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Elections will be at the Sep 19th Society Birthday/Pot Luck Dinner meeting.

DUES INCREASE in SEPTEMBER

Annual membership dues will increase by \$2 in September 2002. Individual dues will go from \$16 to \$18 and Family dues will go from \$19 to \$21a year. This is due mainly to the increases in printing and mailing of the *PROSPECTOR*.

The cost of a subscription to the *PROSPECTOR* will also increase from \$12 to \$15 a year for non-members.

Treasurer Maggie **BRANDNER** reminds everyone that dues will be increasing in September by \$2.00 and if you pay before September, you can pay the old rate. She also reminded that this is the first raise in six (6) years.

WEBSITE CORRECTION

Subject: The Prospector - vol 22 no 2

Dear Ms. SMITH,

As the president of Westchester County Genealogical Society (NY), I just want to say thanks for listing our society in your newsletter. I enjoy reading your newsletter when it arrives. I like your society's idea of "short topic" at your meetings.

However, there was a small typo in the listing. The web site for WCGS is << http://www.rootsweb.com/~nywcgs/>> It was listed as ~nywegs. I just thought you would want to know so you can update your database.

thanks, Philomena M. **DUNN** philodunn@aol.com

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THANKS, RUTH

CCNGS wishes to express its appreciation to Ruth **SEVERTSON** for her recent donation of genealogical materials for the new PASEO VERDE LIBRARY among which were a number of past issues of *The PROSPECTOR*.

CALLING FOR BOOKS

If you have books or materials which YOU wish to donate to the new PASEO VERDE LIBRARY's Heritage Room, bring them to one of the next meetings of CCNGS. Please notify Barbara or Helen if you need a receipt for your donation for tax purposes; it will be your responsibility to fix the value of your donation with appropriate documentation.

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Third Thursday of the Month Edwins Hall - Reformation Lutheran Church 580 East St. Louis 7 - 9 p.m.

Meetings for 2002

(Meeting Topics Subject to Change)

Aug 15 Everyone have 3-5 minute program sharing momentos, funny or interesting genealogy stories, pictures, etc.

Sep 19 Elections, Pot Luck Dinner, Society Birthday Party

ALSO

Deutsch (German) Interest Group (DIG) TEMPORARILY DARK

ALSO

British Isles Interest Group (BIIG)

TEMPORARILY DARK



WHAT DO YOU WANT?

CCNGS is continuing to seek the names of books and materials which you would like to see in the new library. If you know of a book, etc., please notify the Library Committee.

We are also looking into "joint" purchases of books (etc) where two or three people who might want the same book, go in together to buy the book; each person then has the book for a length of time after which the book is donated to the library. If this is something you might like to do, notify the Library Committee.

If you would like to be a part of the Library Committee, give us your name and join us; there is lots to do.

CCNGS LIBRARY COMMITTEE Barbara CULLINGS Helen SMITH

OCTOBER SEMINAR - KORY MYERINK

WITH ALL OF THE ATTENTION BEING PAID TO THE NEW LIBRARY YOU MUST NOT FORGET OUR OCTOBER SEMINAR. YOU WILL FIND ALL THE INFORMATION YOU NEED IN THIS ISSUE OF THE PROSPECTOR. SO CHECK IT OUT AND PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDAR. WE HAVE ANOTHER GREAT SPEAKER AND WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT WITH YOUR ATTENDANCE. INVITE YOUR FRIENDS...GET THEM INTERESTED IN OUR ADDICTION. SEE YOU IN OCTOBER! IT IS ANOTHER "DON'T MISS"!!



Ancestry Quick Tip Jamboree - Cemeteries

It's a great time to go cemetery hopping! Here's a great selection of tips to keep in mind on your next trip to the cemetery.

Trouble-Free Cemetery Labels

I take lots and lots of cemetery photos. Here's a tip for trouble-free labeling: I write on a white page on a clipboard in DARK FELT TIP PEN, the name of the cemetery and the CITY/STATE (and location number if there is enough space to write) all clearly and large enough to show up in my photo. Then religiously, I put the card at the base of the monument on either the WEST or the NORTH position to the marker. I only deal with WEST or NORTH and so West would be to the Left of the monument, North would be to the Right of the monument. EVERY photo I take is immediately identifiable. I don't need labels or a pen. I can use the photos the second they come out of the photo envelope.

