

# WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News Feb., 2015

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## HARRIET FOLEY and the FRANKLIN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Please join us in congratulating both **Harriet Foley** and the **Franklin Area Historical Society** (FACS) The society celebrates their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on February 8th. The society was founded on that date in 1965 by 177 charter members with the mission to preserve Franklin area history and to share the love of history with others. Towards that goal, the society has published Franklin history books, held educational programs, placed historical markers and accumulated a cherished collection of Franklin artifacts, files and memorabilia which is housed in the home of General Harding which the society operates as a museum. The city of Franklin honored the society with a proclamation on 2 Feb 2015, recognizing their many achievements. To learn more about the FACS, visit their website at <http://www.franklinohmuseums.org/>

On that same date, the city of Franklin also honored our very own **Harriet Foley**, designating her as the "**Official Historian of the City of Franklin**". Harriet was one of the founding members of FACS and has volunteered countless hours since then serving on the Board of Directors, as Treasurer and newsletter editor. Harriet was a co-editor of the book, "Franklin in the Great Miami Valley" published in 1982 and the sole editor of the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition published in 2004. Harriet has also given many hours to the Warren County Genealogical Society and has served for many years as a Board Member, Treasurer, Heir Lines editor, and librarian along with assisting countless researchers with connections to the Franklin area. THANK YOU HARRIET. Harriet may be reached at [hfoley@cinci.rr.com](mailto:hfoley@cinci.rr.com) if you would like to send her a personal message.

## 2015 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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

- 18 Mar 2015 **"Free Genealogy Resources on the Web"** presented by Dana Palmer
- 15 Apr 2015 **34<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet** – Lineage Society Inductions, Program "**Transition from hunting and gathering to the preserving and sharing stage of research**" presented by Marcia Murray Holstrom.
- 13 May 2015 **"Immigrant Ancestors"** presented by Amie Tennant
- Summer Classes (dates and subjects to be announced) presented by Dana Palmer.
- 16 Sep 2015 to be announced
- 14 Oct 2015 **"Our Irish Families"** presented by Harriet Foley
- 18 Nov 2015 to be announced
- 16 Dec 2015 **Annual Christmas Gathering.**

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

## FIRST FAMILIES & EARLY SETTLERS OF WARREN COUNTY, OHIO

>>>>> **HURRY – LESS THAN ONE MONTH LEFT** <<<<<

Lineage society applications must be received by March 1<sup>st</sup> in order to be considered for induction at our April banquet. You may download the applications forms from our website at <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/DownloadableForms.htm>. You may also contact us by phone, email, etc. and we will mail the application to you.

## WAR OF 1812 PENSION DIGITIZATION PROJECT

We are pleased to announce that in the last quarter of 2014, members and friends of the Warren County Genealogical Society sent us \$500 in donations towards the War of 1812 Pension Digitization Project. The society made a \$500 matching contribution and mailed a check in December for \$1000 to the project which places us on the list of Platinum Donors. With the Ancestry.com matching contribution, our donation will digitize over 4,400 pages of these fragile records.

### QUADRUPLE YOUR 2015 TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION

To show our continuing support for this important project, the Warren County Genealogical Society has again agreed to match up to \$500 in contributions that we receive in 2015. Send your tax deductible gift, payable to WCGS, to the Warren County Genealogical Society at 406 Justice Drive, Lebanon, OH 45036, noting that it is for the War of 1812 Pension Project. We will submit your donation along with our matching contribution to the digitization project in December. It will then be matched by Ancestry.com. A donation form is attached.

### 2015 WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

We are grateful for the large number of our members who have already joined or renewed their WCGS membership for 2015. If you haven't sent your membership in yet, we hope you will do so. Society membership is on a calendar year basis.

Dues are \$10 (Individual), \$15 (family) or \$200 (life).

A 2015 membership form is available at <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/aboutus.pdf>.

