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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is my last President's Message as my four years as President of the Union County Genealogical Chapter of O.G.S. will be over once we elect a new President on November 19th.

Looking back over this time, I feel I have learned more from this experience than I have been able to transmit to the membership. This is because of the dedicated and knowledgeable group on the Executive Board, and various Chair persons who arranged for interesting and educational programs for the membership meetings.

The November 19th membership meeting will be our election of officers for the next two years. We would welcome nominations from the floor. There are two chair positions open--Pioneer Chair and the Program Chair. Feel free to volunteer for either of these positions. Also, there will be a presentation on Personal Digital Archiving by Mark Middleton.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Brian Wade

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It's that time again. Membership renewals for 2012 are due by December 31. There is a membership form on the last page of every newsletter. Please let us know on your membership form if there has been a change of address or Email address. On the same page there is also an **absentee ballot** for you to use to vote for officers for the coming two years.



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UCCOGS News & Tidbits

Welcome! Our newest members are:

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Committee openings - We are still looking for volunteers to fill the opening on the Pioneer Committee (chairperson). Additionally, we are in need of a new Program chairperson. Contact Brian Wade at brianwad@embarqmail.com or send a note to Union County Chapter, OGS, P. O. Box 438, Marysville, OH 43040-0438. Duties will start in January 2012. (See **Volunteer Duties** page 41 in the July-August issue of the *Union Echoes*.)



Getting it right! They say the third time is a charm. I certainly hope that's true as this is the third time I've published an Email address for **Eva Schooley**. Please, change her Email to: eva@schooley.us I hope you will all accept my sincere apologies for any inconvenience caused by these errors.



Our presence at the FestiFair-Covered Bridge Festival in Marysville on September 10th generated interest and we gained at least one new member as a result. We were able to answer questions and let folks know they are welcome at any of our meetings even if they aren't a member. And with all of our publications on display those who expressed an interest were able to see at a glance that we can offer things that can't necessarily be found on the Internet.



Library director, Ryan McDonnell, gave permission for us to display our banner on the wall in the genealogy section at the Marysville Library. Many thanks, Ryan! Thanks also go to **Patty O'Connor**, Head of Adult Services & Reference (and a UCCOGS member), for securing permission from Ryan and to **Ron McGlone**, facilities manager, for hanging it. Having the banner on the wall lets everyone know where our section is located.



The Echoes schedule will be changing in the New Year. After a year spent sending the newsletter at the beginning of each two month period the officers and committee chairs have decided to put it back on the old schedule. So the January-February issue will be mailed during the first week of February; March-April will be mailed the first week of April and so on.

Coming Events:

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at 10:00 A. M. in the lower level meeting room at the Marysville Public Library, 231 S. Plum Street, Marysville. (Elevator inside back door.)

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**November 19: Personal Digital Archiving** – Speaker, **Mark Middleton**. (See below.)

**No meeting in December. Happy Holidays to all!**

**January 21, 2012: Where in the World is Hiddigwarden and Why Do I care?--A Research Trip to Germany** – Speaker, **Patty O'Conner**.

**February 18, 2012: Genealogy Bingo & Brick Walls**—Group participation. (See BINGO! page 76)

**Remaining 2012 meetings to be announced.**

## JANUARY 2012 MEETING

**Speaker: Patty O'Connor**

Head of Adult Services & Reference  
Marysville Public Library

### **Where in the World is Hiddigwarden and Why do I Care?--A Research Trip to Germany**

Every genealogist's dream is to visit their ancestral homeland and research in person. **Patty O'Connor**, Head of Adult Services at the Marysville Public Library, and **Robert Bremer** recently undertook a research trip to Germany. Patty will talk about where they went and why they went there and what they did before leaving Ohio that helped make the journey a success. This will be part travelogue and part research tips.

### **November 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting: Personal Digital Archiving**

**Mark S. Middleton**, PMP, Member OGS, NGS & Genealogy Speakers Guild. Mark will present a one hour program: **Personal Digital Archiving (An Overview)**. This will be followed by a Q & A period so that he can answer any questions you have.

