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 - 2012

January 23 - Gladys Donson, chapter member
   “Ghost Towns of Defiance County”
   Power Point presentation narrated by Gladys Donson

February 27 - Mary Williams, chapter member
   “A Monumental Visit to Defiance” This will be
   a Power Point presentation with a virtual tour of
   city and area monuments. The audience will be
   invited to share their knowledge about these
   historical monuments.

March 26 - Celebrating our Chapter’s 35th
   Anniversary

April 23 - Lucille Sunderman
   “The Hanover Settlement and German Heritage”

Other meeting dates for 2012-- programs to be later
announced: May 23, June 25, July 23, September
24, October 22, November 26

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Ohio Historical Marker
for Winchester’s Camp #2 and Preston’s Island

Front text: By order of Brigadier Winchester, U. S. troops
built an earthen fort at this location during the War of 1812.
Back text: In the War of 1812 William Preston kept the U. S.
Army’s cattle on this island. Later it became an entertain-
ment spot with Chautauqua speakers.
What's Been Happening at DCGS?

September - Board Meeting Highlights

Richard Rozevink reported on the dedication of the newest Winchester Camp/Preston Island historical marker program. A letter of thanks has been sent to Mr. Trowbridge, the speaker, for the ceremony. The Camp Winchester account can now be closed. David Bennett and Richard are now investigating the life of William Preston.

The ad for the Turnbull Wagon catalog has appeared in the current issue of the Farm Bureau magazine.

The storage/workroom at the Visitors’ Bureau must be inspected by Toledo Edison before electricity is available.

September 26 - Chapter Meeting Highlights

Corresponding secretary Dianne Kline noted that there will be tours of Riverside Cemetery on October 22 at 3:00 and 4:00. Registration begins October 10. Also Lockport will celebrate its 175th anniversary on October 1 and 2 with various activities and meals.

Richard Rozevink of the Veterans Historical Committee noted that a thank-you to Mr. Trowbridge, speaker for the dedication of the Winchester marker, has been sent. He also announced that information will soon be online for Winchester's Camp #2 and Preston's Island.

September Program - Early Afro-Americans In Defiance County

Dianne Kline, a DCGS member, presented the program “Early Afro-Americans in Defiance County.” She pointed out some of the many resources she used in order to glean information for her presentation--censuses, military and land records, and newspaper accounts. Dianne told of Ohio's black laws which governed treatment of Afro-Americans from 1804-1849 and the importance of having a certificate of freedom. Without it, Afro-American were subject to arrest as were those harboring or helping run-aways in any way.

Dianne also pointed out that census takers noted only
the color of person and indicated that on the census. At various times only black or white was listed; other years the census taker could indicate mulatto--based again only upon the color of the skin. Children of the same parents could and were listed different racially.

From the 18950 census, there were 11 blacks living in the city of Defiance and 9 in Richland Township, namely the Neil family. By 1880 there were 65 in Defiance, 5 in Richland, and 124 in Highland. Dianne followed several families. Edward Fidler, a successful barber, was in Defiance County as early as 1845. Twenty years later he had moved to Illinois with a net worth of $5000 and eight children, two of whom were barbers.

The Lett Family lived for 36 years in the same cabin in Milford Township. George was a shingle maker and had ten children. At age 36 he fought in the Civil War and was noted to be white. Other families Dianne followed were the Carters, Worthingtons, Hubbards, Vinegars, Mumfords, and Scotts.

**October - Board Meeting Highlights**

Richard Rozevink of the Veterans’ Historical Committee noted that he had received a letter from Helene Werner, Historic Landmarks Chair, noting that she had received his thank-you for the donation from the National Society United States Daughters of 1812 and the two certificates. She apologized for not being able to attend the dedication for Winchester Camp #2.

After much discussion concerning dues for the coming year, the board decided to keep the single membership at $12.00 and the family membership at $15.00. Due to increased publishing and mailing costs, it was decided to request an additional $5.00 for mailing the four issues of the newsletter. Members may request email newsletters at no cost or they may indicate they do not wish to receive the newsletter.

**October - First Families and Chapter Banquet**

Following the annual banquet and the business meeting, induction of the 2011 First Family Members was held. Six new members were added to the rolls of First Families of Defiance County bringing the total number to 106.

Guest speaker for the banquet was Mark Young of the American Civil War Museum of Ohio. Mr. Young explained how the creation of an Ohio Civil War museum began with his personal interest and his personal collection of Civil War memorabilia collected over twenty-

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**Albert W. King and the Sultana Disaster**

The following information came from chapter member Joanne Allison.

