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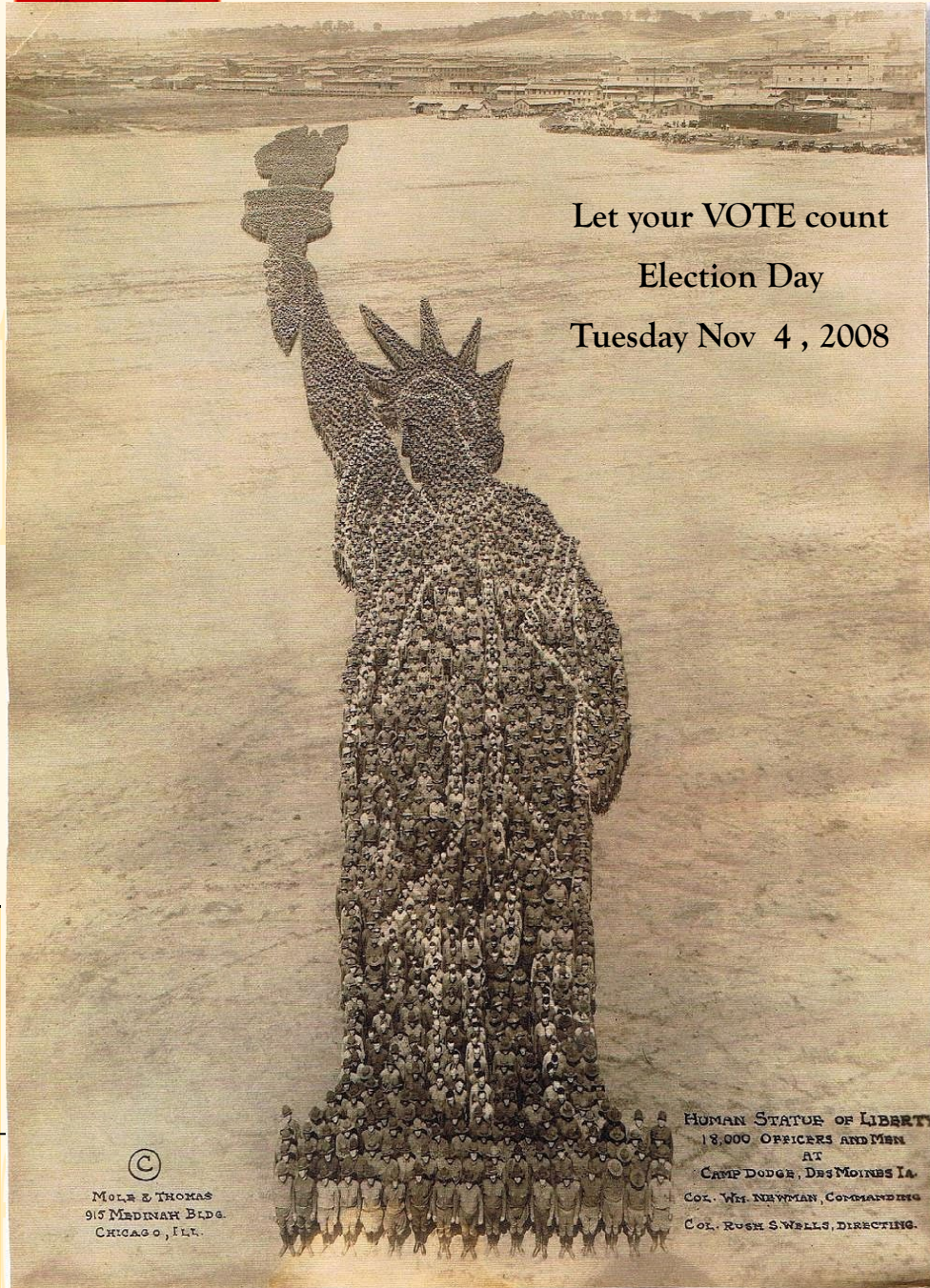
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Fly the American Flag Veterans Day Nov 11
Armistice (1918) and Thanksgiving Day Nov 27



Let your VOTE count

Election Day

Tuesday Nov 4, 2008

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STANDING TALL Titled "Human Statue of Liberty," this image was taken at Camp Dodge in Iowa and used eighteen thousand men.

