

# WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION



## Newsletter



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201 Locust Street

McMinnville, Tennessee



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Secretary: Scarlett Griffith  
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Christine Bouldin

Webpage Administrator  
Ann Brown

1992-2017  
WCGA Celebrating 25 years



WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL  
ASSOCIATION HONORING CHARTER MEMBERS

CHRISTINE BOULDIN  
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JOHN E & NELLIE GRAHAM LOWERY  
BETTY MOORE MAJORS  
BONITA BRATCHER MANGRUM  
BETTYE S PACK  
TOM SCOTT  
GLENDA STUBBLEFIELD CANTRELL

Cheryl Watson Mingle presented a scrapbook documenting 25 years of the Warren County Genealogical Association. She read the history, objectives and the minutes from the first meeting held February 29, 1992 at the Magness Memorial Library with 32 members present (see below).

The Warren County Genealogy Association held its first monthly meeting on Saturday, Feb. 29, 1992, at the library. Thirty two people were present for the 2 pm meeting.

Almeta Cunningham called the meeting to order in the absence of Wanda Gant. Ms. Cunningham presented a brief account of the objectives of the newly formed group, and presented a slate of officers made up of the following people:

Wanda Gant - President  
Glenda Young - Vice President  
Cheryl Taylor - Recording Secretary  
Melba Clendenon, Christine Bouldin and  
Leona Hillis -  
Corresponding Secretaries  
Fred Clark, Sheila Thompson and Almeta  
Cunningham -  
Editors  
Betty Majors - Advisor  
Dean Brewer - Treasurer

After motions were made, the officers were approved. It was stated that membership dues would be \$10.00 per year which would include journals. A charter for the organization had been drawn up by James Dempster. The group chose a cover picture for future journals. Betty Majors spoke briefly on several books with Warren County information soon to be published.

The decision was made to hold future meetings on the fourth Saturday at 2 pm. When there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

## HISTORY OF WCGA

After the demise of Warren County Historical Society and Friends of the Library organization some years ago, former members felt a need for furthering history and genealogy on an organized basis. Thus, a new group was formed. Warren County Genealogical Association first met 29 February 1992, and was chartered March 5, 1992 by officers Wanda M. Gant, Dean Brewer and Fred L. Clark.

The mission of the Association is to increase public interest in and raise the standards of family history and genealogical research through education programs, workshops and publications, to encourage and instruct members of the community and the Association in the standards and techniques of genealogical family history research, to acquaint the members of the Association with sources of material and to serve as a medium of exchange of genealogical information, to promote through the Association's publications and otherwise, the collection, preservation, and utilization of manuscripts, documents, and other material of genealogical and historical value.

WCGA members include residents throughout the United States and some foreign countries. Membership is on a calendar year basis, January through December. Dues are presently \$20.00 per year due in January. Two Bulletins are published annually, featuring interesting and informative stories about Warren County ancestors, historical events, genealogy tips, old newspaper articles, and historic county records. Back issues are available at a nominal price. Numerous special publications such as census records, Warren County births and deaths, cemetery listings, historical publications from surrounding counties, and other helpful information are also available in the Association's research library. The

Warren County Archives office is located adjacent, with the WCGA office.

Meetings are held at 2:00 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month except December at the WCGA office in the rear of the Government Administration Annex, 201 Locust St McMinnville, TN. The public is always welcome.

The WCGA office is open 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Fridays and by appointment with someone is available to help members and patrons with research. The Association's website is: <http://www.usgennet.org/usa/tn/county/warren/>

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#### Founding Officers 1992:

##### **Meetings held at Magness Memorial Library**

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Vice President	Glenda Young
Secretary	Cheryl Taylor
Treasurer	Dean Brewer
Correspondence	Melba Clendenon
	Christine Bouldin
	Leona Hillis
Journal Editors	Fred Clark
	Almetia Cunningham
	Sheila Thompson
Permanent Advisors	Betty Majors
	James Dillon



WCGA current president Cheryl Watson Mingle and the 1992 president Wanda Muncey Gant presents the following Charter Members certificates for being members of WCGA 25 years: L to R are Glenda Stubblefield Cantrell, Tom Scott, President Mingle, Bonita Mangrum, Wanda Gant. Back row Chris Keathley, Betty Higginbotham, Bettye Pack, Christine Bouldin and Martha Holt.



WCGA members and guest enjoy the refreshments.



YSI by Ann Brown

WCGA program was presented by Carol Neal and Jimmy Haley on the Young Scholars Institute which is getting ready for their 33<sup>rd</sup> summer. Carol has been with YSI for about 20 years and Jimmy has been participating since the beginning. The program started by Donna Trevathan is an enrichment program which focuses on "learning while doing curriculum approved through school". The program is offered by invitation only to students with good grades and good behavior for children in grades 1 through 8. The two week program offered the first two weeks in June is self-funded through tuition which covers the cost of teachers, nurses, dietary support, lunches, tickets, buses, and t-shirts. The Warren County School System does supply the building. The program is also available to Boyd, Covenant, and home-schooled students in addition to Warren County Schools. Tuition cost is \$110 for one week/\$200.00 for two weeks with 275 to 300 children attending each week. About 70% of

the students participate for two weeks. Scholarships are provided by community groups for students who cannot afford the tuition. Each year's program is theme based with at least one community based project to raise student awareness and participation. This year's theme is People, Places, and Things and will offer a kayaking trip and associated lesson on rivers in keeping with the groups focus on "fun with learning".



