



October 2014

# WARREN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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### WCHS GENERAL MEETING

**Tuesday, October 28**

**7:00 pm**

**Steve Hall**

Traveling Around  
Warren County  
Through Old Views  
Warren County  
Postcards

### Warren County Genealogy Research Retreat

**Sat., Nov. 1,**

**noon to midnight**

Get help researching your family genealogy.

\$5.00 charge

### WCHS VOLUNTEER DINNER

**Sat., Nov. 8, 6:00 pm**

### WCHS FUNDRAISER at BURGER KING

**Tuesday, November 11**

**from 5:00 to 8:00 pm.**

Please eat at the Indianola Burger King. Put your receipt in the container for the Warren County Historical Society.

### WCHS EXECUTIVE BOARD

**Sat. Nov. 15, 9:30 am**



### LCF 2014 PARADE WINNERS

Merchant's Choice-  
Community Bank



Theme Best-  
Indianola FFA

Historic Choice -Vlieger Family

### PIE & CAKE AUCTION

Auctioneer Mark Putney and helpers Hannah Dawson & Monty Freeman. Top money raising black raspberry pie with winner Bill Dickerson



The pie and cake auction was a great success with a large variety of baked goodies. Thanks to all who donated and to those who purchased the items.

### 1st A.H. Swan Chili Cook-off

Mary Miller contemplates her vote as to which is the best chili .



Best Spicality Chili and Over All Winner Gloria Schettler made Jamaican Me Crazy Chili



Sean Aldrich was Best Meat Chili Winner with his Chili Bang Bang



**"The Cooks," Cooper Family**



**Making Scarecrows**



**Lynn Downey  
Car Show**



**Craig Hill, Iowa Farm Bureau  
President, Parade Marshall**

# LOG CABIN FESTIVAL 2014



**King & Queen, Lynda & Jim Richards**



**Honored Couple,  
Jim & Nadine Goodhue**



**Honored Family,  
The three Barker Boys**



**Mary Spinning**



**Quilt Winner,  
Brenda Morgan**

## WCHS Homemade Music Archives

The WCHS has voted to support a new archiving project lead by Simon Stanfield. Simon offered to supervise and work with other volunteers collecting information on the music played in Warren County. He plans to interview and record as much as he can of our present musicians and to collect information on those musicians who are no longer with us. Some, of this last group, are represented on older recordings. Information about them will also be available through interviews and newspaper accounts.

The project will be officially launched after the first of the year when special recording and videotaping equipment has been acquired and tested. Anyone interested in contributing information or recordings can contact Simon now at 961-4257 or through the historical society at 961-8085. Anyone interested in supporting this project with volunteer time may also contact us.

The final product of the project will be a digitized record that can be available through the WCHS, the Indianola and Simpson libraries, and the State Historical Society. Simon has done a similar project in Illinois and has had much experience in the music world. More about this later but I will finish with a quote from Simon from his proposal, "...my goal is to leave behind a comprehensive accessible collection of Warren County musical history".

Ruth Hall



**WARREN COUNTY CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS of the 39th IOWA INFANTRY**  
(Most Warren County Soldiers were in the 34th)



Barker, Amos –Born in Indiana, enlisted August 20, 1862 and was a 1st Corporal in Company F, 39th Iowa Infantry. Reduced to 3rd Corporal October 2, 1863. Promoted to 2nd Corporal February 11, 1864. Killed in action Allatoona, Georgia October 5, 1864.

Baty, John N.—Enlisted December 29, 1863 in Company F 39th Iowa Infantry. Re-enlisted and transferred to Company F 7th Infantry June 5, 1865.

Beedle, Samuel— Summerset, enlisted August 15, 1862 Company B, 39th Iowa Infantry. Sick in hospital in 1862. No other information.

Bilby, Joseph H.—Born in Indiana, enlisted December 23, 1863 in Company F, 39th Iowa Infantry. Re-enlisted June 5, 1865 in Company F, 7th Veteran Infantry.

Burson, Aaron E.—Virginia Township, enlisted January 19, 1864. Died of disease March 4, 1864 Cullcoka, Tennessee.

Clark, James A.—Born in Ohio, enlisted March 29, 1864 as Private Company K, 39th Iowa Infantry. Captured October 5, 1864 Allatoona, Georgia. Paroled and transferred to Company E, 7th Infantry May 29, 1865.

