



# Union Echoes

Newsletter of Union County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society

The Mission of the Union County Chapter of The Ohio Genealogical Society is to promote and nurture an interest in genealogy by providing instruction, information, and inspiration, while encouraging members and others in the development of family histories and genealogical records for the benefit of future generations.

## Ideas for family research in the *Genealogy Reporter*, by Amie Bowser Tennant:

**Finding Answers in Naturalization Records:** Immigration research can begin right here in your own back yard. In fact, many researchers may feel inclined to “jump the pond” too quickly and overlook some wonderful sources. This lecture will cover two case studies using naturalization records and passenger lists in the 1930s and in the 1830s. Jump aboard as we discover your immigrant roots!

**Using Social Media Hotspots for Societies and Other Non-Profit Groups:** Genealogy and historical societies want to reach out to a larger audience, but how? Learning the basics of creating profiles, pages, and groups on Facebook is just the start. We will talk about how to create helpful content for Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. This lecture would be appropriate for any non-profit organization looking to inspire others and gain a greater outreach.

**Enriching Your Family History through Pictures and Stories:** What does it mean to have an enriching family history? Pictures and stories add that special piece to your family story. Learn where and how you might drag up old photos and stories about your own ancestors. We will be discussing some familiar websites and techniques, as well as some that you may never have known existed!

**Rooting Out Your Native American Ancestry:** Many families have a Native American tradition in their family story. Let's get to the bottom of it. Learn the basics of tracing Native American ancestry, particularly the Southeastern American tribes and discuss the pros and cons of DNA testing for the purpose of proving your Native ancestry.

**Tech Savvy Scrapbooking & Journaling for Family History:** Scrapbooking and journaling your family history has never been easier! Using free apps on your mobile devices will turn your selfies into family treasures to be shared for generations. We will discuss using, creating, and printing with Chatbooks and MySocialBooks, as well as why it is important to preserve your pictures both digitally and physically. Lastly, we will have a brief discussion on blogging your family history, how to begin, and how to eventually print your blog into book form.

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## The Union County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society – August 19, 2017

The Union County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society met at the Marysville Public Library on Saturday, August 19, 2017 at 10 am. Lynn Baldwin called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. She announced that the minutes and treasurer's reports were on the table. She had received an email from Donna Ashby who had found a family Bible in an antique store in the Dayton area. One of the surnames listed in the Bible were Rinehart. Nina Lee Hampton is going to make a copy of the information and put in the surname files. Lynn also stressed that we are in desperate need of a Newsletter Editor, Webmaster and President. Our membership is around 80-90 members and most live out of the area who depend on our website and newsletter for information. She invited anyone willing to take on one of the jobs to come to our next board meeting at September 12 at 1 pm here in the meeting room.

Lynn then introduced our speaker, Bob Whitman. He has 2 degrees from The Ohio State University, a BS in education and MA degree and a PhD in Educational Administration from Penn State. He spent 31 years in education, 24 of which he served as a school superintendent. After retiring, he and his wife, Carol, moved to Marysville area where he served as director of the Union County Chamber of Commerce for 12 years.

Bob gave the group an outline on how he went about writing his family story. His brother had given him a family tree and enjoys the chase in finding genealogy gems. Bob wanted to leave something to be remembered by so, he started looking at the old pictures he had received and started writing a profile of his grandparents, great grandparents and immigrant grandparents from Germany and Ireland and researched the period from which they lived and why they came to the United States. He also wanted to include what it was like to live in the 1950's as that was the time he was growing up. He is in the process of publishing a hardbound book of his story.

Everyone has collected lots of pieces of genealogy and wonders how to how to make sense of it and how to organize it. What is your goal? He developed a chronological outline of each generation he wanted to include and focused on them

with an introduction, middle and end. Start writing your ideas and stories on paper or the computer. You can polish off the paragraph construction, grammar and spelling later. Have someone proof your work. Are you going to place pictures of your ancestors with their story? Do you want to do a photo album or typed history and have it published? Who is going to get your finished work, one or more people? Will it be something to be remembered by or lost? What is your family legacy and will anyone remember? If possible use black and white photo's as they last longer and colored pictures fade out over time. He has written his story out in longhand and hired someone to transcribe it. His published book will run around \$700 for 12 copies. He has the expense of paying a typist, printing and binding the book. He has used a bindery in Columbus.

Next month on September 16, Beth Sanders of Life Bio, will share with us another way to preserve your family story.

Those enjoying the presentation were: Eva F. Schooley, Lynn Baldwin, Kermit & Ruth Anne Morse, Marie Bouic, Virginia Smith, Bill Thompson, Sharon Parrott, Nina Boerger, Steven C. Lowe, Barry Reese, Nancy Katzenbach, Marty Scott and Darlene Shull.

Marie Bouic, Recording Secretary

Family Tree Magazine recently printed a list of the best 101 genealogy websites, here are a few:

1940 Census

<https://1940census.archives.gov/index.asp>

This free site from the National Archives and Archives.com serves up census maps and descriptions to locate an enumeration district, plus complete 1940 census images you can save, share and download.

