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 Marysville Public Library, 231 S. Plum Street, Marysville, Ohio. (Elevator inside back door.)

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I intended to write full page eulogies/memorials for two ladies that were lost to us this past spring—**Margaret Estelle Main Bouic** and **Dorothy Jenks Robinson**. But when it came time to put the words on paper I was utterly unable to measure up to the task.

Dorothy Robinson was the first person that I met when I began researching my husband's Union County ancestors. At the time I didn't even know that Union County had a genealogical society. A cousin of my mother-in-law told me that Dorothy was the "go to" person for information about our Robinson family. So I wrote to her (this was before personal computers) and asked for her help. She invited us to her home and graciously shared what she could. A few weeks later I discovered that Dorothy was the founder of the Union County Genealogical Society and that her membership number was #1. She was also the first president and newsletter editor. She worked tirelessly to help document and "read" every cemetery in the county. She may well have been the first to be granted a life-membership to our society.

What can one say about a woman like Margaret Bouic? Leaving us a legacy like the seventy-nine volume "Bouic Index" (see page 50) places her among the greats in the world of family history. She has done for Delaware and Union counties what some of the most well known early genealogists did for New England. Librarians across the state praise Margaret's work and they use and recommend the index to all who ask their help with the two counties. Margaret's four volumes of extracts from the early Marysville newspapers (1850-1905) provide glimpses into the past and into the lives of our ancestors.

We can only aspire to follow in the footsteps of these two ladies.

On another note—a big THANK YOU goes to Vice-president **Calvin Wood** for taking over my duties at the June and July meetings.

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Welcome! Our newest member is:

Bert K. Waits

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Surname of interest: **Orr**



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Coming Events:

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

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**August 18: Hidden Treasures at FamilySearch.org**—Speaker, **Dana Palmer, CG**

**September 15: Auxiliary Software for Genealogists**—Speaker: **David Gustafson** (See page 52)

**October 20:** Tour and Research at the new **Ohio Genealogical Society Library** at Bellville, OH.

**November 17: Union County in the War of 1812**—Speakers: **Robert “Bob” Parrott & Stephen Badenhop**

**No meeting in December.**

### 2013:

**January 19:** Specific topic to be announced—  
Speaker: **Dale Bartow**, Union County Veterans Commission.

**February 16:** Specific topic to be announced—  
Speaker: **Ryan McDonnell**, Director, Marysville Public Library.

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### *Hidden Treasures at Family Search* *By Dana Palmer, CG*



Learn how to get the most out of [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org) by accessing historical records, free genealogy courses, the research wiki, and the family history library catalog. Specific examples of Ohio marriage and death records will be explored.

**Dana Palmer, CG**, is a teacher, lecturer, author and professional genealogist. President of Warren County Genealogical Society, WCGS Web designer & Webmaster. Areas of expertise: Midwestern U.S., U.K., cemetery research, and writing or compiling family stories. Extensive work with digital photo restoration and imaging. Member of the NGS, GSG, OGS, WCGS, and DUP. Frequent guest lecturer at various genealogical societies and Family History Jamboree. Teaches genealogy classes at Sinclair Community College, Dayton. Dana is the mother of four children and lives in Lebanon, Ohio.

As always, this presentation is open to the public. If you have any questions, contact Leona Gustafson at [llgbug@genealogybut.net](mailto:llgbug@genealogybut.net) or phone 614-579-6016.

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**Help wanted!!** We still need a Program Chairperson to take charge of scheduling most monthly meetings. All members of the executive board are happy to pitch in and help. If you would like to volunteer and/or have questions, contact Leona: by phone: 614-579-6016; by Email: [llgbug@genealogybug.net](mailto:llgbug@genealogybug.net); by surface mail: UCCOGS President, P.O. Box 438, Marysville, Ohio 43040-0438. All committee chairpersons are also members of the society's executive board.

## June Picnic at Plain City Historical Society

By Marie Bouic, Recording Secretary



The Union County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society held their annual June Picnic on the 16th at the Plain City Historical Society at 11:00 in Plain City. Vice President **Calvin Wood**, welcomed everyone. Calvin Wood gave the invocation before the potluck meal that was shared by everyone.

**Karen Kile Vance** led the group on a tour of their facilities with help from other members of their group, **Bernie Vance**, President; Vice President, **Rosemary Anderson**; Secretary, **Lynn Baldwin**. Other members assisting were **Mark Knapp**, **Nola Freeman** and **Joseph Hofbauer**.

The historical society rents their building from a bank for \$1.00 a year and cover the 43064 zip code area since they are in two counties. They have collected many items from donations from families in the area. They don't turn anything away and if they can't use it they will find a good home for it. They have a nice collection of family histories, old newspapers, tax records, pictures, school memorabilia and more. They have pictures and obituary index on their website: [www.plaincityhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.plaincityhistoricalsociety.org). which you can access from your home computer. They also have items for sale featuring the Plain City area; any would make nice gifts. Their hours are:

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Thursday: Noon – 3:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – noon.

