

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION



Newsletter



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201 Locust Street

McMinnville, Tennessee



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Join Us For Our Next Meeting
Saturday,
May 19, 2018, 2:00 p.m.

After a short meeting at the
WCGA office located at
201 Locust Street in the basement of the
County Administrative Building,
We will visit

Avery Curtis's "The Skillet"

11564 Harrison Ferry Rd.
Located at the Mt. Top Rd. Shooting Range

Warren Co. Genealogical Association

Warren County Administration Building
201 Locust Street,
McMinnville TN 37110

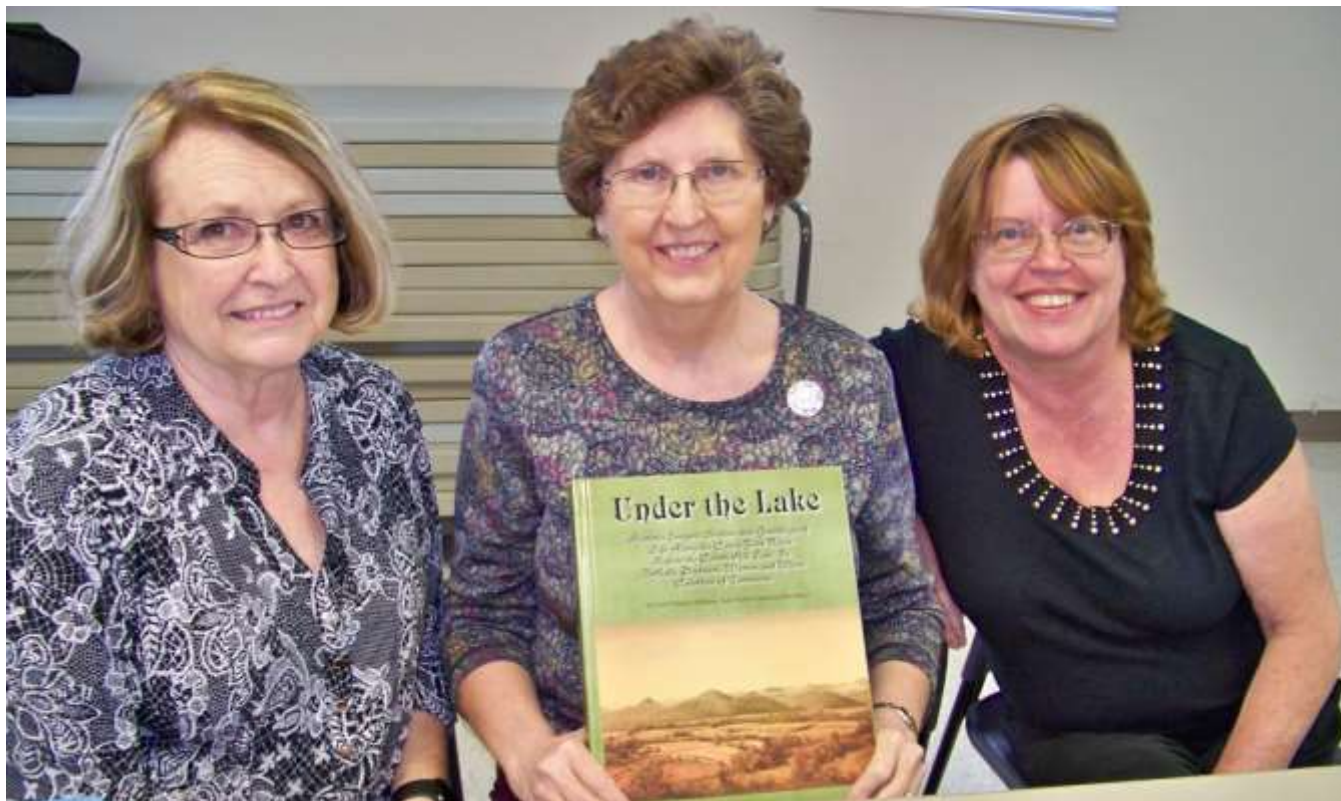


We have new extended hours

Mondays & Fridays

9:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Another Great Program Presented By “Under the Lake” Authors



“Under the Lake” authors Carol Williams, Judy Fuson and Rita Baker pose with the book they co-authored. They were our guest speakers at the April 21, 2018 meeting of the WCGA.

