

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News August 2013

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5th ANNUAL CEMETERY RESTORATION CLINIC

It is time to sign up for our 5th Annual Cemetery Restoration Clinic. This year the clinic will be held Saturday, 14 Sep 2013 from 9 am to 4 pm at the Dicks Creek Cemetery in Franklin Township on Union Road, a little south of S.R. 122 and opposite the main entrance to the Grace Baptist Church. Dicks Creek Cemetery, one of the oldest surviving cemeteries in Warren County, is the final resting place for many of the original settlers in the Blue Ball area. It was established in 1810 when Joseph Parks and his son, Robert, donated a parcel of ground on Union Road for a church and an acre of ground adjacent to it for a cemetery. Revolutionary War Veteran, Joseph Parks who died 12 Apr 1814, is the 1st known burial in the cemetery.

Attendees will spend a full day in the cemetery learning the proper techniques of cemetery restoration and repair ~ identifying, cleaning & repairing grave markers. This year's program will again be presented by the Graveyard Groomer from Connersville, Indiana. The cost of this all day event is only \$40 per person and includes a picnic lunch and a workbook that normally sells for \$20.

A flyer and registration form is attached. Attendance is limited so reserve your spot early.

For more information, visit the clinic website at <http://cemetery.springborohistory.org/2013/DicksCreek/Cemetery.html> or contact our cemetery clinic chairman, Terry Easton at Terry_Easton@cinci.rr.com or 513-294-8752.

2013 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 N State Rte 741 (north of Rte 63), Lebanon, Ohio.

14 Sep 2013: 5th Annual Cemetery Restoration Clinic – see below

18 Sep 2013: To be announced.

16 Oct 2013: To be announced.

13 Nov 2013: To be announced.

18 Dec 2013: Annual Christmas Program.

We thank Linda Eckert for all her work as our Program Chair.

WARREN COUNTY, OHIO VIRTUAL CEMETERY PROJECT – July, 2013

Morrow Cemetery

Added photos for 739 burials - now have photos on line for 2,747 of the 3,536 known burials

West Woodville Cemetery

Added photos for 2 burials - now have photos on line for 604 of the 621 known burials

With these additions, the Warren County Virtual Cemetery Project has photos on line for 48,568 burials in 94 cemeteries. See links to other cemeteries at <http://goo.gl/YSRaS>

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

=> Veteran Photos and Documents:

[Victor Odell Sheets](#) (1946-1995) - ETN3, US Navy, Vietnam. Documents contributed by his brother, [Jim Sheets](#).

=> ★ **War of 1812 Roll of Honor** ★ We added two more men to the list of Warren County casualties - [John Briant](#) & [Arnold Snider/Snyder](#). Both served in [Capt. Theophilus Simonton's Rifle Company](#), 1st Regt. (Mill's) Ohio Militia, which served from 23 Mar 1813 to 1 Oct 1813

=> **War of 1812 Pension Files:** In July, Fold3 had pension files on line up to the **DICKASON** surname in Ohio. The pension files for 28 Warren County soldiers that are available are listed at

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/military/1812pension.htm> with links to their pension & bounty land files. July additions from Warren County (that we know of) were [John Briant](#) (1 page), and [George Death](#) (34 pages)

[John Briant \(or McBryant\)](#) enlisted as a Private in Capt. Simonton's Company and died on 19 Jul 1813 at Fort Meigs, Ohio.

[The 2nd siege of Ft. Meigs was from July 25-28, 1813] John Briant and Elizabeth Swank (of Schwank) were [married in Warren Co.](#) on 31 May 1807.

His widow filed for both bounty land and a widow's pension while living in Dayton, Ohio.

Bounty Land [Warrant #8515](#) for 40 acres, act of 1850 was issued in favor of Elizabeth Briant, widow of John Briant, deceased Private in Captain Simonton's Company Ohio Militia War 1812. She assigned the warrant to Joseph Kirk who received a patent for 40 acres in Woodford County, Illinois on 15 Apr 1853.

Bounty Land [Warrant #28727](#) for 120 acres, act of 1855 was issued in favor of Elizabeth Briant, widow of John Briant, Private, Captain Simonton's Company, Ohio Militia, War of 1812. She assigned it to Benjamin Ogden who received a patent for 120 acres in Jefferson County, Nebraska on 15 Sep 1860.

Elizabeth filed for and received a widows' pension (Application #104, Certificate #396) but we do not have a copy of the file.

