

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY *e-News* September 2024

This monthly newsletter is being distributed to Warren County Genealogical Society members and other interested parties. Feel free to share with others as you see fit. If you wish to be added or removed from our mailing list, contact us by phone 513-695-1144 or email at wcgsoh@gmail.com.

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2024 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Our programs are FREE and open to the public. All are welcome!

September Virtual Program “**Researching Warren County Records 101**” presented by **Diana Lovett and Suzanne Combs**

Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM EST – Zoom Program

October Virtual Program “**Ancestry Pro Tools: Increase Your DNA Analysis**” presented by **Kelli Berghheimer**

Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM EST – Zoom Program

If you are on our email list, you will automatically receive a Zoom invitation to join us for our Virtual Chapter Meeting and Program. You can sign up for our email list at the bottom of any website page. <https://www.wcgsohio.org>

ORAL HISTORIES IN THE ARCHIVES

We featured an article in last month’s *e-News* with information shared by Jacob Stickel, Archival Specialist for the Warren County Records Center & Archives, who is also the Oral History Liaison.

Shortly after that, Melissa Barker, Archivist for Houston County, Tennessee, and recent speaker at one of our programs, posted a Blog Post on the same subject!

To check out her Blog Post, please visit:

<https://agenealogistinthearchives.blogspot.com/2024/08/oral-histories-in-archives.html>

You can find Jacob’s excellent How-To Guide for conducting your own oral history interviews here:

<https://wrcarchives.wordpress.com/2024/07/08/there-is-more-than-one-way-to-record-an-oral-history/>

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR WCGS OFFICERS

Nominations are now open for WCGS Officers for the 2025 / 2026 term. These positions include President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary. If you are interested in running for office or have someone you would like to suggest (with their agreement to do so), please contact the Nominating Committee Chair Laura Ingling at wcgsoh@gmail.com or by calling the Resource Library at 513-695-1144. The election will take place in November.

SUPPORT THE STAR! UPDATE

Our fundraising campaign to [Support the Star!](#) was launched July 4, 2024, with a goal of raising \$20,000 by July 4, 2025. Thank you to everyone who has donated thus far and helped us locate missing issues.

We have discovered GenealogyBank.com has 149 issues of the *Western Star* and even one issue of the *Farmer* online! GenealogyBank.com is a paid subscription site, and while not free like Ohio Memory, it is still great to know these issues are available.

You can search for these newspapers on [GenealogyBank.com](#), which will also bring up obituaries (but not entire pages) from 4 Jan 2006 – 14 Jul 2012. Once you are logged in, select “Browse Newspapers by State” from the top menu bar and enter “Lebanon” in the Filter by City box. Your search will bring up what they have available:

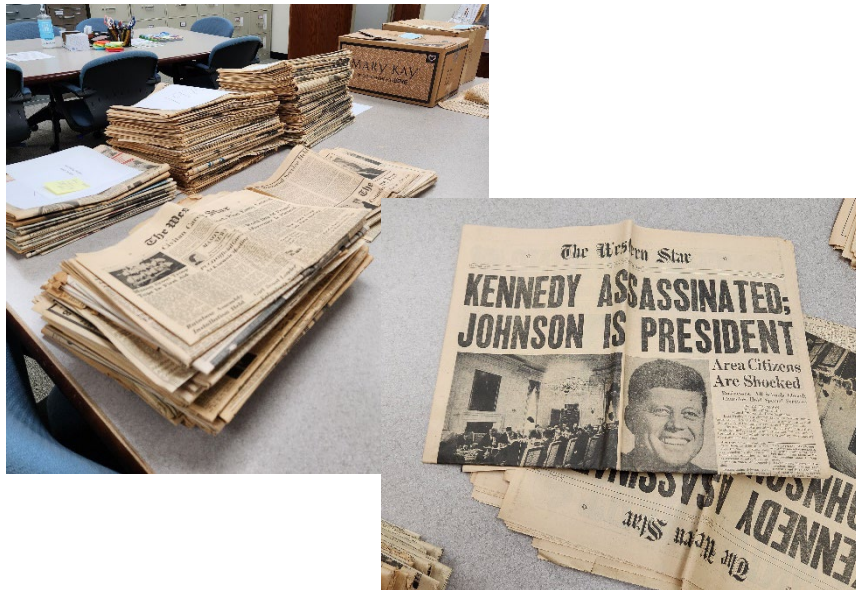
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Lebanon	Western Star	01/04/2006 - 07/14/2012	-	Obituaries
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We have compiled a PDF with links to each issue they have online to make searching for a particular date easier. Visit the [Support the Star!](#) website page and scroll to the bottom for the August 2024 update that includes the downloadable PDF. When using these links, please note that the newspaper pages are large files and the pages load slowly.

