

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We are facing financial difficulties. Our income has dropped drastically but expenses just keep coming. Our publications are not selling, our books are not selling and donations have reached a new low. Sometimes we open the library, turn on the lights, turn up the heat (or turn down the air conditioning), greet several visitors and help with research and end the day with only a few new coins in the treasury. (One day it was \$.15! Honestly!)

We are forced to make some changes in order to keep the library operating. Keep in mind that no one receives any pay for the work they do here at the library and every dollar donated is used to support the library.

These changes will be effective June 1st, 2006:

Roster of Pioneers: We request that a donation of \$20.00 be sent with an application to place ancestors on the Roster;

Research we do for members who are not able to come the library: a minimum donation of \$5.00. For copies we send, we will continue to request \$1.00 per page for the first five pages, then \$.25 for each additional page;

We will only accept requests for research by regular mail (not e-mail nor telephone);

We will arrange to open the library for an unscheduled day, upon request, for a minimum donation of \$10.00; and

On regular library days (Thursday and Saturday, 12:00-4:00), we must ask non-members for a donation of \$3.00 each to use the library for research. Members can do research for free.

Effective immediately: We have found it necessary to raise the prices of copies: \$.25 for letter size; \$.50 for legal size, \$.75 for 11x17 size.

NEW BRATTON TOWNSHIP CEMETERY BOOK

We have the Bratton Township Cemetery Book retyped. We have made corrections, improved the map and the directions to the cemeteries, and added some history. It is much easier to read than the old publication. There are 27 pages in this book. The price is \$10.00 and you can order your copy on the Publications Price List elsewhere in this newsletter.

NEED HELP WITH RESEARCH?

Often we hear from members asking us to help with their genealogical research. We are very happy to help you with your research but we request that you MAIL your query to us. If after June 1st, with a donation of at least \$5.00.

Our mailing address is:

ADAMS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, P. O. Box 231, West Union OH 45693-0231.

PLEASE DO NOT CALL the library on the telephone and ask us to do this type of research. Usually there is only one librarian on duty and is there to assist those people who come into the library to do research. It is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to spend any time on the telephone taking down information on queries because we usually have several people visiting the library to do research.

When you write, be sure to clearly write out the information you are requesting. Include names and dates as much as possible, as well as your specific question(s). Be sure to include your name and address, your telephone number and e-mail address.

TRAVELING TO ADAMS COUNTY TO DO GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH?

If you are coming from Columbus, allow at least 2 hours; if you are coming from Cincinnati, allow at least 1 hour from Eastgate Shopping Center.
Looking for a place to stay?

MURPHIN RIDGE INN, 750 Murphin Ridge Road, West Union OH
Telephone: 937-544-2263

COMFORT INN MOTEL, at State Routes 32 and 247 near Seaman OH
Telephone: 937-386-2511

Camping:

WOODLAND ALTARS OUTDOOR ED CENTER, 33200 State Route 41, Peebles OH
Telephone: 937-588-4411

LIVELY LADY CAMPGROUND, Aberdeen OH, on Route 52 in Aberdeen OH, on the Ohio River.

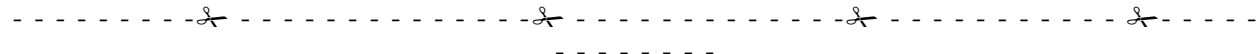
CEMETERY PICTURES

If you have pictures of cemeteries and/or tombstones that you wish to share, we are planning to make a photo album with the pictures we can collect. We already have several photos but if you want to add some to the collection, you can send them by regular mail, by e-mail, or drop them off when you are at the library. Be sure to identify them!

2006 REUNI ON DATE SET

Our Annual Reunion is scheduled for Saturday, July 29. The Society will provide meat for the noon meal. Plan to come and bring a covered dish to share. Enjoy the good food, the good fellowship, and be sure to stay for the good entertainment. We had a great attendance last year and hope more will come this year. Call Ethel at 937-386-2309 if you plan to attend or send an e-mail to acgs@bright.net so we can set a place for you.

WE WILL GRATEFULLY ACCEPT ANY ADDITION TO OUR FAMILY FILES: books, a few pages of family history, a family tree, electronic information, etc.

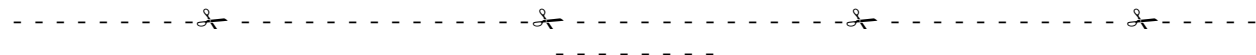


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Thank you to all of you who have sent contributions for the new building. Many thanks to the people that gave the large donation toward the new library building recently! We won't tell everyone who you are but we know that everyone is going to be glad to know that SOMEONE gave generously! We still need a lot more \$\$\$ to make the new building a reality so if anyone else wants to donate, please be assured we will welcome your contribution no matter how large or how small! We make every dollar count! You can use the handy form below.



BUILDING FUND FOR A NEW LIBRARY

We hope you can help us build a new library. We need more space! The library is presently housed in the Adams County Historical Society building. They need more space too. Both Societies are working together to build a new library but we need financial help. Any gifts you care to send are tax deductible since we are a 501c(3) non-profit organization. Thank you in advance for anything you can send to help preserve the genealogical records of Adams County.

Yes, I would like to help build a new genealogy library in Adams County:

Enclosed is my gift in the amount of: \$_____

Name: _____

Address: _____
City State