

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News Oct. 2013

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HOW TO EFFECTIVELY USE GERMAN NEWSPAPERS TO RESEARCH YOUR GERMAN ANCESTORS

by Jeffrey G. Herbert, President, Hamilton County Chapter, Ohio Genealogical Society.

Wednesday, October 16, 2013, 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.

Jeff's program will focus on how to effectively use German newspapers to research your German ancestor.

Before 1865, records of births and deaths were not kept by civil authorities and it wasn't until the end of 1908 that modern death certificates were required by the state of Ohio. Southwest Ohio was the destination for many German immigrants. German language newspapers appeared in the areas that had significant numbers of German immigrants. Marriage and Death notices were often published in these papers, particularly if the individual was wealthy or met with an unusual death. These notices would often give a wealth of information about the individual, such as parents, siblings, spouse, children, birth place in Germany, immigration information and professional and business associations.

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.

16 Oct 2013: How to effectively use German newspapers to research your German Ancestor.

13 Nov 2013: To be announced.

18 Dec 2013: Annual Christmas Program.

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

HEIR LINES, AUTUMN 2013 (VOLUME 32 ISSUE 3)

The latest edition of Heir Lines was mailed to current members on 19 Sep 2013 and contains

- Members, WCGS services
- Mortgage Loan, #399 Virginia Military Dist.
- War of 1812 Pension Files
- Civil War Honor Roll, April-July, 1863
- Foley Family Reunion in Kilkee, Ireland, 2013
- Small Villages in Harlan Township in 1882

SOCIETY VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for additional help in keeping our resource library open five days a week with volunteer staffing. It sometimes becomes a challenge to keep the doors open with the small core of volunteers now staffing the library. We are looking for members who would be willing to volunteer for all or part of a day. We also want to develop a list of "substitute" volunteers who could be called upon when another volunteer is ill, out of town, etc. If you are willing to help we would love to hear from you at 513 695 1144 or by email at wcs@co.warren.oh.us .

NEW BOOK! WARREN CO., OHIO FUNERAL HOME RECORDS, VOL. 5, MASON AREA FUNERAL HOMES

2013. Candy Jo Tucker. Arne Trelvik, Editor

The next installment in our series of Funeral Home Records is now available.

This 125 page book contains records for 5,336 funerals extracted from 25 volumes of records from the Gallimore Funeral Home (1931-1967) and the Shorten & Ryan Funeral Home (1967-2010). As available each entry contains the name of the deceased, date of death, date of funeral and the volume and page where the complete funeral record may be found. The place of burial/cremation is included for 5,237 of the records and military service information is provided for 1,126 of the entries. The book also includes a brief biographical sketch of all known undertakers who practiced their trade in the Mason Area. The five volumes of Funeral Home books collectively provide information on 54,985 funerals taken from 235 volumes of original funeral home records. The price for Vol. 5: \$15.00 + \$3.00 shipping (Ohio residents add 6 ¾% sales tax).

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of officers for 2014 will be held during our regular monthly meeting on 13 November 2013. If you would like to help, please contact out election committee at our library at 513 695 1144 or by email at wcs@co.warren.oh.us.

5th ANNUAL CEMETERY RESTORATION CLINIC

Our thanks to Cemetery Clinic Chairman Terry Easton for another outstanding clinic attended by over 30 people from throughout the region. Be sure to see the two sets of photos taken during the workshop by clicking on the links provided on the clinic workshop website at <http://cemetery.springborohistory.org/DicksCreek/Workshop.html>

WARREN COUNTY, OHIO VIRTUAL CEMETERY PROJECT

In September, additional photos were added to the pages for [Caesars Creek Friends Graveyard](#), [Deerfield Cemetery](#), [Fellowship Cemetery](#), [Lebanon Cemetery](#), [Pioneer Cemetery](#) and [Union Church Cemetery](#).

With these additions, the Warren County Virtual Cemetery Project has photos on line for 49,073 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:** [Jacob L. Cautle/Cantle](#) (1841-1916) - Private, Company F, 75th Ohio Infantry

=> **War of 1812 Pension Files:** In September, Fold3 had pension files on line up to the **Eddington** surname in Ohio. The pension files for Warren County soldiers with links to their pension & bounty land files that are now available are listed at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/military/1812pension.htm>.

The September addition from Warren County (that we know of) was.

[Anthony Howard Dunlevy \(32 images\)](#).

“Howard Dunlary” (1793-1881) volunteered at Lebanon, Ohio as a Private in Captain Matthias Corwin’s Company of Light Infantry and served for 185 days from 11 Aug 1812 to 11 Feb 1813. He and his wife are buried at [Lebanon Cemetery](#).

[Bounty Land Warrant #26069](#) (act of 1850) for 80 acres was issued in favor of Anthony H. Dunlavy, Private in Capt. Corwin’s Company Ohio Militia, War of 1812. A patent for 80 acres in DeWitt & Piatt Co, Ill. was issued to him on 1 May 1854.

[Bounty Land Warrant #20050](#) (act of 1855) for 80 acres was issued in favor of Anthony H. Dunlavy. He assigned it to **William Frost** who received a patent for 80 acres in Adair County, Iowa on 1 Sep 1859.

Dunlevy filed for a [Survivor’s Pension](#) under the act of 1871 (Application #8100, Certificate #4913) and was awarded a pension of \$8 per month commencing 14 Feb 1871. He was dropped from the rolls on 4 Dec 1884 for failure to claim pension since Sept. 4, 1881. In the pension file he indicated that he was 61 years old on the 21st day of December 1854 and that he married **Lucinda Corwin** at Lebanon on 20 Aug 1818.

