

# WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News Dec. 2012

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**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DANA PALMER**

This has been a great year for the Warren County Genealogical Society. Thank you to all our volunteers and members. Our society is great because of your hard work and efforts! We continue to be a busy and active society and have lots of exciting projects in the works. If you would like to help with any of our projects or in our resource center, please let us know. We could always use more help.

Our virtual cemetery project is getting closer to completion and we have gravestone photos on line for about half of the known burials in the county. This year despite the rainy weather, we successfully hosted our fourth annual cemetery restoration clinic in September at the Null/Clearcreek Chapel cemetery in Springboro. Mark your calendars now, because our next cemetery restoration clinic will be on Saturday, September 14, 2013. The location is no set yet but will be announced soon.

We haven't had a lot of website updates this year since we bought a new computer and switched software. The new software has finally been installed and we should have a lot of changes in the forthcoming months.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and look forward to seeing you in 2013.

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**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SOCIAL**

*Wednesday, December 19, 2011 at 7:30 PM in the Phillippi Meeting Room of the Campus Center at the Otterbein Retirement Community*  
We look forward to seeing everyone at the last meeting of the year. If able, please bring a goodie to share. This will be an informal event where we can gather together and celebrate the year and discuss plans for the future. If you have any brick wall questions on your research, bring them along and we'll try to get you headed in the right direction. It should be lots of fun!

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**2013 SOCIETY OFFICERS**

At our November meeting, the following were elected as Chapter Officers in 2013. We thank them for their continuing service.

- President, Dana Palmer
- 1st Vice President, Linda Eckert
- 2nd Vice President, Diana Linkous
- Treasurer, Harriet Foley
- Recording Secretary, Marti Daubenmire
- Corresponding Secretary, Arne Trelvik

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**2012 SOCIETY VOLUNTEERS**

In addition to the officers listed above, we are deeply indebted to the following volunteers who served our society in numerous capacities during 2012: Lisa Axt, Jane Bailey, Vickie Bergerhouse, Terry Easton, Mary Everhart, Sue Frary, Chuck Griffen, Marianne Holste, Bonnie Johnston, Mike Palmer, Faith Peel, Deb Schneider, LaVonne Smith, Candy Tucker and Michele Ullum. Thanks for a job well done!!!

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**2013 WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP**

It is that time of year to renew your WCCGS membership. Thanks to those who have already renewed their membership. If you're not currently a member, please consider supporting our numerous family history initiatives through your membership. The dues are \$10 (Individual), \$15 (family) or \$200 (life). For your convenience, a membership form is provided as an email attachment.

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**RALPH C. HUTT (1922 – 2012)**

We are sorry to report that Ralph C. Hutt passed away on 11 Nov 2012 at the age of 90. Ralph was born in Warren county 6 Apr 1922 to Clint & Lucy (Kessling) Hutt. He was buried in Springboro Cemetery with his late wife, Helen (Hindman) Hutt. Helen and Ralph were charter members of the Warren County Genealogical Society and through the years were very active in numerous society projects. Ralph's obituary may be viewed at <http://www.anderson-funeral.com/obituary/96161/>

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**WARREN COUNTY VIRTUAL CEMETERY PROJECT** at <http://goo.gl/YSRaS>

In November, photos of all extant gravestones at the [Mount Holly Cemetery](#) in Wayne Twp were added to the Virtual Cemetery Project. Additional photos were also added for the [Deerfield](#), [Miami](#), [Turtlecreek Friends](#), [Unity](#) and [Plum Run](#) cemeteries. With these additions, we now have on line photos available for 45,409 burials in 94 different cemeteries.

**WARREN COUNTY MILITARY HERITAGE** <http://goo.gl/uWutD>

=> **War of 1812 Pension Files:** The complete pension files for [James Abbott](#), [Abraham Baker](#), [William Brandenburg](#), [Thomas Breeding](#), [Frederick Briney](#) & [David B. Buckles](#) are on line. The pension files are being digitized in alphabetical order by [Fold3](#). They are up to the CAMP surname for Ohio.

=> **Civil War Widow's Pensions** available on [fold3.com](http://fold3.com) continues to grow and is now up to at least widow certificate number 110,693. See [Warren County Widows' Pension Application File Index](#) for Warren County soldiers whose pension files are available on line.

=> **★Warren County Civil War 150 Roll of Honor, December, 1862★** - 23 dead, 11 wounded, 2 POWs.

