



# The Monument



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## Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

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P R O G R A M

S C H E D U L E

Mon. August 28: B.Y.O.M. ("Bring Your Own Maps")

Members are asked to bring along their own maps and atlases which they have acquired during the course of their studies of ancestors. The charts can be for any state, county, township, or city, or even a foreign country. New maps and reprints are as welcome as original editions. This is one of our "share & tell" programs, and we hope that you can participate in the sharing of our geographical knowledge.

Mon. Sep. 25: Mrs. Mary Beebe (Ashland) "RESEARCH IN NEW YORK STATE"

Mon. Oct. 23: Phil Longstreth (Galion) "ART & HISTORY OF TOMBSTONES"

Mon. Nov. 27: "BACK TO THE BOATS: The Return of The Mayflower"

The above programs held in the Community Room of First Federal Savings & Loan, 70 N. Main St., Mount Gilead, Ohio, beginning at 7:30 pm.

### ANCESTRAL SURNAMES OF PRESIDENT HARDING

Warren Gamaliel Harding, 29th President of the U.S., was born on 2 November 1865 at Blooming Grove, North Bloomfield Township, Morrow County, Ohio. From a book published this year (Ancestors of American Presidents, compiled by Gary Boyd Roberts), we abstract the following listing of ancestral surnames (in ascending order):

#### Definite Proof

HARDING \*\* DICKERSON \*\* CRAWFORD \*\* VAN KIRK \*\* MADISON \*\* STEVENS  
WATTERS \*\* TRIPP \*\* TRYON \*\* SLOCUM \*\* MORGAN \*\* VIBBER \*\* SPENCER  
CARR \*\* WILLIAMS \*\* PAINE \*\* GYSBERTS

#### Probable or Possible

HINES (HINDS/HAINES) \*\* HOOPER \*\* BREESE \*\* GIDDINGS \*\* RIGGS  
REEVE \*\* STONE \*\* HALL \*\* MAPES \*\* BROWNE

President's Message

Now that the summer months along with vacation time for many is coming to an end, we hope that those of you who have been researching found the ancestors you were looking for. As many of you are probably aware, last Spring the Morrow County Chapter voted to expend up to three hundred fifty dollars from our Treasury on I.G.I. files after the Mt. Gilead Library asked what they could do to help in acquiring materials for our genealogy room at the library. This started as a joint project of the two bodies. Shortly after this project was initiated, three of our members, namely Paul and Betty Meier and Betty Millisor, immediately pledged money for additional files. The library again more than matched these pledges and have retained a carpenter to build file cabinets for the additional material that was being obtained. The files now obtained and in possession of the library include:

England	Ireland
Scotland	Europe (Entire Central region)
Wales	United States

A few years ago, the Mormons came through this area and microfilmed the Morrow County Court records. A copy of these records are now available on microfilm for use by the general public at the library. These additional documents should be a great help for anyone doing general research.

Lewis Caskey  
Chapter President

SURNAME SEARCHERS

(Names and addresses of people who signed the guest book in the Probate Court office in the Courthouse, or the register book in the Public Library.)

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SLACK \*\* HENDERSON  
Barbara Slack Greenawalt, 7298 Eagle Ct., Amlin, OH 43002

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DEFUNCT MORROW COUNTY POST OFFICES

It is confusing to attempt to locate a person's residence from the post office address, especially in the 19th Century. It was customary for the U.S. Government to assign to a post office a different name than the town where it was located. Of over 12 instances in Morrow County, only one survives to this day: the post office of SHAUCK in the town of JOHNNSVILLE. Also, there were post offices in private homes which served the neighborhoods, and therefore were not located in any hamlet or village.

The following is a list of defunct Morrow County post offices:

Post Office	Town (or Township)	Date Discontinued
ANDREWS	Williamsport	13 January 1903
BENNINGTON	South Woodbury	15 June 1904
BLOOMFIELD	Bloomfield	28 February 1914
BURNS CORNERS	?	16 March 1856
CLIMAX	Climax	15 August 1929
CORSICA	Blooming Grove	30 September 1912
(Established as "BARCELONA", 1844)		
FARGO	Fargo	13 August 1904
GRAY'S CORNERS	?	11 June 1865
INDIGO	?	13 June 1864
KELKER	(Congress tp.)	31 January 1903
KNAPP	(North Bloomfield tp.)	31 July 1901
LINCOLN	?	9 February 1861
MARITS	Denmark	15 May 1907
McEWEN'S X ROADS	(Troy tp.)	29 July 1864
PAGETOWN	Pagetown	31 July 1903
(Established as "NIMMON'S X ROADS", changed to "MACON" [1859-1866])		
PENLAN	Penlan	31 January 1902
PULASKIVILLE	Pulaskiville	10 May 1907
SAINT JAMES	Saint James	28 February 1935
(Est. as "IBERIA STATION"[1880-1883], changed to "HARWOOD" [1883-1890])		
SMAILES	?	19 December 1894
SMITH'S MILLS	?	25 July 1856
STANTONTOWN	West Liberty	30 June 1906
STEAM CORNERS	Steam Corners	31 July 1901
(Formerly "HILTONS")		
SURPRISE	(Washington tp.)	31 January 1903
WESTFIELD	Westfield	15 August 1907
WHETSTONE	West Point	10 June 1904
WOODVIEW	North Woodbury	29 November 1902

Need help with the [GEORGE] ISAAC and ELIZA ANN FISHBURN JACKSON families. GEORGE b. 17 Feb 1817 Ohio. m. 6 Oct. 1840. ELIZA b. 13 April 1821, Ohio. Children: AMANDA BLON, b. 1845. RHODA JANE b. 1852. MARY ELIZABETH [LIBBY] b. 1854. WILLIAM ANDREW b. 1857. EMMA ELIZA b. 1859, & GEORGE WASHINGTON [WASH] b. 1863.

