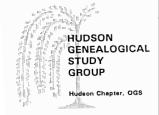
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Singing the Praises of our Legendary And Unsung Heroes

By Pamela Turner-Taylor

Last summer I embarked on an impromptu trip of genealogical research and leisure exploration. I often try to coordinate family searches with regional discoveries, and so set out on an eight-day road trip, moving back four generations to follow the path of a great-great-grandfather who departed Ohio in his 20s to expand his formal education and meet up with like-minded Unionists of the Midwest.

I wanted to make a pilgrimage to William Augustus Bugh's birth town of Somerset, Perry County, Ohio, with a sojourn in Indiana, to his eventual settling in Wisconsin. The 1850 federal census had shown William A. Bugh, an attorney, boarding with young school teacher James Brown's family in the Adams county seat of Decatur, Indiana. The librarian at Decatur's public library provided an excellent collection of books about the city in that era. According to the Adams County history books, there were only 43 households in Decatur in 1850. Did this provide enough clients for a new lawyer? He left in 1852 to publish a Wisconsin Whig newspaper, the "Madison Statesman."

I drove into Indiana on July 29, 2005, the 182nd birthday of William Augustus Bugh. The pristine farms and cemetery monuments of prosperous residents show evidence of better times where derelict towns now exist. Hartford City is comprised of neglected and boarded-up buildings. I discovered in the town cemetery the original marker for Jacob Bugh, reading JACOB BUGH, BORN Sept. 21, 1775 - DIED June 12, 1857. Jacob was the eldest son of Peter and Catherine Haverstick Bugh, German Reformed and Mennonites of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and uncle of William.

I spent the next morning at Gas City's James Dean Gallery Museum, which was preparing to commemorate

the 50th anniversary of Dean's untimely death in 1955. The museum honors the 24-year life of the "shooting star," one of Hollywood's most promising, who crashed his Porsche driving to a California car race. The museum is down the road from the farm in Fairmount where Jimmy Dean grew up with his aunt and uncle after his mother's early death. His own life and death contain the key elements of Indiana, farming homesteads, basketball, and race car driving. The museum was loaded with memorabilia from numerous countries and continents. like a Porsche replica and the jeans that Dean wore in "Giant". Dean was the pride of his high school even in his teens as, despite a below-average stature, he led the winning basketball team, drama department, and won awards for his debating skills at annual competitions in Peru. Indiana.

Peru was used by many traveling circuses as their central home base. The museum there includes circus memorabilia as well as the personal belongings of favorite son Cole Porter. Porter may have traveled the most sophisticated areas of the world, but his soul and love of words and music derived from central Indiana. He and family members are buried at the Mount Hope Cemetery. The Porter exhibit includes his Cadillac, white sofa, and musical mementos of his years in residence at the Waldorf Towers and his Paris home. In Bern, I came upon the "Limberlost" log home of another Porter, Gene Stratton-Porter, near the Limberlost Swamp. She was one of Indiana's most widely read authors and one of the world's first and best nature photographers, of whom I had no prior knowledge. [She wrote A Girl of the Limberlost, a widely-acclaimed novel, almost a century ago. Ed.]

Early the next morning I entered the town of Elizabeth, Illinois, formerly the settlement of Apple

River, which contains the restored Apple River Fort and Interpretive Center. Led by Chief Black Hawk, Native American warriors attacked the fort, beginning the Black Hawk War, which ended with Black Hawk's surrender.

I arrived at Galena's formidable welcome center. The town name means "lead ore." Because it escaped the glaciers, the rich minerals remained close to the surface for easy excavating. The French mined lead here as early as 1690, and the Native Americans used the lead to make body paint. In the 1840s, at the height of Galena's prosperity, the town's population was larger than Chicago's. Dozens of river boats docked along the Fever River. Home of nine Civil War generals, the industrial town declined and Galena was left with an abundance of beautiful homes, including Ulysses Grant's. The historical society has displays about the 19th century cigar, bead, and mining industries. An especially poignant display is the tattered U.S. flag from Perry's Battle of Lake Erie, when the British fleet was captured in the decisive battle. Perry presented the flag to Hezekiah Gear, a valiant sailor who saved it from destruction and who eventually became one of the wealthiest men in the mining industry.

