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Quarterly society meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 10 AM in the Genealogy Room of the Kinder branch of the Allen Parish Libraries located at 833 4th St., Kinder, LA. Members are always willing to help visitors with research and endeavor to answer their questions.

Membership fees are \$15 per calendar year per person. This also includes an annual subscription to CROSSROADS. Single copies and back issues of the publication are available for \$3 each to anyone.

CROSSROADS is published quarterly in January, April, July and October. Queries are free to members, \$3 each for non-members and will be published as space permits. When sending in a query, please include all pertinent information such as names, dates and places along with your name and address.

We encourage and welcome contributions of genealogical and historical material pertaining to Allen Parish locations or families for inclusion in CROSSROADS. The society does not assume responsibility for accuracy of information submitted and published, nor does it assume responsibility for any copyright infringement of submitted and published material. We reserve the right to edit and/or reject material we deem not suitable for publication.

The society accepts donations of books, periodicals and other material of genealogical and historical interest relating to Allen Parish. Other suggested items include 5 generation charts, family histories, newspaper clippings, old photos, etc. These will be placed on file in the Genealogy Room at the Kinder Library for research purposes. Memorials and honorariums are also welcomed by the society and marked as such.

BOOKS PUBLISHED BY ALLEN GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The following books published by the AGHS are available for purchase for the prices listed plus \$2 each for shipping and handling fees.

Rev. Paul Leeds' Congregational Church records	
"Marriages and Funerals" – 1895 -1957 - Vol. 1	\$25
Rev. Paul Leeds' Kinder Congregational Church records –1893 -1974	
Volumes 1 and 2	\$25 ea.
Rev. Paul Leeds' Bethany (Green Oak) Church records.....	\$15
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Emad Communities (one vol.).....	\$15
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China Cemetery, Elton, LA – (by special permission).....	\$8
LeBlanc Cemetery, Allen Parish, LA.....	\$8
Indian Village Cemetery, Kinder, LA (includes family histories).....	\$15
Sonnier Cemetery, Allen Parish, LA.....	\$8
Resthaven Cemetery, Oakdale, LA.....	\$8
Green Oak Cemetery, Kinder, LA (updated version).....	\$15
Lyles Cemetery, Oberlin, LA.....	\$6
Lyles Cemetery - Barnes Creek, Reeves, LA (with family histories).....	\$15
Liberty Cemetery, Elton, LA (close ties to Allen Parish families	
and includes family information).....	\$15
Index of Surnames in all recorded Allen Parish Cemeteries.....	\$10
St Augustine Cemetery, Basile, LA with short history	
(close ties to Allen Parish).....	\$15
Ancestor Charts – 5 generation charts – Allen Parish Ties.....	\$25
1941 Kinder High School Year Book Copy (by special order only).....	\$30
Jessie Johnson Cemetery, Kingsfarm, Kinder, LA	
(Includes photos and family history).....	\$15
Nevils Cemetery (with photos and headstone inscriptions).....	\$12
Kingrey Cemetery, Barnes Creek, Allen Parish, LA with recent	
photos and history (Old abandoned cemetery).	\$12

**THESE BOOKS MAKE GREAT GIFTS FOR FAMILY AND
FRIENDS!**

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We would like to give a warm welcome to the following new member:

**Mr. Robert S. Reynolds, P. O. Box 121 Kinder, La. 70648
Researching: Reynolds & Stockwell**

The Society recently received some notes from a couple of our members wishing everyone a Blessed, Prosperous, Happy New Year. The notes received were from Bill Fawcett, now living in Breaux Bridge, La., and Cecelia Jones from Austin, Texas. We all wish you the same!!!

President's Comments

The events of 2009 are now part of history. Some will be written about in text books. Some are personal memories that are important only to the individuals involved. Each and every birth, death or other important family event is part of who we are and our families' heritage. Yes even these things are important. That is why we keep reminding everyone to keep records; some day you will wish you had. We have all experienced researching a family line and hitting a snag because the family records were incomplete. What may seem unimportant to you today could be very important later on to someone in your family.

We look forward to what is in store for us in 2010. Entering each new year is like opening Christmas gifts. Every month is like a box filled with surprises; some are good and some are not. The way we cope with those surprises reveals our true character.

I wish each of you a very blessed New Year with lots of happy Surprises.