Warren County Genealogical Association members and guests enjoyed another wonderful program at the April 21 meeting. We were fortunate to have the co-authors of “Under the Lake” book speak to our group.

The book was written about the families living in the area during construction of

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Special guests at the meeting were Arminta Carter Woods (center) and daughters Melody Woods (left) and Starr Woods Farless on the right. Arminta lived in the area during the time of construction of Center Hill Dam.



“Under the Lake”

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Center Hill Dam and the ensuing lake that it created.

It would be difficult for me to write a story any better than the one written by Margaret Hobbs, Lifestyle Editor, for the Southern Standard here in McMinnville. Here is her story that appeared in the April 29, 2018 issue.

By MARGARET HOBBS

Lifestyle Editor for the Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tennessee)

The book “Under the Lake,” written by Carol Williams, Judy Fuson and Ria Baker, was a labor of love that took over four years to complete.

The book chronicles years of research and numerous interviews with families affected by the Federal Flood Control Act of 1938. The act authorized the construction of a dam on the Caney Fork River to provide electricity and flood control to the area.

The 250-foot dam closed its gates on Nov. 27, 1948, with the waters of the Caney Fork covering 18,000 acres of land where farmhouses, barns, schoolhouses and church buildings stood.

Stories in the book tell of the removal of homes, cemeteries, churches and schools to make way for Center Hill Lake.

It is filled with almost 6,000 photographs, some documenting family life as it was at that time, and others of the actual building of the dam provided by the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers.

“There are lots of families represented in the book,” said Baker. “We decided to take on this project because my co-authors had families involved, and I wanted this part of history to live on and let others learn about the sacrifices made.”

The authors were in attendance at the recent meeting of the Warren County Genealogical Association meeting, answering questions about the historic event, many focusing on families involved. Baker estimated over 5,000 graves were moved during the project, with some families still trying to locate the graves of their ancestors.

Local resident Arminta Carter Woods, 84, remembers that time, as she lived with her parents, L.H. and Addie Parsley Carter in the area called Love Bottom near Hurricane Boat Dock.

Her parents were store-owners, operated a grist mill and had over 200 acres of farm land, they would lose.

Woods was 12-years-old at the time of the removal. Some of her family members’ graves, including her grandfather, Owen Parsley, and some of his children were moved to a point on Coconut Ridge.

“I didn’t realize how traumatic it was going to be until we started packing everything up,” said Woods. “We left some items in the home, and when we came back to get them later, they were all gone, stolen by someone.”

Her daughters Starr Woods Farless and Melody Woods just recently learned about the book and it has made them more aware of the impact of the event and has sparked an interest for

further research. They attended the meeting to learn more about the impact of the historical event and to obtain a copy of the book.

“The book is full of information, and has lots of family records,” said Melody. “I found my grandparents names, and it gives me a connection to them.”

Farless told of her grandfather L.H. Carter operating a grist mill, with the stone used in the mill on display in Fairfield Village at the fairgrounds.

“I have known for years that several family members (Medleys, Carters, Parsleys, Loves and Walkers) moved to Warren County and settled within miles of each other, but didn’t understand the significance until attending this meeting,” said Farless.

The Warren County Genealogical Association meets the third Saturday of each month at 2 p.m. at the rear of the Warren County Administrative Building. Cheryl Watson Mingle is the current president. Mingle says the books are limited for purchase, but copies are available for research purposes at the genealogical office, and at Magness Library.

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Refreshments for the April meeting were provided by Evelyn Wade and Bonita Mangrum.



Welcome New Members

Thomas Fisher
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Gail Atnip
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Searching: Thomas Barnes; Isaac Washington Roberts; Ephraim Atnip and John Walker

Warren County Genealogical Association

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 HAMMONS / Hammond
 School Hammons
 Robinson
 aka DESKIN
 -Dawley / Daugherty / Hammons / Dawley / Doty

SIR NAME Files Can Be Very, Very Helpful

On Monday, April 16, Donna Bryant from Sacramento, CA visited our WCGA office in hopes of finding information on her “Hammons/Hammond” Family line.

Our office staff checked in the “Sir Name” files and found that our member, Christine H. Bouldin, researches the Hammons family line. Her phone number was given to Donna, who contacted her, and they shared information.

This is just one more reason to fill out the “Sir Name” forms for our Association.

