

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION



Newsletter

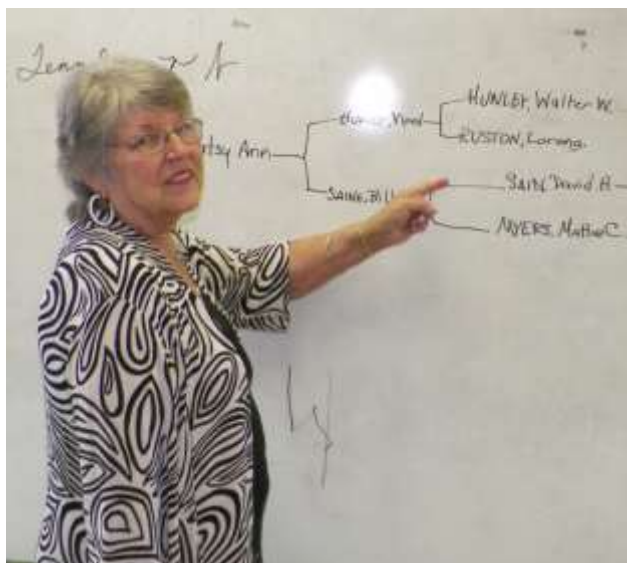


August-September 2014

201 Locust Street

McMinnville, Tennessee

Genealogy Workshop Was A Huge Success



Pat Berges explains how and why to start your research with a Pedigree Chart.

See pages 2, 3 and 4 for more workshop photos.

The August 16 meeting of the Warren County Genealogical Association was attended by a large crowd who met in the Magnolia Room of the County Administration Building.

Our monthly meeting was devoted entirely to a Genealogy Workshop. The program was presented by the very knowledgeable Pat Hunley Berges who has been a genealogy researcher for several years.

Pat is a member of the Warren County Genealogical Association and previously served as vice president and secretary of our organization. She has served as Administrator of the Web page for our organization. She is an active member of the Coffee County Historical Society, serving as their Publications Editor. In this capacity she has been involved in the publication of several historical books. She has held offices with the Grundy County Historical Society as well.

The workshop was a presentation on how to get started in genealogy. Some of the topics covered included "where to start", "how to gather information from various sources", "computer research", "genealogy formats", "ways to organize information", "sharing with other researchers", and "finding military ancestors".

There was excellent participation from the crowd.



Pat Berges is shown discussing the many suggestions she offered in how to get started in genealogy research.



All were in deep concentration at the workshop taking note of genealogy research tips offered by Pat Berges.



Marion Speaks extends a cordial welcome to all



Bobby Bond displays one of his ancestor photos



Filling in the blanks

Due to the large number of our members attending the Ancestry.com Seminar in Nashville, the September 20, 2014 meeting of the Warren County Genealogical Association has been cancelled. See you all on Oct. 18.



Debby Boyd with granddaughter Rossie Holmes



Bobbie G. Woodlee works on her pedigree chart.



James Sandlin works on one of his forms



Wilma Davenport (L) lends a helping hand.



Two of our guests concentrate on their charts.



Plenty of refreshment were provided by Martha Holt, Marion Speaks and Wilma Davenport.

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More Genealogy Workshop Pictures



Welcome New Members

Bob W. Roberts Houston, TX
 ufisherman@yahoo.com
 Researching Bess, Poe and Roberts

Marie Blair Smithville, TN
blairem@dtccom.net

Researching Alexander Hamilton Mayes who married Martha Mayfield, Franklin Binkley who married Paralee Smith, Rev. Jesse Dodson and Christian Shell family, Obediah Jennings / Elizabeth Dodson family and James Leo Woodlee who married Mary Ann Hobbs. I am also researching Isaac Roberts who married Charity "six killer".

Gail Woodlee McMinnville, TN
gailw@blomand.net

Researching Woodlee, Jennings, Mayes, Pearson and McCorkle

Share our Newsletter

Do you have a relative or friend you would like to receive the WCGA Newsletter? We would be happy to add them to our list.

Just send their name and email address to:
Speaksdm@charter.net



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WCGA is now on Facebook!

Come visit us at:

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

We're also on the web, visit us at:

www.tngenweb.org/wcgatn

Representing WCGA On The Radio



Pat Berges and Glenda Cantrell were guests on the August 14 "Behind The Mike" with Kelly Marlow. The show is broadcast at 10:00 a.m. every third Thursday on 96.0 AM radio in McMinnville.

ANCESTRY.COM SEMINAR PLANNED

A one day seminar is to be held at the Sheraton Hotel in Nashville on September 20 by ancestry.com. Classes on how to best use your ancestry membership for research will be taught by professionals. Registration is online. It is \$30.00 for the day (9 to 4), \$15.00 for lunch (has to be pre-ordered) or you may take your own. If there is at least 8 that would like to go in the Senior Centers van, Cheryl will drive. A donation of \$10.00 is required for the use of the van for gas purchase.

In Loving Memory



KAREN LESLIE MARTIN
24 Apr 1964 – 14 May, 2014
We extend condolences to our member Ladye Jane Hunter in regards to the death of her daughter Karen Leslie Martin who passed away on May 14, 2014. A Memorial Service was held on May 22, 2014 at High Funeral Parlor in McMinnville.

LEONA HILLIS

15 June 1919 – 9 August, 2014

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Leona Hillis who passed away on August 9, 2014.

She was a resident of McMinnville and a founding member of the Warren County Genealogical Association.

Funeral services were conducted on August 11, 2014 at the McMinnville Funeral Home.

