

Pellissippi Genealogical & Historical Society

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September meeting:

Our September meeting will be held on Thursday, September 28, 2006, 7 p.m., at the Clinton Public Library, 118 S. Hicks St., Clinton, TN. Our speaker will be John Hendrixson who will speak on DNA and it's uses in genealogy research.

Previous meetings:

A special thanks to Dr Dan Fellers from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville for his presentation on Andrew Jackson at our August meeting.

Future meetings:

We will be electing officers for 2007 at our October meeting.

No meetings scheduled for November and December

New Member:

Margaret Goodman. Maggie 91264@aol.com. Researching Goodman and Harmon. Grandfather was Willie Goodman and Grandmother was Gencie Harmon.

Change of Email Address:

Robert Copeland - bobc42@gmail.com

Events:

75th Annual Wheat Community Homecoming Reunion To Be Held On Sunday, October 1, 2006

Prior to World War II, Wheat, Tennessee was a thriving community with a highly respected educational center. Students often traveled very long distances, some from surrounding counties and states, in order to attend the famous Wheat High School.

However, during late 1942 and early 1943, the people of Wheat were asked to suddenly give up their entire town---their homes, jobs, schools, and churches---in order to help protect their country. The Wheat residents responded by quietly leaving their beloved community, in what has come to be known as the amazing "Wheat Sacrifice!"

This year is the 75th annual Wheat homecoming. A public commemoration has been organized to allow the public the opportunity to meet the remaining Wheat residents, learn about this fascinating piece of Tennessee History, and say "Thank you." We hope that as many people take advantage of this opportunity as possible. The citizens of Wheat really gave up everything for their country!

For more information, contact Martin McBride, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, (865) 482-5386. email: accountable@comcast.net.

Holocaust Survivors, Liberators Featured in Exhibit at ETHS

Knoxville -- Larger than life size, black and white portraits of Holocaust refugees and liberators convey a powerful story in an exhibit opening at the East Tennessee History Center on July 17.

Sponsored locally by the East Tennessee Historical Society, the "Living On," exhibition was organized by the Tennessee Holocaust Commission and has traveled throughout the state. It will be displayed in Knoxville through October 22. Robert Heller, a University of Tennessee professor, was the primary photographer for the project, and Will Pedigo, an alumnus, produced an Emmy Award-winning documentary on the exhibit.

For more information on the Living On exhibit, visit the Holocaust Commission Web site at http://www.tennesseeholocaustcommission.org/livingon.html. Or contact: Tamara Ownby, ETHS, (tamara@east-tennessee-history.org, 865-215-8883)

Tennessee Fall Homecoming at the Museum of Appalachia, October 12 – 15. For more information call 865-494-7680, or e-mail museumappalachia@bellsouth.net. The Museum is located 16 miles north of Knoxville, one mile east of I-75, exit 122. http://www.museumofappalachia.com/

Here is the schedule for manning the PGHS table:

Thur. Oct. 12, AM - Robert and Mary Harris, PM - Don Raby

Fri. Oct. 13, AM - Robert Pigeon, PM - Pete and Barbara Vowell Sat. Oct 14, AM - Ralph and Jackie Goodman, PM - Desta Holder and Faye Taylor

Sun. Oct. 15, AM - Robert Marlowe, PM - Ron and Patty Evans.

Queries:

STOUT

I am seeking information on J. B. STOUT, b. abt. 1858 Tennessee, d. unknown, m. unknown Emmiline BALES, b. unknown Tennessee, d. unknown. Child: Mollie Mary E. STOUT, b. 14 Feb 1878, d. 9 Mar 1924, m. unknown George A. WADE, school teacher and farm laborer, b. 18 Jan 1870 TN, d. 19 Feb 1923, bur. Blaine, Grainger Co., TN. Ron Bronemann ronbron7@yahoo.com

FRANKLIN

My husband's 3Great-grandfather was Mark (Martin) Franklin, born 1 Jan 1800. His brother Thomas said on his War of 1812 records that he was born abt 1790 in Anderson Co, TN. Mark had another brother, Edmond/Edmund and named a son the same. Am figuring that his father was named Edmond/Edmund. Do you have any records on a man by that name?? Or any early Franklin males who would have been of an age to be Mark's father? Thanks for any help you can be. Lisa Franklin, lisafranklin2004@earthlink.net, from our home, Belle Grove, in Louisiana.

HARNESS

My name is Edna Parks and I live in Laurel Grove. An ancestor of mine, John Harness, bought land here from Silas Burris right before and right after the civil war. A log structure was built after that time and was used as a school. I've checked with Anderson County Schools for more information, but their records start at 1927. eparks10@bellsouth.net

DRAKE

I am a descendant of Benjamin Drake who purchased property in Washington County, TN in 1775 (now Carter County). Benjamin was a Revolutionary War Patriot who served with Col. William Christian. You may have heard of my cousin Leo Drake of Long Island, New York. In October of 1999, Leo did a magnificent job of restoring the Drake's Cliff Cemetery and erecting a beautiful monument there in honor of our ancestor Benjamin Drake.

Other notable ancestors buried there are Daniel Stover who was the husband of President Andrew Johnson's daughter. Also, William Stover who was related to Abraham Lincoln.

Can you tell me if you know of any method of getting this old cemetery designated as a Tennessee Historical Site so that it can be protected? Any information would be appreciated. Thank you, Murray Drake MDrake1033@aol.com

The Pellissippian.

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