

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News August, 2021

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UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE UPDATE FOR THE OHIO HOPEWELL CEREMONIAL EARTHWORKS

Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. in the Phillippi Meeting Room, the Campus Center at the Otterbein Retirement Community, 585 State Route 73, 585 State Route 741 (north of State Route 63), Lebanon, Ohio

Please join us for our regular chapter meeting followed by this program. This will be our first in-person meeting since 2019! While not required, registration is requested to better enable us to keep you informed of any changes or cancellations that may arise. See <https://www.wcgs.org/events> Please use the main entrance, as the side entrance is no longer available. Otterbein requires attendees who have not been vaccinated for COVID-19 to complete a form and wear a mask. For more information, contact the Warren County Genealogical Society at 513-695-1144 or info.wcgs@wcgs.org

Todd Stephenson will provide the latest news and status information from the Ohio History Connection regarding the nomination of the Ohio Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks to become a UNESCO World Heritage Site which includes Fort Ancient near Oregonia, Octagon Works in Newark, and Mound City sites in the Chillicothe area. He will also provide some insights to the scope of the origins of the raw materials that were brought to Ohio and then fashioned into tools, ornaments, pipes, weapons, etc.

Todd Stephenson is a retired petroleum geologist and seasonal volunteer geological advisor for the Fort Ancient Earthworks and Nature Preserve. He grew up in Kings Mills and graduated from Kings High School in 1973, Ohio University in 1977, and the University of Cincinnati in 1979. Todd's Stephenson Family ancestors were early natives of Warren County (First Families of Warren County) who lived on a 70-acre farm, three miles west of Fort Ancient in Turtlecreek Township. Todd is a member of both the Warren County Genealogical and the Warren County Historical Societies. He is also a member of the Ambassadors Group, which is a group of people selected by the leadership of the Ohio History Connection to help coordinate and communicate the status of the UNESCO World Heritage nomination for the Ohio Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks. Todd is married to Becky, who is an avid genealogist, and they have two adult children, Joel and Heather, who live in Texas.

2021 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Phillippi Meeting Room, the Campus Center at the Otterbein Retirement Community, 585 State Route 73, 585 State Route 741 (north of State Route 63), Lebanon, Ohio. Please use the main entrance, as the side entrance is no longer available. Otterbein requires attendees who have not been vaccinated for COVID-19 to complete a form and wear a mask.

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| 8 Sept 2021 | UNESCO World Heritage Update for the Ohio Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks |
| 20 Oct 2021 | To Be Announced. |
| 17 Nov 2021 | To Be Announced |
| 15 Dec 2021 | Annual Christmas Gathering |

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY WEBSITE UPDATES

The **Online Membership Application** is working now. Members should complete and submit the application in order to get their information into that system. Current members do not have to join again nor pay anything, just complete and submit the application. Part of the application is creating a password that you will use in conjunction with your email address to log in and access member-only content on the site. Member-only content includes all digitized issues of *Heir Lines* and one of our newest pages, **Videos!** **Kelli Bergheimer** kindly allowed us to record her presentation from July 14 for our members and it is now online. Please visit the **Members Area** page to access links to the **Online Membership Application**, the *Heir Lines* page, and the **Videos** page. <https://www.wcgsohio.org/members>

Another new page is the **What's New with the Website** page to keep everyone apprised of additions, corrections, and changes to the website.

<https://www.wcgsohio.org/whatsnewwiththewebsite>

Some officers and committee members have received their Gmail accounts and have started using them. These include:

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The old email address still works, but we will soon be forwarding it to info.wcgsoh@gmail.com. We have started changing website and email links on forms and communications; your patience is appreciated as we make these updates.

More book covers have been added to the Store items as well as more items have been added to LibraryThing, which in turn, populates our online library catalog via TinyCat.

<https://www.librarycat.org/lib/warrenco>

A new QR code has been created to link to the new website:



MORROW HIGH SCHOOL by MARLENE SCHWARZ DeBOARD

On 9 Jul 2021, **Marlene Schwartz DeBoard** (a long time WCGS member) donated the final two volumes of her Morrow High School Books to our library.