Why, when, how and what computer technology you should use to capture and save your photos, books, home movies and audio recordings.

- Why should a Genealogist digitally archive?
- What is digital archiving?
- What should I archive?
- How should I archive?
- What hardware and software should be used?
- What are the standards?
- How do I archive (the process)?

Mark says: "I will discuss the capture standards such as scanners being used at 300 dpi (minimum), 600 dpi (great) and 1200-2400 dpi (unique materials and small items such as slides and 2" photos). Types of scanners from small handheld portables to flatbeds with ADF (automatic document feeding) are reviewed. Digital Cameras from the point and shoot variety to digital SLRs are covered. Once a material is captured the file types are reviewed. JPEG and TIFF formats being preferred universally by standards organizations for images. Video and audio are similarly covered. Best Practices for each type of capture are also reviewed. Lastly backing up and archiving files are discussed (these are two distinct processes). Web sites, CD, DVDs, hard drives and the new BluRay technology are reviewed and compared for their benefits and disadvantages. The entire Backup and archiving process is covered from selecting to digitize, capture, creating the metadata and creating the back up/archival material."

This is a topic that should interest anyone with treasured photographs and other items even if you aren't interested in your family history.

# Historic Mitchell Cemetery

by Robert W. Parrot

Mitchell Cemetery is located in Darby Township on State Route 38. It overlooks Darby Creek and is said to be the oldest cemetery in Union County. The site was originally an Indian burial ground. When the early pioneers began to settle in the area in 1799, establishing what became known as the Mitchell Settlement, they continued to use the location for burial purposes. **Samuel McCullough** was the first of the settlers to be buried at this location. He came to Union County in 1799 and died in June 1800. It is said that since the nearest lumber mill was at Chillicothe, a walnut tree was felled and rough slabs were split to make a rude coffin for his burial.

**William** and **Mary Orr**, the parents of the famous Union County giant, **Noah Orr** (1836–1882), are buried at Mitchell Cemetery. Noah stood nearly 8 feet tall and weighed almost a quarter of a ton. His father was 7 feet 2 ½ inches tall and weighed over 300 pounds. His mother was also tall and weighed over 300 pounds. All three of their children were unusually big. After Noah's mother died, his father remarried to **Elizabeth Brown** who weighed only 80 pounds. She raised three of the step-children from the first marriage (including the young "giant") and had seven of her own children with William Orr. She is also buried at the cemetery (probably dying from exhaustion.)

**Mary (Linsicome) Hawn** is interred at Mitchell Cemetery. She claimed to be the first white female child born in Ohio, having been born March 5, 1791.

The first white child born in Union County, **Jesse Mitchell**, is also buried here. He was born November 4, 1799 at the Mitchell Settlement. **Dr. Regena L. Mitchell** says that seven ancestors of President **George W. Bush** have graves at Mitchell Cemetery.

Many names of the county's earliest pioneers can be found on the tombstones in the old section of the cemetery. Some of those surnames include: **Mitchell, McCullough, Robinson, Snodgrass, Taylor, Kirkpatrick, Reed** and **Brown**. The oldest tombstone is that of **David Mitchell** and his son, **Jean**. David died November 7, 1757, aged 76 years and Jean died August 2, 1746 aged 40 years. They were buried in the Morrison Cemetery in Little Britain Township, Lancaster Pennsylvania. In 1928, the old tombstone was removed by a member of the Mitchell family and brought to Union County where it was placed in Mitchell Cemetery. David was the father of **Samuel Mitchell** who founded the Mitchell Settlement and donated the land for the cemetery.

