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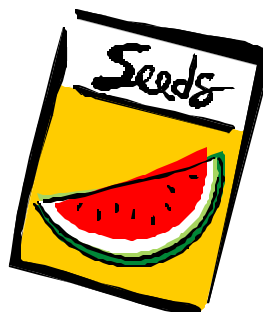
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A Note From The Editor

Hello Members,

I apologize for the tardiness and "slimness" of this newsletter. My daughter has been playing softball (her first year!) and between practices and games, there seems to be time for little else! But I am very proud of her and her team and would not change a thing! I don't look at it as time lost, but rather time well spent. Before I know, my children will be grown with families of their own! I want to savor every precious moment while I can.



We also want to let you know that our website at www.sccogs.com is offline due to a problem renewing our domain name. It seems that we were sold to a new company and we do not know the username and password to renew. We are working closely with our website host to resolve the situation and hope to have it fixed as soon as possible. We apologize for the inconvenience!

The deadline for information to be included in the next newsletter is July 15th.

Joyce M. Sadler
Newsletter Editor

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Next Meeting—June 13th

The next meeting of SCCOGS will be held on Saturday, June 13th at 12:00 p.m. (Noon). The Meeting will be held in the Robert Copley Meeting Room at the Portsmouth Public Library, 1220 Gallia St., Portsmouth, Ohio.

Our Guest Speaker will be Mrs. Joan Phillips, Regent Joseph Spencer Chapter, NSDAR. The topic will be "Know The D.A.R." and will stress the application process and what D.A.R. is.

We hope to see you and your friends there!

Special points of interest:

- Next Meeting—
June 13th
- SCCOGS Family
Picnic—August
22nd

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What's Happening at SCCOGS

26 Members and Guests were present at the April 11th meeting of SCCOGS.

Our Guest Speaker was Mr. Thomas Adkins, Director Garnet A. Wilson Public Library of Pike County. His topic was "Finding Violet: A Family's Quest" A very interesting program which detailed the work Mr. Adkins did to solve the mystery of his great-great-grandmother's parentage. Violet Pennington was born in Lawrence County, KY in 1855. She was married to Nathan Hylton and also was the grandmother of Kentucky's author and poet Jesse Stuart." Mr. Adkins provided a slide show presentation and very interesting stories of his quest. A very special Thank you to Mr. Adkins.

Members discussed the upcoming SCCOGS Family Cookout to be held at Roosevelt Lake on August 22nd. Members were also advised of a research day at the court house in both the Probate and Recorder's office, which would be held on May 2nd. It was also discussed on moving the meeting time to either an earlier or later time frame.

Light Refreshments and Pocket Calendars were provided to members and guests by SCCOGS officers.

A Very Special Thank You to the following members and patrons for monetary donations to SCCOGS:

Eva Sparks John & Mary Ann Higgins

QUERY

Do you have a query that you would like posted? If so, please email it to:

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Thank you for being a valued member of
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From the Portsmouth Blade, February 1889.

Contributed by Rosemary Crabtree

The New Brewery

A mammoth Institution to be Erected in the West End this Summer.

A Blade representative has been shown the plans for the new brewery building that Portsmouth Brewing Co many proposes to erect this summer on the present site of the brew house on the south side of Second Street..

The new building will be an imposing one, being a five story structure with 82 feet frontage on the street, running back a depth of 44 feet. It will be constructed of pressed brick, with rock face stone trimmings.

The present cellar will be enlarged to a capacity double what it is now. It is to be refrigerated by an ice machine and will be second to none in the country.

The machinery arrangements of the brewery proper will embrace all the latest and best improvements, and the capacity will be more than doubled. The brewing kettle alone will be double the size of the present one, and the brewing will be carried on by steam instead of by fire, as is now the case.

Manager Esselborn promises to erect on of the most imposing establishments in the city, and will further improve the quality of his product, which has no superior in the market.

A full detailed account of the new structure will be given in a few days.

C. Gerlach's Safe Demolished—The Portsmouth Times January 3, 1885; Contributed by Rosemary Crabtree

The Deed Done by Dynamiters. The Secret Drawer Chiseled, \$68 in Cash and a \$20 Check Taken.

The safe blowers are beginning to pay their attention to the money vaults in this city, and succeeded last Tuesday night in blowing off the doors of C. Gerlach's safe, at the brewery office and gaining admission to the secret drawer, and abstracting about \$68 in cash and a check for \$20.

An entrance was effected from the alley at the side of the building by drawing a staple. They passed through three rooms, taking a half dozen sacks, saturated with water from a tank in the middle room, which they covered the safe to smother the report of the blasting.

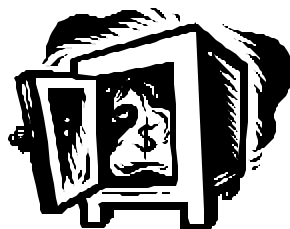
They drilled a hold in the outside shell of the front door, intending to make short work of it near the combination, but failing in that, a second hole was bored into the lock apartment a few inches above. Blasting powder was used in the charge, some of which was found on the desk. The explosion occurred about two o'clock, and aroused Lloyd Wingo, the barber, who sleeps in an adjoining room, with only a thin board partition between them, and remarked in a loud accent, "Don't knock the partition down." He supposed that it was some of the brewery men, getting malt, who commence work about three o'clock each morning. The explosion was also heard by Frank Race, Jacob Shaeffer, Amasi Edmunds and others, but supposed it emanated from the Lower Mill, that "went on" at mid-night.

Several carpenter's chisels with wooden handles, and a brace and drill were found upon a chair and floor. A portion of the lock was lying on a chair, and looked as though they had been playing with it. The work was supposed to have been accomplished by town marauders, on account of carpenter's tools being used, but that is where they have eluded the officers and escaped by deceiving them. It is doubtless the work of experts, and was successfully accomplished in a very neat manner.

Parties entered Tim Calver's blacksmith shop the same evening, but an examination of the tools used by the safe-blowers proved that they did not belong to him.

Lloyd Wingo, barber, was arrested, it being understood that he knew, something about it, but afterwards released.

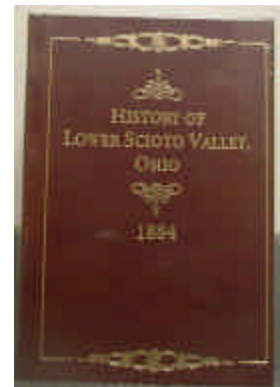
The parties have since been heard from, and hail from Cincinnati, but no arrests have yet been made.



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