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Official Newsletter of The Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society, Inc.



## Birthday Bash For Crawford County's 192nd Anniversary



The annual Establishment Day Dinner, commemorating the birthday of Crawford County, was held Monday, March 1st, 2010 at the Senior Citizens Building in English. The evening began with a welcome greeting by Densil Wilson, President of the Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society, followed by the pledge to the flag led by Edith Key, a word by Richard Eastridge on the history of the occasion, and a prayer of thanks by Jim Kaiser. The pitch-in dinner was delicious, as usual, and had a good variety of foods.

Following the dinner, Larry Burmeister introduced the speaker for the evening, the "Will Rodgers of Crawford County," Ralph Stroud; spinner of yarns, tales and history of Crawford County. Ralph

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## **Crawford Landmark Burns**

On Monday, May 9, 2010 the old Knights of Pythians Building in Milltown was consumed by fire, destroying the structure built in the late 1800's.



2008 photo by LMB.

Mark and Debbie Woods purchased the building several years ago and after renovation, opened the Blue River Cafe. It became a county favorite for fine dining and entertainment. The interior contained lots of "local color" and fine paintings by local artists.

Lee Cable, in his article in the

## From Our County Historian Richard Eastridge



## **Anderson Guards**

The Anderson Guards, the company under the Command of Capt. Henry Jordan of this County were sworn into the United States service on the 9th inst. for a term of three years. They belong to the 17th Regiment, of which Milo S. Hascall is Colonel; J.

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## Communications

Dear Friends,

Its the mid of winter, I am now retired and looking forward to better days ahead this spring when my son and I can once again have some interesting times looking for long lost family members and discovering new family information that fascinates our thoughts of family history from days gone by.

I am now recovering from prostate cancer and back surgery and hopeful for the future being better with health. Thank you all who have prayed for my recovery and I hope this email will find you all well.

Sincerely,

Lance Stroud

### Birthday Bash: Cont.

spoke and played some of his CD's for about 90 minutes. The evening was completed with a birthday cake and ice cream.

Those attending the Establishment Day dinner were: Jim & Doris Kaiser, Louie & Diane Mitchell, Becky Hammond Stetter, Eileen R. Lambdin, Carol Sue Madley, Rebecca E. Walton, Betty Gunn, Louie Allstott, Richard & Priscille Eastridge, Glen & Roberta Toby, Jeffery & Anita Mitchell, Bonnie Powers, Edith Key, Densil R. & Sandy Wilson, Larry & Helena Burmeister, Joe & Eileen DeMotta, Ralph & Pat Stroud, Hugh & Evelyn Jackson, Larry & Betsy Young, Alma Lee Hanger, Ruth E. Rickenbaugh, Don Standiford, Robin Piper.

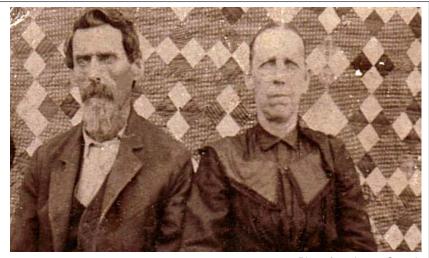


Photo from Lance Stroud.

William J. Jones and Phoebe A. Cornwell Jones, parents of: Mattie (Mousty), Ben, Elisha, George, John, Sarah, Emma Ruth (Manship), Fannie (Stroud) and Lila (Burns).

## **Another Year Gone!**

And Time To Renew Your Membership.

It is only with your support through your contributions that we can maintain our society and serve Crawford County!

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Photo from Lance Stroud. George Stroud Family, about 1915. Left to right, front, Charles, George, unknown. Back row, Fannie Jones Stroud and two daughters.

# Special Thanks —

## To: Tommy VanPool

of Hardinsburg for donating the old barn siding to repair the Riceville Depot. The siding was a perfect match.

## And To: Glen Toby

for installing the siding.

## Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society Minutes for the March Meeting.

The Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society met on March 8, 2010 in the Crawford County library with President Densil Wilson presiding.

Becky Hammond Stetter gave a power point presentation on "The English I Grew Up In." Pictures of





Photos of the Establishment Day Dinner. Above Ralph Stroud presents his program; other photos are shots of the attendees.

homes, businsses, churches, and other establishments that no longer exist were shown along with photos of the 1979 flood.

After a 20-minute break for the various committees to meet, the business meeting was called to order.

The **February Minutes** were read by Secretary Janice Eastridge and were accepted as read.

The **Financial Report** was given by Treasurer Sharon Morris: The beginning balance on Feb. 12, 2010 was \$18,724.70 plus deposits of \$485.00, minus disbursements of \$116.59 for an ending balance of \$19,066.11 on March 8, 2010. The report was accepted.

The **Proctor House Report** was given by the Wiseman's and the Jackson's. The committee have been discussing a shelter house with a full kitchen and restrooms with the rest of the building being open with a roof and concrete floor that could be enclosed at a later date. There are still several expenses to consider, such as building permits, perk test, septic, electric, water, and dirt work.

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#### March 2010 Minutes: Cont.

Densil Wilson said a list of things we want for the building should be made and then get at least three bids on the project. Glenn Crecelius suggested looking for grants to help finance the project. Maxine Redding suggested hiring an architect to make sure the shelter house would be the same style as the house. Becky Hammond Stetter said perhaps some seniors from IU who are studying architecture could use this as their project.

The ending financial balance on the Proctor House Fund is \$8,346.82.

Mary Wiseman made the motion to vote on having the **annual yard sale**. A discussion was held with Glenn Crecelius saying this is our main money maker. Don Standiford suggested getting area church youth groups involved in helping prepare for the yard sale. Priscilla Eastridge then seconded the motion and the motion carried. Glenn Crecelius is going to call area churches to see if he can get some volunteers.

Membership Committee: Priscilla Eastridge gave the report that there are 90 paid members at this time. Some people are just now sending in their dues and it was discussed how to handle dues that were paid mid-term. Jim Kaiser thought we had made this decision some time ago. The secretary will search through the minutes to see if she can find anything concerning this issue.

**Scrapbook:** Robin Piper was given some photos from the Establishment Day dinner to add.

**Web-site:** Bill Piper reported that more Crawford County veterans are being added to the site.

**Newsletter:** the last newsletter was mailed out the end of February.

Jr. Historical Society: Roberta Toby has e-mailed the president of the Indiana Junior Historical Society and a reply was received. They offered to send more info and help in any way to get one started in Crawford County.

Acquisitions Committee Study: President Densil Wilson appointed the following: Larry Burmeister, Don Standiford, Maxine Redding, and Jim Kaiser. They are to determine the duties of any such committee and report back.

A written **inventory** of donated items has not been turned over to the society yet. Roberta Toby asked if we should set a date that the inventoy needs to be completed. Jim Kaiser stated that the inventory should be turned in at the same time as the inside audit. Evelyn Jackson suggested keeping a very detailed list of when and who made the donation, then in the event that the society is dissolved the item could be turned back over to a family member.

**V-P and Archives Report:** Larry Burmeister reported that on Thursday, April 1, the archives will open, and this will also be clean up day. Speakers are also needed for up-coming meetings.

The following **Bills** were submitted: \$50 for renting the Senior Citizens Building for the Establishment Day Dinner; \$49 for chicken for the aforesaid dinner; \$25 for booth rental at Old Eckerty Days, and \$66.60 for printing the February newsletter. Densil Wilson made the motion to pay the bills and the motion carried.

**Fund Raising:** Total sales in Dec. of ornaments was \$45 at the Leavenworth Craft Show, and \$40 at the Holiday Craft Show at the 4-H Building. We are in need of someone to volunteer to make ornaments.

