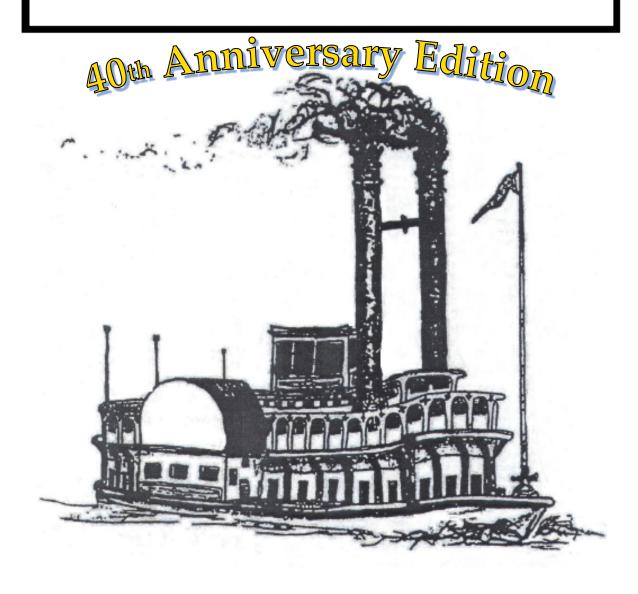
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# News From the Deck:

What's Happening at TSGS & Willard Library

## Tri-State Genealogical Society Meeting Schedule 2018-2019

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The Tri-State Genealogical Society's (TSGS) monthly meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at Willard Library Browning Gallery of the following months: September, October, November, December, January, February, March, May, and June. There are no meetings in July or August.

#### Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Joy Neighbors will speak on cemeteries in genealogical research.

### Tuesday, October 9, 2018

Linda Saltzman McCall will speak on lineage societies

#### Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mary Ann Mathews will present her play, Mrs. President: A Visit with Mary Lincoln.

#### Tuesday, December 11, 2018

Vannetta McDowell and Mark Soper will speak on tips for saving photographs

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## A Celebration of 40 Years of TSGS

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TSGS 2017-18 Board: l to r: ?, Peggy Newton, Virginia Aldridge, Dixie Barger, Chris Hoehn, Vannetta Ghormley McDowell, Betty Postletheweight





1 Charter TSGS Members Dixie Barger and Carol Lantiff





## A Letter from Don Baker

I was hired as Head Librarian at Willard in January, 1976. I had a freshly minted master's degree in library science, but what interested the Board most was my master's in history and my experience researching and editing Indiana and local history. Two years earlier, the Board had hired a library consultant to advise them on how they could give Willard a special role in the community, one not already covered by the "other" public library and the two universities. He told them that genealogy was the coming field and would mesh well with Willard's existing local history collections. The Board became fully committed to that new area of service.

At that time, the genealogy presence in the community was largely limited to Kay Lant's classes in family research (which I took and benefitted from immensely) and the DAR Room at the old Central Library, which was staffed by volunteers and only open to researchers one afternoon a week. Available resources included cemetery lists published by individuals and the county histories being reprinted by Laddie Warren's Unigraphic Press.

Due to perpetually tight finances, from the beginning Willard's second floor had been relegated to closed storage for non-circulating materials. That area was now designated for



the new Regional and Family History Center, but limited staffing continued to mean public access remained sporadic at best. The Board told me, "[w]e have confidence you'll learn how to run a library. Meanwhile, let the adult and children's services run themselves and get that second floor open!"

More money was obviously necessary. That meant building community support; I have no idea how many Kiwanis, Rotary, and Optimist meals I enjoyed as I went throughout the city spreading the word that exciting

things were happening at Willard. Meanwhile, Board members worked diligently behind the scenes. Our success manifested itself when we mounted the library's first major capital appeal. We realized the long flight of steps into the building and then up to the second floor were very daunting to prospective researchers. The community came through in a big way to make it possible for us to construct the accessibility ramp and elevator that made it possible for everyone to take advantage of our new services.

Since Willard's public money came from the City of Evansville, the Board and I cultivated our relationships with the mayor and city council. Bi-partisan support from council persons like Ray Becker, David Koehler, Betty Jarboe, Betty Knight Smith, and others gained us access to federal block-grant funds for renovation projects and CETA (Comprehensive Employment and Training Act) funds to provide additional, if temporary, staffing.

Willard's access to city tax money had been made possible by a special act of the legislature in the last century. Those funds were capped, however, and that cap needed to be raised so the library could ask for increased funding to underwrite our growth. That effort would not have succeeded without the active support of the legislators from Vanderburgh County. It was very handy that one of Willard's board members, Robert Orr., was lieutenant governor and then governor during this period.

Meanwhile, we needed someone to manage the day-to-day operations of the Family History Center. I was very lucky to be able to hire Joan Elliott, later Joan Elliott Parker, as Special Collections Librarian. She got collections organized and catalogued and public service upstairs operating with the friendly and personal approach that has always been Willard's hallmark.

In 1986, Joan wrote the "Special Collections" essay for the Friends of Willard Library's commemorative book, "Where There's a Willard." Here's how she described the Library's relationship with the Tri-State Genealogical Society. I could not have said it better:

The library began to draw "so many genealogists that efforts were made to accommodate this new interest. One step which was taken was to open the genealogy room one evening a week. This move was popular and successful from the start. It allowed time outside the normal working hours for many persons to pursue their research. It also provided a time for genealogists to gather together."

"There had been expressions of interest by many area genealogists in forming a genealogy society. Now, with a place to meet, plans got underway. Discussions began as early as March,

1977, and after a couple of exploratory meetings held at the invitation of the Library, the Tri-State Genealogical Society was officially begun. A strong and active organization from the very beginning, the Society boasted over 500 members in 1983."

"This group has been a steady helpmate to Willard's genealogy collection, contributing books, magazines, ideas, money, and general support. It played a major role in the [library's] Regional and Family History Center."

I have many happy memories of working with the Tri-State Genealogical Society and the wonderful people who dedicated



themselves to its growth and flourishing—people like Bettie Ann and Michael Cook, Edna Kasper, and so many others. You have my best wishes for another forty years as you adapt to the many changes that have occurred in the way genealogical research is done.

