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June meeting:

Our June meeting will be held on Thursday, June 26, 2008, 7 p.m., at the Clinton Public Library, 118 S. Hicks St., Clinton, TN. At this time we do not have a scheduled speaker for our June meeting. Check our website for updates.

Residents of the Henderson Bend community will be inquiring about a barn that has become a landmark in their community. They are interested in determining the ownership of this property and suggestions of preserving and maintaining the structure.

2008 Workshop:

The 2008 Workshop was a successful event. Special thanks to all of the members who helped with the event and all of the presenters and vendors.

Secret City Celebration (Oak Ridge):

We appreciate the Oak Ridge Preservation and Heritage Association (ORPHA) for inviting us to have a table at their event this year. The event helped introduce our society to large numbers of visitors.

Queries:

Turpin Spring

I am interested in the history of early settlers in Blockhouse Valley. I am curious about the origin of the name of "Turpin Spring," and I am wondering if I might have a family connection with that location. I know from 1830, 1840 and 1850 census records that my Turpins (the household of Martin Turpin, born about 1783 in VA) lived in Anderson County as early as 1830. They may have even lived there as early as 1805 after Martin and his wife, Mary Elizabeth Russell, married in Knox County. I just don't know precisely where in Anderson County the family may have lived. Thank you. Randy Turpin jrturpin2008@gmail.com

Events:

NELSON Family Reunion

Nelson Reunion The annual Nelson reunion for the descendants of Jave and Ellen Evans Nelson is scheduled for July 12th, 2008, at the Farmers Grove Baptist Church fellowship hall in Anderson County, Tennessee. Jave and Ellen settled in Anderson County in the 1870's. Their children included David, Henry, Catherine Nelson Tadlock, Frank, Tom, Cynthia Nelson Wilson, Page, Taylor, Sam, and Clara Nelson Yerkes. There will be fun and games for the kids and family history displays with old pictures and other memorabilia. Covered dish lunch will be at noon. Doors will open at 11:00 A. M. For more information, contact Carolyn Nelson Johnson at mamawcarolyn@peoplepc.com

JOHNSON Family Reunion

Johnson Reunion The annual Johnson reunion for the descendants of John and Eliza Hensley Johnson is scheduled for June 28th, 2008, at the Farmers Grove Baptist Church fellowship hall in Anderson County, Tennessee. They were married in 1848 in Knox County, Tennessee, and later moved to Anderson County. Their children included Jerome, George, Napoleon, John, Thomas, Mary, William, Martha, Demarcus, Samintha and Richard. Their son Rev. John Johnson pastored area churches including Farmers Grove Baptist, New Salem Baptist, Spring Hill Baptist and Zion Baptist. There will be fun and games for the kids and family history displays with old pictures and other memorabilia. Covered dish lunch will be at noon. Doors will open at 11:00 A. M. For more information, contact Carolyn Johnson at mamawcarolyn@peoplepc.com

Mystery Photo:



Looking to identify the people in this picture. I found it in my great aunt's cedar chest. On the back it says, Jack Sparks and Mrs. Humphries. I have been trying to figure out who it might be. Thanks, Mary Eklund
mary eklund@worldnet.att.net

The Pellissippiian.

Our Journal prints family histories and photos, Bible records, childhood memories, family reunion notices, and research queries. E-mail to Charlie Abner: abnerc799@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: abnerc799@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.

USPS requires an annual update of their zip code. USPS is real picky...if the address isn't absolutely correct, we may get their journals back as "Undeliverable as addressed...Return to Sender...Postage Due \$1.65." Then we get to send it out again, not at bulk rate, but as first class mail...\$1.82. If the recipient moves to another apartment in the same building, the journal is returned to us, because the address is incorrect.

Thanks Charlie Abner