**Correspondence:** A thank you note was read from the Department of Veterans Affairs for the items that were donated at Christmas time. Jim Kaiser asked that the above item be included in our Crawford Countian.

**New Business:** Jim Kaiser asked if the guest speaker (Ralph Stroud) at the Establishment Day Dinner was given a free membership for his services that evening. Larry Burmeister presented him a thank you card, along with \$20, which Mr. Stroud returned.

### AWARD PRESENTED BY SAR TO EVELYN JACKSON

Evelyn Jackson received an award on March 25th from the National Society Sons of the American Revolution for her assistance in preparing applications for new members. At their March meeting the John Hay chapter of the NSSAR in Salem presented her with the National Martha Washington Medal and Award certificate in recognition of outstanding service to the Sons of the American Revolution. Present were two NSSAR State officers and also one DAR State Officer. Jackson is a past Regent and Historian of The Hoosier Elm Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in Corydon and has had many years of experience in documenting genealogical records back to ancestors who aided in our country's struggle for freedom from Great Britain.

Becky Hammond Stetter asked about doing the Pledge to the flag and a prayer or moment of silence before each meeting. Jim Kaiser made the motion to have the Pledge and a moment of silence. Becky Hammond Stetter seconded the motion and it carried.

Roberta Toby announced there will be a program at the Cannelton Community Building for the 50th anniversary of the plane crash near Tell City.

Those attending: Larry Burmeister, Densil Wilson, Richard Eastridge, Diane Mitchell, Louie Mitchell, Helena Burmeister, Priscilla Eastridge, Hugh E. Jackson, Anita Mitchell, Jeffery Mitchell,

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#### March 2010 Minutes: Cont.

Melvin Ash, William Piper, Michael Witt, Casey Blair, Clayton Blair, Becky Hammond Stetter, Alma Lee Hanger, Ruth Rickenbaugh, Sandra Wilson, Jim Kaiser, Janice Eastridge, Glenn Crecelius, Bobby Wiseman, Evelyn Jackson, Mary Wiseman, Edith Key, Robin Piper, Carol Benham, Don Standiford, Maxine Redding, Sharon Morris, Ruth Terry, Roberta Toby, Glen Toby.

## Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society Minutes for the April Meeting.

The Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society met on April 10, 2010 in the Media Center of the Crawford County High School with President Densil Wilson presiding.

Roberta Toby and Becky Hammond Stetter presented information they had received from Becca Loofbourrow on the establishment of a State Junior Historical Society. There must be at least two members to form a Junior Membership. Some of the activities are podcasting, field trips, local history projects, and a family history workshop that is held in November. There are also two \$300.00 scholarships given out statewide annually. Roberta and Becky will talk to the principals at the area schools and do a survey to see how much interest there is in forming a Junior Society. Edith Key suggested they also talk to local 4-H and Boy and Girl Scouts.

After a short break for committee meetings, the **March minutes** were read. The following correction was made: The amount of \$49.99 was paid for the chicken for the Establishment Day Dinner, not \$49.00. It was also noted that Ralph Stroud was given a one-year membership for speaking at the dinner. The minutes were accepted as amended.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sharon Morris gave the report. The begin-

ning balance on March 8, 2010 was \$19,066.11 plus a deposit of \$279.00 for a total of \$19,345.11, minus disbursements of \$164.99 for an ending balance of \$19,180.12. The ending balance on the report was \$19,181.12, which was immediately corrected. The report was accepted as corrected.

Becky Hammond Stetter read an email that she received from Laura Renwick stating that the nomination for the Proctor House was received on April 5th.

Fundraising: Betsy Young is needing home remedies and wives tales for an upcoming book that is in the works. Becky Hammond Stetter and Roberta Toby are going to start making the ornaments. The following books are now for sale: Crawford County Geology, \$10; Probate Book Two, \$30, and H.H. Pleasant's Crawford County History, \$40. Helena Burmeister reported book sales of \$40 for a marriage index and \$80 for four Survey books, and \$792 for other books plus shipping.

