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WELCOME TO 2020 - A New Decade for Genealogy Research



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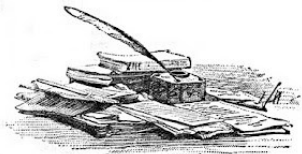
With a new year and a new decade we want you to know that we are here as a chapter to help you with your genealogy quests.

As a chapter our purposes as stated in our Bylaws are: To support the Ohio Genealogical Society; to encourage an interest in collecting and preserving local genealogical and historical records relating to early settlers of Ashland County; to collect and preserve the source records of Ashland County and make them available to all interested persons; to print, publish and maintain these records and material for this Chapter and all interested persons; and to encourage members to collect, preserve and record manuscripts, letters, pictures, Bible records, obituaries, news items and other items of genealogical and historical significance.

For 50 years we have been providing our members with these resources. Many of these resources that we have provided are within the confines of our Chapter Library, some through the publications that we have published, some through the expertise of our seasoned members, and others through the various programs that we bring to you each month.

Let us help you in your Genealogical journey.

REMINDER: Did you remember to renew your 2020 membership?



P R E S I D E N T ' S M E S S A G E

Marleen R. Applegate, Chapter President

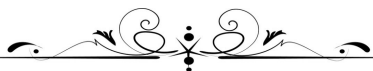
It is the start of another new year, and tradition says it is time to make a New Year's resolution (hopefully our chapter members are better than what I personally am at keeping a New Year's resolution).

One good resolution to have this year is to sit down and write your own personal story, after all who knows you better than yourself? Share your adventures, where you went to school (both primary and secondary), your first job and how much your weekly wages were, how and where did you meet your spouse. Not just the traditional where you were born, who your parents are, etc. while all of those details are important and should be included it is all the other details that will bring your story to life and give future generations an insight to who you are.

Writing your family story is a great way to leave a legacy for future generations in your own words. Just think how excited you get when you find something that your grandparents or great-grandparents wrote in their own handwriting. By writing your family story you can allow future generations that same excitement, while learning something out about you.

Okay now, why are you all still sitting here reading my President's message? Grab that pen and paper and start writing your personal family story!

Marleen R. Applegate,
ACCOGS President



PICTURE REQUESTS For Ashland County

Do you have pictures that you would like to see posted on our Website and/or Facebook? We are asking for submission of any photos regarding Ashland county for use on our Website page and our Facebook Banner. They do not have to be recent photos; old black and white of an earlier time would be fine. Photos help bring to life our memories and help us retain the culture and view of our Ashland County throughout the years.

We would like to change the Facebook page Banner every month capturing these moments of Ashland history. Please consider going through your Ashland pictures and submitting them to us for our chapter. We would need a description of the photo (who, what, where, when, why ... kinda thing), along with an approximate date.

All submissions can be sent to our president Marleen APPLEGATE at mragealogy@gmail.com

**“What we once enjoyed and deeply loved we can never lose,
for all that we love deeply becomes part of us.” ~ Helen Keller**

Christian VESPER's Obituary (1817-1895)
by Virginia SCHUCK

As genealogists we want to fill in the empty spaces in our family trees, but we also are often curious about the lives our ancestors led and the hardships they experienced. When we use obituaries to research the lives of our ancestors, we occasionally discover there is little to no information given, but sometimes we strike a gold mine and get a whole biography. In the case of Christian VESPER, his obituary not only is a biography, but is also local history, Ashland County agricultural history, and a cautionary warning about lightning strikes.

The obituary of Christian VESPER appeared on July 25, 1895 in the Ashland Press. It reads as follows:

“Mifflin - It becomes our painful duty to record the death of our neighbor and friend, Christian VESPER, with whom we have been acquainted since the spring of 1840, the greater part of which time we have lived not over one fourth of a mile apart. In the year 1840, our father and Philip SCHUCK purchased the 40 acres of land adjoining the farm of Christian VESPER Sr., father of the subject of our sketch. This land is now owned by Andrew ROHLEDDER in Vermillion township, then Richland County, Ohio. Our father sold his interest in the above land in 1844, and purchased 40 acres in Mifflin township, and the following year, Mr. VESPER purchased 40 acres immediately adjoining ours on the east. Both tracks of land were but recently cleared and the fields were covered with numerous deadened trees. Father and Mr. VESPER with our little help, felled these trees and after we had “niggered” i.e. burned them into proper lengths, we would all join together and drag and haul them together and heap them up to be burned. In this way the writer and our departed neighbor were thrown together almost daily for many years. In the course of time we had learned the carpenter’s trade and built two dwelling houses and numerous out buildings for Mr. VESPER, besides a great amount of other farm work. We also assisted him in harvest for 12 years and many days we swing the grain cradles side by side and when the first reaper was brought into this neighborhood, Mr. VESPER in company with his brother, Michael, and his father-in-law, George BOYER, purchased it. The machine was made somewhere in the state of New York and was named the Ketchum. We were now by unanimous consent of the partners placed on this machine together and threw off the bundles, while the partners would alternately mount the saddle horse and do the driving for it took four horses to drag the clumsy machine through the grain. We worked 8 years for the above named three partners during the time the harvest, during all which time we were on the most intimate terms. Out of the four persons that operated the first grain harvester in this part of the country, the writer is the only one now remaining.

Christian VESPER was born February 11, 1817 in the village of Qurenheim, province of the Rhine, kingdom of Bavaria, emigrated with his parents to this country at the age of 15 years. For several years he assisted his father and brother in clearing up the old home farm. Then he worked for several years as a teamster for Jacob RISSER on the farm now owned by Jacob MILLER, a son-in-law of RISSER, who besides farming, also ran a distillery. The greater part of the product of the distillery was hauled to the villages of Wooster and Massillon. This was Mr. VESPER’s task to haul the finished product to the above towns and bring a return load of chopped corn and rye. We well remember seeing him come down the long lane east of the RISSER residence with the large wagon which RISSER brought with him from Germany loaded down with sacks upon sacks of full of chop, cracking his blacksnake whip over four well-trained horses. On July 15, 1841, Mr. VESPER married Miss Susana BOYER who survives him. He now rented the John BITTNER farm (which in years after he purchased and upon which he died) and moved into a round log cabin containing but one room. He lived on this farm several years and then purchased the one on which he died.