Valentine

Diagrams Make Finding Headstones A Snap

I photograph the entry to the cemetery or the church where it is located. I also draw a quick sketch showing the orientation of the cemetery and the location (row and plot) of my ancestor's grave(s). That way, I can find them quickly on any return visit or direct other family members to their location.

Ila Verne TONEY - Conroe. Texas

Photograph Cemetery Landmarks

When I go a cemetery, I not only take photos of tombstones, I also take photos of the church and, if available, photos of pillars or archways that lead into the cemetery. This not only is a landmark for me on my sojourns on tombstone searches, but there may also be information inscribed on a plaque in front of, or on the church, or on the pillars or archways at the entrance. There may be a monument within the cemetery itself with valuable information on it. As for me, I really enjoy looking for evidence of my ancestor's existence and as much information that I can collect when I am in my "in search of mode" for my unknown ancestors.

Laura LaROSE - Boswell, PA

Use Archival Products for Labeling

I used to label the photos of gravestones to identify not only the cemetery with city and state, but also the relationship to the common ancestor of the individual and myself. After having done many this way, I learned that adhesive labels were not ideal. It took a librarian who needed acid-free paper to tell me this, though I worked in a college in-house printing operations shop.

It should be stressed that labels and any papers and photo album pages should be acid free. The label adhesive should also be one that is safe to use on photos, otherwise the properties of the adhesive can start seeping through and damage the photo or the album page and the photos and/or images on the other side of that page. The same holds for photo mounting corners.

It's better to use an acid-free pencil or ink pen and carefully write on the back of the photo the information you desire to record. Photo album supplies such as the acid-free pens, pencils, papers, album pages, and other accessories can be found more readily now than ten to fifteen years ago. Wal-Mart and other like stores, as well

as stationery stores such as Hallmark, have a range of these supplies at reasonable prices.

Debbi**GEER**

Camera Lens Helps Read Stones

Recently, I was in a cemetery on a rainy day looking for my ancestor's gravestones. When I found the gravestones, several were difficult to read because of the wear on them with the passing of time and the exposure to bad weather. I wanted to photograph them anyway, and when I put the camera to my eye I discovered that I could make out some of the lettering and numbers on some of the stones a little better than with my naked eye. My husband suggested that it might have something to do with the filtering of light through the lens. I don't know what it was, but it helped me to make out the name Eliza on one particular stone that was badly decayed. Maybe this will work for others, too.

Sherry KILGORE

Enjoy the View

If and when you are at a cemetery, take a minute to survey the location. Often, the old cemeteries have lovely locations, sometimes on the side of a hill, and you can see for a distance; or a few graves will be placed under some large trees, with the river down below. I have enjoyed walking in cemeteries in both the Northwest and the Midwest. Elsie **WILSON**, Oregon

Contact Current Plot Owner

I was recently in Ohio for a funeral. While there, I was checking the cemetery records in the office when I came across a name that had not been there on an earlier trip. It turned out to be the name and address of the current owner of the lot where my husband's great- grandfather was buried. She was the daughter of my husband's great- uncle and when I contacted her, she was able to provide information on other family members. This woman was born in 1913, so she had a great deal of personal knowledge about the family.

Janet MOORHOOK

Interview Family, and Cemetery Photo Filing Tip

This may be a repeat "tip" by someone else, a simple, but useful tip.

I made copies of old pictures that my mother, now deceased, had in her album, and sent them to Mother's first cousins that are still living. I asked these cousins to identify everyone they can in the picture. Sometimes I write on the back of the picture the people I know, and leave blank the ones I don't know. Some of the children in the pictures, now grown, have been identified by these cousins. They knew them when they were children. This has helped me identify other pictures of these children that are in the family.

I have also called some of these cousins, and they have told me little things of interest like "your great grandmother and her sister were 'Corseteers' at Marshall Fields in Chicago. They were certified in this profession." This may not sound too exciting but they don't have corsets anymore and I had no idea my great grandmother worked at Marshall Fields in Chicago, nor that her sister did either.

My point is, you can find out all kinds of information that may lead to

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ALIEN REGISTRATION: FAMILY HISTORY TREASURES AND MYSTERIES WITHIN by JulianaSMITH

I've always felt a special connection to my great-father, John **MENKALSKI**, known to the family as Dzia Dzia (Polish for grandfather, and which the family later anglicized as JaJa). Maybe it's because of the many stories my grandmother and father shared with me about him, and because it is obvious that he was very loved by his family. We have a fair amount of information available on him and a number of pictures showing a sandy-haired, mustached young man. We even knew his place of birth as Wyszkow, Poland. Much of what we had was based on family stories, but I have had some luck lately in locating more documentary evidence as well.