**Membership:** Priscilla Eastridge reported 93 paid members at this time. The last 2 years of minutes were searched and nothing was found on how to handle dues being paid during different times of the year.

**Scrapbook Report:** Robin Piper now has 1 book for photos taken at meetings, parties and other society social functions. She and Bill are going to have a booth at the Ponderosa Flea Market and asked about selling books for the society.

**Web Site:** Bill Piper has been adding more veterans to the site.

Acquisition Committee: The committee appointed at the March meeting now have a Resolution ready that will be voted on at the next (June) annual meeting.

Densil Wilson then appointed the **Inside Audit Committee** which will be made up of Jim Kaiser, Helena Burmeister and Anita Mitchell.

**Archives Report:** Given by Larry Burmeister. The Archives will be open on Tuesday's only from 10 A.M.- 2 P.M. Any other time will be by appointment

only by contacting either Larry Burmeister or Roberta Toby. There was \$80 in the copy fund, \$15 membership for a total deposit on April 12, 2010 of \$95.

The Whiskey Run DAR will have a meeting on April 20 at 6 P.M. at the Hillview Christian Church. Roberta Toby will be speaking about the CCC Camps.

Helena Burmeister presented a bill for \$208.46 for the printing and shipping of books. Densil Wilson made the motion to accept the bill with Sandy Wilson seconding the motion, and the motion carried.

Becky Hammond Stetter had a copy of *Traces*, a magazine published by the Indiana Historical Society which had an article about Lucy Nichols.

Roberta Toby and Becky Hammond Stetter have been to Country Pines in Shoals, IN to get some information on having a picture book published.

Heritage Day at Patoka Lake will be May 15. Due to poor sales at this event Priscilla Eastridge made the motion to not attend this year. Helena Burmeister seconded and the motion carried.

It was decided to price and sort items as they come in for the yard sale. Having the Bloodmobile at the sale one day was also discussed.

Becky Hammond Stetter asked if we would like to hold the meetings at the Library this summer when the school is not available. It was decided to make the decision on a month to month basis.

The beginning balance for the **Proctor House financial report** was \$8,346.82 on March 8, 2010 plus \$100 in ornament sales, minus \$20.11 to Duke Energy, \$5.90 to Marengo Supply and \$447.00 to State Farm for an ending balance of \$7,938.81 on April 12, 2010.

May is Historic Preservation Month. Does the society have anything planned?

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### **April 2010 Minutes: Cont.**

Those attending were: Larry Burmeister, Densil Wilson, Richard Eastridge, Larry Young, Becky Hammond Stetter, Roberta Toby, Glen Toby, Doris Kaiser, Helena Burmeister, Betsy Young, Sandra Wilson, Priscilla Eastridge, Anita Mitchell, Jim Kaiser, Sharon Morris, William & Robin Piper, Edith Key, Bobby Wiseman, Mary Wiseman, Janice Eastridge, Don Standiford and Maxine Redding.

## Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society Minutes for the May Meeting.

The Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society met on May 10, 2010 in the Media Center of the Crawford County High School with President Densil Wilson presiding.

The meeting opened with a moment of silent prayer for our military personnel followed by the pledge to the flag.

Evelyn Jackson presented a program entitled "How a Land Grant became a National Memorial." It was on the development of Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

After a 20 minute break for committee meetings, the business session was called to order.

The **minutes** of the last meeting were read and the following correction was made: Instead of "The Whiskey Run Chapter DAR" it should read "The Ouiska Run Chapter DAR." The minutes were accepted as corrected.

The **Treasurers Report** was given by Sharon Morris. The beginning balance on April 12, 2010 was \$19,180.12 plus a deposit of \$1,100, less dispursements of \$282.46 for an ending balance of \$19,997.68 on May 10, 2010. The report was accepted.

