

Outstanding OGS Chapter Officer Award

Warren County Chapter of Ohio Genealogical Society nominates Harriet Foley for the outstanding OGS Chapter Officer for her service as one of our outstanding officers for the year of 2009.

Harriet serves as the treasurer of our society and has done so since 1986. This is a crucial position, one that is necessary in order for our society to function. As treasurer she receives all money and pays all bills as authorized by the Executive Board or by official approval at a membership meeting. She is also responsible to present a written monthly financial report to file with the minutes of the board meeting. The treasurer report she prepares is very detailed, showing a monthly record of our receipts and expenditures. The receipts are categorized by dues, copy machine income, publications sold, research money received, other miscellaneous income and donations. Under the expense category, she organizes it by postage, purchases for our library collection, supplies, copier and microfilm reader expenses, money owed to archives and the recorder's office, furniture and equipment purchases, and taxes. She keeps an up to date summary for each category. She keeps detailed records of our separate savings and checking accounts detailing which banks hold the investment, the rate of interest for the investment and date when it is due to renew. When renewals are due for the investments, she shops for the best interest rate. Every January she presents an annual budget in these categories as the goals for our society for the upcoming year. When taxes are due, Harriet prepares and files taxes for our chapter.

In addition to her responsibility as treasurer, Harriet has helped out in many other ways. She has served as the editor for our quarterly publication, *Heir Lines*, since 1986. *Heir Lines* is compiled each quarter of the year on a regular basis. This is quite an undertaking for one individual since not many people submit material for our quarterly. One of the goals of *Heir Lines* is to provide history of those who lived in all of the townships in this county. Harriet does a good job at finding information from all of the townships to be included as well as researching and writing a lot of the articles. At the end of each year she creates an every name index for *Heir Lines*.

She is the editor for both editions of *Franklin in the Great Miami Valley* book, which provides a detailed account of the history of Franklin, Ohio. As the editor, she organized and indexed the 1982 edition and made extensive updates to the 2004, second edition. She is also the editor for both editions of *Carlisle the Jersey Settlement in Ohio*, which provides the history of the New Jersey settlement in Carlisle, Ohio. She is the author of *The Foleys from County Clare*, a book she wrote about her Foley relatives of Ireland.

Harriet helps to keep our library running properly by cataloging and marking the spine of all the incoming books for the shelves in our resource center. She maintains the card catalog for these books by title and author. As needed, Harriet makes arrangements with the Franklin Library to bind books published by our society.

She has helped with our digital cemetery preservation project by finding some of our smaller abandoned cemeteries in Franklin township. The information found by Harriet will be included in the forth coming edition of our cemetery publications and has already been incorporated into the cemetery pages on our website.

She serves as our society's liaison to the Heritage Advisory Council, which promotes the activities and preservation of history for all historical agencies operating within the county. In addition to her Warren County Genealogical Society duties, she serves as treasurer for both her local DAR chapter and for the Franklin Area Historical Society. She is editor of the Franklin Area Historical Society newsletter, too.

Harriet Foley has been an outstanding officer for the Warren County Genealogical Society chapter of OGS. We highly recommend she be recognized for her efforts by awarding her the Outstanding OGS Chapter Officer Award for 2009.