Access Genealogy

<https://www.accessgenealogy.com/>

A visual makeover renders this collection of databases and links more inviting than ever. Researchers with American Indian roots will want to bookmark this site for sure, but it's also worth a visit for its state pages, African-American records and links, military records and more.

Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center

<http://www.genealogycenter.org/Databases/FreeDatabases.aspx>

Second in collection size only to the Family History Library (FHL) in Salt Lake City, this library's online home offers free databases galore, digitized books and genealogy how-tos.

American Battle Monuments Commission

<https://abmc.gov/>

Find your military kin among more than 218,000 American military buried or memorialized overseas.

AmericanAncestors

<https://www.americanancestors.org/index.aspx>

A new project to digitize 28,000 pages of Congregational church records will add to the New England and New York vital records, Colonial census, church records and other offerings at this already-overflowing site from the New England Historic Genealogical Society. An \$89.95 annual membership gets you full access, although a few of the databases are searchable for free.

AncientFaces

<http://www.ancientfaces.com/>

Launched in 2000 as a place to share vintage family photos, this site now also includes family stories and even recipes. Photo tags make it easy to look for pictures of everything from cowboys to royalty.

### ArchiveGrid

<https://beta.worldcat.org/archivegrid/>

This offshoot of WorldCat locates finding aids from more than 1,000 archival institutions. They help you access 4 million primary source materials, including historical documents, personal papers, family histories and more. Type a search term or enter a location or ZIP code to find nearby archives whose collections you can search.

### Archives of Maryland Online

<http://aomol.msa.maryland.gov/html/index.html>

Home to 471,000 historical documents, this deep state site includes city directories, probate and land records, digitized newspaper pages (tucked under Early State Records), Revolutionary War service records, and Civil War military records from both Blue and Gray.

### Archives.com

<http://www.archives.com/>

Touting itself as a research bargain at just \$7.95 a month, Archives.com (now owned by Ancestry.com) has been working hard to make that price tag seem even more like a steal, now offering more than 2.6 billion digital records. New reasons to give it a try include nearly 4.1 million Evangelical Lutheran Church in America birth, marriage and death records plus US vital records from many states. In addition, you can still search the 1940 US census images for free here.

### Bureau of Land Management General Land Office Records

<https://gloreCORDS.blm.gov/default.aspx>

Your ancestors' federal land records live here, with access to more than 5 million land titles dating from 1820, plus images of survey plats and field notes as old as 1810.

### British National Archives

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>

Search the Discovery online catalog for your British ancestors, read up in research guides, explore 60,000 downloadable images, or check out the growing digital collections. The latter range from British army records to death duty registers to naturalization petitions.

### Ask About Ireland

<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/>

Irish researchers know the importance of Griffith's Valuation, dating from 1847 to 1864, especially given the destruction of census records from that period. Well, here you can search it for free, while also exploring e-books, biographies, church histories and Irish architecture.

### Atlas of Historical County Boundaries

<https://newberry.org/atlas-historical-geography-united-states>

This Newberry Library website is the go-to destination for figuring out where your ancestors were, county-wise, and when—and thus where their records ought to be.

### Atlas of the Historical Geography of the United States

<http://dsl.richmond.edu/historicalatlas/>

This University of Richmond site takes Charles O. Paullin and John K. Wright's classic historical atlas, first published in 1932, and brings it to life with 21st-century technology. All the original nearly 700 maps are online, made clickable to view the underlying data or animated to show how your ancestors' America changed over time.

Hello Membership, my name is Steve Lowe and I have accepted the job as our newsletter editor. I am looking forward to this challenge. I would like to invite you to submit articles and ideas that I can include in this publication. Remember this is our genealogy society and together we can make it a valuable tool in the research of our ancestors.

**Publications of the Union County Chapter OGS**

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| PUBLICATIONS   | BOOKS   | OH TAX | CD-PDF  | OH TAX |
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| 1877 Atlas of Union County, Ohio Includes Index  | \$25.00 | \$1.75 | NA      |        |
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| History of Union County, Ohio - Beers, (reprint 3 volumes) - Paperback—was \$65 [shipping \$7] | \$45.50 | \$3.19 | NA      |        |
| Index to Recorded Deaths of Union County, Ohio Prior to 1909 V. Smith 2006 136 pgs             | \$15.00 | \$1.05 | \$7.50  | \$0.53 |
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Surnames you are researching in Union County \_\_\_\_\_

**GO GREEN!** May we send the Union Echoes news letter to the above email? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Dues are \$12 per household for 12 months, January-December.

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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 located inside back door.)*

October 21: Sue Kienbaum will be our speaker. October is Family History Month and she suggested people bring in pictures of Union County places and people that have been identified. If someone has a lot of pictures, she would ask them to leave them and she would get them back to them in a short time. She will have Photo Release forms for them to sign. She plans to use the Reference Librarian's area and would set up laptops so patrons can use Ancestry with our help. She is thinking of a more hands on event. Our group would be available to help people with their questions or whatever and show them what is available in the genealogy section of the library.

November 18: Life at the Front — The WWII GI—Speaker, Bo Johnstone.

December: No meeting