### HEIR LINES, Volume 33, Issue 4, Winter 2014

On 30 January 2015, the latest edition of Heir Lines was mailed to current members of the Warren County Genealogical Society. We recently updated our mailing list to delete inactive members. If you did not receive your copy, please let us know.

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### "FIRST FAMILIES OF OHIO, the EARLY YEARS"

*Ohio Genealogical Society Quarterly* vol. 54 (No. 4, 2014).

This ongoing series of articles, by **Kay Ballantyne Hudson**, provide abstracts of the application files submitted to the [Ohio Genealogical Society](#) in order to qualify for membership in the [First Families of Ohio](#) Lineage Society. Included in this edition of the OGSQ is FFO #424 for **Virginia McCormick** which was accepted in 1979 having proved that her gggg grandfather, **John D. Robeson**, was in Warren County, by 1811.

Ohio Genealogical Society members may access the article on line at <https://www.ogs.org> Selected pages from the file have been placed in the Robeson vertical file in our library.

### WARREN COUNTY, OHIO VIRTUAL CEMETERY PROJECT – JANUARY ADDITIONS

[Harveysburg United Brethren Cemetery](#) – This cemetery is a new addition to our Virtual Cemetery Project thanks to the photos contributed by [Sarah Jackson](#). This cemetery (on private property) is the first Massie Twp. cemetery added to our project.

[Woodhill Cemetery](#) – For his Eagle Scout project, **Tyler Begley** has taken photos of all extant gravestones in Section 3 lots 188 to 277 which are now on line. Tyler's project added photos for 177 burials to supplement the photos for 102 burials previously contributed by [Judy Coffey Madron](#). Combined, we have photos for 279 of the 311 known burials in lots 188 to 277.

Section 3 lots 1 to 187 are located in what is referred to as the **Old Catholic Section**. We already had photos on line for 235 of the 531 known burials in these lots. Nearly all of these were also contributed by [Judy Coffey Madron](#).

With these additions, we now have photos on line for 3,221 of the 12,008 known burials in the Woodhill Cemetery. We have many more photos for the Woodhill Cemetery which will be added to our Virtual Cemetery Project as time permits.

Our Virtual Cemetery Project now has photos on line for 57,308 burials in 95 cemeteries See <http://goo.gl/YSRaS>

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

=> **Veteran Photos and Documents:**

[Hiram Kilbon](#) (Civil War) from *Miami Gazette* (Waynesville, Ohio), Wednesday, February 3, 1904

Email your veteran photos to [atrelvik@gmail.com](mailto:atrelvik@gmail.com) if you would like to add them to our Military Heritage pages.

## => **War of 1812 Pension Files:**

In January, fold3 had pension files on line up to the **Isaac Lowry** name in Ohio. We thank WCGS member, [Rich Lowe](#), who let us know about the War of 1812 service of [James Johnson](#) and his brother, [Gavin/Gawin/Gawen Johnson/Johnston](#). Rich tells us that they, along with his gg-grandfather **William Johnson**, were the sons of the Revolutionary War Veteran, [James Johnson Sr.](#) (1748-1836) who is buried in [Springboro Cemetery](#).

We now know of 67 pension files containing 2,432 pages that have been digitized for soldiers with a connection to Warren County.

### [Alexander Johnson](#) (27 images) [War of 1812 Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files, fold3.com](#)

[Alexander Johnson/Johnston](#) served as a private in Capt. [Gavin Johnson's Company](#) of Mounted Infantry in Col. Adams Regiment of Riflemen, Ohio Militia from 23 Aug to 3 Sep 1812

**Alexander Johnston** served a second term as a Sergeant in [Capt. John Patterson's Company](#) in Col. Riddle's Regiment of Ohio Militia from 6 Jul 1814 to 23 Jul 1814. Service of 26 days in the Greenville expedition was confirmed by Capt. Patterson.