- *Morrow High School, Volume IV, Military Addendum*
- *Morrow High School Volume V, Addendum*

These volumes are the continuation of her first three volumes which Marlene authored and had previously donated to our library.

- *Graduates of Morrow High School, Warren County, Ohio Volume I, 1881 - 1905*
- *Graduates of Morrow High School, Warren County, Ohio Volume II, 1906 - 1935*
- *Graduates of Morrow High School, Warren County, Ohio Volume III, 1936 - 1956*

In the spring of 2001 Marlene started with two boxes of school memorabilia given to her by former Superintendent, **Emery Bethel**, which included a partial list of alumni, faculty lists, school district statistics, newspaper clippings, commencement programs, pictures, etc. Through her research, Marlene identified 1,097 graduates between the years 1881 and 1956. There were 5 graduates from the first class and 40 in the last. From her research, Marlene's books provide a biographical sketch for each graduate, beginning with their parents and including life events, family information, military service, burial location, etc. The books are arranged by Graduating Class and then alphabetically by graduate. Many photos and images of various other memorabilia are scattered throughout all five volumes.

Marlene self-published all five volumes. She doesn't have any more copies in stock but has given WCGS her permission to fulfill any photocopy requests that we might receive.

Thank you, Marlene!!!

JAMES McMULLEN (1834-1913) OBITUARY

RAPIDLY, ONE BY ONE

THE LINE OF UNION WAR VETERANS IS BROKEN BY DEATH.

James McMullen, For Two-score Years a Merchant of Lebanon, Veteran of the 11th Ohio Volunteer Cavalry, Laid to Rest in Silent City of the Dead.

On Tuesday afternoon, at his late residence, occurred the funeral of **James McMullen**, well-known and highly respected citizen. Everybody knew "Uncle Jim" and his friends were numbered by the hundreds. He was of kindly heart and never failed to relieve suffering when brought to his attention. He was strictly honest and honorably in all dealings. In his speech he was always direct never failing to express exactly what was in his mind even though it might not be policy to do so. This sometimes-caused ill feelings and it cannot be said that he ever departed from that custom in order to make friends or bring business to his store. For months he has been a very sick man but he bore all his pain without a murmur.

The funeral was attended by the Granville Thurston Post, G. A. R. and Lebanon Lodge I. O. O. F. both orders participating in the exercises. The Rev. **J. R. Hunter** preached the funeral sermon, Dr. **G. E. Gowdy** offering prayer.

Memoir

James McMullen, son of **John and Nancy McMullen** was born in Pennsylvania June 6, 1834. He departed this life in Lebanon on September 13, 1913, aged 79 years, three month seven days.

He came with his parents to Warren County in 1840 and in a few years removed to Lebanon where the remainder of his life was spent. He enlisted in the 11th Ohio Cavalry in 1863, and served three years in the West, his regiment having been sent to guard the surveyors for the Union Pacific Railroad.

He opened a grocery in Lebanon in 1871 and for more than forty-two years he has been one of Lebanon's most respected business men.

He was ever ready with a generous hand to help those in need and he will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

He became a member of the I. O. O. F. in 1855 and had ever since been a faithful member of that Order. His comrades of the G. A. R. will miss him from their already thinning ranks.

He leaves to mourn his loss one brother **Dennis McMullen** of Lebanon and one sister Mrs. **Christine Banta** of Springboro, together with nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

In honor to their fellow grocer, **James McMullen**, who had been in the business over forty-two years in Lebanon, all groceries closed their doors during the time of the funeral. This was a courtesy which speaks volumes for our merchants.