I continued up the Fever River, as did the 1830 prospectors, to the adjoining lead mining area of southwest Wisconsin. The miners were known as "suckers", as the surface mines that they excavated were sucker holes. The deeper mines were explored by human "badgers", hence the state's mascot name. In the heyday of the mining industry, the lead mining area attracted a rush of immigrants from Cornwall and Ireland. I learned that William Bugh's older brother, Samuel, a physician, published the area's "Pick & Axe" newspaper. February 1848, he married 18-year-old Mary McNulty, an Irish-Catholic whose family owned the dry goods store. Mary died nine months later. I am still pursuing a La Fayette County death certificate which might provide an explanation and cause of death. By 1850 the majority of miners had left in search of gold in California. Samuel

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Bugh never remarried, stopped practicing medicine, and devoted the next twenty-five years to public service as chief clerk of the state senate, the circuit court, and the county's first registrar of deeds.

I traveled back in time at Mineral Point, Wisconsin, an historic town of artisans, galleries, and ceramic potteries. In this town on an August evening in 1875, Samuel Bugh suddenly took ill and died before catching the last train home. This place seemed to be haunted with active spirits roaming the old cobblestone alleys and walkways.

I spent a productive day in Wisconsin's Historical Society and Archives. The microform archive rooms were packed as early as 8:00 A.M. with researchers going through indexes and making copies. I spent hours reading William Bugh's articles from his newspaper, the "Madison Statesman." In the special collections department, I found boxes of original Civil War documents related to William Bugh's service. He was the first to volunteer in Berlin, entering service as one of four Captains of Company G of the Fifth Regiment. He encouraged and recruited local boys for the infantry unit he called the "Berlin Light Guards".

I found papers dealing with Bugh's near-fatal wounds incurred during the Battle of Williamsburg in the Peninsula campaign of May 1862, where during the fighting at the Yorktown battlefield encampment, a Confederate musket ball went through his upper right thigh. The Confederate army ceased firing to allow him to be removed. At the Nelson House hospital in Yorktown, he was likely nursed by Clara Barton. He convalesced for four months in a military hospital in Baltimore, where his family visited and had Matthew Brady's studio create a portrait of Estelle, Bugh's daughter.

Although William Bugh was later promoted to Lt. Colonel of the 32nd Regiment, his wounds prevented him from returning to the battlefield. He published the "Berlin Messenger", became postmaster, superintendent of schools, and founded the G.A.R. Post of Berlin. Will eventually died from his war injuries, but spent his remaining twelve years working on behalf of, and recognizing the rights of, surviving veterans.

I learned in Berlin that others were aware of Bugh's legacy and contributions. The town on the Fox River is beautifully maintained with a well-supported main street of merchants, community pool, and an independent furniture store, where I found the historical society

director Dan Freimark. Dan operates Cemetery Restorations, which erected a new Bugh monument. The cordial staff at the public library directed me to Jack Wahlers, founder of Berlin's Historical Society and Museum. Jack, former high school English teacher and widower, met me at the Carter School, the restored one-room school house on Water Street near the Fox River. It was built just in time to be attended by Estelle Bugh, William's only child, born in 1858.

I drove on to Bugh Lake in Waushara County, where Judge Jacob Bugh and his family operated a stagecoach inn from 1848 until the 1920s. As recently as 2004, it was still a resort with a boat launch called Peck's Plantation. Mayor Marv Wagner, Jr. of Wautoma lost his attempt to save the structure from demolition and it was torn down by developers who plan to build condominiums on the lake property.

Wagner knew much about the Bughs, their relatives the Brownes, Everts, and Olmsteds, whose political persuasion made them early settlers of the state. The town of Ripon, originally named in 1844 the Ceresco Commune, was one of the largest Fourierist settlements, or phalanxes, of Wisconsin. Mayor Wagner provided a history lesson about the 18th century French philosopher, Charles Fourier, of whom he said the Bughs were followers. The town was renamed Ripon, later site of the Ripon Academy, Ripon College, and ultimately the Republican Party. Their goal was to establish an outpost of the Fourier society which endorsed the abolishment of slavery and provided equal rights for all. These were temporary communes that promoted spiritualism, free love, and sustainable lifestyles.

Mayor Wagner and the folks at the Argus newspaper offices were a valuable source of information on the county and town of Wautoma, where patriarch John W. Bugh, veteran of the War of 1812, and other family members are buried. After six years of researching this family line, it was thrilling to find their final resting places.

The last part of the trip was spent in Cook County, Illinois, where I visited the graves of four generations. I was surprised to find in the family plot the grave of Mamie Taylor, an undocumented daughter who lived till the age of 9, who was born and died between the census recordings of 1870 and 1880. This unexpected finding shows genealogy researchers the value of making onsite visits to ancestors' cemeteries whenever possible, and of consulting the cemetery office files for verification.

