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Pitch-in Picnic and Sharing: 12:30 p.m. July 24

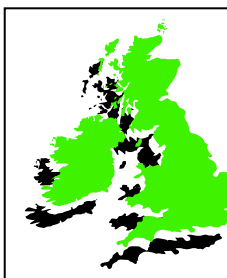
BCGS members and guests will share an inside Pitch-in Picnic Saturday, July 24, 2010 at 12:30 p.m., in the Lower Level Large Conference Room of the Bartholomew County Public Library. Beverages and table service will be provided. In an effort to balance the meal, we suggest these contributions:

Surnames A-F -- desserts

Surnames G-Z -- salads (vegetable, pasta/rice, fruit, or meat/fish).

Members are also urged to bring their “best” research tips and resources for discussion. Members wishing to sell research materials (books, magazines, CDs, etc) should mark them with their initials/names and requested price or “free” designation. The day will be a mixture of something familiar with something new. Hostesses: Mary Hermanson and Jane Johnson.

“Only another family researcher really understands the triumphs and challenges of genealogy.”



Looking Ahead! Sep 18th

It is not too soon to mark your calendars for our September 18, 2010, meeting. We are fortunate to have BCGS member Kathy Charlton share her 30 years of experience in researching her family history through English records.

Having lived in Columbus for the past seventeen years

Kathy has relied heavily on long-distance computer-based research and occasional trips to England and Ireland. Her presentation will include computerized research tips while stressing the importance of “old fashioned” research methodology. The information she brings will be especially helpful to those starting research into their British roots and to those who have specific “brick walls” to overcome. By sharing her personal experiences traveling throughout England to visit city record offices and access original parish records, Kathy will help us extend our research beyond what we already know to the unfamiliar. Please join us at 1:00 in the BCPL lower conference room.

BCGS 2010 Officers

*President: Margot Green
Vice President: Jane Johnson
Secretary: Jennie Rauch
Treasurer/Membership: Sarah Bush
Genealogist: Donna Kuhlman
Genealogist: Karen Loy*

Calendar

*July 24: Annual Pitchin Picnic
with member sharing research aids*

*Sep 18: British Genealogical Web
Sources & Research Hints*

Oct 23: GENEALOGY DAY

*Nov 20: Annual Mtg / Officer
Election / Family Holiday
Reminiscences*

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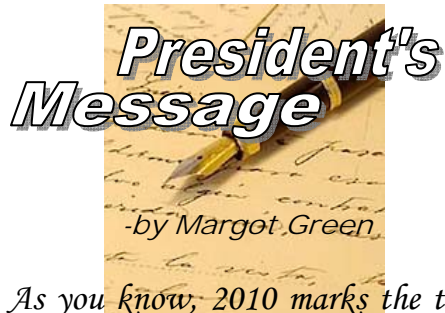
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BCGS at Age Twenty and Looking Ahead – We Need Your Help!

As you know, 2010 marks the twentieth anniversary of the Bartholomew County Genealogical Society. The timing provides a good opportunity not only to reflect on the past but to look ahead and prepare for the future.

The Board has been discussing this all year, considering, for example, ways to partner with others in the community and construction of a website. Before moving ahead, we need help from you.

First, we need your feedback, and have developed a survey so that you can let us know what you want BCGS to be and do going forward. What should we continue doing? How should we change to fit the current genealogical environment and be more useful to our members?

Second, we need your involvement – helping with meetings, serving on the board or committees, and perhaps working on projects. We know change is necessary, but the current crop of officers and board members cannot make the changes we need all by ourselves. You, our members, have many talents and skills that are critical to our success. We hope you will share them with us – and find doing so both enjoyable and useful in your own genealogical work.

The survey, published on the back page of this Ancestors, will also be distributed at our July 26 meeting. In addition it is available on-line at:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JGRHGDZ>.

Once we have the results, we will be in a position to move ahead. Your participation is essential, and we hope you will spend a few minutes letting us know what is on your minds.

Thank you in advance!

Margot Green, President

Want your Newsletter in COLOR ? It's FREE ! It's FAST !

Your 2010 membership offers that opportunity.....Just send us a request at

BCGS47202@yahoo.com

and get your next newsletter via. email !!



