



# WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

# Newsletter

June 2020

201 Locust Street

McMinnville, Tennessee

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**The WCGHA  
Meeting  
Scheduled for  
Saturday, June 20**

**HAS BEEN  
CANCELLED**

State and County guidelines, due to Covid-19, do not recommend the use of the Warren County Administrative Building at this time for anything other than official business. With the requirements of social distancing and the fact that we still need to wear masks we feel it is still not safe to have our monthly meeting.

It is our hope that conditions will improve by our scheduled July 18 meeting date. A decision will be made a couple of weeks prior to that date.

*Continued prayers for everyone*

*Cheryl Watson Mingle, WCGHA President*

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**Due to Covid-19  
Our office is  
Presently closed**

**Our normal  
hours are**

**Monday  
&  
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## FROM YOUR EDITOR:

*Dear Members,*

*Little did any of us realize when we met on February 15 to hear Rachel Elkins Killebrew give her presentation on the Saturn V Apollo Moon Program that we would be cancelling the next four monthly meetings. Don't know about you, but I sure hope this doesn't turn into five cancelled meetings.*

*I never truly adjusted to “staying home” and “social distancing”, and wearing that mask became an exchange of words between me and my wife. Wanting to go grocery shopping every other day became a treat. I even began to look forward to doctor appointments. But in the end, I did all of those things.*

*I'm sure I'm not the only person who found it difficult to give up things we take for granted every day. In the end all of this is a small sacrifice to keep clear of the virus.*

*Included in this issue of the Newsletter are a couple of photos from the Magness Library photo archives. I'm sure you will enjoy them along with a few things from the yards of some of our members. After all, we've had plenty of time to create pristine gardens full of vegetables and award-winning flowers.*

*I look forward to seeing everyone at our July meeting. It's Show and Tell time and that's always a lot of fun.*

*Doyle Speaks, Newsletter Editor*

## At Magness Library

# In Focus with Brady-Hughes-Beasley Archives

*We're happy to share these photos from the Brady-Hughes-Beasley Archives at the Magness Library.*

Anthia Brady, 1868-1949, worked on her uncle's riverboat on the Tennessee River in the late 1800s where she became interested in a passenger's camera. By 1891 she was operating a studio in South Pittsburgh, Tennessee.

She married W.D. Hughes on July 24, 1892, moved to McMinnville, Tennessee and opened Hughes Studio in 1896. Their daughter, Willie Hughes, attended the famous Southern School of Photography in 1918. Anthia and Willie worked together many years. After Anthia's death Miss Willie continued to operate the Studio until roughly 1973.

Hughes Studios was among the few studios in town who would photograph members of the Black community. This leaves Magness library with one of the largest collections of early photos of that community.



Archives # 272 is the portrait of Black Mother and Child. This portrait was taken by Anthia Brady Hughes between 1910-1920 in her studio on E. Main St.



Archives # 1482-MAG-1 is of Tennie Elkin's garden. The glass plate negative is just one of many in the Brady-Hughes-Beasley Archives at Magness Library.

Tennie lived on the corner of Lyon and N. Spring. Her entire garden was lined with geodes. So far we have found 16 photographs of her garden. They document the growth of the trees, shrubs and plantings from the beginning of the garden onwards. Her garden was just one of the many in McMinnville. So far we have identified photographs of at least 6 different gardens.



Anthia Brady Hughes — 1868-1949 — Willie Hughes -1895-1986 — historical marker In McMinnville on E. Main St at Mulberry St.

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# High's Scanning Project Update

The WCGHA High's Scanning Project is ongoing. Scanning the ledgers and death records is the first step in the process. While our end goal is to make these records available for the public, there are several steps to be completed to reach that goal. Scanning will continue to be our first priority as that provides a backup if these documents were ever destroyed. We are currently scanning in the 1950's.

We are pleased to report that the first ledger has been entered into our database and the records are available for purchase. This first ledger is handwritten and often very hard to read. It is also very sparse on information. There are some records without any name or other information.