Sincerely,

Donald E. Baker



## 40 Years of the Tri-State Genealogical Society

By Mary Lou Bevers and Peggy Newton

For the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of TSGS, Mary Lou Bevers read a historical overview at the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration meeting on 13 March 2007. As a tribute to Mary Lou and, to be honest, because it really can't be improved, it is being reprinted. I will add the account from 2007-2017 following Mary Lou's account. -P.N.

Tonight is a time for "us old-timers" to reminisce and to recall people whom we may have not thought of for a while. At the same time, it will enlighten those who joined us in later years, so that they may have a better understanding of how TSGS came to be and has thrived for so many years.

Technology has come a long way in 30 years. We need to be on our "best behavior" because we are being watched tonight on the ghostcam website by Carol Bartlett, and maybe by Don Baker, George & Lou Wolf, Margery Shaw, and Carol Lantaff. I have messages from some of them that I will read later. Let's all wave to them now.

There will be a lot of "name calling" tonight, but in a positive way. It is impossible to mention everyone who has helped TSGS without reading thirty years of membership lists and I don't believe you want me to do that.

Also, be thinking of any funny TSGS-related stories that you might briefly share with us at the end of the program, if time permits.

Thirty years ago this Thursday night, on March 15, 1977, sixty-one persons met in this room to discuss organizing a genealogical society. Don Baker, Director of Willard Library, called the meeting to order.

Jeanne Bender was nominated Acting President, and Mildred Blake as temporary Secretary. Others on the organizing board were Mary Lou Bevers, Edna Kasper, Dee Margedant, and Billie Berkemeier. Don Baker, Mike Cook, and Kay Kirchgestner were asked to be Advisors.

Don Baker announced that about mid-April Willard Library would begin remaining open on Tuesday evenings.

Organizing details were worked out in April and May, "Tri-State Genealogical" was chosen for the name of the new organization, and an agreement was signed between The Society and Willard Library whereby the library agreed to let TSGS meet there, and TSGS agreed to house book purchases at Willard for public use. Also, if TSGS ever left the library, or ceased to exist, then the books would become the property of the library.

On June 14 the first regular meeting was held and a slate of officers was elected: Jeanne Bender, President; Edna Kasper, Vice President; Alfred Johnson, Recording Secretary; Billie Berkemeier, Corresponding Secretary; Betty Ann Ewers, Treasurer; Mary Lou Bevers, Membership Chairman; and Kay Lant, Program Chairman. The speaker for the evening was Willard Heiss, Chairman of the Family History Section of the Indiana Historical Society, who came down from Indianapolis. He made some sort of a remark "that TSGS would probably not last long, as so many new Societies didn't."

A membership list as of August 9, 1977 shows that 234 individuals had joined TSGS already. Their addresses included Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Florida, Missouri, Texas and Wyoming. This was primarily a result of "word-of-mouth communication."

By September, we were "really organized" and had plans for the year ahead. (This explains why our membership year begins in September.) The first issue of *The Packet* was produced that month by Michael Cook as Editor. Mike set the high-quality standard for *The Packet* which continues today. Sometime during our beginnings, Jeanne Bender resigned as President, and Edna Kasper stepped up to the plate to finish the year as our President, and Amanda Kessner became Vice President.

By December we had started the Surname File, a version of which still exists today. Very early in our beginnings, we started offering what we called the "6:30 Help Session" preceding the 7:30 meetings. We soon began teaching genealogy courses.

We have always been fortunate to have very knowledgeable members willing to share their expertise. Three were Certified Genealogists—Bettie Ann Cook, Brenda Joyce Jerome, and Marjory Kinsey. While I never took the time to become certified, I have always understood the need for courthouse records in research and have "preached" about the subject many times. Others and their specialized fields are Karen Marie Kirsch, church records; Larry Goss and John West, computers; John Powell, military records; and Dr. Margery Shaw, genetics, plus many other members who have helped with training in numerous ways.

By the end of our first year, June 1978, we had 291 memberships: 339 individuals in 22 states. That summer, on August 8, Ye Olde Genealogie Shoppe from Indianapolis brought their books to Willard for a "Book Fair." For the rest of his life, until his death just a few years ago, owner Ray Gouldy praised TSGS for causing him to stop smoking. He said he was so out of breath after taking his books up and down the stairs that when he began the drive home he threw his cigarettes on the dashboard and never smoked another one!

Our second year began in September 1978 with Bettie Ann Cook as President. Our first book was published that Fall—Newspaper Abstracts of Owensville & Gibson Co. 1872 - 1915. A second book soon followed—Cemetery Records of Vanderburgh Co. by Carol Lantaff and Glenda Trapp, plus a second volume later. Many more books followed. Some of the outstanding ones were the Five Generation Chart Book edited by Ken Franks and his committee of six, followed by Volume 2 edited by Karen Kirsch, Barbara Thompson, and Joan Elliott Parker with John West as Consultant; 1880 Census of Vanderburgh Co., IN by Eleanor Glenn Tenbarge and Gladys Hobbs; 1870 Census of Vanderburgh Co., IN, edited by Karen Kirsch; Vanderburgh Co. Will Index 1840 - 1944 by Eleanor Glenn Tenbarge; and Warrick Co., IN Marriages 1813 -1859 by Kay Lant and Kathryn Freels. Clarice June Hale compiled several books and donated them to TSGS to publish. On Sunday, June 8, 1980 we had our first and last picnic. It was held at the Paul Grimes Log Haus on the USI campus. Were any of you there that day?

May 1981 was our first Seminar. It was held at The Methodist Temple, with Willard Heiss, Pat Gouldy, and Jean Miller as speakers. Several other seminars were held there. In October 1986 we were still there when Marsha Rising, our first nationally-mown speaker, provided the lectures. In November 1987 we went big time and had Dr. George Schweitzer at the Ramada Inn. A few years we had no seminar, but during most of the years that followed, we had nationally-known speakers.

In 1991 the seminars were expanded to include displays, demonstrations, and more vendors. The "granddaddy" seminar of them all was in 1993 when we had Dr. Schweitzer back again, with 267 in attendance. In the years following that, we continued to put on good seminars with some of the best genealogy speakers in the nation, but something happened that affected our attendance—and that of seminars and training programs all over the country.