Jimmy Haley and Carol Neal



Refreshments were provided by Rachel Scott Hillis, Jean Hobbs, Ann Brown, Glenda Stubblefield Cantrell and WCGA.



WCGA members Wanda Muncey Gant and Rachel Scott Hillis participate at the Magness Library Authors Day on April 22, 2017.

### Current Membership

Complimentary	3
Exchange	3
Honorary Life Membership	2
Renewed Membership	78
2017 New Membership	6
Total Membership 31 Mar 2017	92

WCGA next meeting  
**Saturday, May 20th, 2 p.m.**  
 Guest Speaker - Joshua Robertson



### WCGA On The Radio

WCGA Treasurer Allen Jaco & Web-page Administrator Ann Brown were the guest speakers for the "Behind The Mike" radio show on April 13, 2017 with Kelley Marlowe.



## Do You Have CIVIL WAR SOLIDERS who lived in WARREN COUNTY before, during or after the war?

Submit your Civil War Solider  
 for entry in our upcoming  
 Warren County Civil War Soliders BOOK'S

You may obtain forms  
 on our Facebook Page or at the Magness Library  
 Genealogy Department or attached.

### WCGA is on Facebook!

Come visit us at:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Warren-County-Genealogical-Association/135126859883450>

We're also on the web, visit us at  
[www.tngenweb.org/wcgatn](http://www.tngenweb.org/wcgatn)

## Give a piece of Warren County History



- The Courthouse, McMinnville, TN  
(First in a series)
- First Methodist Church, McMinnville, TN  
(Second in a series)
- The Birthing Tree, McMinnville, TN  
(Third in a series)
- Hebe, McMinnville, TN  
(Forth in a series)

All four available for \$18 each at  
 Southern Museum  
 201 E. Main Street, McMinnville  
 Open Wed., Fri., Sat. 10:00 a.m.-4 p.m. and  
 Warren Co. Genealogical Association County Administrative  
 Building 201 Locust St. Open Fridays 1:00-4:00 p.m

## Honoring Charter Members



## Civil War Soldiers of Warren County, Tennessee Questionnaire

Warren County Genealogical Association has been compiling data on our members' Warren County Civil War Veterans for many years and is now ready to publish this material. We want this publication to be as complete as possible, and we invite members of the public to contribute information on your Civil War ancestors if you would like to have them included in this important volume. Civil War participants, either Union or Confederate forces or Home Guard members, are eligible for inclusion. Give as many details as possible, using another sheet of paper if needed. **Please type, print, or write very plainly. WE WELCOME PHOTOS and will scan and return them to you quickly.** (Contact Warren County Genealogical Association at 931-474-4724 or come by our office in the Warren County Administrative Building on Fridays between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m.) Help us make this project a huge success!

**Full name of Soldier:** \_\_\_\_\_

**His Company, Regiment, Branch, Rank and Army:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Date & Place of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date & Place of Death and Burial:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation before the War:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount of Schooling completed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approximate date of family's settlement in Warren County area:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents' names, with birth, death, marriage dates & places, and occupation, if known:**

Father: Born \_\_\_\_\_ Died \_\_\_\_\_  
Buried \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: Born \_\_\_\_\_ Died \_\_\_\_\_  
Buried \_\_\_\_\_  
Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_

**Brothers & sisters of Soldier, with birth & death dates:**

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**Name(s) of spouse(s), with birth and death dates and places, and date and place of each marriage:**

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**Children's names, with birth and death dates:**

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**Sources used – (circle appropriate ones):** Official government records (from National Archives, Tennessee State Library & Archives, etc.), state pension papers, United Daughters of the Confederacy rolls and proof, Sons of Confederate Veterans records, county court records, regimental history, county history, census records, marriage records, Bible records, cemetery records, family traditions, Warren Co. Genealogical Association Bulletins', other, e.g.\_\_\_\_\_.

**Did this Soldier answer the 1914, 1915, or 1922 Tennessee Civil War Veterans Questionnaire?** \_\_\_\_\_

I attest that the foregoing material is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I give my permission for its use by the Warren County Genealogical Association.

(Signed)\_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form as soon as possible to Warren County Genealogical Association, P.O. Box 411, McMinnville TN 37111-0411 or email as an attachment to [rhillis@blomand.net](mailto:rhillis@blomand.net) or [ctmingle@blomand.net](mailto:ctmingle@blomand.net)

*Thank you!*