Thirteen children were born to Mr. and Mrs. VESPER; viz Magdalena, born June 2, 1842, intermarried with George SHOOK; George born Oct. 3, 1843, intermarried with Mary HIRSHLER; Sarah, born Nov. 13, 1845, married to John PETERS; Caroline, born Sept. 17, 1847, married to George GERWIG; Christian, born Sept. 10, 1849, married to Amanda KOCH; Hannah, born April 6, 1852, married to Samuel MOYER; Michael, born March 28, 1854; married to Louisa KOCH; Mary, born July 23, 1856 died August 5, 1871, aged 15 years and 12 days; Abraham, born May10, 1859, married Eliza TANGEMAN; Susana, born Jan. 27, 1861, died September 29, 1862, aged 1 year, 8 months and 2 days; Susana, who has however always been known by the name of Anna, was born May 25, 1863, married to Christian GRUNEWALD; Catherine, born April 9, 1866, married to Luther BIDDINGER; Emma, born July 4, 1871, died August 16, 1871, aged 1 month and 12 days.

Mr. VESPER died July 18, 1895, at 20 minutes of 1 o’clock Tuesday morning, aged 78 years, 5 months and 12 days. A number of years ago while standing in his parlor during a heavy thunder storm resting his right hand on the stove, lightning entered the flue, ran down the pipe and entered the hand of the deceased. From that time on his right side was greatly effected, the hand and arm continually shaking which grew worse and worse as age came upon him, until it incapacitated him from using the member at all. The writer wrote several important papers for him which required his signature and whilst he had good penman in his younger days, it was all he could do to make an “X” holding the pen in both hands.

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The funeral will be held on Thursday July 25. Interment at this graveyard on the northeast corner of the deceased's farm. Rev. KEIFER, pastor of the Mifflin Lutheran Church and of which the deceased was a member, will conduct the services. Peace to the ashes of our deceased neighbor and friend.

On the flyleaf of the deceased's Bible we found the following, written in German: "Christian VESPER. I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil. Psalm 119, verse 162. The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. Psalm 19, verse 5."

CHRISTIAN VESPER FAMILY:

Back row: Susanna (Anne), Sarah, Catherine (Kate), Hannah, Abraham, George, Michael
Front row: Magdalena, Caroline, Susanna BOYER VESPER, Christian VESPER, Christian



There is so much information packed into this obituary, it is difficult to decide where to begin. After some research into land and Census Records I determined that the author of this article was Jacob BENNINGHOFF. Jacob was born in 1830 in Germanyⁱ, which would make him about 14 years old in 1844 when he helped Christian VESPER clear the land. Christian owned his first piece of land and would have been about 27 years old at this time. They can be considered life-long friends.

The obituary states that the land, in 1844, had *recently* been cleared and the author goes on to say that there were dead trees remaining in the fields, providing the historic fact that some fields in Ashland County were not completely cleared of native forests until the 1840s.

Christian VESPER's obituary provides a bit of Ashland County agricultural history. The author describes using a cradle to harvest grain. A grain cradle or cradle, is a modification of a standard scythe to keep cut grain stems aligned. The cradle scythe has an additional arrangement of fingers to catch the grain so that it can be cleanly laid down in a row with the grain heads aligned for collection and efficient threshingⁱⁱ. A cradler can cut two acres of wheat per dayⁱⁱⁱ. We also learn that Christian VESPER, Michael VESPER and George BOYER owned the first reaper "in this part of the country," which was probably the Hayesville-Mifflin area. The mechanical reaper was invented by Cyrus McCORMICK in 1831. The Ketchum reaper is not mentioned in the history of American agriculture although the Ketchum mower is well known. The advantage of the reaper was that it could harvest 10-12 acres per day^{iv}.

History never ceases to surprise us. Both Jacob RISSER and Jacob MILLER^v were Mennonites; therefore, it seems unusual that they would be running a distillery. Whatever the case, BENNINGHOFF paints a vivid picture of Christian VESPER as he came "down the long lane east of the RISSER residence with the large wagon which RISSER had brought with him from

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Germany loaded down with sacks upon sacks full of chop, cracking his blacksnake whip over the four well-trained horses.” The RISSER residence was located on present day Rt. 511 south of Rt. 30. It is still possible, today, to see a distance to the east from some of the hills on Rt. 511 in the area where the old RISSER residence once stood.

Near the end of the obituary, we learn that Christian VESPER was struck by lightning while leaning on a stove in his parlor. The author does not tell us when this happened, only that it was a number of years ago and, that as Christian aged, the condition worsened. As BENNINGHOFF reported in the obituary, he could no longer write or sign his name. Christian's will^{vi} was written and witnessed by Jacob BENNINGHOFF on June 5, 1895, and Christian made his mark beside his signature.

Jacob BENNINGHOFF has given us so much more than just an obituary. We can appreciate how hard our ancestors had to work just to clear 40 acres and how hard harvesting a small wheat crop would have been before modern day farm machinery. The obituary reminds us that neighbors were more than just neighbors; they were business partners, and farm helpers. Finally, we feel that, through his words, Jacob BENNINGHOFF has expressed genuine affection and respect for Christian VESPER.

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OLD LEDGER OF TEACHERS EXAMS NOW A SCRAPBOOK

(Owed by Larry SELLERS)

An old “ledger” book (about 9 x 11 and 2” thick) was found in a used bookstore in Ashland, Ohio. Inside its slightly over 250 pages is a record of what was originally the recorded examination scores of prospective teachers in the area. It contained names of potential teachers and their grades of passing or failure. However, over the years someone reused it as a scrapbook of pictures of horses, etc. As it stands now, many names of long ago are lost forever behind someone’s re-purposed scrapbook. Larry SELLERS graciously loaned this book to me so that we may properly record what information is still accessible. I have attempted to read whatever information can be gleaned between the pages of this old book and share many of the local names within its withered pages.