Memorial donations in honor of Leona may be made to the Shellsford Cemetery Trust Fund.



A NEW TWIST IN USING THE BIRTHING TREE: Glenda Cantrell presented the Birthing Tree Keepsake to her daughter-in-law and her son-in-law recently. Along with the keepsakes, she presented plaques to each making them Honorary Hillbillies. Shown, photographed under the Birthing Tree with their Honorary Hillbilly Awards, are daughter-in-law Tamara Curtis and son-in-law Geno Volz.

Down Memory Lane



Can you identify anyone in this picture?

Submitted by Scarlett Griffith

DO YOU HAVE CIVIL WAR ANCESTORS?

Submit your Civil War Veteran
for entry in upcoming issues of
the WCGA Bulletin,

You may obtain an entry form
on our web site at
www.tngenweb.org/wcgatn

MINUTES IN BRIEF

From the August 16, 2014 Meeting

Call to Order

In the absence of President Mingle, who was out of town, the regular meeting of the Warren County Genealogical Association was called to order by Vice President Marion Speaks at the Magnolia Room of the Warren County Administration building at 2:00 p.m. The following 34 members and guests were in attendance: Robert and Barbara Bates, Marie Blair, Pat Berges, Bobby Bond, Christine Bouldin, Debby Boyd, Larry Boyd, Anthony Cantrell, Glenda Cantrell, Dot Cathey, Wilma Davenport, Billy R. Gay, Becky Hash, Jean Hobbs, Rossie Holmes, Carol Hollandsworth, Jackie Holt, Martha Holt, Marva J. Hughes, Ladye Jane Hunter, Allen Jaco, Chris Keathley, Carolyn Lance, Bonita Mangrum, Polly Minyard, Jessica Neely, Elsie Newby, Bettye Pack, Denny Sheets, Bob Sherwood, Doyle and Marion Speaks, and Gail Woodlee.

Minutes

Secretary Scarlett Griffith was out of town, so there was no reading of the previous minutes.

In Memoriam

Vice President Speaks asked the group to remember the recent passing of Leona Hillis, one of the WCGA founders, who contributed many years to the work of the Association.

Regional Conference

Pat Berges announced that the regional genealogy conference this year will be a Webinar rather than a meeting. The date has yet to be announced. Hopefully details will soon be forthcoming from the Middle Tennessee Genealogy Society, which is sponsoring this year's conference.

TSLA/Ancestry.com Library Event

Vice President Speaks confirmed that the September WCGA meeting has been cancelled since a number of our members will be attending the Ancestry.com/TSLA Library event in Nashville on September 20th. She reminded the group that attendees must register in advance.

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

Pat Berges presented a workshop on how to get started in genealogy, including such topics as where to start, how to gather information from various resources, computer research, genealogy formats, ways to organize information, sharing with other researchers, and finding military ancestors. There was excellent group participation with questions and suggestions as the workshop progressed.

Introduction of Archivist

Vice President Speaks introduced Jean Hobbs, volunteer Warren County Archivist, and everyone praised her careful and thorough work in cleaning, organizing and maintaining retired county records from past years. Jean invited everyone to come by the Archives office to use the records.

Families Being Researched

All those in attendance announced the names of the families they were researching and it was noted that several people are researching the same family names.

Adjournment

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m. to refreshments provided by Marion Speaks, Martha Holt and Wilma Davenport.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Berges (for Scarlett Griffith, Secretary)

Would you like to
"share your family history"
at one of our WCGA meetings?
I'm sure you have a story or two to share...
Get with Marion Speaks who is in charge of our
Programs and schedule a presentation.
A few spots are open.

The Birthing Tree Keepsake is Here



The Courthouse, McMinnville, TN

(First in a series)

First Methodist Church, McMinnville, TN

(Second in a series)

The Birthing Tree, McMinnville, TN

(Third in a series)

All three available for \$18 each at

Southern Museum

201 E. Main Street, McMinnville

Open Wed., Fri., Sat. 10:00 a.m.-4 p.m. and

**Warren Co. Genealogical Association
County Administrative Building 201 Locust St.
Open Fridays 1:00-4:00 p.m.**



*Join us for a
"Taste of Autumn"*
Luncheon

September 27, 2014

At the Argo House

Bersheeba Springs, TN

Contact Scarlett Griffith at 931-808-6711

For more information

Who Do You Think You Are

Trying To Connect To Warren County?

63 people have proven it!

They received Certificates for

Warren County – McMinnville First Pioneer Families

There's still time for you to make your connection by submitting copies of an official record linking you to Warren County before 1820. Those records can be birth, marriage, death, probate or will, church, cemetery, funeral or obituary, land records, tax records, court, military records, census, newspaper, or Bible for each generation, including the applicant.

To qualify for a certificate, suitable for framing, the applicant must directly descend from an ancestor (male or female) who was in Warren County no later than the 1820 census (this includes the boundaries of the original formation of Warren County from White county).



There is a \$10 application processing fee + \$3.50 shipping for the certificates. All applications and verifying material become the property of the Warren County Genealogical Association.

Current Tennessee residency is not necessary.

Applications may be obtained on line at

www.tngenweb.org/wcgatn

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Warren-County-Genealogical-Association/135126859883450> Facebook page

or may be picked up at

WCGA office at 201 Locust St.

Also available at the Senior Center at 809 Morrison St.

They should be submitted to

Warren County Genealogical Association,
c/o First Pioneer Families,
P. O. Bo 411,
McMinnville TN 37111.