



Yesteryears' Trails

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Regular monthly meetings of the Defiance Chapter OGS are held at St. John United Church of Christ at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise stated. The address is 950 Webster Street-- on the northeastern corner of the Defiance College campus. Entry is on the north side of the church adjacent to the college gymnasium parking lot. **Meetings are the 4th Monday of each month except August and December or as noted.**

Board meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of the month in the Tiffin Room of the Defiance Regional Medical Center.

Chapter Meeting Dates - 2013

- January 28 - Gladys Donson
Local Veterans of the War of 1812
- February 25 - Joanne Allison
Heritage Trip to Germany
- March 25 - Dave Bennett
Timbering in Defiance County
- April 22 - Dan Hasch
Photos of Sherwood of Old

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What's Been Happening at DCGS?

September 24 - Chapter Meeting Highlights

Dianne Kline noted that there are 107 chapter members. Ruth Block and Gladys Donson were appointed to serve on the nominating committee for the coming 2013 year. Currently the office of vice-president is open.

Following the business portion of the meeting, President Cecelia Brown presented a Power Point outlining and highlighting the ghost towns and near ghost towns of the eastern end of Defiance County. Some towns were only paper towns such as Detroit located near Brunersburg. These towns were laid out and platted by speculators hoping for settlers or to persuade roads or railways to come to a particular area. Some towns



Time to Pay Dues for 2013

Please note that DCGS memberships runs from January to January. The membership form is located at the end of this newsletter along with the dues structure and mailing information.

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began a whistle stops on the railways such as Ashwood and Southern, and others were established on waterways with grist mills and saw mills with the hope of continued manufacturing such as Evansport and Brunersburg. When transportation routes shifted, some towns died, but the people of Jewell just moved the town as did Mark Center in the west end of the county. A natural disaster, in the case of Brunersburg, the Palm Sunday tornado of 1920 (and Renollet in Paulding County) brought the end of prosperity.

October - Board Meeting Highlights

Richard Rozevink of the Veterans' Historical Committee noted that two historical markers are in progress. The marker for Camp Trimble, which was a training site for the Civil War, will be located near the Sheriff's office off Biede Street. Another marker will tell of the work of the Civil Conservation Corps and will also note the location of the WWII prisoner of war camp. That marker will be placed just off the walking trail behind the county office complex on East Second Street.

Joanne Allison has assumed the position of public relations for our chapter. She has also offered to serve as vice-president.

The board agreed to allow all members of good standing to purchase our chapter publications at a 10% discount.

October 22- Annual Chapter Banquet

The annual DCGS chapter banquet was held Monday, October 22 at St. John UCC with thirty-one members and guests present.

Following the banquet meal, Gladys Donson reported for the Nominating Committee and presented a slate of officers for the 2013 year. Those filling the slate were president- Cecelia Brown; Vice-president- Joanne Allison; Corresponding Secretary - Dianne Kline; Recording Secretary, Mary Williams; Treasurer, Lavina Boesling; and Trustee - Gladys Donson. Mary Williams proposed that the slate of officers as presented by the Nominating Committee be accepted. Marilyn Mallott seconded the motion which passed. President Brown then asked for two additional members to serve as trust-

Change of Address or Email ?

If you change your postal or email address, **please** make sure you email the chapter at

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or send the changes to Defiance Chapter OGS, PO Box 7006, Defiance, OH 43512-7006 so that your current information is on file.

Become a Member of DCGS

Chapter dues are \$12.00 for an individual and
\$15.00 per family.

*An additional \$5.00 is required for mailing the
four annual newsletters through
the U. S. Post Office.*

**Download a membership form at
www.defiancecountygenealogy.org**

ees. Pat Wise volunteered to serve, and Cecelia declared her as trustee to fill one of the open positions. Cecelia will try to find a third trustee to serve for the coming year.

Mary Scranton and Gladys Donson inducted the 2012 members of First Families: Donna Hasch Karacson, Charles Paul Karacson, Eric G. Leininger, Bonnie J. Burgbacher, and Irene Lantz Winnie. The following First Family members were able to add additional ancestors: Angela Marie Zeedyk, Noelle Marie Nuttle, Cross Zeedyk, Remington Zeedyk, and Clint Zeedyk (ancestors omitted from the 2011 program).