My great-grandmother’s maiden name was Hulda Emilie King. Her brother Albert W. King from Defiance served with Company D, 100th Reg., Ohio Volunteer Infantry. I recently was fortunate enough to make connection with the great-niece of Albert W. King, (and also the great-granddaughter of John Martin Richholt), and she has Albert’s diary telling about his experience as a survivor of the sinking of the Sultana. A book entitled *Loss of the Sultana and Reminiscences of Survivors: Voices of the Civil War* edited by Chester D. Berry contains Albert’s story. His account can also be found at a National Geographic Site: [http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2001/05/0501_river5.html](http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2001/05/0501_river5.html).

And in Albert’s words:

“I jumped upon the stern railing and watched the crowd in the water waiting to see an opening to make the jump without striking anyone, and when I did make the plunge I came in contact with drowning men, and when I came to the supposed surface I struck the bottom of the boat; but I soon succeeded in getting out but many were still on the water and got a hold of me but I fought hard for freedom and saw a chance to pass under the stern of the boat without being nabbed when a lady jumped down upon me and getting a hold of my shirt, and nearly strangled me, I soon broke away from her and swimming but a short distance, when a board came up in front of me which I grabbed for support and returned to help the lady who was loudly calling for assistance, when another board popped up in front of me I placed one on top of the other and went back to her and placed the boards under her arms when she informed me that she had on a life preserver which slipped down when she jumped down from the cabin window to water while clinging to a rope.

“I was cautious to keep her in front of me working hard to the Arkansas side; often she would ask me if I thought we would be saved; to this I could give her no encouraging answer as everything around us was now in darkness and many going in the same direction and calling loudly for help.

“The boat had been burned down and was floating a

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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 Jan Morey, 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!

Free Queries for Chapter Members
Don’t forget that your chapter membership entitles you to unlimited queries in Yesteryears’ Trails for ancestors from the Defiance area.
Please do limit background information (to about fifty words) and ask for specific information from our readers. Queries may be sent to the chapter email listed on the first page of this newsletter.

Inquiry from Member
Olney Rice Family of Defiance County
I believe that the Olney Rice m. to Lydia Barrows, is the brother of my g.g.grandmother Ada Rice. I believe Olney is the father of both Ada and Olney b. 1799 VT. I also think that Nathan Rice is the father of the first Olney. I believe that the Rice family came to Ohio with the William Pierce and the Truman Needham families from New York. Any further help with Oney/Olney Rice (father of Ada who m. Wm. G. Pierce) in New York, would be appreciated.

Lois Durr

If you have any information concerning this family, please contact our membership chair, Dianne Kline in care of the chapter. She will provide you with contact information for Lois Durr.

Bouyer Family Bible
The following names were copied from a family Bible dated 1850
Joseph Bouter and Sarah Bouyer were married Nov. 3rd in the A. D. 1850
Isaac Bouyer was born April 6th 1785
Rebecca Bouyer was born August 7th 1794
Joesph Bouyer was born in the A. D. 1821 May 19th
Sarah Bouyer was born Oct. 5th in the A. D. 1830
Henry John Bouyer was born Dec. 9th 1851. Died Sept. 6th 1856. Aged four years eight months 28 days.
Samuel G. Bouyer was born January 29th 1854
William Millford Bouyer was born October 21st 1855
Lucinda Ann Bouyer was born Jan. 28th 1857
Jane Seymore Bouyer was born Sept. 12th 1859
Infant died Jan. 25th 1861
Charles Francis Bouyer was born July 1st 1863
Joseph Moris Bouyer was born April 1st 1866
Charles Grant Bouyer was born Sept. 21st 1868
Joseph Loren Bouyer was born August 28th 1892
Margaret Ethel Bouyer was born Jan. 28th 1895
Donald Irwin Bouyer was born August 17th 1906
Johnson Miller of Sherwood, Ohio enlisted as a private on August 21, 1861 at the age of nineteen. He was promoted to full sergeant 11 Jan. 1864, promoted to full corporal 14 Jan. 1864, and promoted to full first sergeant 22 June, 1865. He mustered out 11 July 1865.

Johnson was wounded twice-- at Kenesaw Mountain and at Chickamauga. It was at Kenesaw Mountain that he was struck by a spent minie ball in the forehead just above the left eye. According to one of his relatives, “The ball did not have enough force to go through his thick skull. This spent minie ball only went about half way through Johnson’s skull. The Civil War doctors were afraid to take it out, so they left it there as it was.” According to the relative’s son, Johnson’s skin eventually grew around the minie ball, and he went for the rest of his life with the ball stuck in his skull.