VCGS SOCIETY CALENDAR

Thursday Nov. 20, 2008 5pm Board meeting
6pm Regular meeting 2009 Officer Elections
[Elmer Spears](#) discusses his Library in Madison, FL.

Thursday Dec. 18, 2008 5pm Board meeting
6pm Regular meeting Annual Christmas Social
and Installment of 2009 Society Officers

Thursday Jan. 15, 2009 5pm Board meeting 6pm
Regular meeting Speaker TBA

Saturday Jan. 24, 2009 V-FCGS Seminar
Palmetto Club Daytona Buffet Lunch
Speakers - George Morgan and Drew Smith
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2009 Society Officer Elections

VCGS 2009 Election Committee Joyce and Bob Bailey and Allie Godwin are taking nominations for 2009 VCGS Society Officers.

Members in good standing wishing to hold office or nominate another member also in good standing to be Society Officer in 2009 should contact one of these committee members.

The nominations for candidates will be presented to the regular society meeting Oct. 16, 2008.

Elections will take place at regular meeting November 20, and installation of 2009 Officers will take place at regular meeting December 18, 2008. Christmas Social.

Volusia -Flagler Sister Societies

HGS Ormond Library, Thurs. Nov 13, Bill and Linda Vivian, Program - Family Reunions: Are we having fun yet?

R&B DeLand Library Sun. Nov 23, Lee Folino - "Researching NYC Records Long Distance"

GSSVC NSB Library. Mon. Nov 10, Jo Anne Sikes - "Dr. Hawks and The History of Edgewater."

GSFC Flagler - Thurs, Nov 20. "Four members will discuss their research methods"

Genealogy and History Room City Island

In keeping with tradition and Mission of the VCGS 3 NEW Heritage books for Tyler Co WV Vol.1-2 and Granville Co. NC were purchased by the VC Gen Society Book Committee and donated to the Genealogy Room.



Librarian Celia Jones shown receiving these new books that will be placed in the Genealogy Room as soon as they come back from being indexed.

GEN Books Wanted and Needed

Donated Genealogy books **NOW** being received by Ivey Bedell to be sold at Book Table at the V-FCGS 2009 Seminar Saturday January 24, 2008. Unsold books will be donated to Library of donors designation. VCGS is Host of this event.

Old Time Occupations - Look in future NL's for more Old Occupation Definitions

Gaoler A keeper of the goal, a jailer
Glazier Window Glassman

Hacker Maker of hoes
Hatcheler One who combed out flax
Haymonger Dealer in hay
Hayward Keeper of fences
Higgler Itinerant peddler

Hind A farm laborer
Holster A groomer of horses
Hooker Reaper
Hooper One who made hoops for casks and barrels
Huckster Sells small wares
Husbandman A farmer who cultivated the land
Journeyman Master craftsman who served his apprenticeship
Joyner/Joiner A skilled carpenter

Pilgrims Rest Church Cemetery Ormond Beach

Organized in 1879, Pilgrims Rest Church was used as a school room and as a meeting place, as well as a church. It was originally at the Groover Creek Cemetery unit around 1895, when it was moved to Ormond. The land was donated by Walter Campbell and William T. Bennett for the church and cemetery. In the early 60's it had to be moved back from S.R.40 so they could widen the road. They believed in predestination and in re-enacting the last supper by washing the members feet. They met only once a month. The preacher would drive over from Tampa, preach all day Sat. and half a day on Sun. and have dinner on the grounds. In 1988 the church was donated to the City of Ormond by my mother, Mrs. Birtie Miller and today sits at the foot of the Granada Bridge. The church is the oldest wood building in Ormond, it is the only thing we have left from the Old Tomoka settlement. Nancy Partridge (Right) Trustee of Pilgrims Rest Cemetery in periodic dress shares the history of the Pilgrims Rest Baptist Church Cemetery during the Ormond Beach Historical Trust Tour Oct 14th 2008.

Thanks to Nancy and her family for caring for this historical cemetery.



