History Day at the Legislature is always a great time to greet old friends and meet new ones from all around the state as citizens with a passion for West Virginia history gather at the state capital complex in Charleston. The rotunda of the West Virginia state capitol will roar and ring with the voices of exhibitors, re-enactors, legislators and curious visitors. History Heroes will be recognized in the State Theater in the Culture Center. Professional and amateur historians alike will delight in learning about new people, places and events, and many will visit their legislators to encourage support for history-related programs and projects. If you have never attended a History Day, view photographs of the 2012 event on our Web site at http://www.wvculture.org/history/historyday/historyday2012.html. Lists of History Hero award winners from 1997 through 2012 are available at http://www.wvculture.org/history/hisher2012.html.

2013 History Day at the Legislature on February 21

Please join West Virginia Archives and History, along with representatives of other state agencies, state historical and genealogical societies, museums and historic sites, history re-enactors, authors, and any and all persons interested in the history of West Virginia and her people, at History Day at the Legislature on Thursday, February 21, 2013. Display tables prepared by history-related organizations may be visited in the Capitol in the hallways and rotunda area stretching from the House of Delegates chamber to the Senate chamber. The recognition of 2013 History Heroes will take place in the morning in the Norman L. Fagan State Theater in the Culture Center. Many participants will take advantage of the day to speak with their elected representatives to discuss the preservation and promotion of the historical resources of the Mountain State. We hope you will stop by the West Virginia Archives and History tables to view our videos of historic footage, and to discuss with our experienced staff any questions you may have about our services.

Country Music and Goldenseal To Be Discussed on February 5, 2013

On February 5, 2013, John Lilly, editor/folklife director for Goldenseal magazine, will present “West Virginia Country Music and Goldenseal Magazine,” at the Tuesday evening lecture in the Archives and History Library in the Culture Center in Charleston. The program will begin at 6:00 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

Lilly will discuss the history of Goldenseal magazine, which was established by the West Virginia Department of Commerce in 1975 and came under the Department of Culture and History in 1977. Now in its 39th year, the quarterly magazine of traditional life is still published by the state, with a circulation of approximately 15,000. Lilly is Goldenseal’s third editor, a position he has held since 1997. He will discuss the magazine’s mission, its contributor guidelines, and production methods.

In addition, Lilly will present an overview of the magazine’s coverage of traditional country music, a prominent topic in the magazine since its inception and an area of specialty for him personally. Drawing

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The always popular Hoot Owl Night at the West Virginia State Archives will be held for the 14th year the night of April 5 through the early hours of April 6, 2013. Participants will be admitted to the Archives and History Library at 6:00 p.m. on Friday evening to spend the entire night until 8:00 a.m. Saturday researching their family history and/or local history topics with the assistance of several top West Virginia genealogists. Snacks will be available in the Archives conference room, and napping is allowed, so bring a pillow and sleeping bag if you like. A printable registration form is available online at http://www.wvculture.org/history/hoottowl2013brochure.pdf. Call Archives and History at (304) 558-0230 or e-mail director Joe Geiger, joe.n.geiger@wv.gov, to have a brochure mailed to you. Other contacts for information are Gerald Ratliff, ratliffgsfm@hotmail.com and Esther B. Warner, ebw104@juno.com.

Participation is limited to 50 participants. Registration postmarked by March 23, 2013 is $25. If space is available after that date, late registration is $35. Mining Your History Foundation is a non-profit “friends of the Archives” organization which uses its funds for the benefit of the West Virginia State Archives by purchasing books, microfilm, equipment, bookbinding services, etc. Photos of the 2012 Hoot Owl are posted at http://www.wvculture.org/history/workshops/2012hoottowl.html.

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Native American Research Will Be Focus of February 21 Program

On February 21, 2013, Greg Carroll will present “Native American Research in West Virginia” at the Thursday evening lecture in the Archives and History Library in the Culture Center in Charleston. The program will begin at 6:00 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

Carroll will discuss which tribes were located in the area between 1600 and 1800, their languages, alliances, and tribal movements. He also will provide information on how people with possible Native American ancestry can try to find these often elusive relations.

Greg Carroll is a graduate of Marshall University. He was a staff historian at West Virginia Archives and History for 23 years until his retirement in October 2012 and focused on Native American, African American, and Civil War history.