Well, here we go again-- you didn’t tell me to stop. With the holidays coming up, I decided to run “Christmas on a Canal Boat.” Here it goes.

Christmas on a Canal Boat

How are we going to spend Christmas! exclaimed the good-natured Mrs. Captain Boggs seemingly a bit surprised at the question, for canal boat folks are sensitive of any criticism aimed in their direction.

“Why we’re going to spend the day just like other folks. Some think because we live on a canal boat, we don’t have any comforts and eat like savages. My, but I’d heap-sight rather live down here than in a flat like my niece. She’s got six rooms and they can’t begin to be as big as mine. If you think there ain’t room just look here.”

Mrs. Boggs then displayed the secrets of a suit of rooms, the ingenuity of the arrangement rivaling the den of a New York bachelor girl. Out of the cabin which served as living and dining rooms combined, jutted two alcoves beside the kitchen which was even tinier than the modern apartment kitchenette.

While under ordinary circumstances, the kitchen was part of the cabin proper-- two doors all right angles to each other-- could be drawn out so that they could form a room by itself. A shiny coal stove or range quite filled the compartment leaving just room enough to work, while above it every inch of wall space was util-

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The 68th OVI
According to the History of Defiance County 1883, the 100th began its first winter 1861-1862 in comparative luxury. The regiment was organized at Camp Latty in Napoleon with one company from each of Defiance, Paulding, Williams, Henry, and Fulton Counties-- the rest coming from Henry County. The men had Sibley tents furnished with stoves and plenty of supplies received from their homes. On January 21, 1862 the men moved to Camp Chase near Cincinnati where they trained until Feb. 7.

Arriving in Danelson, Tennessee, the regiment was assigned to Gen. Charles Smith’s division and were immediately involved in skirmishes. After Pittsburg Landing, due to bad weather and illness the regiment, originally numbering about 1000 was reduced to about 250 men. The regiment was then assigned to Gen. Lew Wallace. Around Corinth, Mississippi, the regiment was engaged in building roads, bridges, and trenches. They saw action in the battles of Iuka and Metamora. During the campaign in Mississippi the regiment was assigned to the Second Brigade, Third Division, 17th Army Corps with which it remained the rest of the war.

In Louisiana the men working clearing roads and bridges in the bayous. Thereafter they were involved in the siege of Vicksburg fighting in such battles as Thompson’s Hill, Raymond, Champion Hills, Big Black, and Fort Hill. After the battle at Jackson, the unit guarded 600 prisoners into Vicksburg. After a rest, the unit went on to fight at Monroe, Louisiana and after due to injury or illness, the unit lost one-third of its men.

The 68th was one of the first regiments in the 17th Corp. to report three-fourth of its men to reenlist. In December the unit headed north on its veterans’ furlough. In Toledo they especially received a warm welcome with a band and parade through the streets.

In May, by train, they headed back to Cairo, Mississippi, joining some one hundred new recruits, that had been left in Mississippi. Here the regiment was given new Springfield rifles and 750 strong, they joined Sherman in the Atlanta campaign where the 68th was under almost constant fighting. After Atlanta, the unit moved on the Savannah and then through North Carolina and Virginia eventually ending in Washington City where it took part in the grandreview on May 24, 1865.

By war’s end the 68th had been in every rebel state except Florida and Texas. It had marched over 7000 miles and traveled by railroad and steamboat over 6000 miles.

Company E Officers--

Company E Privates-

Men of the 68th OVI in the newspapers of the time--
The following men of the 68th wrote letters home which were published in area newspapers. This listing was compiled by the Center for Archival Collections located at the BGSU Library.

Colonel Robert K. Scott
Enlisted, age 36 on October 1, 1861 to serve three years; promoted to Lt. Colonel from Major November 30, 1861; to Colonel July 5, 1862; Brevet Brigadier General January 25, 1865; Brigadier General March 31, 1865; Brevet Major General, December 5, 1865
Toledo Daily Commercial- 2/28/1863, 4/20/1863, 6/19/1863
Colonel Samuel H. Steedman
Enlisted 10/1/1861 as Lieutenant Colonel, promoted to Colonel 11/29/1861, discharged 7/5/1862.
Perrysburg Journal- 6/11/1862.

Major George E. Welles
Enlisted age 22 on October 29, 1861 to serve three years; promoted to Major from Adjutant July 5, 1862; to Lt. Colonel May 16, 1863; to Colonel June 16, 1865; not mustered; mustered out with regiment, July 10, 1865.

