

# FULTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

Fall 2015

## Fall Meeting Topic set

The Fulton County Historical Society will hold its fall meeting this Thursday, October 15, at 7 p.m. in the courtroom of the Fulton County Courthouse.

Guest speakers Charlie Harr and Roger "Bird" Souders will be sharing their adventures of metal detecting and displaying county artifacts that they have found.

The program is free, and all are welcome to attend.

## Society Receives Items from Samuel Buterbaugh Estate

The Fulton County Historical Society is very appreciative of the heirs of Sam Buterbaugh for the generous donation of the items listed below. Some were requested by Sam to go to the society, and others are given to the society by the heirs. At present these donations are housed in either the museum in the Fulton House, or the society library in the Fulton County Library.

### *At the Fulton House museum:*

Tall clock with handmade case by Sam, 1799 sampler made by Caty Malott, fraktur-type birth certificates made for Baltzer Dishong and Anna Wink, a printed 1856 sale bill for Baltzer Dishong of Licking Creek, small upright spinning wheel, a feather basket with lid, small braided rug, a rag rug, two blacksmith-made broad axes, 30 hand molding planes, two vise clamps, small saw and drill, painted foot-washing tub, single ox yoke, more than 200 local photographs printed 5x7 size, more than 100 local photographs printed 8x10 size, many small photographs. *(All photos are stamped on reverse as the Sam Buterbaugh Collection.)*

### *At the Historical Society Library:*

Hess family of Northern Fulton County, two volumes of King family, two volumes by Thura Truax Hires, Baptist History by Edwards, Peter Morton Memorial, Forts on the PA Frontier, History Between the Rivers, Tuscarora Reader, handwritten census records, card file of family names, Memory Jogger pictures from the newspaper, obituaries, copies of art drawings by Sam, DNA of Sam's ancestral line, plus many hundreds upon hundreds of pages of genealogy on local families. *(All of Sam's genealogy papers were stamped with his name and then filed with others under the family surname.)*

The Historical Society really appreciates these gifts in Sam's name, so they can be available to future generations.

## Resources for Family Genealogists

With a generous donation from the estate of Archie Bergstresser, the Fulton County Library has purchased a year's subscription to Ancestry.com for free community use on any of the library's computers. The site lists "billions" of records which can be searched by family name. Make room in your schedule to come to the library and see what might be available for your ancestors. The subscription will only be renewed if lots of local people are using it. You may well find that an unknown distant relative has already posted data on your family line.



## Museum Volunteers take a Tour

On Friday, September 12, volunteers who help at the FCHS museum were treated with a trip to the Somerset County Historical Society Museum and the Society's Mountain Craft Days. The museum is both educational and artfully set up to represent agriculture in Pennsylvania. There were crafts of every kind from local art to carving, molding, jewelry, weaving, log splitting, blacksmithing, broom making, and a demonstration on turning flax into thread for making linen. There were others too numerous to mention.

The weather was beautiful as we sat out under a cloudless sky and enjoyed a variety of local foods, some of which are unique to the area, including Sugar Pie and a local Potpie recipe. Attending were Edie Coleman, Helen Hann, Charles and Marion Walker, Glenn Cordell, Joyce and Brian Tucker, Linda Garber, Betty Daniels and Dick and Esther Miller. A great time was had by all.



*Pictured are Linda Garber and Esther Miller in front of a candle and soap booth.*

## Fulton County Veterans of the Civil War Final Volume Released

Volume IV *Fulton County Veterans of the Civil War* with surnames Richards - Zimmerman is now available. It contains 246 pages, 259 photos and 282 veterans. This completes the Civil War series. All volumes are \$26.00 plus \$4.00 postage if mailed and can be ordered from Marlin Douglas, 215 Meadow Lane, Chambersburg, PA 17202, phone 717-263-9860 or email dougmar2@comcast.net

## Museum's 2015 exhibit continues for FFFF

The Historical Society's Fulton House Museum will be open for the Fulton Fall Folk Festival October 16 through October 18.

This year the artwork of Charles Walker is being featured, along with the carpentry tools of Alfred Downs, who left McConnellsburg and moved to Illinois prior to the Civil War.