Following the induction, Steve Hageman told of the Defiance area's participation in the Civil War. In the same month, April 1861, that war was declared Sidney S. Sprague raised a company of 105 volunteers from the Defiance area who were called the Defiance Guards. Shortly after a plea from Ohio's governor for more troops, a second company was raised, the Dennison Guards, which later became the 21st OVI Company K under Samuel Strong was organized. Mr. Hageman told of the deterioration of living condition as the war progressed and of additional units formed: the 14th, 38th, 48th, 68th, 100th, 107th (formed of German immigrants), and the 111th.

November 14 - Board Meeting Highlights

Rich Rosevink announced that due to security and insurance concerns for the Tuttle Museum, our chapter will no longer be able to have a workroom in that portion of the museum. Rich also noted that there is a delay for the Camp Trimble and prisoner of war marker dedications.

It was announced that the Defiance Public Library has purchased a new microfilm reader which has the capability of printing, emailing or saving information to a flash drive.

President Brown noted that an audit committee needs to be appointed, and that it is time to update the Policy and Procedure Manual. Lavina will work on a proposed budget for 2013.

The publication of member submitted five-generation charts was discussed as a possibility for publications to be printed for the coming year, and tentative programs were discussed.

November 26 - Chapter Meeting Highlights

President Cecelia Brown opened the November 26 chapter meeting at 7:00 at the St. John Church in

Defiance. Seventeen members and guests were present.

Membership chair Dianne Kline noted that it is time to pay membership fees for the coming year. Dan Hasch, our web master, noted that he has put on the chapter site some old photos and asked members to look at them to see if they could make any identifications.

Following the business meeting, Dianne Kline presented a Power Point program outlining changes in the newly released 1940 census. She noted that the census covered about 132 million U. S. residents with 130,000 census takers being hired. The official census date used for recording data was April 1, 1940. Dianne then highlighted some of the major changes from previous censuses. The 1940 census is free on Heritage and Family Search.

December 20 - Board Meeting Highlights

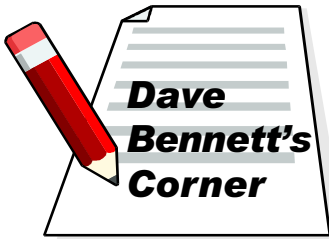
President Brown announced that she has found a workroom/storage area in the American Legion Building on south Clinton Street. The building will be shared with Historic Homes. In addition to storage room, the building includes a stage, kitchen, restrooms and an upstairs gym. There will be no cost to use the building. She also noted that the city has moved all of our materials to the site.

Dianne Kline moved that Steve Hageman (as banquet speaker) and Dan Hasch (as web master) be given complementary memberships in the chapter. Mary Williams seconded the motion which passed. Later in the meeting, Dianne Kline moved that Dan Hasch be given \$100 in appreciation for revamping the chapter web site. Gladys Donson seconded the motion which passed.

Lavina Boesling moved that we continue to hold our chapter meetings at the St. John UCC for the coming year and donate \$350 for the use of the site. Pat Wise seconded the motion which carried. Discussion was held concerning the board meeting site with a consensus that we continue to meet at the Defiance Regional Medical Center until spring when road conditions are assured.

Mary Williams moved that the chapter purchase a book of tickets (\$25.00) for the OGS car raffle. Diane Kline seconded the motion which carried.

Cecelia announced that the Federation of Genealogists will hold its convention August 21-24 in the Grand Wayne Center in Fort Wayne. She also noted *(Cont. on next page - second column.)*



Ayersville

An interesting feature of the founding of the village of Ayersville is that it just grew. It was never platted. Prior to 1849, there were several cabins grouped together on the sandy ridge at that place. In 1849, however, a post office was established on a horse-carried route that twisted through the wilderness from Defiance through the new settlement to New Bavaria, Ridgeland, Madrid, Leipsic and McComb and on to Findlay.

The little village on the sand ridge to the southeast of Defiance occupies a splendid site. When in 1849 Alfred Ayers opened a store in Defiance, he saw an opportunity in the village as yet unnamed and sent his brother Joseph Ayers out to the settlement to open a branch store. This was the same year that the post office was established and the name of Ayersville was chosen for the village. Joseph was the first post master.