Napoleon Northwest- 7/1/1863

Quartermaster James G. Haly
Enlisted, age 44 on October 10, 1861 to serve three years; appointed October 26, 1861; resigned October 26, 1862

Napoleon Northwest- Article: 6/25/1862; Letter: 3/12/1862

Major George E. Miller
Paulding Independent- 6/25/1863

Roster - Company A, 68th OVI

Second Lieutenant Samuel R. Adams
Enlisted, age 21 on October 17, 1861 to serve three years; promoted from Sergeant Major October 26, 1862; to 1st Lieutenant Co. K February 26, 1864; to Captain Co. H. November 26, 1864; to Captain and Assistant Adjutant General April 27, 1865 and transferred to Staff of General Force, 1st Division, 17th Army Corps

Toledo Daily Commercial- 7/1/1863

First Lieutenant William F. Williams
Enlisted, age 32 on October 12, 1861 to serve three years; appointed 2nd Lieutenant November 21, 1861; promoted to 1st Lieutenant October 26, 1862; to Captain Co. D May 9, 1864

Paulding Independent- 11/20/1862, 8/20/1863

Private Robert D. Wood
Enlisted, age 23 on October 28, 1861 to serve three years; appointed Corporal December 24, 1864; Sergeant January 30, 1865; mustered out with company July 10, 1865; veteran

Napoleon Northwest- Poem: 9/2/1863

Roster - Company B, 68th OVI

Captain Sidney S. Sprague
Enlisted November 13, 1861 to serve three years; resigned June 22, 1863

Defiance Democrat- 11/1/1862

Roster - Company C, 68th OVI

Second Lieutenant James F. Cosgro
Enlisted age 24 on October 16, 1861 to serve three years; appointed 2nd Lieutenant November 27, 1861; promoted to 1st Lieutenant December 29, 1862, but declined to accept; mustered out December 24, 1864 on expiration of term of service (Found in roster of Company K)

Bryan Union Press- 2/4/1864, 8/11/1864

Letter: Bryan Democrat- 5/28/1864

Captain Patrick H. Mooney
Enlisted, age 33 October 16, 1861 to serve three years; appointed November 27, 1861; mustered out January 3, 1865, at Savannah, GA on expiration of term of service

Paulding Independent- 11/20/1862, 8/20/1863

First Lieutenant George W. Kniss
Enlisted, age 24, on October 30, 1861 to serve for three years; appointed 2nd Lieutenant November 25, 1861; promoted to 1st Lieutenant February 24, 1863; to Captain, Co. H June 16, 1865

Defiance Democrat- 8/1/1863

Private Gilbert L. Meyers
Record not found in roster

Paulding Independent- 10/1/1863

Private William R. Snook
Enlisted, age 26, October 30, 1861 to serve three years; mustered out October 29, 1864, at Chattanooga, TN, on expiration of term of service

Paulding Independent- 2/19/1863, 7/9/1863, 10/8/1863

Roster - Company F, 68th OVI

Private Edward Alpheus Bigelow
Enlisted December 31, 1863 to serve three years; mustered out with company July 10, 1865

Toledo Daily Commercial- 8/8/1864

Roster - Company D, 68th OVI

Color Sergeant Jeremiah Hollinshead
Jeremiah Hollinshead enlisted as a 25 year old Private in Company F, 14th Ohio Volunteer Infantry on April 22, 1861, mustering into service April 27, 1861. He was mustered out August 13, 1861 at Toledo, Ohio.

He later enlisted as a Private in Company D, 68th Ohio Volunteer Infantry on November 6, 1861, mustering into service December 13, 1861. Promoted to Sergeant and awarded the honor of carrying the regiment's battle flag, Hollinshead was wounded in action May 16, 1863 at the Battle of Champion's Hill. He was mustered out December 19, 1864 at Savannah, Georgia.

Letter: Bucyrus Journal: June 26, 1863

Roster - Company H, 68th OVI

First Sergeant Webster C. Shepard
Enlisted, age 25 on October 12, 1861 to serve three years; appointed 1st Sergeant from Private December 20, 1861; promoted to 2nd Lieutenant March 27, 1862; not mustered; appointed 1st Sergeant March 29, 1863; killed July 22, 1864 in Battle of Atlanta; veteran

Toledo Daily Commercial- 10/2/1863

Private William A. Ward
Enlisted 10/7/1861 as a Private, promoted to Sergeant, promoted to 1st Sergeant 7/23/1864, promoted to 1st Lieutenant 1/11/1865, mustered out 7/10/1865 at Louisville, Kentucky

Perrysburg Journal- 1/16/1862, 1/30/1862, 2/13/1862, 2/20/1862, 3/6/1862, 3/27/1862, 5/7/1862, 4/15/1863, 10/14/1863

Roster - Company I, 68th OVI
The 100th OVI

The 100th OVI was organized in Toledo July and August 1862. The regiment participated in battles of Lenoir Station, Knoxville, Rocky Face Ridge, Dallas, Etowh Creek, Atlanta, Columbus, Franklin, Nashville, Town Creek, and Wilmington.

