WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY e-news February, 2008

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HEIR LINES, WINTER 2007, Volume 26 Issue 4

Heir lines was mailed out to members on January 18th and among other things, contains an every name index to Volume 26.

Members are invited to submit queries for publication in Heir Lines. You can mail or email them to us [wcgs@co.warren.oh.us]. If you send an email, please be sure to indicate that you are submitting a query for publication in Heir Lines. Contact Harriet Foley for further information on submitting other materials for possible publication in Heir Lines.

Many volunteers have been working on an every name index for all issues of Heir Lines. It should be completed in the 1st half of 2008. It is expected to contain well over 70,000 names and should prove to be a great resource to complement the complete subject index on our website.

2008 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

A membership renewal form was included as an insert to the Winter 2007 Heir Lines. Your membership is important to the continuing success of our Society. If you haven't sent yours in yet, please do so at your earliest convenience. It will save the society the expense of sending out a follow-up letter. If you need another form, you can print one from our website http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/appl.htm

or download a pdf file containing the form at

http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/MembershipApplication.pdf

2008 Calendar of Events – March Program

Our 2008 meeting schedule will begin on March 19th at 7:30 PM, Otterbein Retirement Community, Phillippi Room when Pam Wolosz will make a presentation on "Researching English & Welsh Ancestors". Researching English and Welsh ancestors is now much easier thanks to the United Kingdom FreeBMD website. The website provides a free, searchable index of a growing number of England and Wales Birth, Marriage, and Death Civil Registrations from 1837 to 1915. The presentation will cover the history of England and Wales Civil Registration, search techniques to find your immigrant ancestor in the FreeBMD index, and information on how to order the important civil registration documents from the General Register Office.

The complete Meeting Schedule for 2008 can be viewed on line at

http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/Events.htm

Chapter Website

The Warren County Genealogical Society updated our website again on January 23rd. http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/index.htm

Major additions with this update include

- Every name index for Wills & Estates Box 251-300
- Every name index to our Guardianship Book
- Every name index to the new Warren County Funeral Record Index (Volume 2)
- Numerous additions to our obituary collection including all of 2007 and additions from the Franklin Chronicle through 1959.
- Many additions to cemetery indexes

To see a complete list of all the changes, go to http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/What's%20New.htm

OHIO DEATH CERTIFICATES 1908 – 1953 ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON LINE

The LDS Church has included images and transcriptions of Ohio Death Certificates on their Family Search Labs BETA site. You have to register to use the site which can be accessed at http://search.labs.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html

Note that the site requires that you have Adobe FlashPlayer installed on your computer. This can be downloaded for free at

http://www.adobe.com/shockwave/download/download.cgi?P1_Prod_Version=ShockwaveFlash It appears that the site may not include certificates for stillborn infants but otherwise seems very complete. The site provides some creative search options should you not find what you are looking for.

DEALS