There are children’s scribbling names of Ruth SUTER and Harry STRINE written here as well as various childlike scribbling and doodling. There have also been several, though not many, pages torn out. The pictures were glued on top of the ledger pages (and I might add, it is glue that “sticks like glue”.. it does not come off!).

The preprinted heading on the pages is “Record of a Meeting for the Examination of Teachers”, with columns on both pages of “Name of Applicant, P.O. Address, Nativity, Age (if under 20), Terms of Experience, Moral Character, Applicants Re-Examination, Percent of Correct Answers (and following sub-columns; Spelling, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, English Grammer, Theory & Practice, Average)”, followed by “No. of Certificate, No. of Months Certificate Valid”. Near the bottom of the second facing-page is another set

of columns listing the number of applicants examined, the Certificate No, along with number of months granted, number of applicants rejected, amount of fees collected, and name of examiner. Sometimes they were filled out completely, sometimes just the name and scores.

The earliest record is from February 11, 1865 with most of the listings being covered over for that year with pictures. The only names that can be read are “Jennie HENER (age 21, of Perrysville) and Jennie MERCER (of Savannah)”. There were 14 females being tested and 1 male that day. Of those fifteen being examined, only one male and one female passed. During the rest of 1865 the following names can be deciphered; W R BEACH (age 21, Ruggles), T C DONLEY (age 20, Nankin), W H WHITE (age 24, Jeromeville; originally from PA), S D KNOX (age 24, Hayesville; originally from PA) and Wm VANCE (age 24, Loudonville) along with their scores. R. M. CAMPBELL was the clerk and examiner. The records also indicate if the applicant was certified for either 6 months or 12 months, at which time they would have to be re-tested.

The latest date in the ledger that is readable seems to be Mar 31, 1877 and listed the names of L W WOLF (Ashland), Frank CHANEY (Nankin), Howard MASON (Nankin), G HESS (Ashland), S BOLERS, M J MILLER (Perrysville) and J McWILLIAMS (Savannah).

On the next page is a copy of one of the pages along with several names found throughout the ledger.

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Front cover of Ledger that was used as a scrapbook



Example of inside pages that were pasted over and scrapbooked

(Article by Terry HAUN)

The handwriting is so faded and hard to read I cannot guarantee the correct spelling of the names that I did find and recorded. Below are just a small number of the many names listed in the pages from the 1868 - 1877 time period.

Isaac ABER, Mily ACHERMAN, Harry A ALBERSON, Laura & Mary AMBROSE, Katie, Myrtle & Linda BERRY, Letitia BIGGS, Lottie & Sparks BIRD, H.F. and J.K. BOYD, Sylvia BRUBAKER, Dellie & Jennie CASTER, Emma & Lucy CROW, Alice & Martha DANIELS, R.S. DORLAND, J.W. ESHELMAN, Mary W FADDER, Daniel R FAIR, Nettie & Ida FARQUHAUSEN, Bella FINKLE, Amy & Anna FRANKS, Francis GAULL, Sadie GLADDEN, A GONGWER, John GRABILL, P R GREENLAND, J.B. HANNAN, Mattie HART, J S HARTMAN, J.P. HENRY, G HESS, B F & Clara HISSEM, Addie

HORNBERGER, Lori ISAMAN, George JOHNSON, Jennie JONES, Joel KARNs, J D KERNs, Dora KERR, Geo. KETTERING, J H KOPP, Manda LATIMER, J M LEIDIGH, Orson LUSK, Henry MARKLE, Anna MASON, Stephen McCOE, David McCREADY, J H McFADDEN, H McFERREN, Lizzie McGRART, R.L. McNABB, Wm, J.W., & M. McNAUL, J.A. McREA, Mattie METCALF, Geo. MISER, Aaron A NEFF, F.K. ., J.H., P.H. and Lizzie NOEL, J.J. NUNN, Elvira & Laura OTTO, W PECKENPAUGH, Cyrus & F.M. PLANK, Sylvia POWERS, Abner & Ida M PRIEST, Anna & Florence J RALSTON, Rosa RIDDICK, Lydia A RICE, Sophia RIDDLE, Wm. RITTENHOUSE, Eunice & Fannie RUMFIELD, Charlie & Nettie SACKETT, Jacob SATTLER, Mary SHRIVER, Agnes, Lizzie, & Maggie SLOAN, Alex P & Irene SMALLEY, H. TALENTICE, Hayland TAYLOR, and Kate & Lizzie VESPER.

RECORD OF A MEETING FOR THE EXAMINATION OF TEACHERS
Held by the Board of School Examiners of Ashland, Ohio,
at Ashland, Ohio, the 6th day of April, 1868.
 Examiners Present: *Miss Campbell*

Examination Fees.	NAMES OF APPLICANTS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Nativity	Age. (If under 20.)	Terms of Experience	Moral Character.	Applicants Re-examined.	PER CENT. OF CORRECT ANSWERS.							Average.	No. of Certificate.	No. of Months Certificate is valid.	
								Spelling	Reading.	Writing.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	English Grammar.	Theory and Practice.				
	<i>Miss Jennie Shidler</i>	<i>Nauvoo</i>	<i>Ohio</i>				X	8	8	6	6	8	6 1/2	6		175	6	
	<i>Mary Buchanan</i>	<i>Ashland</i>		2	3				8	6	6	6	6	6	6		176	6
	<i>Rosa Smalley</i>	<i>Nauvoo</i>		19	0			9	7	7	6	7	7	8		177	6	
	<i>Larson</i>	"	"	17	0			9	7	7	6	7 1/2	5		178	6		
	<i>Jose Anderson</i>	<i>Ashland</i>	"	20	28			10	7 1/2	7	7	8	8		179	12		
	<i>Maggie Coe</i>	<i>Perryville</i>	"	20	34			9	8	8	7 1/2	8	7 1/2		180	12		
	<i>L.B. Coe</i>	"	"	20	15			8	8	7	7	7	7		181	12		
	<i>Melville</i>	<i>Savanna</i>	<i>Scot</i>	18	0		X	9	7 1/2	6	6	7	6	6		182	6	
	<i>Mellie Ferguson</i>	"	"	"	"		X	7	6	6	6	6	6		183	6		
	<i>Sarah Young</i>	<i>West Salem</i>	<i>Ohio</i>	20	0											184	12	

Partial page from the 1868 time frame.