If you need help accessing these issues, please contact us at 513-695-1144 or visit the WCGS Resource Library at 406 Justice Drive in Lebanon.

Piles of Newspapers Donated!

Many thanks to Joey Hansted of the Little Miami History Connection for delivering piles of donated copies of the *Western Star*! We are working to inventory the issues and hopefully match them to our Missing Issues list. WooHoo!



Western Star 1995-1999 NOW ONLINE!

The twice weekly issues (Wednesdays and Sundays) are now online for January 1995 – December 1999, with more on the way! These batches are almost complete, with only Wednesday, January 31, 1996, and Sunday, October 12, 1996, missing. You can find these new additions by visiting the [Alleen Stephenson Digital Newspaper Project](#) on the Ohio Memory Project.

CLUES TO USE

Submitted by Linda Eckert, WCGS President

**Ohio Open Doors Event
September 6-15, 2024**

Learn more about Ohio’s culture and rich history through the Ohio History Connection’s “Ohio Open Doors Event” running September 6-15, 2024. The interactive map on their website allows you to find events happening across the state and in this area: <https://www.ohiohistory.org/ohio-open-doors-map/>

Warren County will be hosting the following:

HISTORIC SILVER STREET JAIL TOURS

Friday, September 6, 2024 – 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location: Warren County Silver Street Jail
Address: 312 E. Silver Street, Lebanon, OH 45036
Contact: 513-695-1815

PIONEER TALES OF WARREN COUNTY

Friday, September 6, 2024 – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Warren County Historical Society has many stories and folklore connected to their artifacts. Tales will be told of historical figures from Warren County, the objects related to them in the collection, the locations of famous happenings and a few tales of weird and wonderful events that happened here in Warren County.

Location: Warren County Historical Society – Harmon Museum
Address: 105 S. Broadway Street, Lebanon, OH 45036
Contact: <https://www.wchsmuseum.org>
513-932-1817
jdoan@wchsmuseum.org

BARN SALE AT CARLISLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

Friday & Saturday, September 6-7, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Carlisle Area Historical Society Museum
Address: 453 Park Drive, Carlisle, OH 45005
Contact: 937-557-3605
cahsOhio@gmail.com

ELIZABETH HARVEY FIRST FREE BLACK SCHOOL IN OHIO OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, September 15, 2024 – 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location: Elizabeth Harvey First Free Black School in Ohio Open House
Address: 23 North Street, Harveysburg, OH
Contact: 937-218-4245
Jodi.black@yahoo.com

2024 ANNUAL GENEALOGY SEMINAR IN DAYTON, OHIO

The Montgomery County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society is sponsoring the 2024 Annual Genealogy Seminar November 9, 2024, from 9 AM – 4 PM, featuring classes by Sunny Morton, at the Christ United Methodist Church at 3440 Shroyer Road in Dayton, Ohio. Sunny will present the following four classes:

- Comparing the U.S. Newspaper Giants
- Born to Be Filed: A Story of Civil Birth Registrations in the United States
- Help! There’s No Class on Researching
- Fable or Fact? Verifying Old Family Stories

with a Bonus Presentation 30-minute presentation during lunch!

Ohio River Adventures

For more information or to download a flyer, please visit:

<https://mcc-ogs.org/eventListings.php?nm=57>

WARREN COUNTY COMMUNITY SHRED & ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY

It's almost fall cleanup time! When getting rid of any old family group sheets, pedigree charts, or other documents you have amassed during your genealogical research, it is ALWAYS a good idea to shred anything that might have information about living or recently deceased individuals. The Warren County Records Center & Archives hosts a Shred Event twice a year, making it easy to shred your documents without the expense or mess of doing it at home.

The Fall Community Shred & Electronics Recycling Day is **Saturday, September 21, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.**

If you are not local to Warren County, contact your local County offices or Archives and see if there is something similar available in your area.

UPDATE!

There is a new layout for their event (see map below).

If you ONLY have electronics to drop off, you will enter through the Health and Human Services Building entrance at 416 S. East Street.

If you have ANY paper for shredding, you will enter through the Administration Building Entrance at 406 Justice Drive.

