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April meeting:

Our April meeting will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2007, 7 p.m., at the Clinton Public Library, 118 S. Hicks St., Clinton, TN. Our speaker will be David West, owner and operator of Ciderville in the Claxton Community. David will be sharing stories of the Claxton Community and stories of his experiences with Cas Walker.

2007 Workshop:

"Find Your Ancestors: Basic Genealogy Training 2007"

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Books and Genealogical Resources will be available from vendors.

Everyone is welcome, there is NO admission charge. FREE Door Prize Drawings.

For more information visit our website <http://pghs.home.att.net> or contact Donald Raby 865-250-3971 email deraby@att.net or Ron Evans 865-938-4364 email rpevans@att.net.

Queries:

ARMS/ARMES

I have been researching the Arms/Armes family for years. Please let me know if anyone at the Genealogy seminar knows the parentage of Bletcher Armes/Arms b. circa 1805 probably N.C. - Wilkse County
d. circa 1865 probably TN - Anderson County. Gloria Wilson in Texas redhangar@charter.net

OWENS

I am trying to research my father's family history. He was George Melvin Owens born in 1895 in the area around Huntsville, TN, His father was Gabriel Owens who married my grandmother whose maiden name was Norris-- I think her first name was Margaret. My father had one brother named Lee who died early. His other brother was Robert Owens who died in the fifties in Stearns, KY. His sisters were: Nell Owens who lived as an adult in Georgia: Bertha Owens who lived in "TN and Georgia: Jewel Owens Atkins married to Frank Atkins who owned a general store and gas station between Oneida and I Huntsville on the highway. (The Atkins' children were Leslie, a male, and Janet who became a nurse and may have or does run a nursing home in Oneida.): Beth Owens who married possibly a .Jones; and May Byrd who married Roscoe Byrd of Huntsville and was a World War One veteran, wounded, and they were childless since May had had a had case of polio. My' father, George Owens, was a World War One veteran, wounded and gassed, who had enlisted in Kentucky the day war was declared. He had been working as a telegrapher in Stearns, Kentucky. He served in the Signal Corps overseas in France and England. My dad died in 1972 and is buried in Jefferson Barracks. My dad said that he had two uncles that served in the Mexican War and two others that were hung as horse thieves. Also, he stated that members of his family had been military scouts. He did not mention the Civil War except that the region around Huntsville was a pocket Republican

section and I assume that members of his father's and mother's family fought in the Civil War. I really do not know which records I should scrutinize or where to look for information. I would appreciate any help you could give me. Thank you !
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Book Release: "Ancestors and Descendants of Matthew Massingale, Massengale, Massengill"

A 2nd reprinting is getting underway of the book "Ancestors and Descendants of Matthew Massingale, Massengale, Massengill" and if we receive payment before publishing starts, we can add some orders to the list. This must be done as soon as possible. The authors have made no profit from the book. I authored the first section, and it contains all of the information we could find on anyone with any spelling of the name. We found the name to be spelled over 30 different ways. A cousin, Shelia Studdard, wrote the second section and it pertains to the family of James Massengale, one of Matthew's 12 sons. He moved from Anderson County into McMinn County, and settled there. The book gives the history of the family from the first Daniel, who lived in Yorkshire, England, and who settled in Virginia. The family moved from there into the Nash-Edgecombe area of eastern North Carolina, on to Ashe County in western North Carolina, and then to the Anderson-Scott-Morgan County area in Tennessee. Please tell anyone interested in purchasing a copy, to contact me at btnc@bellsouth.net Thanks, Bernice Thompson

Photos:

McReynolds, Johnson, Reynolds, Smith, Suffridge, Martin, Kelly, Burris, Campbell, Mabry, Woodham, Sullivan and others (possible 1910 – 1920)

Billie McNamara of Jefferson County bought a bunch of pictures from eBay. Several of the photos are unmarked, but related to one or more of these surnames, probably. She will have the pictures at our 2007 workshop, but she also has them on display on her website. Link to her on-line photo album is <http://gallery.tnhillbillie.net>, The pictures will be in the Anderson County album. You can contact Billie at email billie@tnhillbillie.net

The Pellissippiian.

Issue #4 of the 2006 Pellissippiian has been mailed. If you haven't received your copy please contact Charlie Abner: abnec799@aol.com or Carla Foust ckfoust@hotmail.com.

Issue #1 of the 2007 Pellissippiian has been sent to the printer. This issue should be available soon.

Our Journal prints family histories and photos, Bible records, childhood memories, family reunion notices, and research queries. E-mail to Charlie Abner: abnec799@aol.com Material may be mailed in clean, scannable copy to: PGHS, Attn: Journal Editor, 118 South Hicks St., Clinton, TN 37716-2826. Sharing your e-mail address with PGHS members makes it easy for others who are researching the same surnames to correspond with you. Please send to Charlie Abner at: abnec799@aol.com Remember to update if you change your address. We are happy to print your queries in the Journal and on the society's web site: <http://pghs.home.att.net/> To maintain the society's bulk mail status, the US Postal Service requires us to verify recipients' zip codes once a year. If your postal address has changed in any way, please let us know. An incorrect address means that you'll miss receiving your Journal.

Newsletter - eNewsletter

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Following is schedule of subjects and speakers:

- 9:00 AM Registration, Introduction, Visitation.
- 10:00 AM Robert Marlow, Searching the Census to find kinfolk.
- 10:30 AM Marlene Thomas, Biography for Ancestors
- 11:00 AM Doris Martinson, Researching in the Knox County Archives
- 11:30 AM Questions, Demonstration, Vendors
- 12:00 NOON Lunch will be provided by Membership of PGHS.
- 1:00 PM Mary Harris, Anderson County Records
- 1:30 PM Robert McGinnis, Searching for Ancestors in Cemeteries.
- 2:00 PM Ron Evans, Genealogy with Computers and Internet

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Directions PGHS Workshop at Clinton HIGH SCHOOL 425 **Dragon** Drive.

From I-75 Take Exit 122 to Clinton about 6 miles from Interstate West on 61.

From Knoxville via 25W follow Clinton Highway to Clinch River Bridge at 61.

From 25W at Bridge travel west on 61 about 1 block to traffic light.

Turn right onto Sunset Rd by McDonald's; travel to end passing cemetery. Turn left, go to traffic light, continue left toward school. Take First entrance turn Left, Cafeteria entrance on lower level East side. We will have signs. PGHS Workshop in Cafeteria.