At Atlanta on the 6th of August, 103 out of 300 men were lost-- thirty six men were killed on the field and eight more died from wounds within days. July 1, 1865 the regiment mustered out in Cleveland having served two years and ten months. The 100th lost 65 men killed in action, 142 were wounded of which 27 later died, and 108 died of disease. The 100th had 325 captured, of which most were captured near the Virginia state line and were taken to Richmond, Virginia. Of those 85 died in prison.

Company D was made up primarily of men from Defiance County.

Company D Officers-
William H. Thorton, Captian; William Bishop, Jr., First Lieutenant; James U. Blue, Second Lieutenant; A. K. Tate, First Sergeant; L. G. Thacker, Second Sergeant; Henry Obee, Third Sergeant; Bailey Fleming, Fourth Sergeant; Daniel W. Smead, Fifth Sergeant; Gilbert White, First Corporal; Otho Collier, Second Corporal; John K. Bucklew, Third Corporal; John Meek, Fourth Corporal; Solomon Deamer, Fifth Corporal; Martin Neuhauser, Sixth Corporal; Peter Marcellus, Seventh Corporal; Isaac S. Miller, Eighth Corporal (promoted to First Lieutenant and later Quartermaster; George Fredericks, Musician; Frederick March, Musician.

Company D Privates-

First Lieutenant Ira M. Kelsey
Enlisted 10/10/1861 as 1st Lieutenant, wounded 5/16/1863 at Battle of Champion Hills, Mississippi, mustered out 1/4/1865.
Perrysburg Journal--3/13/1862, 4/17/1862, 8/13/1862
Toledo Blade- 7/18/1863

Second Lieutenant Lewis Dubbs
Enlisted 10/9/1861 as 2nd Lieutenant, resigned commission 4/14/1863.
Perrysburg Journal--10/15/1862

Private Lyman J. Hissong
Enlisted 10/21/1861 as a Private into Company A, transferred 12/1/1861 to Company I, discharged 4/14/1863 at Millken’s Bend, Louisiana.
Perrysburg Journal--11/12/1862

Captain Hiram H. Poe
Enlisted October 3, 1861 to serve three years; appointed December 18, 1861; mustered out October 28, 1864, on expiration of term of service
Napoleon Northwest- 5/21/1862, 8/20/1862
Perrysburg Journal- 9/14/1864
Roster - Company K, 68th OVI

First Lieutenant James H. Long
Enlisted age 23 on October 7, 1861 to serve three years; appointed 1st Lieutenant November 27, 1861; promoted to Captain November 25, 1863; mustered out November 8, 1864, on expiration of term of service
Williams County Leader- 2/27/1862
Union Press- 4/11/1862, 5/2/1862
Press and Leader - 12/4/1862, 2/5/1863
Bryan Union Press- 9/3/1863

Private Andrew Long
Enlisted, age 29, on November 27, 1861 to serve three years; mustered out with company on July 10, 1865; veteran
Williams County Leader- 1/30/1862, 3/6/1862, 3/13/1862, 4/3/1862, 7/17/1862
Press and Leader - 8/28/1862, 1/29/1863, 7/16/1863
Bryan Union Press- 9/24/1863, 10/22/1863, 9/1/1864

Private Thomas A. Shorthill
Enlisted, age 18, on October 22, 1861 to serve three years; appointed Corporal July 23, 1864; mustered out with company July 10, 1865; veteran
Williams County Leader- 3/6/1862

Captain Edwin J. Evans
Enlisted, age 37 on October 16, 1861 to serve three years; appointed November 27, 1861; wounded May 16, 1863 in Battle of Champion Hills, MS, resigned August 9, 1863
Williams County Leader- 6/26/1862
Letter: Press and Leader - 7/23/1863
Letter: Bryan Democrat- 6/4/1863

Company D Officers-
William H. Thorton, Captain; William Bishop, Jr., First Lieutenant; James U. Blue, Second Lieutenant; A. K. Tate, First Sergeant; L. G. Thacker, Second Sergeant; Henry Obee, Third Sergeant; Bailey Fleming, Fourth Sergeant; Daniel W. Smead, Fifth Sergeant; Gilbert White, First Corporal; Otho Collier, Second Corporal; John K. Bucklew, Third Corporal; John Meek, Fourth Corporal; Solomon Deamer, Fifth Corporal; Martin Neuhauser, Sixth Corporal; Peter Marcellus, Seventh Corporal; Isaac S. Miller, Eighth Corporal (promoted to First Lieutenant and later Quartermaster; George Fredericks, Musician; Frederick March, Musician.