More and more people were doing research, but fewer and fewer seemed interested in learning about how to do research. They didn't know that there are basics that one needs to learn—they were too busy playing on the Internet in what they believed was a goldmine of family "information" already compiled—just copy it and pass it on, with no thought of the need for evidence. Some found lineages going as far back as the year 500! Unfortunately, many still do that, and will never realize that they have nothing of value without evidence.

Speaking of computers—and the Internet—I know that some of you are too young to comprehend how we did research without one. Imagine that even for census records we had to rely on published books and whatever film our local library had; that is, if you were lucky enough to have a librarian who was not opposed to genealogy, as many were (and still are).

And, speaking of librarians, Willard would not have anything like the collection they have today had it not been for the interest that Don Baker had in genealogy, and the wisdom to figure out that cooperation between Willard Library and a responsive genealogy community would be a good thing for us both. We are so fortunate to have the good relationship we enjoy, while many libraries and genealogical societies fight each other. We are one of the largest genealogical societies in the Midwest, and Willard Library has the third largest genealogy collection in the state—with only Fort Wayne and Indianapolis having more.

When some of us first began research in the late 1960s and early 1970s, and when Don Baker came to Willard, there was one microfilm reader with a high stool to perch on, and two small cases of books of interest to genealogists. Owensboro, Ky. was the place to go for research. The nearest LDS Library was in Louisville, Ky., and some of us would borrow film from Salt Lake, and then drive to Louisville to read it!

By 1976, Willard had opened this upstairs room with a real genealogy and local history department. This room had been used as storage for newspapers, etc., for nearly 100 years. Joan Elliott was hired to manage the department. Later, Frank Chandler worked with her for several years, and was followed by a number of others whom we grew to like, such as Carol Bartlett and Carol Money. Lyn Martin became the successor to Joan Elliott Parker. Peggy Newton and Pat Sides came on board several years ago. John Scheer has contributed to the efficiency of the library. Many others have also served us well.

On 14 April 1987, we celebrated our tenth anniversary at the Cambridge Inn with 90 members and guests present. I believe that was our first Dinner Meeting. I remember it well. Marj Kinsey was President and was called out of town that morning, and I, as Vice President, had to preside. Again, Willard Heiss from Indianapolis was our speaker, and he saw that we were still a very lively group. At that time, we had 385 members from 34 states, the District of Columbia, and Alaska. We had almost \$2,100 in the treasury and had published ten books. Of the original 234 Charter Members, 104 were still members.

A good number of our members have compiled and published books. Probably the greatest number have been produced by Bettie Cook and her late husband, Michael Cook, and by Brenda Joyce Jerome. Their books can be found in many libraries throughout the United

States. A very significant one that Michael Cook and Glenda Trapp published was *Kentucky Genealogical Index*.

TSGS became incorporated under the Presidency of George Wolf. We later joined the Federation of Genealogical Societies, and also became a Chapter of the Indiana Genealogical Society.

For many years, John West has been the Coordinator with the 4-H participants and judging.

Marjorie Kinsey began writing a genealogy column for *The Evansville Courier* in October 1991 and continued until her death on 21 July 2003. It served the genealogy community well.

TSGS has had a website for many years, first with Chris Myers as webmaster, followed by John West. I was in the audience at a national conference lecture when the well-known Cyndi Howells of Cyndi's List fame used the TSGS website as an example of one of the best genealogy websites in the U.S.!

On our 25th Anniversary in April 2002, 59 Charter Members were still active.

Today, 30 years after organizing, we still have 36 Charter Members on our current membership list. That translates to 16% of our original membership.

What an awesome amount of time has been contributed to make TSGS successful for 30 years! Happy Birthday and congratulations!

#### 2007 - 2017

At a time when genealogical societies were disbanding in alarming numbers, the Tri-State Genealogical Society was still going strong. There were, however, signs that things were changing. Members were retiring, moving away, or passing on, and younger ones were not coming on board. Technology was changing the way people wanted to do research—on the computer, online, often not leaving home.

After years of declining numbers of attendees and volunteers, TSGS stopped holding its annual all-day seminar. Attendance at the monthly meetings also declined, gradually, to the point that meetings were moved from the Special Collections research room to the Bayard Room. As program chair, Mary Lou Bevers had experimented by holding discussion groups rather than a single full-floor program, but that didn't seem to increase attendees. The help session, a mainstay for many years, was dropped. Meeting times were changed from 7:30 to 7, and then to 6:30.

Perhaps the biggest change was taking the *Packet* from a printed to digital publication.

In April 2018 TSGS celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the Browning Gallery at Willard Library. It was mostly a social affair, with members and former members meeting again and sharing the snacks, drinks and the beautiful cake. TSGS presented certificates to Charter Members and to past presidents. A letter from Don Baker (which appears elsewhere in *The Packet*) was read.

Despite losing active members such as Mary Lou Bevers, Don Pierce and Connie Conrad, to name just a few, TSGS is not defeated yet. There are still members who believe TSGS does not have to be a lost cause—nor *The Packet* a sinking ship. They are dedicated to "retooling" the society so it will be relevant in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. With a presence on Facebook and a new website that will have a number of resources that researchers can use as they search farther into the past, there's still life in the Society. The website, like the Society, will be dynamic, ever-changing, and relevant. It's still very much a work in progress, but oh, watch that site change!



## TSGS Highlights: The First 40 Years

Compiled by Peggy K. Newton

#### Part 4. The Fourth Ten Years — 2007 - 2018

September 2007—Officers for the 2007-2007 TSGS Year: Bettie Cummings Cook CG, president; John G. West, vice-president; Sue Newcomb, recording secretary; Sue Hebbeler, corresponding secretary; Connie Conrad, treasurer; Lyn Martin, program chair; Don Pierce, membership chair; and Peggy Newton, *Packet* editor.

September 2007—Pat Sides wrote about the Newman photograph collection in *The Packet*, showing photos of an early football team at Bosse High School and a group of unnamed churchgoers posing next to Evansville's Zion church.

11 September 2007—Brian Spangle led the help session on "Research in the Knox County Public Library." André Trawick, featured speaker at the meeting, presented "Traveling the Lewis and Clark Trail.

9 October 2007—Nancy Voyles spoke at the help session on the research collection at Henderson County Library. Sue Berry and Civil War re-enactors from Henderson, Kentucky, presented "Mourning Customs During the War Between the States" at the main meeting.

