

Genealogy
Club of
Montgomery
County IN
Corporation

Join us for a
journey
through
history and
time.
An Odyssey
for those
beginning or
experienced
in genealogy.

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Roots and Branches

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Congratulations
to all the 4Hers who completed the Genealogy project!



Our kids did a superb job putting together their information and citing their sources. Thank you to all who helped with this project. We hope to continue to encourage these and others to continue searching for their ancestors.

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. There are currently 60 bibles online with more being added every month thanks to an IGS grant and club volunteers.



Summarized Secretary's Report By Larry Hathaway, 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 57 members. Visitors and new members are welcome at all meetings.

Larry Hathaway

In May, Betty Warren, gave an informative talk, "Here & Now...for the Hereafter—What should I do with all this genealogy stuff? She discussed a system for gathering, organizing and sharing our research so it is not lost for eternity.



Betty Warren

In June, Karen Zach spoke on Funeral Cards and their history. This informative talk illustrated the changing customs over the years. Funeral cards are wonderful resources not to be overlooked.



Karen Zach



Jerry Price

Member Jerry Price spoke in July about his and his son's search for Quaker or Friends meeting houses throughout Indiana and surrounding states. He noted that several of these only meet once a month.



Members George and Lynn Scharf had family visiting at the last meeting. Their granddaughter and daughter made the trip to see George and Lynn.

Notes from a Newbie...

Its that time again...

One thing I have always enjoyed is that Sunday afternoon in August when the SHELTON Reunion takes place in our local park. It started long before I was born, but I have not been able to find out much about those early years. I have had the family reunion notebooks in my possession since the late 1990's and have been making an effort to yearly take family group pictures—associating names with faces. That is especially import since my mom's



generation of cousins is slowly passing away without all of their stories being recorded.

This year I have decided to send a sheet asking 2 questions with the reunion reminder.

1. Who is the oldest Shelton family member that remember? – tell us about them.
2. What are some things that you remember from your childhood?



Judi Kleine



I am hoping to glean some new information from all the aunts and uncles and cousins to add another layer to the family story.

Additionally a cousin brought an old reunion picture last year, and I am hoping you can help me identify some people. I am not sure how they are

related. This Dodds Reunion picture was taken in Milligan Park, here in Crawfordsville, IN on August 28, 1960 (the year is estimated by the ages of some of the people in the picture—since the last number is blurred out of focus). The DODD family is somehow related through my grandmother. My cousin helped me identify about 13 people in this picture, including her mom and sisters.

Can you help me identify more...
(see page 6)





Jodie
Steelman
Wilson,
Head Reference
Librarian

Expanding our Collection

Just following the completion of the Carnegie Museum LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act) grant to enhance internet services and content, the Crawfordsville District Public Library has been very fortunate to receive a new LSTA grant to help protect the heritage of Montgomery County! This grant, funded by the Institute of Museum and Libraries services, will cover \$15,938 of newspaper digitization expenses, with the library required to provide \$1,771 to create a keyword-searchable collection of early Montgomery county newspapers. These newspapers will be accessible from the State Library's website to all researchers, and will provide a new way to locate early facts about our county's history.

Our Reference & Local History Department receives many visitors researching genealogy and local history who consult our microfilm collection onsite. In addition, we receive a large amount of e-mail, mail, and phone requests for access to the same microfilm. As Indiana prepares to celebrate its bicentennial, we anticipate increased demands on our extensive Local History collection. We are already experienced in digitizing and in getting content online. In fact, we already have 11,110 .jpg and 377 .pdf images online in our Local History image database (history.cdpl.lib.in.us/imagedb.html). In addition, our museum -- The Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County -- also provides historical content. The museum staff has already begun planning exhibits and activities for the upcoming bicentennial. Yet the museum often depends on the library Reference & Local History staff to digitize and provide content, and we cooperate fully with them on many exhibits.

However, none of our current microfilm is digitized, and many of our microfilm rolls are scratched and streaked by years of use. By duplicating master rolls from a portion of our early history and then digitizing these rolls, the Library can increase access, especially with our participation in the Hoosier State Chronicles (newspapers.library.in.gov), which provides high-quality digital images of Indiana's historic newspapers. In addition, this project will pique interest in those who want to investigate the first century of Indiana history and prepare a suitable celebration for 2016.

We will have numerous reels of microfilm from the Indiana State Library duplicated by the Indiana Commission on Public Records/Micrographics and Imaging Services:

Waynetown Banner 1896-1900
Waynetown Hornet 1888-1900
Crawfordsville Journal 1865-1900
Crawfordsville Review 1855-1900
Crawfordsville Weekly Review 1860-1900
The Review 1853-1900
Crawfordsville Journal Weekly 1890-1900
Crawfordsville Saturday Evening Journal 1874-1900
Daily Journal 1890-1900
Montgomery Journal 1853-1900
New Review 1899-1900

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title "Crawfordsville Record". The address bar indicates the URL is <https://newspapers.library.in.gov/cgi-bin/indiana?a=cl&cl=CL1&sp=RE&e=-----en-20--1--txt-txIN----->. The main content area features the "Hoosier State Chronicles" logo with a person riding a bicycle. Below the logo, the text "Indiana's Digital Historic Newspaper Program" is visible. The navigation menu includes Home, Search, Titles, Dates, Tags, and Help. A breadcrumb trail at the top of the page reads: Hoosier State Chronicles: Indiana's Digital Historic Newspaper Program > Browse by title > Crawfordsville Record. The main heading is "Crawfordsville Record". Below it, the text "Title: Crawfordsville Record" and "Also published as: Record" is displayed. It also states "Available online: 8 February 1834 - 4 June 1836 (105 issues)". A link "Show all issues of this publication" is present. Below this, a section titled "Browse by date — Crawfordsville Record" lists the months from January to December for the years 1834, 1835, and 1836.