Last week, when I finally received a copy of his Alien Registration from the INS, I was scaring passers-by again with the "genealogy happy dance." But the dance quickly turned to puzzlement as I began to review the record.

It started out with the basics. It listed his name as John **MENKALSKI** and an alias, John **WAGNER**, both of which were known to us. This confirmed Grandma's story of how he changed his name. (Since he spoke fluent German, he decided to change his name in order to get a job.) No problem there, it matched what we had already been told.

The alien registration record also gave his address, occupation, height, weight, eye color, and the fact that he was widowed and had three children. The document even bore his signature, something that I previously didn't have. All is fine and well here, too.

The first discrepancy I noted was his date of birth—20 April 1869. His death certificate gave his date of birth as 20 April 1879. Which was correct? Analyzing the two sources, I concluded that the date on the alien registration, which was provided by John, was more likely to be correct than the date of birth on his death certificate, provided by his son Henry after his death. A call to my dad told me that when he died in 1946, he was in his late '70s. The date of 1869 would put him at age 77 when he died. Additionally, in looking through some old files, my mom ran across some old notes written in my grandmother's handwriting, giving his date of birth as 20 April 1869. I updated my database and noted the various sources so that next year when the memory of this exciting day of discovery has faded, I won't have to hurt myself trying to remember how we settled on 1869 as the year of birth.

It also gave his place of birth as Vyskov (city), Warsaw (province), Poland (country). Not quite what I had, but spelling Wyszkow phonetically I guessed that it might sound something like Vyskov. A quick check on the Internet, found a Polish language lesson where I confirmed that W in Polish is pronounced like a V. The fates are lobbing up problems and I'm knocking them down one by one—I'm on a roll!

The most exciting items on the record were under No.7 on the questionnaire. It says, "I last arrived in the United States at New York, N.Y. on Dec. 24, 1892. I came in by "Pretoria" German Steamship Co." Yippee!!! Hubby says I looked a bit like a rabid cheerleader right about here, but I didn't care. Whoohoo!! Since I had failed to locate him in the Ellis Island database, this was all new information.

Wait a minute—1892? Grandma told me he didn't come over until after 1900 and I always assumed (a very dangerous thing!) that he had come around 1902 or 1903. Why, I'd never even thought to look for him in the 1900 census. This went immediately to the top of my "to-do list" along with locating his passenger arrival record.

Unable to contain my curiosity I went online in search of an image of the ship "Pretoria." What I found gave me that vague puzzled look I

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get when things don't add up (very similar to the look my family gives me when I do the happy dance.). At the Web site KinShips, which sells prints of the ships of our ancestors, I quickly located the "Pretoria." There was a beautiful image of it, and below it I read, "Pretoria, Hamburg-American Line, 1898-1919."

How could he have sailed in 1892 on a ship that wasn't built until 1898? I looked around a bit more to see if I could find another ship, but couldn't find another ship of the same name that would have been carrying passengers to New York in 1892.

It was obvious that one or all of his statements here were in error—but which ones? I tried another search for **MEKALSKI** and **MENKALSKI** in the Ellis Island database hoping that a find there would give me the correct information. Still no luck there.

Plan B was to check out the passenger arrival films at the National Archives - Great Lakes Regional Branch to see if I'd have better luck there. I could also search the 1900 Soundex there for the states of New Jersey where family legend has it that he settled first, and Pennsylvania, where my grandma's brother was born in 1904.

I had checked the "Morton Allen Directory of European Passenger Steamship Arrivals" online at Ancestry.com and noted that the "Pretoria" landed in New York, 26 December 1898. I thought it was possible that this was the ship he had been on. The day before Christmas, the day after Christmas—it was close, just a few years off. So I started my search with NARA's "Index to Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at New York, NY, June 16, 1897—June 30, 1902." (Microfilm series T519.) Grumble, grumble, grumble—no luck here.

Next, I thought I'd try the arrivals in December 1892, and see if he just had the ship name wrong. More grumbling as I once again came up empty-handed. At this point I thought maybe it would be best if I moved on to the Soundex since the passenger arrival records were not being very friendly. But as I searched through various spellings of **MEKALSKI** and their respective Soundex codes, I still came up blank.

