

# WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION



## Newsletter



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201 Locust Street

McMinnville, Tennessee



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## Show & Tell

### Sharing those family treasures is always fun

The July 16 meeting of the Warren County Genealogical Association was devoted to the very popular "Show & Tell" program. This is a time when members and guests share their prized family possessions with everyone. Some items are books, pictures and family records while some are family heirlooms passed down from generation to generation.

### Cheryl Watson Mingle Shared...



Dr. Neil Schultz provided Cheryl Watson Mingle with a certified copy of the pages with handwritten inscriptions of family data (dated October 27, 1802) of the Thomas B Eastland Bible with photos of Thomas B & Mary Swann Eastland. A certified copy of this Bible is at the WCGA office.



Cheryl also presented to the members a Civil War Era Church Baby .

During the Civil War (and at other times when supplies were scarce), dolls were made from handkerchiefs for little girls. These "handkerchief dolls" were carried to church and did not make noise if they were dropped. They were also known as one of the "Sunday toys" that children were allowed to play with only on Sundays, along with Noah's Ark, Jacob's Ladder, Buzz Saw, and other quiet toys. Some mothers would put sugar cubes or candy in the head of the handkerchief doll for a youngster to suck on to keep the child quiet during the long church service. Other names for the handkerchief doll are: "church doll," "church babies," "pew doll," "pew babies," and "prayer doll."

The pocket handkerchief is about 400 years old, but the history of the handkerchief begins as far back as Classical Greece and the Roman Empire.

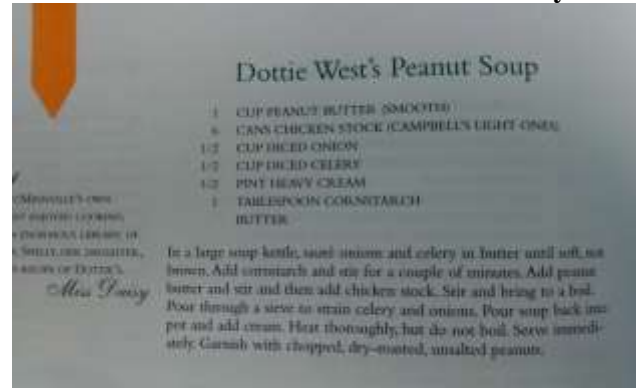
Handkerchiefs were not only used as face cloths for absorbing perspiration, they were used to hide one's face and to cover the mouth during adverse weather conditions or prevent inhaling infectious germs. The handkerchief was also an important favor for a man to give to a lady, and vice versa.

## Bonita Mangrum Shared...

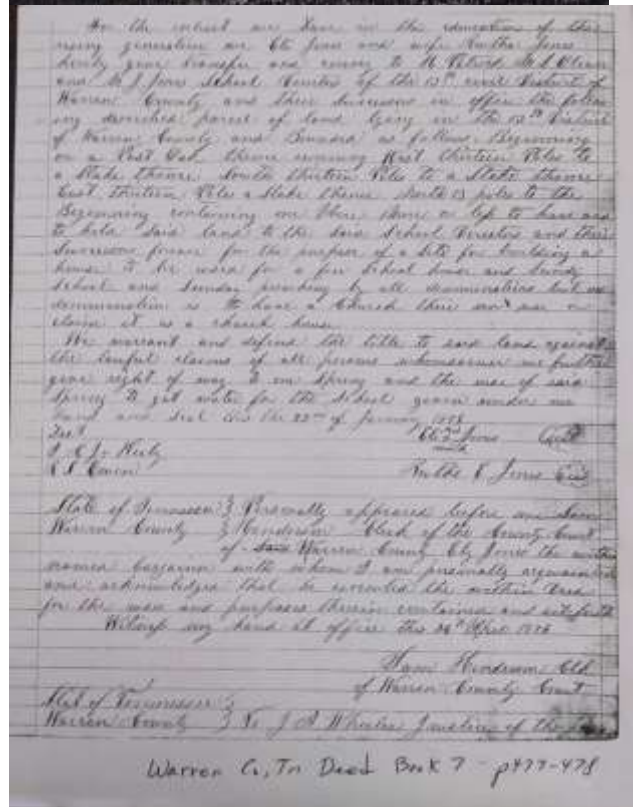


Bonita is shown displaying a recipe by Dottie West from a cookbook she recently purchased at

## the Book Sale from the Justin Potter Library.



She also discussed the Jones School House with 70 pupils Warren County Deed Book 7 p 477-478 Teachers -Gertrude Sanders, Ma Oscar Campbell and J C Hammon