The program is being held on the third Thursday of the month rather than the normal second Thursday.

For planning purposes, participants are encouraged to register for the program, but advance registration is not required to attend. To register in advance, contact Robert Taylor, library manager, at bobby.l.taylor@wv.gov or at (304) 558-0230, ext. 163. Participants interested in registering by e-mail should send their name, telephone number and the name and date of the session. For additional information, contact the Archives and History Library at (304) 558-0230.

[This article originally was prepared by Mary Johnson for the Archives and History Web site based on information provided by Greg Carroll.]

Dr. Barkey Presents “The Socialist Party in West Virginia”

Dr. Fred Barkey, Professor Emeritus at West Virginia Graduate College, lectured on the subject of his recent book, The Socialist Party in West Virginia, 1898-1920, to an enthusiastic full house in the Archives and History Library on January 8. The rise of the Socialist Party from the late 19th century through its decline during World War I was discussed, as well the prominence of socialists in the cigar-making, glass-blowing and mine trades in West Virginia.

Evening Workshops and Lecture Schedule

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Registration for these free workshops is helpful but not required. Call our office at (304) 558-0230, or e-mail bobby.l.taylor@wv.gov.

Workshops are held 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the West Virginia Archives and History Library, The Culture Center, Charleston, West Virginia.
Parkersburg Church’s Baptismal Records Now Online

St. Francis Xavier Church in Parkersburg, WV, has placed Book 1 of Baptismal Records for 1856-1865 online. Visit http://www.stx-pburg.org, look under “What’s New” on the site and click on “Baptismal Records,” or go directly to http://www.stx-pburg.org/baptismal_records.htm. Roger Nedeff of St. Xavier said, “Since the parish is older than the state of West Virginia these records should be helpful to family genealogists.” The church began an archiving project following a talk on basic care of collections by Debra Basham, archivist for the West Virginia State Archives, given for the Wood County Historical Society in Parkersburg. If your organization is interested in the topic, Basham is available for similar presentations and may be reached via e-mail at debra.a.basham@wv.gov or by phone at (304) 558-0230.

SHPO 2013 Calendar

The West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) calendar, titled “Land, People and Statehood,” is now available. The free 2013 calendar features images of historical places relevant to “The Road to West Virginia Statehood” in celebration of West Virginia’s sesquicentennial. If you visit the Culture Center in Charleston you may pick up a calendar from the SHPO office or in the West Virginia Archives and History Library. If you would like to receive a calendar by mail, contact Conni McMorris, conni.l.mcmorris@wv.gov, (304) 558-0240, or write to her at WV SHPO, The Culture Center, 1900 Kanawha Blvd. E, Charleston, WV 25305-0300.

New Titles

West, Always West: Mary Holbert Ellyston, 1976.
Dream of the Mountains’ Struggle: Appalachian Pastor Five Years Later: Joseph R. Hacala, editor, [1980?].
A Wayfaring Sin-Eater and Other Tales of Appalachia: James Gay Jones, 1983.
Stowers Families of America, Volume 8: Judy Stowers Siddoway, 2012.

MYHF Book Donations

The Mining Your History Foundation (MYHF) has very generously purchased the following titles on behalf of the Archives and History Library:

Virginia Slave Births Index, 1853-1865, Volume 5, S-Z: Alexandria Library Local History/Special Collections, Leslie Anderson Morales, editor, 2007. This is the final volume of the five volume set purchased for the library by MYHF.
When We Got Electric: Tales from the Good Old Days in Northwest West Virginia: Hometown Memories, LLC, 2012.

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Pittsburgh & West Virginia Railway Timetables: Howard V. Worley, Jr., 2006. Much historical and biographical information can be gleaned from the timetables themselves and accompanying information printed on the timetables.

History of Warren County, Pennsylvania: with Illustrations and Biographical Sketches of Some of its Prominent Men and Pioneers: J. S. Schenck, 2008, c1887. We appreciate the donation of this reprint to replace our crumbling 1887 first edition on the Reading Room shelf. The older volume will be moved to Closed Stacks.

New CD-ROM Titles

Sorting Some of the Wrights of Southern Virginia: Part VIII: William Wright (Amherst County), Volume 1, 2 and Sources: Robert N. Grant, 2009.

Sorting Some of the Wrights of Southern Virginia: Part II: John Wright (Goochland County Carpenter): Volume 1-4 and Sources: Robert N. Grant, 2004.