Felton, John H.—New Virginia, enlisted August 16, 1862 in Company F, 39th Iowa Infantry. Mustered out June 5, 1865, Washington D.C.

Ludington, Henry C. - Born in Virginia, enlisted August 22, 1862 Company F, 39th Iowa Infantry. Mustered out June 5, 1865 Washington D.C.

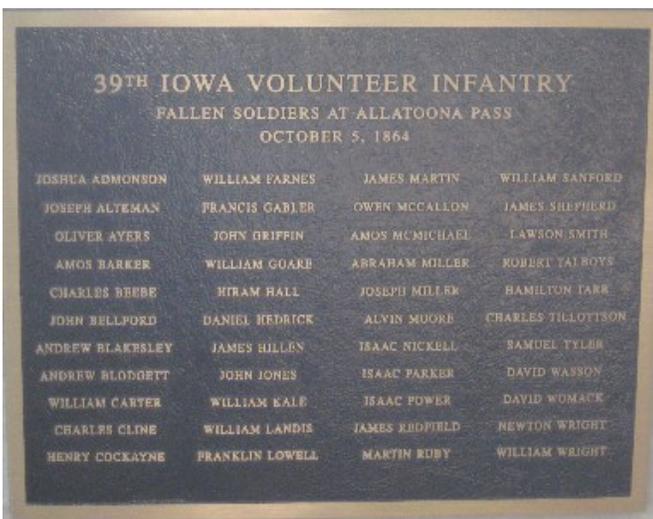
Henry Mitchell—Born England. Sandyville, enlisted August 22, 1862 Company E, 39th, Iowa Infantry. Deserted November 20, 1862.

Spain, Peter D.—Enlisted August 22, 1862 Company F, 39th Iowa Infantry. Died of disease June 25, 1865, New York , New York. Buried Cypress Hill Cemetery Long Island.

Young, Milton M.—Hartford, enlisted August 22, 1862 Company I, 39th Iowa Infantry. Returned to Company K, 15th Infantry June 6, 1864 Rome, Georgia.



**Allatoona, Georgia Memorial for Iowa's 39th Infantry funded by Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War and other private individuals. Photo from [www.iowacivilwarmonuments.com](http://www.iowacivilwarmonuments.com)**



150 years ago on October 5, 1864, the fierce battle for Allatoona Pass in the Georgia mountains took place. The 280 member 39th Iowa Infantry was commanded by Lt. Commander James Redfield. The pass was located on a rail line between Chattanooga, Tennessee and Atlanta, Georgia. It was used for supplies and ammunition for General Sherman.

On October 5th Confederate Troops had surrounded Union Troops and asked them to surrender. The battle began. No regiment at Allatoona Pass fought with greater gallantry than the Thirty-ninth Iowa. In the early part of the battle it was located some three hundred yards from the principle forts, which had been constructed for the defense of the place. Here the Confederates made the most determined attacks which were several times stopped. At length the regiment fell slowly back to

the cover of the forts, where it fought with courage. Iowa's 39th suffered a 60% casualty rate (killed, wounded or missing). **Information from Roster Iowa Soldiers, War of the Rebellion, Vol. V, Hold the Fort, We're Coming by Mike Rowley, Page 19A, Des Moines Register Oct. 4, 2014 , and [www.iowacivilwarmonuments.com](http://www.iowacivilwarmonuments.com)**

**WARREN COUNTY TREASURER'S LCF COMPARISONS**

<b>Receipts</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Banks for quilt	300.00	100.00
Sponsors	1300.00	1305.00
Antique Vendors	155 .00	70.00
Craft Vendors	1220.00	2015.00
Food Vendors	300.00	375.00
Garage Sale	1068.49	702.70
Farmer's Market		250.00
Raffle Sales	1702.20	727.00
Breakfast	926 .00	789 .00
Chicken Noodle Dinner	1759.00	2642.55
Pie Auction	1925.50	2690.50
Start-up Money	900.00	1200.00
Ceramic Crocks	6.00	
Scare Crow	130.00	122.00
Car Show	1781.00	2375.00
Country School Books	5145.00	
Indianola Chamber Book Grant	215.00	
Ag Books		2430.00
Bounce House		101.00
Chili Cook-Off		40.00
Margie's Sketch Artist		89.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>18, 833,19</b>	<b>18,023.75</b>
<b>LCF Disbursements</b>		
Gambling License	40.00	40.00
Vendor Refund	75.00	40.00
Tickets	186.48	108.08
Trophies/plaques	405.00	
Start-up Money	900.00	1200.00
Breakfast	136.10	155.25
Chicken Noodle Dinner	354.52	234.78
Fair Ground Rental	950.00	900.00
Entertainment	40.00	
Ads		40.00
Scare Crow Straw	40.00	
Safety Pins	12.66	
Quilt Expense	878.71	651.08
Car Show Flyer & Postage	127.28	178.80
Car Show Plaques	581.00	
Dinner Rolls, Crouse Café	37.50	
Cover for Quilt	13.76	
Karaoke	50.00	
Ag Books & Rural Schools	2977.14	1423.20
Sign & 2013 Advertising		199. 40
<b>Total LCF Expenses</b>	<b>7,796.15</b>	<b>5,272.59</b>