There are 316 ledger accounts in this first book. The names are listed here in alphabetical order along with the account number in the ledger:

094 Akers, C C	121 Collins, James	160 Green, Melvin
082 Alters, Mrs Mary	143 Colville, Rice	256 Green, Nina
153 Anderson, Mrs Mary J	201 Cope	235 Greer, Mai
251 Arledge, Isaac	223 Couch, Mrs Alice	268 Greer, Mrs Betsy Ann
228 Arledge, Mrs Mary E	111 Crain, Sonny	116 Gribble, Catharyn
141 Baker, Ann	093 Crawley, Mrs L E	065 Gribble, Emma
207 Baker, Mrs Mary	154 Crowder, Mrs Nellie E	058 Griffith, Kizzie J
222 Barnes, Eliza	127 Cummings, Phillip	174 Griffith, Thomas
034 Barnes, Lindy	124 Cunningham, Marindin	241 Grizzle, Isaac
103 Black, An	005 Cunningham, Mrs	285 Groves, Leo
178 Blair, John	271 Cunningham, Mrs Tennie	156 Hale, Jesse Elmer
131 Blair, Mrs William	001 Cunningham, S L	117 Hamblen, Wm Henry
106 Bonner, Mrs Lizzie	182 Curtis, Nannie	231 Hardcastle, Lela
108 Bonner, Mrs Polly	027 Darling, Stella T	016 Hash, Mrs
075 Bostick, Laura Stoner	269 Davis, Infant_of_Bird	272 Hennessee, Andy
041 Boyd	021 Davis?	043 Hennessee, Hackett
040 Brag, Riley	281 Denton, Amandy	114 Hicks, Mrs Sadie
257 Bratcher, Sam	007 Denton, Child_of_Wm	004 Higginbotham, Mrs Reuben
095 Britton, Mrs G W	218 Dillon, Clyde	312 Hill, Katie
097 Brown, Bark	181 Dodd, Hershell Lee	133 Hill, Mrs Sallie
033 Brown, Emma Lee	051 Dodson, Geo W	252 Holder, John
170 Brown, Eugene	090 Dodson, Marthey	276 Holder, Mrs Belle
249 Brown, Mrs Mary S	105 Donnell, Child_of_Geo	064 Hollins, Casta
112 Brown, Wm	104 Donnell, Mother_of_George	297 Hudgens, Carl
172 Bryan, Baby_Girl_of_Geo	316 Drake, Mrs Dellah	259 Hunter, Ellen
119 Burch, Zelluh	210 Dunam, Clinton	291 Jennings, Bolden Morford
152 Byars, Andrew	294 Dye, John	273 Johnson, Rodger
167 Byars, Florence	263 Earles, Harry Sutton	146 Johnson, Sidney
010 Cain, Mr	136 Earls, H B	192 Jones, Mary Agness
019 Cantrell, C	137 Earls, Infant_of_C_H	295 Jones, Thos
046 Cantril, Adin Lee	074 Estel, Sophia	224 Keel, Mrs Sarah
048 Cantril, Della A	044 Fairbanks, J?	284 Killian, Bill
035 Cantril, Jas L	230 Farlice, Infant_of_Wm	185 Killian, Green
055 Cantril, John H	282 Farlier, Jim	126 King, Mrs Henry
049 Cantril, Thos J	059 Farlis, Luther	045 Kirby, Child of ?
083 Cardwell, Mauerey	080 Faulkner, Lida	054 Krif, Mrs Jennie
066 Carson, Lou	088 Faulkner, Tom H	176 Law, Infant
052 Case, Eliza	183 Ferrell, Laura	226 Levender, Infant_of_Doc
078 Cash, Emeline	298 Fisher, Martha Claris	115 Lewis, Mrs M O
081 Channey, Mrs Malinda	164 Fraier, Mrs Eunice	206 Lister, James
009 Chasteen, Child_of_Mrs_B	262 Freed, Mrs Martha	025 Lock, Child_of_Louis
244 Christian, Margaretta	102 Freeze, Wm	217 Lockhart, Infant_of_Joe
299 Clark, Harriet A	120 Fuston, Jordan	139 Looper, Ella
205 Clark, Joseph Edmund	076 Fuston, Charley	171 Looper, Horace
264 Cliff, W J	135 Gardner, Mary	274 Looper, Lina
162 Clute, Mrs Alice Wallace	092 Gibson, Nora	215 Lusk, Dock
014 Coffee, Chatham	237 Green, Emma	013 Lusk, Mrs John
042 Colliar, Florence	304 Green, Infant_of_G_W	254 Mabery, Susan
038 Colliar, Henry C	148 Green, Infant_of_Geo	022 Maddox, Child_of_The
	209 Green, Infant_of_Ike?	161 Maddox, The