Important documentation was made in 1883

when **William M. Robinson** visited the cemetery. Robinson had been a part of the Mitchell Settlement and remembered much information about the early pioneers. He recorded dates from some of the earliest tombstones and added what he knew about each person from his memory. Here is the list he made in 1883:

- **Manoah H. Boals**, came to the county in 1811, died 1881, aged 76 years.
- **Edith**, wife of **James Martin**, came to the county about 1830, died 1879, aged 72 years.
- **George Robinson**, died 1863, aged 82.
- **John Crawford**, father of **Mrs. William M. Robinson**, came to the county in 1811, died in 1815, aged 34 years.
- **Balser King**, died 1824, aged 50 years. His wife, **Elizabeth**, died 1814, aged 41. They were among the oldest settlers.
- **James Robinson**, father of William M. Robinson, died 1823, aged 49 years. His wife, **Jane**, died 1848, aged 75 years. They came to the county in 1800.
- **Samuel Robinson**, brother of James Robinson, died 1848, aged 77 years. **Martha**, his first wife, died 1825, aged 40 years; **Jane**, his second wife, died in 1862, aged 75 years.
- **John Robinson** came to the county in 1810, died 1858, aged 80 years. His wife, **Jane**, died 1864, aged 66 years.
- **Thomas Robinson**, uncle of William M. Robinson, died 1860, aged 83 years. **Sarah (Modderwell)**, his first wife, died 1823, aged 36 years; **Ann (Morrison)**, his second wife, died 1843, aged 64 years; **Elizabeth**, his third wife, died 1856, aged 63 years.
- **Alexander Robinson**, died 1870, aged 92 years. His wife, **Nancy**, died in 1856, aged 66 years.
- **John Taylor**, one of the first settlers, died 1849, aged 77 years.
- **Mrs. Samuel McCullough**, also later the wife of **John Taylor**, died 1846, aged 81 years.
- **David Mitchell** came to the county in 1799, died in 1846, aged 75 years. **Martha**, his first wife died 1823, aged 59 years; **Rebecca**, his second wife, died 1824, aged 50 years; **Hannah**, his third wife, died 1839, aged 51 years.
- **David Mitchell**, son of David Mitchell, died 1880, aged 88 years.

- **Dixon Mitchell**, died 1869, aged 63 years.
- **Jesse Mitchell**, the first white child born in Union County, died 1881, aged 81 years.
- **Robert Nelson**, one of the early pioneers, died 1852, aged 80 years.
- **John McDowell**, came to the county about 1805, died 1826, aged 64. His wife died in 1861.
- **Moses Mitchell** came to the county in 1799, died 1863, aged 80 years. His wife, **Jane**, has a stone marking her grave, but time has obliterated the date of her death. **Jemima**, his second wife, died 1849, aged 48 years.
- **George Mitchell**, son of David Mitchell, died 1820, aged 31 years. **Margaret**, his wife, died 1850, aged 59 years.
- **Samuel Mitchell** came to the county in 1799, died 1821, aged 54 years. His wife died 1845, aged 66 years.
- **Samuel Kirkpatrick** came to the county in 1799, died 1824, aged 66 years.
- **Samuel McCullough** was the first person buried at the cemetery. He died in 1800. There is no stone to mark his resting place and its exact location cannot be determined; but for this fact a stone would have been erected to his memory ere this.
- **Rev. James Robinson**, the grandfather of **Hon. J. W. Robinson** and brothers, lies buried here. He died in 1847, aged 78 years. His wife, **Mary**, died 1854, aged 80 years. **Jonathon W. Robinson**, father of the Robinson boys, died in 1853, aged 51 years; his wife, **Elizabeth**, died in 1871, aged 69 years.

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On March 15, 2011, the Union County Records Center and Archives received a grant supported in part by an award from the Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board, through funding from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), National Archives and Records Administration. This grant helped fund a reorganization and preservation project of assorted Clerk of Courts' records from 1820 to 1992. Below is a listing of the various record series affected by this grant. Some of these items have been discussed in detail in previous newsletters, while others will be the feature of future articles. Not all record series dates are necessarily inclusive or complete:

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|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| - Abstract of Votes                              | (1820-1908) |
| - Auctioneer Records                             | (1833-1963) |
| - Automobile Reports                             | (1927-1937) |
| - Certificates of Registration for Containers    | (1924-1936) |
| - Civil Transcripts                              | (1831-1947) |
| - Commissions                                    | (1830-1840) |
| - County Commissioners' Reports                  | (1859-1914) |
| - County Line Survey Reports                     | (1843-1885) |
| - Court Citations                                | (1839-1850) |
| - Court Mandates                                 | (1869-1918) |
| - Court Transcripts (Civil, Criminal, Appellate) | (1916-1991) |
| - Criminal Executions                            | (1861-1874) |
| - Depositions                                    | (1900-1933) |
| - Estray Records                                 | (1882-1902) |
| - Executions                                     | (1820-1915) |
| - Guardianship Appointments                      | (1841-1851) |
| - Hunting Licenses                               | (1915-1917) |
| - Jailor Reports                                 | (1843-1844) |

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| - Justice of the Peace Oaths                          | (1838-1953) |
| - Law Library Association Records                     | (1896-1953) |
| - Liquor Warrants                                     | (1925-1929) |
| - Marriage Consents                                   | (1820-1852) |
| - Marriage Reports                                    | (1856-1860) |
| - Marriage Returns                                    | (1820-1852) |
| - Mayor Certificates                                  | (1840-1882) |
| - Memorials                                           | (1898-1989) |
| - Minister Licenses                                   | (1820-1843) |
| - National Guard Rosters                              | (1907-1992) |
| - Naturalization Records                              | (1832-1859) |
| - Officials' Bonds                                    | (1820-1991) |
| - Officials' Oaths                                    | (1849-1993) |
| - Orders of Sale                                      | (1855-1879) |
| - Partnership Records                                 | (1895-1941) |
| - Physician Licenses                                  | (1825-1828) |
| - Poll Books and Tally Sheets                         | (1820-1888) |
| - Power of Attorneys                                  | (1846-1992) |
| - Quadrennial Enumerations                            | (1823-1911) |
| - Railroad Police Commissions                         | (1912-1932) |
| - Registry of Births                                  | (1856-1858) |
| - Resignations                                        | (1842-1983) |
| - Statements of Candidates (Campaign Finance Reports) | (1897-1902) |
| - Tavern Licenses                                     | (1820-1853) |
| - Times for Holding Court                             | (1859-1976) |
| - Trademarks                                          | (1935-1936) |
| - Turnpike Directors' Reports                         | (1913-1914) |
| - Wolf Scalp Records                                  | (1836-1849) |

## Library News

In early October we received a book, compiled by **Stephen Badenhop**, *Union County, Ohio, Civil War Newspaper Abstract (April 1861-June 1866); Marysville Tribune, Union Press, Union County Democrat*. The following is extracted from Mr. Badenhop's introduction:

This newspaper abstract indexes correspondence from soldiers, articles about specific military units and war related activities in the community printed in the Marysville Tribune from the beginning of April 1861 to the end of June 1866, the Union Press for the only three available dates – May 1, 1861, April 9, 1862 and March 4, 1863, and the Union County Democrat from its only available date – March 9, 1864. This extract has a twofold organizational scheme. The first arranges the articles by organization or military unit and therein by military company or subject. The regimental histories are taken from the Official Roster of the Soldiers of the State of Ohio in the War of the Rebellion, 1861-1866 (1893), while the regimental casualties are from Frederick H. Dyer's *A Compendium of the War of the Rebellion* (1908).

The biographies about the individual soldiers are a compilation of *The History of Union County, Ohio* (1883) and the Official Roster. The newspaper related information is divided between letters and articles. The first date is the date of newspaper publication, which is followed by the page and column number, for letters this is then followed by the date the letter was written, if any. The second part of the organizational scheme lists the newspaper letters and articles chronologically by date of newspaper publication giving the name of the soldier, unit, letter date and the page and column number. . . .



In the last issue of the *Union Echoes* **Robert "Bob" Parrot** told us about the newly discovered history of York Township (See "The Lost History of York Township," page 58). Since that article appeared we have been given a spiral bound copy of the book. Two pages of biographical sketches were missing from the 22 page booklet, which is disappointing. However, it is still a wonderful addition to our library. It will be on the shelves for all to use shortly.