Densil Wilson read the **Proctor House Financial Report**. The beginning balance on April 13, 2010 was \$7,973.81 minus dispursements of \$339.41 for an ending balance of \$7,634.40 on May 8, 2010.

The **Proctor House Report** was given by the Jackson's and the Wiseman's. Glen Toby has picked up the wood siding to use on the Riceville depot. It came from a barn that was being torn down north of Hardinsburg. Evelyn Jackson read an e-mail from Laura Renwick concerning a \$10,000 grant that is available. If the grant is given to the Proctor House, the committee has decided to have new restrooms built and take down the back of the house and have the brick repaired. Due to a busy schedule, Jeff Mitchell has decided not to put a bid in on the Proctor House projects. Clothing items dating from 1880-1890 have been donated by John Totten. The items belonged to his Aunt Barbara Adrian Gibbs.

The **Fund Raising Report** was given by Betsy Young. She would like for items for the home remedies and wives tales book to be turned in at the August meeting. She also announced they would like to have a bake sale during the first day of the yard sale, so everybody please bring something.

**Publications Report** was given by Helena Burmeister. There were 2 CCC books sold for \$63 at the Ouiska Run DAR meeting, and \$175 in books were sold at the Milltown Alumni Banquet.

Membership Committee: Priscilla Eastridge has decided to step down as the membership chairperson. Densil Wilson has asked Becky Hammond Stetter to take that position. She will decide at a later date.

Junior Membership Committee: Roberta Toby and Becky Hammond Stetter have not yet talked to the schools, but Becky did get some information from the local 4-H on their genealogy guidelines so she can help them if needed. If a Junior Membership is formed, the library has agreed to let the meetings be held there.

Inside Audit Committee: Jim Kaiser said the beginning date for the audit will be June 19, 2009 and end on June 18, 2010. He also asked that anyone who has donated items in their possession to please make an inven-

tory of those items and bring the list to the June meeting. This includes books and ornaments.

The **Archives Report** was given by Larry Burmeister. There were 15 visitors since April 1st. A deposit of \$69 was made on May 10, 2010. The deposit was from copies, except for a \$5 donation.

**Bills:** Helena Burmeister presented a bill for \$2.77 for postage. Densil Wilson moved the bill be paid and the motion carried.

May is Historic Preservation Month and Becky Hammond Stetter suggested we have Lee Cable write a new updated story on the Proctor House and to also mention the yard sale.

**New Business:** Densil Wilson appointed the following to the Nominating Committee: Jim Kaiser, Betsy Young, and Don Standiford.

The society will be setting up a booth at the Leavenworth River Fest. Evelyn Jackson suggested sending a birthday card to Kathleen Roggenkamp. She has been very helpful to the society and is very ill at this time.

The June and July meetings will be held at the library in English.

Those attending: Larry Burmeister, Densil R. Wilson, Becky Hammond Stetter, Ruth Terry, Glen S. Toby, Roberta Toby, Larry Young, Betsy Young, Jim Kaiser, Don Standiford, Maxine Redding, Sharon Morris, Edith Key, Hugh E. Jackson, Bobby Wiseman, Mary Wiseman, Evelyn Jackson and Janice Eastridge.

## June 14th Annual Meeting

Election of Officers.
Vote on Changes to our Constitution and By-Laws.

Please make a special effort to attend this important meeting. Crawford Co. Library 6:30 P.M.

#### More: Crawford Landmark

Wednesday, May 12, 2010 Clarion News wrote: "The building, one of the oldest in Milltown, was built in the late 1800s, and the upper floor was used as a lodge by the Knights of Pythians, a group of veterans that formed just after the Civil War. The downstairs has seen several uses through the years, including a paint factory, restaurant and a dance hall. When Mark and Debbie Woods bought the building several years ago, most of the members of the Pythians had passed away, so they converted the upstairs lodge area into a music and dining venue that attracted musicians from the region. Those performances and the quality food, prepared from Debbie's personal recipes, attracted tourists visiting the area and canoe enthusiasts who came to enjoy the Blue River. The business became a mainstay of the Milltown business

Read the complete article and see photos at www. clarionnews.net.