The Ayers family came from Morristown, New Jersey but had been merchants in the states of Texas and Louisiana before coming to Ohio.

The epidemics of yellow fever and cholera that then were too common in the southwest caused the families' removal to Ohio. The trip was made by boat through the Gulf of Mexico. On the return trip, a sister of Joseph and Alfred died and was buried in the Gulf.

Along with the general store at Ayersville, Joseph opened an ashery in which the wood ashes were converted into block salt. This was done by placing the ashes in long troughs made by hollowing out the trunks of trees. Water was added slowly to the ashes and in the leaching process that followed, black slat was obtained from the residue. This played an important part in the making of soap used by the pioneers.

Some may wonder as to the supply of ash trees necessary for the operation of a commercial ashery. But remember at that date the timber was so dense as to forbid traffic. And it was an annual occurrence to move logs to sawmills down the frozen rivers which was the only open way of transportation.

Crews of men, known as log rollers, contracted to roll into heaps the great logs that the pioneers had cut in their clearings. When the heaps were completed from all the logs within rolling distance, the piles were set fire and burned for weeks. Do not think that these piles were scrub trees. These were millions of dollars' worth of the finest hardwood timber that ever grew. Ash, maple, beech, oak, walnut, etc. were burned by the settlers in their attempts to establish homes in the wilderness.

There was no demand for this timber except for the construction of such buildings as the settlers needed, and it was not until the canals and railroads came that much of the timber could be marketed. Some of the noble poplar trees that grew along the Ayersville sand ridge were seven feet in diameter.

The first physician in Ayersville was Doctor B. D. Ashton who opened an office in 1856. The first building of the Ayersville M. E. Church was erected in 1860 at a cost of \$700.00. The old tavern operated by Isadore Elringer sold bulk whiskey from barrels. The oldest house in the village was occupied by the John Limber family.

“Rural Rambler”
The Crescent-News
28 March 1932

See you next time-- from Dave's Corner.

What's Been Happening - Cont. from previous p.)

that Karen Sunderman is having the Defiance German newspaper *Der Defiance Herald* which contains information of Richland and Adams Townships' German settlers. Lucille Sunderman has reprinted her research on the Hanover Settlement which includes German settlers from Adams Township in Defiance County and Henry County. Mary Williams moved to reimburse Gladys Donson's purchase of the Hanover Settlement book. Lavina seconded the motion; motion carried.

President Brown noted that Jane Wilson has the Farmer GAR minutes.

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Gravestones Go Digital!

Gravestones, too, have now entered the digital age. The QR (Quick Response) app now allows smart-phone users to scan a ceramic tombstone app. A smart-phone with a QR reader can scan the code, launching a website or multimedia collection created by the family, providing an interactive life story for anyone standing over the grave, or logging in online. Within seconds the smart-phone can display such personal information as a family tree, biographies and even hundreds of photos. These ceramic QR products are now being manufactured for use on headstones, cremation urns, crosses, and other memorial items.

QR codes have been used in advertisements for years, and a handful of American funeral homes began attaching them to grave-stones in early 2011. In Japan they were used as early as the 1990s. The general cost range is \$100-\$400.



At the Allen County Public Library

Wednesday, 13 February “Plug-In Your Arm-chair Genealogy: Researching from Home” is being offered at the ACPL.

The Genealogy Center at the Allen County Public Library is offering 30-minute personal consultations with a staff member on some troublesome aspect of your research. Times for consultations will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on the second Thursday of February (2/14) and March (3/14) in 2013. Please provide basic information about the nature of your quandary. A staff member will be assigned and a time established for your consultation. Be sure to bring your research notes to your consultation.

Another class, “March Madness, Genealogy Style: Telling Your Story” will be Monday through Saturday, March 4-9, 2013. Sessions will highlight gathering and documenting oral history, using heirlooms in your family’s saga, and preserving family stories and memorabilia for future generations. Watch for more information on the events page at <http://www.genealogycenter.org/Events.aspx>. To register for a class, call 260-421-1225 or email Genealogy@ACPL.Info.