**Alexander Johnson** of Warren County, aged 58, made a declaration before Franklin Recorder, [R. S. Lockwood](#), on 11 Dec 1851 for the purpose of obtaining bounty land under the Act of 1850. He indicated that he volunteered in the Township of Franklin on or about the 20th day of August AD 1812 for an indefinite term being called out to the relief of Fort Wayne and continued in actual service in said war for the term of about 25 day, and was honorably discharged at St Marys on or about the 14th day of September AD 1812 on account of sickness. He also claimed that he volunteered in the town of Franklin on or about the 1st day of July AD 1814 for an indefinite term in the rifle company commanded by **Captain John Patterson** in the Regiment commanded by Col. Riddle, being called out for the protection of [Gen. Harrison](#) & Cass at the [Treaty of Greenville](#) with the Indians, continued in actual service in said war for the term of about one month and was honorably discharged at Greenville on or about the 29th day of July AD 1814 on account of his services no being longer needed. His claim for bounty land under the act of 1850 was rejected for insufficient service. (at least 30 days service was required)

**Alexander Johnson**, aged 62, appeared before **John G. Ferguson**, a justice of the peace in Madison County, Illinois on 10 May 1855 and made a declaration for the purpose of obtaining bounty land under the act of 1855. He indicated that he volunteered at Dayton, Ohio on or about the 6th day of July AD 1814 in the company commanded by **Capt. John Patterson** in the Regiment of soldiers commanded by Col. Riddle, for the purpose of protecting or guarding the Commissioners under [General Harrison](#) while making the treaty with the Indians at Greenville Ohio and continued in actual service for the term of twenty days and was honorably discharged at Greenville, Ohio on or about the 26th day of July AD 1814. He authorized [R. S. Lockwood](#) of Franklin, Ohio, to receive his warrant for him when issued. **Alexander Johnson's** application for Bounty Land was rejected on 13 Feb 1856 as he did not serve more than 14 days in Capt. Johnson's Company. On appeal, the application was approved based on his service in Capt. Patterson's Company.

[Bounty Land Warrant #37500](#) for 160 acres was issued in favor of **Alexander Johnson** who served in the name **Alexander Johnston**, private, **Captain Patterson's Company**, Ohio Militia, War of 1812.

Testimony in support of his claim was provided by **James McEwen**, **A. Young**, **David W. McCord** and **William R. Stanton**. US Congressman **Royal C. Johnson**, 2nd District, South Dakota. requested and received copies of his bounty land claim file in 1929.

### [James Johnson](#) (12 images) [War of 1812 Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files," fold3.com](#)

[James Johnson](#) served as a Sergeant in Capt **John Patterson's Company** in **Colonel Riddle's Regiment** of Ohio Militia for 18 days from 6 Jul to 23 Jul 1814. He stated that they "*started from Warren County, Ohio at the time above stated and marched to Dayton Ohio and from thence to St. Maries [sic] and from thence to the crossing of St. Maries River and awaited until Gen. Harrison arrived with the troops under his command and then marched to Fort Wayne and was there discharged.*"

**James Johnson**, age 85, of Snoddys Mills, Fountain County, Indiana made a declaration in court on 24 April 1871 for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the Act of 1871 (Application #12604). He stated that he married Mary Sawyer in Warren County, Ohio on 8 Jan 1806 and that she was then deceased. At the time of his filing he was living with his son **Alexander Johnson**, one mile north of the Snoddys Mills Post office. **Margery E. Townsley** and **Eliza J. Johnson** attested to his declaration. His claim was rejected 26 Mar 1872 for insufficient service. There was no indication that he filed for Bounty Land.

All of the known pension files for Warren County War of 1812 soldiers with links to their pension & bounty land files are listed at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/military/1812pension.htm>. Send an email to [atrelvik@gmail.com](mailto:atrelvik@gmail.com) if you know of others that we may have overlooked.