- 20 October 2007—Lloyd Hosman was featured speaker at the annual TSGS seminar and workshop at the Holiday Inn Conference Center at Hwy 41 and Lynch Road. His topics included "Newspaper Research," "Making the Most Out of Census Research (1880-1910)," "Using the International Genealogical Index (and other Mormon Resources," and "Indiana Research."
- 13 November 2007—Sharon Olson, Special Collections Librarian at Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library, gave an overview of the materials available in Central Library's Indiana Room during the help session. For the main meeting, Jon Carl presented two segments from the Reitz High School "Feel the History" series: James Bethel Gresham and Leslie Irvin.
- 11 December 2007—Instead of holding a regular meeting this month, the society hosted a Holiday Social at Willard Library.
- 8 January 2008—The January meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather—not snow, but thunder, lightning, and threats of tornadoes.
- 12 February 2008—The February meeting was cancelled.
- 11 March 2008 Vannetta McDowell led the help session on Willard Library's two new databases. John G. West spoke on "Why DNA?" at the main meeting.
- 8 April 2008—The annual dinner meeting was at Willard Library and catered by Old Tyme Deli. Harold Morgan, the featured speaker, presented "Homefront Heroes," based on his recent book.
- 10 June 2008—Patricia Sides presented a program on the Vanderburgh County Christian Home at the June TSGS meeting.
- September 2008—The officers for 2008-2009: John G. West, president; Douglass Korb, vice-president; Lyn Martin, recording secretary; Sue Hebbeler, corresponding secretary Connie Conrad, treasurer; Bettie Cummings Cook CG, program chair; Don Pierce, membership chair; Brenda Legate, *Packet* editor.
- 9 September 2008 Mary Lou Bevers led the help session on "Genealogy News Guidelines and Tips." Jeanne Foley Dwyer presented "Tri-State Celtic Society of Evansville," at the main meeting.
- 14 October 2008 "Research in German Church Records" was Karin Marie Kirsch's topic at the help session. Mike Linderman, site director of Angel Mounds, presented a program on Angel Mounds at the main meeting.

- 11 November 2008—Help session: "Surname Files and Queries: How Can They Help?" by Barbara Manzi. Main meeting: "Christmas in Colonial Williamsburg," by Marilyn Kluger.
- 9 December 2008—Annual Christmas Party with cookies, punch, conversing with other members, and the display of 4H Family History projects.
- 13 January 2009—The main meeting: Connie Conrad on "So You Think It Doesn't Exist." During the business portion of the meeting, members voted on postponing the annual seminar in 2009 and possibly rescheduling in 2010. The Long-Range Planning Committee has been working on new ideas and Internet tools to expand communications networking with members and other visitors to the TSGS website and the Cruiser blog.
- 10 March 2009 "Research in New York State," was Joanne Huffsmith's topic at the help session. The Browning Family presented "Update to Browning's Databases" at the main meeting. Members voted to purchase \$5,000 worth of microfilm from Bettie Cook.
- 14 April 2009—The 32<sup>nd</sup> Birthday Buffet Dinner at Sirloin Stockade featured "Judge Lynch! A Novel Based on Real-Life Accounts Exposing Secrets of Small Southern Indiana Community," by author Hon. James M. Redwine, Posey County Circuit Court Judge. It was announced at the dinner meeting that TSGS had purchased 30 rolls of the Draper Manuscripts from Bettie Cook.
- 12 May 2009—Janet Goebel talked about "Research at the Family History Library" during the help session. The featured speaker was Brenda Joyce Jerome CG who presented "History of a Kentucky River Town."
- 9 June 2009—Willard Library Special Collections Librarian Lyn Martin discussed "Recent Additions to the Special Collections Department" as featured speaker.
- September 2009 The officers for 2009-2010: John G. West, president; Douglass Korb, vice-president; Brenda Joyce Jerome CG, recording secretary; Sue Hebbeler, corresponding secretary Bettie Cummings Cook CG, treasurer; Mary Lou Bevers, program chair; Don Pierce, membership chair; Brenda Legate, *Packet* editor. Program chair Mary Lou Bevers announces the theme for this year's programming is "Something for Everyone."
- 8 September 2009—Mary Lou Bevers spoke on "Basics & Beyond" at the TSGS meeting, and discussion groups were divided between "German Research" with Karin Marie Kirsch and "Cemetery & Funeral Homes" with Connie Conrad.
- 1 October 2009—Janet Carol Goebel, TSGS member and presenter, died. She had been the director of the Latter-Day Saints Library in Evansville and had an LDS information table at nearly all of the annual seminars.

- 13 October 2009 "What Everyone Needs to Understand About Research, and Most Certainly Before Hiring a Researcher" was Mary Lou Bevers' topic. Discussion groups: "Organizing Your Information" with Bevers; "Passenger Lists" with Vannetta McDowell.
- 10 November 2009—Bettie Cummings Cook CG gave a "Brief Overview of Probate Records, Guardianships, Estates, Etc." Discussion groups: Mary Lou Bevers on "Boundary Changes" and John G. West on "DNA Testing."
- 8 December 2009—The Holiday Social was held in lieu of the regular meeting.
- 12 January 2010—Three discussion groups: "Adoptions" with Becky West; "German Research" with Karin Marie Kirsch; and "Pitfalls" with Mary Lou Bevers.
- 9 February 2010 "What's New?" and "Fun Time" were scheduled topics of the February meeting.
- 9 March 2010—Discussion groups: "Court Cases," with Brenda Joyce Jerome; "Posey County Research" with Connie Conrad; and "Vital Records" with Mary Lou Bevers.
- 13 April 2010—Dinner meeting at Sirloin Stockade. Featured speaker: Harold Morgan on "Evansville During the Depression."
- 11 May 2010—Discussion groups: "Tech Talk" (computers, photography, etc.) with Larry Goss; "Willard Library Collection and Services" with Lyn Martin; "Pitfalls" with Mary Lou Bevers.
- 8 June 2010—Discussion groups: "Land Warrants, Grants & Surveys" with Bettie Cook CG; and "Valuable Databases Online" with Mary Lou Bevers.
- September 2010—The officers for 2010-2011: John G. West, president; Douglass Korb, vice-president; Karin Marie Kirsch, recording secretary; Sue Hebbeler, corresponding secretary Bettie Cummings Cook CG, treasurer; Becky West, program chair; Don Pierce, membership chair; Brenda Legate, *Packet* editor.
- 14 September 2010—The first TSGS meeting of the 2010-2011 year began at its new time, 7 p.m. to facilitate adjournment at 8:30. Ken Gilkey was featured speaker at the September meeting. His topic was "Kaskaskia to Sackville: Story of the Revolutionary War battle in Vincennes, Indiana with George Rogers Clark. Attendance prizes were introduced as a way of "thanking" those who attend meetings."
- 12 October 2010—Robert Hall presented "The Legend of Washington Irving with glimpses of Rip Van Winkle and The Legend of Sleepy Hollow with Ichabod Crane."

