

* 7–10 Sep 2011 **“35th Anniversary of FGS Conference”** Springfield, Ill.

<http://www.fgs.org/2011conference/index.php> or on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/FGS2011>

GENEALOGY CLASSES AT SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dana Palmer has been asked to fill in for Dave Vickers’ genealogy classes at Sinclair Community College. Two 10-week session classes will be offered. Computers and internet access will be provided for each student. Space is limited so sign up early. It will be held in the Barnes Center at 3750 Far Hills Ave., Kettering (Rte 48). See web site www.sinclair.edu/lifelong for more details. You must register ahead of time in order to attend.

* **LL82x2 Beginning Genealogy** (10 sessions) from Sept 16 to Nov 18th, 9 AM to 11 AM. This will be similar to what was taught during the summer workshops at WCGS. So if you want a refresher, make sure to sign up.

* **LL 84X1 Using Genealogical Software in the Search for your Roots** (10 sessions) from Sept 16 to Nov 18th, 12 PM to 2 PM. This will focus on using software such as RootsMagic and PAF as well as using online databases such as ancestry.com, familysearch, footnote.com, Googlemaps, Rootsweb, US GenWeb, etc.

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

The Ohio Genealogical Society is located at their Samuel D. Isaly Library, 611 State Route 97 West, Bellville, Ohio 44813. Phone (419) 886-1903. [Annual membership](#) begins at \$32 and includes access from your home to [World Vital Records](#)

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WCGS has over 150 Warren County Genealogical publications available for purchase. Visit our website for a list of books and order form. <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/publications.htm>

Membership is 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>

Phone: (513) 695 1144 email: wcs@co.warren.oh.us Website: <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/>

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