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# NEWSLETTER

## February 2008

### March 8, 2008, Meeting -- 10 a.m. Nevada Public Library "BARN AGAIN"

The houses and barns of the pioneer settlers were more than just shelter; they were statements of family history, ambition, economy. The different types of architecture sometimes told where the settlers originated; for instance, the *bank barn* was often preferred by German-speaking farmers. Tri-County Genealogical Society is sponsoring a showing of "Barn Again" depicting barns that have been restored and telling of their origins. You are invited to attend the program, and it would be an interesting addition to the program if you would bring a picture and story of a barn that is important to you to share with the group.

**In case of inclement weather (snowing or ice on roads), the meeting will be cancelled.** The meeting is open to the public.

### 2008 Membership Dues

2008 membership dues can be paid at the March meeting. Dues help provide additional resources such as books and microfilm of area newspapers. If you have benefited from the resources in the Genealogy Department or the Internet website, please help support the Tri-County Genealogical Society with a membership.

### Best Choice UPC Labels and Summer Fresh Grocery Receipts

Collecting labels and receipts continues year round. Save Best Choice UPC product labels and Summer Fresh grocery store receipts and

bring them to any monthly meeting – they are redeemed for cash.

### Coleman Cemetery

Society member Bill Coleman has ancestors buried in the abandoned pioneer Coleman Cemetery in Vernon County. (See related information about Augustus Baker in the Mar 2006 and Apr 2007 newsletters). Since 2004 they have researched burials, attempted to contact descendents of those buried in the cemetery, established a board of overseers with new bylaws, arranged for Charlie and Allen Cress to clear the cemetery of dead trees and saplings, and installed a sign identifying the cemetery. Court records of establishment of the original Coleman



Cemetery association were found, and the new overseers have decided that no new burials will be permitted, leaving the site as a pioneer cemetery.

The burial location of Capt. Augustus Baker's wife, Rebecca Pryor, was located and

a stone has now been placed for her. The Capt. Baker stone and Adaline Baker stones



were also straightened.

<b>Capt. Augustus Baker</b>	<b>Adaline Baker (daughter)</b>	<b>Rebecca (Pryor) Baker Shackelford</b>
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The Tri-County Genealogical Society extends its appreciation to the Coleman's for their work in preserving this pioneer cemetery.

### Who are YOU Researching?

Members are invited to submit their name and contact information (email and/or mailing address) and surnames with location and years that they are researching for publication in the newsletter. Others may be researching the same family, and this will enable researchers to contact each other and share information if they desire to do so.

Becky Siple provides the following offer: "Let me know if there's Oregon stuff you'd like. I enjoy photographing cemeteries. Surely Tim & I will get to do some road trips this year, now that we've an "empty nest." Anything in and around Portland or Vancouver, I'd go do by myself. You're welcome to pass the offer on to Tri-County members, too." (If you have a request for Becky, please send to Tri-County and it will be forwarded to Becky.) Thank you, Becky, for this generous offer.

Al Powers, society member, provides the following information on his Walker family. Al can be contacted at 1750 S. Garrison St.,

Lakewood, CO 80232. Phone: 303-985-8147. E-Mail: [alpowers@comcast.net](mailto:alpowers@comcast.net)

### JOHN WALKER - MAGGIE CLARK and JOHN B. WALKER - NAOMI NICHOLS LINES

Outline of Walker Family Tree info embracing the area of Schell City & Nevada, Vernon Co., MO, includes the Surnames of Walker, Nichols, Clark, Weaver, Hindman, Lindley. The time frame is roughly 1880s to 1970s. These families mostly came from Clark, Montgomery and Christian Counties, Illinois and some via Van Buren County, Iowa.

Marion Monroe (M. M.) Walker, b. 1852, Illinois m. a Nancy ?? (about 1887) came via Montgomery and Christian Cos., Ill. with his unmarried mother, Charlotte Walker (b. ca 1822) to Vernon Co., MO in 1887/1888. All of his 4 children were born in Missouri: 1) John Wesley Walker, b. 1888 at Zodiac, Vernon Co; 2) Leslie Walker, b. 1891; 3) Nettie Walker, b. 1894; and 4) Valley (female) Walker, b. 1897. The 1900-1930 Censuses show residence at Park Ave., Schell City.