## New Headstone for William Doane in Hoosier National Forest.

Hi Everybody,

The Department of Veterans Affairs has provided a new headstone for William Doane. It will be erected on Doan Ridge in the Hoosier National Forest on May 18th, 2010. If it rains that day, it will be done the following day, May 19th. The group

of people attending will meet at Oriole Trail East at 10:00 AM on May 18th. Here is a link to directions: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/hoosier/recreation/trail\_rogs/oriole\_west.pdf.

You are all invited. If you are interested in attending please let me know. The Forest Service will haul the 240-pound stone to the gravesite, and they will set the stone. It will involve a 4-mile hike in some pretty hilly country, so you would need to bring a few things: hat, long-sleeved shirt, long pants, hiking boots, drinking water, food, tick spray, a milk jug of washing water, soap, towel, band-aids, and sun blocker to mention a few. If it looks like rain, bring some rain gear, too.

Dave Gambrel 314-607-4486 cell 636-394-3562 home

#### WHO WAS WILLIAM DOANE?

For those of you who don't already know, William Done (Doan, Doane) served the Union Army in the Civil War. Like so many others who camped outdoors with him, he contracted a lung disease. He was hospitalized In Chattanooga, finished his tour of duty, and returned home a very sick man. He stayed with his uncle William Risley for several months, then went to southern Indiana in the late 1860's, possibly to work in the hardwood timber industry. He bought about 80 acres of land in Crawford County and probably started farming it. That land is now called Doan Ridge, and is shown on USGS maps. By the time he died the timber industry was fading fast due to poor forestry practices, and the land was so poor it did not grow crops well. His wife and most of his remaining nine children moved quickly to Breckenridge County, Kentucky, where there was a thriving agricultural business.

For more information on this family, contact David Gambrel.

# Samuel Bowman — New Jersey To Indiana, To

**Crawford County** 



Courtesy of Robert N. Stewart.

Samuel Boman

Re: Bomans/Bowmans of Crawford County Wed, February 24, 2010 From: Carolyn Blount <cblount@vendor.net> To: Larry Burmeister

Hi Larry, no doubt more than you want to use, but I cleaned it up a bit and printed it out via a NEHGS format so you now have the kids, dates and sources.

Carolyn Fix Blount

1 Samuel BOWMAN

Birth: ca 1788, Pr. Freehold, Monmouth, NJ

Death: 1-6 Jan 1866, 40 Miles From Jennings Twp, Crawford,

Burial: Elder Casper's Grave Yard, Crawford, IN

Occupation: Farmer, Builder Religion: Elder Casper's Church, Crawford, IN

Father: Samuel BOWMAN Sr.

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### **More: Anderson Guards**

F. Wilder is Lt. Col. and —— Gorman is Major. The following are the officers and privates of the company as furnished to us by Capt. Jordan.

#### OFFICERS.

Henry Jordan, Capt. Wm. T. Jones, 1st Lt. E. R. Haun, 2nd Lt. C. G. Matthey, 1st Sergt. Ben F. Hicks, 2nd Sergt. Joseph Sutton, 3rd Sergt. J. C. Floyd, 4th Sergt. Jesse Goad, 5th Sergt. D. C. Dome, 1st Corp. G. S. Wilson, 2nd R. J. O'Branin, 3rd John Starett, 4th D. I. Penington, 5th J. W. Dean, 6th Wm. Stroud, 7th Marion Hise, 8th J. H. O.Neal, Drummer Levi, Herbaugh, Fifer Wm. J. Rumley, Wagoner