The Plain City Historical Society holds its regular meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 111 West Main Street, Plain City, OH. Doors open at 6:30 PM and meetings start promptly at 7:00 PM. Various topics are presented. The meetings are open to the public.

Those who enjoyed the food and tour were: **Dave Gustafson**, **Nancy Katzenbach**, **Sara Halley**, **Vi Hill**, **Lynn Baldwin**, **Nina Lee Hampton**, **Nina Boerger**, **Rosella Renz**, **Walter & Marie Bouic**, **Nola Freeman**, **Rosemary Anderson**, **Bernie & Karen Kile Vance**, **Mark Knapp**, **Calvin W. Wood**; **Tom & Deb Jeffers**, **Bob Baldrige**, **Ben & Kathy Cosgray**, and **Joseph Hofbauer**.

## COMPUTER Q & A

By **Dave Gustafson**  
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**Q:** My computer is 2 years old and seems to be slowing down. What can I do to speed it up?

**A:** Things you can do for free:

- Delete all no longer needed files and duplicate files. The more free disk space, the faster disk access will be.
- Use "Disk Cleanup" to remove unnecessary files. In **Windows XP** go to Accessories - System Tools - Disk Cleanup. In **Windows 7** go to Control Panel - Performance Information and Tools - Disk Cleanup
- Empty your Recycle Bin.
- Uninstall programs you no longer use.
- Delete all but the most recent restore point on the disks.
- Defragment all of your disk drives: For **Windows XP** go to Accessories - System Tools - Disk Defragmenter. In **Windows 7** go to Control Panel - Performance Information and Tools - Advanced Tools - Disk Defragmenter.
- Defragment and clean up the registry see Auslogics Registry Fixer (free)  
[www.auslogics.com/en/cpages/registry-fixer-b/?gclid=CIT71ZKsm7ACFSWFQAodzUsqYw](http://www.auslogics.com/en/cpages/registry-fixer-b/?gclid=CIT71ZKsm7ACFSWFQAodzUsqYw)
- Make sure you do not have malware (Spam or Virus). (Subject of a future question)
- Use good anti-malware software
- Avoid visiting online sites that you don't know anything about.

Things that cost money to do:

- Increase computer memory and/or use faster memory.
- Replace your hard disk with a larger and/or faster one (for fastest disk, use solid state disk).
- Replace your video card with a faster one.

Good sites to look at:

- 15 tips to speed up your computer.  
[http://tips4pc.com/articles/computer%20maintenance/15\\_ways\\_to\\_speed\\_up\\_your\\_compute.htm](http://tips4pc.com/articles/computer%20maintenance/15_ways_to_speed_up_your_compute.htm)
- Microsoft at work  
[www.microsoft.com/atwork/maintenance/speed.aspx](http://www.microsoft.com/atwork/maintenance/speed.aspx)

Send your questions to Dave at:  
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## July 21 Minutes/Meeting

By Marie Bouic, Recording Secretary



The Union County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society met on July 21 at the Marysville Public Library. Vice President **Calvin Wood**, welcomed everyone. **Marie Bouic**, Recording Secretary, read the minutes from the last meeting. **Dave Gustafson**, Corresponding Secretary and Membership Chair had received two membership renewals and sold 2 CD's. **Nancy Katzenbach**, Chapter Librarian, is working on finding information on **George McVey** for a researcher who is coming to visit the library in the near future. Marie Bouic brought the notebook the chapter gives for the Best Genealogy Project at the Union County Fair.

Calvin announced the next meeting will be August 18 at 10:00 in the library meeting room "A" with **Dana Palmer** presenting, "Hidden Treasures at Family Search."

Marie Bouic did a presentation on the Smartboard on the "How to Use the Bouic Index." The Genealogical Index of Delaware and Union Counties, Ohio was created by her mother-in-law, **Margaret Main Bouic**. She gave some background information telling how the project started in 1948 when Margaret's husband, **Fay**, was clerk of the Session for the Ostrander Presbyterian Church and she got interested in finding more information on the early members. She found when she went to research there were no indexes so she started creating her own. Margaret would reference surnames with the sources where she found the information. The project that started out small has grown to seventy-nine (79) volumes with up to 250 pages in each book. She worked through 4 revisions. The index can be found in the Marysville Public Library, the Delaware County Public Library, the Delaware Historical Museum Library, Columbus Metropolitan Library (Main Library), Ohio Genealogical Society Library, Ohio Historical Society Archives/Library, DAR Library in Washington, D.C., and Western Reserve Center in Cleveland.

Margaret started out using a typewriter and making seven carbon copies. When personal computers became available she started entering the index on that and was on her fourth computer before she passed away in April 2012. She included

obituaries, weddings, births and other newsworthy items. She had seventem file drawers in cabinets with clippings in her home office. Those clippings are being integrated in the Surname files in the genealogy and local history section of the Marysville Public Library.