CHARLOTTE HARMAN SIEGFRIED. P.O. Box 232, MILFORD, IN 46542

MORROW COUNTY  
SENTINEL,  
Mount Gilead, Ohio  
December 2, 1897

**Rinehart Reunion.**

Thanksgiving Day was appropriately observed at the home of Mrs. Margaret Rinehart, south-west of Woodview, Morrow county, O., the event being a family reunion of the Rinehart family, which consists at present of a mother, nine sons and six daughters, all of whom were present. The eldest daughter, Mrs. Almida Fringer, after an absence of twenty years, returned from Jewell county, Kansas to enjoy the occasion, which certainly was a delightful one. From 8 a. m. to 12 m. the guests arrived until they numbered seventy-five. The weather was inclined to be a little inclement so as to keep all inside, but every one was happy and cracked jokes until dinner was prepared. A heap of good eatables which even a king might enjoy were awaiting their mission, two turkeys and ten chickens underwent the carving knife of J. W. Dukeman. One large table in the dining room was filled by the elder class of guests, while in the kitchen the children were served a bountiful repast. It was certainly appetizing to see those children so pleasantly enjoying that Thanksgiving dinner. After dinner was over all repaired to a large room which seemed fitted especially for the occasion. Close to the floor was a large picture of the mother and her fifteen children; the picture was the great attraction there save the subjects themselves. Then followed a program which was as follows: Charles Rinehart acting as Chairman:

Song--Bunshine In the Sun.  
Reading of North Psalm.  
Song.  
Rev. J. H. Fisher.  
Reading letters of regret from Franches.  
Declinations by Maud Corwin, Lewis (time).  
Tollie Felgley, Addie Rinehart, Corwin, Roba Rinehart and Irene Stull.  
Paper.  
Song--Well neversay good-bye.  
This closed one of the greatest family reunions ever held in Perry township. All felt repaid for the time spent. Those present outside of the family were: Rev. J. H. Fisher and family, C. A. Baker and family, Misses Belle and Nevada Carpenter, Miss Rhoda Hilton, Miss Maud Shambaugh, Elmore Keys and Mother Corwin.

SURNAME SEARCHERS (Continued from Page 10)

- HAZLETT \*\* GILBERT \*\* GOUDY \*\* HOOTMAN  
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- Zelophahad OWEN (who lived in Canaan Twp., approx. from 1840 to 1860)  
Fred Dietrick, 6195 State Route 113, Bellevue, OH 44811
- ROGERS (Lewis & Wm. H.) \*\* Kent Rogers, 3133 Twp. Rd. 232, Findlay, OH 45840
- McCRACKEN \*\* Edgar McCracken, 4524 Meadow Lane, Sioux City, IA
- BRYSON \*\* COOK \*\* LEVERING \*\* BREWER  
Phyllis Bryson Doram, 18620 Rhine Place, Cerritos, CA 90701
- DALRYMPLE \*\* CROSS \*\* COLEMAN \*\* CHIPPS \*\* HANCE \*\* MAIN \*\* LEITER  
Helen Kearns, 3601 E. County Road 350N., Muncie, IN 47303
- WHEELER \*\* DART\*\* John & Donna Spence, 636 East Lamat Rd., LaHabra Hts., CA 90631
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- McCRARY \*\* SHACKELFORD \*\* Frank Scriptor, 9701 Round Lake Road,  
Laingsburg, MI 48848
- HILDEBRAND \*\* RUHL \*\* LLOYD \*\* EASTERDAY  
Debora Lloyd, 14½ West High Street, Mt. Gilead, OH 43338
- HARTSOOK \*\* Patricia & Lloyd Patterson, 1407 Edmundson Dr., Oskaloosa, IA 52577
- FICKLE (-EL or -ELL) \*\* Lawrence Williams, 1307 E. Evergreen St., Mesa AZ 85203
- KEARNS \*\* VINING \*\* George E. Kearns, 8396 Trionfo Ave., North Port, FL 34287
- SAMPLE \*\* BOYD \*\* THOMPSON \*\* FULLER \*\* LIVINGSTON  
Barb Livingston, 1286 Biddle Road, Galion, OH 44833
- McCREARY \*\* DUDLEY \*\* GIBSON \*\* HOFFMIRE \*\* BAIRD \*\* FROST \*\* CHILDERS  
Diana Pegler, 34055 Colegio Dr., Dana Point, CA 92629 CHILDRESS
- BURGGRAFF \*\* Miriam & George Cunningham, 3316 Kirkham Rd., Columbus, OH 43221
- RUTAN \* LOREN \* WELLS \* BANKER \* PARKER \* JOHNSON \* PARCHER  
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