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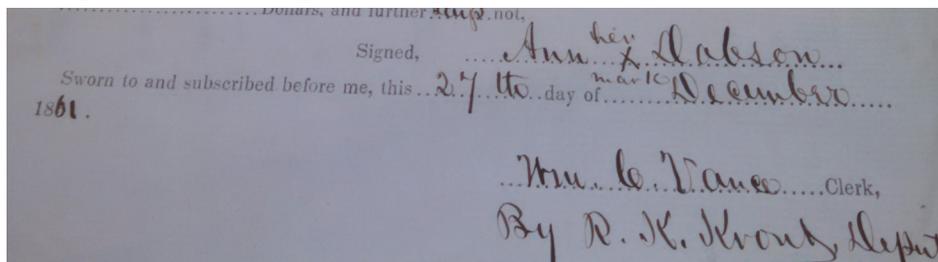
# Roots and Branches

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Several of our club members were regular visitors to the Montgomery County Courthouse in June. Members helped unfold and flatten probate packet records in preparation for the documents to be digitized by a couple and later indexed and made available on Family Search. Beginning 2 June 2014, the diligent workers finished the records in eighteen work days—working from 9 am—3pm each day. It was a dirty, dusty job but the condition of the fragile records encouraged each of us to press on to save this small part of our local history.



Pictures of some of our workers can be found on page 3. Montgomery County is the first of three counties having these records photographed in the next year. Vigo and Tippecanoe counties will also be included. Thank you for helping!

Ted Ratcliff emailed that the Indiana Genealogical Society July newsletter reported that they have nearly completed preserving probate records in twelve counties, Hendricks County most recently. To access those records you must be an IGS member. He stated “it is well worth” the cost of membership.

Please note: The photographers will give a presentation at our annual dinner in September with final numbers and statistics. Remember to make a reservation.

The Family Bible Project is now available on the Crawfordsville District Public Library web site at: <http://history.cdpl.lib.in.us/bibles.html> The Bibles have been transcribed and scanned and are searchable by family name.



Dian Moore

## Summarized Secretary's Report

By Dian Moore, Secretary

The Genealogy Club of Montgomery County, Indiana, continues to meet the second Tuesday of every month at Crawfordsville District Public Library. The Club currently has 51 members. Visitors and new members are welcome at all meetings.

In May, Karen Zach spoke on *Living Through Family: How to display Family Artifacts*. It was another excellent program by Karen, encouraging everyone to carefully store their family treasures after the loss of several of hers in a flood.

The June program was by Dick Munro on *Genealogy of a Crawfordsville Murder* and raised questions of privacy in genealogy. He gave details, with names changed to protect the innocent, of a local historic crime. In the end we were left to wonder who the real people were. Mr. Munro refused to give us the real names because relatives of the people involved still live in the area.

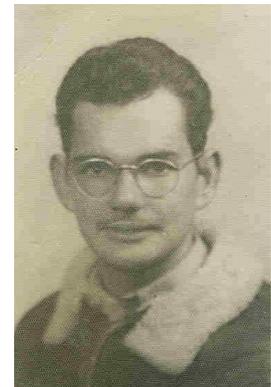


Joann Spragg and Karen Zach



Dick Munro speaking to our club in June

The July program was a roundtable on *Memories of Serving Our Country*. Several of our members told very moving stories of their experiences. Additional memories will be shared during our November meeting since not all got to share.



Member  
George Scharf  
1943 in Algeria

The Club After Hours Genealogy Research continues quarterly in January, April, July and October on the fourth Friday of the month, 5-9pm.