Margaret spent many hours reading microfilmed census records, newspapers, and early public records at the Marysville Public Library. She also spent many afternoons at the Marysville Historical Society reading and abstracting the newspapers which were published and are for sale by our chapter from the years 1850–1915. Also, she and Maroe did research at the Delaware Historical Library twice a month for many years.

Margaret received many awards for her "Bouic Index" and it is a genealogist's treasure for finding information on your ancestor if they lived in Delaware or Union County. She used over 200 references for her index.

Marie passed out a copy of the key to the index to everyone. She showed examples how to use the key with entries in the index. The original copies and working copies of the index and other works are housed at the Union County Historical Society. What started out something small has really helped genealogists far and near find their ancestors.

Those attending the presentation were: **Dave & Leona Gustafson**, **Nancy Katzenbach**, **Sara Halley**, **Lynn Baldwin**, **Nina Lee Hampton**, **Marie Bouic**, **Calvin W. Wood**, **Kermit & Ruth Ann Morse**, **Debbie Segner** and **Eva F. Schooley**.

**Editor's note:** Marie's presentation was excellent and useful even to those who have used Margaret Bouic's "Index." The suggestion has been made that we schedule another meeting on this topic. Hopefully, we will be able to talk Marie into an encore presentation.

Copies of the handout that Marie supplied are available. Contact either Leona Gustafson or Marie Bouic. (See the second page of any *Union Echoes* for contact information.)

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### One Hundred Years Ago

Extracted from the *Journal-Tribune*

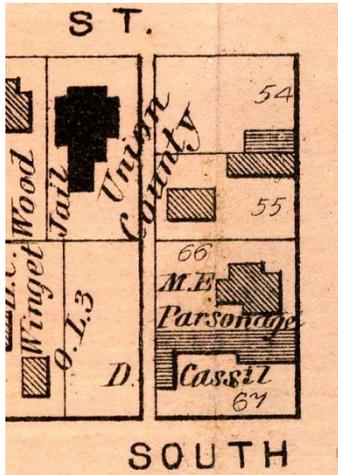
July 11, 2012, page 3, column 1

JUNE 11, 1912--Lightning Saturday night killed three cows on the farm of **Casper Scheiderer**, in the Sodom neighborhood. Two of the cows belonged to Mr. Scheiderer and the other to **Lonnie Allen**, son of **James Allen**, Marysville

# Maps with Buildings

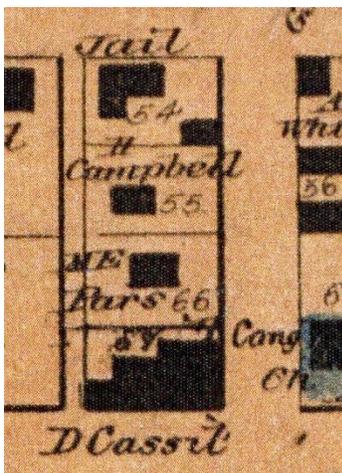
- Robert W. Parrott

On occasion, a researcher might find it helpful to use a map that shows the buildings located on it. In today's times, these are common with aerial mapping and satellite technology. In earlier times, making these types of maps was difficult, time-consuming and expensive. As a result, very few were produced.



**Union County Atlas  
1877  
Future Courthouse Lot**

In Union County, the most commonly used map showing buildings is the *Atlas of Union County Ohio*, published by Harrison, Sutton & Hare of Philadelphia in 1877. The *Atlas* contains plat maps of each township and town in the county, listing the owner's name on each parcel of land. It also shows where the residence or business building on the property is located. Other structures, such as barns, sheds or outbuildings do not appear on the map. Schools, churches, cemeteries, springs, gravel pits, woods and brick yards are also shown on the map. An original copy of the *Atlas* has color plates for each township and town. It can be found at the Marysville Public Library, Union County Historical Society and Union County Records Center and Archives. In 1975, the *Atlas* was reprinted in black and white. In 1985, an every-name index was compiled by the Union County Genealogical Society for the *Atlas*. Both the *Atlas* and the index are available for purchase from the Genealogical Society.

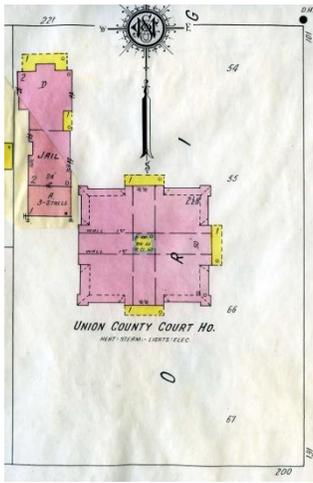


**Beers' Union County  
Map 1870  
Future Courthouse Lot**

An underused resource of a map showing buildings is the *Map of Union County Ohio* published by F.W. Beers & Co. of New York in 1870. Like the 1877 *Atlas*, Beers' map shows the names of the owners of each parcel of land in Union County, the location of houses or business building on each property, schools, churches and cemeteries. No other buildings, such as outbuildings, appear on the map. Unlike the 1877 *Atlas*, springs, gravel pits and woods are not shown. Also, unlike the *Atlas*, Beers map is not separated into township plats but instead is one map of the entire county. Town plats are included. Andrew S. Mowry, a civil engineer from Marysville, was the surveyor for the *Atlas* and Beers' *Map*. The 1870 *Union County Map* can be found at the Union County Records Center and Archives, Union County Historical Society and Ohio Historical Society.