In a 5 Apr 1871 deposition given at the age of 77 years and 3 months before **Thos. R. Thatcher** Judge of the Warren County Probate Court he provided a detailed account of Capt. Corwin’s Company as a part of Maj. Jenkinson’s Battalion in Colonel David Sutton’s Regiment. An online transcription is provided at

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/military/1812.htm#AHDunlevy>

=>★**Warren County Civil War 150 Roll of Honor, Oct., 1863**★ - 6 casualties: 5 dead, 0 wounded, 1 POWs.

Correction to the September Casualty List: [William Hahn](#) (93 OVI) should have said [William Houser](#) (93 OVI)

Killed in Action or Mortally Wounded:

[Benjamin Boatman](#) (35 OVI) died 13 Oct in Nashville from wounds received at Chickamauga on 20 Sep 1863.

[Columbus J. Dudley](#) (2 OVI) died 16 Oct after being wounded and captured at Chickamauga on 19 Sep 1863.

POW:

[John Perrine](#) (35 OVI) captured at Anderson’s Pass, Tennessee & escaped 14 days later at McMinnville, Tennessee

Died from Disease or Other Causes:

[George Barbee](#) (35 OVI), [James Durbin](#) (2 OVI) & [William Gorman](#) (69 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 123,985.

[John Kell, Colonel, 2nd OVI \(71 images\)](#)

John Kell was enrolled on 8 Aug 1861 at Camp Dennison by the Governor of Ohio as a Lieut. Col. 2nd Regt. Ohio Volunteers and was mustered into U. S. service for 3 years or during the war on 27 Aug 1861. He was promoted to Col. on 24 Dec 1862. A week later he was killed in action by a gunshot wound on 31 Dec 1862 at the Battle of Stone River, Murfreesboro, TN. John Kell married his 1st wife, Maria McCullough in Jefferson County, Ohio on 17 Jan 1839. They had 3 children, William Hudson Kell, born 18 Apr 1841; Samuel Medary Kell, born 12 Apr 1843 and Martha Jane Kell born 15 Apr 1848. Maria filed for and received a divorce from John in 1853, claiming John Kell deserted his family about 2 Apr 1849. The Jefferson County court granted the divorce and awarded her alimony of \$100 per year for 10 years. John Kell married his 2nd wife, Elizabeth Bailey, at Franklin, Ohio on 30 Jan 1855. John & Elizabeth had two children, Joel B. Kell born Feb. 6th 1861 and Eliza R. Kell born Jan 31st 1856. Elizabeth (Bailey) Kell died 22 Feb 1861. Elias Bailey, of Franklin, Ohio, filed for a pension as the guardian for his grandchildren, Joel B. Kell and Eliza R. Kell (Application # 24941, Certificate # 87618). About the same time, Maria Kell, of Steubenville, Ohio, filed for a pension for her youngest daughter, Martha Jane Kell. All three children received a minor's pension until they turned sixteen. Affidavits by the following are found in the pension file: Peter & Sarah Conover, Narcissa M. Coleman, John S. Haller, Elias Bailey, Wm. D. Schenck and D. M. Carpenter.

[Catharine O'Brien, widow of Michael O'Brien \(63 pages\)](#)

Private Michael O'Brien was reported missing in action at the Battle of Franklin, TN on 30 Nov 1864. Testimony by two fellow soldiers ([George Frazier](#) & [Hugh Rogers](#)) who were captured with him indicate that six POWs from their company were marched to Columbia, TN, then to Corinth, MS and then to Tupelo, Miss, where Michael O'Brien took sick with diarrhea and died on 12 Jan 1865. His fellow prisoners were not allowed to bury him. Michael O'Brien was married to Catharine Caney in New York City on 5 Jul 1851. They had two sons, Henry O'Brien born 15 Jun 1852 and Jeremiah O'Brien born 10 Oct 1854. Catherine Caney O'Brien died 19 Oct 1856 at Lebanon. Michael O'Brien was married to his 2nd wife, Catharine McCrate at St. Malachy's Catholic Church in Morrow by Pastor Peter Parry on 22 Nov 1857. They had two children, John O'Brien born 3 Nov 1858 and Bridget O'Brien born 25 Dec 1861. Catherine (McCrate) O'Brien filed for a widow's pension (Application #97782, Certificate #82463) and was awarded a pension of \$8 per month plus \$2 per month for her children, John & Bridget until they turned 16. Catherine died 17 Jun 1897. A supplement under certificate #82463 dated 7 Dec 1895 awarded \$2 per month to each of Michael's sons by his first marriage from 12 Jan 1865 until they turned 16. A John Holland, guardian of John & Jeremiah O'Brien filed for a minor's pension in Cincinnati on 18 Feb 1869 (Application #172025) listing the name of their mother as Johanna rather than Catharine. That claim was later stamped "abandoned." Others mentioned in the claim file included James Blackburn, Matthew Koogle, Mrs. Ann Burke (a sister of his 1st wife), James Welch, Mary Nugent, Thomas Dunn & Honora Walsh.

Go to <http://goo.gl/Vcvm6> to see a list of other [Warren County Pension Application Files](#) that are available on line with links to over 100 different pension files. If you know of more, please let us know.

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). 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

- <> 19 Oct 2013 **"Darke Co. Fall Genealogy Workshop"** Greenville, OH. featuring Dana Ann Palmer, CG Reservations at office.manager@garstmuseum.org or call 937 692 6511
- <> 2 Nov 2013. **Montgomery Co. 2013 Annual Educational Seminar.** Dayton, OH. featuring J. Mark Lowe, CG, FUGA <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohmontgs/2013flyer.pdf> email: lorirotterman@gmail.com or 937 463 2665 x8682
- <> 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>
- <> 27-30 Aug 2014 **"FGS Conference"** San Antonio, Texas. Reservations: <https://aws.passkey.com/g/20192270>

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