If you have both paper AND electronics, please enter through the Administration Building Entrance where you will be directed to electronics immediately after shredding.

WARREN COUNTY FALL COMMUNITY SHRED & ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY

WARREN COUNTY, OHIO
1803

Saturday, September 21st, 2024: 10am – 1pm
406 Justice Drive, Lebanon, Ohio 45036
Administration Building Parking Lot

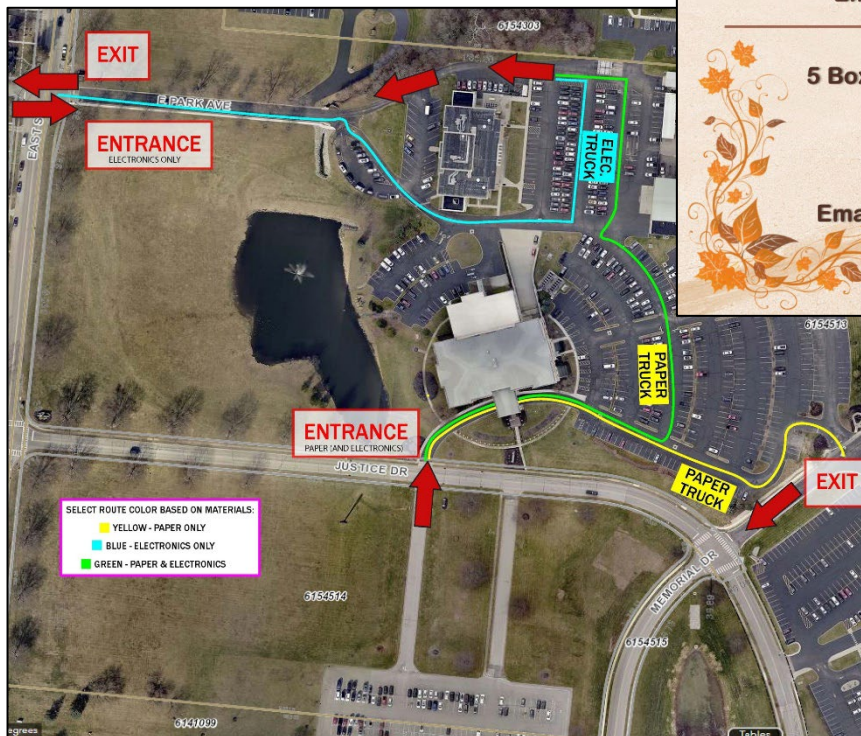
NOTE: Event is first come, first serve, staff will assist with emptying boxes/electronics

Electronics Accepted:
Computer Equipment, TVs, Batteries

Questions about Electronics?
Phone: 513-695-1259
or
Email: solid.waste@co.warren.oh.us

Shred Information:
5 Box Maximum, Will Be Shredded Offsite

Questions about Shredding?
Phone: 513.695.1815
or
Email: Jennifer.Haney@co.warren.oh.us



For more information, please visit: <https://www.co.warren.oh.us/recordscenter/GenInfo/ShredDay.aspx>

OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Samuel D. Isaly Library, 611 State Route 97 West, Bellville, Ohio 44813-8813
Telephone 419-886-1903 <https://www.ogs.org>

2025 OGS Annual Conference: “Light Up Your Genealogy”

Save the Dates! Wednesday, April 30 – Saturday, May 3, 2025 – In-Person
Kalahari Hotel and Resorts, 7000 Kalahari Drive, Sandusky, OH 44870-8628

INDIANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

P.O. Box 10507, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46852-0507
<https://www.indgensoc.org/>

2025 IGS Annual Conference

Save the Dates! Friday, April 11 – Saturday, April 12, 2025 – In-Person AND Virtual
Allen County Public Library, 900 Library Plaza, Fort Wayne, IN 46802-3600

NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

6400 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 810, Falls Church, VA 22042-2318
Telephone 703-525-0050 or 800-473-0060 <https://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>

2025 Family History Conference

Save the Dates! Friday, May 23 – Monday, May 26, 2025 - In-Person at the Galt House Hotel in Louisville, KY
<https://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/>

GRIP 2025 GENEALOGY INSTITUTE

<https://grip.ngsgenealogy.org/>

Save the Dates!

