

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-News June, 2014

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[6TH ANNUAL CEMETERY RESTORATION & PRESERVATION WORKSHOP, CAESAR'S CREEK MM BURYING GROUND](#)

This years' all-day, in-cemetery workshop will be held on Friday, August 15, 2014 from 9AM to 4PM at the Caesars Creek Friends Burying Ground located on the banks of Caesars Creek Lake in Wayne Twp in the very northeast corner of Warren County between Waynesville & Harveysburg.

The workshop will provide participants with the training needed to document, preserve and restore cemeteries and will demonstrate in step-by-step fashion how to preserve and restore a cemetery. Restoration techniques are approached with recommendations as to what lay people should and should not undertake. The workshop will be conducted by the Graveyard Groomer, "Walt" & Micki Walters, preeminent graveyard restoration professionals from Connersville, IN, with over fifteen years' experience and well-over 10,000 repaired stones to their credit.

The cost of the clinic, including extensive workshop materials, is still only \$40 per person. See the attached Registration form in pdf format or go to http://cemetery.springborohistory.org/2014/Caesars_Creek_Workshop/Registration.html

SUMMER GENEALOGY CLASSES.

We are pleased to announce that two genealogy classes by Dana Palmer will be held in our Genealogy Library this summer.

23 Jul 2014 Wednesday, 2 PM to 3 PM – **On Line Research Using the FamilySearch.org Website.**

20 Aug 2014 Wednesday, 2 PM to 3 PM – **On Line Research Using the Ancestry.com Website.**

Each session is \$5. To register for either session, contact us at 513 695 1144 or wccgs@co.warren.oh.us

2014 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, the Campus Center at the Otterbein Retirement Community, 585 N State Rte 741 (north of Rte 63), Lebanon.

15 Aug 2014 [6th Annual Cemetery Restoration & Preservation Workshop, Caesar's Creek MM Burying Ground](#)

17 Sep 2014 "Researching Kentucky Ancestors at the Kenton County Public Library" by Elaine Kuhn

15 Oct 2014 "Hessen Research" by Bob Rau

19 Nov 2014 "Using Church Records" by Jeff Herbert

17 Dec 2014 Annual Christmas Gathering

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

NECROLOGY

We are saddened to report the death of the following society member.

Chester Lee Dunn (1922-2014) – Chester was a charter member of the Warren County Genealogical Society and served the society for many years in a variety of capacities including various terms as chapter officers, editing and authoring numerous books, library staffing and "field work" gathering data from cemeteries, funeral homes and other sources that we continue to use on a day to day basis. Chester was Member #7 in the First Families of Warren County Lineage society and has proved 24 different ancestors who had settled in the county prior to 1821. The earliest settled here in 1797 and ten of them were living here prior to the 1803 formation of the county. Chester was an Honorary Life member of the society and will be sorely missed. You may view his obituary on the [Hoskins Funeral Home](http://www.hoskinsfh.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=2526081&fh_id=13201) website at http://www.hoskinsfh.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=2526081&fh_id=13201

POSSIBLE FIELD TRIP

Some of our members have expressed an interest in taking a field trip this summer or early fall. Some suggestions have been the Kentucky Gateway Museum, Maysville, KY; Columbus Metropolitan Library, Columbus, OH; Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, OH; the OGS Library, Bellville, OH; and the Kenton County Library, Covington, KY. We are open to other suggestions. If anyone has an interest in taking a field trip, please contact Linda Eckert at linda.eckertlaw@sbcglobal.net or (937) 748-1740. You can also contact the Warren Co. Genealogical Society at wccgs@co.warren.oh.us or (513) 695-1144.

WARREN COUNTY, OHIO FUNERAL RECORDS MASTER INDEX.

A 338 page master index is now available for the Funeral Record Preservation Project which contains information about 63,773 funerals recorded in 291 volumes of records from fifteen different funeral homes. They occupy over 54 lineal feet of shelf space in our library. See the attached flyer for details on the individual volumes. The book is only \$25 plus tax and can be ordered using the attached flyer or by going to our website at <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/fhflyer.pdf>

WARREN COUNTY, OHIO VIRTUAL CEMETERY PROJECT – MAY ADDITIONS

[Woodhill Cemetery](#) – added photos for 710 burials to complete sections 16 & 17 plus part of Section 15. Sections 1, 10, 14, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 27 in the cemetery are now completed.

The project now has photos on line for 53,831 burials in 94 cemeteries. See <http://goo.gl/YSRaS>

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

=> **Veteran Photos and Documents:** [Kyle Smiddy](#) (Vietnam casualty)

[David P. Campbell](#) (WWII casualty - gravestone photos at Normandy American Cemetery, Colleville-sur-Mer, France)

=> **War of 1812 Pension Files:** In April, Fold3 had pension files on line up to the **HAMMER** surname in Ohio. Those added with Warren County connections are [William Guttery](#) (27 images) and [John S. Haller](#) 44 images. Thanks to Jim Guthrie, we have had photocopies of the Guttery pension file on line at http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohwarren/military/guttery_william1812.htm but the color copies now available on Fold3 are nice.