John W. Walker m. 1910 at Nevada to Maggie Lavina Clark b. 1891, Schell City. She was the daughter of William T. Clark (1860-1940) and Larissa (Louisa/Larissa) Weaver (1869-1900). Larissa was the daughter of B. F. Weaver (1838-1910) and Mary E. Davis (1849-?). John d. 1970; Maggie, 1966; and Wm. Clark 1940. All three are buried at Green Lawn Cemetery, Schell City, MO. Fannie A. (Wilson) Clark 2<sup>nd</sup> wife of Wm. Clark.

John W. & Maggie (Clark) Walker had 5 children, (all born Schell City):

- 1)- John Bertis Walker, b. 1912-present (Minn.)
- 2)-Freddie Ernest Walker 1914-1957. d. Idaho
- 3)-Harvey Walker 1918-1921
- 4)-Raymond H. Walker 1922-?? (need info)
- 5)-Wilma Ruth Walker 1924-?? (need info)

John B. Walker, wife Naomi Nichols (1911-1988) m. 1935 K.C., MO (their descendents in Minn.).

Naomi, b. St. Clair Co., MO--parents Frank A. Nichols 1870-?? & Rosa A. Hindman, 1878-

??, both b. Illinois (her parents, Andrew & Mary ? Hindman b. 1853). Frank Nichols parents: John Lee Nichols of Clark Co., Ill. (1839-1904) and Cynthia Lindley (1842-1900) both born Illinois. Her parent-single mom-Rebecca Lindley (1822-??) (parents: Samuel Lindley (1800-1838) and Betsey Coonrod (1800-1827). Frank L. Nichols parents uncertain: 2 George W. Nichols are listed on various records: each with whole different set of children (needs researching) (the line may be out of Kentucky). The Lindley line goes back to Ireland & England (James Lindley 1641-1714). The Clark line goes from Thaddeus Clark 1833-1898 back thru Samuel Clark. etc. and most probably into Suffolk, England.

The Walker line goes John B. & John W. & M.M. to Charlotte Walker, b. 1822 in N.J. to her father: Daniel E. Walker, b. ca 1800, also in NJ--he died 1882 in Nokomis, Montgomery Co., Illinois.

Am interested in Cemetery records showing where these various relatives are buried: in and around Schell City or Nevada areas of Vernon County. Already have John W. Walker, wife Maggie Clark, William T. Clark and 2<sup>nd</sup> spouse Fannie buried at Green Lawn Cemetery, Schell City, MO. Also any additional family info of all these relatives listed in Vernon County, (and cemetery records, birth/death places) and unknown spouses will be appreciated, especially on the Walkers & Nichols. Will share all info I have compiled here (80 pages).

Carla Anders, member, provides the following information regarding her research and she can be reached at [andersc@iowatelecom.net](mailto:andersc@iowatelecom.net).

My Bryan and Scott families settled in Vernon County in the mid- to late-1850s. They were a brother (John Scott) and sister (Grace Scott Bryan) to my direct ancestor Montraville Scott who settled in Benton County. They all left St. Charles County between 1855 and 1860. John Scott (Jr) and

his wife are buried in Callaway Cemetery and some of their children are buried in Moore Cemetery. Grace Scott Bryan and her family are buried in Moore Cemetery. Below is a descendant chart for my Scott family. John Colter Scott is my 2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grandfather through my paternal grandmother.

**1-John SCOTT.** born: Ireland; died: 10 Feb 1816 to 12 Feb 1816, St. Charles Co, MO.

+Elizabeth ?. born: Ireland; died: Aft 1837 MO

2-David SCOTT. died: 19 Dec 1835-12 Jan 1836, St. Charles Co, MO. buried: Jan 1836, St. Charles Co, MO.

2-Hannah SCOTT. died: 26 Jul 1838-31 Aug 1849

+Joseph ADAMS. died: 26 Jul 1838-1 Mar 1842

3-Catharine ADAMS. born: Btwn 1822 and 1836. died: Bef 27 Feb 1849

3-John W. ADAMS. born: Btwn 1822 and 1836. died: Bef 1849.