[Arnold Snider/Snyder](#) is listed on the Roster of [Capt. Theophilus Simonton's Rifle Company](#) but so far, no other service or pension records have been found. WCGS volunteer, [Candy Tucker](#) has provided us with materials from his estate package which documents his death (Warren County [Old C P Box 7 No. 10](#)). One of the receipts in the estate says, "*Received of Samuel Sheply the sum of one dollar and twenty five cents in full for writing certifying their affidavits and a power of attorney, for collecting the ___ pay pension due Hannah Shepley late widow of Arnold Snider, who died in the service of the United States . . .*" Arnold's widow, Hannah Snider was married to Samuel Sheply in Warren county on 6 Dec 1815 by Theo. Simonton J.P. On 12 Apr 1817 Samuel Shepley was appointed guardian for the minor children of Arnold Snyder deceased - Mary (11), Elizabeth (9), Esther (7), David (5) and William (4).

Arnold wrote the following letter to his wife while serving at Fort Meigs. [Transcription by [Candy Tucker](#)]

Fort Meigs Monday the 10th ~~1813~~ of May 1813.

Dear wife,

*I received your letter of the 15th of April and am very glad to hear you were then it well We have had very warm times with the British and Indians this while past but they started down the river yesterday morning towards Malden and left us We killed a number of them and they have killed and wounded some of us there was none of our company hurt by them but **Daniel Swank, William Orr and William Patton** these three was slightly wounded but not to hurt them any to signify for further particulars about our late battle inquire of **Mr Snell** for Henry has wrote to him more largely about it than I can at present you*

*will please to endeavor to get **Daniel Shields** to put in the frame in the house and get **Frederick** to chunck and daub it if possible likewise send me a letter the first opportunity you have.*

So no more at present but remains your very affectionate husband.

Arnold Snider

[George Death](#) (1791-1872). Bounty Land [Warrant #16779](#) for 160 acres was issued in favor of George Death, Private in Captain Spencer's Company, Ohio Militia, War of 1812. George assigned the warrant to John M. Death who received a patent for 160 acres in Cherokee County, Iowa on 15 Jan 1858.

George filed for a [Survivor's Pension](#) while a resident of Rush County, Indiana (Application #12354) for service in Capt. John Spencer's Co, Ohio Militia from 4 Sep 1813 to 26 Sep 1813. His application was rejected for insufficient service on 6 May 1873. He also claimed service under Quartermaster G. Gardner but that service was judged to be as a civilian employee.

On his Pension Declaration, George indicated that he was drafted into Capt. John Spencer's Company Ohio Militia at Lebanon, Warren County Ohio was taken from there to Dayton O. was at Dayton a few days waiting for more Warren Co men then went to Columbus Ohio was there joined by quite a body of troops before marching into the Wilderness between Columbus & Lower Sandusky had a little skirmish with the Indians one night was at Sene__A O when they undertook to capture Lower Sandusky.

George Death and Elizabeth Porter obtained a [Marriage License in Warren County](#) on 27 Jan 1812. George's pension declaration indicates that they were married Dec. 1814 but no marriage return was found in Warren County. From other sources it appears that their first three children were probably born in Warren County but George and his family moved to Indiana sometime before 1820.

=>★**Warren County Civil War 150 Roll of Honor, August, 1863**★ - 2 casualties: 1 dead, 1 wounded, 0 POWs.

Killed in Action or Mortally Wounded: none

Wounded: [John M. Oxley](#) (35th OVI)

POWs: none

Died from Disease or Other Causes: [William Gillespie](#) (79th OVI)

Click on the names of the individual soldier to see additional information we have about them.

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

=> **Civil War Widow's Pension Files** available on [fold3.com](#) continue to grow and are now up to at least widow certificate number 123,958. Jane Beal Bailey has contributed the pension file for Samuel Beal which is summarized below. No new pension files for Warren County men were found on [fold3.com](#) in July. Go to <http://goo.gl/Vcvm6> to view our list of [Warren County Pension Application Files](#) that are available on line with links to 105 different pension files. If you know of others, please let us know.

[Samuel Beal](#) (1832-1914) compiled Military Service Record and pension file documents donated by Jane Beal Bailey. To see, [click here](#).

Samuel enlisted on 1 May 1864 at Franklin, Ohio as a Private and was mustered into [Co. B, 146 Reg't. Ohio National Guard](#) Infantry at Camp Dennison, Ohio on 11 May 1864 for 100 days. He was described as a 31 year old farmer with gray eyes, black hair, dark complexion and 5' 8" tall. He was mustered out on 7 Sep 1864 at Camp Dennison, Ohio. The muster out roll spelled his last name as Beall rather than Beal.