We will have these reels of microfilm digitized and then provide access to the digitized content through Indiana Memory's Hoosier State Chronicles as well as through CDPL's online databases. As the state's bicentennial approaches, we will create online exhibitions, made easier by the digitization process. Much of our work will be coordinated with our museum, the Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County, to provide improved public access to the new historical information. The grant is a nine-month process, and we will announce its completion by inviting everyone with an interest in Montgomery County history to take advantage of the new content available from the State Library website. Have questions about the project? Please give us a call at 362-2242 ext. 117.

<http://bit.ly/1OT1SFy> This will take people directly to the Crawfordsville Record section.

Editors Note: Chandler Lighty, who works for the Indiana State Library, spoke at our August 2014 meeting about Indiana's efforts to digitize old newspapers and other Indiana heritage items and make them available online. He is associated with this project at the state level.

Notes from a Newbie... continued



Uncle "Butch"
Lewis WEBB

RP RARIG
SHELTON

Uncle Allen
WEBB

R Kaye
WEBB
STODDARD

CL CARRELL
RARIG WEBB
with Kim
STODDARD

Arlene
RARIG
LOWERY

Albert
LOWERY

I appreciate any help
you can provide on this
family mystery.

Uncle
Lee
WEBB

Aunt Katie
— WEBB

LOWERY
Boy

Sandy
STODDARD Judy
 STODDARD

Terry
STODDARD

As you can see, there are a lot of unidentified people. Additionally, I am really not sure how they are related, other than through my grandmother - who is noted as RP RARIG SHELTON, and Great Grandmother - who is noted as CL CARRELL RARIG WEBB.

This is where you experienced genealogists can, again, teach this newbie a great deal.

Queries

Dear Folks, I'm inquiring as to whether or not you may have some members of your club that can do research (for a fee!) and help me find my relatives from Montgomery County.

Census records indicate that my great-grandfather (William Short MOTTER) was born in Crawfordsville in 1833 or 1834. I have (from your database) a copy of his marriage license (Montgomery Co.) dated July 15, 1853.

I would like to find his birth parents names and locations. So do you have anyone that could help?

Thank you, Tom MOTTER , 10042 E1 Chorlito Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
916-361-8674, vintageguy154@comcast.net

Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work. --Thomas Edison

Upcoming events

August 13, 2015 – 10am-12:30pm

Indiana Historical Society “German Heritage Day” Cost \$12/\$10 member Indiana History Center, Indianapolis –register at www.indianahistory.org

September 8, 2015—6pm

Annual Genealogy Club Meeting and Dinner Reservations and payment due by Sept 2nd Ron Darrah will be speaking on Indiana Territorial Research

September 10, 2015 – 7pm-9pm

Indiana Historical Society program “Family History in Popular Culture with Josh Taylor” findmypast.com lead Genealogist and Genealogy Roadshow contributor Cost \$10/\$8 members—Indiana History C, Indianapolis – register at www.indianahistory.org

September 11, 2015 – 10am-noon & 1:30pm-

3:30pm Indiana Historical Society program “A Day with Josh Taylor” Cluster Searching and New England Records Cost \$35/\$30 members Indiana History Center, Indianapolis –register at www.indianahistory.org

October 13, 2015—7pm

Genealogy Club Meeting Refreshments provided by Eva Legg

October 23, 2015—5-9pm

Free After Hours Program at CDPL Reservations required by October 21st Call 765-362-2242 x118 or email delliejean@yahoo.com

November 10, 2015—7pm

Genealogy Club Meeting Refreshments provided by ?????

December 8, 2015—7pm

Genealogy Club Meeting Christmas Snack pitch-in

All articles and other submissions for the November newsletter must be submitted by October 23, 2015

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interesting articles at
<http://cdpl-history.blogspot.com>



Join us for a journey through history and time

The annual dues of the Genealogy Club of Montgomery County Indiana Inc. for the period October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016 were due in September 2015. They may be given to Dellie Craig at the Crawfordsville District Public Library or mailed to the Club Treasurer (John Hooper, 1576 E 400 N, Crawfordsville, IN 47933).

You can find current and past Genealogy club newsletters and a membership application on the Crawfordsville District Public Library Website www.cdpl.lib.in.us
Find us under the services tab and click on Genealogy Club of Montgomery County

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Date _____ New

 Renewal

Individual Family Institutional Business
\$10/yr \$25/yr \$15/yr \$50/yr

Amount enclosed \$_____

Name _____

Address _____

City State Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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Family/Families you are researching:

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