A third place to look for a map that might possibly show the location of buildings on a property is the Union County Auditor's Re-appraisal Records. Periodically, the county reappraised the value of real estate in Union County. Often, a map showing the parcels and the names of the property owners was produced as part of the re-appraisal process. Some of those maps also show houses on the parcel plat, but this is more the exception than the rule. Plat maps in the Re-appraisal Records for 1870, 1880, 1890, 1900, 1910 and 1925 might be worth checking and may show the location of the home on the property.

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**Sanborn Map  
Marysville 1942  
Courthouse Lot**

Some of the best maps that exist showing buildings on properties are the Sanborn Maps compiled by the Sanborn Fire Insurance Company for insurance purposes. Sanborn Insurance Company made surveys of many towns showing all of the insurable buildings on each property as well as the material used to construct each structure - such as brick, stone and frame. Unfortunately, the maps only exist for towns, but not all towns were mapped. In Union County, five towns were platted: Magnetic Springs, Marysville, Milford Center, Plain City and Richwood. The original Sanborn Maps were color coded. Black and white copies can be found on-line at <http://dmc.ohiolink.edu.proxy.oplin.org/oplinmap.htm>. The Library of Congress intends to scan the original color images into a free on-line data base, but it may be many years before the maps for Ohio get completed. Here is a list of Sanborn Maps that pertain to Union County:

- ❖ Magnetic Springs - December 1890, August 1895, July 1901, March 1910, January 1916, January 1931 and October 1942.
- ❖ Marysville - January 1885, December 1890, August 1895, July 1901, March 1910, January 1916, January 1931 and October 1942.
- ❖ Milford Center - June 1901, June 1911, November 1921 and March 1946.
- ❖ Plain City - October 1895, June 1901, December 1926 and April 1941.
- ❖ Richwood - January 1885, August 1893, May 1900, July 1910, December 1921, January 1930 and November 1944.

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## *Auxiliary Software for Genealogists* *By David Gustafson*

David Gustafson has worked with computers and software for 45 years. For most of those years he worked as a programmer and systems analyst, most recently as a systems coordinator for the Franklin County, Ohio Auditors Office. He is a Certified Geographic Information Systems Specialist and has created GIS systems for several companies, including the Franklin County Auditor. His interest in genealogy grew due to the many research trips on which he accompanied his wife over the years.



Some of the things Dave will discuss at the meeting on September 15 are:

- Internet Browsers--What we use, why, and relative benefits.
- PDF Viewers and Creators
- Security Software
- Anti-virus and Malware removal
- Photo and Graphics Editors
- OCR – Optical Character Recognition, what it is, how it works, and why we use it.

## News Briefs

**Belated** birthday wishes to charter member and past president, **Ruth Bigelow Stewart**. Ruth celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with family and close friends. Ruth was born June 18, 1922 in Union County. She is the daughter of **Merle** and **Bertha Robinson Bigelow**. On November 17, 1946 she married **Delbert "Shorty" Stewart** who died July 15, 1987. The couple had two children, a son, **Melvin** and daughter, **Nancy Stewart Katzenbach**.

**Veterans Remembrance** - Voice from the Stone will honor a Civil War Veteran this year on Monday, November 12, at 11 a.m.

The honoree is Melvion Wilcox, who served in the 121st OVI, Co. C, and was killed in action on July 17, 1864, died at Big Shanty, Georgia, and is buried at Nashville National Cemetery. Speaking for his descendants will be Mary Jane Wilcox Crothers.

The public is invited and those who purchased paver bricks after October 15, 2011, will be recognized.

If you have questions, you may call Esther Carmany 937-644-8325.

**The Marysville Public Library** recently unveiled a new project, Photos of Union County—  
[http://www.photohio.org/collections/mpl\\_ucphoto/](http://www.photohio.org/collections/mpl_ucphoto/)

This is a digital collection of photos from the all over the county, many of which have been contributed by the public. And if anyone could identify the unknown photos we have online or have old photos they would like to have scanned by us and added to Photos of Union County digital collection to share, we would love to add them.

About the collection: The Photos of Union County contains various photos from around Union County submitted by the citizens of Union County. If you have old photos of your own, we would love to scan them and add them to our digital collection. Your photos will not be harmed in any way and will be returned to you upon completion of scanning. Contact Sue at the Marysville Public Library for further information. There are several unidentified photos included in this collection. If you can identify any of these, please contact the Marysville Public Library at 937-642-1876, ext. 32.