Betty Sarver

Allen Genealogical and Historical Society President



A POINT TO PONDER

If you want to feel rich, just count all
the things you have that money can't buy.

from the editor.....*Fran Clemmons*

As we start the year 2010 with this issue of CROSSROADS, we the staff members of the Allen Genealogical and Historical Society, wish everyone a very Blessed and Happy New Year. We want to encourage and welcome everyone to come attend our meetings and take part in genealogical research. Our next meeting will be April 6th, 2010 at 10:00AM in the Genealogy Room of the Kinder Library, so be sure to mark your calendar right now so that you won't forget. Starting at 10:30 on April 6th, the AGHS, will hold an open house to celebrate the 20th anniversary of their charter. Everyone is invited to stop by for refreshments and to browse the many family histories, books, etc. that are available in the Genealogy Room of the library. Society members will be on hand to assist anyone interested in researching their family history. As you are marking your calendar for the April 6th meeting and open house, go ahead and mark down all of our meetings for the year. The next meeting after April 6th is July 6th, then the last meeting of the year, October 5th.

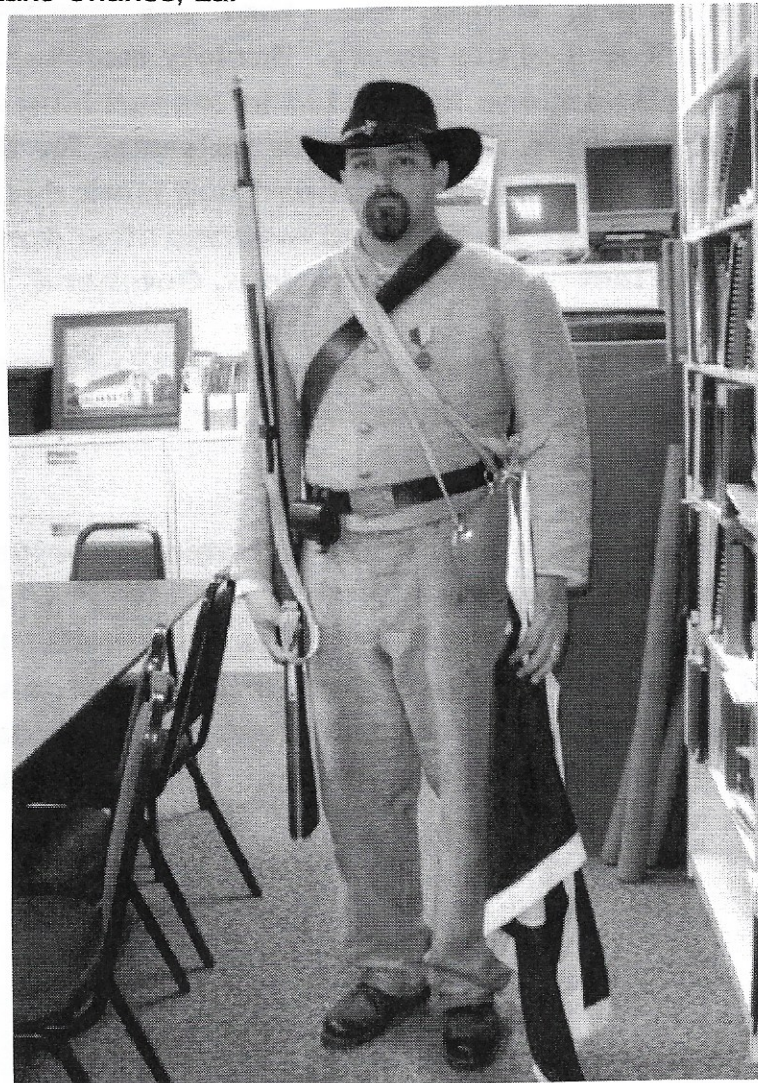
Let us hear from you!!!! We at the Society ask you to please share information and family histories with us for future publications.

At this time, I would like to remind everyone that it is time to renew your membership for the year 2010. The membership dues are \$15.00 for the year. I also need to ask each of you to fill out a new 5-generation chart and send it to the Society . We will place the chart in the genealogical file in the Library. A blank 5-generation chart is included in this issue as is in each issue.