New Family ArchivesTM CD-ROM Titles

Gifts of the Parrish Collection, Mount Morris, NY:

New York in the Colonial Wars, the Revolution and the War of 1812: 2000.
Genealogies of Virginia Families from The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography: 1996.
Immigrants to the New World, 1600s-1800s: 1997.
Genealogies of Virginia Families from Tyler’s Quarterly Historical and Genealogical Magazine: 1997.

Topic of WV Death Records Explored

Randy Marcum, Archives and History historian, presented “Death Records: The Final Act” to the Thursday Evening Genealogy Club on January 10 in the Archives and History Library. Marcum discussed county and state death records, West Virginia Dept. of Mines Fatal Accident Reports, funeral home and other records regarding deaths and the information that can be found by researching these documents.

Quilt Exhibit and Events at Clay Center

The Clay Center in Charleston, WV, is offering a series of programs and events revolving around a current exhibit of award-winning quilts by West Virginia quilters, “American Quilts in the Modern Age, 1870-1940.” The art exhibit, which appears December 21, 2012 through March 30, 2013, features examples of both traditional and modern quilt patterns and styles. On February 8, Merikay Voldevoegel, a prominent...
North Carolina Wills, 1665-1900: c1999.
Huguenot Settlers in America, 1600s-1900s: c1998.
Virginia Genealogies and Biographies, 1500s-1900s: c2000.
Southside Virginia Genealogies: John W. Pritchett, c2007.
Early Ohio Settlers, 1700s-1900s: c2001.
Pennsylvania German Church Records, 1729-1870: c1996.
Virginia Genealogies and Biographies, 1500s-1900s: c2000.

Calendar of Events

Please check our Web site (http://www.wvculture.org/history) for genealogical and historical society meeting announcements, and for more complete information on activities listed below.

“WV 150” SESQUICENTENNIAL EXHIBIT, opening January 31: The Culture Center, Charleston.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY EXHIBIT, February 1 through March 9:
Greenbrier Historical Society, Lewisburg.

AFRICAN AMERICAN ARCHEOLOGY IN WEST VIRGINIA AND THE OHIO VALLEY,
February 2: Heather Cline, speaker, Weirton Area Museum and Cultural Center.

BLENNERHASSETT WINTER LECTURE SERIES, February 3: Ilene Evans, presenter, as Harriet Tubman, Blennerhassett Museum of Regional History, Parkersburg. Reservations required.

BLENNERHASSETT WINTER LECTURE SERIES, February 10: Doug Wood, presenter, as Outacite Ostenaco, Blennerhassett Museum of Regional History, Parkersburg. Reservations required.


PRESIDENTS DAY, February 18: Archives Library open.*

HISTORY DAY AT THE WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE,
February 21: Capitol Complex and Culture Center, Charleston.
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“WHEELING STREET NAME ORIGINS,” February 26: Kate Quinn, speaker, Ohio County Public Library Lunch With Books, Wheeling.

KANAWHA VALLEY HERITAGE FAIR, March 2: Hosted by Kanawha Valley History Center, Salines Presbyterian Church, Malden.

LIBRARY DAY AT THE WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE, March 7: Capitol Complex, Charleston.

FINAL DAYS OF WEIRTON STEEL, March 9: Tom Zielinsky, speaker, Weirton Area Museum and Cultural Center.


GENEALOGY AND THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR WORKSHOP, March 16: Joetta Kuhn and Patsy Adkins, presenters, Riverside Public Library, Belle.

GENEALOGY AND THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR WORKSHOP, March 30: Joetta Kuhn and Patsy Adkins, presenters, Kanawha County Public Library, Charleston.


FIFTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF NATIONS, April 13: Weirton Area Museum and Cultural Center.


GENEALOGY AND THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR WORKSHOP, April 20: Joetta Kuhn and Patsy Adkins, presenters, Clendenin Public Library, Clendenin.

GENEALOGY AND THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR WORKSHOP, April 27: Joetta Kuhn and Patsy Adkins, presenters, St. Albans Branch Library, St. Albans.

*Only the Archives Library will be staffed—all other Archives offices will be closed.

The West Virginia Library Commission Library in the Culture Center is closed weekends and all holidays.
WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU.
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