Company D Privates-
Woodring, John K. Wilson, Joseph Young, Franklin B. Zigler, Henry Zigler.

**Men of the 100th OVI in the newspapers of the time--**
The following men of the 100th wrote letters home which were published in local newspapers. This listing was compiled by the Center for Archival Collections located at the BGSU Library.

**Surgeon George A. Collamore**
Enlisted 8/19/1862 as surgeon, mustered out with regiment 6/20/1865 at Greensboro, NC.
*Toledo Blade* - 8/20/1864, 12/10/1864
*Toledo Daily Commercial* - 9/28/1863, 8/20/1864, 12/13/1864

**Colonel John C. Groom**
Enlisted, age 28, on August 28, 1862 to serve three years; resigned May 13, 1863
*Defiance Democrat* - 12/13/1862

**Lieutenant Colonel Edwin L. Hayes**
Enlisted, age 34 on August 26, 1862 to serve three years; promoted to Lt. Colonel from Major May 13, 1863; wounded August 6, 1864 at Battle of Utoy Creek, GA; discharged November 30, 1864 on Surgeon's certificate of disability
*Paulding Independent* - 4/23/1863
*Toledo Daily Commercial* - 2/5/1863, 4/14/1863, 6/18/1863, 7/4/1864

**Lieutenant Colonel Patrick Summerville Slevin**
Enlisted, age 46 on August 8, 1862 to serve three years; promoted from Lt. Colonel May 13, 1863; wounded August 6, 1864 at Battle of Utoy Creek, GA; discharged November 30, 1864 on Surgeon's certificate of disability

**Major John A. Shannon**
Ohio native John A. Shannon was serving as a Methodist minister in Perrysburg when the war broke out. He enlisted as the Captain of Company A, 100th Ohio Volunteer Infantry on July 13, 1862. He was promoted to Major on May 13, 1863. He was appointed Lieutenant Colonel of the First US Colored Heavy Artillery on May 11, 1864. He was promoted to Colonel on January 1, 1865, and resigned his commission on May 13, 1865. After the war, Shannon returned to Wood County and practiced law for many years. He was twice elected Mayor of Bowling Green and was active in Republican Party politics. In later life, he and his family moved to Michigan. He died in December of 1894 and is buried in Oak Grove Cemetery in Bowling Green.
*Perrysburg Journal* - 12/9/1863

**Assistant Surgeon Robert Johnson**
Enlisted 9/8/1862 as assistant surgeon, captured 9/8/1863 at Battle of Limestone Station, Tennessee, mustered out 6/20/1865 at Greensboro, NC
*Toledo Blade* - 12/2/1863

**Adjutant Norman Waite**
*Toledo Blade* - 12/10/1864
*Roster - Company A, 100th OVI*

**Captain Leonard B. Blinn**
See also Co. C, 21st Ohio Infantry
Enlisted 4/25/1861 as 2nd Lieutenant of Company C, 21st Ohio Infantry, mustered out 8/12/1861 at Columbus, OH, enlisted 7/17/1862 as 1st Lieutenant of Company A, 100th Ohio Infantry, promoted to Captain 5/13/1863, resigned commission 3/3/1865
*Perrysburg Journal* - 10/7/1863, 12/23/1863, 12/30/1863, 9/14/1864

**Corporal John L. McCollery**
Enlisted 8/3/1862 as a Private, promoted to Corporal 8/24/1862, captured 9/8/1863 at Limestone Station, Tennessee, transferred to the Navy 5/20/1864
*Perrysburg Journal* - 1/13/1864

**Corporal Byron C. Baldwin**
Enlisted 8/4/1862 as a Private, promoted to Corporal, captured 9/8/1863 at Limestone Station, Tennessee, killed in action 11/30/1864 at Franklin, Tennessee
*Perrysburg Journal* - 12/9/1863, (death of) 1/4/1865

**Private Andrew J. Munn**
Enlisted 7/24/1862 as a Private, captured 9/8/1863 at Limestone Station, returned 7/10/1864, mustered out with regiment 6/20/1865 at Greensboro, NC.
*Toledo Blade* - 7/23/1864
*Roster - Company B, 100th OVI*

**Captain Henry D. Taylor**
Enlisted, age 45 on July 11, 1862 to serve three years; appointed July 15, 1862; captured September 8, 1863 in action at Limestone Station, TN; promoted to Major July 13, 1864, but not mustered; returned to company September 29, 1864; discharged December 12, 1864 on Surgeon's certificate of disability
*Napoleon Northwest* - 10/7/1863