**DID YOU KNOW** it costs a minimum of \$2,000 a month (\$24,000 a year) to keep the WCHS doors open. This cost reflects utilities, insurance and re-occurring monthly costs. With the 7 Heritage Village buildings and our museum there are always unforeseen maintenance expenses. We need \$30, 000 plus to operate. LCF provides a third of what we need.

**\* The 2014 LCF Receipts may be adjusted by income yet to be received or unknown costs.**



- ◆ 280 pages & 200 Photos
- ◆ 142 Century & Heritage Farms
- ◆ Warren County 4-H & FFA Leaders
- ◆ Farm Groups, Inventions, & Production

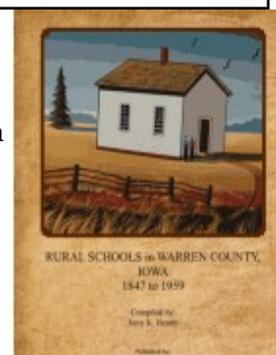
**WARREN COUNTY BOOKS**

Need a Christmas Gift?

**\$30 Each****Rural Schools or  
Agriculture in WC**

Purchase online at  
[www.warrencountyhistory.org](http://www.warrencountyhistory.org)  
 Or at the museum

- ◆ 100s of Photos
- ◆ Reviewed in Iowa History Journal by Bill Sherman
- ◆ 4,000 plus names



## WARREN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AQUITIONS

Rosemont's St. Marys School Records & 125th Anniversary Book Scrapbook (damaged by fire) -Janice Dittmer

Child's red snowsuit felt beanie with charms, apron –Vicki Premis

Liberty Township Clerk's Record 1913-1950 - Darlene Weybright

Spring Hill Church Plate, 1929 1st Savings Bank Spring Hill, 1909 photo of barn and Roye Brewbaker - Mary Jean Brewbaker

December 10, 1857 Photo of Record Herald equipment -Dorothy Dudley

McGuffy's Reader, McGuffy Eclectic Spelling, Students History of U.S.—Cliff Lowe

Alex Swan and the Swan Companies, Lawrence Woods, 2006 –Linda Beatty

Spring Hill High School and 8th Grade diplomas –Dee Sedwell

Hanging files, folders, and file boxes –Melissa O'Brian

1954 Mike's Body Shop Calendar –Stan McAninch

Late 1940-1950 pink beauty salon chair-donated by Pi Beta Phi (originally owned by Steve Pfeiffer's mother)

1900 Iowa Pocket Map by Capitol Insurance –James Holland

Outhouse from Kenneth Shupe Farm (now located behind Mt. Hope School) -Wyona Shupe

Employee Time Book from Summerset Mine and grocery list from Baxendale Store –Virginia Baxendale Gee

4 hats and hat box belonged to Betty Cooper –Alice Brito

St. Charles' Senior Class Commencement program –Richard & Linda Morris

Simpson and Lake Ahquabi post cards –Sue Sjeklocha

Last year's 2013 LCF School Quilt –Diana Bedwell

### WARREN COUNTY TIDBITS (1924 Indianola Herald)

New Soap Factory makes grease and dirt removing soap in the F.M. Sadler building, two blocks northeast of the northeast corner of the square. The Silas Igo and John E. Clark partnership makes the product to supply dealers in the state. The formula Mr. Clark has, was used for 25 years. It is sold in 1, 3 and 5 pound tin cans. The label was drawn by Cecil Briggs, son of C.C. Briggs. It is called C & I Mechanics Soap.

Iowa State Attorney General Gibson is behind the campaign to absolutely suppress the grieving menace of Sunday dances. No dances will be tolerated on Sunday and all Saturday night ones will end at midnight.