#### PRIVATES.

Robert Anderson

Theodore Bazold Aaron Benton Charles Berrick Franklin Blake Charles Bliss Christopher Boberick H. C. Brenton George Brooks **Buford Brown** G. W. Burris Hardin Charley Robert Charley Geo. C. Cooper Benjamin F. Dailey J. W. Davis Albert DeBruler J. A. Dome

E. F. Jones

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F. G. Noble Wm. Penington B. F. Peters R. Phillips Henry Reuch Fielding Reckard Robert Roach Wm. Robinson Joseph Sauerheber J. Smith J. M. Watson T. C. Weede Harden Wheeler Iacob M. Westover From the <u>Leavenworth Inde-</u> pendent, June 25, 1861.

### **More: Samuel Bowman**

(ca1760-1813)

Mother: Linda Mira PERRINE? (ca1764-1818).

Samuel Boman/Bowman Jr., born about 1785-88 to Samuel Bowman Sr., may have been married before his marriage to Margaret Anderson whom he married in 1822, William Potts, JP, officiating.

On the same sheet, just prior to Sam & Margaret's marriage is the marriage of Caleb Malsbury to Margaret Dennis on 20 May 1821.

Samuel's first son, Nathaniel was born 7 May 1821, nine months prior to his marriage to Margaret. Family records say Nathaniel was born 7 May of 1820, but the 1850 census records are indexed NY but appear to actually say NJ. The 1805 and 1806 census records say NJ, as do later census records where his children list their father's place of birth.

Samuel "was a character" said Lena Boman Jones. "I well re-

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## Communications

Thanks, Larry,

I'll start with the Marriage Index order it from your Hist. & Gen Society and can donate it to the Fiske Genealogical Library (Fiskelibrary.org) here in Seattle where I volunteer a couple of days a week. We've been spending the past 3 years putting our collection into the OCLC, so check out our web page!

Thanks, I did find the Crawford County web pages through searching yates-ville.net rather than com, and there were all your newsletters!

So far, I've looked only at the October 9 issue, but will pursue the others for stray Bowmans. It seems that those who stayed in Indiana mostly spelled the name Boman, and those who came further west, mine to Minnesota and Washington, and another to Oregon and California, spelled it Bowman.

Yes, you may use bits in your Newsletter. What I sent you was just what is currently in notes on my computer, and pretty wordy and full of speculations.

Do you want me to write a more concise bio on old Sam Boman? Or use what I sent as you wish.

I added the specifics on Samuel's marriage and a few other tidbits (below) since the "cut and paste" version I used did not include all the data.

I would appreciate your giving me credit for the research, and I don't mind your posting my e-mail address; maybe we'll turn up some living cousins.

Looks like you are working hard to preserve Crawford County History. Congrats and Good luck! From my work at Fiske (I've been on their board for almost 25 years) I can appreciate it!

Carolyn Fix Blount (cblount@vendor.net)

From: Mary Alice Claycombe Adney To: Priscilla Eastridge Hello Richard,

I am using your address as I wanted to comment about the latest Countian. It seems very unusual that you would spend so many pages on one family name. I enjoy reading your news, but please no more of almost 5 pages on one family name. Of course, if it would be my names, like Johnson or Claycomb, that would be different! Maybe there are still many Funks in Crawford Co. In that case they could come to your meetings and get that information. Just kidding a bit, but it sorta soured me on your nice publication.

Mary Alice (my grandfather was Prof. John M. Johnson.)

(mac\_fbadney@compuserve.com)

Re: March Issue of The Crawford

Tue, March 2, 2010 12:59:12 PM From: Margaret Funk To: Larry Burmeister

This newsletter is interesting! I see that the Funk genealogy listed is pretty much verbatim the information that our organization, Henry and Elizabeth (Miller) Funk Family Reunion, put out in as a book in 2000, in which we included the genealogy of Henry and Elizabeth's descendants and his ancestors. We listed over 4,000 descendants. I can point out errors/typos we made in our 2000 effort which show up in copies, which have not given us credit for the original research. This 2000 book was copywrited and we sold it for a nominal fee to help support our scholarship program. We chose not to put it out as a file or into Ancestry, etc.