CARVED IN STONE

-BY DONNA KUHLMAN

FROM MY MAILBOX:

GREETINGS FROM FIND A GRAVE... (5-21-2010) A FIND A GRAVE PHOTO REQUEST HAS JUST BEEN MADE IN YOUR AREA:

NAME: **WALTER MOUNT** (DEC. 11, 1879 - AUG. 14, 1930)

NOTE FROM CONTRIBUTOR: WHEN TIME PERMITS I WOULD APPRECIATE A PHOTO OF WALTER MOUNT'S GRAVESITE. THANK YOU, DAVID PLANK, DHPVB@AOL.COM

LINK TO MEMORIAL: [HTTP://WWW.FINDAGRAVE.COM/CGI-BIN/FG.CGI?PAGE=GR&GRID=46112870](http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=GR&GRID=46112870)
CEMETERY LOCATION: FLATROCK BAPTIST CEMETERY, CLIFFORD, BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA

DEAR DAVE

CAN'T GET PHOTOS BUT AM SENDING 3 OBITs, IN CASE YOU DON'T HAVE THEM. FOR SOME REASON, THE HOPE PAPER DID NOT HAVE AN OBIT FOR WALTER. I'M NOT CERTAIN, BUT HAVE A FEELING THESE MOUNTS ARE NOT AT FLATROCK BAPTIST CEMETERY IN BARTHOLOMEW Co., BUT AT THE FLAT ROCK CEMETERY, IN THE TOWN OF FLAT ROCK, IN SHELBY Co., INSTEAD. ST. LOUIS CROSSING IS ABOUT FIVE MILES EAST AND NORTH OF FLATROCK BAPTIST CEMETERY; AND THREE MILES SOUTH OF FLAT ROCK, THE TOWN. THE SPELLING VARIATIONS DON'T MEAN ANYTHING, AS BOTH SPELLINGS ARE USED INTERCHANGEABLY; BUT ALL OF THESE OBITs JUST SOUND TO ME AS IF THEY ARE REFERRING TO FLAT ROCK THE TOWN. ALSO, WALTER'S SISTERS, GRACE MOUNT REED AND ELEANOR MOUNT NADING ARE DOCUMENTED AT FLAT ROCK CEMETERY.

DONNA KUHLMAN
BARTHOLOMEW Co. GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

LOYD MOUNTS FRIDAY, MAY 10, 1907

BORN AUGUST 24, 1900, THE SON OF MR. AND MRS. WALTER MOUNTS OF ST. LOUIS CROSSING, HE WAS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT MAY 4, 1907, AGE 6 YEARS, 8 MONTHS, 11 DAYS. HE IS SURVIVED BY THE PARENTS AND 1 SISTER. FUNERAL SERVICES WERE MONDAY, MAY 6, 1907 AT THE ST. LOUIS CROSSING BAPTIST CHURCH WITH BURIAL AT FLAT ROCK, INDIANA.

MRS. WALTER MOUNTS FRIDAY, JAN. 10, 1908

DIED AT ST. LOUIS CROSSING WEDNESDAY, AGE 27. HER SON, LOYD, DIED MAY 10, 1907 AFTER BEING SHOT IN HEAD. FUNERAL SERVICE TODAY AT ST. LOUIS CROSSING BAPTIST CHURCH WITH BURIAL AT FLAT ROCK CEMETERY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HUSBAND AND 1 DAUGHTER. HER BABY ALSO DIED.

MARY MOUNT FRIDAY, NOV. 20, 1925

THE DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. JAMES GIBSON OF FLAT ROCK TOWNSHIP, SHE DIED SUNDAY AT ST. LOUIS CROSSING, AGE 74. SURVIVING ARE HER HUSBAND WILLIAM MOUNT, AND SEVERAL CHILDREN, GORDON AND WILLIAM MOUNT OF INDIANAPOLIS, BERT AND ROBERT MOUNT OF FLAT ROCK, MRS. HARRY NADING OF MORRISTOWN, MRS. CURTIS TOLBERT OF SHELBYVILLE, MRS. RAY HUPP OF MANILA, MRS. CARL REED, WALTER AND CLYDE MOUNT OF ST. LOUIS CROSSING. FUNERAL SERVICE WAS WEDNESDAY AT THE HOME WITH BURIAL AT FLAT ROCK CEMETERY.