## Probate Packet work

Probate packets in metal files prior to “flattening”

Final count:  
28 volunteers total  
8 members from our club,  
108 metal files of packets  
prepared (20-25 packets per  
file = approx 2500 packets)



Enjoying each others company and  
a look back in time

## Crawfordsville District Public Library Happenings



Karen with  
Jodie Steelman Wilson,  
Head Reference Librarian

Photo by  
Dellie Craig, Local History Librarian

Written by Jodie Steelman Wilson

On May 25, 1918, local World War I pilot Louis Spilman flew the first plane to land in Crawfordsville, with a crowd of thousands of local residents cheering him on. Today (28 July 2014), Spilman's granddaughter Karen, of Pennsylvania, visited the CDPL archives to view her grandfather's scrapbook of local photographs. We have his helmet in our CDPL archives. These scrapbook images are included in the library's image database. Unfortunately, the library's collection has relatively few Montgomery County World War I-era materials. If you have photographs or other World War I-era items to donate, please let us know! Thanks!



Information posted on the Crawfordsville District Public Library Local History Blog about a relative of one of our members.

Find the blog at

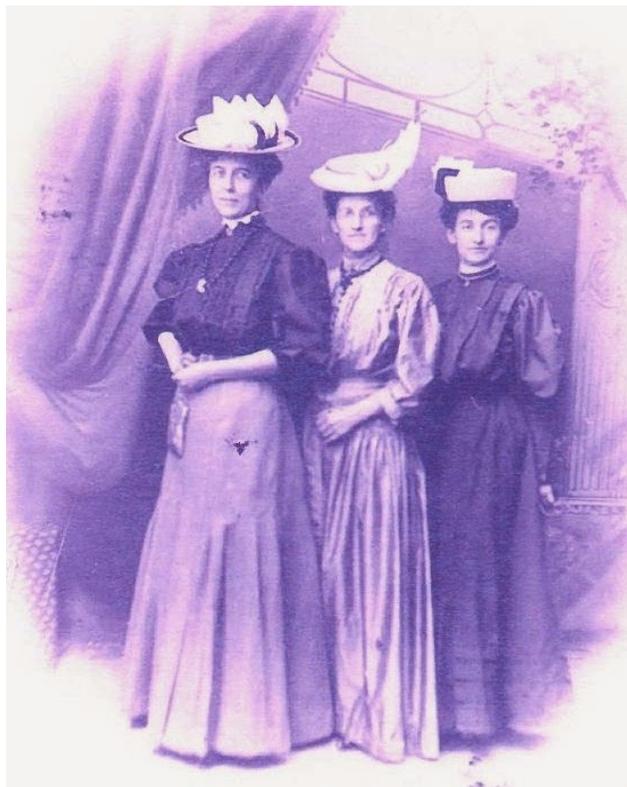
<http://cdpl-history.blogspot.com/>

Posted by Susie Baldwin, Reference Librarian  
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**WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2014**

### Millinery Shop in Crawfordsville, 1800s

Virginia "Jennie" Cade was born in Covington, Indiana in April of 1851. She was the youngest of six children born to David and Mary Ann Reed Cade. Jennie Cade came to Crawfordsville around age 30 after leaving the family farm in Fountain County. In an April 10, 1880 issue of Crawfordsville Weekly Review, Jennie had been to Cincinnati to buy millinery goods for the Boston store. Ms. Cade worked at Graham's Busy Store in 1901 and was the Manager of the Millinery Department where "a fine line of new styles in plain and trimmed walking and street hats, and will also sell flowers, feathers and ribbons at prices to clean up this department well for the arrival of new goods for the coming fall season." (Crawfordsville Daily Journal 30 Aug 1901 p.8). After working for Graham's Busy Store she opened a shop with Mrs. Anna M. Allison at 207 E. Main Street around 1916. Ms. Cade was also a member of Wabash Avenue Presbyterian Church and was in the Business and Professional Women's Club. At the time of her death (September 1937) Ms. Cade was the city's oldest business woman and had operated her shop for twenty-one years.



1890's

Jennie Cade is in the middle.  
Her niece, Minnie Cade (Belcher) is the  
petite woman.  
The tall woman is unidentified.

Photo donated by Ruth Evans



“There isn't much to be seen in a little town, but what you hear makes up for it.”

**Frank McKinney (Kin) Hubbard** (1868-1930) born in Bellefontaine, Ohio: hired by *Indianapolis News* in 1891 but left after three years, rejoined the *Indianapolis News* in 1901 and remained until his death.