The webpage link for the all of the digital collections is <http://www.photohio.org/>

**An Ohio resource** that is growing in popularity is the R. B. Hayes Ohio Obituary Index—  
<http://index.rbhayes.org/hayes/index/>

The Marysville Public library is looking for volunteers to index obits from the Union County news-Union Echoes

papers. If you can spare a little time each week, have a computer, and live near enough to get to the library you are just the person for the job. You work at home and set your own schedule. If this sounds like something you'd like to be a part of contact Sue at by phone at 937-642-1876, ext. 32, or write to her [skienbaum@marysvillelib.org](mailto:skienbaum@marysvillelib.org)

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Some records housed at the Union County Records Center and Archives:

#### **REGISTRY OF BIRTHS (1856-1858) & REGISTRY OF MARRIAGES (1856-1860)**

REGISTRY OF BIRTHS (1856-1858) – These records are arranged by date of birth and are indexed. They show the father, mother, mother's maiden name, child's residence, sex, date of birth, sometimes the name of the child and the creator of the record – i.e. doctor, midwife, etc. These records are the earliest recorded birth records in Union County, even though only seventy-six such of these records exists. A vast majority of the records do not show the child's given name, but since they show the parents' names and birth date it can be determined what family the child belongs. The name of the child can be established through census and cemetery records, to name just a few available sources.

REGISTRY OF MARRIAGES (1856-1860) – These records are arranged by date of marriage and are indexed. They show the groom and bride along with their residence, age, birthplace, number of times married and parents. The records also show the date of marriage and the name of the minister or justice of the peace who performed the marriage ceremony.

These records are subsidiary records of the marriage records found and recorded in the Probate Court. These records are an excellent source in determining residency, birthplace and parentage of the individuals exchanging wedding vows, even though only seventy-eight such of these records exists.

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On April 8, 1856, the Ohio General Assembly passed an act “to provide for the registration of births, marriages and deaths, in Ohio.” Section one of the law declared that it was “the duty of all clergymen, or other persons, who shall hereafter celebrate or perform the marriage ceremony within this state, to keep a registry of all marriages celebrated by them.” The law provided in section two that it was the “duty of all physicians, surgeons and midwives, to keep a registry of all the births and deaths at which they have professionally attended.” The list was to be deposited in the Clerk of Court’s office on the first day of March every year. This law was the first attempt to record birth and death records in Ohio.

Unfortunately the law was largely ignored after the first year of operation. Hence only the records from the first cycle, 1857 to 1858, exist in extensive form. This law was later replaced with the 1867 law that recorded birth and death information in the Probate Court, which most genealogists are familiar with today, while the marriage registry was completely forgone. The registry of deaths that the 1856 law created has not survived to the present day.

**Editor’s note:** Thanks to Stephen Badenhop a copy of the REGISTRY OF BIRTHS (1856-1858) and REGISTRY OF MARRIAGES (1856-1860) can be found on our Website at [www.uccogs.org](http://www.uccogs.org)

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## QUERY: CAN YOU IDENTIFY ANYONE IN THIS PHOTOGRAPH?



**John Gray** received this photo from a cousin, **Greg Thompson**. Mr. Thompson says that the woman in the front row, 2nd from left is **Julia Ann (Sherman) Gray Battees** and the old gentleman beside her is **John Battees**, her 2nd husband. The picture is believed to be circa 1870's. Julia is John Gray's great-great grandmother. It is possible the photo was taken just prior to the January 8, 1871 wedding of **John Battees** (son of John and his first wife, **Eliza McRary**) and **Mary E. Richards**.

If you can identify any of the people pictured contact John, [revjgray@wowway.com](mailto:revjgray@wowway.com), or write to him at 3660 Brinkman Dr., Grove City, Ohio 43123-2477.

## CIVIL WAR ANCESTOR

Extracted from  
*News of Our Civil War Veterans, Union County, Ohio:*  
*Transcriptions From Local Newspapers 1862-1939*  
Compiled by Virginia M. Smith (2008)

*The Richwood Gazette*, January 18, 1934

### COMRADE GUM CLAIMED SUNDAY END COMES FOLLOWING A HEART ATTACK



In the passing of **George R. Gum**, who died at 3:15 o'clock, Sunday morning, January 14, at his home on South Franklin street, the community lost a citizen of sterling character and one who had much to do with advancing the civic interest of the village and surrounding country.

Although in failing health, Mr. Gum continued to go down town and it was on one of his trips to the business section last week, that he fell on the sidewalk. He was conscious when friends reached him but grew worse after being taken to his home and survived only a few days.