WILLIAM H. MOUNT FRIDAY, FEB. 19, 1926

A ST. LOUIS CROSSING BLACKSMITH, HE DIED SUNDAY AT THE HOME OF A DAUGHTER, MRS. HARRY NADING, AT MORRISTOWN. HE WAS 74. HIS WIFE DIED LAST FALL. TEN CHILDREN SURVIVE, WILLIAM AND GORDON OF INDIANAPOLIS, ALBERT AND ROBERT OF FLAT ROCK, CLYDE AND WALTER OF ST. LOUIS CROSSING, MRS. NADING, MRS. CURTIS TALBERT OF SHELBYVILLE, MRS. RAY HUPP OF MANILLA, MRS. CARL REED OF ST. LOUIS CROSSING; 27 GRANDCHILDREN AND 7 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. FUNERAL SERVICE WAS WEDNESDAY AT THE CROSSING METHODIST CHURCH WITH BURIAL AT FLAT ROCK.



IN MEMORIAM ...

EDWIN "DUANE" LOY, HUSBAND OF FOUNDING LIFE MEMBER **KAREN LOY**, DIED ON SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 2010 AT HOSPICE OF SOUTH CENTRAL INDIANA FOLLOWING A LENGTHY ILLNESS. HE WAS BORN IN BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY ON FEBRUARY 14, 1932, THE SON OF EARL AND EDNA BLANCHE HAYES LOY, AND MARRIED KAREN (HELT) IN 1962. DUANE AND KAREN ARE THE PARENTS OF TWO CHILDREN, BROOKE LOY-CHOWNING AND DAVID CHARLES LOY. OUR HEARTS GO OUT TO KAREN AND HER FAMILY AT THIS SAD TIME.

SEE WWW.THEREPUBLIC.COM FOR THE COMPLETE OBITUARY

MARCELLA B. JONES, FOUNDING LIFE MEMBER, FORMER OFFICER, AND LONG-TIME BOARD MEMBER OF BCGS PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2010 AT SILVER OAKS HEALTH CAMPUS IN COLUMBUS AFTER A LINGERING ILLNESS. BORN ON FEBRUARY 5, 1918, IN NIANTIC, ILLINOIS, TO OLLIE AND GRACE BEATTY BAUGHN, SHE MOVED TO COLUMBUS IN 1941. SHE AND HER HUSBAND ROBERT REARED TWO CHILDREN, R. GORDON JONES AND GLORIA LYNN THRONE, WHO SURVIVE, AS DO FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, SEVEN GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND ONE GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILD.

MARCELLA WAS AN ENTHUSIASTIC CONTRIBUTOR TO MANY COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES RANGING FROM THE GARDEN CLUB OF INDIANA TO THE COLUMBUS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TO THE FOUNDATION FOR YOUTH. SHE TOOK A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN BCGS FROM ITS EARLIEST DAYS, SERVING AS SECRETARY FROM 1992 UNTIL BECOMING PRESIDENT IN 1998. HER ENTHUSIASM, HARD WORK, AND COMMITMENT TO QUALITY HELPED BRING OUR 1999 BOOK, *BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY FAMILY HISTORIES, CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS* TO LIFE, AND HER ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENDOWMENT FUND FOR THE BENEFIT OF BCGS THROUGH THE HERITAGE FUND ADDED SIGNIFICANTLY TO OUR RESOURCES. LEADER, CONTRIBUTOR, AND — TO MANY OF US — FRIEND, MARCELLA WILL BE MISSED.

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-by Kim Ray

This is the 20th Anniversary Year for BCGS !!! Congrats to you all ! And a special congrats to our 2 Board Members, Donna Kuhlman and Karen Loy, who were Founding Members !!