Ohio War Front

A portion of the article from the *Putnam Pastfinder* Summer Issue 2012

A Lexington Kentucky newspaper dated September 2, 1812, reported: "This morning another fine regiment of volunteers under Colonel William Jennings passed through our town for Harrison's army, all in high spirits. Two members of Congress, (Sam) McKee and (Thomas) Montgomery are privates in this regiment of infantry. With their knapsacks ready to support with their bayonets those principles which McKee advocated as a legislature and which Montgomery (just released to Congress) is thus prepared to maintain"

The group of some 6000 Kentucky militia, according to this same source and others, was prepared to serve its country in wars with the British and Indians on the frontiers in and bordering northwest Ohio. This regiment of volunteers formed the nucleus of the early history of Fort Jennings.

Mustered into the army at Frankfort, Kentucky, the troops rendezvoused at Cincinnati before joining General William H. Harrison's army at Fort. Saint Marys. On September 21, 1812, Lt. Col. Jennings was ordered to proceed down the Auglaize River toward Defiance, establish an intermediate post, and escort provision to Gen. James Winchester on the Maumee River.

Advancing about 30 miles, Lt. Col. Jennings saw signs of Indians, and his spies reported the enemy was at Fort Defiance. He halted on the banks of the Auglaize and began building block houses. During the building of the fort, the men stationed here camped in tents.

On October 1, General Harrison and several regiments of approximately 3000 men spent the night at this site as they were advancing to assist Gen. Winchester at Fort. Defiance. The weather was unusually cold and it rained all day. The men rested wherever they could find a dry spot; many leaned against trees.

Receiving word assistance was not needed, Gen. Harrison instructed Colonel Robert Poague's soldiers to cut a road from Fort Jennings to Fort Defiance while the remainder of Gen. Harrison's troops returned to Fort St. Marys.

In mid-October, Lt. Col. Jennings' regiment under Gen.. Harrison's command, completed the fort at their encampment. Named in honor of Lt. Col. Jennings, the fort was built to store supplies for soldiers advancing along the

Maumee River, That same month, Gen.. Harrison wrote the United State Secretary of War: "There ought also to be at Fort Jennings on the Auglaize 30 or 40,000 rations."

A ration was one day's food supply for one man. The American State Papers, Military Affairs, reported a ration contracted for was 1 1/4 lb. of beef or 3/4 lb. of salt pork, 18 oz. of bread or flour, a gill (1/4 pint) of rum, whiskey, or brandy plus 2 quarts of salt, 4 quarts of vinegar, 4 lbs. of soap, and 1 1/2 lbs. of candles for every 100 rations.

The army relied on contractors and subcontractors to furnish supplies for the troops. These men were interested only in a livelihood and were not included to risk their lives in getting across the swamp. Thus, the supplies did not always arrive when expected....

Transporting supplies through the area became increasingly difficult. The water in the rivers was too low for boats to pass and the cool, damp weather of autumn kept the land marshy

The road from Fort St. Marys to Fort Defiance was one continuous swamp, often leaving pack horses knee-deep and wagons up to the hub in mud. It was impossible, in some instances to get empty wagons through the area....

On December 22, Gen. Winchester received a moderate supply of provisions and clothing at Fort Defiance. At the end of the month, he began a march to the Miami Rapids encampment along the Maumee River toward the present-day city of Toledo.

Lt. Col. Jennings and most of his men had, by this time, been sent to the battle areas along the Maumee River [and thus were not at the battle of the disastrous River Raisin]....

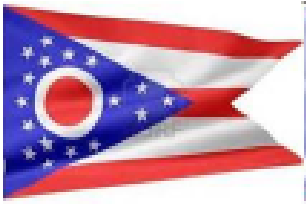
At the end of March 1813, Lt. Col. Jennings and his troops left northern Ohio and returned to Kentucky, their six month tour of duty completed....

When the War of 1812 ended in December 1814, Fort Jennings was abandoned as a military post. The crude structures were left to rot and deteriorate...

Finding Ohioans in the War of 1812

Ohio furnished 1759 officers and 24,521 enlisted men for the War of 1812. Their names, published in a 1916 transcription of the Adjutant General's records, can be searched at ww2.ohiohistory.org/resource/database/rosters.html

Another useful web site is www.ohiodaughters1812.org. The site, hosted by the U. S. Daughters of 1812 has 5539 entries for veterans of the War of 1812 buried in Ohio. It is noted that the listing is still a work in progress.



