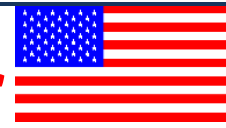


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Our 40 Counties

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Perry
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Williamson
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The next meeting of the *Middle Tennessee Genealogical Society* will be at 1:00 p.m. on July 16, 2011, at FiftyForward Knowles beside the State Fairgrounds in Nashville. "Shortages and Substitutions on the Confederate Home Front: What was happening at home while our soldiers were fighting the Civil War?" will be presented by **Karel Lea Biggs**, who is currently secretary of the Clarksville Civil War Round Table. Map available on our website: <http://www.mtgs.org>

2011-2012 dues are now past due and are now \$30.00 for the year. They may be sent to **MTGS** at PO Box 330948, Nashville, 37203-7507. The *Journal* alone is worth that amount, so renew your dues today.

Don't forget the land platting workshop at FiftyForward Knowles on August 13. This four hour hands-on session, conducted by **J. Mark Lowe, CG**, will teach how to plat a deed using the metes and bounds system, identify a neighborhood, and locate the plat on a topographic map. Registration is \$40 per person, which includes lunch and materials. A minimum of 25 registrants is required. Contact Deborah Stillwell at 615-743-3487 or dstillwell@fiftyforward.org to register. Visit <http://www.mtgs.org> for more details.

New publication: *College Grove, Williamson County, Tennessee: History & Families* is now available from FiftyForward College Grove. One of the co-authors is Carolyn Smotherman, a former officer of **MTGS**. Anyone interested in the history of College Grove and its families (more than 275 articles) can get more information at <http://sudberry.netcollegegrove/>

Winners at the annual **MTGS** awards meeting in May included **Gale Williams Bamman** for her ongoing series in the *Journal*, "The Defective, Dependent, and Delinquent Schedules of the 1880 Census of Tennessee." This is Ms. Bamman's second award; she won the first, given in 2007.

Other awards included the Distinguished Service Award, presented to **Juanita Patton**, and two Awards of Merit to **Brenta Davis** and **Martha Gerdeman**.

And if you haven't marked your calendar for the annual all day seminar in November, do it now! The date is November 19, 2011, from 8:15 – 4:00 at the Brentwood Library.

"**Southern Research: Sources and Solutions**" will be presented by **Elizabeth Shown Mills, J. Mark Lowe, and Chuck Sherrill**. Registration will begin in August. Always check our website: <http://www.mtgs.org> for the latest details.

Want to announce your local society's events to a wider audience? Send your news to marthagerdeman@att.net for inclusion in the **MTGS Messenger**.

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