Sunday, June 22, 2025 – Friday, June 27, 2025 – Virtual Courses
Sunday, July 13, 2025 – Friday, July 18, 2025 – In-Person Courses
LaRoche University, 9000 Babcock Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15237-5808

INSTITUTE OF GENEALOGY AND HISTORICAL RESEARCH (IGHR)

c/o Georgia Genealogical Society, Inc., P.O. Box 551247, Atlanta, Georgia 30355-2747
Telephone 678-439-7503 <https://ighr.gagensociety.org/>

IGHR 2025 Virtual Institute

Save the Dates! Sunday, July 27 – Friday, August 1, 2025 – Virtual

IGHR 2026 Virtual Institute

Save the Dates! Sunday, July 26 – Friday, July 31, 2026 – Virtual

36TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF GENEALOGICAL AND HERALDIC SCIENCES

2024 Congress: “Origins, Journeys, Destinations”

Tuesday, September 24 – Saturday, September 28, 2024 – In-Person
Being held in the United States for the 1st time in its 93-year history!

Hosted by American Ancestors and FamilySearch: <https://www.americanancestors.org/>

The American Ancestors Research Center, 99-101 Newbury Street, Boston, MA 02116-3007

<https://www.americanancestors.org/icghs-2024>

EAST COAST GENETIC GENEALOGY (ECGG) 2024 CONFERENCE

Third Annual Conference – In-Person and Virtual

Friday, October 4 – Sunday, October 6, 2024

*Early Bird Registration Discount Through September 15!

Maritime Conference Center, 692 Maritime Blvd., Linthicum Heights, MD 21090

<https://ecggc.org/>

ROOTSTECH 2025

<https://rootstech.org>

Save the Dates! Thursday, March 6 – Saturday, March 8, 2025 – In-Person and Virtual

GENEALOGY WEBINARS

Please visit the following sites for complete lists of webinars being presented.

[Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center](#)

[American Ancestors by New England Historic Genealogical Society](#)

[ConferenceKeeper](#)

[Florida State Genealogical Society](#)

[International Society for British Genealogy and Family History](#)

[Legacy Family Tree Webinars](#)

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

WCGS has more than 160 Warren County Genealogical publications available for purchase. These can be purchased from the [Shop and Support](#) page of our website or you can download an order form:

<https://www.wcgsohio.org/downloadable-forms>.

Membership is \$25 for a regular membership (single or family) or \$250 for a Life Membership. Please visit the [Join or Renew](#) page on our website or you can download a Membership Application:

<https://www.wcgsohio.org/downloadable-forms>.

Phone: 513-695-1144 Email: wcgsoh@gmail.com

WCGS NEW Website: <https://www.wcgsohio.org>

WCGS OLD Website (has broken links, but also GREAT databases): <http://www.wcgsoh.org>

WCGS Virtual Cemetery: <http://sites.rootsweb.com/~ohwarren/Cemetery/burial.htm>

WCGS Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/262311627671559/>

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

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

RESOURCE LIBRARY HOURS: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The WCGS Resource Library is open to the public. We are a FamilySearch Affiliate Library.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

Support WCGS each time you check out by participating in the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

- Visit <https://www.kroger.com> and sign into your Kroger account.
- Click the icon above your name to access “My Account” and look for Community Rewards on that page.
- Select Community Rewards and search by Organization Name or Number and enroll in the program:
 - Organization Name – Warren Co Chpr of the Ohio Genealogical Soc
 - Organization Number – SU662

Then, every time you shop and use your Kroger Plus card, Kroger will make a small donation to WCGS!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following people and organizations who have made a monetary or materials donation to WCGS recently. Our Society, and Resource Library Catalog continues to expand because of your generosity!

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Melody Roth
Joyce Stewart
Iris Wilson

REV. WAR PATRIOT SGT. BENJAMIN BALDWIN HONORED

The Turtle Creek Chapter OSDAR invites you to join them in honoring Revolutionary War Patriot Benjamin Baldwin Saturday, October 26, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. This event will be held at the Edwardsville Cemetery in Harlan Township. The cemetery is located on Edwardsville Road (Township Road 196) at its intersection with Kunker Road (Township Road 202). Light refreshments will follow. Please RSVP to Regent Gael Fischer 513-236-6126 if you plan to attend.

SAVE THE DATE

Join us as we honor Revolutionary War Patriot

Sgt. Benjamin Baldwin

Saturday

26 October 2024 at 10:30 AM

Edwardsville Cemetery
Warren Co. Rd 196 & Harlan Twp Rd 202,
Blanchester, OH

R.S.V.P. Requested: Gael Fischer, 513.236.6126