Mike Mitchell

## Helpful Web Sites for Genealogical Research

Following is a listing of genealogy websites which I am familiar with and I have used most of them in my assembly of our family tree and other work in this area. This is in response to an article published a few months ago in the "Genealogy in Time" magazine, "The Top 100 Genealogy Websites for 2014" and various remarks expressed from time to time by our members.

Most of these websites I have listed as a "favorite" making it convenient to get to when I want to look at other information. I use only 1 pay website, Ancestry.com. I think they have more complete and thorough information.

This website is attached to the Family Tree Maker software and is very handy to toggle from FTM to ancestry.com and search other sources without having to close and reopen your work. The libraries are listed as blank in regards to pay

as they sometimes require a library card which may or may not cost to receive.

As it is with all information secured from the internet, it is only as valid and accurate as the individual who entered the information to start with. I have adopted the habit, where possible, to compare all entries which are available, ie, six websites list grandfather and his date of birth. Three list it as 1874, three list it as 1876, his WWI registration card says 1874 and his tombstone says 1876. Which one would you use? In addition to this list, there are a number of "family" websites which have a lot of information about a specific family, such as "Rufus Williams Family History Page". These are found by using a search engine such as Google.

I hope this listing helps some of you in your searches.

WEBSITE	INFORMATION	FREE PAY	ADDRESS
Ancestry.com	records, family trees	Pay	<a href="http://www.ancestry.com">www.ancestry.com</a>
Find a Grave	Cemeteries	free	<a href="http://www.findagrave.com">www.findagrave.com</a>
FamilySearch	Records, family trees, LDS	free	<a href="http://www.familysearch.org">www.familysearch.org</a>
My Heritage.com	Family Trees	Pay	<a href="http://www.myheritage.com">www.myheritage.com</a>
Geni.com	Family Trees	Pay	<a href="http://www.geni.com">www.geni.com</a>
Archives.com	Records	Pay	<a href="http://www.archives.com">www.archives.com</a>
Genealogy.com	Records	Pay	<a href="http://genealogy.com">http://genealogy.com</a>
Genealogy Bank	Newspapers	Pay	<a href="http://www.genealogybank.com/gbnk/">www.genealogybank.com/gbnk/</a>
Eastman's Newsletter	blog	free	<a href="http://www.blog.eogn.com/">http://www.blog.eogn.com/</a>
Ancient Faces	forum	free	<a href="http://www.ancientfaces.com">www.ancientfaces.com</a>
Family Tree DNA	DNA testing	Pay	<a href="http://www.familytreedna.com">www.familytreedna.com</a>
Fold3	records	Pay	<a href="http://www.fold3.com">www.fold3.com</a>
WikiTree	Family Trees	free	<a href="http://www.wikitree.com">www.wikitree.com</a>
Newspaper Archive	Newspapers	Pay	<a href="http://www.newspaperarchive.com">www.newspaperarchive.com</a>
Mundia	Family Trees	Pay	<a href="http://www.mundia.com">www.mundia.com</a>
Newspapers.com	Newspapers	Pay	<a href="http://www.newspapers.com">www.newspapers.com</a>
Genealogy.About.com	articles	free	<a href="http://www.genealogy.about.com">www.genealogy.about.com</a>
Mocavo	Search engine	Pay	<a href="http://www.mocavo.com">www.mocavo.com</a>
MyFamily	forum	Pay	<a href="http://www.myfamily.com">www.myfamily.com</a>
USGenweb Archives	Records	free	<a href="http://www.usgwarchives.net">www.usgwarchives.net</a>
Steve Morse	Search engine	free	<a href="http://stevemorse.org">http://stevemorse.org</a>
Cyndi's List	links	free	<a href="http://cyndislist.com">http://cyndislist.com</a>
Ellisland.org	records	free	<a href="http://www.ellisland.org">www.ellisland.org</a>
Genealogy Trails	records	free	<a href="http://genealogytrails.com">http://genealogytrails.com</a>