Hours later, I was now noticeably agitated, my lips formed into a

snarl, and I was beginning to develop a slight tic. My time at the archives was almost over and I had nothing. In my mind, I went over the discrepancies and I began browsing through a copy of the "Morton Allen Directory of European Passenger Steamship Arrivals" that we had found on the shelves. My mind kept going back to the date—December 24—Christmas Eve. I couldn't help but think that his arriving on Christmas Eve would be something that would stand out in his mind— perhaps more so than the year. I began noting all of the arrivals of German-based lines that arrived on 24 December in subsequent years.

My mother was with me, and we had worked through lunch and were starving. We had stayed longer than we had intended, but I easily convinced her to stay a bit longer and let me search a couple more rolls of arrival records. (She shares the addiction and understood the obsessed look on my face.) Finally I hit paydirt! On the manifest of the S.S. Dania, arriving at the Port of New York on 24 December 1894, there was an entry that looks like our Jan MINKALSKI, age 25—the exact right age. This entry looks really promising. An interesting column in the manifest gives his destination as Brooklyn so I am hoping I'll be able to locate him there in 1900. He's probably living next door to my elusive KELLY family!

JaJa's Alien Registration record still contains a few discrepancies, including the fact that he said he had applied for his first papers to be naturalized in 1918, but on the next line where it said, "First papers

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AN EXCITING NEW PLACE PASEO VERDE LIBRARY

By: Helen L. SMITH, CCNGS Library Director

The long awaited time is quickly approaching. On Saturday, August 24th, from 11:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., the new Paseo Verde Library and the new Heritage Room, featuring our genealogy collection and many newly added volumes, will have its Grand Opening.

We have been requested to have CCNGS members present to welcome patrons and answer questions pertaining to the collection and to our favorite past time...genealogy! If you would like to be scheduled to greet patrons, please notify Barbara **CULLINGS** or Helen **SMITH**. We would like to have two to four members there during the entire day.

If you have interesting genealogy displays that you would like to share for the day, also notify Barbara or Helen.

At this time we are also gathering the names of those members who are interested in "volunteering" in the Heritage Room on a regular

basis: weekly, every other week, or monthly; it is your choice. If you can not commit to a regular schedule but would be available as a "substitute" for someone who can not make their scheduled time, we can use you and need your name.

The collection has grown and will continue to grow which means there are many volumes which will be new to most of us. Your volunteer time will give you an opportunity to peruse these materials and work on your own genealogy in this wonderful, new modern facility with state-of-art equipment.

So please consider joining us on Saturday, the 24th of August, for the Grand Opening and also as a volunteer in the library. Our collection which has been searching for a home for ten years is finally going to have a loving home with a library staff who are committed to Family History.

The Nevada Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Nevada Society has a web site: *http://sar.annetta.com*Compatriot Bill **SCHMIDT** is our web master. One of the features of the web site is an alphabetical Patriot's Roster which lists the names of the patriot ancestors of all past and present members of the Nevada Society. There are over 300 names. If anyone is interested in establishing descent from a Revolutionary War patriot, reference to this list will tell whether or not a copy of an approved application showing particulars of the descent of a past or present member of the Nevada Society is on file with the Nevada State Registrar.

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received . . ." he replied, "not yet." Lost in the mail for 22 years? Well, that's a mystery for another day.

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ANOTHER GREAT ON-LINE RESOURCE

from Ron HUGHES (CCNGS)

Cornell University has a massive amount of books and journals online that can be searched by entering key-words, names, etc. The data was made available to the public through the Making of America project. Anyone doing research, especially involving New York State, would do well to visit the site.

I entered the surname of **BRACE**, which resulted in over 20 hits related to my family. City Directories, birth, death and marriages directories, town history books, military records, etc. I also had hits on "embrace, embraced, brace of weapons, brace of ducks, etc.", but it was well worth the time it took to search through the list of hits. It's an excellent site.

Here's the address:

http://cdl.library.cornell.edu/moa/moa_search.html

So, what's in the 1930 Census for me?

Genealogists across the country are beginning to research the 1930 Census. To make that search even more effective HeritageQuest has just announced a new book **The 1930 Census: A Reference and Research Guide** by Thomas Jay **KEMP**.

