



# WALTON RELATIONS

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## Upcoming Events

This year is passing so quickly, we thought we had better tell you of our October events now!

As we told you last month, the Walton County Genealogy Society now offers free genealogy lessons every Wednesday at the Walton County Heritage Museum. Genealogy Society President **Wayne Sconiers** has appointments booked through the month of September, so please contact him to schedule your time in October. Email [waynesconiers@embarqmail.com](mailto:waynesconiers@embarqmail.com) or call him at 850-859-2207 to make an appointment.

Walton County Heritage will be participating in Peddler's Alley on Saturday, October 6, from 8:00 AM until noon in the alley between 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Streets and Baldwin and Nelson Avenues in DeFuniak Springs. If you have items we might sell to raise funds, please bring them by the Museum during our regular hours, Tuesday through Saturday, 1:00 – 4:00 PM.

We will also be at the Walton County Fair on October 8-13 at the fairgrounds in DeFuniak Springs. Our volunteers will be there from 5:00 until 9:00 PM on weeknights. On Saturday, October 13, Wayne Sconiers will be at our booth from noon until 9:00 PM. This will be a great opportunity to “talk genealogy” with him. Come by our booth and register to win a Depot Walkway Stone engraved as you wish! You do not need to be present to win.

## WCGS Meetings

The Walton County Genealogy Society will meet on Saturday, September 8, at 10:00 AM at the Walton County Heritage Museum. The Genealogy Society will not meet in October because we will be at the Walton County Fair. Our November meeting will be on Saturday, November 10, at 10:00 AM at the Museum.

## Anderson-Broxson Family Reunion

The reunion this year will be on October 26 and 27 at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, which is located at the intersection of county highways 1883 and 183B. Reunion events include a Potluck Dinner on Friday evening, October 26, and the meeting of the families on Saturday morning, October 27, followed by Dinner in the Grove. For more information, contact Bob Anderson.

### **Walton County Heritage Museum**

Open Tuesday - Saturday: 1:00 - 4:00 PM  
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## Genealogy News You May Have Missed

**Family History Books** – Free PDF versions of genealogy books are available from [FamilySearch](#), the website we mentioned in the August 2012 issue of *Walton Relations* for providing free access to census records. The great thing about the PDF versions of these books is that they are searchable. Open a book you want to explore (no need to save it to your computer because it is always online) and use the “Find” tool in the Edit menu of the [Adobe Reader](#) to find your surnames. Even if the book is indexed, the Find tool is faster than you are! Here is a description of the collection:

Family History Books is a collection of more than 40,000 digitized genealogy and family history publications from the archives of some of the most important family history libraries in the world. The collection includes family histories, county and local histories, genealogy magazines and how-to books, gazetteers, and medieval histories and pedigrees. The valuable resources included in Family History Books come from the following partner institutions:

- [Allen County Public Library](#)
- [Brigham Young University Harold B. Lee Library](#)
- [Brigham Young University Hawaii Joseph F. Smith Library](#)
- [Church History Library](#)
- [Family History Library](#)
- [Houston Public Library – Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research](#)
- [Mid-Continent Public Library – Midwest Genealogy Center](#)

***The Heritage of Washington County*** – The book has been reprinted and is available from the Washington County Historical Society for \$64.20, including tax, or, if you need it shipped, \$72.00. Contact Dorothy Odom at [WCHistorical@gmail.com](mailto:WCHistorical@gmail.com).

**Pinterest** – This popular social media website is recommended by *Family Tree Magazine* in their list of [101 Best Websites for Genealogy for 2012](#). They suggest you use [Pinterest](#) to:

“Pin” your online research finds, such as census or vital-records images, and organize them on “boards” like giant scrapbook pages. Online images, which you can annotate, retain links to their original locations. You also can upload files, such as old family photos, from your computer. You can share everything on Pinterest with fellow researchers.

**U.S. Navy Missing in Action** – Volunteers with the Navy POW/MIA Accounting Branch do wonderful work, finding and keeping in touch with family members in hopes of bringing them some closure. It sounds amazing, but they are still able to assist with MIAs from World War II. If you know people who have a Navy MIA family member from any of our wars or conflicts, please have them call the Navy Casualty Office at 800-443-9298 so the Navy will know how to contact them if they receive some news about their loved one.

During the month of September, an anonymous donor will match up to \$250 in contributions made to the Confederate Monument Project. The matching funds will double your contribution, so please donate today!

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