JANUARY PROGRAM OF THE AGHS

The speaker for the January meeting of the ALLEN GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY was DUANE CLEMMONS, a member of the 19th Louisiana Infantry(Civil War Reenactors) group. Mr. Clemmons gave a very informative presentation of things that were going on in our area and Southwest Louisiana during the war between the states. Mr. Clemmons entered the meeting dressed in full uniform, a replica, that a Confederate Soldier wore in this era. In Mr. Clemmons talk, he gave a brief description of the Civil War in Louisiana, a discussion on the Red River Campaign, the fall of the State Capital and moving to Shreveport, and the Governor Henry Watkins Allen calling on volunteers to defend the homeland and the defense of the Calcasieu Pass near Cameron, Louisiana.

Everyone present at the meeting enjoyed the presentation very much. Mr. Clemmons and his family are very active in the Civil War Reenactors and enjoy going to places of History in our State. Mr. Clemmons, a teacher in history, has taught school for eight years at Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School in Lake Charles, La.



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(The back of the bill)

THE JAY-HAWKERS

Mr. Leo Cole was born on March 27, 1913, in the Harmony settlement, nine miles north of Kinder, La. His parents were William and Emma Cole, and his grandparents were William and Angelina Cox Wrinkle Cole. Mr. Leo told the writers of "Looking Back At Kinder", a story that his grandfather had told him about the Jay-Hawkers, a band of outlaws, that consisted mostly of deserters from the army, and criminals who rode together during the civil war to rob older people that stayed home from the war.

The Cole family always remembered the day the Jay-Hawkers came to rob Grandfather William Cole. The outlaws had spies, both men and women, that would find out some way about the valuables the people in the area had, and would notify the criminals of their information. Grandfather Cole had five hundred dollars buried in his smokehouse on his property . The Jay-Hawkers tied Grandfather Cole on a horse and put a rope around his neck, then threatened to hang him if the money wasn't dug up and given to them. The money was dug up and Grandfather Cole was set free. The Jay-Hawkers burned down three big barns of corn then drove off all the stock. The group of out-laws terrorized the area by robbing the settlers who worked hard to make a honest living. The Jay-Hawkers had a camp on the river, near what is now the Pine Nursery at the Cole Settlement.

After the Civil War was over, the south banded together to hunt down the Jay-Hawkers. Two of the gang were caught at Valentine Simmons home past the Cole Settlement where they were shot and buried on the road. Later on, some women came to dig up the bodies of the men, and they took them by wagon to a place near Elizabeth, La., to rebury them. Some of the out-laws were buried near Longville, La. also.

*** This article information taken from "Looking Back at Kinder" by Ethelinda J. Andrus & Grace H. Cornish**

MUSEUM PAGE DECEMBER, 2009

This year at the Leatherwood Museum has been a learning experience. One of the major things we learned was that we needed to keep the museum exhibits "fresh". We also had to be prepared to answer a lot of questions about our area. Our visitors came in expecting one thing and left knowing a lot of things.

We will be doing a lot of organizing and reorganizing in the year 2010. There will be some changes done to some of the exhibits. One exhibit in particular is the "War Room". We will be displaying more early uniforms as well as new artifacts. We have on loan with us a propeller from a PT-19 Pilot Trainer plane. This plane was made out of wood and canvas. We also have two Civil War era Captain's Swords from 1863 and 1864 from the Yankee's army.

As the year progressed, we had about 250 visitors to the museum. People from California, Delaware, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, Tennessee, Utah and Texas came to visit. Of course the most that came were from Louisiana.

We are looking forward to the New Year and to what we will be able to accomplish within our museum. We hope to have more children's tours with age specific literature.

Have a safe and happy 2010 and come and see us!



Ancestry Chart

Name of Compiler Robert Reynolds
 Address P.O. Box 121
 City, State Kinder, LA
 Date 1-2-60

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. 1 on chart No. 1

Chart No. 1
 16 Abraham Reynolds
 b. Oct. 7, 1801 (Father of No. 8,
 m. Cayuga, NY Cont. on chart No. _____
 d. 1824

8 William Oliver Reynolds
 (Father of No. 4)
 b. Oct 7, 1841
 p.b. Seneca County, Ohio
 m. Mar. 19, 1868
 d. Mar 19, 1899
 p.d. Kinder, LA

17 Jan. 19, 1827
 (Mother of No. 8,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Harriet Goldsmith NY
 b. Mar 28, 1803
 d. Mar 23, 1819

4 Cursey Bernal Reynolds
 (Father of No. 2)
 b. 4-14-1873
 p.b. Lawrence Kan
 m. 1-22-1896
 d. 12-7-1964
 p.d. Kinder, LA

b. Date of Birth
 p.b. Place of Birth
 m. Date of Marriage
 d. Date of Death
 p.d. Place of Death