Confederate Veterans Buried in Pilgrims Rest Cemetery Ormond



Zack Henderson BENNETT, born 04 Jul 1832 in Bulloch, Georgia; died 04 Nov 1922 in Volusia FL. He was the son of **Zachariah Bennett**, born 1806 in Of Bulloch, Georgia and **Eliza**, born 1815, of Bulloch, Georgia. He married (1) **Keziah Bef.** 1854 in GA. She was born 1835 in GA. He married (2) **Cynthia** 1896. She was born 1849 in FL, and died in Ormond FL. Occupation Farmer, **Military Service Corp. CSA Corp. Co. "B" 2nd Fla. Inf.**

JESSE YELVINGTON, born 09 Aug 1838 in Magnolia, Clinch, Georgia, USA; died 11 Sep 1911 in Volusia, Florida, USA. He was the son of **Jacob Yelvington**, born 1813 in Camden, Georgia and, **Nancy Foreacre**, born Abt. 1803 in England. He married (1) **Sarah Ann Waldron** Bef. 1870 in Fl or GA. She was born 1847 in Camden Co GA. **Military Service Enlisted Private in Company E, 1st Cavalry Regiment Florida on 14 Nov 1861 age 23. NOV 1862 Captured and released near Vicksburg.**



James Franklin HULL, born 10 May 1842 in Columbia Co. FL¹; died 10 Sep 1928 in Tomoka, Flagler, Florida, USA². He was the son of **William HULL**, born Abt. 1819 in Camden Co., GA; and **Margaret Jane Harvey**, born Abt. 1822 in Bryan Co., GA. He married (1) **Sarah Ann Elizabeth Smith** 04 Oct 1866 in Volusia Co FL. She was born 19 Mar 1842 in St. Mary's River, GA, and died 17 Jan 1921 in Flagler Co FL. **Military Service CSA Private Florida Regiment 8 Florida Infantry**

DANIEL G. W.¹ NORMAN was born Aug 1833 in FL, and died 1916 in Volusia Co, FL. He married JANE E. 1860. She was born 1841 in FL. Occupation: 1900, **Farmer Military Service CSA Private 7th Regiment, Florida Infantry.**

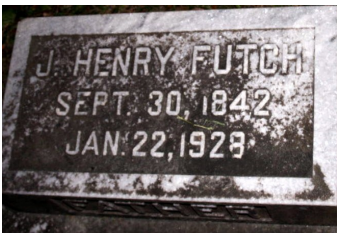


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Confederate Veterans Buried in Pilgrims Rest Cemetery continued



Henry Franklin "H.F." Campbell, born 18 Jul 1835 in GA; died 17 Jan 1913 in Ormond Bch FL. He was the son of **John Campbell** and **Hattie HAGANS**. He married (1) **Harriett Hightower** 17 Aug 1865 in Duval Co. FL. She was born 13 Dec 1845 in Blackshear GA, and died 29 May 1922 in Tomoka FL. **Military Service** Enlisted CSA Sep 1861 at Starke, Florida. Co B, 1st Florida Battalion, Pvt, Co. "I" 8th Fla. Inf. Honorably discharged April 10, 1865 at Virginia



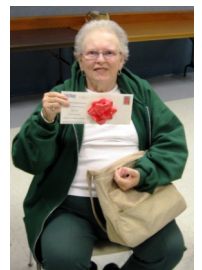
James Henry FUTCH, born 30 Sep 1842 in Byron, GA; died 22 Jan 1928 in Rail Road, Port Orange, Volusia, FL. He was the son of **Joshua Henry FUTCH**, born 06 Jun 1805 in Bryan GA and **Susannah (Susan) THOMPSON**, born 1820 in GA. He married (1) **Susannah "Susan" SMITH** 22 Oct 1875 in Volusia Co. FL. She was born 03 Aug 1849 in Nassau, Florida, and died 21 Apr 1945. **Military Service** Pvt. CSA Co. K 4th Regiment, Florida Infantry.



George Washington Tippins, born 03 Dec 1850 in Georgia, USA; died 21 Sep 1937. He was the son of **George Camp TIPPINS**, born 1828 in GA and **Sarah Ann YATES**, born 1829 in Appling Co., Georgia. He married (1) **Susan Jane JOHNSON** 22 Aug 1867 in Manatee Co FL Now DeSoto County, Florida. She was born 06 Feb 1851 in Columbia Co FL, and died 05 Jan 1931 in Volusia Co., Florida. **Military Service** Pvt, Co. "H" 1st Regiment, Florida Infantry.

V-FCGS 2009 Seminar Committee held an EARLY PRIZE DRAWING on Thursday Oct.-23, 9:30 AM. Port Orange Library for the pair of Daytona Symphony Season Tickets valued at \$600, And the Winner is "Barbara Ochs"

See drawing at [You Tube](#) (click on link or photo). We still have many great prizes including [Ancestry.com](#) Deluxe Annual Subscription, [Daytona Playhouse](#) Tickets, store gift cards and other prizes. Get your registration in before Nov 31, to avoid late registration fee.