A lot has happened in 20 years, and we don't want to forget our roots ! So, do you have questions about BCGS ? When was the official start ? Who were the Charter Members ? How many

Presidents have we had and who are they ? What were some of the BCGS accomplishments ? What books have been published ? How many members have we had ? Watch for these answers in next month's edition of ANCESTORS !! If you have specific questions, please send me an email at

BCGS47202@yahoo.com

Bartholomew County Genealogical Society presents
Genealogy Day 2010

Uncovering Genealogical Gems

Bartholomew County Public Library Red Room
536 Fifth Street, Columbus, IN

Saturday, Oct 23, 2010

9:45am – 3:00pm

Free Program

With Guest Speakers:

Julie Hughes

Executive Director,

BC Historical Society

*"Capturing the Past –
Tips for using old Photos"*

Mary Ellen Grossman

Second Deputy,

BC Clerk's Office

*"Everything you always
wanted to know about
Courthouse Records and
how to find them"*



Ron Darrah

Fellow, Indiana Genealogical Society, and Authority of Military History

*"Once a Genealogist checks the Federal Military and Pension Files, where
does he or she go after that?"*

Light Buffet Lunch Provided (\$3 donation)

For more info, call 812-372-9274 or email us at BCGS47202@yahoo.com

Indiana Historical Society Presents:
Midwestern ROOTS 2010
Family History and Genealogy Conference
Indianapolis Aug 6 - 7, 2010
(pre-conference activities Aug 5)

Migration Then and Now

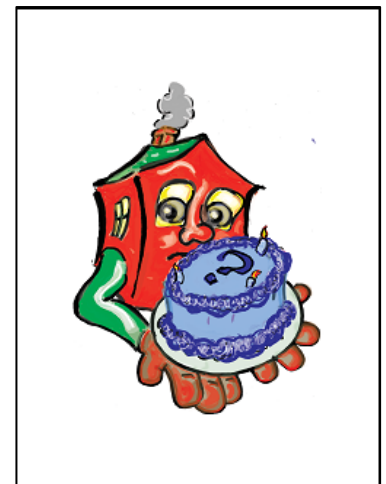
"Migration Then and Now" is the theme of the Midwestern Roots Family and Genealogical Conference offered on August 6 and 7 at the Indianapolis Marriott East, located just off I-465 at 7202 East 21st Street. Sponsored by the Indiana Historical Society, the conference will feature nationally known speakers such as George G. Morgan, Loretto "Low" Szucs, David Rancher, and John Phillip Colletta along with regional experts such as Kandie Adkinson, Allen January, and Thomas Hamm.

Sessions are designed to help family researchers gain access to resources in four categories or "tracks": Immigration and Migration, Ethnic History, Methodology, and DNA and Genealogy. A few of the many topics offered are: Erie Canal Genealogy – the Peopling of Upstate New York and the Old Northwest; Kentucky Land Patents; DNA – State of the Union; Slavic Immigrants in the Midwest; and Finding Ancestral Origins.

Costs are \$150 for both days or \$90 for either the Friday or Saturday session. The deadline for early registration at these prices is July 16. For more information, call (317) 232-1882 or go to the website www.indianahistory.org/midwesternroots.

Do You Know How Old your House Is?
July 22, 6:30 pm
Bartholomew County Public Library, Red Room

How do you discover the history of your house? Can you determine who built it, and when and why? Although you may not find an old photograph of your house, and the chances of locating architectural plans are slight, many facts can be uncovered. During this session Charlotte Sellers, Local History Specialist at the Jackson County Public Library, will provide tips on sources and resources for finding your house history. Register at barth.lib.in.us Or call 812-379-1266





Researcher's Resources -by Jane Johnson

A Book Review: Smolenyak, Megan.
Who Do You Think You Are?
The Essential Guide to Tracing Your Family History.

Viking Press, 2009. Bartholomew County Public Library 929.1072 Smo ISBN 978-0-670-02163-5

If you believe genealogy research has exponentially changed in the past 10 years and you are feeling left behind, here is a book to help. Smolenyak has an engaging, non-intimidating writing style that immediately engages you and draws you into her world. She is the chief family historian and spokesperson for Ancestry.com. While this book was meant as the companion to the NBC television series of the same title, the information from the book stands alone. Only a small middle section refers to the stars of the television program. The rest of the materials will be of interest to beginners as well as more experienced family researchers. The basics of family history have not changed but the methods have. Smolenyak immediately addresses current resources in her Chapter 2, Webbing It: What's Online? She includes blog sites and the anticipated changes for familysearch.org.. One of the strengths of this guide is Smolenyak's inclusion of clear examples including her own personal triumphs and trials of family search. The book's final chapter includes ideas for sharing your family history. This book is definitely one you should explore. It may become the entry level instructional text for many future family researchers.