Mr. Gum was born in West Liberty, Ohio, May 22, 1848. His parents, **Jacob M. and Mary Martin Gum**, were natives of Ohio. At the age of 13 years he enlisted for service in the Civil War. He was not accepted for service, but with the persistence that characterized his later life, when he knew he was right, he enlisted six times, finally being taken into service January 20, 1864, as a member of the Tenth Ohio Independent Battery of Light Artillery. He was mustered in at Columbus, Ohio, but on May 28, 1864, was discharged because of his age. It was a keen disappointment that he could not go further with his camp comrades, but certainly no lad tried harder to serve his country.

Mr. Gum had been handicapped physically for several years, but his spirit was not dimmed. Many a younger man marveled at the erect carriage and the sprightly step of this veteran of four score and five.

In 1870, Mr. Gum came to Richwood and was employed in the woolen mill of Loveless & Howe. He later became one of the partners. Changing times caused the firm to cease the manufacture of woolen goods early in the nineties, but Mr. Gum engaged in buying wool, hides and furs until 1906, when increasing deafness caused him to retire from active business. Always a reader, Mr. Gum had a deep-grounded philosophy of life. It was a sore affliction that failing sight should have deprived him of the companionship of books in his later years. He was scrupulously honest. For nineteen years he was clerk of Claibourne township. Once he worried for two days over an apparent shortage of one cent in his funds, which he later found to be the result of a slight error in addition.

Mr. Gum served six years as a member of the village council and four years as treasurer. He was the last charter member of

Rising Sun Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Richwood, being one of the nineteen who formed the first lodge of the order in Richwood.

He was a member of Livingston Post, G. A. R. and of Methodist Episcopal Church. January 10, 1872, Mr. Gum was married to **Jennie E. Moore**, of Richwood, who died November 15, 1916. Two children were born to them, **Don**, who died in infancy, and Mrs. **Victoria Inez Cheney**, now residing at Portsmouth, Ohio. On December 19, 1917, he was married to **Caroline Fridiger**, who survives. A sister, Mrs. **Hannah E. Howe**, of Richwood, also survives.