9 Mary Elizabeth McRill
 (Mother of No. 4)
 b. May 11, 1845
 p.b. OHIO
 d. Jan 14, 1920
 p.d. Kinder, LA

18 _____
 (Father of No. 9,
 Cont. on chart No. _____

2 Gordon S. Reynolds
 (Father of No. 1)
 b. 1-15-1910
 p.b. Kinder, LA
 m. 12-25-1913
 d. 12-23-2008
 p.d. Kinder, LA

10 _____
 (Father of No. 5)

20 _____
 (Father of No. 10,
 Cont. on chart No. _____

5 Ema P. McRill
 (Mother of No. 2)
 b. 1-21-1877
 p.b. _____
 d. 7-25-1968
 p.d. Kinder, LA

11 _____
 (Mother of No. 5)

21 _____
 (Mother of No. 10,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

1 Robert S. Reynolds
 b. 1-6-43
 p.b. Oberlin, LA
 m. 12-26-1963
 d. _____
 p.d. _____

12 _____
 (Father of No. 6)

22 _____
 (Father of No. 11,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

6 Lestia Augustas Stockwell
 (Father of No. 3)
 b. _____
 p.b. _____
 m. _____
 d. _____
 p.d. Oberlin, LA

13 _____
 (Mother of No. 6)

23 _____
 (Mother of No. 11,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

3 Letha Stockwell
 (Mother of No. 1)
 b. Sept. 24, 1913
 p.b. Oberlin, LA
 d. Sept 20, 2008
 p.d. Kinder, LA

14 _____
 (Father of No. 7)

24 _____
 (Father of No. 12,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

7 Ffipie Gertrude Davis
 (Mother of No. 3)
 b. _____
 p.b. _____
 d. 5-2-66
 p.d. Oberlin, LA

15 _____
 (Mother of No. 7)

25 _____
 (Mother of No. 12,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

26 _____
 (Father of No. 13,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

27 _____
 (Mother of No. 13,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

28 _____
 (Father of No. 14,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

29 _____
 (Mother of No. 14,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

30 _____
 (Father of No. 15,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

31 _____
 (Mother of No. 15,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

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(Spouse of No. 1)
 b. _____ d. _____
 p.b. _____ p.d. _____

b. _____
 p.b. _____
 d. _____
 p.d. _____

b. _____
 d. _____

Ancestor Chart

Chart No. 1

Name of Compiler _____

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. 1 on chart No. 1.

Address _____

City, State _____

Date _____

b. Date of Birth
p.b. Place of Birth
m. Date of Marriage
d. Date of Death
p.d. Place of Death

4 (Father of No. 2)

b.
p.b.
m.
d.
p.d.

2 (Father of No. 1)

b.
p.b.
m.
d.
p.d.

5 (Mother of No. 2)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

1

b.
p.b.
m.
d.
p.d.

6 (Father of No. 3)

b.
p.b.
m.
d.
p.d.

3 (Mother of No. 1)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

7 (Mother of No. 3)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

(Spouse of No. 1)

b. p.b.
d. p.d.

8 (Father of No. 4)

b.
p.b.
m.
d.
p.d.

9 (Mother of No. 4)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

10 (Father of No. 5)

b.
p.b.
m.
d.
p.d.

11 (Mother of No. 5)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

12 (Father of No. 6)

b.
p.b.
m.
d.
p.d.

13 (Mother of No. 6)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

14 (Father of No. 7)

b.
p.b.
m.
d.
p.d.

15 (Mother of No. 7)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

b. p.b.
d. p.d.

16 (Father of No. 8, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
m.
d.

17 (Mother of No. 8, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
d.

18 (Father of No. 9, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
m.
d.

19 (Mother of No. 9, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
d.

20 (Father of No. 10, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
m.
d.

21 (Mother of No. 10, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
d.

22 (Father of No. 11, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
m.
d.

23 (Mother of No. 11, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
d.

24 (Father of No. 12, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
m.
d.

25 (Mother of No. 12, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
d.

26 (Father of No. 13, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
m.
d.

27 (Mother of No. 13, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
d.

28 (Father of No. 14, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
m.
d.

29 (Mother of No. 14, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
d.

30 (Father of No. 15, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
m.
d.

31 (Mother of No. 15, Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.
d.

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