Ohio GenWeb Project

www.ohgenweb.org/

The OHGenWeb is an association of dedicated volunteers whose goal is to provide online genealogical information at no cost to the visitor. All 88 counties in Ohio are represented and may be searched by entering the name of the county. All information on the site is free. The project is continually soliciting donations of information, photos, documents and people available to perform research. To provide information regarding a specific county, contact that county's coordinator. To volunteer to adopt a county, contact the state coordinator listed at the web site.

What resources might you find?

- *Transcribed census records, tombstones inscriptions, deed records, etc.
- *Local courthouse and government information
- *Surnames of others researching similar sur names
- *Possible ancestor photos, and/or historical landscape photos
- *Research - the site provides a listing of researchers and their areas of expertise.

The site especially offers information on two projects. Ohio Family Reunions provides a site for families to enter a family's reunion time and place. The Ohio Tombstone Photos Project provides photographs of gravestones. Volunteers continue to photograph gravesites in all 88 counties.

Blacksnakes's Path:

The True Adventures of William Wells

(George Ironside and Oliver Spencer -pp. 170-171)

Blacksnake's Path, a historical fiction novel, written by William Heath, tell the remarkable, true story of William Wells, an Indian captive. After his release from the Indians, Wells became an Indian fighter, scout, spy, negotiator, and agent. Although classified as a novel, the book is well researched and gives a picture of life in the Northwest Territory.

The following selection tells of events of the Defiance area:

...Several days later Wells went to visit the

traders' town on a high bluff south of the Maumee overlooking the Glaize, where many of the men he had known at Kekionga [the Indian name for what later would become Fort Wayne] had moved their stores. The largest log-hewed structure was divided into George Ironside's warehouse, store, and home. John Kinzie, the silversmith, was next to him, then the French Baker and the Miamis Company agent, and Antoine Lassile, the fur trader. The thirty-two-year-old Ironside was the man Wells knew best; he had been educated at King's Collage, Aberdeen, and, after coming to America, had married a Mohawk woman and had prospered as a fur trader at Kekionga before Harmar's invasion drove him to the Glaize. Ironside told Wells about a boy who his wife's brother, White Loon, had captured, pointing across the Maumee at a lone cabin where he lived.

Well encountered the boy one afternoon walking in a lovely white oak opening above the point where the trader's town stood. The place provided an impressive view of the bottomland of the Glaize covered with cornfields. A few Indians had waded into the Maumee to gig for fish...

"What's your name?"

"Oliver Spencer."

"How old are you?"

"Thirteen."

"And you father is?"

"Colonel Olive Spencer," the boy stated proudly. "He fought the British."

Wells recalled conversations while he was at Fort Washington about the boy's capture. An Indian war party, out stealing horses, discovered four people in a canoe returning from Cincinnati to Columbia. They killed one man, wounded another, and when the canoe tipped over, an old lady fell into the water-- her voluminous skirts fortuitously carried her downstream and out of danger. Young Oliver had been taken prisoner.

"Does you Indian mother treat you well?" asked Wells.

"Sometimes she gets drunk and beats me."

Wells walked with the boy back to his cabin and met Cooh-coo-cheh, the squaw that looked after him. She had the piercing look of a seer; her face was twisted into a grimace, yet she seemed to care for her adopted son. Two of her grandchildren also lived there [one a sly-eyed spoiled brat she called

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President Obama Descends from America's First Slave

from Ancestry.com - October 8, 2012

We've all heard about President Obama's Irish roots, and we know his father came from Kenya. But a research team from Ancestry.com, the world's largest online family history resource, has also concluded that the nation's 44th president is also the 11th great-grandson of John Punch, the first documented African enslaved for life in American history.

And what's more, the connection comes through President Obama's Caucasian mother's family. This discovery follows years of research by Ancestry.com genealogists who, using early Virginia records and DNA analysis, linked Obama to John Punch. Punch was an indentured servant in Colonial Virginia who fled to escape servitude in 1640. After he was caught, his punishment was enslavement for life. Punch's is the first documented case of slavery for life in the colonies, occurring decades before slavery laws were enacted in Virginia.