The below is noted from a 1862 Ashland Times newspaper:

NOTICE TO TEACHERS - The Board of School examiners of Ashland County, will hold the following Examinations for the year 1862 at Ashland, viz: The 4th Saturday of January; The 3d Saturday of February; 2d and 4th Saturday of March; 2d and 4th Saturday of April; 2d and 4th Saturday of May; 2d and 4th Saturday of June; 2nd Saturday of July; 2d Saturday of August; 2d and 4th Saturday of September; 2d and 4th Saturday of October; 2d and 4th Saturday of November; 2d and 4th Saturday of December.

These exercises will commence at 9 o'clock A.M. and close at 4 o'clock P.M. No applicant admitted after 12 M. Written testimonies on good moral character, signed by at least two responsible persons, will be required of all applicants, which testimonials will be kept on file. No certificate can be anti-dated. No private examinations will be held.

None will be examined who do not expect to engage in teaching soon in this county. Recommends, where practicable, are required from School Directors. We earnestly request them at the close of each term, to send as a note of the success of their teacher. This will aid us very much in continuing certificates only to those who are successful teachers. -

S.M. BARBER, Clerk of the Board of Examiners.

USING BOOKS AND PERIODICALS FOR GENEALOGY RESEARCH

As of January 2019 most items published in 1923 became public domain. At that point, many of our online repositories have been busy scanning these books and publications of that time and posting them online. This has been an ongoing endeavor even before this historic date change.

Books, periodicals, magazines, and newspapers have always been a valuable source to our Genealogy research. One of the things that makes them so inviting is that many of these valuable genealogy research tools have been digitized and can be found FREE online. Do NOT forgot this important resource. Some of these are county histories, or even biographical and genealogical Surname books. Have you checked out their websites lately? Most of them are always adding more to their site.

Some of the more common websites to check out include the HathiTrust Digital Library (hathitrust.org/), Internet Archive (archive.org/), or Chronicling America (chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/). Another well-known site is FamilySearch.org (familysearch.org/library/books/) or Google Books (<https://books.google.com>). Also Geneanet (en.geneanet.org/library) contains books and other sources. There are many more not mentioned here. Even though these are free, some of them you may have to sign up for a free account.

Some of the larger libraries also have digital books available on their website with a library card. Many genealogical societies will give you access to digitized back issues of their quarterlies or journals if you become a member. National Genealogical Society (www.ngsgenealogy.org) and Ohio Genealogical Society (www.ogs.org/journals/index.php) are a couple of them.

As mentioned before, newspapers are also a valuable genealogical resource, giving obituaries, family reunions, family histories, and just general day to day goings on. fultonsearch.org (an alternative to FultonHistory.com) contains over 45 million pages of newspapers. Three local newspaper archives that I can think of quickly are Holmes County newspapers (1840-1929) (holmescounty.advantage-preservation.com/), Richland County newspapers (mrcpl.advantage-preservation.com/), and Ashland County newspapers (microfilm at the Chapter Library) or the Ashland County Library, (ashland.lib.oh.us/genealogy-and-local-history/) with library card, for digital Ashland times Gazette newspapers 2006 to present.

SEARCHING IN NEWSPAPERS - NOT AS EASY AS IT SOUNDS

Finding your ancestors in newspaper articles has been said to be art—not science. One must be clever and resourceful to get around the limitations in old newspapers, whether they be poor original quality, copies of copies as sources for scanning, as well as the limitations of the OCR process. When researching newspapers there are a few tips to remember to maximize your research. Keep these in mind as you begin your search.

If the newspaper was old and the copy that was scanned was not in good shape, there will be limitations in what the OCR can record. Remember, the OCR is just a series of letters that are matched against a search index that was created from the OCR process. This will dictate the quality of the search.

Another point to remember is that abbreviations were used a lot in old newspapers to save space. They were used to shorten many words - the most notable being given names and addresses.

Hyphenated words were often used because of fixed width type as well as the experience and capability of the typesetter. Both given names and surnames, occupations, and locations were often hyphenated to wrap the word. Hyphens are less utilized today but were heavily used years ago. Try using just a portion of the surname; this would especially be helpful if the surname was a long one.

Spelling is critical in newspaper searches. Whatever you type is what the OCR will try to match to. If the newspaper made a typo, that is exactly what you would need to input to get results. So think about what you are looking for and what might be included in the article.

To recap, OCR, Abbreviations, Hyphens, and Spelling are all very critical in getting the best results from your searches. You may have been missing some very important newspaper articles.

Some examples of abbreviations might be:

Capt (Captain); Robt (Robert), Wm (William), Chas (Charles), Geo (George), Eliz (Elizabeth), Jno (John), Jon (Jonathan), Jos (Joseph), Thos (Thomas), and I have even seen Xpher (Christopher). Other abbreviations might be Ave (Avenue), NYC (New York City), Philly (Philadelphia), and a lot of others. Use your imagination.

Hyphens definitely need to be considered when you are searching for your surnames. Try searching for the complete name as you always would, but then try dividing it and try that. Sometimes because of hyphens and spelling variations I'll try just the first portion of a surname. If the surname is short there usually isn't as much of a chance of hyphenating it...but newspapers have been know to hyphenate a three or four letter word. Now figure that one out!

Spelling, as mentioned earlier, is another important factor to consider in your searches. If you put in "FINLEY" as a search, none of the other variations like, FINLY, FINDLEY, FINDLY will come up. You will have to try each variation. Sometimes a wild card can be used in a search, but newspaper searches rarely have that ability. And if you are searching for a surname that is a common name (for instance "DITCH" or "WELLS") you will get a lot more than you were hoping for. Check to see if the Search might be able to include Caps, for instance.