## RECENT LIBRARY VISITORS

**NOTE:** As always, only visitors who give permission for their information to be published appear here.

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### *September Meeting Summary*

By Nancy Katzenbach

Vi Hill introduced our speaker, **Kenneth L. Smith**, who has over 30 years experience in genealogy. He has authored several books, has a BS in Education, an MA in Latin, and a BS in Medical Technology. His presentation was entitled “**Truth and Accuracy in Genealogy, both in Giving and in Receiving.**” Some of his observations were:

- Everything you report when compiling a genealogy should be as truthful and accurate as you can possibly make it. Everything must be proven; if you cannot find sufficient proof you need to explain. There is nothing wrong with saying it is rumored, but has not been proven.
- You cannot assume anything. Just because your ancestor, John Franklin, was living in Philadelphia in the mid-1770s, you can't assume that this means he must have been related to Benjamin Franklin.



**Kenneth L. Smith**

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- Jr. and Sr. did not necessarily mean that John Smith, Jr. was the son of John Smith, Sr. In earlier time periods, these epithets were more literally meant “the younger” and “the older.” They may not, in fact, have been related at all.
- U.S. Census records can be considered a primary source only in preserving a “snap shot” of what the family looked like at a given time. The census is a secondary source for such data as age and place of birth. Don’t assume that children listed on census are all from the same parents. Also, watch for nicknames. For instance, Molly and Polly are nicknames for Mary.
- Public family trees found on Ancestry are full of errors. You need to verify anything you get of the internet before adding it to your family tree.

## October Meeting Summary

By **Marie Bouic**, Recording Secretary  
URLS added by **Leona Gustafson**, Editor



**Derek S. Davey**

After a brief business meeting President **Brian Wade** introduce our speaker, **Derek S. Davey** of Toledo. Mr. Davey started genealogy at the age of 13 and has been researching ever since. He received his B.A. in History from the University of Toledo and recently completed his certificate from Boston University in Genealogy. Derek is currently an administrator of the Ohio Research community for FamilySearch.org that is located on Facebook. He teaches courses in beginners and advanced genealogy at Monclova Community Center and Lourdes College. A member of the Association of Professional Genealogist – National and Great Lakes Chapter, the New England Historic Genealogical Society, The Ohio Genealogical Society and the Genealogical Speakers Guild. Derek does professional research for clients in Ohio, Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan. His Email is: [daveyderek@gmail.com](mailto:daveyderek@gmail.com).

Derek is the staff administrator of the Family Search Wiki project which is an encyclopedia of genealogy. There is a Family Search page on Facebook where you can get information and ask questions.

His topic was “**Researching Your New England Ancestors.**” He gave a very detailed outline of where to find information on your ancestors. We were told that the local level is often the best place to start when researching in New England. Suggested places to look in any locality are county, township and city histories; local newspapers and obituaries; land records; vital records; church records; and city records. These records sometimes help pin point the time when your ancestor arrived in the locality. Cemetery records will sometimes contain more information can be found there than on a death certificate.

**State Records:** There are Census Records from 1790 – 1930. Migration started around 1790 and really continued from 1820s to 1930s. After the War of 1812, the Erie Canal was constructed following an old Indian trail called the Mohawk Turnpike. It was first proposed in 1808 and was completed in 1825 from Albany, NY on the Hudson River to Buffalo, NY. Mr. Davey showed migration trails from 1820 and 1840 maps. Many came from New England by way of the Zane Trace Trail that is now Route 40 or the National Road.

