

Null-Blinn Cemetery Restoration Workshop

Date: September 8, 2012

Location: Springboro, Ohio

The Warren County Genealogical Society will sponsor a day-long cemetery restoration clinic on Saturday, September 8, 2012, at the Null-Blinn Pioneer Cemetery in Springboro, OH.

This day-long clinic will empower participants providing them with the tools needed to document, preserve and restore grave markers. The clinic will demonstrate in step-by-step fashion how to preserve and restore a cemetery, with recommendations as to what lay people should and should not undertake.

In the workshop participants will learn the basics of gravestone repair and preservation: proper cleaning of gravestones, how to level stones, to build new bases and repair broken stones. At the end of the workshop and under the supervision of experienced professionals, participants will have the opportunity to work on actual grave markers.

A detailed handout is included that clearly describes the correct and incorrect ways to approach preservation and conservation.

The clinic will be conducted by preeminent restoration professional, Walt Walters, educated in the principles of grave marker restoration and graveyard conservation as established by and studied at the Association for Graveyard Studies of Greenfield, Massachusetts.

The City of Springboro granted landmark status to the Null-Blinn Cemetery in order that the community may respect this consecrated ground and better understand and appreciate the pioneer settlers and the early history of Springboro, Clearcreek Township and the surrounding area.

The clinic runs from 9 am-4 pm and includes extensive workshop materials. Attendees will get some hands-on experience in the afternoon session. Cost is \$40.

This clinic is sponsored by the Warren County Genealogical Society with the cooperation and support of the City of Springboro.

For more information see our website at: www.SpringboroHistory.org/Null-Blinn

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