Source:

James McMullen obituary, *Western Star (Lebanon, Ohio)*, Thursday, 18 Sep 1913 p. 1 c. 4, Alleen Stephenson Digital Newspaper Project, <https://www.ohiomemory.org/digital/collection/p16007coll84/id/20984/rec/2>

Notes:

- James McMullen enlisted as a 27-year-old Private on 7 Jun 1862 and was mustered into Co. D, 85th Ohio Infantry (3 months service) on 10 Jun 1862. He was mustered out at Camp Chase Ohio on 23 Sep 1862.
- He reenlisted as a 27-year-old Private on 25 Jun 1863 and was mustered into Co G, 11th Ohio Cavalry on 20 Jul 1863. He was promoted to Corporal on 20 Jul 1863 and to Sergeant on 1 Jul 1864. He was mustered out at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas on 14 Jul 1866.
- James McMullen filed for an invalid pension in Ohio on 20 Sep 1900 and again on 27 Feb 1907 for his service in the 85th OVI and the 11th OVC. (Application No. 1,247,488, Certificate No. 1,007,043)
- James is buried in Lot 381 in the Old Section of Lebanon Cemetery (Interment No. 3881) with his parents, some siblings. And other family members. His final resting place is marked with a military gravestone.

RECENT WARREN COUNTY VETERAN DEATHS (send additions to atrelvik@gmail.com)

Vietnam:

Russell Cook (1948-2021), **Thomas "Thom" William Shera** (1949-2021), **Roger Allen Gilreath Neal** (1947-2021), **Lee Burton Everitt** (1946-2021)

Other Service:

Paul Stanley Short (1934-2021), **Edward J. Heintzman** (1933-2021), **Arnold "Arnie" Walters** (1937-2021), **Kenneth Ray Mysinger Jr.** (1958-2021), **Thomas "Tom" Ashton Sigmund** (1943-2021), **Richard "Dick" Charles Maidment** (1932-2021)

PIONEER FAIR, LEBANON, OHIO

September 18 & 19, 2021, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - \$10 family, \$5 individual

The Warren County Historical Society is hosting a Pioneer Fair – see <https://www.wchsmuseum.org/frontier.html>

i. Dedication of the **Beedle Log Cabin** (1795)

ii. Three locations:

Glendower Mansion and Arboretum

All Nations Drum Native American Drum Circle

Artisans & Crafters

Tin Smith

Weavers

Quill Pen Making

Candle Making

Arrowhead Knapping

Armstrong Conference Center

Kentucky Dulcimer Society

Forget Me Not Dancers

Molly Harmon Park

Native American Story Teller

War of 1812 Soldiers

Trapper

All Four Sites: (Appearances by Historical Figures)

Daniel Boone, Samuel Kenton, President Madison, Ichabod Corwin, Mary Craig Dunleavy, Shakers, Quakers

LM & M Railroad will also be running train rides with costumed characters.

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By Linda Eckert

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“Jazz It Up 2022 Ohio Genealogical Society Annual Conference

27 April 2022 – 30 April 2022

Great Wolf Lodge, Mason, Ohio

<https://www.ogsconference.org/>

Questions? Email ogsconference@ogs.org

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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.*

"10 Ways to Find Your Native American Ancestor Using Y, Mitochondrial and Autosomal DNA"

Presented by Roberta Estes

Wednesday, August 4, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"10 Ways to Find Your Native American Ancestor Using Y, Mitochondrial and Autosomal DNA"

"Freedmen's Bureau Labor Contracts"

Presented by Bernice Bennett

Friday, August 6, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"Jurisdictions Explained: Finding New Avenues of Research for Your Family"

Presented by Diana Elder, AG

Saturday, August 7, 2021, 1:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Southern California Genealogical Society: www.scgsgenealogy.com

"New Tools For DNA Matches Research"

Presented by Ran Snir

Tuesday, August 10, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"Tracing Your New York Ancestors with the NYG&B"

Presented by Josh Taylor

Tuesday, August 10, 2021, 2:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the The Genealogy Center – Allen County Public Library

acpl.libnet.info/event/5414470

"Introduction to Researching Your Mississippi Ancestors"

Presented by Angela Walton-Raji

Wednesday, August 11, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"Resolving "Data Problem" Errors in FamilySearch Family Tree"