President Obama is traditionally viewed as an African American because of his father's heritage in Kenya. However, while researching his Caucasian mother, Stanley Ann Dunham, Ancestry.com genealogists found her to have African heritage as well. Their interest piqued, the researchers kept digging. DNA analysis helped confirm that Dunham's ancestors, known as white landowners in Colonial Virginia, actually descended from an African man. Existing records suggest that this man, John Punch, had children with a white woman who then passed her free status on to their offspring. Some of Punch's descendants went on to be free, successful land owners in a Virginia entrenched in slavery.

An expert in Southern research and past president of the Board for Certification of Genealogists, Elizabeth Shown Mills, performed a third-party review of the research and documentation to verify the findings: "In reviewing Ancestry.com's conclusions, I weighed not only the actual findings but also Virginia's laws and social attitudes when John Punch was living," said Mills. "A careful consideration of the evidence convinces me that the Y-DNA evidence of African origin is indisputable, and the surviving paper trail points solely to John Punch as the logical candidate. Genealogical research on individuals who lived hundreds of years ago can never definitively prove that one man fathered another, but this research meets the highest standards and can be offered with confidence."

"Two of the most historically significant African Americans
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in the history of our country are amazingly directly related," says Ancestry.com genealogist Joseph Shumway. "John Punch was more than likely the genesis of legalized slavery in America. But after centuries of suffering, the Civil War, and decades of civil rights efforts, his 11th great-grandson became the leader of the free world and the ultimate realization of the American Dream."

More details and additional research on President Obama's family lineage can be found at www.ancestry.com/obama.

Our chapter would like for you to join

First Families of Defiance County

If you can prove you ancestor was here in Defiance County before January 1846, your ancestor will be classified as a "Pioneer." If he or she lived here between January 1846 and December 1860, that ancestor will be classified as a "Settler." To prove your lineage back to your ancestor, you may use birth records, death records, marriage licenses, census records, Bible records, and other primary or supportive secondary records.

The application fee is \$15.00 which covers as many ancestors as you can prove and also covers your membership pin. You must be a member of the Defiance County Chapter OGS. This membership may be paid at the same time as your application fee is paid. The cutoff date is August 1st of the year in which you apply. For more information and to download the application for First Families go to the society's web site at www.defiancecountygenealogy.org or write to the chapter at PO Box 7006 Defiance, OH 43512-7006 attention of Mary Scranton, chair.

Defiance County Centennial Families

To acknowledge families which have been in Defiance County for 100 years or more, our chapter has established a centennial recognition program. Just one item of proof showing that a family member was here in 1908 or before is needed to register a family. Upon registration, a certificate will be sent from the chapter. For more information, please contact the chapter via email or by snail mail-- attention Carol Ehlinger.

Applications may be completed at any time. Register your family today!

