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**If you are not currently a member, we invite you to join today.**

**If you are a member and have not renewed your AGS membership, it is time to do that.**

**AGS Membership Application**

**AGS Website**

<http://www.agsgenealogy.org/>

**AGS welcomes the following new members:**

Connie Foster, Cabot, AR  
Cary Jenkins, Mabelvale, AR  
Monica Lenhart, Atkins, AR  
Tommie L. Mooney, Lamar, AR  
Bonnie Marie Goul Huffaker, Heber City, UT

## 21st North Arkansas Ancestor Fair Genealogical Swap Meet

The 21st North Arkansas Ancestor Fair Genealogical Swap Meet was held Saturday, June 5, 2010 in Marhsall, Arkansas. James Johnston and his crew did an outstanding job as usual. There were many booths set up and many visitors. Booths included vendors and family historians. AGS had a booth. This booth brought the sale of CDs, books and new memberships to AGS. The day was considered a success by all.

Rebecca Wilson and Susan Boyle represent AGS



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Steve and Rachel Beavers represent  
River Valley Genealogy Soceity

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# Upcoming Events

## **Butler Center Genealogy Seminar**

“The Genealogist’s  
Camera”  
presented by  
Desmond Walls Allen.

July 17, 2010  
Butler Center, Little  
Rock, AR

## **Midwest Family History Expo**

July 30 & 31, 2010  
KCI Expo Conference  
Center  
11728 NW Ambassador  
Drive  
Kansas City, Missouri

( More info on page 5)

## **AGS Fall Seminar**

November 5 & 6, 2010  
Little Rock, Ar

Presented by Paula Stuart Warren

More info to follow

## **Genealogy Expo**

Coming to  
Central Arkansas  
More information will follow  
in the next AGS Ezine

## **2010 Standridge National Family Reunion**

If you have a Standridge ancestor in your family tree, you are invited to attend the 2010 Standridge National Family Reunion. It will be held in the Arlington Hotel in Hot Springs, Arkansas, on 1 and 2 October 2010. Sponsored by the Standridge National Family Historical Society, this year's reunion theme is "My Family—My Heritage." It is open to all surname spellings, all family lines, and all kin.

The gathering will include a variety of family, fun, and fellowship. The program will include speakers on subjects as varied as "Old Time Gangsters and Hot Springs" and "Using Old Photographs in Historical and Genealogical Research."

A tour of local sites is in the planning stage for Saturday afternoon. There will be a Saturday night banquet and a salute to family military veterans from all wars.

For additional meeting information contact Russell P. Baker, 6525 Magnolia Dr., Mabelvale, AR 72103, 501-888-6981, or email [gobgob3@mindspring.com](mailto:gobgob3@mindspring.com).

## **Pierre Chastain Family Association Reunion**

All descendants of Pierre Chastain are invited to the 2010 Annual Reunion, September 24-26 in Dalton, Georgia.

The most common spelling variations of the name are Chasteen, Chastaine, Chasten, Castine, and Shastid.

Events planned for the reunion include a tour of the carpet mill and nearby historical sites on Friday and the Annual Banquet on Saturday night. The publicity chair is Carrie Chastain of Siloam Springs, Arkansas. You can email her at [jdchastain@centurytel.net](mailto:jdchastain@centurytel.net).

The headquarters of the reunion will be the Dalton LaQuinta Inn and Suites. Special rates are available for the association's use. Please reserve rooms before 1 September 2010. The hotel number is 706-272-9099. Further information is posted on the association's web site at [www.pierrechastain.com](http://www.pierrechastain.com).

A family membership in the association is \$20.00 per year or a Lifetime Membership is \$200.00. The Membership Chair and Editor is Susan Slape-Hoysagk, 92012 Hagen Dr., Astoria, OR 97103. Email her at [Chestnut Tree@gmx.net](mailto:Chestnut Tree@gmx.net).

## **Midwest Family History Expo**

The Midwest Family History Expo will be held July 30 & 31, 2010 at the KCI Expo Conference Center, 11728 NW Ambassador Drive, Kansas City, Missouri. It is sponsored by Family History Expos in conjunction with FamilySearch, Mid-continent Public Library, Ages-online, RootsMagic, Legacy Family Tree, Ancestry.com and others. Over 100 classes will be presented by more than fifty national and local speakers as well as staff from the Mid-continent Library and the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah. Demonstrations will be offered by the makers of family history software. Classes will range from beginner to advanced and many will address techniques, technologies, and cultures. The class schedule may be reviewed at [www.fhexpos.com/expos/](http://www.fhexpos.com/expos/). Exhibitors of the latest products and services and book and software vendors will be on hand.

There is no charge for attending the keynote address or visiting the exhibit hall. For those wishing to attend classes, pre-registration is \$65.00 and at the door is \$75.00 for both days, or \$40.00 for a single day. The cost of a single class will be \$12.00 at the door.

Questions may be directed by email to [info@FHExpos.com](mailto:info@FHExpos.com) or call 801-829-3295.