*Gravestone, Claibourne Cemetery, Richwood*

## RECENT LIBRARY VISITORS

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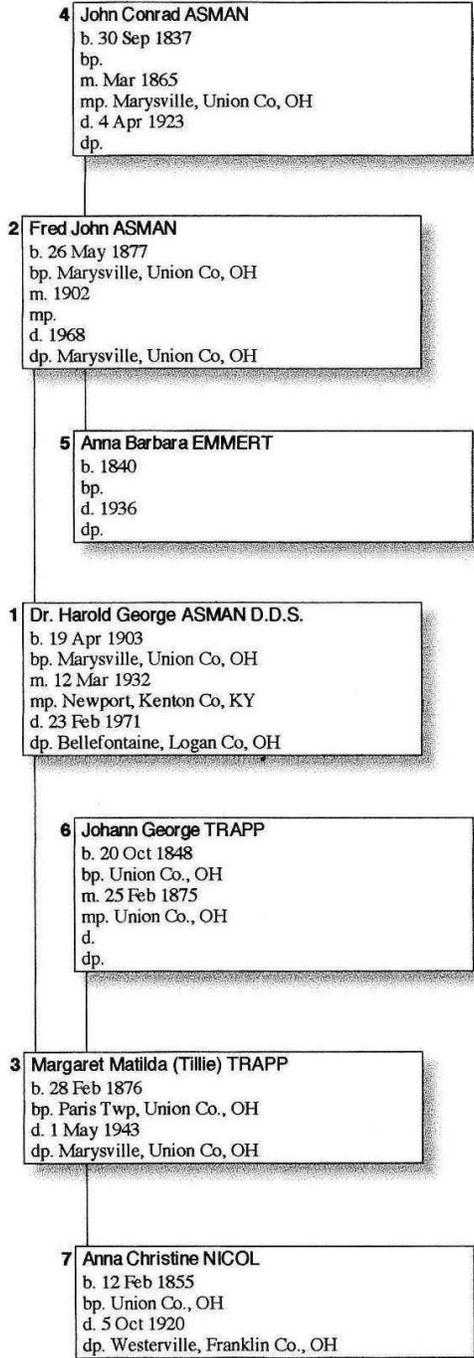
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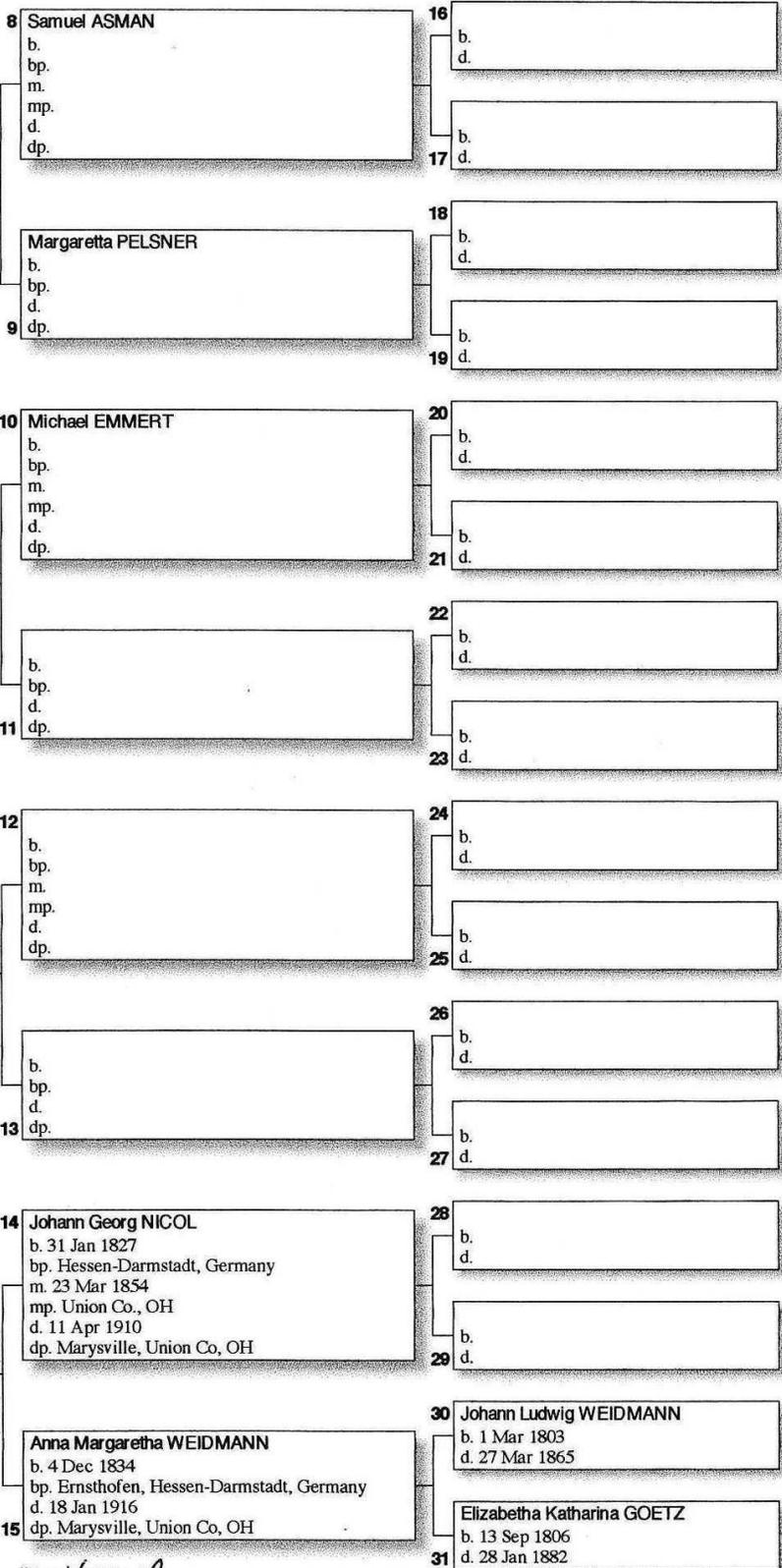
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**Ancestor Chart - A**

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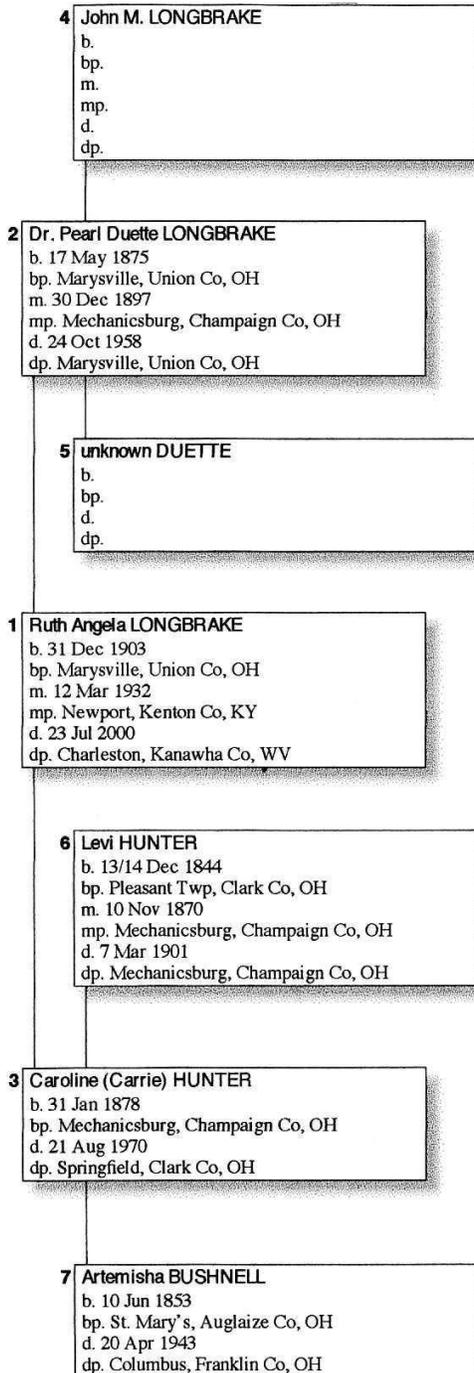
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*Ruth Angela Longbrake*  
*31 Dec 1903*  
*Marysville, Union Co Ohio*  
*m 22 March 1932*  
*Newport Kenton Co KY*  
*d 23 July 2000*  
*Charleston Kanawha Co WV*  
*Bur oakdale*



