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July meeting:

Our July meeting will be held on July 28, 2011. The meeting will be held at 7 pm at the, Historic Daugherty Furniture Building 307 N. Main Street in downtown Clinton TN (parking in the rear of the building). Our featured speaker will be Eddie Stair. Eddie will share his photograph collection of the history of Clinton.

Please help your society:

As we continue through 2011, PGHS is experiencing the same funding problems that are plaguing the rest of the country and world. In our previous meeting, we discussed several ideas for increasing our cash flow, including the thoughts of increased annual dues. Unfortunately, experience of other organizations has shown that increased dues may appear to improve cash, but many members may oppose the increase and not renew their membership, which is not productive either and may result in even less funds. At this time, we will not increase the annual dues.

We have taken several steps to reduce expenses by reducing the amount of postage for newsletters and journals. I apologize to our out-of-state members. We are now mailing their monthly newsletters quarterly. We also have a number of members who receive their newsletter via email which helps conserve expenses. For journal mailings, there is a minimum quantity required by the US Post Office to qualify for bulk postage rates. Some members have reported that they occasionally receive 2 journals, we find this necessary to maintain this minimum USPS quantity. Even though it appears a waste of postage, it still allows us to mail at a reduced bulk cost.

The major issue we are facing is the cost of printing our quarterly journal, "The Pellissippiian". At this time, we are still planning on printing all 4 journals for 2011 (2 have already been printed and shipped). Unfortunately, due to the expense, there may be delays getting the remaining 2 journals printed and shipped. Please be patient with us as we work through these details.

To help encourage increased funds, we will be including a "Featured Book of the Month" in the newsletter as a reminder to our long term members and as information to our newer members the different publications we have for sale. These make great additions to your personal library and excellent gifts for friends and family.

In addition, PGHS is a tax-exempt educational organization under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and all monies to us are tax-deductible. Any monetary donations over and above the annual membership dues will be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks for your continued support,
Ron Evans
President - 2011

Queries:

MONTILLON:

I am looking for a copy of the obituary for George H. Montillon. George died 04-27-1971 according to the Tennessee death index. Social Security Death Index shows George Montillon, SSN 409- 48- 1759; last residence: Oak Ridge, Anderson, Tennessee; born 1 Nov 1888, died Apr 1971.

George H. Montillon worked for the Oak Ridge Gaseous Diffusion Plant during the 1950's. He had previously been a professor of chemistry at the University of Minnesota.

Thanks, Lorraine Keith, email: LKGenee@aol.com

RICH-RICHE and BOX-BOXX:

My Great Grandmother was Mary Katherine Turnbill. She was born in 1858 in Anderson County and died in 1928 in Campbell County. She married Henry Samuel Stokes in 1879 and they had 10 children. I am looking for information on Mary's mother, Sarah Emaline Rich (Riche). Sarah was born in 1835 in Roane Co. TN and married James Turnbill in 1857. Sarah is the daughter of Henry Rich (Riche) and Mary Box (Boxx). Any information on any of these families will be appreciated.

Thanks, Peggy Pendergrass, email pendecurtis@aol.com

Book of the Month:

TENNESSEE 200 BICENTENNIAL HISTORY OF ANDERSON COUNTY (1796-1996), price \$ 45.00 Plus \$5.00 shipping. Hard cover, 496 pages, including over 200 pictures.

This book was compiled and printed for Tennessee's 200 Bicentennial Celebration. It is rich in historical overview of many of the communities biographies, genealogies with many photographs. There are also listings of several of the early censuses. A definite must for your genealogical and historical library.

PGHS Library:

At our June meeting, we discuss plans to move our library holdings from storage and set up our library in the Daugherty Furniture building. We were able to move a number of boxes of the research books, but we didn't get the bookcases, the file cabinets and the inventory of journals moved. We will have more discussions at the July to plan additional plans to move these items. Help with this effort will be greatly appreciated.

TVA Bull Run Fossil Plant – ash pile expansion:

Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) is considering expanding the ash pile for the Bull Run Fossil Plant in the Claxton Community of Anderson County. The area that they are considering includes Revolutionary War soldier David Hall's Cabin and cemetery as well as the historical Valley View Methodist Church and cemetery across from the Hall cabin. Libby Bumgardner will be at our July meeting to discuss the current status of this issue.

The Pellissippian.

Issue number 2 of the 2011 Journal has been mailed. If you haven't received your copy, contact Charlie Abner at: abnerc799@aol.com

We need new articles for our Journal!

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

We are happy to print your queries in the Journal and on the society's web site: <http://pellissippi-society.home.comcast.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.

Remember to send us an update if you change your USPS mail address or email address.

USPS requires an annual update of their zip code. The US Post Office is getting 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