- 9 November 2010—John G. West: "1872 Murder in Southwest Indiana with Confession in Newspaper," a story of a murder in diary form.
- 14 December 2010—The scheduled Christmas party was cancelled due to inclement weather, as was the January meeting.
- 8 February 2011—Kim Nightingale presented "SS Ahnentafeln: How German Military Records Can Aide Your Genealogical Research."
- 8 March 2011—Rena and Larry Goss presented "Old Love Letters" at the March meeting.
- 12 April 2011—Connie Conrad presented "Tombstone Slides" at the TSGS dinner meeting at the Sirloin Stockade.
- 9 May 2011—Longtime TSGS member Sandra "Sandy" Bitz died; she was also a member of the DAR.
- 10 May 2011—Becky West presented "A Personal Journey to the Beginning: My Adoption Story" at the May meeting.
- 14 June 2011 Rebecca Shelton presented "Founding Mothers."
- September 2011—Officers for the 2011-2012 TSGS year: Don Counts, president; John West, vice-president; Kim Nightingale, recording secretary; Sue Hebbeler, corresponding secretary; Diana Davis, treasurer; Becky West, program chair; Brenda Legate, *Packet* editor.
- 13 September 2011—John West presented "Research Skill vs. Just Plain Luck!" at the TSGS meeting.
- 11 October 2011—Peggy Gilkey presented "Betsy Ross" as featured speaker at the October meeting.
- 8 November 2011 "Civil War Evansville" was the topic of Stan Schmitt's presentation at the November meeting.
- 13 December 2011—The TSGS Christmas Celebration was held in the Bayard Room, Willard Library.
- 10 January 2012—Peggy Gilkey was featured speaker at the January meeting. She presented "The Betsy Ross Story."
- 14 February 2012—Kim Nightingale was featured speaker at the February meeting.
- 13 March 2012 "Evansville's Involvement in the Civil War—Completion of the Story!" by Stan Schmitt was presented at the March meeting.

- 10 April 2012—Terry Hughes presented "Living History" at the annual dinner meeting at the Sirloin Stockade.
- 8 May 2012 "Getting the Most of the Browning Online Database" was presented by Jeannie Browning Hester at the May meeting.
- 12 June 2012—Becky West spoke briefly on "Genealogy Humor" at the June meeting, at which officers for the 2012-2013 year were elected and installed.
- 21 July 2012—Marjorie E. (Greb) Heerdink, a member of TSGS, passed away.
- September 2012—Officers for 2012-2013: Don Counts, president; John West, vice-president; Kim Nightingale, recording secretary; Sue Hebbeler, corresponding secretary; Diana Davis, treasurer; Becky West, program chair; Brenda Legate, *Packet* editor.
- 11 September 2012—Indiana Bones presented "Cemetery Stories!" at the first meeting of the year.
- 11 December 2012—The annual Christmas Meet and Greet was held in the Bayard Room on the second floor at Willard Library.
- 8 January 2013—Greg Hager spoke to the Society about "Advances and Changes at Willard Library."
- 12 March 2013—TSGS meetings start at a new time, 6:30 p.m. This month's speaker was Rena Glover Goss, on "School Records: Locating, Accessing, Acquiring."
- 9 April 2013 Bettie Cummings Cook presented the program, "Brick Walls: Finding Answers."
- 14 May 2013—The TSGS Bylaws were reviewed and new officers were elected for the coming TSGS year.
- 11 June 2013—Installation of officers and awards were the agenda for the final meeting of the year.
- September 2013—New officers for the 2013-2014 TSGS year: Deborah A. Travers, president; Constance Conrad, vice-president; Sue Newcomb, recording secretary; Sue Hebbeler, corresponding secretary; Diana Davis, treasurer; Barb Manzi, program chair and membership; Brenda Legate, *Packet* editor.
- September 2013—Beginning with the Winter Quarter (December), *The Tri-State Packet* will be sent by email only for the rest of the TSGS year; printed copies of those issues will be mailed together in June.

- 10 September 2013 "How to Search Your Thumb Drive of TSGS Back Issues" was the subject of Larry Goss' presentation at the September meeting.
- 8 October 2013—Connie Conrad showed how to "Spice Up Your Genealogy by Going Paperless."
- 12 November 2013—Rena Goss spoke on "Civil War Pension Files: Finding the Women."
- 1 December 2013—Christmas Party at Willard Library.
- 14 January 2014 "Show and Tell" invited members and guests to bring a memento from an ancestor or item found while researching family.
- 11 February 2014—Rob Wick presented his program "Everyone Out of the Stagnant, Putrid Pool: Ida M. Tabell's Search for Lincoln's Indiana Roots."
- 11 March 2014 "Tombstone Art and Epitaphs" was presented by Brenda Joyce Jerome CG.
- 8 April 2014—The dinner meeting at the Teppanyaki Grill featured Harold Morgan speaking about "Hugh McGary's Evansville."
- 13 May 2014—Election of officers; Greg Hager talked about "Willard Library."
- 10 June 2014—After installation of officers, refreshments were served.
- September 2014—Officers for the 2014-2015 TSGS year: Connie Conrad, president; Brenda Joyce Jerome, vice-president; Karen Rhoades, recording secretary; Brian Lankford, treasurer; Barb Manzi, program chair and membership; Brenda Legate, *Packet editor*.
- 9 September 2014—Joy McReynolds spoke on "The Meaning of Tombstone Art" at the first meeting of the new TSGS year.
- 14 October 2014 "How to Care for Your Family Treasures" was the topic of Bryan Manzi's program.
- 11 November 2014 "The Messicks: An Evansville Father and Son in the Civil War" was Stan Schmitt's topic at the November meeting.
- December 2014—Longtime TSGS members (and presenters) Larry and Rena Goss announce they are moving to Ohio.
- 10 February 2015—Brian Lankford spoke at the February program on "The Shakers of South Union Kentucky."
- 10 March 2015 "History of US Coins and Currency" was presented by Larry Rudisill.

