



THE BIRMINGHAM GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC.

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The Birmingham Genealogical Society will have its annual Christmas Tea on **Saturday, December 14, 2013 at 1:00 pm** on the fourth floor of the Birmingham Public Library (in the auditorium). Everyone is asked to bring a finger food or a dessert. Hope to see all of you there!

2014 Officers & Board of Directors

The Nominating Committee has presented the following nominations for the 2014 Officers & Board of Directors. They will be installed at the December meeting:

President: Suzanna Rawlins
1st Vice President: Mary Taylor
2nd Vice President: Linda Larkin
Treasurer: Yvonne Brakefield
Recording Secretary: Vacant
Corresponding Secretary: Vacant
Chaplain: Vacant

Historian: Carl Dykes
Curator: Yvonne Crumpler
Parliamentarian: Vacant
Publicity: A.C. Burtramm
Website/Social Media: Melissa Hogan
Publications Chair: Scott Martin

New Directors for 2016: Patricia Crim Dietlein & Jerry Taylor

Dues Reminder

Dues for the year 2014 are payable on or before January 1, 2014. If you have not already paid your dues for 2014, please make checks (amount \$15.00/individual or \$20.00/family) payable to the Birmingham Genealogical Society and mail to:

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On the Twelfth Day of Christmas, My true love gave to me...

Twelve census searches, Eleven printer ribbons, Ten e-mail contacts, Nine headstone rubbings, Eight birth and death dates, Seven town clerks signing, Six second cousins, Five coats of arms, Four GEDCOM files, Three old wills, Two CD-ROMs, And a branch in my family tree!



Scott A. Martin

2013 Officers & Directors

President: Suzanna Rawlins - shareyourstory@earthlink.net

1st VP (Programs): Mary Taylor – maryalicet@aol.com

2nd VP (Membership): Patricia Crim Dietlein - pdietlein@aol.com

Treasurer: Yvonne Brakefield - ybrakefield@mac.com

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Chaplain: Earl Massey - CMassey007@aol.com

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Director: Gail Pugh (2013)

Director: Barbara Smith (2013)

Director: David Hamilton (2014)

Director: Carol Massey (2014)

Director: Scott Hogan (2015)

Director: Scott Martin (2015)

Marion Herald, 1 September 1887

A WALKER COUNTY STORY - [Weekly Headlight] - Uncle LEVI BATES, one of the old pioneers of Walker County was entertaining a little knot of friends the other day with reminiscence of old times in Walker County. He says about fifty years ago he was out on a bear hunt with a party of hunters and that on a little creek at a spot about a quarter of a mile from where Cap. LONG'S residence at Cordova now stands, he killed three large bears as fast as he could load his old flint and steel musket. The first came up and stopped in the creek for a moment and as he was about to fire, disappeared behind some undergrowth, but in a few minutes was followed by a larger bear which stopped at the identical spot where the former stood. He fired making a dead shot. The bear which had just passed on hearing the dying growls of its companion returned just as he had re-loaded, which he also shot and killed. Uncle LEVI then loaded for the third time, but not a moment too soon, for the third bear, larger than either of the two which lay dead at his feet, approached. Again the old musket report sounded through the woods and another bear lay dead at his feet. Uncle LEVI says that it was a common sight in those days to see a thousand or fifteen hundred turkeys in a drove, and that it was a small matter to go and till two or three deer before ten o'clock in the morning.

THE DEADSPACE COLUMN

Tips & Suggestions for researching the Dead: A Second Voyage

Did your immigrant ancestor return to the old country later in life--perhaps to temporarily visit relatives or perhaps even to stay? Over 3/4 of my ancestors were immigrants to the United States after 1845 and of those, one returned to Europe for good twenty years after he immigrated and another returned for a visit thirty years later. The one who returned gave more detailed personal information on the manifest when making the return trip home than he did on his initial immigration to the United States.

(c) Michael John Neill, "Genealogy Tip of the Day,"
<http://genealogytipoftheday.blogspot.com>, TIPDATE.