



Genealogy Society
Of
Craighead County, Arkansas

This month's meeting will be held at
The Jonesboro Public Library

Next meeting: Sunday, June 24, 2001

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MEETING HAPPENINGS: The May Meeting was held at the Jonesboro Library on 20 May 2001 at 2:00. Our speaker was supposed to be Viola Meadows. Unfortunately, we had storms in the area just before the meeting and she was unable to attend. Perhaps she can present her program on the Clover Bend Restoration in the future.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: The Executive Board met on 9 June 2001 at 2:00 p.m. at the Jonesboro Library.

1. The June meeting will be held on 24 June 2001. It has been moved one week because of Father's Day.
2. Mrs. T has resigned from the Executive Board.
3. Donna Ishmael has been added to the Executive Board.
4. Next Executive Board Meeting will be 7 July 2001 at 2:00 pm at the Jonesboro Library.

DUES

Dues are \$15.00 a year. They can be mailed to GSCCA (Genealogy Society of Craighead County, Arkansas) P.O. Box 2614, Jonesboro, AR 72402-2614. We would be glad to have you with us.

JUNE MEETING: The June meeting will be on land records. The speaker has not been set at this time.

NEWSLETTER: The newsletter is published monthly. You may have queries, stories, your family forms, etc. anything pertaining to genealogy, published. This is your newsletter, so use it and enjoy it. Send articles for publishing to: Nancy Matthews at 1811 S. Culberhouse, Jonesboro, AR 72401, e-mail: nlmatthews@insolwvb.net. We welcome all your articles, queries, etc. and will print them as room permits. The newsletter can also be viewed on the Internet at:

<http://www.insolwvb.net/~nlmatthews/newsletter.htm>.

Just a note for everyone crossing the state and the country on their annual genealogy trips this summer. Don't forget to call ahead to ANY library, especially those in Arkansas to check on library hours. Most libraries in Arkansas are suffering from recent drastic budget cuts. Some have had to discontinue Saturday hours. Others have had to cut hours during the week. Every individual library is dealing with the cuts in their own way.

BEGINNER CLASSES

Beginner classes have been scheduled. The cost of each two-part class is \$25. The fee for the class includes *Walking Through Your Past: A Guide to Finding Your Roots*. If you would like to attend or know someone that is interested, please contact Betty Woodall at 931-4111 or Nancy Matthews at 933-8153.

Monday & Tuesday July 16 & 17 from 6:00 to 8:00.

Monday & Tuesday August 27 & 28 from 6:00 to 8:00.

TEACHERS

In 1891, Craighead County employed 38 white male teachers, 11 white female teachers and one "colored" female teacher. Male teachers for Grade One earned an average of \$47.10 a month, while female teachers for the same grade were paid \$38.33. For Grade Two, male teachers were paid an average of \$35.00 a month and female teachers, \$20.00. No salaries were listed for Grade Three.

The average salary for first grade male teachers, state-wide, in 1891 was \$43.28; for female teachers, it was \$37.00. Male first grade teachers earned a total of \$6.28 more than their female counterparts in Arkansas in 1891.

In Grade Two, males earned an average salary of \$34.76, while female teachers for the same level earned \$32.15, a difference of \$1.46.

The county supported a total of 43 schools, and they were in session a total of 203 months.

Craighead County spent a total of \$11, 750.48 on teacher salaries in 1891. She also spent \$49.00 for houses or building sites; \$8,394.95 for building and repairing; \$954.70 to purchase apartments, etc.; \$539.53 for the Treasurer's Commission; and \$222.75 for other purposes, for a total of \$21,911.41. The amount left unexpended at the end of the school year was \$754.35.

These funds covered 2 new frame schools erected during the year in the county at a cost of \$600.00, plus 33 existing frame schoolhouses and one brick one. These buildings were valued at \$46,343.00. While there were still 290 log schoolhouses in use during this year around Arkansas, Craighead County had none; and the one brick schoolhouse she possessed was one of only 24 throughout the whole state.

In 1891, Craighead County schools had a total enrollment of 1,418 white males, 1,190 white females, 58 colored males and 53 colored females.

--Biennial Report Superintendent Public Instruction, Arkansas 1891-92

by J.H. Shinn

JULY MEETING: The July meeting will be held on 15 July 2001. It will be a "Work Day" at the Jonesboro Library at 2:00.

MEMBER BOOKS FOR SALE

Some members have already produced books. If you have produced a book and would like to have it listed for sale in the newsletter and/or on the Internet, please contact me, Nancy Matthews, at 1811 S. Culberhouse, Jonesboro, AR 72401, e-mail: nlmatthews@insolwwb.net.

"Man's mind stretched to a new idea never goes back to its original dimensions."