- 14 April 2015—The dinner meeting at the Teppanyaki Grill featured Jeff Bosse on "Mayor Benjamin Bosse."
- 12 May 2015—Ray Molesky was featured speaker.
- 9 June 2015—No program scheduled. Officers are installed; refreshments followed.
- September 2015—Officers for the 2015-2016 TSGS year: Connie Conrad, president; Brenda Joyce Jerome CG, vice-president; Karen (Rhoads) Schaefer, recording secretary; Betty Postleweight, corresponding secretary; Brian Lankford, treasurer; Barb Manzi, program chair and membership; Rosemary Barger, *Packet* editor.
- 13 October 2015 Amber Gowan presented her program on "Vanderburgh County Archives."
- 10 November 2015—Members of the Browning Family were scheduled to discuss "Browning Genealogy" at the November meeting.
- 1 December 2015—The sudden death of Connie Conrad brought shock and sadness to TSGS members and all who knew Connie. No one could tell a story as well as she did.
- 6 December 2015—The Christmas Party was held from 2 to 4 p.m., providing refreshments.
- 12 January 2016 "Show and Tell."
- 9 February 2016—Industrialist George Mesker was the topic of Tom Lonnberg's program at the February meeting.
- March 2016—Brenda Joyce Jerome announced in the Spring *Packet* that TSGS voted to make a monetary donation to Willard Library in honor of Connie Conrad, specifying that the donation would purchase newspapers on microfilm if possible.
- 8 March 2016—Jennifer Greene covered "100 Years of Fashion" in her presentation at the TSGS March meeting.
- 10 April 2016—TSGS loses another longtime member at the passing of Don Pierce, who had held offices on the Board of Directors and was Facilities Coordinator for the annual seminars.
- 12 April 2016—Dinner meeting at the Teppanyaki Grill featured Rob Wick: "I Know So Little of Our Family History: The Search for Abraham Lincoln's Past."
- 10 May 2016 "Redemption—After Being Wrongfully Convicted" was the subject of Peggy Gilkey's program.
- 14 June 2016—Installation of officers; refreshments.

September 2016—Officers for the 2016-2017 TSGS year: Christine D. Hoehn, president and program chair; Dixie Barger, vice-president; Karin Marie Kirsch, recording secretary; Virginia Aldridge, corresponding secretary; John "Ozzie" Williams, treasurer; Rosemary Barger, *Packet* editor.

- 13 September 2016 "Browning Genealogy" was the scheduled topic of the September meeting.
- 20 September 2016—Charter member Mary Louise (Parrish) Bevers—Mary Lou to most of us—passed away. Illness may have slowed her down, but her passion for genealogy never faltered.
- 11 October 2016—A help session on "Genealogy Charts and Forms" was the focus of October's meeting.
- 8 November 2016 "Emily Orr's Letters" presented by Janis DuBois was the program for November's meeting.
- 11 December 2016—A Christmas Party was scheduled for Sunday afternoon.
- 10 January 2017 "Show and Tell."
- 14 February 2017—Jennifer Greene presented an online tour of digital websites of interest to people in the tristate area.
- 14 March 2017—Help session
- 11 April 2017—The dinner meeting was held at the Carousel Restaurant, where Stan Schmitt spoke on "Family Research with Sandborn Fire Maps."
- 9 May 2017—Help session
- 13 June 2017—Installation of officers; refreshments.

[End of the first 40 years of TSGS]



#### **TSGS 2018-2019 Officers**

**President:** Vannetta McDowell

**Vice President:** Dixie Barger / **Assistant VP:** Kim Van Vorst (In Training)

**Treasurer:** Sandra Brown (in training by Vannetta McDowell)

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**Packet Editor:** Rosemary Barger

## TSGS Dues Notice

## Membership year goes from June 1 to May 31 of current year.

- All Membership Dues Received by August 31st will receive the Summer Packet and all other packets thru the summer issue of 2018.
- Dues received after the cut-off date of August 31, 2017 will only receive packets from the time of receipt of dues thru the summer issue of 2018.

If you have any questions please contact: TSGS Membership Chairman/Treasurer tsgs.membership1@gmail.com

Please Note: Our genealogical magazine, The Packet is produced quarterly and is **ONLY** available in **.pdf** format by email.

It is time to send in your membership dues for the 2017-2018 year.

Membership is \$15.00 per year (Make Checks Payable to: TSGS).

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## **Research Helps:**

## When Their Materials Are Wrong!

by Virginia L. Aldridge

#### **Proceed with Caution!**

I have several trees on Ancestry. When I am searching from a person's name, in one of those trees on Ancestry, I receive hints from Ancestry. Sometimes those hints are just what I need to find data to help me in my research. The hints sent to me might be accurate information matching the person I am researching. And sometimes those hints are completely wrong. I have received hints listing a person is in a certain census 20 to 30 years after their death.

The hints sent by Ancestry should never be incorporated into your research until you have looked at them and compared them to the data you have compiled on the person. In fact, you should never incorporate someone else's research into yours. You need to review their research, place it in a file to be researched, to prove the material and how it relates to your material. Their research is a clue to point you in a direction where you might find more data to prove your research.

While researching a well-documented Mayflower line, I found a tree listing parents for a person I knew was not accurate. I had researched the line thoroughly and had documentation to prove the parents of the person. Note, I will not be using the surname of the person, because the other researcher might read this article and I would not want to embarrass them.

I contacted the person through Ancestry's message system and introduced myself and requested to discuss the line. I asked, "Could you please share with me your source for the parents of [and stated the man's name]? He responded his grandmother had done the research many years ago and she was his source. I politely explained I had found [and stated the man's name] as the father. We exchanged a few messages in Ancestry's message system. I offered to exchange material via email and gave him my email address.

I did not hear back from this man for several months.

When he did send me an email, he continued to feel his grandmother's research must be accurate. He sent me a reference to an article in NEHGS stating volume and page number. I thanked him for sending the article. I looked up the article and it did not actually prove the line, as he thought it did.