**Maine** prior to 1820 was part of Massachusetts. It was divided in 16 counties and their vital records were not compulsory until 1892. Good research facilities to check out are:

- Maine State Library in Augusta -- <http://www.maine.gov/msl/>
- Maine State Archives -- <http://www.maine.gov/sos/arc/research/geneal.html>
- Fogler Library at the University of Maine -- <http://library.umaine.edu/>
- Stephen Phillips Memorial Library at the Penobscot Marine Museum –
  - <http://www.penobscotmarinemuseum.org/libraryandresearch.html>
- Maine Historical Society -- <http://www.mainehistory.org/>

**Vermont** became a state in 1791 and was originally part of New York and New Hampshire. The Ver-  
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mont Historical Society (<http://www.vermonthhistory.org/>) has the largest collection of Vermont History and Genealogy. Other places for look for your ancestors are:

- Reference and Law Division -- <http://libraries.vermont.gov/libraries/rls>
- Vermont State Archives Public Record Reference -- <http://vermont-archives.org/research/>

**New Hampshire** became a state in 1788. The best research facilities are all located in Montpelier:

- Manchester City Library Online -- <http://manchesterlibrary.org/>
- New Hampshire Records and Archives -- <http://www.sos.nh.gov/archives/genealogy.html>
- New Hampshire Historical Society -- <http://www.nhhistory.org/>

**Massachusetts** facilities are:

- Boston Public Library -- <http://www.bpl.org/electronic/>
- Massachusetts Registry of Vital Records and Statistics -- <http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2homepage&L=1&L0=Home&sid=Eeohhs2>
- Massachusetts Archives -- <http://www.sec.state.ma.us/arc/arcgen/genidx.htm>
- New England Historical and Genealogical Society. They have published the *New England Historical and Genealogical Register* since 1840 and they are probably the best place for any New England research. They have an excellent website: [amancestor.org](http://amancestor.org)

**Rhode Island** was founded by **Roger Williams** who offered safe haven to all who were at odds with the Puritans of Massachusetts. The state was populated by many members of the Society of Friends (Quakers) and has a lot of Quaker information. The research facilities in Rhode Island ancestors are:

- Rhode Island Historical Society Library
- Rhode Island Archives
- Newport Historical Society.

In **Connecticut** the Connecticut State Library -- <http://www.cslib.org/> -- has the largest collection of resources in the state. Just one valuable collection is the Barbour Collection containing all pre-1850 vital records.

**Compiled Records:** There have been over 85,000 book length family histories written since 1840 related to New England. Researchers must realize that there is a lot of false genealogy in them. There have been 20,000 articles printed since 1969. One good source is: Meredith B. Colket, *Founders of Early American Families: Emigrants from Europe 1607-1657* (Cleveland, 1975).

**Some Regional Book Sources** are genealogical dictionaries; best known among them is *A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England*, compiled by James Savage. One of the best and most recent is: *The Great Migration Begins: Immigrants to New England 1620-1633*, three volumes compiled by Robert Charles Anderson (Boston, 1995)\*. Good periodicals for research are *The American Genealogist*; *The Mayflower Descendant*; and *The New England Historical & Genealogical Register*. Indexes available to search are *Index to American Genealogies*; *New England Marriages prior to 1700* by Clarence A. Torrey, and *The Greenlaw Index of the New England Historic Genealogical Society* (Boston, 1979).

**Repositories** for New England history include the Columbus Metropolitan Library main branch, Dayton Public Library main branch; Cincinnati Public Library; Allen County Library at Ft. Wayne, IN; Case Western Reserve Library in Cleveland, Ohio, and The New England Historical and Genealogical Society in Boston; they also have a member website.

Additional Internet sources to check out are: [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org); [www.heritagequest.com/](http://www.heritagequest.com/); [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com); [www.cyndislist.com](http://www.cyndislist.com); [www.americanancestry.org](http://www.americanancestry.org), and [www.linkpendium.com](http://www.linkpendium.com).. Also, there are a lot of books on Google Books.

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\*A more recent collection by this author is: *The Great Migration, Immigrants to New England, 1634-1635*, seven volumes published Boston, 1996-September 2011. As the title infers, this collection begins where the first left off. The Union County Chapter, OGS plans to purchase both sets of books so that our members and others can make use of these excellent resources at the Marysville Public Library. Watch for additional news in a future issue of *Union Echoes*.—LLG

# Union County Civil War Ancestors

Third in a series of articles marking the 150<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary of the Civil War.