North School (old Irving) was destroyed in flame July 10th. It was erected in 1876 and served as grade and high school till 1904.

At the last meeting of the W.C.T.U. the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, Mrs. E.B. Hurford; vice presidents, Mrs. M.A. Dashiell, Mrs. C.M. White, Mrs. Lou Moore, Mrs. J.W. Lundy, Mrs. J.L. Brown, and Rev. Laura Townsend; recording secretary, Mrs. Ellen Gifford; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S.H. Tidball; treasurer, Mrs. M.E. Parr; assistant treasurer, Mrs. Lotta Lamb. Department superintendents; Benedict Home, Mrs. Bette Bartholomew; Fair and Chautauqua, Mrs. J.L. Bower; Flower Mission, Miss Dora Moore; Evangelistic, Mrs. C.M. White; Scientific, Temperance, Hygiene and Heredity, Mrs. Lou Moore; S.S. Temperance, Mrs. Todhunter; Legislative, Mrs. Vinall. All department superintendents are requested to prepare written reports of the years work for the next regular meeting.

The Jefferson Highway (Highway 69) is not finished south of Medora. Warren County is disgusted with the two mile cow-path to the Clarke County border.



**Jones' photo from John Paul Jones Papers, 1924-1999, Archives of American Art, Washington D.C.**

## PRINTMAKER JOHN PAUL JONES

John Paul Jones (1924–1999) draftsman, painter, printmaker, sculptor, and teacher, was born in Indianola, Iowa in 1924. His parents were Paul C. Jones and Ada Davis (they divorced and his mother was institutionalized for mental illness). He enrolled as a pre-engineer at Simpson College in 1943, but his studies were interrupted by World War II. He served as an Army sergeant at the Battle of Okinawa. The U.S. and its allies torched Okinawa's intricate system of underground tunnels with "liquid fire" (a mixture of gasoline and napalm), and many of those passageways had women and children civilians hiding in them. Afterward, as a sanitary measure, Jones and his battalion spent three weeks burning corpses.



**Self Portrait, 1950 From Artweek LA, Jan. 16, 2012**

After the war, he began his art training at the University of Iowa in 1946. Jones studied under Lester Longman, James Lechay, Humbert Albrizio, and Stuart Edie, but perhaps Mauricio Lasansky's printmaking workshop affected his art the most. 1951 he received his M.F.A. degree in printmaking, was awarded the Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation scholarship for graphics, given a purchase prize from the Brooklyn Museum National Print Exhibition, and joined the faculty of the University of Oklahoma as Instructor in Art. He was known for subtle and haunting etchings, lithographs and paintings. In the 1980s he did sculpting in Oregon.



**Black Profile**

He then taught briefly at the University of Iowa before his appointment in 1953 as Assistant Professor of Art at the University of California at Los Angeles. In 1970, Jones relocated to the Irvine campus of the University of California where he was Professor of Prints and Drawings until 1982. He has had numerous solo exhibitions and group shows.

From Laguna Art Museum, *Jones Bio, October 31, 2010-January 23, 2011* and *John Paul Jones Biography*, [www.annexgalleries.com](http://www.annexgalleries.com)

### THREATENS TO TAKE AWAY "CASH" DOWELL'S TOGA

In 1924 Mrs. A.H. Hoffman, who had been county superintendent of schools in Polk County for six years, announced her candidacy as a Republican for the Iowa 7th Congressional District. The 19th Amendment which gave women the right to vote had been ratified in 1920.

Mrs. Hoffman was a graduate of Iowa State Teachers' College, Iowa State University and one year at Drake Law. She was the 2nd woman to serve on the Des Moines School Board and the first to be elected board president. "I am interested in the many public health and child welfare bills and equal educational opportunities for all children," said Mrs. Hoffman. "I believe there is real work for a woman in congress."

She was running in the primary against Lawyer Cassius Clay Dowell, who was born on a farm near Summerset in 1864. He had served in the Iowa House and Senate, and 7 terms as Republican Congressman. In Warren County the primary vote was 1847 for Dowell and 1449 for Mrs. Hoffman. She was the first woman to run in this district and she did win in precincts-Greenfield, Jefferson, Liberty, and Washington 2 & 3. Congressman Dowell served 9 terms in Washington.



**THANK YOU**

- WCHS Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
- Saturday, November 8 at 6:00 pm
- Please RSVP by November 1 to 961-8085. Leave a message with number attending dinner.