SURNAMES IN DEFIANCE COUNTY BEING RESEARCHED BY OUR MEMBERS - 2012

Addison, Rita -Diffenbaugh, Steel, Warner
Allison, Joanne -Richholt/Richolt, King/ Koenig, Wrede/Reed
Ballman, Kathleen -Ray, Schell/Shell, Clemmer, Dowell
Bayes, Roena -Bayes, Haley, Partee
Bennett, David -Bennett, Ball, Hay, Brown, Parmenter, Keezer, Hole
Block, Art -Block, Norden, Young, Potterf, Luderman
Block, Ruth -Meyer, Biederstadt
Boesling, Lavina -Schwake, Boesling, Heldberg, Cordes
Brown, Cecelia -Schindler, Wisda, Batt, Boff, Hopkins, Scherer, Brown, Peterson, Bauer,
Moninger, Spitler, Behne
Calvert, Leslie -Rose, Hively, Wilson, Moore, Lewis
Casler, Rhonda -Hussey, Stuckey, Mansfield, Bennett, Link, Peterson
Diehl, Penny -Diehl, Herr, Schmaltz, Conn, Swartzel
Donson, Gladys -Walters, Polter, Gusler, Snyder, Musser
Duerk, Corrine -Duerk, Miller, Eberle, Ruess
Egert, Nancy -Egert, Fremion, Schlegel, Frey
Ehlinger, Carol -Crawfoot, Breininger
Eitniear, Melba -Andaerson, Crum, Eitniear, Kimmel, Schoonover, VanVlerah, Wagner, Rickner
Eustace, Susan -Bechtol, Garver, Degler
Freeman, Carolyn -Dowe/Dauwe, Speaker, Bruner, Hilton
Heilshorn, Cynthia -Brechbill, Coleman, Osborn, Bottenberg
Hill, Diane -Bish, Varner, Baum, Deckrosh, Hill, McClure, Ankney
Hohenberger, Margaret -Lovejoy, Maag, Fransdorf, Wilson, Hohenberger
Holbrook, Joyce -Grubaugh, Bassett
Horvath, Mary Etta -Wartenbee, Lovejoy, Hill, Wilson, Smith, Rector, Griffith
Karacson, Charles -Huber, Foghter, Thiel, Simmers
Karacson, Donna -Tharp, Evert, Reed, Kretzer, Hasch
Kern, Frank -Marcellus, Elkins, Michael, Columbia
Klein, Kathryn -Bauer, Reber, Rolf
Kline, Dianne -Meek
Knopf, Susan -Beerbower , Fickle, Rinkel
LaFlame, Alta -Long, Roan, VanVlert, Masters
McGrew, Nancy -Bottenberg, Chaney, Perry
Marckel, Lucy -Wheaton, Hemlinger, Smith, Marckel, Hardy, Osborne, Hauser
Marshall, John/Carolyn -Marshall, Sharp
Martin, Cathy -Baker, Martin, Bixby, Clementz, Foust
Miller, Julie -Hostettler, Marckel, Figley, Lower, Hatfield, Donley, Osborn, Lehman, Williams,
-Sullivan, Hardy, Tarr, Pearce, Baldwin, Brown
Myers, Donna/Richard -Myers, Snyder, Spieth, Bauer
Osmun, Phyllis -Peter, Patten, Scott, Miller, Osmun, Willard
Perry, Debra -Heller, Carr, Durfey, Miller
Rashley, Pat -Carpenter, Williams
Ritter, Liesa -Hohenberger, Dirr, Franker, Demland
River, Theresa/Ken -Sevrence, Moog, Brenner, Bash, Diehl
Sackett, Ralph -Imber, Ley/Lye
Savage, Herbert -Mast, Horsey, Haase, Bronson, Bercaw
Schmertz, William -Donley, Bergman, McFeters, English, Fieldner
Schoeneck, Carol -Phelps, Richardson, Weisenburger, Shannon, Hall,Bruchouser, Hammerschmidt, Fribley
Scranton, Mary/Herbert -Scranton, Brueggerman, Yekisa, Blood, Loomis
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Defiance City New Riverside Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '78-'82; pub 2001)	\$35.00		
Delaware Twp. Def. Co. Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '01-'02; pub 2005)	\$30.00		
Farmer Twp. Def. Co. Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '94; pub 2008)	\$30.00		
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Highland Twp. Def. Co. Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '01; pub 2005)	\$25.00		
Mark & Milford Twps. Def. Co. Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '01; pub 2004)	\$25.00		
Noble Twp. Def. Co. Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '92; pub 2005)	\$20.00		
Richland Twp. Def. Co./ Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '78-'82; pub 2001)	\$20.00		
Tiffin Twp. Def. Co. Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '96-'06; pub 2001)	\$25.00		
Washington Twp. Def. Co. Tombstone Inscriptions (Read '97; pub 2005)	\$20.00		
Def. Co. Births 1867-1908: Book A-D, Book E-I, Book J-M (pub 2001)	\$35.00 each		
Def. Co. Births 1867-1908: Book N-Sm, Book Sn-Z (pub 2001)	\$30.00 each		
Def. Co. Marriages - Small Vol 1: 1845-1861 (pub. 2001)	\$20.00		
Def. Co. Marriages - Small Vol. 2: 1855-1885 (pub 2006)	\$30.00		
Def. Co. Marriages Vol. 1&2: Feb. 1885-May 1897 (pub 2009)	\$25.00		
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Def. Co. Marriages Vol. 7&8 Dec. 1912-Nov. 1925 (NEW 2011)	\$25.00		
Defiance County Naturalizations (pub 2008)	\$20.00		
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Campaigns of the Army of the Northwest 1812-1813 (pub 2009)	\$10.00		
Civil War Journals of Darius W. Baird (38th OVI) of NW Ohio (NEW 2011)	\$10.00		
Reproduction of Turnbull Wagon Co. Catalogue 1904 (NEW 2011)	\$21.50		
Genealogical Research Guide for Defiance County, Ohio (NEW 2012)	\$2.50		
TOTAL (Includes all taxes, shipping handling. Prices effective May 2011)		TOTAL	