HAMMONS

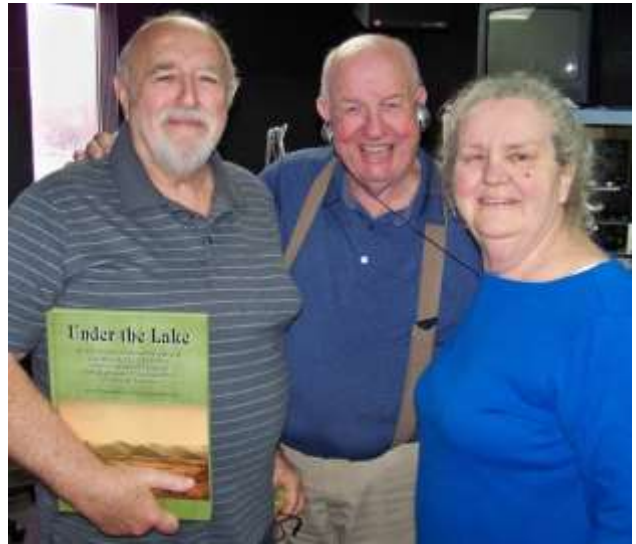
Name: Christine H. Bouldin Address: 175 Bouldin Lane Morristown, TN 37357 Phone: (931) 635-2529 Email: Submitted: 3/17/2018	HAMMONS: Christine Hulett ¹ , Peggy C. HAMMONS Hulett (b.1903) ² , Leroy Hammons (b.1823) ³ , Leroy Hammons (b.1786) ⁴ , John Hammons (ca.1748-1750) ⁵
Name: Address: Phone: Email: Submitted:	

So Much Information!



Donna Bryant from Sacramento, CA feels overwhelmed while researching her ancestors in the genealogy dept. at Magness Library in McMinnville, Tennessee. She said she loved every minute of it and everyone was so helpful and friendly throughout her visit to Warren County.

Turn Your Radio On



Kelly Marlow, host of the “Behind The Mic” radio show, welcomed J. B. Brown and Marion Rhea Speaks to the show on April 19. Tune in to radio station 96.0 AM McMinnville, Thursday, May 17, when the WCGA will be on the show again.

SIR NAME REGISTRY FORM AND GUIDELINES

Name:	RESEARCHING:
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Date Submitted:	

Name:	RESEARCHING:
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Date Submitted:	

Guidelines for WCGA Surname Registry

The purpose of the WCGA Surname Registry is to provide an index of surnames that are being researched by our members and other researchers. Our goal is to connect those who might be researching the same lines.

You may submit an entry for each surname that you are researching. Start with yourself and list your ancestor line for that surname for each generation that you have. Include the year of birth if that information is available. Example: John Berry Brown¹, John Wesley Brown (b.1915)² (See the first example below).

If the line includes ancestors who are female, be sure you list both their maiden name and married name. Example: Zora Eva *McKnight* Mingle (b.1891) (see the second example below).

If the WCGA becomes aware that a person submitting entries is deceased, the address, phone number, and email will be removed and the entry flagged (see the third example below).

Include your name and address. If you prefer to be contacted by email, you may leave your phone number blank (or vice versa). Include the date that the information was submitted.

Completed entries may be submitted to:

- a) paper copies: drop off at the WCGA office at 201 Locust Street in the rear of the Administrative Building
- or mail to: W C G A, P. O. Box 411, McMinnville, TN 37111-0411
- b) electronic submissions: email to farmerbrownsgardens@gmail.com