I sent him a copy of the probate for the father I had documented as his ancestor. That probate named all the heirs and their places of residence. I gave him the source documentation for the probate page, so he could research the material himself.

Remember, when you share material, it is important to share the source for that material. In this case it was a page from a probate book, from a county in a specific state. When I save a file to my computer I name the file with the source name.

#### How to name a file:

- 1. Person's name
- 2. Location
- 3. Type of volume and page

Example: John Doe Warrick County, Indiana Probate Order Book 1, page 255

Naming in this manner helps me find the file and helps those to whom I send the file go to the source and check my research. Yes, check my research. One should always check the source of all material shared and send sources for all material you share.

The person removed the old parent information from their tree, and several months later changed the information to reflect the materials I had shared with them. I am sure they were working to prove my information was accurate. This is something they should do before inputting data shared with them. I would do the exact same thing.

Another thing I do, I label all images with 'from the files of Virginia L. Aldridge'. I use a program that permits me to add text to an image. I began doing this when I found my husband's great-grandfather's photo attached to another man who had a similar name. The photo had been taken from one of my online web pages on our various family lines. I finally had to remove all photo albums from my web pages to prevent this from continuing. The upside to labeling your images is if the same item turns up in someone else's records, without your label on it, you may have found a distant relative who might have family data they could share with you.

## **Obituaries - A Good Source of Information**

By Brenda Joyce Jerome

Obituaries are a good source of information in genealogical research, often giving details about former places of residence and listing surviving members of the decedent's family. The following articles are examples of what can be found in obituaries.

#### Summoned

Evansville Courier, 23 November 1892, p. 1

Mrs. Anne O'Reilly, widow of the late Mr. Andrew J. O'Reilly, died yesterday morning after a brief illness at her home, No. 500 Line street, having been confined to her bed only 13 days. Mrs. O'Reilly was among the oldest and best known residents of this city. She was born near Cole Island, in County Tergone [sic Tyrone] and at the age of 9 emigrated with her parents to America and settled in New York.

While on a visit to her uncle in New Orleans in 1852, she was married to Mr. Andrew J. O'Reilly and a year later came to this city and has since made her home here. Her husband was one of the best known and most esteemed business men and died in St. Louis in 1871.

Mrs. O'Reilly has been an invalid for the past 12 years, having been permanently crippled by an accidents, and during that period has been unable to walk.

Mrs. O'Reilly leaves an only sister, who resides in Philadelphia, Penn., and four children, Mrs. A.J. Schiml, of Chicago; Mrs. Eugene Thomas of Idaho; Miss Anna M. O'Reilly and Mr. Andrew J. O'Reilly, to mourn her loss. The funeral will take place at 9 o'clock Thursday morning from the Church of the Assumption, of which Mrs. O'Reilly was a devout member.

#### Dies in Soldiers' Home

Evansville Courier, 29 January 1902, p. 3

Jerry Sauntry of this city died at the soldiers' home at Lafayette, Ind., Tuesday night of last week as the result of a stroke of apoplexy.

Mr. Sauntry was a native of Ireland and was born Oct. 28, 1835. He served during the civil war as a member of company K, Third Kentucky Cavalry, enlisting at Owensboro in October, 1861, and was mustered out of the service on July 15, 1865.

He and his wife were admitted to the home from Evansville in June, 1897, having resided here a long time. A widow and three daughters survive him, two living in Evansville, one in Denver, Colo. Mr. Sauntry was an excellent member of the home and was highly esteemed by officers and associates. The funeral took place Friday afternoon at the home, it being his request to be buried there.

## **Upcoming TSGS Programs – Fall 2018**

The Tri-State Genealogical Society announces its program schedule for Fall 2018. All programs are in partnership with Willard Library, and will be held in the library's Browning Gallery on the lower level. All programs are **free** and **open to the public**. You do not have to be a member to attend, but you are encouraged to register for each program at Willard Library's website.

Tuesday, September 11, 2018 - Joy Neighbors, a writer, author and playwright with an



avid interest in cemeteries, history, photography and genealogy, will share some of her knowledge that became the basis for her book, *The Family Tree Cemetery Field Guide*, published in late 2017 by F+W Media, parent company of *Family Tree Magazine*.

The book contains such topics as cemetery research, locating ancestors' graves, understanding symbols and abbreviations on tombstones, and how to find death records and other cemetery data. In addition, the genealogy/cemetery research guide provides detailed step-by-step information for using *FindAGrave* and *BillionsGraves*, plus guides for understanding tombstone epitaphs and comprehensive research

methods. And she tells stories about how she dealt with some unexpected and shocking family secrets.

The avowed "Tombstone Tourist," has written the popular cemetery blog, <u>A Grave Interest</u>, for seven years and enjoys sharing her findings with groups and organizations interested in cemeteries and genealogy. Neighbors is a former journalist and broadcaster who now works as a freelance magazine writer and playwright. She has just completed a full-length play about Kentucky pioneer heroine Jane Todd Crawford and is working on another play about Kentucky civil rights activist Alberta Jones. An eighth-generation Hoosier, she currently lives in Louisville, Kentucky.

#### Tuesday, October 9, 2018

Linda Saltzman McCall is a genealogist now living in Springfield, Illinois. In her program on Lineage Societies, she will offer general information and examples of lineage societies; discuss the benefits of the application process on her own research; and show how to find and clarify errors in family documents.



She is a member of the Illinois State Genealogical Society, the Indiana Genealogical Society, Inc., the Society of Indiana Pioneers, and Daughters of the American Revolution, Posey County Historical Society, Tri-State Genealogical Society, and the Friends of Genealogy at Chatham Area Library in Sangamon County, Illinois (rotating Chair).

McCall grew up in Posey County, Indiana, and graduated from Mt. Vernon High School. Her family farm in Springfield, Indiana, was homesteaded in 1816. Both her great-grandfather and grandmother lived into their 90's and were proud of their family histories. She grew up listening to their stories that encouraged her interest in genealogy from an early age. Old Beech Cemetery is very near the farm and all of her Saltzman ancestors are buried there.

At 17, she left for nurses training at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis, and there she met and married her husband. After their respective graduations, they moved to Chatham, Illinois, her husband's hometown, and have lived in that area since. She and her brother still own the family farm that received the Bicentennial Award in 2016 for having been in the same family for over 200 years. She has continued documentation in Posey County with family histories, photographing cemeteries, and gathering and sharing information at family reunions and local libraries.