3-Mary Elizabeth ADAMS. born: Abt 1828  
+John M SMITH. marr: 16 Apr 1846, Warren Co, MO

3-Hannah S. ADAMS. born: Abt 1830  
+Cyrus S HARRIS. marr: 2 May 1845, St. Charles Co, MO

3-Joanna B ADAMS. born: Abt 1835  
2-Grace SCOTT. born: 11 Mar 1807, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 24 Nov 1890, Vernon Co, MO. buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO  
+James BRYAN. born: 29 Jul 1806, St. Charles Co, MO. marr: 14 Oct 1830, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 7 May 1897, Vernon Co, MO. buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-Jonathan BRYAN. born: 13 Aug 1831, MO. died: 22 Oct 1903, Richards, Vernon Co, MO. buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-Hiram Scott BRYAN. born: 11 Apr 1833, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 7 Sep 1902, Nevada, Vernon Co, MO. buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-Mary Elizabeth BRYAN. born: 30 Jan 1836, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 13 Jul 1869, Vernon Co, MO

3-Benjamin F BRYAN. born: 23 Jun 1838, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 14 Jan 1854.

buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-Martha BRYAN. born: Abt 1842, St. Charles Co, MO. died: Bef 1890

3-Julia BRYAN. born: Abt 1842, St. Charles Co, MO

3-Laudonia S BRYAN. born: 25 May 1843, MO. died: 25 Mar 1891, Vernon Co, MO. buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-James W BRYAN. born: 5 Sep 1845, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 5 Aug 1854, Vernon Co, MO. buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-Louisa E BRYAN. born: Abt 1849, MO. died: 21 May 1927, Vernon Co, MO

2-John SCOTT. born: 11 May 1809, MO. died: 10 Nov 1891, Nevada, Vernon Co, MO buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

+Harriet Louise McMILLEN. born: 18 Dec 1832, MO. marr: 27 Dec 1850, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 19 Mar 1900. buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-Hyram SCOTT. born: 20 Apr 1852, Vernon Co, MO. died: 24 Mar 1921

3-James W SCOTT. born: Abt 1856, MO

3-David P SCOTT. born: 1 Jan 1859, Vernon Co, MO. died: 4 Apr 1918

+Vina E BRYAN. marr: 28 Dec 1879, Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-John Allen SCOTT. born: 25 Jan 1860, MO. died: 12 Jun 1917, Nevada, Vernon Co, MO. buried: Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-Lillie B SCOTT. born: 2 Aug 1862, Vernon Co, MO. died: 27 May 1950, Clinton, Henry Co, MO. buried: 30 May 1950, Clinton, Henry Co, MO

+Henry Garr SCOTT. born: 11 Dec 1850, St. Charles Co, MO. marr: 25 Nov 1879, Nevada, Vernon Co, MO. died: 9 Aug 1935, Clinton, Henry Co, MO. buried: 10 Aug 1935, Clinton, Henry Co, MO. parents: Montraville SCOTT and Mary Ann ROUNTON

3-Franklin SCOTT. born: Abt 1865, MO. died: 24 Jul 1931

+Minnie M RHEA. marr: 14 Mar 1891, Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-Mary A L SCOTT. born: Abt 1866, MO

3-Kate L SCOTT. born: Abt 1871, MO. died: 8 Nov 1911

+Oliver W KNISELY. marr: 22 Jun 1896, Nevada, Vernon Co, MO

3-DeWitt Hunter SCOTT. born: 7 Apr 1872, Vernon Co, MO. died: 7 May 1951

3-Minnie L SCOTT. born: 12 Mar 1874, Vernon Co, MO. died: 22 Nov 1916

**2-Montraville SCOTT.** born: Abt 1813, MO. died: Aft 13 Oct 1890, Benton Co, MO

+Mary Ann ROUNTON. born: Abt 1819, TN. marr: 28 Sep 1840, St. Charles Co, MO. died: Aft 13 Oct 1890, Benton Co, MO

3-Nancy E SCOTT. born: Apr 1844, MO. died: 25 Oct 1922. buried: Clinton, Henry Co, MO

+William SHAFER. born: 27 Mar 1824, Arcadia, Wayne Co, NY. marr: 1 Jan 1900, Leesville, Henry Co, MO. died: 15 Jun 1910, Henry Co, MO. buried: Henry Co, MO

3-Montraville SCOTT. born: Abt 1845, MO. died: Btwn 1850 and 1860, MO

3-Mary S SCOTT. born: Oct 1848, MO

3-Henry Garr SCOTT. born: 11 Dec 1850, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 9 Aug 1935, Clinton, Henry Co, MO. buried: 10 Aug 1935, Clinton, Henry Co, MO

+Lillie B SCOTT. born: 2 Aug 1862, Vernon Co, MO. marr: 25 Nov 1879, Nevada, Vernon Co, MO. died: 27 May 1950, Clinton, Henry Co, MO. buried: 30 May 1950, Clinton, Henry Co, MO. parents: John SCOTT and Harriet Louise McMILLEN