[William Guttery](#) (1787-1873) was drafted at Lebanon, Ohio for 6 months on 4 Sep 1813 as a Private in Capt. William B. Fordyce company, 2nd Regiment commanded by Col Henry Zumalt in the 4th detachment of the Ohio Militia commanded by General John Stites Gano. He served at Lower Sandusky, Fort Findley and other places until the company was disbanded at Lower Sandusky on 11 Mar 1815, having served for 193 days.

On 7 Nov 1850, William Guttery, aged 63, completed an affidavit in Warren County to obtain bounty land under the act of 1850. He was awarded [Bounty Land Warrant #16267](#) which he used to obtain a patent for 80 acres in Newton County, Indiana on 4 Aug 1852.

On 17 Mar 1855, William Guttery, aged 67, completed an affidavit to obtain Bounty land under the Act of 1855. He was awarded [Bounty Land Warrant #2171](#) for 80 acres which he assigned it to **James H. Perrine** who obtained a patent for 80 acres in Page County, Iowa on 1 Apr 1859.

At the age of 83, He made a declaration for a pension under the act of 1871 (Application #7909) on 6 Apr 1871. He was living near Morrow. **Abraham Brant** was his attorney. He stated that he was married to **Mary Cowgill** on [19 May 1814 in Warren County](#) and was now a widower. He was awarded a pension on 7 Sep 1871 of \$ 8 per month commencing February 14, 1871 by Certificate #4195 dated 9 Sep 1871.

Capt. Fordyce, James Turk, Thomas J. Snider, William G. Hopkins, Joseph C. Newport, all of Warren County, and fellow soldier, **Samuel Hardin** of Clinton County all provided affidavits in support of his claims. He died 5 Jan 1873 and is [buried in the Union Church Cemetery](#) in Washington Twp.

[John S. Haller](#) (ca.1795-1876) enlisted at Wythe Courthouse, Virginia as a Corporal on 13 Apr 1814 in Capt. Jacob/John F. Fishback's Company in the regiment commanded by Col. Theeman, Virginia Militia. He was discharged at Fort Nelson, Virginia, having served 116 days.

On 17 Jan 1856, John S. Haller, aged 61 of Franklin, filed a declaration to obtain Bounty Land under the Act of 1855. He was awarded [Bounty Land Warrant #49812](#) which he assigned to **John S. Long** who obtained a patent for 160 acres in Doniphan, Kansas on 1 May 1869.

On 5 Apr 1871 John S. Haller, age 76, of Franklin made a declaration for a pension (Application #8654) under the Act of 1871. He was awarded a pension of \$8 per month commencing 14 Feb 1871 by Certificate #6680 dated 19 Oct 1871.

On 15 Aug 1878 (and 14 Aug 1879) Eliza (Sill) Haller, age 66, of 2nd Street, Franklin filed for a widow's pension (Application #30619) under the act of 1878. She and John were married in Franklin on 5 May 1839 by **Granville Woody**, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Hamilton, Ohio. John Haller had previously been married to **Ann Rossman** and to **Hannah Winner**, who died previous to Eliza and John's marriage. John S. Haller died at Franklin on 30 Dec 1876. Following his discharge from the Army he lived 2 years in Lebanon and the remainder of his life in Franklin. She was admitted on 27 Dec 1878 to a pension of \$8 per month from 9 Mar 1878 under Certificate #15311 and was last paid to 4 Sep 1833. She died 28 Oct 1883 per letter to the pension office from **J. M. Dachter** of Franklin.

Testimony and affidavits in support of their claims was provided by **Israel L. Hatfield**, aged 68, Lebanon, **Charles Phares**, Lebanon, **R. S. Lockwood**, aged 67, Franklin, **Andrew S. Reeder**, **Clark C. Brown**, **Joseph Tapscott**, Franklin, **Richard Emerson**, Franklin and the Hon. **Lewis D. Campbell** of Washington, DC.

All known pension files for Warren County soldiers with links to their pension & bounty land files are listed at

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

=> ★ **Warren County Civil War 150 Roll of Honor, June. 1864** ★ - 35 casualties: 22 dead, 11 wounded, 2 POWs.

8 Killed in Action: [John M. Crane](#) (12 OVI), [Ralph Hunt](#) (79 OVI), [James Jackson](#) (35 OVI), [Israel T. McCowan](#) (12 OVI), [Joseph N. Moore](#) (69 OVI), [William C. Shields](#) (12 OVI), [John Teets](#) (17 OVI), [William Willis](#) (69 OVI)

10 Died from Wounds: [Benjamin F. Belch](#) (69 OVI), [William F. Bishop](#) (69 OVI), [David J. Culbertson](#) (69 OVI), [Peter A. T. Goleanor](#) (12 OVI), [Benjamin Jeffery](#) (79 OVI), [John C. LaFevre](#) (110 OVI), [Stephen Ransom](#) (79 OVI), [James Sabin](#) (35 OVI), [Noah B. Spray](#) (79 OVI), [Andrew M. Whitacre](#) (17 OVI)

