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## **MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR**

With Doyle and Marion Speaks' move to Franklin, Indiana, Rachel Scott Hillis was selected to take over the duties as WCGA Vice-President in Marion's place. The WCGA is fortunate to have Rachel as vice-president as she has served efficiently in the past as President of the Association and helped build up the Association. In



Bonita Bratcher Mangrum, July 4, 2015

the Fall and Winter 2005 issue of the WCGA Bulletin, Almetia Cunningham, President of the Association at that time wrote: "...I have enjoyed serving as president of the WCGA these past five years and appreciate all of the help and cooperation from my fellow members. This office will be in the capable



Rachel Scott Hillis

hand of Mrs. Rachel Scott Hillis. I know she will make us proud of her. She is a hard worker at whatever she sets out to do and very knowledgeable in genealogy and cemetery restoration..."

In July of this year Bonita Bratcher Mangrum, the WCGA Researcher, was involved in a serious car accident which left her with both legs and twelve ribs broken. Bonita continues to recuperate and is anxious to continue her research abilities which she is a professional at as she has been a genealogist and researcher for many years. In the 1970s and early 1980s I enjoyed her genealogical and historical contributions which were published in the Warren County Historical Society Journals, as I have also enjoyed her numerous contributions to the WCGA Bulletins.

Recently an organizational meeting was held with Pat Berges to discuss the publication of *Civil War Soldiers of Warren County, Tennessee*, to be published in several volumes to honor the numerous Civil War Soldiers of Warren County, Tennessee, both Union and Confederate. The project will

undertake a tremendous amount of work from many people but is a project which needs to be completed. Everyone who has information on a Civil War Soldier or Home Guard member is urged to submit the information to Cheryl Watson Mingle <u>ctmingle@blomand.net</u> and/or Rachel Scott Hillis <u>rhillis@blomand.net</u>. Civil War Soldiers of Warren County, Tennessee Questionnaire forms can be obtained at the WCGA Room on Locust Street, William H. & Edgar Magness Community House and Library, McMinnville, or Southern Museum & Galleries, 210 E. Main Street, McMinnville, or can be emailed to you by contacting Cheryl Watson Mingle. See article on page 14.

A listing of Warren County, Tennessee cemetery decorations will be included in the Spring/Summer 2016 issue of the WCGA Bulletins. Please submit cemeteries and decoration dates along with caretaker information for inclusion in the Bulletin.

Please also submit additions and corrections and suggestions and information for future issues of the WCGA Bulletin.

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