246 Madewell, John  
198 Magers, Baby\_of\_Dock  
060 Manning, Belle  
267 Marbury, Ada  
193 Marbury, Jack  
258 Marbury, Leonard  
248 Marin, Mrs Netie  
310 Marler, Mailler Barbery  
200 Marler, Mrs Susan  
180 Martin, Baby\_of\_Jesse  
085 Martin, Eliga  
173 Martin, Josephine  
214 Martin, Mrs Connie  
050 Martin, Pete  
036 Mason, Jas B  
234 Matherly, Mrs Martha  
279 Matthews, Miss Lena  
188 Mauzy, Dr Tho  
232 Mayfield, Bill  
099 McAfee, Geo Arnold  
101 McDowell, Thpmas  
070 McGar, Elizabeth  
125 McGee, Baby\_of\_Ernest  
302 McGee, Jas W  
129 McGee, Mrs Burton  
255 McGregor, Alfred  
145 McGregor, James  
096 McGregor, Mrs Henderson  
100 McGregor, Wm  
313 McReynolds, Ella  
191 McReynolds, Gracie  
165 McReynolds, John  
032 McReynolds, Katy  
087 Mealley, Lou  
187 Meyo, G W  
202 Miller, Infant\_of\_G  
250 Miller, Mrs Mary  
283 Miller, Mrs O  
024 Milraney, Child\_of\_Mollie  
098 Smith, S D  
265 Smith, Wyatt  
186 Snipes, Thomas  
037 Sparkman, Solomon  
134 Sparkman, Will  
260 Spurlock, Nannie  
242 Spurlock, Sam J  
216 Staenaker, L E  
140 Stembridge, Mrs Mary  
307 Stiles, Clark  
194 Stiles, Mrs Mahaluda  
280 Stiles, Mrs Mary  
203 Stipes, Mrs Mary Luiza  
089 Stroud, Ross  
002 Stubblefield, fnu  
204 Stubblefield, Hattie  
212 Stubblefield, Thos  
184 Summers, Gracey  
118 Templeton, Wm  
247 Thrower, Infant\_of\_J\_T  
300 Tidwell, Rebeca  
157 Todd, Frank Laster  
068 Turner, Infant\_of\_Davis  
012 Unknown  
159 Unknown

179 Mitchell, Elizabeth  
020 Mitchell, J W  
053 Mitchell, James  
163 Mitchell, Mrs Laura  
091 Mitchell, Sam  
086 Moffit, Child\_of\_A\_B  
168 Moffitt, Frances Marion  
277 Moffitt, Mrs Sarah  
292 Moore, Clarence  
026 Morford, Charles R  
031 Morford, Jack  
199 Mullican, F T  
221 Mullican, Martin  
301 Muncey, Infant\_of\_Geo  
150 Munford, Mrs Mary E  
018 Murphy?  
315 Myers, Carline  
227 Newby, Sam  
023 Newton, Mrs Jon  
079 Nichols, Aunt Patsy  
239 Norris, Infant\_of\_J\_L  
030 Nunley, Harrison  
166 Nunley, John Wesley  
211 Nunley, Mrs Emma Dora  
243 Oliver, M S  
245 Owens, Wm T  
056 Pack, James C  
122 Panter, Jas  
309 Panter, Samantha  
084 Patterson, Claracy  
008 Payne, child\_of\_M  
062 Pearson, Amanda  
110 Perry, John  
240 Peyton, Willah D  
039 Pollard, Joshual  
289 Porterfield, L F  
311 Porterfield, Mrs Eliza  
169 Potter, Mary Lee  
151 Powel, Nellie  
290 Unknown  
132 Unknown, Child  
144 Vinson, Chas M  
003 Waggoner, Joe  
028 Wair, Mrs Letha  
288 Wakefield, Robt  
266 Walker, J A  
077 Waller, Eric Mitchell  
314 Walling, Willie Joe  
113 Watson, J C  
208 Webb, Ira  
069 Webb, John B  
305 Webb, Maria D  
303 Webb, Mrs Betsey  
057 Webb, Mrs Elizabeth  
128 West, Abram  
233 Wilkerson, Ducie  
011 Williams, child\_of\_Charles  
073 Wiser, Iva  
195 Womack, Charley  
189 Womack, Mrs Emma  
296 Womack, Mrs Mary  
278 Woodard, Frank E  
306 Woods, Jim Elkins  
219 Wright, Seth