--- Oliver Wendell Holmes

- 1880 United States Census on CD-ROM

The release of the 1880 United States Census is a major announcement for several reasons. First, the availability of this resource on CD-ROM is news by itself. Next, this new resource contains a complete, nationwide index. The 1880 census has never been indexed before. In order to find a listed person, you had to already know where he or she lived at that time. If you have ancestors with unknown locations at that time, you probably were unable to find their census listings until now. Even if you knew they lived in a big city, finding their entries in the 1880 census was a tedious task until the release of this new CD-ROM tool.

The 1880 United States Census Records CD-ROM set (56 CDs) contains transcribed records, not original images. That is, hundreds of volunteers spent hundreds of thousands of hours reading census records on microfilm and then typing pertinent information into the database. These transcribed records contain the following information about each person:

- * Last name
- * First name, often including middle name or initials
- * Age
- * Sex
- * Race
- * Marital status
- * Occupation
- * Relationship to the head of household
- * State or country of birth
- * Father's state or country of birth
- * Mother's state or country of birth
- * National Archives microfilm number and page
- * Family History Library microfilm number

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Unmarked Graves Located By Obituaries / Death Notices Published in
The Monette Sun Newspaper

Compiled by Joyce Whitten

Monette Cemetery

MANUS, Margie (child) died 16 Jun 1922, age 6 yrs, burned to death, dau of Gabe Manus

MURRAH, Charles Martin, 31y 10m d: 13 Feb 1921

NANCE, Pearl, 2 yrs, child of Riley Nance d: 2 Oct 1921

RAMSEY, Infant d: 15 Jan 1922 child of Mr. & Mrs. Avery Ramsey

SNELLINGS, C. B. died last week, one day after son (pneumonia) pub. 20 Apr 1922

SNELLINGS, Preston died last week (pneumonia) son of C.B. published 20 Apr 1922

VARNER, Noah (marker says 1904-1928) age 18, Conflicting data – Most likely died between March 17th and the 24th

Confined to bed at the home of his sister Mrs. W.F. Flannigan published 17 Mar 1922

Card of Thanks published 10 Mar 1922 [this has to be a newspaper filmed out of order] – for acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy during the illness and death of Noah Varner. Mr. & Mrs. A. T. Stotts, Henry Chambers, John Varner, Mrs. Minerva Lewis, Mrs. Dora Stewart, Mrs. Grover Johnson and Mrs. W. Flannigan. Parents died when he was young and he made his home with Mr. & Mrs. Mrs. A. Stotts.

Nettleton Cemetery

HARRIS, Opal age 12 d: 24 Jun 1922 dau of Lee Harris (accidentally shot to death by brother)

Pine Hill Cemetery

SELF, Thelma (marked with years only) age 18, wife of William, d: 18 Jan 1922

Unknown Cemeteries, Most Likely Eastern District Burial

DOWNS, Miss Lola d: at St. Louis 7 May 1922 funeral at Monette

FLANNIGAN, Harley – card of thanks by father R.F. Flannigan published 16 Dec 1921, last known living 11 Feb 1921 ---- Probably Monette Cemetery

QUINN, Mrs. E. B. died in childbirth last week, published 10 Feb 1922 (editorial states 2 Monette doctors were called but they would not come because they could not be assured of their fee) Most likely the child died also. Most likely buried at Monette.

BOOKS -- BOOKS -- BOOKS

- 1910 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas – Volume 1** – 308 pages – indexed
price 30.00 includes postage
- 1910 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas – Volume 2** – 360 pages – indexed
price 30.00 includes postage (available summer 2001)
- 1910 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas – 2 Volume Set** – 368 pages – indexed
price 50.00 includes postage
- 1900 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- about 437 pages – indexed
price 35.00 includes postage
- 1880 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- 168 pages – indexed
price 18.00 includes postage
- 1870 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- 117 pages – indexed
price 15.00 includes postage
- 1860 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- 81 pages – indexed
price 12.00 includes postage
- 1860, 1870 & 1880 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- Three book set.
price \$40.00 includes postage
- Cemeteries of Craighead County, Arkansas -- Volume I** – indexed
price \$30.00 includes postage
- Cemeteries of Craighead County, Arkansas -- Volume II** – indexed
price \$30.00 includes postage
- Cemeteries of Craighead County, Arkansas -- Volume III** – indexed
price \$30.00 includes postage
- Cemeteries of Craighead County, Arkansas -- Three Volume Set**
price \$75.00 includes postage
- Walking Through Your Past: A Guide to Finding Your Roots**
price \$15.00 includes postage

This for is for our upcoming book on our members surnames that they are researching. Please include all the surnames of your family lineage.

NAME _____

STREET _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

SURNAMES _____

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