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Form - March 2012

Defiance County's Civil War Service Certificate:
A Certificate Accorded by the Defiance County Genealogical Society



To be considered for the DCGS Civil War Service Certificate, an ancestor must be proved to have served in a Defiance County, Ohio military unit during the Civil War or have been a Civil War veteran (either Union or Confederate) who was born, lived, died or was buried in Defiance County, Ohio. The applicant must be a member of the Defiance County Genealogical Society for this certificate to be awarded.

The applicant filing for a Defiance County Civil War Service Certificate must include documentation for the ancestor for one of the above events (service, birth, residency, death, burial) occurring in Defiance County, Ohio. In addition the applicant must include proof of the unit with which the Civil War soldier served. The application must also include either a generational chart or a written explanation showing the relationship of the applicant with the ancestor who is the focus of the application. The applicant may be a direct or collateral descendant of the Civil War ancestor.

You may submit as many applications as you wish. Also you may include a story or biography of your ancestor for possible use in the chapter newsletter, website, or future publications. **If you submit an article, please date and sign the submission and note that the chapter has permission to use the article.**

Name of Civil War Ancestor: _____

Unit with which the ancestor served _____

Rank attained if known _____

Years served if known _____

1. Attach documentation showing with which unit your Civil War ancestor served. For example, this might be a page copied from a unit history or information downloaded from Ancestry.com. The proof does not need to be a formal government copy.

2. Attach proof that your ancestor was connected to Defiance County in one of the following ways: service, birth, residency, death or burial. The proof does not need to be certified. It may be a copy of a birth certificate, a copy of a census, a listing in compiled birth, death or burial records, copy of land deed etc.

3. Attach a generational chart- or a written explanation-- showing your relationship with your Civil War ancestor.

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

**Please send the completed application to the Defiance County Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 7006
Defiance, OH 43512-7006.**

Direct questions to the chapter email: defiancegenealogy2002@ yahoo.com

**Defiance County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society
Membership Form**

Please **print or type** and send with check made **payable to DCGS**.

Send to: Defiance County Chapter OGS, PO Box 7006, Defiance, OH 43512

Membership year is January 1 through December 31, annual \$12.00 per person, \$15.00 for family. If you need to update your 5 generation charts, please sign and date with permission to publish for the newsletter and to file at Defiance Public Library Ohioana Room.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Maiden Name _____ Spouse name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip code _____ - _____ Phone # (_____) _____

E-mail address _____

Occupation/Former Occupation (optional) _____ Birthdate _____

New Member ___ OR Renewal ___ Single ___ OR Family ___ OR Gift ___

(If gift membership, send name and address of person to receive membership card and newsletter on back of this form)

Donation to DCGS for \$ _____ Specified Intention (please name) _____

****Would you prefer your newsletter (circle one) Snail mail/USPS or E-mail. Due to increased print/postage costs, please add \$5.00 to your membership fee for snail mail.**

Member of First Families of Defiance County, Yes ___ No OGS Member? Yes No

Your Surnames in Defiance County : _____

Program Suggestions? _____

What services/support would you be willing to help DCGS with? (Circle all that apply)

Officer/Trustee Committee Computer data entry Transcribing records Proof reading
Meeting Greeter Setting up displays Indexing Telephone/calling Fundraising Hospitality
1st Families Centennial Families Speaker/Program Education/Teaching Other Comments

I do ___ do not ___ give permission to have my information printed in any handouts, newsletters, or publications.

Office use only: Date Pd. _____ Ck. # _____ Cash _____ Membership # _____ Card sent _____

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