One often overlooked search problem you may have could be "Mrs." Remember that married women were not always addressed with their first name in a newspaper article. They would be written as "Mrs. James MILLER" for example, regardless if their name was Sarah, Elizabeth, or Mary. So remember to think of all the above mentioned possible variations, and you may see several more results.

Terry HAUN

C O M M U N I T Y H A P P E N I N G S**GOLDEN WEDDING****of Mr. & Mrs. Orlando MARKLEY**

Neighbors, relatives and other friends, church associates, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and W.R.C. ladies - over 200 guest in all - were present at the golden wedding celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Orlando MARKLEY last Wednesday afternoon and evening at the Markley home, 622 Vine street, an occasion long to be held in delightful memory.

The rooms of the hospitable home were decorated in the patriotic colors, red, white, and blue, also with yellow streamers and yellow chrysanthemums in great abundance.

It was on Nov. 14, 1867 at the home of the Rev. Isaac SCHMUCKER 4 miles southwest of Ashland that Orlando MARKLEY, who served during the great civil war, as a member of Company G of the famous 23rd Ohio Volunteer infantry, was united in marriage with Miss Katherine Caroline MICHAEL the Rev. SCHMUCKER officiating. Practically all of the 50 years they have lived together as man and wife have been spent here in Ashland. The bride and groom of half a century ago received on this anniversary occasion the heartiest of congratulations, not only from the friends who were present during the hours of the reception during the afternoon and evening but from many other friends from a distance who joined in felicitations.

From 1 until 3 o'clock were received the neighbors and members of the Bible class of the United Brethren church of which Mr. and Mrs. MARKLEY are members. From 3 to 5 o'clock was the reception to the relatives and from 7 until 9 o'clock in the evening the members of Andrews Post G.A.R. and the Relief Corps were entertained.

An excellent luncheon was served to the assembled guests at the reception afternoon and evening, altogether over 200 being served. The favors were bows of yellow ribbon.

To Mr. and Mrs. MARKLEY were presented many gifts which are highly appreciated both for the intrinsic value and for the messages of appreciation and high esteem with which

they were accompanied. There were a goodly number of gifts of gold, also a great variety of other presents, some of them from friends at a distance.

One of the features of the afternoon and again in the evening, was the nuptial ceremony, the bride and groom of fifty years ago being reunited by their son-in-law, the Rev. Dr. Charles W. RECARD, pastor of the First Congregational church at Canton. They were given much good advice which they promised that they would carefully heed for the rest of their journey through life. Dr. RECARD also took occasion to pay some well deserved tributes of love and esteem to Mr. and Mrs. MARKLEY, their kindly deeds, their helpfulness in so many ways in the various relations of life. How fitting it is that we should give expression of our appreciation of our friends while they are here with us instead of reserving our words of praise until those whose hearts we might have gladdened have passed to their eternal home.

Mr. and Mrs. MARKLEY have abundant reason to know of how highly they are esteemed and how greatly their generous-hearted service has been appreciated. Their friends are legion.

On this occasion also the bride and groom received a real old fashioned belling, an event which provoked much merriment.

Relatives from a distance in attendance at the golden wedding were the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Charles W. RECARD and son Paul of Canton; Mrs. George PONTIUS and daughter, Miss Grace PONTIUS of Orrville; Mrs. H.B. PARK and daughter Vivian and Mrs. H.W. REYNARD and son Cloyd Wesley, of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Finley MARKLEY and daughter Lola of Lakeview, Auglaize county.

Mr. and Mrs. MARKLEY's hosts of friends join in wishing them many more equally joyous anniversaries of their wedding day. *Ashland Times Gazette, Nov 21, 1917*

DEATH OF VALENTINE PIPER

Valentine PIPER, an aged and respected resident of this county died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W.H. PRICE, at Galion Tuesday afternoon where he had been visiting. Deceased had been living in the country about one and a half miles from Ashland. He is survived by one daughter and two sons, one of Albion, O. and one of Covington, Ky. Short services were held at the PRICE home at Galion at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon conducted by Rev. C.A. PEARCE.

Ashland Times Gazette Nov 30, 1904

DIED AT WEST POINT

James HEFFELFINGER, a veteran of the civil war, died at his home two miles south of West Point Thursday afternoon after an illness of several months. Mr. HEFFELFINGER was born near Iberis, but has lived at his late home about twenty years. He had relatives in this county. The deceased leaves a wife and eight children. The funeral will be held Sunday morning with services at 10 o'clock. Internment will be at Mt. Gilead.

Ashland Times Gazette Nov 30, 1904

GENEALOGISTS LAUGHTER

- Birthdays are good for your health. Studies show that people who have more birthdays live longer.
 - I think that I shall never see a completed Genealogy!
 - Try genealogy, you can't get fired and you can't quit!

*Looking Back***“REUNIONS—In Times Past”***Looking Back*

Reunions have been a large part of family get-togethers' in times past, and even into today's society. Anne BUDD has been collecting these notices and has donated to our library a notebook full of reunions, family histories, etc. If you get a chance, check out what's in our Library, and take a look at the Reunion Notebook in our Family Histories Section.

SHREFFLER REUNION - Ashland, OH Press 16 Sep 1908

“The fifth annual reunion of the SHREFFLER family was held at Casino Park, Mansfield, Ohio on Friday, August 28, this date being the birthday of the oldest SHREFFLER now living. Mr. Conrad SHREFFLER, of Rising Sun, Ohio, who insists that he is only 84 years young. Mr. SHREFFLER is certainly young for his age and still marches at the G.A.R. encampments, including the one held at Toledo this year.

A nicely arranged program was carried out and the following officers chosen: President, Grant SHREFFLER, Ashland; vice-president Frank SHREFFLER, Fremont; secretary, Ruth A. SHREFFLER, Fremont; assistant secretary, Florence SHREFFLER, Fremont; treasurer, Mrs. C.C. SHARP, Bradner; committee on arrangements, Mrs. Grant SHREFFLER, Ashland, Mrs. Samuel SHREFFLER, Shelby, Mrs. BRENNNA, Mansfield, Mr. J.W. SHREFFLER, Ashland, Mrs. L.D. HETTINGER, Ashland.