**Allen Jaco Shared...**

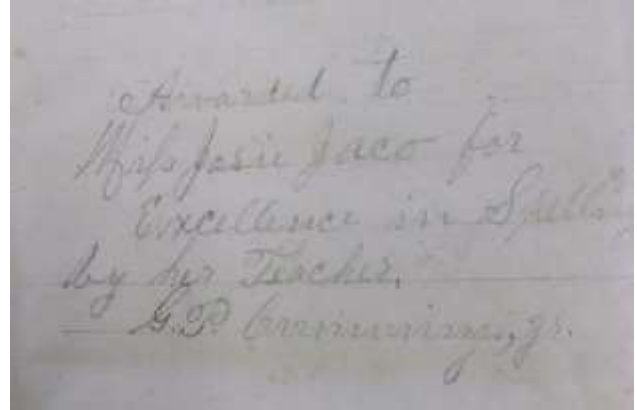


Allen Jaco holding a photo album formerly owned by Flora Josephine "Josie" JACO (1856-1948) and Dimeon Lafayette GRIBBLE (1854-1930), who were natives of Warren County, TN and were married in 1887. They had no children. Across the front cover there is an artfully carved "GRIBBLE" of metal similar to a polished tin. Some of the photos are named, some not.



Left Photo is a Photo of Dimeon Gribble.  
 Right Photo is a 3 1/2" x 5 1/2" BIBLE with 840 gilded edge pages and brass latch, printed in London without a date. Fly sheet handwritten inscription: "Awarded to Miss Josie Jaco for Excellence in Spelling, by her Teacher, G. P.

Cunningham, Jr." It is estimated it was presented to her about 1870.



Unidentified photo of a man, which belonged to Mrs. "Josie" Gribble. 2 1/2" x 3", one half of a 2-part case of covered wood frame with brass interior trim. Most likely the image is her husband Dimeon Gribble, or his father William Carroll Gribble (1818-1856), or her father Jeremiah Jaco (1832-1900).



WCGA members listening to Allen Jaco during Show & Tell

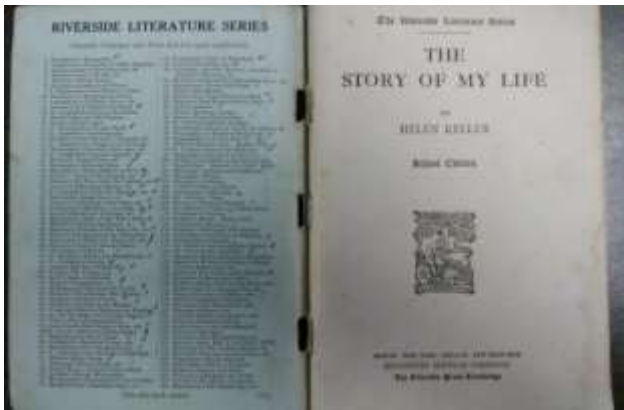
**Scarlett Griffith Shared...**



Ms. Scarlett shared her books *Sinking of the Titanic*, *The Story of My Life* by Hellen Keller and *The courtship of Miles Standish: Elizabeth* By Henry W. Longfellow.



A photo of the Titanic Captain E. J. Smith

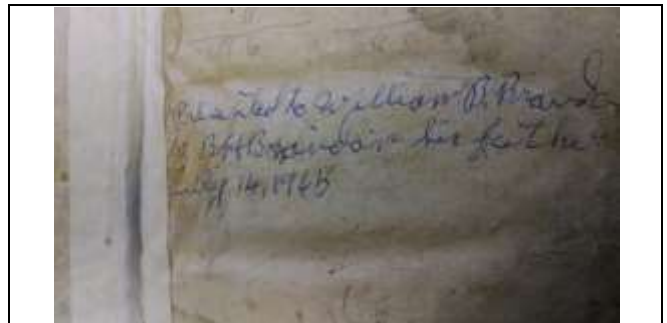


**Barbara Brandon Bates Shared...**



**Barbara is shown with a book called *BURNS*  
The Poetical works of Robert Burns**

A suede bound book of the poems of Robert Burns with notes, glossary and chronological table of his life and works. Exact publishing date in the 1800's unknown.







*The Methodist Magazine* A leather bound book published in 1821 covering monthly Methodist articles from 1820. The Methodist Magazine was published between 1778 and 1969. This one was passed down from my fourth great grandfather, Josiah Brandon (1761-1842), a Revolutionary War soldier from North Carolina who settled in Lincoln Co. (now Moore Co.) His son, Rev. L. R. Brandon, established Brandon Chapel in Lynchburg, TN

**A memory appears from my past, good time spent in doing simple task to keep our family's feed and traditions past down from generation to generation."**



Here's a photo of Donna Sullivan's family.

### **Donna Sullivan Shared...**



Donna talked about growing up stating....."I was raised in a family of nine children. Everyone had daily chores to do but when the garden started coming in there was lots more to do. One of the first things we put up was cabbage. I hated washing the jars but my hand was small enough to get inside a regular mason jar, so I did a lot of washing of the jars.