*Mother of*  
*Carol Asman Lee*  
*10 Dec, 1932*  
*Bellefontaine, Logan Co Ohio*  
*m - 5 Feb, 1955*  
*Bellefontaine Logan Co Ohio*

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Ancestor Chart - B



8 Daniel LONGBRAKE  
 b. 1811  
 bp.  
 m.  
 mp.  
 d. 1890  
 dp.

9 Malinda DODGE  
 b. 26 Nov 1817  
 bp.  
 d.  
 dp.

10  
 b.  
 bp.  
 m.  
 mp.  
 d.  
 dp.

11  
 b.  
 bp.  
 d.  
 dp.

12 John Wesley HUNTER  
 b. 7 Oct 1807  
 bp. Pleasant Twp, Clark Co, OH  
 m. 6 Jun 1833  
 mp. Harper's Ferry, Jefferson Co, WV  
 d. 31 Jan 1881  
 dp. Catawba, Clark Co, OH

13 Mary Ann ENGLE  
 b. 16 Jun 1816  
 bp. Jefferson Co, WV  
 d. 6 Jul 1888  
 dp. Mechanicsburg, Champaign Co, OH

14 Homer BUSHNELL  
 b. 5 Jul 1812  
 bp. Vernon, Trumbull Co, OH  
 m. 21 Oct 1841  
 mp. Adams Co., IN  
 d. Jul 1854  
 dp. Jefferson Twp, Mercer Co, OH

15 Phoebe Jane STACY  
 b. 1 Jan 1825  
 bp. Albany, Athens Co, OH  
 d. Aug 1911  
 dp. Decatur, Adams Co., IN

16 George LONGBRAKE  
 b. 1787  
 d. 1817

17  
 b.  
 d.

18 Judah DODGE II  
 b. 28 Jan 1796  
 d. 23 Apr 1869

19 Elizabeth KILGORE  
 b.  
 d.

20  
 b.  
 d.

21  
 b.  
 d.

22  
 b.  
 d.

23  
 b.  
 d.

24 William HUNTER  
 b. 9 Sep 1777  
 d. 4 Oct 1862

25 Blanche HENDRICKS  
 b. 28 Feb 1787  
 d. 26 Mar 1860

26 John M. ENGLE  
 b. 7 Oct 1764  
 d. 12 Mar 1845

27 Hanna(h) CLAYTON  
 b. 13 Oct 1775  
 d. 7 Jul 1841

28 Sterling Graves BUSHNELL  
 b. 14 Dec 1772  
 d. 16 Aug 1846

29 Huldah HOLCOMB  
 b. 14 Nov 1772  
 d. 5 Jul 1862

30 John STACY Jr.  
 b. 18 Apr 1792  
 d.

31 Mary Polly WILSON  
 b.  
 d. bef 1850

*Spouse of #1  
 Dr. Harold George Asman DDS  
 19 April 1903  
 Marysville Union Co Ohio  
 mar- 12 March 1932  
 Newport Kenton Co KY  
 D- 23 Feb. 1971  
 Bellefontaine Logan Co Ohio  
 Bur Oakdale Marysville*

*father of  
 Carol Asman Lee  
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 Y O R K C E N T E R G G E N I R  
 S B R O A D W A Y D N G N V A I  
 R E T N E C N E L L A I G I L R  
 W A T K I N S D L O N R A L C E  
 K B D D X C V V S Z O X M L B Q  
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|------------------|----------------|
| ALLEN CENTER     | NEW CALIFORNIA |
| ARNOLD           | NEW DOVER      |
| BROADWAY         | PEORIA         |
| BYHALIA          | PHARISBURG     |
| CHUCKERY         | PLAIN CITY     |
| CLAIBOURNE       | POTTERSBURG    |
| ESSEX            | RAYMOND        |
| IRWIN            | RICHWOOD       |
| JEROME           | UNIONVILLE     |
| MAGNETIC SPRINGS | WATKINS        |
| MARYSVILLE       | YORK CENTER    |
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 E X E C V R M R H I E O R Y E O  
 R E I K A S I Y I U R V P L N O  
 O S P D C L Y S A A S E S U R W  
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