The family presented Mr. Conrad SHREFFLER with a very handsome Bible, which shows the high esteem in which he is held and as a little token of remembrance and love.

A bountiful lunch was served at 3 p.m., of which 250 partook. The day passed altogether too quickly. Adjournment was made to Mansfield, August 28, 1909.”

BELL-McCLURE REUNION - Ashland OH Press 13 Sep 1905

“The Fourth annual reunion of the BALL-McCLURE family was held August 26th, at the campus of “Old Vermillion Institute” Hayesville, Ohio. It was without question one of the most enjoyable occasions of the kind which these two most estimable families have yet held. It was a beautiful day for a picnic. The forenoon was spent in greeting distant friends, and renewing acquaintances. Representatives of three states were there. About 100 were present and partook of the delicious viands with which the long tables were laden. Excellent addresses were made by Rev. A.N. CROWE, Mr. BROWN, Rev. WHITMORE, and a number of recitations by the little ones. A noticeable fact was that there were three sets of twins and four generations present. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, John BELL, Hayesville; secretary, Mrs. Lily MOFFETT, of Jeromeville. It was decided to hold the reunion at the same place next year, the last Saturday of August. The exercises closed by singing, ‘God Be with You Till We Meet Again.’ Those present from a distance were David BELL, Frank BELL, Mrs. BENNETT and son, of Clinton, Ill.; Misses Ella and Sophia HESPEHIDE of Mars, Pa.; M. EGNER, wife son and daughter of Shelby; A. STELTER, wife and three sons, and Mrs. M. SMITH and daughter of Shiloh; Mrs. Mary McCLURE, son Herbert and granddaughter Glenna NAYLOR, W.H. BELL and daughter Bessie, G.W. BELL, wife and daughter of Mansfield; Mrs. BYERLY and son, David BUDD of Mifflin; W.A. MAFFETT and son Guy of Jeromeville.”

(Notice on same page and same column: “Miss Sade BELL returned from Mars, Penn., the first of the week, where she had been called on account of the severe illness of her sister, Mrs. Flora FORSYTHE who departed this life September 2nd, leaving a bereaved husband and five small children, who have the sympathy of a host of friends.”)

BELL-McCLURE REUNION - Ashland OH Press 20 Aug 1913

“The BELL-McCLURE reunion was held Saturday at Casino park, Mansfield. One hundred and twenty-five relatives and friends were there. Those from a distance were James BELL and wife, of Davenport, Iowa; D.W. BELL, wife and son, Ralph BELL, wife and daughter, U.A. MAFFETT and wife, Springfield; G.W. McCLURE and wife, of Newark. Officers were: president, D.W. BELL, secretary, Glenna NAYLOR; treasurer, G.W. BELL.

GUTELIUS REUNION - Ashland OH Press 6 Jan 1887

“The reunion of the GUTELIUS family on Christmas day was a pleasant affair. They rented the Masonic Hall on account of there being too many of them to be comfortably entertained at any of the residences. There were present, Grandmother GUTELIUS, W.A. GUTELIUS and family, Hon. Joseph S. DAILEY and family, Jere NORTH and family, Mrs. Dr. McCLEERY and family, John McCLEERY and family, Mrs. Mariah McCLEERY LYONS and family, Mrs. Cora McCLEERY VanGORDER and children, R.Y. SAYLOR and family, ex-Sheriff JUSTUS and family, making in all fifty-three persons and all blood relations. Mr. GUTELIUS, from who sprang [sic] this large family, had nine brothers and two sisters, the latter of whom is living at Ashland, O. Her son, Gutelius L. YEARICK, telegraphed his regrets on account of his inability to be present. The affair was very enjoyable to all. —Bluffton (Ind.) Chronicle.

Our friend G.E. would have gone had he received his dispatch on time, and very much regretted that he was compelled to forego the pleasure. These family reunions are a source of infinite pleasure and no one in the world would have enjoyed the good time there more than Mr. YEARICK, who bears the name of the family.”

DID YOU KNOW ???**How Artificial Intelligence is Helping Identify Thousands of Unknown Civil War Soldiers**

David MORIN in Exeter, N.H. owns a collection of more than 260 Civil War military pictures. Until now, many of the men in the photos remained a mystery to him - but in the course of the last year, he identified many of them by using **Civil War Photo Sleuth**, a website that uses facial recognition technology, a form of artificial intelligence (A.I.), to identify the men in such photos. And in 2020 the site is planning to add a new feature, after a successful test: a way for users to get second opinions on potential photo matches.

“Today history is so much better documented and the chances of things living on are so much greater,” says Morin.

To see more about them, you can visit their website at www.civilwarphotosleuth.com/. Best of all, YOU can upload any Civil War photos you have and this crowd-sourced web site may be able to identify the person in the photo.

You can read this interesting story in an article by Olivia B. WAXMAN published in the Time magazine web site at: <https://time.com/5749059/civil-war-photos/>.

(The above is an abstract reprinted with permission from Dick Eastman at <http://www.eogn.com>)

And you thought you needed to do a DNA test to find your ethnicity. Guess all you have to do is look at your toes?? Who would have thought?

**DID YOU KNOW ???**

THAT - With everything going digital and online, even Funerals and Weddings are opting for Live Streaming. Anyone unable to make it to the funeral or wedding on the day of the event can simply log in and watch from home, or from anywhere with an internet connection. This can be done for the day of service and for later viewing by having a password and sign in. Many families prefer this approach when families are too far away to fly or not enough time to get to the service. It is estimated that nearly 20 percent of US funeral homes now offer the service; and weddings are an even higher percentage. This is basically in response to demand from clients.

THAT - Found a website called LDS Genealogy (<https://ldsgenealogy.com/dir/>) that was new to me. Note: “This site is independently owned and operated by LDS genealogists who are providing this site as a service to the genealogy community. It is not an official site of FamilySearch or Latter-day Saints (LDS)”. What I did find is that their U.S. Genealogy Records Directory are easy to navigate (via “browse by state, then county”) with a lot of helpful links as well as many “how to” articles. Something to review.