3-Martha SCOTT. born: Abt 1853, MO

**3-John Colter SCOTT.** born: 1855, St. Charles Co, MO. died: 7 Aug 1899, Henry Co, MO. buried: Henry Co, MO

+Mary Ida WELLS. born: 9 Oct 1863, Linn Co, KS. marr: 27 Sep 1881, Benton Co, MO. died: 4 Mar 1936, Osage Twp, Henry Co, MO. buried: 5 Mar 1936, Finey, Henry Co, MO. parents: Aaron WELLS and Eliza DECK

3-Randolph SCOTT. born: Abt 1857, MO.  
died: 6 Nov 1889-21 Jan 1890

### **Cedar County Probate Files Project**

Leslie James, Field Archivist, Missouri State Archives, provides the following project report: The project goal is to process all of the 19th century probate files in preparation for preservation microfilming by the Local Records Preservation Program which is under the Secretary of State's office. Approximately 5 cubic feet of probate records have been processed so far. We've basically finished the records from the 1860s and are about to start the records from the 1870s. We've estimated that the final total of processed files will be approximately 40 cubic feet of records. Leslie can be reached at 417.583.2341 or email [leslie.james@sos.mo.gov](mailto:leslie.james@sos.mo.gov)

Workshops are held on Thursdays from 10 a.m.–3:00 p.m. in the County Commission Room of the Courthouse at Stockton. If you can help with this project, please come to the Courthouse in Stockton on Thursdays.

### **Vernon County 1855-1900 Circuit Court Records Project**

Volunteers continue their weekly workshops at the Nevada Library to process court case files. More than 75 of 100 boxes have been completed in this phase of verifying the term of court for each case.

### **Glade Springs Church Records**

The Glade Springs Baptist Church of Christ records are being copied and will be available in the libraries. The following three books are in the Nevada Library.

Jul 1868 – Mar 1880

Apr 1903 – Sep 1916

Nov 1920 – May 1931

The remaining five books will be copied over the next few weeks and also placed in the Genealogy Dept. A copy of the records will also be available in the El Dorado Springs Library.

### **Missouri Conference On History**

The State Historical Society of Missouri will host the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Missouri Conference on History, April 2-4, 2008 in Columbia. The conference will include more than 60 researched presentations by historians on a range of topics including Harry Truman, the Civil War in Missouri, the history of steamboat, rail, and air transportation, St. Louis and Kansas City, the birth of journalism education at MU, African American architecture, and the art of Thomas Hart Benton. Teachers, preservationists, academic historians, public history professionals, and all those with an interest in history are invited to attend. The conference schedule and registration material are online at <http://shs.umssystem.edu/mch/conference/50th.shtml>.

### **Items of Interest from Area Newspapers**

[The below newspaper article was transcribed by society members from microfilm at the Nevada Public Library Genealogy Department.]

#### **DANIEL BOONE'S RELIGION.**

#### **To Do All the Good He Could and as Little Harm as Possible.**

James Bryan, of this city, who was related to Daniel Boone, has a letter written by the famous Kentucky woodsman to his sister in 1816. In it he gives his religious creed as follows:

October the 19, 1816.

Dear Sister:--with pleasure I Red a Letter from your son Samuel Boone who informs me that you are yet Living and in good health Considering your age. I wright to you to let you know I have not forgot you and to inform you of my Situation Since the Death of Your Sister Rebecca I live with flaunders Calaway But am at present at my Son Nathan's and in tolerable health. You can guess at my feeling by your Own as we are so near one age. I need not wright you of our Situation as Samuel Bradley or James Grimes Can inform you of ever sur comstance Relating to our

family and how we Live in this world and what Chance we shall have in the next we Know not for my part I am as ignorant as a child all the Religion I have, to Love and fear God. believe in Jesus Christ.

Do all the good to my neighbors and myself that I can and do as little harm as I can help; and trust in Gods mercy for the rest; and I believe God never made a man of principle to be lost, and I flatter myself Dear Sister that you are well on your way in Christianity give my Love to all your Children and all my friends, fare well My Dear Sister.

DANIEL BOONE

*The Nevada Daily Mail, Nevada, MO, 03 Jun 1896*

### New Resources in Genealogy Dept.

The following resources have been added to the Nevada Library Genealogy Department:

--*Hero of the Red River ~ The Life and Times of Joseph Bailey* by Michael J. Goc.