## Civil War Commemorative Exhibit Planned at Old State House

The sesquicentennial anniversary of the beginning of the Civil War is fast approaching. The Old State House Museum, located in downtown Little Rock, Arkansas, is planning an exhibit entitled *An Enduring Union*. It is slated to open April 23, 2011 and run to March 2012. The exhibit will focus on why Arkansas commemorates her Civil War veterans and will feature artifacts, photographs from the museum's collection, a video, and an accompanying exhibit brochure. The public will be able to view the photographs and artifacts on the museum website at [www.oldstatehouse.org](http://www.oldstatehouse.org).

The curator, Jo Ellen Maack, needs the public's help with the exhibit. She is looking for artifacts and/or images relating to Confederate and Union veteran reunions in Arkansas. Any items you might donate or loan to the Old State House Museum would be appreciated. In addition to including photographs in the exhibit and all exhibit-related publications, your permission would be needed for the photographs to be used in any educational resources created for the exhibit. Those materials are made free to the public and may include, but are not limited to interpretive brochures, lesson plans, loan boxes and other teacher resources. Any additional resources you could provide would help the museum convey a better understanding of Arkansas's role in the Civil War and commemorate its participants.

The Old State House Museum is an American Association of Museums-accredited institution. The museum's primary focus is Arkansas's political history due to the fact that the building was the state's first capitol. Changing exhibits, each on view for about two years, focus on a variety of topics in Arkansas's history.

If you have questions contact Jo Ellen Maack, Curator, at 501-324-8637 or email [joellen@arkansasheritage.org](mailto:joellen@arkansasheritage.org).

# Chandler Family Association

The 2010 annual meeting of the Chandler Family Association will be held 16-18 September in Hampton, Virginia. The Embassy Suites at 700 Coliseum Drive will be the headquarters hotel. The meeting room will be in the Hampton Roads Convention Center. Everyone interested in Chandler genealogy is welcome. Events on Thursday, September 16, are for pre-registered members and their guests and not open to the public. The 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1610 arrival in Virginia of John Chandler (1600-1658) will be celebrated. The Chandler Family Association's Lineages Database, an exciting new Chandler research tool, will be unveiled. The traveling Chandler Library, which includes years of research and some out-of-print books, will be available.

Planned events for members and their guests include bus tours of Jamestown and Hampton. Pre-registration and pre-payment are required and tours will not be available to walk-ins.

If you are not a member, visit [www.thecfa.org](http://www.thecfa.org) for full membership and meeting information. A \$15 non-member fee for walk-ins includes a one-year complimentary CFA membership with full member benefits.

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## **Spotlight: *Little River County Genealogical Society, Arkansas***

by Valerie Beaudrault

<http://lrcgs.org/>

Little River County is located in southwest Arkansas. The Little River County Genealogical Society's (LRCGS) genealogy research room is located in the public library in Ashdown, the county seat.

The LRCGS has made a number of resources available to the general public through its website. Other resources are available to members only. Click on the Resources link to access the public resources.

### **Cemeteries**

This section of the website contains links burial databases for about sixty cemeteries in Little River County and seven cemeteries in Sevier County. The files are in PDF format, so you will need Adobe Acrobat Reader to view them. For many of the cemeteries you will also find links to topographical maps. In some cases, photographs of the gravestones have been included.

### **Education**

This section contains databases with lists of superintendents, teachers, high school graduates, and brief histories of some schools. In addition there is a link to six school photographs. In five of them the students have been identified.

### **Census and Tax Lists**

Researchers will find links to indexes to census records for a number of counties and years, including a slave owners' census and an Indian lands census, in this section. There are also tax lists for Little River County (1868, 1885, 1890) and one for the 1909 Ogden Levy District Tax.

### **Southwest Arkansas Vital Records**

This section contains four marriage records databases and the mortality index from the 1870 federal census for Little River County. The marriage records indexes are for Sevier, Little River, Howard, and Hempstead counties.

## Little River County History

This section contains narratives and articles related to a number of different aspects of life in Little River County.

### Military

There are a number of databases, some on the website and others with links to outside resources, which have lists of soldiers who fought in the Civil War, World War II, and the Vietnam War. In addition, there is a database of the proceedings of the County Confederate Pensioners Board and the 1916 menu for the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

### Wills, Estates and Obituaries

One of the resources here is an alphabetical death index for the period from 1914 to 1923. The index contains the full name of the deceased only.

### Pioneer: Little River County Settlers

This section is an index to the names of Little River County settlers who obtained land from the government. Related original documents may be found on the Bureau of Land Management — General Land Office website. The link to this site may be found on the LRCGS website.

In addition there are links to church histories; courthouse records; Goodspeed's *History of Southern Arkansas* (which includes biographies); photographs; and files related to famous individuals from Little River County. There is also a link to a section containing family genealogies contributed by Little River County families.

## **Administrative Stuff**

**Contributions:** If you have news for the Ezine, send it! [ebeavers@suddenlink.net](mailto:ebeavers@suddenlink.net) —Thanks!

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