Free Web Resources

FamilySearch.org and pilot.FamilySearch.org will be combining and upgrading to new.FamilySearch.org. You will need to register and request a password to use the site. There is a 48 hour delay between registering and access. The non-church member functions are not yet ready. Church members are already using their portion of the site. It is quite different from what is currently available. If you have not yet used the www.pilot.FamilySearch.org site, this is the time to try it. The digitalization of records has resulted in browsing records now being converted to searchable records. Many census and vital records are now available at the pilot site. I found 1892 New York Census records that I had never seen before. Ohio Death Certificates (1908-1953) and Ellis Island Arrival Lists (1892-1924) are a few of the free sources that you can now view from your home.

Six Month Check Up

Have you Googled or Binged your surnames or family locations within the past six months? www.usgenweb.com sites continue to make monthly additions. Many public libraries are increasing their family history searchable, online resources. Muncie Public Library, Delaware Co., is a good example. Don't forget national archives, too. www.nationalarchives.ie now has the 1901 Irish census.

Happy 20th Year
Anniversary, BCGS !!

Highlights

-by Jennie Rauch

The Bartholomew County Genealogical Society met at our Library to carpool to Brownstown. An enthusiastic group of Jackson County History Center volunteers greeted us and made us welcome - 13 of us! They had to get more chairs! Mr. Bill Day, third VP, shared a quick overview of what was housed in their facility, and everyone couldn't do enough to help us locate info, make copies, replace the books. . . They are rightfully proud and anxious to share the 300 family history books that had been donated to them. Some of the counties they house include Vandenburg, Bartholomew, and Brown Counties. Lots of Virginia, Connecticut and Massachusetts state info too! Of particular interest to anyone searching for information acceptable for admission into the DAR or SAR, Ancestry information is NOT acceptable for admission, but pension records ARE helpful.

The facility is closed Wednesdays and Sundays, but are open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9 am - 4 pm, and Thursdays 9 am - 8 pm. Also, the first and third Saturdays of each month (no holidays) they are open 9 am - 4 pm. Give them a call (812) 358-2118, or e-mail them jcgs@verizon.net for directions to this goldmine of genealogical information!

All for now . . .



Bartholomew County Genealogical Society (BCGS)
Survey

1. Please tell us about yourself:

Name: _____ email: _____ phone: _____

2. Are you a BCGS member? ___ Yes ___ No

3. When would you prefer to meet?

___ Saturday afternoon ___ Saturday morning ___ Weekday evenings

4. What topics would you like our programs to cover?

5. What would you like BCGS to CONTINUE doing?

6. What CHANGES and/or IMPROVEMENTS would you like to see at BCGS?

7. Please check all the areas in which you would like to participate:

- ___ Computer data entry from home
 - ___ Assisting with website development
 - ___ Genealogical research
 - ___ Staffing BCGS information booths at various fairs and events
 - ___ Contributing to *Ancestors* (writing, editing, mailing)
 - ___ Cemetery research
 - ___ Publicity
 - ___ Genealogy Day
 - ___ Board membership
 - ___ Linking with schools and/or senior centers
 - ___ Helping with refreshments, etc. for programs
 - ___ Serving on committees
 - ___ Other _____
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Additional comments _____

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Bartholomew County Genealogical Society Membership

Membership year extends from January – December and includes 4 issues of ANCESTORS

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ **CITY:** _____ **ST:** ____ **ZIP:** _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

Enclosed is a check for 1year Membership: Individual (\$10) Couple (\$15)

_____ **NEW MEMBER(S)** _____ **RENEWAL** _____ **NEWSLETTER via. EMAIL**

RESEARCHING/additional SURNAMES: _____

Thanks for your Support !!

The public is invited to attend any of the BCGS meetings/outings. The meetings are held in the Bartholomew County Public Library Red Room at 1:00 on the 4th Saturday, bimonthly from January to November. Please always check the calendar for alternative times and locations. For more info, please contact us at: bcgs47202@yahoo.com