Extracted from

*News of Our Civil War Veterans: Transcriptions From  
Local Newspapers 1862-1939,*  
compiled by **Virginia Smith**, used with permission.

March 18, 1926:

## JOHN NEWHOUSE DIED WEDNESDAY AGED CIVIL WAR VETERAN SUCCUMMED

**John Wesley Newhouse**, aged in his 84<sup>th</sup> year, well-known Civil war veteran, died Wednesday night at ten o'clock at his home, 275 West Eighth street, of age and its infirmities. He had been failing in strength for the past four years, but had been bedfast a week prior to his death. He had been unable to walk for the past six months.

Mr. Newhouse was a son of John and Mary Newhouse and was born in Scioto township, Delaware county, September 6, 1842, where he resided for several years. On July 4, 1864, he was married to **Matilda Phillians**, a daughter of **David** and **Sarah Phillians**. They began housekeeping in Delaware county, where they resided for twelve years. They then moved to a farm on the Bellefontaine pike west of town and after living there a few years moved to a farm on the Milford Center pike known as the Half-Way house, being half way between Marysville and

Milford Center. They lived on this farm for thirty years, coming to Marysville twelve years ago. Mr. Newhouse was for several years a successful farmer. His wife died three years ago, last July.

During the Civil war, Mr. Newhouse served in Company D, 45<sup>th</sup> Ohio. He enlisted in Delaware county, August 18, 1862. He took very sick while in the service and was brought home on a cot and discharged February 18, 1863. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and a member of Ransom Reed Post of this city.

Mr. Newhouse is survived by a daughter and two sons, **Mrs. Charles Peters**, of Milford Center, and **Owen** and **Chester Newhouse**, of Marysville, who have lived with their father for several years. Two children died in infancy. He is also survived by four grandchildren and two great grandchildren. A sister, **Mrs. Harris Cruikshank**, resides in Delaware. She is the last surviving member of her father's family of ten children. The deceased brothers and sisters are: **Anthony**, **Samuel**, and **William Newhouse**, **Mrs. Nancy Darrow**, **Mrs. Sarah Ann Bryfogle**, **Mrs. Eura Swartz**, and **Mrs. Mary Stockard**.

Mr. Newhouse had been a member of the Congregational church of this city for a number of years. Funeral services Friday afternoon at 2:30 at the Newhouse home in West Eight street, conducted by **Rev. Charles H. Couch**, pastor of the Congregational church, and interment in Oakdale cemetery in charge of **L. H. Miller**, funeral director.

## BINGO!

Do you have family living outside the U. S.? Did your ancestors come to this country from more than two countries? Has your family always resided in Union County? Come play a game of Genealogical Bingo on **February 19** where you will find answers to these and other questions. There is a catch, though. You will be finding the answers from others attending the meeting; and you will get to know your fellow members and friends better at the same time. There will be a prize for the winner of the game!

Time permitting, after the fun of our game you will get a chance to tell about a brick wall that you have run up against in your research and what you did to break through that wall. Or, if you haven't solved your brick wall problem it's possible that someone might have research suggestions that you haven't thought of.



## The Bodies

This is a short story about four bodies that will remind us that we all need to be involved in the Union County Chapter, OGS:

There was an important job to be done and EVERYBODY was asked to do it.

EVERYBODY was sure that SOMEBODY would do it. ANYBODY could have done it, but NOBODY did it.

SOMEBODY got angry about that, because it was EVERYBODY'S job. EVERYBODY thought ANYBODY could do it. But NOBODY realized that EVERYBODY would not do it.