Samuel Beal of Red Lion applied for an [invalid pension](#) on 6 Feb 1897 and on 11 March 1907 (Application #1,125,406, Certificate #979,495). He initially claimed to be 3/4 disabled due to general debility, rheumatism, weak eyes and stomach trouble. He later claimed disability due to catarrh. Samuel married **Martha Rhodes** in Warren County on 17 Apr 1856. Their children listed in the pension file were **Frank** born 26 Aug 1858, **Ada Ann** born 13 Nov 1862, Sidney born 10 Dec 1864, **Sarah Jane** born 5 Nov 1866, **Mary Eva** born 19 Apr 1870 and **Amanda Elizabeth** born 8 Sep 1872. Martha died 23 Nov 1881 near Red Lion. Samuel's 2nd wife was the widow, **Mrs. Catharine (Hildebrandt) Surface**. They were married in Franklin on 6 Mar 1884. Samuel died 18 Nov 1914 and is buried with his 1st wife in the [Red Lion Cemetery](#).

Catharine S. Beal aged 76 of Warren County, Ohio filed for a widow's pension on 11 Dec 1914 (Application #1,038,410, Certificate #789,800). Papers in the pension file indicate that she was born in Germany on 16 May 1838. She first married **Abraham Surface** on 5 Apr 1860 who died 13 Mar 1874. He did not serve in the military. Catherine filed for a pension increase on 19 Oct 1916 while a resident of Danvers, McLean Co, Illinois. She died 23 Apr 1922.

FALL 2013 GENEALOGY CLASSES – SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dana Palmer will be teaching two classes at the Sinclair Community College this fall.

LL 84 X1 Beginning Genealogy

• 7 sessions • Courseview Campus Center, Room A-103, Wednesdays, 9/11-10/23 • 12:00p-2:30p

This class will give you all of the basic tools to become an effective and successful searcher. The class is designed for beginners, but those with a bit of experience will also benefit.

LL 84 X2 Genealogy Workshop

• 7 sessions • Courseview Campus Center, Room A-103 Wednesdays, 9/11-10/23 • 9:00a-11:30a

This class is designed to help you progress with your genealogy projects. Students will work at their own pace and on their own projects such as using the genealogy RootsMagic database software, writing and compiling their family books, general research topics, and becoming more proficient at using online genealogy websites.

For additional details and Registration information call (937) 512-2372 or (937) 512-5184

The online catalog may be viewed at <http://www.sinclair.edu/lifelong/schedule/index.cfm>

FALL 2013 GENEALOGY CLASSES – WARREN COUNTY CAREER CENTER

Dana Palmer will be teaching two classes at the Warren County Career Center, this fall at the Main Campus Tech Building. Each course will run from September 10 thru October 29, 2013 (8 sessions).

Who Am I? – Basic Genealogy Research, Tuesdays, 10:00 am – Noon, Course #14CESI0083A

Do you enjoy searching for your ancestors? This class will provide you with the tools necessary to be successful at genealogy research.

Tips for organizing your research, using online databases, finding records in court houses and other repositories will all be discussed and demonstrated. This class is designed to start with the basics of genealogy research and conclude with more advanced topics. Beginners and veteran researchers alike will benefit from learning what's new in the field of genealogy.

Using Online Genealogy Resources, Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00pm, Course #14CESI0082A

This course will familiarize you with the major online genealogy websites as you delve more deeply into your ancestry. You'll explore website features and how to successfully use individual sites such as Ancestry.com, Family Search, Fold 3 and other sites that are appropriate for the class.

For registration information, see online course catalog at <http://www.mywccc.org/CourseCatalogeBook.aspx>.

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).

10 Aug 2013: [Chapter Management Seminar](#): 32895 Cedar Road, Mayfield Heights, <http://www.ogs.org/events/2013chaptermanagement.php>

5 Oct 2013: OGS Fall Seminar features Genealogy Guys, George Morgan and Drew Smith. Call 419-886-1903 for reservations.

30 April–3 May 2014 [53rd Annual OGS Conference](#) at the Kalahari Resort and Convention Center in Sandusky, Ohio.

OTHER EVENTS

<> 21 – 24 Aug 2013 “**FGS Conference**” Ft. Wayne, Indiana. See <http://www.fgsconference.org/program/>

<> 6-8 Feb 2014 “**RootsTech Conference**” Salt Lake City, Utah. See <http://rootstech.org/home>

<> 7-10 May 2014 “**NGS Conference**” Richmond, Virginia. Hotel Reservations at <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/accommodations>

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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 \$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: wccgs@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.]