Family Tree Magazine	magazine	Pay	<a href="http://www.familytreemagazine.com">www.familytreemagazine.com</a>
American Ancestors	Society	Pay	<a href="http://www.americanancestors.org">www.americanancestors.org</a>
ProGenealogists	services	Pay	<a href="http://www.progenealogists.com">www.progenealogists.com</a>
Tribal Pages	Family Trees	Pay	<a href="http://tribalpages.com">http://tribalpages.com</a>
Billion Graves	cemeteries	free	<a href="http://billiongraves.com">http://billiongraves.com</a>
Fulton History	Newspapers	free	<a href="http://fultonhistory.com">http://fultonhistory.com</a>
Daughters American Revolution	Society	Pay	<a href="http://dar.org">http://dar.org</a>
Interment	Cemeteries	free	<a href="http://interment.net">http://interment.net</a>
MyTrees	Family Trees	pay	<a href="http://www.mytrees.com">www.mytrees.com</a>
FamilyLink	records	pay	<a href="http://www.familylink.com">www.familylink.com</a>
ObituariesHelp.org	links	free	<a href="http://www.obituarieshelp.org">www.obituarieshelp.org</a>
Access Genealogy	Search engine	free	<a href="http://www.accessgenealogy.com">www.accessgenealogy.com</a>
USGenweb Project	records	free	<a href="http://www.genweb.org">www.genweb.org</a>
Indiana State Library	records		<a href="http://www.in.gov/library">www.in.gov/library</a>
Rootsweb	Family Trees	pay	<a href="http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com">www.rootsweb.ancestry.com</a>
Cherokee Registry	Cherokee Indian	free	<a href="http://www.cherokeeregistry.firstlightonline.org">www.cherokeeregistry.firstlightonline.org</a> <a href="http://freeages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com">http://freeages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com</a>
My Southern Family	records	free	<a href="http://www.mysouthernfamily.com">www.mysouthernfamily.com</a>
Kentucky Historical Society	records	free	<a href="http://history.ky.gov">http://history.ky.gov</a>
Allen County Public Library	records		<a href="http://www.acpl.lib.in.us">www.acpl.lib.in.us</a>
GenForum	blog	free	<a href="http://genforum.com">http://genforum.com</a>
Indiana Genealogical Society	records	pay	<a href="http://www.indgensoc.org">www.indgensoc.org</a>
Indiana Marriage Records Directory	records	free	<a href="http://publicrecords.onlinesearches.com">http://publicrecords.onlinesearches.com</a>
Indiana Genealogy	records	free	<a href="http://www.indianagenealogy.net">www.indianagenealogy.net</a>
Family old photos	pictures	free	<a href="http://www.familyoldphotos.com">www.familyoldphotos.com</a>
Census Finder	census	free	<a href="http://www.censusfinder.com">www.censusfinder.com</a>
Crawfordsville District Public Library	records	free	<a href="http://www.cdpl.lilb.in.us">www.cdpl.lilb.in.us</a>

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## Upcoming events

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**September 9, 2014—6pm**

Genealogy Club Annual Dinner Meeting

**October 11, 2014—10am-3pm**

Conference of the Genealogical Society of Marion County with programs on Immigration Records, etc: cost \$40—Indiana History Center, Indianapolis—register at [www.indianahistory.org](http://www.indianahistory.org)

**October 13, 2014—7pm**

Genealogy Club Meeting  
Refreshments provided by Charlene Hutchison

**October 24, 2014—5-9pm**

Free After Hours Program at CDPL  
Reservations required by October 22nd  
Call 765-362-2242 x118 or email

**November 10, 2014—7pm**

Genealogy Club Meeting  
Refreshments provided by Bob & Susan Miller

**November 22, 2014—10am-noon**

Indiana Historical Society program “How Hoosiers got Hitched: Marriage in Indiana” cost \$10—Indiana History Center, Indianapolis—register at [www.indianahistory.org](http://www.indianahistory.org)

**April 25, 2015—9am-5pm**

Indiana Genealogical Society Annual Conf at Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN  
Register at [www.indgensoc.org/conference](http://www.indgensoc.org/conference)

All articles and other submissions for the November newsletter must be submitted by October 24, 2014

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