Nearly all the December casualties occurred at the [Battle of Stones River, Tenn.](#) (aka 2<sup>nd</sup> Murfreesboro) from 31 Dec 1862 to 2 Jan 1863

**Killed in Action or Died of Wounds**

[Joseph W. Boynton](#) (F&S 69 OVI), [John D. Craig](#) (F 15 OVI), [William Ennis](#) (E 19 US Inf), [John Hawkins](#) (I 74 OVI), [Lewis Albert Hulse](#) (A 69 OVI), [John Kell](#) (2 OVI), [Alexander Gaines Walker](#) (I 2 OVI), [Andrew J. Ward](#) (B 2 OVI)

**Wounded**

[William Chase](#) (G 3 OVI), [Henry H. Dunham](#) (I 2 OVI), [Henry Graham](#) (F 28 KyVI), [Sanford H. Green](#) (F 35 Illinois VI), [Manford Hall](#) (B 19 Iowa VI), [Amos Huffman](#) (C 2 OVI), [Robert Merchant](#) (A 69 OVI), [James N. Perrine](#) (A 69 OVI), [William H. Pratt](#) (B 74 OVI), [Fernando W. Shackelford](#) (E 15 OVI), [Enos Wilson](#) (B 35 OVI)

**POWs**

[Robert Merchant](#) (A 69 OVI), [Calvin Charles Vickers](#) (F 1 OVI)

**Died from Disease or Other Causes**

[John H. Baker](#) (A 79 OVI), [David N. Brown](#) (H 79 OVI), [John M. Butler](#) (A 12 OVI), [George Carroll](#) (E 79 OVI), [Israel D. Compton](#) (H 79 OVI), [Enoch Cottle](#) (A 79 OVI), [Sylvester E. Crane](#) (F 2 OVI), [Hamilton C. Edwards](#) (A 79 OVI), [George Groves](#) (H 79 OVI), [John W. Hatfield](#) (A 4 OVI), [Leonidas Keever](#) (A 79 OVI), [John Müller](#) (H 79 OVI), [George Mountjoy](#) (F 35 OVI), [Milo Munger](#) (I 79 OVI), [Alfred H. Payne](#) (A 79 OVI)

=>See <http://goo.gl/uWutD> or <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/warsmain.htm> for information about other Warren County veterans.

**LIBRARY ADDITIONS**

=> **Thomas R. Foley Manuscript Collection: World War II papers and photos – Thanks Tom!**

=> **Dalton, Dennis E. Images of America: Waynesville and Wayne Township. Charleston, SC: Arcadia Publishing, 2012.**

This brand new book may be purchased at the Lebanon Walgreen store. It is also available at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) or from the publisher at <http://www.arcadiapublishing.com/9780738594446/>. The following is copied from the back cover of the book.

“Samuel Heighway founded Waynesville in 1797 and thought his town would become the capital of the Northwest Territory—a dream that never materialized. However, Waynesville did grow up to become the “Antiques Capital of the Midwest,” snagging its own little piece of American heritage. Older than the state of Ohio, Waynesville has been home to its original settlers, the Quakers, and a long line of pioneers whose descendants still live in the area . . . even the ghosts have a hard time moving on! Waynesville successfully maintains its illusion of small-town America, to the delight of citizens and visitors alike. Dennis is a lifelong Warren County resident.

**INTERNET ARCHIVE** <http://archive.org/> [not to be confused with <http://www.archives.com/>]

The Internet Archive is a non-profit digital library providing permanent storage of and free public access to collections of digitized materials, including websites, music, moving images, and nearly 3 million public-domain books. Member Terry Easton found a digital copy of the 1903 book, [The History of the Shinn family in Europe and America](#) . On [page 180](#), it contains a biographical sketch of Abigail Shinn, daughter of George & Rachel (Wright) Shinn and wife of Moses McKay. Their gravestones at [Mount Holly Cemetery](#) are included in our Virtual Cemetery project at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/Cemetery/MtHolly/d.htm#AbigailMcKay>

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

The Ohio Genealogical Society is located at the Samuel D. Isaly Library, 611 State Route 97, Bellville, Ohio 44813. Phone (419) 886-1903.

[Annual membership](#) includes home access to <http://www.heritagepursuit.com> (Ohio County Histories).

25-27 Apr 2013: [OGS Annual Conference](#) being held at the Millennium Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Conference Booklet and the Reservation Form are available on line as pdf documents at <http://www.ogs.org/conference2013/>. You may also subscribe to the Conference Blog at <http://www.ogs.org/blog/>

**OTHER SOCIETY EVENTS**

<> 21-23 Mar 2013 “[RootsTech Conference](#)” Salt Lake City, Utah. See <http://rootstech.org/home>

<> 8–11 May 2013 “[NGS Conference](#)” Las Vegas, Nevada. Hotel reservations at <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/accommodations>

<> 21 – 24 Aug 2013 “[FGS Conference](#)” Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Hotels see [http://www.fgs.org/upload/files/FGS2013\\_Conference\\_Flyer.pdf](http://www.fgs.org/upload/files/FGS2013_Conference_Flyer.pdf)

**WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

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 \$10 for a single membership, \$15 for a family membership or \$200 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](mailto:wcs@co.warren.oh.us) Website: <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/>

Our 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.]