107 Price, Jas W  
287 Qualls, Alex  
190 Quick, John P  
213 Quick, Victory  
286 Rahm, Geo  
225 Rains, Bonard  
130 Rains, Louiza  
308 Ramsay, Angie Spencer  
197 Ramsey, Belle  
138 Ramsey, Clara  
175 Ramsey, Floyd M  
238 Ramsey, Julia  
142 Randolph, Mrs Margaret A  
147 Ransom, Mandy  
109 Reeder, Ed  
061 Reedy, Christy  
029 Reeves, F M  
063 Richardson, Infant\_of\_Grandy  
149 Roach, Child\_of\_Jesse  
072 Roberts, Mattie  
155 Rodgers, Nellie Biles  
017 Roman, Child\_of\_Lem  
261 Rowan, Aunt Ann  
015 Rowan, Wat  
293 Rushing, Minus  
196 Rutledge, Eliza  
229 Sanders, Mrs Flora  
270 Saunders, Jas K P  
067 Savage, Rufus  
123 Settles  
253 Sims, Mrs Ellen Magness  
071 Singleton, Infant\_of\_Jim  
047 Smartt, Child\_of\_Chassy  
275 Smartt, Duskin  
177 Smartt, Harry  
220 Smartt, Julia Ann  
158 Smartt, Luzetta  
236 Smartt, Wm T  
006 Smith, Qedrick

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## Older Warren County – McMinnville Pioneer Family Certificates Explained

The WCGHA recently reported on the status of our Pioneer Families of Warren County Project and listed the recipients who have qualified to receive certificates.

The first certificate was issued in June of 2013 and the program is ongoing. However, we discovered that there was an earlier program sponsored by the WCGA called the First Families of Warren County, Tennessee. This program was conducted to commemorate Tennessee's 200th anniversary and ended on December 31, 1996.

Most of our current members were unaware of the earlier program until a recipient of the first program questioned a certificate number. We have searched our files and it appears that there were at least 31 certificates issued. Evidently, files of the applications were not maintained or they have been displaced or destroyed. We regret any confusion that may have arisen, but the requirements for the two programs are not the same.

We will be happy to work with anyone who wants to be included in the current program. To be eligible the applicant must be directly descended from an ancestor who settled in Warren County prior to 1820. The applicant must be able to prove descent from the ancestor (male or female) by an official record or records for each generation, including proof for the applicant. Current Tennessee residence is not necessary.

### WCGHA's Old Warren County, TN Family History/Photos MONTHLY INSIGHTS May, 2020

4,487 Group Members (+37 this month)

Gender: 68% Women – 32% Men

100 Posts	452 Comments	2959 Reactions
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#### Top Contributors

Rickey Burks  
Cheryl Watson Mingle  
Mark Fuston  
DonaldandJeannine Miller  
Jamie Franklin Golden

#### Top Post

Shelia Osment Hillis: Does anyone have any pictures of the old airport motel? Who remembers this place?

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/WCGAoldwarrencountytnfamilies/permalink/2834753433308019/>

Comments: 66  
Likes: 77  
Shares: 2  
Reactions: 2.5

**Peak Time:** Monday, 8 p.m.

Don't forget to follow our Facebook page at  
Warren County Genealogical & Historical Association  
for information about our Association, upcoming events, and posts and links relating to genealogy and  
history

## From the Facebook files of

### WCGHA's Old Warren County, TN Family History/Photos



This is an on-going series of photos from *WCGHA's Old Warren County, TN Family History/Photos*. The Public Group site was organized several years ago and is co-administered by Cheryl Watson Mingle, President of the Warren County Genealogical & Historical Association along with Ann Brown, Past President.

You're invited to join our Facebook group, comment and submit photos and history.



Taken in 1953-54: 1st row, Bryan Lusk, Charles Craven, Dan Gonder, Charles Shot Nunley. 2nd row, Sylvia Biddle, Elenore Willis, Mr. Krickle, Jimmy Garrett, Jack Brown and Gerald Hallum.

Submitted by Charles Craven  
June 5, 2020



# Our Members Do More than Research Genealogy



J.B. Brown, WCGHA Treasurer, has a totally automated tomato and squash garden. It is set up in 5 gallon buckets and automatically waters and fertilizes thus eliminating the need to weed. I can just taste those sliced tomatoes to go along with the squash casserole.



Doyle Speaks, Newsletter Editor and Marion Speaks WCGHA Vice President, have enjoyed these night shade flowers for several years. The white Moon

Flower and the yellow 8 O'Clock have been putting on quite a show. It's interesting to watch the 8 O'Clock open up in front of you every night around 8 p.m.



Brad Walker, WCGHA Historian, is proud of this Sarracenia Judith Hindle, a hybrid of the Pitcher Plant. This is just one of many unique flowers you will find in his garden.

This beautiful Clematis is found in the garden of Ann Brown, WCGHA past president.



WCGHA President Cheryl Watson Mingle, shares this beautiful Day Lily that was a gift from fellow WCGHA member Mary Oaks. This is

just one of many you will find in her yard.

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