11 Wounded and Survived: [William H. Creager](#) (121 OVI), [Thomas Gladdish](#) (27 USCT), [Alfred H. Graham](#) (79 OVI), [Augustus H. Hankle](#) (11 Pa Inf), [John A. Hitesman](#) (79 OVI), [George W. Hurtt](#) (79 OVI), [James C. Redman](#) (79 OVI), [Clemens Schimmel](#) (28 OVI), [Samuel M. Shields](#) (79 OVI), [Cyrus Milton Ward](#) (79 OVI), [Lot Wright](#) (79 OVI)

1 Wounded and Captured - Died: [Edward Shannon](#) (35 OVI)

2 Captured - Survived: [George Browning Crawford](#) (US Navy), [Silas P. Hawk](#), (40 OVI)

3 Died from Disease or Other Causes: [Phillip J. Kennard](#) (69 OVI), [Sidney Smith](#) (79 OVI), [James J. Todd](#) (146 OVI)

=> **Civil War Widow's Pension Files** available on fold3.com – Complete pension files are now on line for widow certificate numbers up to about 135,407.

Those added with Warren County connections are [Jesse K. Randall](#) (2 images), [James J. Todd](#) (39 image) and [Hilkiah Walker](#) (28 images)

Pension File for minor children of [Jesse K. Randall](#), Co F, 35th OVI ([Certificate #99,238](#)) (2 images)
Consolidated with Certificate #252,628, Widows' Class Renewal act Mch 3-01 admitted 16 Sep 1904

Pension File for Mary Ann Todd ([Certificate #113,352](#)) widow of [James J. Todd](#), Company D, 146th OVI.

James J. Todd enrolled on 2 May 1864 at Green Twp, Clark County in Co. D, 146 Regiment of Ohio Volunteers commanded by Capt. **Alfred Miller**, to serve 100 days and was mustered into service as a Private on 11 May 1864 at Camp Dennison, Ohio. He died at a hospital at Fayetteville, WV on 1 Jun 1864 from inflammation of the brain, contracted in the line of duty. [Isaac L. Drake](#) of Lebanon and surgeon of the 146th OVI, gave affidavit on 26 Sep 1864 and on 28 Oct 1867 confirming his service and death.

James J. Todd and Mary Ann Todd were [married 21 Nov 1848](#) by **Jno. Galloway** in Clark County, Ohio. They had three children; **Maria Louisa, Sarah Malvina & Albert Forrest Todd** aged 15, 13 & 3 years in 1864. Alfred was born 29 Jun 1861.

Mary Ann Todd of Green Twp, Clark County, Ohio, aged 40, filed for a widow's pension (Application 75521) on 16 Jun 1864.. She was awarded a pension of \$8 per month beginning 1 Jun 1864 by Certificate #113,852 dated 16 May 1868. She received an additional \$2 per month beginning 25 July 1866 for son Albert until he turns 16. Mary was last paid \$12 through 4 Mar 1890 when she was dropped from the roles due to her death on 2 May 1870.

Catharine A. Tuttle, George W. Tuttle, John Hatfield, Marietta Todd (age 30), **Dr. Harvey J. Gillett** (age 62), **Robert H. Stewart, Joseph C. Stewart**, 1st Lt. **Thomas E. Stewart** (age 37) and **Capt. Alfred Miller** (age 33) all gave testimony supporting her claim.

Pension File for Martha A. (Hanna) Walker ([Certificate #75,369](#)), widow of Hilkiah G. Walker, Co. I, 83rd OVI (28 images)

Hilkiah G. Walker enrolled 15 Aug 1862 at West Chester, Butler Co for three years and was mustered into Co I, 83rd OVI at camp in Kentucky on 11 Sep 1862. He died on 21 Feb 1863 at the Regimental Hospital at Youngs Point, Louisiana of chronic diarrhea. Service and death confirmed in letter by **1st Lt. J. D. Cummins** of the 83rd OVI.

Hilkiah G. Walker and **Martha A. Hanna** were married 4 Feb 1861 by **L.A. Harris** at Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio, and had one son, **Annex Walker**, born 18 May 1862.

Martha A. Walker, age 21, of West Chester, Butler County filed for a widow's Half-Pay pension (application #17,389) on 30 Mar 1863. She was admitted to a pension of \$8 per month on 24 Dec 1863 commencing 21 Feb 1863 by Certificate #11674 dated 5 Jan 1864. She was paid to 22 Aug 1864 when she married **William T. Compton** at Hamilton, Butler County, Ohio.

William T. Compton of Vigo County, Indiana, filed for a minor's pension (Application #97953) as guardian of Annex Walker. He was admitted to a pension of \$8 per month commencing 22 Aug 1864 and ending 18 May 1878 by Certificate #75,369 dated 8 Jun 1866..

B. L. Compton, William O. Compton, Jonathan Hand and **S___ Reese** all gave testimony to support their claims.

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

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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 Aug 2014, [29th Annual Chapter Management Seminar](#), Lebanon, Ohio.

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OTHER EVENTS

<> 27-30 Aug 2014 "**FGS Conference**" San Antonio, Texas. Reservations: <https://aws.passkey.com/g/20192270>

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<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>

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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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