--Vernon County Microfilm C23069 – Insane Notices 1941-1944 and 1945-1949, Insane Patients Records 1889-1932, Patients in State Institutions 1932-1932, State Hospital 1937-1939, Warrants 1985-1985.

--Vernon County Microfilm C23070 – Taxes Abatement A 1931-1938, Taxes Abatement J, 1984-1985, Board of Equalization Records Vol 1, 2, 3, 4 1903-1968, State Hospital Expenditures Patient 1905-1909.

(The Missouri State Hospital #3 patient records pertain only to court ordered confinement by Vernon County courts and the costs that the court had to pay to the hospital for incidental expenses of the patient; i.e., sundries and clothing. There are several other unrelated type of records sets on both rolls of microfilm as listed above.)

### Surveying Pioneer Cemeteries

Gravestones which are as many as 100 or more years old may have fallen over and become buried under leaf and soil debris. Often they can be found by prodding the top few inches of soil every 8-12 inches with a

metal rod as you walk through a burial area. When a stone is found, it is carefully uncovered so it can be photographed and the information recorded for the new cemetery directory. To thoroughly survey a burial area, it is worked systematically, from side to side, to find “lost” stones.



One recently found stone was that of Judith Longacre who died July 11, 1860, aged 72 yrs 6 mo 21 days. She was the wife of Benjamin Longacre, and their children included Maria who mar. John Hackney, Elizabeth who mar. Eli Hinds, Edith who mar. Samuel

Perrine, Phoebe/Phebe who mar. Crawford Hornsby, David who mar. Delilah Majors, John who mar. Ruthie Isabella [-?-], Benj. Franklin who mar. Mary Seagraves, and Andrew Jackson who mar. Sarah Frances Caton. Judith Longacre’s burial location was previously unknown. For additional information on the Longacre family, please see the biography section of the Tri-County website.

### ...the rest of the story

Members may recall the presentation a couple of years ago by local society members, “The People of Vernon County: Where they Lived, Where they Married, Where they are Buried.” One example of finding a lost gravestone was that of Silas N. Howard, husband of Sarah, and he had “Gone Home” Nov 5, 1869. But where was Sarah? Sarah’s stone, previously unrecorded, was found lying flat under 6-8 inches of soil and leaves during the 2004 McMullin Cemetery resurvey. Because her stone had fallen face down, the engraving was beautifully preserved, whereas Silas’ stone had been broken.

We now have a face and a story for Silas Newton Howard, thanks to a descendent who submitted his photograph and obituaries from two different newspapers to be posted on our Silas Newton Howard biography page on the Tri-County website at [www.rootsweb.com/~motcogs/](http://www.rootsweb.com/~motcogs/). A photo of their daughter, Cecelia Anna Howard Lyon, is on the webpage as well as additional information and photos of the gravestones of both Silas and Sarah.

### Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings of the Tri-County Genealogical Society (Vernon-Cedar-St. Clair Counties of Missouri) are held the second Saturday of each month and begin at 10 a.m. They are alternately held at Nevada and El Dorado Springs at the following locations:

**Nevada** Public Library Meeting Room, 212 West Walnut, Nevada (enter at South side of building). On Saturdays, there is not a 2-hr parking limit on the streets.

**El Dorado Springs** Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, 302 East Hospital Road, El Dorado Springs. Carpooling from the Nevada Library to the El Dorado Springs meeting is usually available; contact the society [tricountygenealogy@centurytel.net](mailto:tricountygenealogy@centurytel.net).

### Tri-County Genealogical Society

Membership in the Society is currently at about 70, and we use nametags at monthly meetings to help everyone get acquainted. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in family history research. Annual dues are \$10 for an individual membership (+\$5 for each additional member within the same household up to \$25 maximum), \$5 for a Student, or \$100 Lifetime, per person. We would be pleased to have you join the local society if you are not already a member, and you can do so at our next meeting or by sending a check to Tri-County Genealogical Society, 212 West Walnut Street, Nevada, MO 64772. 2008 Society officers are:

President: Neoma F

Vice President: Janet J and Nancy T

Recording Secy:

Treasurer: Ray L

Corresponding/Research Secy: Darlene L and Richard J

You received this monthly newsletter because you are a member of the Society, have indicated an interest in our organization, or represent an area genealogy group. If you do not want to receive email notice of the newsletter in the future, please contact the Society at [tricountygenealogy@centurytel.net](mailto:tricountygenealogy@centurytel.net) and request that your name be removed from the email list.

*Thank You for your membership in support of the work of the Tri-County Genealogical Society!*