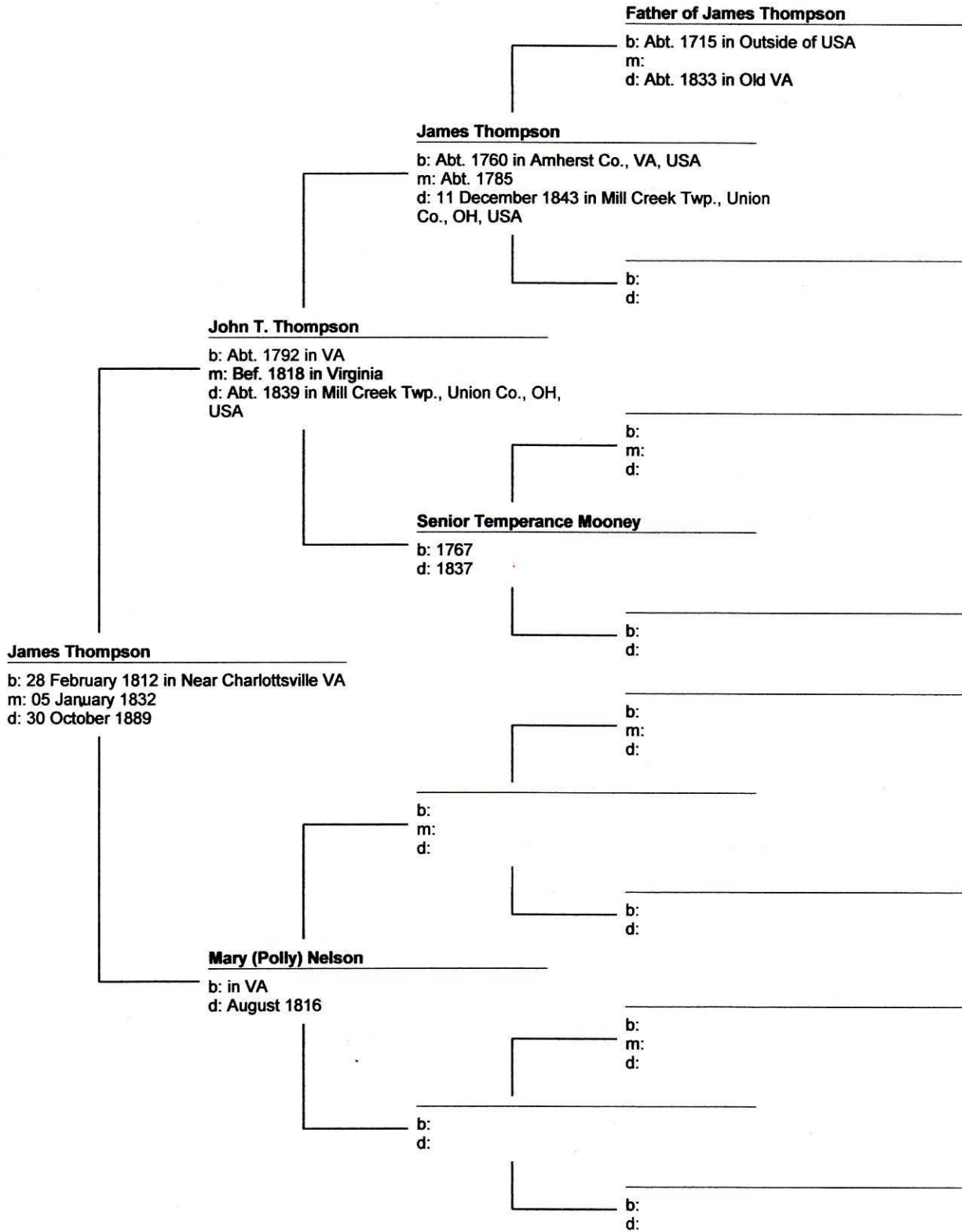
It ended up that EVERYBODY, blamed SOMEBODY when NOBODY did what ANYBODY could have done.

So everyone come and help out with the society as much as you can. Get involved and let's make this coming year the best we've ever had.

(Adapted from the *FORGE: the Bigelow Society Quarterly*, Vol. 40 No. 4, page 73)



## Standard Pedigree Tree



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