



FRESNO COUNTY GENEALOGY SOCIETY
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April, May, and June 2023
THE JOTTED LINE

UPCOMING MEETINGS

April meeting will be Sue Loucks discussing diaries on Tuesday April 11, 2023, at the Woodward Park Library at 6:30 social time and meeting starts at 7:00 PM

The May meeting will be Bob Givens discussing what's new at Family Search at the Woodward Park Library at 6:30 social time and meeting starts at 7:00 PM.

The June meeting will be on ZOOM, with Pamela Bell Dallas discussing The Northwest Territory, the territory Northeast of the Ohio River (1787-1823) On June 13, 2023, at the Woodward Park Library at 6:30 social time and meeting starts at 7:00 PM.

Heritage Fresno, The Fresno County Parks Division, Fresno-Yosemite Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, and The Fresno County Genealogical Society are looking for individuals to help with clean up at the Veterans Liberty Cemetery in the Mountain View Cemetery complex on Saturday April 29, 2023, from 11:00 to 2:30. The cemetery is located at 1831 W. Belmont, Fresno.

All those participating will be required to sign a Fresno County Release of Liability Form

If you would like assist, contact Linda Scambray (scam4@comcast.net) or Heritage Fresno at (559)-222-4443 for any information needed.

LIBERTY VETERANS' CEMETERY



Burials at Liberty Cemetery started in 1896 with the Council of the Administration of Atlanta Post 92, Grand Army of the Republic with the purchase of a lot for veterans' burials. In 1911 or 1912 additional property was obtained to the west of the original lot. In 1916 the southwest portion was donated for burial of Spanish-American War graves. In 1918 land was donated north of the existing GAR property. On May 30, 1918, Liberty Cemetery was opened on Memorial Day, May 30, 1918. On May 30, 2018, a monument was dedicated for the first one hundred years of Liberty Cemetery.

Fresno County Library Heritage Center
2420 Mariposa St Fresno Ca 93721. 559-600-6230
Monday – Saturday 9 AM to 6 PM. Closed Sunday
Heritagecenter@fresnolibrary.org
Parking is free on Saturday

We've had some new books come back from cataloging and we had to share with you. Come on down and visit and see these new treasures!

March 2023

Family Maps of Coshocton County, Ohio

Family Maps of Noble County, Ohio

Biographical and Historical Sketches of Early Indiana by William Wesley Woollen

Wayne County, Indiana Marriage Records 1811-1830

Family Maps of Barron County, Wisconsin

Family Maps of Dane County, Wisconsin

Family Maps of Crawford County, Wisconsin

The Spanish Regime in Missouri

1870 Mortality Schedule of Kansas

Publications of the Kansas State Historical Society 1920 Vol II

Family Maps of Davison County, South Dakota

Family Maps of Clark County, South Dakota

Marriage License Affidavits 1861-1921 Sonoma County, California vol I: A-F

Marriage License Affidavits 1861-1921 Sonoma County, California vol III: N-Z

Marriage License Affidavits 1861-1921 Sonoma County, California vol IV: Index to Bride's Surname

Big Basin Redwood Forest: California's Oldest State Park

Whiskey Row: The Development of Coalinga's Front Street, the liveliest place on the west side

Family Maps of Douglas County, Washington

Family Maps of Walla Walla County, Washington

Original Land Titles in Hawaii

The Journal of Marian Tebbetts Baner

A New Englander Comes South, Moments in Time Volume III

The Richard Brandon Rankin Family

The French in America During the War of Independence of The United States, 1777 – 1783 V2 (1891)

Cartwrights of the Southern United States

In and Out of Harm's Way: A History of the Navy Nurse Corps

The Wallabout Prison-Ships, 1776 – 1783

Revolutionary War Records of Fairfield Connecticut

Frontier advance on the upper Ohio 1778 – 1779

Revolutionary Defense In Rhode Island: An Historical Account of The Fortifications and Beacons Erected During the American Revolution (1896)

Roster of South Carolina Patriots in the American Revolution

Frontier Defense on the Upper Ohio, 1777 – 1778

The Illustrated History of American Civil War Relics

Campaign and Battle of Lynchburg, Virginia

The Battle of Lexington from Confederate Field Reports

A Perfect Storm of Lead, George Sears Greene's New York Brigade in Defense of Culp's Hill

The Battle of Lynchburg Seize Lynchburg—If Only for a Single Day

The Right Flank of Gettysburg

The 72nd New York Infantry in the Civil War: A History and Roster

Minutes of the Albany Committee of Correspondence 1775 – 1778 (Volume II)

Genealogical Data Taken from the Trustee's Annual Reports of the School Districts in the Town of Arkwright Chautauqua County, New York

Bible Records from Family Files of York County Heritage Trust Library Volume 7

Bible Records from Family Files of York County History Center Library

An Index to the Wills and Administration Bonds of Adam County, Pennsylvania 1800 – 1864

Genealogy of 1860 Map & U.S. Census Converge

Kreutz Creek Charge: Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths 1895 – 1902 and 1921 – 1935