Recent acquisitions from the Sam Buterbaugh estate (see article at left) will be on display, as well as the recently acquired Palmer chest.

For more information call Edie Coleman at (814) 735-3039.

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## Winegardner One-Room School Open for FFFF

History buffs will once again be able to enjoy the restored Winegardner One-Room School at the northern end of the county.

Hours will be from 11 AM to 3 PM on Saturday and 12 PM to 3 PM on Sunday. Directions from McConnellsburg are: 522 north to Rt 475 (Waterfall RD) turn left / to Hustontown, turn right on Clear Ridge Rd/follow Clear Ridge Rd approx 3 miles, turn left on South Madden Rd. School is approx 4 miles on right.

## FCHS Raffle Fundraiser to End at Society's Winter 2016 Meeting

The Fulton County Historical Society is with this newsletter enclosing 2 packets of raffle tickets (12 tickets) for your consideration. They are for a donation of \$1.00 each, or 6 for \$5.00. The drawing of the winners is slated for the society's winter meeting, scheduled for January 23, 2016. So be sure to return the stubs from the enclosed tickets to the society before that date to be entered into the drawing.

Prize list follows:

1. 30 Volume Time Life Collector's Library of the Civil War, reprinted in the 1980's and in mint condition.
2. One night stay at Crampton's Bed & Breakfast in Fulton County, PA, [www.cramptonmanor.com](http://www.cramptonmanor.com)
3. 4 books, Vol I-IV, by local author John Mentzer, "Fulton County Veterans of the Civil War".
4. 1873 Pomeroy and Co. Map of Fulton Co., PA, reproduction, (approx 24" x 25"); beautiful exact reproduction; shows names and locations of residents, schools, PO's, churches, physical features.
5. Five Books printed by the Fulton County Historical Society - Winner's Choice of Titles
6. Crocheted Bed Cover, White with pastel accents. 72" x 94". Made by Margaret Seiders
7. 1890 Business Directory of McConnellsburg Fulton County, PA Frameable, reproduced on 18" x 24" semigloss stock.
8. Brian Tucker Print titled "Traffic Jam, Turn-of-the-Century" showing the Toll House at Greenhill, 24" x 29"
9. Brian Tucker Print titled "Surgeon Blake's Hospital, Tonoloway Baptist Church 1862", 16" x 20"
10. 1000 piece Civil War Jigsaw puzzle (Collage of people, events)
11. FCHS Cookbook, "Eatin's Good In Fulton County"
12. FCHS books for Genealogists: "History of Tonoloway Baptist Church", "Sideling Hill Primitive Baptist Congregation from 1790", "19th Century Lutheran Church Records from Fulton County Pennsylvania", and "Family Records of Fulton County, Pennsylvania"

Additional tickets may be obtained from board members, or by using the addresses (PO Box, email) supplied below.

## Minutes for FCHS Summer Meeting on July 27, 2015

The Fulton County Historical Society held its Summer Meeting on July 27, 2015. Society President Dick Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the McConnellsburg United Presbyterian Church.

Minutes of the Spring Meeting, as published in the FCFS Summer Newsletter, were approved on a Mike Crampton/Linda Garber motion.

Gene Leese gave an oral report on the society's fiscal year from May 1, 2015 up to July 27, 2015. The Treasurer's Report, as printed in the Summer Newsletter, was approved on a Dave Pittman/Jim Hedges motion.

Barn Quilt Committee Chairman Mike Crampton reported on the Barn Quilt Trail Project as being extremely successful. Applications have been received for every township except Union, and forty-nine barn quilts have been installed.

Executive Administrator Debbie Reed reported the FCFS subscription for Ancestry.com can be accessed by the public on all computers in the Fulton County Library.

Ken Keebaugh introduced local historian and published author, Ron Morgan of Robertsdale, who presented a very interesting slide program entitled "The Story of the Broad Top" on behalf of the East Broad Top Coal Miners Museum.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Ken Keebaugh, secretary*

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL:

\_\_\_ \$20 Individual/Family

\_\_\_ \$250 Individual Life

Please check your renewal date on the front of this mailing's envelope.

Send your name, address, e-mail and family interest names to the Society address along with your check.

Payment may also be made through the society website.

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