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 - Mary Ann Mathews, of Indianapolis, Indiana, will



present her play, *Mrs. President: A Visit with Mary Lincoln.* The play depicts the former first lady in the last year of her life, while she is living in her sister's home in Springfield, Illinois. The audience, in the role of unexpected visitors of Mrs. Lincoln, is invited to tea and listens to her reminiscing about periods of her life. The play runs slightly less than an hour, after which questions are encouraged.

Mathews has portrayed Mrs. Lincoln in particular years, such as 1861, when she was full of enthusiasm and optimism about her new role as America's first lady and could talk about her sons with affection, prior to Willie's death. This is more of a casual program and doesn't really touch Mrs. Lincoln in as much depth. It is also more of an ad-lib, meet-and-greet type of program, perhaps more appropriate with casual audiences who are coming in and out of a venue, or for visiting classrooms for a brief period of time.

Tuesday, December 11, 2018 - "Saving Grandma's Photo Album" is the topic of Mark Soper's program in December. Vannetta McDowell, TSGS President, will discuss the importance of saving the family photos before it's too late. She will also suggest what to take in your genealogy bag to holiday (or any) family gatherings that will help you quickly capture photographs shared by other family members that you have never seen before. She will then introduce Mr. Soper for his program in which he will demonstrate photo scanning and archiving techniques, and the steps toward



transforming and digitally repairing a photo, using Photoshop Elements.

Mark Soper is the author of more than 30 books on technology that are available in many languages around the world. Two of his books were on digital photography: Easy Digital Cameras and The Shot Doctor: The Amateur's Guide to Taking Great Digital Photos. As an instructor at IVY Tech Community College of Evansville, Soper has taught photo editing and archiving.

He has digitized several historic photo collections for area libraries, including The Workingman's Institute in New Harmony, the Princeton (Indiana) Public Library, and the University of Southern Indiana archives. He has presented programs on photo digitizing and restoration for the Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library and Willard Library.

With family gatherings coming up for the holidays, this is a good time to learn more about digitizing and archiving your family's photo collection.



For more than 40 years, the Tri-State Genealogical Society has presented programs with the goal of educating, informing and promoting proper genealogical research to beginning and advanced genealogists and to the public at large with an interest in genealogy. The programs are the featured events at the monthly meetings, which are held on the second Tuesday of each month from September through June. Meetings are not held in July and August. The public is welcome, and while membership in TSGS is encouraged, it is not required to attend the meetings.

From its inception, TSGS has donated books, microfilms, and other research materials that are available in the Special Collections Department at Willard Library, 21 First Avenue, Evansville, IN 47710. Library hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information on programs or the Tri-State Genealogical Society, contact <a href="mailto:tsgs.information@gmail.com">tsgs.information@gmail.com</a> or follow TSGS on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/tristategenealogicalsociety42/">www.facebook.com/tristategenealogicalsociety42/</a>.

## Genealogical Resources in Lake Zurich, Illinois

Submitted by Carol Bartlett, Reference Librarian Ela Area Public Library, Lake Zurich, Illinois <a href="https://hacabartlett@juno.com">hacabartlett@juno.com</a>

## St. Peter Evangelical & Reformed Church Now St. Peter United Church of Christ Lake Zurich, Illinois Established 1900

#### Baptisms 1917 - Pastor J. Heinrich

**Beutler**, Roland Ernest Irving, son of Roland and Emma (nee Seip) Beutler. Born 1 December 1916 in Lake Zurich; baptized 4 March 1917. Sponsors: Ernest Beutler, Irving Beutler.

**Beutler**, Ruth Grace Minnie, daughter of Roland and Emma (nee Seip) Beutler. Born 1 December 1916 in Lake Zurich baptized 4 March 1917. Sponsors: Grace Beutler, Minnie Fink.

**Eichman**, Glenwood William Frederic, son of Wm. H. and Sylvia (nee Seip) Eichman. Born 26 December 1916 in Lake Zurich; baptized 15 April 1917. Sponsors: Olga Eichman, Wm. Eichman, Fred Seip.

**Eubanks**, Ernest Morris, son of Louis and Amilie\* (nee Thoms) Eubanks. Born 16 July 1915 in Effingham, IL; baptized 5 June 1917 in Lake Zurich, IL. Sponsors: John Irving, Mrs. Anna Fox. \*1920 census has "Amilie" as "Millie".

**Fox**, Helen Emma, daughter of Clarence and Anna (nee Thoms) Fox. Born 23 September 1916 in Barrington, IL; baptized 5 June 1917 in Lake Zurich, IL. Sponsors: Mrs. Emma Irving, Mrs. Anna Thoms.

**Buesching**, Wilhelm August, son of August and Ada (nee Krüger) Buesching. Born 25 June 1917 in Ela Township; baptized 12 August 1917 in Ela Township. Sponsors: Wm. Buesching, Sr., Wm. Krueger.

**Gransee**, Ruth Nellie Bertha, daughter of Wm. and Anna, (nee Kohls) Gransee. Born 8 August 1917 in Volo, IL; baptized 19 August 1917 in Volo, IL. Sponsors: Herm. Armgard, Nellie Kohls, Bertha Maves.

**Reimer**, Alvin Erwin Edward, son of Heinrich and Martha (nee Klingenberg). Born 10 August 1917 in Barrington, IL; baptized 7 September 1917 in Barrington, IL. Sponsors: Erwin Klingenberg, Edward Klingenberg.

**Buesching**, Frances Caroline Anna, daughter of Herman and Minnie (nee Meyer) Buesching. Born 17 August 1917 in Lake Zurich, IL; baptized 23 September 1917. Sponsors: Mrs. Caroline Buesching, Mrs. Anna Meyer.

**Schumacher**, Alice Eleanor Kathryn, daughter of Louis and Elizabeth (nee Jacobsen) Schumacher. Born 23 September 1917; baptized 14 October 1917. Sponsor: Mrs. Kathryn Geary.

**Bradtke**, Albert Vernon, son of Geo. and Jennie, (nee Seip) Bradtke. Born 6 October 1917 in Lake Zurich; baptized 28 October 1917 in Lake Zurich. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoeft.

# **Criminal Cases in Posey County, Indiana**

Submitted by Connie Conrad

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