**First Lieutenant George Duncan Forsyth**
Enlisted age 28 on July 11, 1862 to serve three years; promoted from 2nd Lieutenant January 8, 1863; captured September 8, 1863 in action at Limestone Station, TN; killed April 13, 1864 in Libby Prison at Richmond, VA, by rebel guard.
*Toledo Blade* - 12/31/1863
*Napoleon Northwest - Article: 3/4/1864; Letter: 12/23/1863*
*Roster - Company C, 100th OVI*

**Private John K. Halm (Kalm)**
The last two regiments consisting of men primarily from Defiance County are the 107th OVI (Company K), the 111th OVI (Companies E and F). The Spring issue of Yesteryears’ Trails will contain rosters and brief regimental histories. Additional listings of Defiance Civil War soldiers can be found in *The History of Defiance County 1883.*

**Private John W. Kinneman**
Enlisted age 21 on August 9, 1862 to serve three years; captured September 8, 1863 in action at Limestone Station, TN; returned to company June 14, 1864; appointed Corporal July 7, 1864; Sergeant September 1, 1864; mustered out with company June 20, 1865
Bryan Union Press- 8/27/1863

**Musician William E. Stough**
Enlisted, age 18 on August 9, 1862 to serve three years; captured September 8, 1863 in action at Limestone Station, TN; returned to company June 14, 1864; mustered out with company June 20, 1865
Bryan Union Press- 7/28/1864

**Private Daniel W. Will**
Toledo Daily Commercial- 7/1/1864
Roster - Company D, 100th OVI

**Musician Henry O. Zeigler**
Enlisted, age 44 on July 26, 1862 to serve three years; mustered out with company June 20, 1865
Defiance Democrat- 6/13/1863
Roster - Company E, 100th OVI

**Private Orlin S. Hayes**
Enlisted 7/19/1862 as a Private, promoted to Corporal 2/16/1863, wounded 6/2/1864 at Dallas, GA, wounded 11/30/1864 at Battle of Franklin, discharged for disability 4/17/1865 at Cleveland, OH.
Toledo Blade- 9/29/1863

**Private Patrick O’Neal**
Toledo Daily Commercial- 2/13/1863

**Major Albert B. Smith**
Enlisted 7/30/1862 as 1st Sergeant of Company H, promoted to 2nd Lieutenant 11/27/1862, promoted to 1st Lieutenant 1/1/1863, promoted to Captain 1/2/1865, transferred 1/14/1865 to Company E, transferred 3/17/1865 to Company E, promoted to brevet Major 7/31/1865, mustered out 8/1/1865.
Toledo Blade- 1/27/1864

**Sergeant Charles H. Sprague**
Toledo Daily Commercial- 9/30/1863, 1/6/1865, 3/7/1865, 4/4/1865, 4/24/1865
Roster - Company G, 100th OVI

**Second Lieutenant Addison S. Clark**
Toledo Daily Commercial- 7/2/1864

**Sergeant Henry L. Hammond**
Enlisted 8/12/1862 as a Private, promoted to Corporal, promoted to Sergeant 8/7/1864, mustered out with regiment 6/20/1865 at Greensboro, NC.
Toledo Blade- 9/10/1863

**Sergeant George H. Shoemaker**
George Shoemaker enlisted as a 21 year old private on August 4, 1862 in Co. G, 100th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was mustered into service September 1, 1862. He served with the regiment throughout its campaigns in Kentucky and Tennessee, being promoted to Corporal and then Sergeant. He was killed in action August 6, 1864 at the Battle of Utow Creek, Georgia, outside of Atlanta. He is buried in Marietta National Cemetery.
Letter: Fremont Journal- October 24, 1862
Roster - Company I, 100th OVI

**Captain Emanuel Kauffman**
Enlisted, age 40, on July 22, 1862 to serve three years. Died on October 3, 1863 at Knoxville, TN
Paulding Independent- 1/22/1863, 4/16/1863, 5/7/1863

**Musician Samuel Luke**
Samuel Luke enlisted as a 21 year old Musician in Company I, 100th Ohio Volunteer Infantry on August 12, 1862, mustering into service September 1, 1862. He was mustered out June 20, 1865 at Greensboro, North Carolina.
Letter: Crawford County Forum: January 16, 1863
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ized for pots and kitchen utensils of every sort. A low cupboard opening into the hold contained more articles of kitchen usage, as well as vegetables and canned goods.