THAT - FamilySearch.Org has now made it possible to print out a free 2020 Calendar that gives dates important to your ancestors. (This feature is only available if you have input you connecting to ancestors in their large database of people). The calendar includes birth & death dates, and wedding anniversaries. Additionally, it is now possible to get calendar reminders in your FamilySearch notifications. These reminders will notify you on the date of your ancestor’s event, and tell you how many years it has been since that day. View your calendar and download a free copy www.familysearch.org/campaign/calendar.

THAT - Reclaim The Records has done it again. They have recently won to get the Nebraska Death Index online. (The Nebraska Death Index for 1904-1968 is now online at www.nebraskadeathindex.com for free. Records for 1904-1955 are currently only available in image format, scanned from oversize books created by the state many years ago, while records for 1956-1968 are in a searchable text database.) Check their website for more updates. www.reclaimtherecords.org

THAT - There is a definite difference between a Marriage License and a Marriage Certificate. Just because you have a record of a Marriage License does not mean they were actually married. You need to find the actual Marriage Certificate. The Marriage License only says they purchased the license to get married.

ASHLAND COUNTY CHAPTER NEWS

Welcome NEW MEMBERS - to the Ashland County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. We invite you to submit queries to the newsletter. You might be surprised who else is researching your same family.

1. You can start by submitting a copy of your five-generation chart to the Chapter for insertion in our 5-generation book located in the genealogy room of the Ashland Library.
2. Contact us to let us know what you would like to see in the newsletter.
3. Send in your query for the year.

WELCOME:

- ♦ **James P. WELCH, Jr.** (jwelch4419@gmail.com) Researching LAUGHERY, WELCH
- ♦ **Sara Derrenberger MITCHELL** (clovis5@att.net) Researching ULLMAN, NEFF, YOUNG, CRUVER, FOX, NETZER, MURPHY, ZODY, HERSH, DERRENBERGER, ROBISON, OHLER
- ♦ **Missy DERRENBERGER** (missy44903@yahoo.com) Researching BROACH, ORCHARD

ASHLAND COUNTY SURNAME QUERIES

Free.. As a Chapter we have a lot of knowledgeable people who are willing to share.

Contact us at accogs@gmail.com

- ♦ Looking for info on Herman WELCH (born 1875; died 1914), husband of Mamie LAUGHERY. Marr. Feb 19, 1902. Herman was son of Johnson & Emaline BUCHANAN WELCH. Especially interested in pictures of him. (contact James P. WELCH, Jr., jwelch4419@gmail.com")
- ♦ Interest in any info of John LAUGHERY, came from Ireland, settled in Ohio, and died in Jackson Township, Wayne Co (now Ashland Co) Ohio. Buried in Polk Cemetery though there are no stones nor records today. (contact James P. WELCH, Jr., jwelch4419@gmail.com")
- ♦ Looking for more info on Eva (MELLOTT) CRONE, born Bedford, PA 1831 and died 1917 Ashland, OH. Marr. to Tobias CRONE (1825, Blair Co, PA-1897 Ashland, OH) Contact Shirley EVANS, 2 Abigail's Way, Sandwich, MA

HOORAH FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS !



Some of our Volunteers who attended the 2019 Lineage Banquet: Marleen APPELEGATE, Linda FULK, Linda COLLINS, Cynthia BECK, Barb QUEER, Ginny FEIBER, Terry HAUN, Missy DERRENBERGER, & Deanna APPELEGATE. Others not shown are, Jane ROLAND, Becky PLANK, Barb HART, Bobbi KERSCHNER, and OGS President, Margaret CHANEY

The Pastfinder is the quarterly newsletter of the Ashland County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society and is issued four times a year. The Newsletter is for you, the members. Please submit articles of interest with name of the newspaper, date, and page number. (We always want to see our sources.) Also, your name as contributor is requested. We look forward to hearing from you.

WE WELCOME suggestions for input in the newsletter: Pastfinder Editor, Terry HAUN (AshOGSeditor@gmail.com) .



VISIT THE ASHLAND CHAPTER LIBRARY

Located on the 2nd Floor of the Ashland Public Library)
(224 Claremont Ave, Ashland, OH 44805)

The Ashland Chapter maintains a Genealogy and Local History research room on the mezzanine level at the Ashland Public Library, which is open during normal Library hours Monday thru Saturday 9-7 and Sunday 12-4. This room is operated jointly by the chapter and the APL Adult Services Department. It contains Family Histories, Local Ashland, Ashland County, and Township history (including churches and schools) as well as Obituary Files, the Chapter's Lineage files, members 5-generation charts and county census records. Additional resources available include Ashland County newspapers on microfilm from 1852 to Dec 2018 and research materials pertaining to other Ohio counties and other states. Donation of books, manuscripts, and research material pertaining to Ashland County and their families are always welcome. *(Most materials in this collection are not cataloged in the Ashland Public Library system as they are owned by the Chapter.)*



CURRENT UPDATES:

Librarian, Ginny FEIBER and Assistant Linda FULK are continuing on the reorganization of the library materials. If you plan to do research at the library and want help finding resources, let us know in advance and

we will have someone there to assist you. (see last page for their e-mail address).

We have a few Volunteers who are helping us during hours, but would like to see more hours covered.

If you would like to volunteer for a couple of hours a week or month, contact the Librarian (see last page for their e-mail address).



Shirley BOYD (1936-2020)

Shirley FULK BOYD, a Life Member of our chapter for more than 40 years, and a First Families Member, recently passed away on Jan 15, 2020.

She was born July 30, 1936 in Ashland, Ohio to Ethel (MOWRY) and Paul H FULK. She taught in the Ashland City Schools for 28 years before retiring in 1999. On August 18, 1957 she married John BOYD, who passed away a little over a year ago.

