

Welcome to Independence, where people joined wagon trains for trails west, and home of Bill Gann, Gary Toms, Paul Owsley and Bill Owsley. Special thanks to Bill and Gary for once again hosting us at their home.

Many thanks, also, to Floyd Owsley's and Ronny Bodine's brilliance and innovative work on Owsley family history and DNA. Ask them anything!

Kudos to Barbara Gressel for another exceptional job as Publicity Director and Connie Howard for negotiating our hotel rate plus managing the catering. To Greg Farnsworth who tapes meetings and makes video tapes available for purchase. Thanks to Diane Root and Karen Owsley, my cousin Floyd's wife, for managing the registration table and perhaps telling me why we match on DNA segments.

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Online resources: [OFHS website@ofhs.org](http://OFHSwebsite@ofhs.org)

Floyd's webpage: owsfl.tripod.com/home.html

wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?db=tsmith

Based on Ronny Bodine's database. Link at ofhs.org

Sheila Patterson

OFHS

2016

Program of Events

Owsley Family Historical Society

37th Meeting

June 2 - 4, 2016

Quality Inn
Independence, Missouri

OWSLEY FAMILY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2016

3:00 - 5:00 p.m. -- Early registration in hotel lobby

3:00 - 5:00 p.m. -- Board of Directors' Meeting

Dinner on your own with cousins and friends

7:00 - 10:00 p.m. -- Dessert Social at the hotel --

8:00-8:30 p.m. -- "Big Discoveries in
Owsley Family History"- by Sheila Patterson

Friday, June 3, 2016

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. ----OFHS Business Meeting--
President Ronny Bodine

10:00 - 10:20 a.m. --- Break--Newsletter CD, Princess
Diana chart, etc, for sale

10:20 a.m. - noon ---- Cousin Sharing

Noon - Lunch on your own with cousins and friends

Afternoon free for research at Mid-Continent's Midwest Genealogy Collection, visiting Arabia Museum, Fort Osage, Truman Presidential Library, Bess and Harry's home, Frontier Trails Museum, the Vaile Mansion plus.

Library is at 3440 S. Lee's Summit Road 816-252-7228

Hours: Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Friday - 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday - 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Free parking for library at corner of S. Lee's Summit Road and Kiger

Dinner on your own with cousins and friends

Saturday, June 4, 2016

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. --- "About Ancestry.com",
Beth Foulk

10:00 - 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 - 11:15 a.m. "Owsley, Ousley, Housley and
Related Families--DNA
Updates", by Floyd Owsley

11:15 - 11:25 a.m. - "More Owsley DNA Tests &
Crests", by Ronny Bodine

11:25 - noon ----- Cousin Sharing

Lunch on your own with cousins and friends

Afternoon researching at Midwest Genealogical Collection, seeing the sights, or visiting in the lobby.

4:00 - 5:00 p.m. ----Open House at Bill Gann's and
Gary Tom's new home

6:30 p.m. ----- OFHS banquet at the hotel

Speakers: Gary Toms and Bill Gann on
"One Family: Many Roads Travelled" (on Bill's
Cherokee ancestors and Trail of Tears)