1826 Draft Enrollment Lists York County, Pennsylvania Volume 1 York Borough

United States Direct Tax of 1798 York County, Pennsylvania Volume 4 Hellam, Newberry & Windsor Townships

United States Direct Tax of 1798 York County, Pennsylvania Volume 5 Codorus, Paradise & Shrewsbury Townships

Marylanders to Ohio and Indiana Migration Prior to 1835

Claims Presented to the Court of Augusta 1782 to 1785

North Carolina Headrights A List of Names, 1663 – 1744

The Heritage of Rowan County, North Carolina

The History of South Carolina in the revolution, 1780 – 1783

The Dead Towns of Georgia

An Official History of Whitefield County Georgia 1852 – 1999

Looking Back Genealogical Abstracts from the Carthaginian Leake County Mississippi 1872 – 1900

Texas Land Survey Maps for Burnet County

Arkansas Tax Lists 1819 to 1829

Williamson County Tennessee County Court Minutes July 1812 – October 1815

Family Maps of Sandusky County, Ohio

Family Maps of Van Wert County, Ohio

Family Maps of Allen County, Ohio

Family Maps of Auglaize County, Ohio

DID YOU KNOW – Perhaps you have heard about the name changes that occurred at Ellis Island in New York. Many immigrants came looking for a new life. As the story goes if the Immigration inspector couldn't pronounce or spell the immigrants name it was changed. This story came along to fill in blanks in the family stories. Immigration inspectors did not change names unless it was specifically requested by the immigrant. Many of the immigration employees were immigrants themselves and often spoke several languages. These employees were assigned to groups whose language they knew. Ellis Island also had many translators to support immigration processing.

The 1890 Census

We have discussed in a previous newsletter the loss of the 1890 census in a fire. I worked on filling in some of the blanks for the 1890 census using other sources. I have been reviewing the 1880 and the 1900 census for my Great Grandfather Benjamin David Riley. I have also looked at the Kansas State census dated March 1, 1895. Every census asks different questions, so I just kept looking through all the information available to determine where and when. My most invaluable resource is the Riley family bible which began with Benjamin's father William Riley and continues to this day. I do not write in the bible as its fragile, so I now use a notebook. Sometimes not all information is available such as a street address in Beatie Kansas where they were living. Richland Kansas is primarily farmland so perhaps he was farming in 1900. This was an interesting exercise and certainly some speculation is involved but sometimes the research is interesting.

Benjamin Riley was born 25, October 1857 in Crawford Missouri. His wife's name was Perlina Ann (Lina) Powell, was born in Missouri 11, November 1861. In 1934 they were living in Fresno California near their youngest son Ray Riley, my grandfather.

	1880 Census	1890 Census	Ref	1900 Census
Name	Benjamin Riley	B D Riley	1	Benjamin Riley
Age	22	37	1	42
Birth Date	Abt 1858	Abt 1858	1	Oct 1857
Birthplace	Missouri	Missouri	1	Missouri
Home in 1880	St Joseph MO	Beatie Kansas	1	Richland, Kansas
Street	N Second St			
Dwelling Number	4			167
Race	White	White	1	White
Gender	Male			Male
Relation	Son			Head
Married	Single			Married
Occupation		Carpenter	1	
Spouse Name		Lina Riley	1	Paulina Riley
Year Married		1880	1	1880
Years Married				20
Children		Janira (1880-19470)	2	Janira (1880-19470)
		Robert (1882-1974)	2	Robert (1882-1974)
		Lura (1885-1968)	2	Lura (1885-1968)
		George (1888-1918)	2	George (1888-1918)
			2	Charles (1890-1972)
			2	Lena (1893-1972)
			2	Don (1898-1975)
			2	Ray (1898-1975)
			2	Bernice (1901-1978)

1. Kansas State Census Collection 1855-1925 Census March 1, 1895
2. Riley Family Bible



Benjamin and Perlina

A History Note

For those people who claim George Washington as an ancestor, his tree indicates that is a myth. George and his wife Martha Dandridge had no children together. Martha however had four children by her first husband Daniel Custis. Three of her children died young except John Curtis who died at Yorktown leaving behind young children. George and Martha stepped up to raise two of his children, Eleanor, and George.

The most interesting thing about George Washington Parke Custis is that his daughter Mary Anna Randolph married Robert E. Lee. Anna and Robert inherited Arlington House which now serves as Arlington National Cemetery.

Mr. Beans Headstone

Dr Samuel Bean lost his wife Henrietta.
Seven months into their marriage in 1865.
His second wife Susanna in 1867. He
Arranged for a tombstone to be shared.
It is a wordsearch and only Mr.Bean knew its true
meaning. Can you figure it out?



As always, I welcome your input into the newsletter. I would love to read your family stories. Maybe next month we will travel to Ireland to learn more about my family.

There is always information on the website at fresno-genealogy.org If you need meeting locations or need to contact a Board Member it's all on the website.

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