Bunks were displayed in the two other alcoves which were in open view of the cabin. But from the recesses of the boat, Mrs. Boggs pulled out a sliding door which completely divided the space into two rooms and when curtains were drawn into the cabin the occupants enjoyed all the privacy desired. A big divider could be opened up at night into a roomy double bed, and another bunk just under the bed was sufficiently large to tuck two small youngsters away. A chest of drawers built in and wardrobes and cupboards in out of the way places supplied room for bedding and clothing and boots and shoes for a family of children.

One of the biggest surprises in the boat, one which bore a hint that might be applied in small houses where room is of a premium was the preserved fruit locker.

“We all do up our own fruit,” said Mrs. Boggs. “You see while we go up the canal we are in the country most of the time, and it is much cheaper to put up our own fruit then buy it in the winter, and this is where we store it.”

Going to the stairs up the companion way, she pulled out tiny drawers. Small knobs jutted out from the drawers. Within there was quite room enough to allow pint fruit jars standing upright. A cold storage room was tucked away in the hold into which a small door about two feet in height opened. The dining room table was a folding affair which turned up against the wall of the cabin when not in use.

When some surprise was expressed at the presence of a sewing machine in the room, Mrs. Boggs said, “Oh, that’s nothing. Many of the boats have organs as well, and there is one fitted up with a porcelain bath tub. So you see we have some of the luxuries of city houses, and a lot of good air and sunshine. A concert is to be given on one of the boats here New Year’s Eve, and if you should like to come down, we’d be glad to have you and show you a bit of canal boat hospitality.”

Mrs. Boggs
Defiance Democrat March 1910

I hope you had a very “Merry Christmas and a Happy New year!” See you next year.
Dave Bennett

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five years. In 2006 the museum opened in Bowling Green. At that time there were about 500 artifact and several thousand visitors came each year. Later as more space and support from the community was needed, the museum moved to Tiffin where over 10,000 square feet is now available for exhibits. The museum, now housed in a former post office built in 1915, has eight exhibit rooms with many hands-on opportunities. Some of the exhibits are the Life of a Soldier, In the Hands of the Enemy, Johnson Island, the Road to War. Mr. Young also noted that there are two traveling programs available for groups-Ohio’s Part in the Civil War and the Life of a Soldier.

November - Board Meeting Highlights

Eight of our publications were sold to the Paulding Chapter OGS to be placed in the Paulding Public Library.
Tentative programming was outlined for the first part of 2012.

November - Chapter Meeting Highlights

Bob Bowers and Joanne Allison presented the slate of officers for 2012. The slate is president - Cecelia Brown, vice-president- Julie Miller, treasurer- Lavina Boesling, corresponding secretary- Dianne Kline, recording secretary- Mary Williams, Trustees - Gladys Donson, Rich Rosevink and Dave Bennett. (Dave was nominated subject to his giving permission.) Seeing that there were no nominations from the floor, the slate was accepted by the membership.

Bob Bowers made a motion that Diane Evans, Carol Ehlinger, and Gladys Donson serve on the Auditing Committee. Mary Scranton seconded the motion which carried.

Following the business meeting, Mark Middleton presented a program on digital archiving-- best practices for saving your information. He pointed out the necessity for digital archiving, the benefits, the materials and equipment needed, and the best procedures to use.

Some of his recommendations were to scan at least at 600 dpi, create tiff images-- unless memory is limited, use DVD+R disks of the best quality for recording images,. For genealogy files, he felt it important to keep updated programs and to use Gedcoms for transferring items.
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Town and Gown Lectures for 2012

For the past few years, the Defiance College and the city of Defiance have coordinated to bring the community speakers and topics of historical interest. Listed below are the programs and sites for 2012. All programs begin at 7:30 PM

Spring 2012
February 23 * "The Forts along the Auglaize" Defiance College- Schomburg Auditorium
Richard Rozevink
March 15** "Ohio's Unknown Generals" Stroede Center
Mark Holbrook, Ohio Historical Society
April 19 "The President and Ike" Defiance College - Schomburg Auditorium
Buerk and Younger
May 10 - 12* Native American Conference Schomburg
Lantz, Drehfer, Freese

Fall 2012
September 20** "Camp Trimble" Stroede Center
Buchman and Rozevink
October 18 "Come Fly with Us" Stroede Center
Rozevink and Buchman
November 15** "The Squirrel Hunter are Coming" Schomburg
Randy Buchman
"Union Light Guard" Richard Rozevink

*War of 1812 Theme Programs
**Civil War Theme Programs
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A Certificate Accorded by the Defiance County Genealogical Society

To be considered for the DCGS Civil War Service Certificate, an ancestor must be proven 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.

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