One of the first things that strikes you about the 1930 Census is how clear and legible the handwriting is. Perhaps this is the first generation to take to heart those years of penmanship lessons. The 1930 Census was the last census to ask the same questions of every household. More than 100,000 enumerators covered the US and her outlying territories and documented all 124 million of us. One enumerator, William J.LITTLE almost died when he collapsed from thirst and exhaustion in Death Valley after his car died. Luckily he was found by a prospector and taken to the nearest town, preserving his life and the census records he had recorded.

Several families across the country immortalized the work of the census in the names of their children. A family in Athens, Georgia was so pleased to have their names on the census that they named their newborn child "Census Tooken" and in St. Louis, Missouri a proud father named his child born nine months after the census was taken, "Census FRIAR", (Census Friar was born on January 29, 1931).

One tip for this census is that military records are not grouped together but appear within the returns for the state where the base was located. Overseas troops based in Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, American Samoa and the Panama Canal Zone were enumerated with the returns for those "outlying territories." Another unique feature in this book is a guide to the reel and page numbers for the Consular Reports is given in the appendix.

Checking for Consular Census Returns, An example, I was looking for Ethelbert **WATTS** who was born 25 Jan 1902. I knew that he joined the Navy and served as a Lieutenant and was stationed in Japan with the US Embassy there. A quick search showed that the Consular Service records are on Reel Numbers 2630 and 2638. I found the entries for the Embassy in Tokyo were on reel 2630, pages 223 and 224 and quickly found Ehelbert listed along with his wife "Elizabeth L." and their son, Philip G. **WATTS**. The government

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QUERIES



BROWDER, COX

Attempting to document parents of Isham **BROWDER** in VA. He served at Halifax Convention in 1774. Married Talitha **COX**, daughter of John **COX**. Isham died in Guilford Co., NC.

Betty **SLOAN**, PMB 121, 3850 Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89121, (702)451-4252, E-mail: eas@coam.net

CADDY, EYERS, EYRES, EAIRS

Would like to correspond with the descendants of Tom **CADDY** and Ellen **EYERS/EYRES/EAIRS** who married 16 May 1875 in St. Ausell, Cornwall, England. Traveled to northern MI 1880s and moved to Hibbing, MN ca 1897.

Helen **SMITH**, 26 Quail Hollow Dr, Henderson, NV 89014, E-mail: HSmithlv@prodigy.net

CLOUD, MILLER

Wm H **CLOUD** married Ruth **MILLER** 1870 had 2 children both girls, Jessie b. 1871; Ruth b. abt 1872; both born Hardin Co., OH. Am looking for info on when Ruth **MILLER CLOUD** died and any decendents of the two girls.

Patricia L. **HARRIS**, 8755 Wallaby Ln, Las Vegas, NV 89123, (702) 914-0924; E-mail: TRISH2866@AOL.COM

CLOUGH, KIMBALL

Wish to contact descendants of Charles Bradbury **KIMBALL**, b. 31 Mar 1831, Howland, ME. He was a contractor and builder in the East Oakland, CA area from about 1875 until his death Jul 1896. Wife: Mary Anne **CLOUGH** (1841-1913).

Eloise **KIMBALL**, 4290 Northbrook Blvd N., Stillwater, MN 55082 E-mail: eloisekim@aol.com

DECH. DECK. WELSCH

Seeking origin in Scotland of Margaret **WELSCH**, b. abt 1814. I believe she might have married in Germany John **DECH/DECK**. They had 7 children, 3 of whom came to Erie, PA. (Conrad, Barbara, and Juliana).

Kathleen **WUENSCHEL**, 2038 Palm St #119, Las Vegas, NV 89104, E-mail: kmw57@juno.com

DEGNER, KÖLLER

Seeking origin in Germany of August C. **DEGNER**, b. 8 Jan 1838, d. 3 Dec 1911 in Erie, PA; and Albertina **KÖLLER**, b. 15 Nov 1840, d. 22 Oct 1905, Erie, PA.

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DISSE

Looking for information related to **DISSE**s of Germany, especially Westphalia area in the 18th and 19th century.

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FEHRING

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Looking for **FEHRING** information from the Buchholz, Germany area. Margaret **LOUIS**, 2479 Walsh Glen Ct, Henderson, NV 89052, Email: louism@unlv.edu

GUTTERMAN, SHELPINSKY

Looking for immigration dates for the descendants of Morris **GUTTERMAN**, b. (known now as) Miedzyrech, Poland and Rachel 'Rose' **SHELPINSKY**. They were four brothers, all born in Miedzyrech, Poland; Jacob b. bef. 1885, Abram b. bef. 1885, Joseph b. bef. 1885 and Henry b. 5 Oct 1886. Jacob and Henry went on to

Detroit, MI while Abram and Joseph stayed in New York, NY and started the **GUTTERMAN** Funeral homes on the east coast. Will exchange information.