**Magness Library & Community House
Donated Books to WCGA**

Our Library is Growing

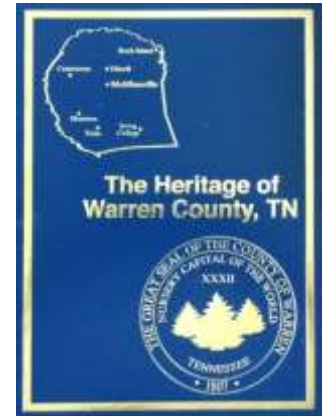
1830 East Tennessee Census
1830 Middle Tennessee Census
1840 Census Tennessee
1850 Census Tennessee Vol 1 (Aaron - Childress)
1850 Census Tennessee Vol 2 (Childs - Gary)
1850 Census Tennessee Vol 3 (Gaskell - Jones)
1850 Census Tennessee Vol 4 (Jones - Murley)
1850 Census Tennessee Vol 5 (Murpha - Rudd)
1850 Census Tennessee Vol 6 (Ruddell - Wallace)
1850 Census Tennessee Vol 7 (Walland - Zumbro)
1850 Census Tennessee Vol 8 (H-Z Cross Index)
1860 Census Tennessee Vol 1 (A - Craig)
1860 Census Tennessee Vol 2 (Cral - Haynes)
1860 Census Tennessee Vol 3 (Hayney - McKee)
1860 Census Tennessee Vol 4 (McKeehan - Sexton)
1860 Census Tennessee Vol 5 (Sexus - Z)
1870 Census Tennessee Vol 1 (A - Lev)
1870 Census Tennessee Vol 2 (Lev - Z)
Tennesseans in the Civil War Part I
Tennesseans in the Civil War Part II
Early East Tennessee Marriages Vol 1 (Grooms)
Early East Tennessee Marriages Vol 1 (Brides)
Early Middle Tennessee Marriages Vol 1 (Grooms)
Early Middle Tennessee Marriages Vol 1 (Brides)
Memorial & Biographical Record of the Cumberland Region
Everton's Genealogical Helper Mar/April 2005
Everton's Genealogical Helper Mar/April 2005
Everton's Genealogical Helper May/June 2005
Family Chronicle Oct 2005
Discovering Family History Sep/Oct 2009
Family History Magazine April 2010
Family History Magazine Jul/Aug 2002
The History Channel May/June 2009
Family Tree Magazines Oct 2005
Family Tree Magazines Nov 2009
Family Tree Magazines May 2010
Family Tree Magazines July 2010
Family Tree Magazines Aug 2010
Family Tree Magazines Sep 2010
Family Tree Magazines Nov 2010



Two of the books donated to WCGA by Magness Library & Community House.

The Heritage of Warren County, TN Available Again!

The Heritage of Warren County, TN, published in 2005, is now available for sale again. Recently the WCGA purchased from the publisher, County Heritage, Inc., the last of these informative, hardback books, which were thought



to be out of print. This book can be purchased for just \$72.00 plus \$7.00 shipping and makes a nice gift. Make checks out to WCGA and mail to: WCGA, P.O. Box 411, McMinnville, TN 37111. Or come by the WCGA office on Mondays or Fridays 9-3 p.m., County Administrative Building, 201 Locust St., McMinnville, Tennessee.

Information on the Heritage Book:

- 618 pages
- 48 pages of Index
- 29,840 +/- names in Index
- Approximately 1,715 photos
- 1,730 numbered articles
- 6.2 pounds (weight)
- 12 3/8 x 9 1/4 x 2 inches (size)

For more information contact:

Allen Jaco, Treasurer @ allenjaco@blomand.net

or

Cheryl Watson Mingle @ ctmingle@blomand.net.

**Would you like a piece of
Warren County History?
*Our Keepsakes are a
great way to have it***



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
(Fourth in a series)

All four available for \$18 each and may be purchased at
Warren Co. Genealogical Association
County Administrative Building, 201 Locust St.
Open Mondays and Fridays 9:00-3:00 p.m



WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Meeting held in the rear of the
Warren County Administration Building
201 Locust Street, McMinnville TN 37110

Membership Information Form

Annual membership fees are \$25

Please make checks payable to **Warren County Genealogical Association (WCGA)** and mail to
WCGA, P.O. 411, McMinnville, TN 37111

Print Name and Address as desired on Membership Record:

Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Please check one:

Dues for year _____ Individual Member, \$25 _____ Joint membership for 2 persons living
in the same household, \$35 _____

Other Donation \$ _____

**Would you like to receive our Members Newsletter by E-Mail? Join the WCGA now.
Our Bulletin is mailed two times each year to members.**

FAMILY NAMES I AM RESEARCHING:

We may be able to help you with your genealogy, so come by and visit our office. We are open on
Monday from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and we're located at the
rear of the Warren County Administration Building, 201 Locust St. McMinnville, TN.

Thank you

Who Do You Think You Are

Trying To Connect To Warren County?

77 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/wcgaatn

<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 on Main St.

They should be submitted to
Warren County Genealogical Association,
c/o First Pioneer Families,
P. O. Box 411,
McMinnville TN 37111