We have noticed that the information was copied from a purchased book and the research was claimed as their own. In 2001, one of our own "cousins" in fact did this. The research was then passed around on the internet in its entirety, not just in bits and pieces. Now many have claimed this research

as theirs.

In our book, we acknowledged those who began collected the information, much of it begun in the 1920's. Among them were Dr. Bruce Cannon Funk, Miss Clara Funk and Fred P. Griffin, all now have passed.

We wish to donate the 2000 book of our effort to the Crawford County Library and wish that mass generation of the information cease. A copy of the 2000 book is already on file at the Harrison County Genealogy Library, donated by Fred Griffin.

Our reunion organization began about 1934 and has met yearly since. Henry was a Revolutionary War solider and some descendants have completed the paperwork required by the SAR and DAR. We have helped many descendants come up with their proofs to officially claim their descendancy and rights to such organizations.

As I mentioned before, we also have a scholarship program for descendants of Henry and Elizabeth (Miller) Funk. Interested parties may contact me about the scholarship, about the reunion or further Funk genealogy.

Sincerely,

Henry and Elizabeth (Miller) Funk Family Reunion

Margaret Funk Klaphaak, Secretary margfunk@yahoo.com

## **Thanks**

For your comments and input. It helps keep me on the "right path!" I will make a special effort to put in information that will benefit ALL Crawford countians.

Larry M. Burmeister, publisher

## Communications

Feb 23, 2010

Dr. Charles E. Taylor 435 S. Spring St. Evansville, IN 47714-1550

Dear Larry,

Thank you for the fine job you are doing on your Crawford Countian newsletter. I was going to suggest you not waste time, ink & paper printing such long genealogies (FUNK) but mentioned to my

wife that I had spotted a William Potter & aroused her interest. Unfortunately, there was no further mention of Elizabeth FUNK or William Potter. A Potter married one of my ancestors, James Harvey. James was the son of Michael Harvey, the first landowner of Cider Fork Valley. (Do you remember a Harry Harvey from the Pilot Knob area in the 1940s & 50s?) He was also descended from Michael.) Was William a son of Elijah Potter & Judah Dalton? If so, he was a brother to Elizabeth Potter who married James Harvey. I'm still not sure I would waste

resources printing out genealogies. I assume when you say someone was born, died, etc. in Crawford County prior to 1818, you mean the occurance was in what became Crawford County in 1818. Otherwise, it was Harrison Co. or Perry Co. before then.

Again, thanks for the Crawford Countian!

From one, Chuck Taylor.

### **More: Samuel Bowman**

member Papa with his chuckle talk about old Sam Bowman who had so many wives and was well supplied with children, but all honorable..."

Samuel Sr. died in 1813, and in 1832, 31 March his land is sold by his children: Samuel Boman, [2nd] and Margaret, his wife; William Malsbury, Elizabeth his wife; and Samuel Gravat, and Nancy, his wife, all of New Jersey, and "heirs of Samuel Boman, deceased of Monmouth" sell to John Runion of the Township of Freehold Monmouth [\$450] ...land on

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#### **ANNUAL EVENTS**

March 1, 2010 — County Establishment Day
Dinner and Program

July 4, 2010 — Fund Raiser at Proctorville

July, 2010 — Riverfest at Leavenworth booth

September, 210 — Milltown Fest
Old Eckerty Days booth

October, 2010 — Sorghum Festival booth

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#### **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Dues for the Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society are \$15.00 per year. These dues are due in June. The new year starts on July 1st. A renewal form is available on this page.

#### **MEETINGS**

The Crawford County Historical & Genealogical Society meets on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are held at the Media Center of the Crawford County High School, located South of Marengo on Highway 66.

#### **WEBSITE**

www.cchgs.org

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