Rochelle (**GUTTERMAN**) **KENNARD**, 6504 White Swan Cr, Las Vegas, NV 89108-1812, SKENNARDLV@SOFTCOM.NET

HARRIS, HUNT

Looking for decendents of Walter H. HARRIS, b. 31 Mar 1901, Walden, MA; d. May 1967, Jamaica, NY. Parents were John Turner HARRIS and Kate HUNT. Brothers Benjamin Frederick HARRIS, b. Aug 1899 and Robert Louis HARRIS, b. 1 May 1905. Patricia L. HARRIS, 8755 Wallaby Ln, Las Vegas, NV 89123, (702) 914-0924; E-mail: TRISH2866@AOL.COM

HUNT, OAKES

Seeking ancestors of Catherine (Kate) **HUNT** who married John Turner **HARRIS** in Malden, MA 1898. She and her parents were born in England Sussex or Surrey. Parents were Frederick **HUNT**, b. 1843 Horsham, Sussex, England; and Maria **OAKES**; b. abt 1844 in Bungary, Suffolk, England.

Patricia L. **HARRIS**, 8755 Wallaby Ln, Las Vegas, NV 89123, (702) 914-0924; E-mail: TRISH2866@AOL.COM

McLEOD, SUTHERLAND, TATE

Seeking origin in Scotland of Norman McLEOD, son of Donald McLEOD and Margaret SUTHERLAND. He was b. 5 Jun 1832; d. 19 Mar 1896 in Erie, PA. Also seeking origin of wife Mary TATE, b. 10 May 1843 in Scotland; d. 6 May 1914 in Erie, PA. Kathleen WUENSCHEL, 2038 Palm St #119, Las Vegas, NV 89104, E-mail: kmw57@juno.com

PEARSALL, DAVIS

Edward **PEARSALL** died in Chester Co., PA 1717; will mentioned unborn child (Edward Jr.) & wife Dorothy **DAVIS**. Need Dorothy's parents. When did she move to NC? Did she marry? Betty **SLOAN**, PMB 121, 3850 Flamingo Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89121, (702)451-4252, E-mail: eas@coam.net

RITZENTHALER

Seeking descendents of Jacques/Jacob**RITZENTHALER** of North Freedom, Sauk County, WI. Arrived from Sundhausen, Bas-Rhin, France (formerly German area) in 1872 with wife, Salome, and children: Jacob/Jacques, Georges, Sophie Fritz, and Salome. Helen **SMITH**, 26 Quail Hollow Dr, Henderson, NV 89014, E-mail: HSmithlv@prodigy.net

RITZENTHALER

Would like to correspond with descendants of Jacques/Jacob **RITZENTHALER** who moved to North Freedom, WI with new wife Salome' in 1872 from Sundhausen, Alsace, France (Germany). His children and their children, Jacob/Jacques, Georges, Sophie Fritz, and Salome, accompanied them. Children later resided in Sauk Co area also. Helen **SMITH**, 26 Quail Hollow Dr, Henderson, NV 89014, E-mail: HSmithly@prodigy.net

SCHULZE

Looking for parents of John (Johannes) **SCHULZE** from Westphalia area of Germany. He immigrated to USA in about 1850 to WI. Margaret **LOUIS**, 2479 Walsh Glen Ct, Henderson, NV 89052, E-mail: louism@unlv.edu

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Southern California Repositories - Part Two

Planning to conduct research in Southern California. We are sharing a portion of the repositories discussed by Melinda Shackleford **KASHUBA**, PhD., in the *Spring 2002 FGS FORUM*. A special thank you to Melinda for sharing this information with the E-zine. Visit the FGS Website *http://www.fgs.org*

This information was gleaned from "Shaking Your Research Loose In California: A Guide to Genealogical Resources" by Melinda Shackleford KASHUBA, Ph.D., Redding, California. The complete article may be found in the Spring 2002 FGS FORUM.

Heraldic and Military

The Augustan Society {http://www.augustansociety.org/} (760) 254-9223. Call for an appointment and hours of operation. There is a fee for library use by non-members.