John T Hutchinson Great Lakes Iron Ore Carrier



Question: What VCGS member worked as a coal passer on this vessel in the 1940's?

Reminder of the Past to Communicate

The following was written when the author was reminiscing about her youth and about time spent with her father.

"Usually, on summer evenings, he and I took a walk, but I was impatient to be off with my friends. Children have no curiosity about their parents as human beings. They are merely household necessities, like chairs and beds and food. I wish I had talked to him about his childhood and his youth in Hungary, and his high hopes as he crossed the ocean, a lad, to find fortune and happiness in this golden new land. But I didn't."

From Edna Ferber's autobiography, "A Peculiar Treasure"

Submitted by Joyce Bailly

Volusia Vines

By: Ruth Patrignani

There have been many “famous”, “infamous”, “not so infamous”, and “not so famous”, people that have resided in Volusia County over the years. Some have stayed only a short time while others settled in and remained rooted to the area. Combined they have provided the region with a rich heritage, thus we have Volusia Vines.

Dr. John Milton Hawks

Have you heard of Hawks Park? That was the original name for Edgewater in honor of Dr. John Milton Hawks. The area was part of a Spanish land grant purchase of 1871. In 1924, the Florida State Legislature changed the name from Hawks Park to Edgewater.

Hawks was born in New Hampshire and when he came of age he studied medicine with Dr. George Hubbard. He pursued his final formal course of medical training and graduated from the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati in 1847. He went to Illinois to practice medicine. After becoming ill in 1848 he returned to New Hampshire where his sister, Helen, nursed him back to health.

Hawks became a proponent of numerous reform causes including the abolition of slavery and women's rights. During this time, Esther Jane Hill had her friend tell John that he should write Esther. A correspondence began and lasted a couple of years. After traveling to Savannah and Augusta, Georgia and St. Augustine and Jacksonville, Florida, John returned to New Hampshire and on October 5, 1854 married Esther Jane Hill. Esther followed through on her interest in the medical field and graduated from medical school in 1857.

Being a staunch abolitionist, Hawks signed on with the Haitian Emigrant Bureau and sailed to Haiti in 1861. He served as a surgeon in the 21st Colored Infantry during the Civil War. At the end of the Civil War, he repaired to Volusia County, Florida to establish the semi-utopian Florida land and Lumber Company to be manned by freedmen. He worked with the Freedman's Bureau to establish a school for blacks in New Smyrna in 1867. Hawks was appointed Superintendent of Schools of Volusia County in 1868. By 1869 there were only 9 black families remaining in his semi-utopian community. Hawks was the first postmaster of Port Orange in 1869 with the post office being in the Ponce Inlet area later moving to Port Orange.

It appears that Hawks left the area during the summers but did promote Hawks Park as a “New England Village on the Atlantic Coast of South Florida”. His wife continued to practice medicine in Massachusetts but would make frequent trips to Florida to visit her husband while he in turn would travel to Massachusetts to visit his wife.

Esther Hawks died 6 May 1906 and John Milton Hawks died 2 April 1910. He donated land to the city for a town hall and library to be built with land set aside for a cemetery. He is buried in that cemetery which now is called Edgewater Cemetery. Esther and John Milton Hawks had no children.

Sources:

A Woman Doctor's Civil War; by Esther Hill Hawks – Gerald Schwartz; University of South Carolina Press, 1984.

Images of America Edgewater; Sandra Wallus Sammons and JoAnn Sikes

Other reading:

East Coast of Florida by J M Hawks 1887

Florida Edition Makers of America Vol I, by Florida Historical society, Jacksonville, FL 1909

Volusia Vines is a monthly Historical Sketch by Ruth Patrignani a VCGS member and regular volunteer at City Island Library Local History and Genealogy Room.

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Volusia County Genealogical Society - Founded 1976, oldest Genealogy Society in Volusia County.

Mission: Encourage Society Members and the community to find their ancestors and connect with the past. Provide enlightening speakers at the monthly meetings on relative topics to aid, assist and better our research. Promote the use of and growth of our genealogy research room, develop our resources and grow the collection in the Genealogy and History Room at City Island Library .