Shirley served the chapter in numerous officer capacities, volunteered on various projects, researched and published several articles and books for the chapter. Her dedication to our Chapter will greatly be missed.

Burial in the Dickey Cemetery. Obituary can be read at: <https://denbowfh.com/book-of-memories/4076281/Boyd-Shirley/index.php>

DO YOU WISH TO APPLY TO A LINEAGE SOCIETY?

Those interested in applying to one of the Lineage Societies should complete the application by **August 31, 2020**. Applications are available at the Ashland County Genealogical Society in the Ashland Public Library or at the Ashland County Genealogical Society website. Applicants need not be members. There is a required \$15 application fee for all applicants. If you have questions or need help, please contact our Lineage Chairperson, Marleen APPLGATE (mragealogy@gmail.com).

<http://ashlandohiogenealogy.org/lineagesocieties.html>

Requirement for induction into one of the Lineage Societies is as follows:

- ◆ **First Families of Ashland County**
Proving the applicant's ancestors were living in Ashland County prior to 1850, and there is a direct lineage from the ancestor to the applicant.
- ◆ **Settlers and Builders of Ashland County**
The pioneer ancestor must have been in Ashland County between Jan 1851 and Dec 31, 1870. Again, there must be a direct line from ancestor to the applicant.
- ◆ **Century Families of Ashland County**
The pioneer ancestor must have been in Ashland County between January 1871 and December 31 one hundred years prior to application year. *(Currently, this would be 1920)* There must be a direct line from ancestor to applicant.



Our thoughts and prayers go out to long time ACCOGS chapter member Rita BONE KOPP and her family as her mother Marge BONE passed away on 20 Jan 2020.

UPCOMING 2020 ACCOGS PROGRAMS:

(Members and Visitors are welcome to all meetings)

NOTE: Unless otherwise stated, (*our July picnic*), meetings are held at the Ashland **Christ United Methodist Church**, 1140 Claremont Ave., Ashland Ohio at 6:30 p.m. There is no December meeting.

Feb 18 - Ashland University Archives - Dave ROEPKE

Mar 17 - Migration Trails to Ohio - Peggy Clemens LAURITZEN

Apr 21 - ACCOGS 50th Anniversary Celebration - with Jim JUSTIC's "Who Do You Think You Are"

May 19 - Seeking Freedom: Ohio and the Underground Railroad - Cathy NELSON

Jun 16 - Betsy ROSS - Her True Colors - Chris HART

Jul 21 (6pm) - Chapter Potluck Picnic - at Brookside Main (note: NEW pavilion location and meeting begins at 6 pm)

Aug 18 - Ohio in the Civil War - Mark HOLBROOK

Sep 15 - Tombstone Cleaning 101 - Diane MYERS

Oct 10 - Make the Most of the U.S. Federal Census - Lauren KUNTZMAN

Nov 10 - Annual Lineage Society Banquet - BOGART & BACALL: Myths, Mysteries and Family Histories - Amy WACHS



OTHER 2020 SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

Feb 26-29: RootsTech 2020 to be held at the Salt Palace Convention Center in Salt Lake City with the theme being "The Story of You." Because it's their 10-year anniversary, they will be planning many exciting special features.

www.rootstech.org/salt-lake

Apr 29-May2: OGS Conference "Unlocking the Pieces" - held in Sandusky, Ohio at the Kalahari Resorts & Convention Center. Key speakers: Blaine BETTINGER, Judy RUSSELL, Maureen TAYLOR (Early Bird Registration available through Mar 20; Online Registration through Apr 17)

May 20-23: The National Genealogical Society (NGS) 2020 Family History Conference; "Echoes of Our Ancestors", will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah. See website for more info. <https://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/>

Jun 21-22: Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP): Three different weeks are offered this year at La Roche University, 9000 Babcock Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA: Week-long courses will interest Genealogists of all levels whether novice, intermediate, advanced, or professional. (See their website for more in-depth information.)

<https://www.gripitt.org/courses/>

Jul 6-10: GRIP Institute second of three weeks of week-long courses available. (Each are stand alone sessions. See the Jun 21-22 notice for more details)

Jul 17-20: National Palatines to America Conference "Cross the Bridge to Yesterday" in Cincinnati at Hilton Netherland Plaza Hotel. See website for details www.palam.org along with registration info. (Palatines to America German Genealogy Society (PalAm) is a national organization dedicated to finding German-speaking ancestors and their place of origin.)

Jul 19-24: GRIP Institute third of three weeks of week-long courses available. (Each are stand alone sessions. See the Jun 21-22 notice for more details)

Sep 2-5: Federation of Genealogical Society (FGS) 2020 National Conference in Kansas City, Missouri at the Kansas City Convention Center. More information available at <https://fgs.org/annual-conference/>.



* **MEETING CANCELLATIONS:** Please check our Facebook page for any last minute announcements. *
We also try to have WNCO and WMFD make announcements of any cancellations.

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www.ashlandohiogenealogy.org

Sheila HELSER, webmaster

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Membership year is January -December

Applications can be found at our website

<http://ashlandohiogenealogy.org/>

Chapter Meetings

The Ashland County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society meets the **third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm**.

Program at 6:30 pm with Chapter business meeting immediately following.. Chapter meets all months except July (annual Picnic), November (Fall Banquet held by reservations only), and no meeting in December.

All meetings are free and open to the public.

Library Volunteers

(Ginny FEIBER - Library Coordinator)
(Linda FULK - Library Assistant)

(Volunteers are needed)

If you would be willing to donate an hour or two of your time either weekly or just occasionally, please contact the Library Coordinator:

Ginny FEIBER,
vfeiber@zoominternet.net

Newsletter Mailing

Terry HAUN

Meeting Cancellations

Meeting will be cancelled if schools are closed due to inclement weather.

For other types of cancellations, check our Facebook page or listen to WNCO or WMFD.

The Ashland County Chapter OGS is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization; donations to the Society are tax deductible. Your gifts help us buy books for the library, acquire speakers for our programs, and provide the means to publish our books. Consider a gift above and beyond your annual membership fee to help preserve the records left by our Ashland County pioneers.