Sons of the Revolution Library {http://www.walika.com/sr/library.htm} 600 South Central Avenue, Glendale, CA 91204; (818) 240-1775 The library has been open since 1893 and has one of the largest collections of American Revolution and Colonial American materials in the western United States.

University of California, Santa Barbara, William Wyles Collection {http://www.library.ucsb.edu/speccoll/wyles.html} Donald C. Davidson Library, Special Collections, UCSB, Santa Barbara, CA 93106; (805) 893-3062. This is a Civil War collection to be seen! Call for an appointment and reference assistance.

Drum Barracks Civil War Museum and Research Library {http://www.drumbarracks.org/} 1052 Banning Blvd., Wilmington, CA 90744; (310) 548-7509. It can be visited by appointment only 24 hours advance notice is required. It has many rare and out-of-print publications related to the Civil War.

Map & Photograph Collections

Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History, Seaver Center for Western History Research {http://www.nhm.org/research/history/seaver_center.html} 900 Exposition Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90007; (213) 763-3359. On-site research space is limited and an appointment to use the collection is required prior to your visit.

City Directories

Sherman Foundation Library 614 Dahlia Avenue, Corona del Mar, CA 92625-2101; (949) 673-1880.

The Movies

Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Library (Margaret Herrick Library) {http://www.oscars.org/mhl/index.html} 333 South La Cienega Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90211; (310) 247-3020. Call ahead for hours, an appointment, and reference assistance.

The Autry Museum of Western Heritage {http://www.autry-museum.org/} 4700 Western Heritage Way, Los Angeles, CA 90027-1462; (323) 667-2000 Those wishing to do research at the facility must apply via e-mail, regular mail or fax. The application form is on their Web site.

Ethnic & Religious Groups

California Afro American Museum {http://www.caam.gov/} 600 State Drive, Exposition Park, Los Angeles, CA 90037; (213) 744-7432 (scheduled to re-open in the summer of 2002) The Museum has over 60,000 volumes documenting the African experience in the United States.

Black Resource Center, A.C. Bilbrew Library (a branch of the Los Angeles County Public Library) {http://www.colapublib.org/libs/

bilbrew} 150 East El Segundo Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90061; (310) 538-3350.

Claremont College, Honnold/Mudd Library, Nordic Collection {http://voxlibris.claremont.edu/sc/collections/hm/nordic.html} Honnold/Mudd Library, 800 Dartmouth Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711; (909) 607-3977 (Scandinavian and Baltic regions) Use of the collection requires at least one week's notice (written, via e-mail or telephone call).

The Immigrant Library {http://www.feefhs.org/igs/frg-igs.html} 1310 Magnolia Boulevard, Burbank, CA 91510; (818) 848-3122 The library is known for its large collection of German materials that are not easily found elsewhere in the United States.

Los Angeles Museum of the Holocaust {http://www.jewishla.org}

Jewish Community Library of Los Angeles {http://www.jclla.org} 6006 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90036; (323) 761-8170.

Southwest Museum, Braun Research Library {http://www.southwestmuseum.org/braun.htm} 234 Museum Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90065; (323) 221-2164

American Indian Resource Center, Huntington Park Library {http://www.colapublib.org/libs/huntingtonpark/Indian.html) 6518 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255; (323) 583-2794.

Chicano Resource Center, East Los Angeles Library {http://www.colapublib.org/libs/eastla/Chicano.html}

Japanese American National Museum {http://www.janm.org} 369 East First Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012; (213) 625-0414 It is dedicated to documenting and preserving the Japanese American experience in the United States.

Bruggemeyer Memorial Library {http://ci.monterey-park.ca.us/Library} 318 South Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754; (626) 307-1368 The library has over 20,000 Chinese language books as well as Vietnamese, Korean, and Japanese language books. You must call ahead

Chinese Historical Society of Southern California {http://www.chssc.org}

Chinese American Museum in Los Angeles {http://camla.org} 978 North Broadway, Suite 206, Los Angeles, CA 90012; (323) 222-0856

Archdiocese of Los Angeles {http://home.att.net/~Local_CatholicUS-SanLosCA-HI-UT-NV.htm#Archdiocese of Los Angeles} The above Web site links to all dioceses throughout the So. California region.

Other Collections

Huntington Beach Central Library {http://www.hbpl.org/index_main.htm} 7111 Talbert Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA 92648; (714) 842-4481 The library is the repository for the Orange County Genealogical Society.