Welcome New Member 2008 -2009

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Stone, Sapp, Kitchel, Osborn

Burke, Rutherford, Cleveland Co's NC
Wright, Newton, Prewit, Crotts, Jackson,
DePriest, Canselor, Self, Luckadoo

2009 VCGS Annual Dues

The BOD voted unanimously Oct 16, 2008 to
keep our annual dues \$10pp / \$15couples.
Due Jan 1. 2009 Pay Treasurer Tom Peake
at a Regular meeting or mail to:

VCGS - Dues
PO Box 2039
Daytona Bch, FL 32115

CROSSING COUNTY LINES WITHOUT MOVING

During your research into your Family Tree here is a point that you should keep in mind. That is the name of the county your ancestors resided in.

Case in point, some of my ancestors lived at Muddy Creek, Butler County, KY prior to 1820. I went to the Butler County Courthouse to research land records and deeds. I had however overlooked the fact that in 1790 the area around what is now Muddy Creek, Butler County was in Lincoln and Nelson Counties. By 1800 it was split between Ohio and Logan Counties. It became a distinct county by 1810, but even then part was still in Ohio County. It wasn't until 1880 that Butler County as we know it became what it is today.

So prior to 1880, I had to research records in 5 counties. During those 90 years my relatives never moved yet their records were in 5 different Courthouses, (Lincoln, Nelson, Ohio, Logan, and Butler).

My easiest source for County lines is the "Map Guide to the United States Federal Censuses, 1790-1920".

Submitted by Vince Santana

Internet Searching Strengthens Brain Function

Who knew that Google could actually improve your mental health? A new study at the University of California, Los Angeles has been measuring the brain activity of older adults as they performed searches on the Web. Two groups were used by Dr. Gary Small. One group had minimal experience with computers, while the other identified themselves as knowledgeable internet users. Those who were in the latter group showed more than double the neural activation than those less experienced computer users. This activity primarily occurred in the region of the brain that controls decision-making and complex reasoning. CNN reporter Madison Park recently reported on this fascinating study, and you can read about it at : <http://www.cnn.com/2008/HEALTH/10/14/google.brain/index.html>

submitted by Ivey Bedell

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VOLUSIA—FLAGLER COUNCIL OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES 2009 GENEALOGY SEMINAR

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The Volusia County Genealogy Society

Aha! Seminars, Inc. Speakers George G. Morgan and Drew Smith

George G. Morgan is an internationally recognized genealogist and author of five books, several online columns, and hundreds of articles for genealogical publications. He is president of Aha! Seminars, Inc., which conducts seminars for libraries and for genealogists. He is past president of ISFHWE, a director of the Florida Genealogical Society, and co-host of "The Genealogy Guys™ Podcast."

Drew Smith, MLS, is a librarian at the University of South Florida in Tampa. He is co-host of "The Genealogy Guys™ Podcast," and regularly contributes to *Digital Genealogist* and the NGS *News Magazine*. He is a Director for the Federation of Genealogical Societies, and President of the Florida Genealogical Society in Tampa. He is a frequent speaker at local, state, and national conferences.

Topics

- **The Genealogist as CSI** George G. Morgan
- **Where Is the Book with My Family in It?** Drew Smith
- **The U.S. Naturalization Process and Documents: 1790 to 1954** George G. Morgan
- **"The Genealogy Guys™ Podcast" Live** George G. Morgan and Drew Smith

Date : Saturday January 24, 2009 8:00am to 4:00pm. Doors Open 7:00am

Location Palmetto Club 1000 South Beach Street Daytona Beach FL 32114

Directions: Go East US-92, cross US-1, turn south on Beach Street 1.4 miles

Cost: \$30.00 pp paid by November 30, 2008 and \$35.00 paid by Dec. 31, 2008

Registration Starts 7:00am with continental breakfast.

Program starts 8:00am. Hot Buffet Lunch Stuffed Chicken, Beef Tips w/Mushrooms, Stuffed Shells Marinara (Vegetarian), Vegetable, Mashed Potato, Gravy, Rolls w/Butter and Cake for dessert. Coffee, tea and iced tea available all day.

Lots of great Prize Drawings - Genealogy Book Vendors - Handicapped Restroom Available

Registration Form

\$30.00 pp Registrations
received by Nov 30. 2008

Names/s _____

\$35.00 pp December Registration
Must be received by Dec 31, 2008

Address: _____

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Make Check Payable to VCGS, Inc