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=>★ **Warren County Civil War 150 Roll of Honor, February, 1865** ★ 3 casualties:

**1 POW:** [Eli Houston](#) (74<sup>th</sup> OVI)

**2 Died while POW:** [Alexander Compton](#) (79<sup>th</sup> OVI died at Andersonville), [John Patterson](#) (12 OVI died at Danville, Virginia)

=> **Civil War Widow's Pension Files** available on [fold3.com](#)

Complete pension files are now on line for widow certificate numbers up to about 146,253. We did not find any new pension files for Warren County soldiers that were added in January.

=>See <http://goo.gl/uWutD> or <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/warsmain.htm> for information about other Warren County veterans. Please email us if you know of any that we may have missed.

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**WARREN COUNTY, OHIO, PHOTO GALLERY**

Photos have been added to our [Warren County Photo Gallery](#) for the [Edwards, Ham, Harlan, Haynes & VanBuren Families](#) of Massie Township that were contributed by WCGS member, [Saran Jackson](#)

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

◊ 9 – 11 Apr [2015 Ohio Genealogical Society Conference](#), Columbus, Ohio

◊ 16 May 2015. The [2015 Cemetery Workshop](#), presented by Misti Stillman, at Westview Cemetery, Brunswick, Ohio

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**OTHER EVENTS**

◊ 11-14 Feb 2015 [FGS 2015 Conference \(with RootsTech 2015\)](#), Salt Lake City, Utah

◊ 21 Feb 2015 [Family History Jamboree](#), 901 E. Whipp Rd, Centerville, Ohio. – For details, see <http://www.fhj1.org>

◊ 13–16 May 2015 [NGS 2015 Family History Conference](#), St. Charles, Missouri

◊ [Butler County Genealogical Society Meetings](#), West Chester Library, 9363 Centre Pointe Drive. 513 777 3131  
24 Mar 2015, 7:00 PM “**To Render Some Service**”, **35<sup>th</sup> Ohio Volunteer Infantry in Civil War**” presented by Greg Fugitt

For more information, contact [bcogs@butlercountyogs.org](mailto:bcogs@butlercountyogs.org)

◊ [Clermont County Chapter, OGS](#) E-mail: [ccoalcine@gmail.com](mailto:ccoalcine@gmail.com)

Programs sponsored by the Clermont County Genealogical Society are held at the Doris Wood Library, 180 S. 3rd St. in Batavia, Ohio, on the first Saturday of the month at 1:00 pm or unless noted otherwise. They are free & open to the public unless otherwise noted. For more information see [www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohclecgs/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohclecgs/) or call 513-723-3423.

**Saturday, February 7, 2015 – Finding Genealogical Treasures in Census Records.**

We have all used census records to place our ancestors in a particular place at a particular time. What other information can these records provide that you may be overlooking?

**Saturday, March 7, 2015 – Finding More Genealogical Treasures in Birth and Death Records.**

What additional information can we find in these records? How can we find birth and death information if there is no official birth and death certificate

◊ [Hamilton County Genealogical Society Annual Spring Seminar](#) E-mail: [info@hcgsohio.org](mailto:info@hcgsohio.org)

April 18, 2015, 9 AM to 4 PM Millrace Banquet Center, 151 West Sharon Rd, Cincinnati [in Sharon Woods Park]

“**Research Methods for New Jersey and Pennsylvania**” presented by Jerry Smith, GG

For more information, see the flyer that is available on Google Drive: <http://goo.gl/BVoBkR>

Preregistration is required by April 1, 2015. [Online Registration](#) is available or you may download the registration form at [http://hcgsohio.org/upload/events/files/1413766618\\_AnnualSeminarpdfregistrationform.pdf](http://hcgsohio.org/upload/events/files/1413766618_AnnualSeminarpdfregistrationform.pdf)

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**WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

WCGS has over 150 Warren County Genealogical publications available for purchase. Visit our website for a list of books and an 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](mailto: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.]

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