Presented by Kathryn Grant

Wednesday, August 11, 2021, 7:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Brigham Young University Family History Library

fh.lib.byu.edu/classes-and-webinars/online-webinars/

"Scanning and Beyond"

Presented by Kay Spears

Thursday, August 12, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the The Genealogy Center – Allen County Public Library

acpl.libnet.info/event/5421918

"Orphan Trains and the Children Who Rode Them"

Presented by Karen A. Fortin

Saturday, August 14, 2021, 1:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Southern California Genealogical Society:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4031017848520758539>

"Lifting the Curtain on East European Family History Research"

Presented by Joseph B. Everett

Tuesday, August 17, 2021, 2:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the The Genealogy Center – Allen County Public Library

acpl.libnet.info/event/5414471

“Republic of Detours: How the New Deal Paid Broke Writers to Rediscover America”

Presented by Scott Borchert

Tuesday, August 17, 2021, 6:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

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

americanancestors.org/education/online-classes

"Standards for Genealogical Documentation"

Presented by Tom Jones, PhD, CG

Tuesday, August 17, 2021, 8:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"Using Zotero to Organize and Annotate Your Family History"

Presented by Colleen Robledo Greene, MLIS

Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"The Early British Census Project"

Presented by Sarah Jorgensen

Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 7:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Brigham Young University Family History Library

fh.lib.byu.edu/classes-and-webinars/online-webinars/

"Profile of a Quaker – Finding a Friend in Colonial America"

Presented by Steven Morrison, MPA

Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 9:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Southern California Genealogical Society:

www.scsgenealogy.com

“Stories From the Archives: Family Bible Records”

Presented by Judy Lucey & Todd Pattison

Thursday, August 19, 2021, 3:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

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

americanancestors.org/education/online-classes

"I Seek Dead People – Using America’s GenealogyBank to Find Obituaries and More!"

Presented by Allison DePrey Singleton

Thursday, August 19, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the The Genealogy Center – Allen County Public Library

acpl.libnet.info/event/5414481

"U. S. Passport Applications"

Presented by Debra S. Mieszala, CG

Thursday, August 19, 2021, 8:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Florida State Genealogical Society at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/367365938230748430>

"Early Ontario Research"

Presented by Janice Nickerson

Friday, August 20, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"The New Family Tree and Relationship diagram"

Presented by Uri Gonen

Tuesday, August 24, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

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"Victor Henry’s Headstone"

Presented by April Lynne Earle

Tuesday, August 24, 2021, 2:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the The Genealogy Center – Allen County Public Library

acpl.libnet.info/event/5421039

"Fire, Water, and the 1890 U. S. Census; Researching Beyond the Ashes and Mold"

Presented by Elizabeth Williams Gomoll, CG

Wednesday, August 25, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"Beginning Your Family History Journey"

Presented by Elizabeth Hodges

Thursday, August 26, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the The Genealogy Center – Allen County Public Library

acpl.libnet.info/event/5421018

"10 Ways to Find Your Native American Ancestor Using Y, Mitochondrial and Autosomal DNA"

Presented by Roberta Estes

Friday, August 27, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"Your DNA Questions Answered Live With Diahah"

Presented by Diahah Southard

Wednesday, September 1, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"Teaching family History with The Family History Guide"

Presented by Bob Taylor

Wednesday, September 1, 2021, 7:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Brigham Young University Family History Library

fh.lib.byu.edu/classes-and-webinars/online-webinars/

"Notes and Documents of Free Persons of Color"

Presented by Anita Wills

Friday, September 3, 2:00 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

"Why Didn't We Match"

Presented by James Baker

Wednesday, September 8, 2021, 7:30 p.m. Eastern standard time

Register for the webinar with the Brigham Young University Family History Library

fh.lib.byu.edu/classes-and-webinars/online-webinars/

"Tracing Your 20th Century English Ancestors"

Presented by Paul Milner

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Western Star Digitization Project: <https://www.ohiomemory.org/digital/collection/p16007coll84>

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

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