

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION



Newsletter



201 Locust Street

January/February 2013

McMinnville, Tennessee

Cheryl Watson Mingle Re-elected President



Cheryl Watson Mingle was re-elected to serve as president of the WCGA for the 2013 term. A native of Warren County, she is an avid genealogist and has traced her family to the first settlers of Plymouth Rock.

Cheryl has 34 years of experience in the senior and non-profit community, she presently serves as the Executive Director of the McMinnville Warren County Senior Center, Inc. and is past president of the Tennessee Senior Center Director's Association.

She is active in many community activities including United Way of Warren County, Warren County Emergency Food and Shelter and is a member of the Warren County Health Council.

Cheryl is the co-founder of the Families in Crisis Domestic Violence Shelter and also founded the Relatives as Parents Program at the Senior Center for those raising nieces, nephews or children other than their own.

She has always been able to work with the community to make things happen.

WCGA OFFICERS INSTALLED



Officers elected to lead the Warren County Genealogical Association for 2013 pose for a picture at the January meeting. Left to right: Marion Rhea Speaks, vice-president; Pat Berges, secretary; Cheryl Watson Mingle, president, Allen Jaco, treasurer and Ladye Jane Hunter, past president.

Robert Brown

Will be our guest speaker

For the February 16 WCGA Meeting

The topic of his discussion

"DISCOVER YOUR ROOTS IN TENNESSEE"

Welcome New Member

Barbara Bates

WCGA Committee Chairmen

Membership:

Allen Jaco

Circulation Manager:

Wilma Davenport

Programs:

Marion Rhea Speaks

Bulletin Editor:

Chris Keathley

Newsletter Editor:

Doyle Speaks

Publicity:

Cheryl Watson Mingle

Research:

Bonita Mangrum

Office:

Evelyn Wade

Martha Holt

Refreshments:

Christine Bouldin

MY PILGRIM ANCESTORS From the Mayflower and Plymouth Rock

Our WCGA group was entertained by Cheryl Watson Mingle as she led the January genealogy program by sharing her ventures to Plymouth Rock, Massachusetts. As a member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, she shared her Watson lineage from Warren County back to Stephen Hopkins and the Mayflower with its arrival at Plymouth Rock.

Photos at the right show Cheryl displaying her treasures on the laptop and large photo album. She is shown at bottom right visiting the gravesite of her 9th great grandmother Constance Hopkins Snow. Also the unmarked grave of her husband, Nicholas Snow, is possibly buried here.



Minutes in Brief

- Allen Jaco reported a balance of \$3,027.75 as of December 31, 2012. Our paid membership is at 102. This includes 3 life members, 3 exchange and 3 complimentary.
- Vice President Marion Rhea Speaks asked for suggestions for speakers or program ideas for our monthly meetings.
- Cheryl Watson Mingle indicated that the WCGA meeting announcements were sent to all local news media, the Chamber of Commerce and posted on Facebook.
- Chris Keathley indicated that articles are needed for the June Bulletin and, submissions for The Civil War soldiers section should be turned in as soon as possible.
- Newsletter Editor Doyle Speaks opened a discussion on what should be included in the Newsletter. A decision was made that it should be emailed about halfway between the general monthly meetings.
- Pat Berges and Chris Keathley are working on a photo and history paragraph for the Methodist Church keepsake.
- Pat Berges has taken on the management of the WCGA webpage. Ladye Hunter will continue managing the County webpage through TnGenWeb.
- Jean Hobbs announced that Tennessee State Library & Archives representatives will be available from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on April 17, 2013, in the early voting room to document Civil War memorabilia.
- Ladye Hunter announced that Darryl Norris is updating our CD of past Bulletins to include 2010, 2011 and 2012. The Bulletins 1992 through 2012 are \$25.00 each. Shipping cost is \$3 for first CD and \$1.75 each additional CD.
- Pat Berges distributed revised brochures that include the newly updated Books for Sale list.

Chris Keathley is our New Bulletin Editor

Chris Keathley has accepted the position of Editor to the WCGA Bulletin. He replaces Ladye Jane Hunter who steps down due to health reasons.

Chris is an artist and co-owner of the Southern Museum and Galleries located at 210 E. Main in McMinnville.

His first edition will be completed in June and he reports that progress is going well.



Have You Paid Your Dues?

Just a friendly reminder that it is time to pay your WCGA membership dues.

Annual dues are \$20 per calendar year for members within the 50 states. Foreign membership is \$28 per year.

Please make your checks payable to the Warren County Genealogical Association and can be brought to our next meeting or mailed to Warren County Genealogical Association, P.O. Box 411, McMinnville, TN

The Ever Popular "Show and Tell" Entertained us with...

Glenda Cantrell's entertaining presentation of a box of old love letters approaching 100 years old. A gift from her uncle.

Carolyn Lance's picture and ID bracelet from her uncle Marion Floyd Dantzler 1897-1918 who was in the U.S. Navy during WW1. The ID bracelet has his name with dates 4/26/18 (1918) and birthdate 1/16/97 (1897) and the inscription UNRF. Inside is an engraved fingerprint.

Larry Boyd's pictures made from small locket-type tintype photos of his maternal great-grandparents William Pleasant Anderson (1842-1889) and his wife Mary Elizabeth Austin Anderson (1847-1907) of Lost Creek, White Co., TN. "Bill" Anderson was a cobbler (made shoes) & musician who played the bugle for his Confederate outfit. He was captured at Fort Donelson, held as a POW at Camp Morton, IN, and exchanged at Vicksburg, Miss., and returned to his unit. He died at age 46 1/2 yrs. Likely he departed this life early because of the hardships & deprivations suffered during his military service to help defend the State of Tennessee from an invasion from a hostile force.

Wanda Gant's baby bracelet from the old Warren County Clinic that was located on Main Street in McMinnville. She also brought along a doll dress made from flower sacks.

Allen Jaco's experience as a WW2 naval officer assigned to a transport ship whose primary function was to transport European permanent immigrants from Germany to the U.S. In 2010, while shopping in McMinnville Walmart, he met a clerk who had a European accent and found that she had been a passenger on his ship when she was 7 years old.

Marion Rhea Speaks's presentation of the bugle she was given by her uncle Samuel Anderson. The bugle was from WW2 and was won by her uncle in a card game. She was given the bugle because she was the first person in the family who learned to play taps on the instrument.

Bonita Mangrum's photos from the William Stewart family who moved from Warren Co. before 1860. These photos were sent back to his grandson George Washington Newby who is pictured along with his wife Harley Edge. Another picture presented, but not shown was of grandson Leburn Stewart.



Glenda Cantrell



Carolyn Lance



Larry Boyd



Wanda Gant



Allen Jaco



Marion Rhea Speaks



Bonita Mangrum

WCGA is now on Facebook!

Come visit us at:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Warren-County-Generological-Association/135126859883450>

Or visit us on the web at:

<http://www.usgennet.org/usa/tn/county/warren/>

Happy Valentines Day



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