**This is my mothers knife she cut the cabbage with for kraut and her wood bowl she used.**

### **Marie Blair Shared...**



Marie shared a large scrapbook detailing a 2011 trip about Oklahoma homestead papers and land patents of Jess Dodson Jennings, great grandfather of Marie Blair and Gail Woodlee. They visited the area where Jess Dodson Jennings lived and found the property.

Marie, her husband Earl and her sister, Gail Woodlee, visited the courthouse in Fredricksburg, OK and found his property ownership in 1905 and later got the documents from the National Archives about the Homesteading, the improvements he made, etc.

Jesse D Jennings died in OK in 1940. They found his grave in Chickasha, OK and learned more information about his other family in OK. (see documents below)

The Homestead Paper states the following:  
Applicaicon No. 12069

**HOMESTEAD**

Land office at Lawton Okla Dec. 18, 1905.  
I, Jesse D Jennings, of Manita Okla (R. F. D. No. 2), do hereby apply to enter, under Section 2289, Revised Statutes of the United States, the S. W. I/4 of Section 35, in Township I. S. of Range 16. W. I. M., containign 160 acres.

his

Signed by Jesse X Jennings  
mark



**Glenda Cantrell Shared...**



This Bible belonged to my great-great-grandfather, William Jeffery Stubblefield, a Baptist preacher. He helped establish the Baptist churches at Spring Hill, White County, TN, and at Shellsford Baptist Church in Warren County. He, his wife and a son are buried beneath the cedar trees at Shellsford. The Bible was given to me by a distant cousin in White County, and is one of my most prized possessions. The Bible contains the Apocrypha, and many generations of Family Records, including births, deaths, and dates family members left to fight in WWII. It also includes dates or time of writing the books of the New Testament.

Mr. Robert Lee Kent made the Bible box for Glenda in March 2016, just before he passed away on June 8, 2016.



**Photo at the left below: William Jeffery Stubblefield "Black Bill". April 10, 1805 - Oct. 9, 1890. Born in Hawkins Co. Tennessee. Named their children from historical books for Kings, Rulers and Military Commanders.**



**Photo at the right: Rebecca Reynolds Stubblefield, wife of William Jeffery Stubblefield. Born Aug. 2, 1813 Died April 22, 1906. Daughter of Jenkins Reynolds & Margaret "Peggy" Greer Reynolds. She played hide & seek with her grandchildren.**



**William Jeffery "Black Bill" and Rebecca Reynolds Stubblefield. Parents of ten children. Parents of Napoleon Sstubblefield. Grandparents of Richard Stubblefield. Great-Grandparents o J. P. Sutibblefield and Great Great Grandparents of Glenda Stubblefield Cantrell.**



**Glenda is holding a jar of WARREN MAID 100% Pure Warren County Sorghum. Made here in Warren County, Tennessee**

## **Chris Keathley Shared...**



**Chris Keathley shared a photo of the Statue of Liberty from his recent trip to New York.**



**He also shared a McMinnille Tennessee post card he purchased years ago.**



**Larry Boyd shared...**



The F C Boyd, Sr. Family Bible

**Current Membership**

Complimentary Memberships (Receive Bulletins, at no fee)	3
Exchange Memberships (Swap of Bulletins, at no fee)	3
Honorary Life Memberships (Receive Bulletins, at no fee)	2
Renewed Memberships (A member in prior year - Full fee)	73
New Memberships	18
<b>Total Memberships</b>	<b>99</b>
* Newsletters e-mailed	136

**Brenda Muncey discusses the Mt. Zion 100th Picnic scheduled for August 6.**



*Join us*

*At the next meeting of the*

**Warren County Genealogical Association  
Members Meeting**  
*Saturday, August 20, 2:00 p.m.*

**3 pm Tour Mel Dixon Civil War and other  
Military** (uniforms, head gear, medals, insignias,  
posters, etc.).

Our office is in the rear of the  
Warren County Administration Building  
201 Locust Street, McMinnville, TN

**WCGA is 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](http://www.tngenweb.org/wcgatn)





**Glenda Stubblefield Cantrell and Carolyn Lance were in charge of refreshments for this month's meeting.**

## **DO YOU HAVE CIVIL WAR ANCESTORS?**

Submit your Civil War Solider  
for entry in our upcoming  
Warren County Civil War Soliders BOOK'S

You may obtain forms  
on our Facebook Page or at the Magness Library  
Genealogy Department

Civil War Soliders of Warren County.

**Visit our web site at**

**[www.tngenweb.org/wcgatn](http://www.tngenweb.org/wcgatn)**



**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)  
Hebe, McMinnville, TN  
(Forth in a series)**

*All four 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.**

**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 Rachel Scott Hillis who is in charge of our  
Programs and schedule a presentation.**

## **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:**

**[ctmingle@blomand.net](mailto:ctmingle@blomand.net)**

**Who Do You Think You Are**

# Trying To Connect To Warren County?

**68 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.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 Magness Library.

They should be submitted to

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