President's Message



In a review of past issues of the Hudson Green, I noticed an article on "Why Join?" In our 21st Century lives, we are often faced with multiple choices and competing commitments; we can feel torn asunder by choices of which organizations to support, or what programs to attend. I, for one, can sometimes get confused and harried when faced with competing responsi-

bilities and commitments. The 1993 article suggested that the quality classes taught by experienced instructors, the membership booklet, and the willingness of members to share their knowledge were all valid reasons to join the Hudson Genealogical Study Group. I think that is still true.

I would also offer that groups are often capable of producing higher quality work and better decisions than can an individual working alone. This synergy of a group also may generate more encouragement and support for us with our individual research projects. The benefits of joining any group are grounded in the concept that the whole is stronger than the sum of its parts. Our genealogical group is a strong, vital organization with a diverse membership. Let's continue to strive in our missions to share our genealogical knowledge with one another, and to promote the study of genealogical methods to new members and guests. We also function as a support group of the Hudson Archives department of the Hudson Library & Historical Society, and also try to further the objectives of the Ohio Genealogical Society.

The coming year's 22 genealogical programs promise to be exciting and informative. We kick off the season on Saturday, September 9th at 9:30 a.m. in the Hudson Library with Brent Morgan offering us advice on how to find our military ancestors. In the study of one's family history, we identify relationships; in Hudson Genealogical Study group, we establish lasting friendships. Please join us after Mr. Morgan's presentation as we welcome guests and new members with a small cookie-and-beverage reception. Let's strive to make some new friends and create some genealogical synergism in the coming year.

Gwen Mayer

Selected New Acquisitions to the Library Archives

by Gwendolyn Mayer



Free African Americans of North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina

Encyclopedia of the Underground Railroad Soldiers in King Phillip's War.

References to English Surnames in 1601 and 1602.

Civil War Monuments of Ohio

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Carolina1915-1920 (3 vols)

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Bancroft--A Bonanza of Memories (Ontario Canada) The 1858 Oberlin-Wellington Rescue-A Reappraisal

The Guns of Harpers Ferry State of New Jersey Index of Wills, Inventories Etc. (3 vols.)

Scots-Irish Links 1575-1725 (4 vols.)

Virginia Soldiers of 1776 (3vols)

Adventurers of Purse & Person, Virginia vol.2

Index to Marriages & Deaths in the New York

Herald vol.3

Later Scots-Irish Links 1725-1825 vol.2

The Germans & Swiss Settlements of Colonial

Pennsylvania-A Study of the So-Called

Pennsylvania Dutch

The Revolutions on the Upper Ohio 1775-1777

The Marriage License Bonds of Lancaster County,

VA from 1701-1848

German New River Settlement: Virginia

Jamestown Ancestors 1607-1699

Osage Indian Bands & Clans

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Old New Kent County (Virginia)-Some Account of

the Planters, Plantations & Places (2

vols.

United Empire Loyalist -Second report of the Bureau of Archives for the Province of

Ontario (2 vols.)

FAREWELL

We say a reluctant farewell to two of our most cherished members, Neil Henderson and Wallace Murray.

Neil is a charter member of HGSG, held several offices in the early days, wrote articles for our newsletter that were very well received, and was voted a Life Member. He has moved with his wife, Almalee, to Berkeley, CA to be near their daughter and several sons.

Wallace capably filled out the remainder of Doug Henderson's term when Doug moved to Wisconsin, a business-related relocation. Wallace and his wife, Pat, entertained our group last Christmas in their home, where we got an opportunity to see their collection of hundreds of Santa Claus representations. Wallace most recently presented a quilt show at the Hudson Library. Both he and Pat have made many gorgeous quilts. They have moved to be near their daughter and family in Minneapolis.

We wish for both couples a time of contentment in their new homes, but we will miss their presence here.



Wallace Murray



Neil Henderson

Eastman Newsletter

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- #2. Doncaster Funeral Home, Hudson, Ohio: December 31, 1903-April 7, 1910. Includes all information from Book 1 of the Doncaster Funeral Home Records. 23 pp. \$9.00.
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- #13. Index to "Doyle's" 1908 Centennial History of Summit County, Ohio and Representative Citizens, compiled by James and Briana Caccamo. 71 pp. \$14.50.
- #14. 1870 Portage County, Ohio Federal Population Census; An Every Name Index. Compiled by members of HGSG, 282 pp. \$39.50
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DAR SEEKS BIBLE RECORDS

As part of an ongoing project of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), who seek to preserve genealogical records, the local David Hudson Chapter is looking for Bible records—vital statistics on birth, marriage and death often found inscribed by hand into old family Bibles. They plan to put them into a book, of which one copy will be kept in the DAR Library in Washington, D.C., the second in the State Library of Ohio, and the third in the Hudson Library Archives.

They have already obtained copies of the Bible records in the Hudson Library and Historical Society Archives. Now they are asking for copies of such records from members of the Hudson Genealogical Study Group who have such Bible records, and those of their friends and acquaintances who are willing to share them.

They would like to photocopy or digitally photograph the pages and transcribe them for the proposed book. Please contact Pat Hall, Regent at pathallhudson@msn.com or call her at 330-650-0667 with questions, or to make arrangements to copy your Bible records. The person who owns each Bible will be recognized in the book. Their deadline is the first week in November, after which they will take the collected material to be printed.

Volunteer(s) Needed

Have you ever thought of volunteering for a few hours per week in the Hudson Library?

It would be a big help to have additional volunteers in the Archives for when Gwen can't be there, and there may be other Library departments that could use your help. Please give it some thought.



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Tidbits

From the Hudson Observer of 6 January 1905

Mrs. W. G. Middleton was recently presented with a fine new piano by her stepfather, Bicke.

Charles Kilbourne was in the southern part of the state buying cattle the first part of the week.

Mrs. Georgia Morrison is visiting relatives in Painesville.

A. W. Lockhard and wife spent Saturday and Sunday in Cuyahoga Falls.

For sale by G. P. Stark, one 1500 pound horse, wagon, and harness. Also one family driving mare. Enquire at Dr. Gorham's office in Hudson.

Found by Nancy Brock in the Hudson Library Archives.

Quarterly Meeting September 16

Flora L. VerStraten is a native Ohioan with almost 30 years of research experience. She is on the OGS Board of Trustees and currently serving as Jefferson County Chapter's President and newsletter editor. She kicked off the Cemetery Restoration-Preservation Project going on throughout the county over three years ago, and was instrumental in bringing over 180 people from her community together to make a DNA collection conducted by the Brigham Young University molecular research study. She is past Director of the LDS Family History Center in Wintersville, Ohio and has volunteered in the center for several years. The Ellis Island of the Midwest (migration to the Ohio Valley area) will be her topic.

A Question of Dues

We are forced to raise our dues for HGSG from \$10 annually to \$15, which will be the fee for both singles and couples. We want you all to know why:

Since entering our wonderful new library, we made an all-out effort to get speakers of high caliber, which meant paying a fee for some, and at least mileage to others who came from distant places. And we did have some marvelously interesting speakers. Now, however, our finances are in poor shape, but we want to continue to bring you the best that we can.

Ted Minier, after one Board meeting, did a quick review of the dues charged by other OGS chapters and came up with the following:

By increasing our fee to \$15, we will be joining eleven other chapters at this level (Athens, Cuyahoga (2), Franklin, Guernsey, Hamilton, Logan, Mahoning, Preble, Ross, Scioto and Seneca). One chapter (Ottowa) charges \$16.

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Currently, the array of dues across OGS Chapters is as follows: 1 @ \$5.00; 1 @ \$7.00; 1 @ \$7.50; 4 @ \$8.00; 50 @ \$10:00; 19 @ \$12:00; 1 @ \$13:00, 2@ \$14:00; 12 @ \$15 and 1 @ \$16:00.

The Hudson Chapter, however, is by far the most active chapter, presenting about 25 programs per year. No other chapter has more than one program/ meeting per month. Many have fewer meetings than one per month. Franklin County has only four annually with dues of \$15.00. It is easy to see that you get more "bang for your buck" in our chapter. Because of this, we feel justified in making the increase. We hope you will agree with us. September 9th will be our opening meeting, when dues are payable for the year. Join us in a hope for another outstanding group of instructive meetings, and please bring your friends.

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Speaker Biography

September 9 Meeting

Brent Morgan, Ohio born and bred, has a long list of credentials. He is current chair of the Society of Civil War Families of Ohio, serves as Genealogist for Western Reserve Society Sons of the American Revolution, current president of the NE Ohio Civil War Roundtable, and he belongs to numerous other genealogical organizations, which space limits prevent listing.

Brent will present the program at our opening meeting on September 9th entitled *Finding Your Military Ancestor*. He is amply prepared to speak on this subject, as the Revolutionary and Civil Wars have been a focus of his research.

(Go to page 6 for the biography of the September 16 meeting)

Next Meetings

September 9 - 9:30 a.m. *Finding Your Military* Ancestor, presented by Brent Morgan. 16 - 10:00 a.m. The Ellis Island of the Midwest (migration to the Ohio Valley area), presented by Flora Verstraten. October 6 - 5.00 p.m. Lock-in at the Library--an opportunity to do your own research in our Archives. 14 - 9:30 a.m. Workshop on German research, led by Hans Kopp, Gwen Mayer 21 - 9:30 a.m. Field Trip to OGS Library

NOTE: September 16 is our Quarterly Meeting.