Riverside City/County Main Public Library {http://www.ci.riverside.ca.us/library} 3581 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501; (909) 826-5201

Norman F. Feldheym Central Library {http://www.sbpl.org/} 555 West 6th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92410-3094; (909) 381-8221 The San Bernardino County Genealogical Society deposits its material in this library.

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MEMBER AHNENTAFEL

PREPARED By: Catherine (ALLAN) MARSHALL

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The following is the Ahenetafel for Catherine (ALLAN) MARSHALL's first husband Vernon Clyde WARD.

Generation No. 1

1. Vernon Clyde WARD, born October 29, 1926 in Chandler, AZ; died June 13, 1971 in Post, TX. He was the son of 2. Thomas WARD and 3. Frances Emiline ANDERSON. He married (1) Catherine Donna Lee ALLAN May 28, 1950 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV. She was born March 18, 1930 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV. She was the daughter of George Albert ALLAN and Edith Mildred WYANT.

Generation No. 2

- 2. Thomas WARD, born February 14, 1900 in Aspermont, TX; died November 1980 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV. He was the son of 4. Joseph Jackson WARD and 5. Mary Elizabeth EPLEY. He married 3. Frances Emiline ANDERSON December 1921 in AZ.
- **3.** Frances Emiline **ANDERSON**, born October 29, 1904 in San Saba Co., TX; died July 24, 1999 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV. She was the daughter of **6.** William Thomas **ANDERSON** and **7.** Henrietta Texanna **STRINGER**.

Children of Thomas WARD and Frances ANDERSON are:

- i. Frances Lorene **WARD**, born March 5, 1923 in West Chandler, AZ; died December 28, 1992 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married William Maurice **TURNER** August 30, 1943 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; born June 27, 1919 in Tempe, AZ; died February 20, 1996 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV.
- ii. Emma Pauline **WARD**, born September 10, 1924 in West Chandler, AZ; married Lewis Lee **PAYNE** February 23, 1939 in Holbrook, AZ; born July 13, 1922 in Winslow, AZ; died June 28, 1991 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV.
- 1 iii. Vernon Clyde **WARD**, born October 29, 1926 in Chandler, AZ; died June 13, 1971 in Post, TX; married Catherine Donna Lee **ALLAN** May 28, 1950 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV.
 - iv. Benjamen (Benny) Howard **WARD**, born June 4, 1929 in Chandler, AZ; died June 30, 1987 in Henderson, Clark Co., NV; married Helen Ruth **FORD** March 2, 1952 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; born April 3, 1934 in Glendora, CA.
 - v. Roy Cecel **WARD**, born June 20, 1932 in Chandler, AZ; died February 19, 1935 in Chandler, AZ (Mesa Cem., Mesa AZ).
 - vi. Charles Donald **WARD**, born May 20, 1938 in Chandler, AZ; died April 29, 1995 in Peoria, Maracopa Co., AZ; married Yvonne Ann **MIGNEREY** May 9, 1958 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; born September 10, 1940 in College Point, NY.

Generation No. 3

- **4.** Joseph Jackson **WARD**, born April 22, 1856 in Tuscaloosa, AL.; died May 26, 1931 in Florince, AZ. He married **5.** Mary Elizabeth **EPLEY** October 22, 1888 in Mells Co., TX.
- **5.** Mary Elizabeth **EPLEY**, born September 28, 1872 in Brownwood, TX; died September 15, 1955 in Phoenix, AZ. She was the daughter of **10**. William Henry **EPLEY** and **11**. Martha Brown **BECK**.

Children of Joseph WARD and Mary EPLEY are:

- i. James William (Buff) **WARD**, born January 11, 1892 in Aspermont, Haskell Co., TX; died February 2, 1964 in Dunlap, CA.; married (1) Millie Lee **MILLER** 1913 in NM; born 1894 in Ravenna, TX; died March 22, 1917 in Rodeo, NM; married (2) Sammy **PERKINS** 1920; died in Dunlap, CA; married (3) VA Belle **DELKNAP** 1959 in Dunlap, CA.
- ii. Judy Brown **WARD**, born December 20, 1893 in Aspermont, Haskel, TX; died January 21, 1919 in Phoenix, AZ; married Le Roy Meredith **GILES** 1910 in AZ.
- iii. Ettie Samantha WARD, born July 28, 1895; died April 20, 1901 in TX.
- iv. Floyd WARD, born February 4, 1897 in TX; died March 1897 in TX.
- v. Lloyd **WARD**, born February 4, 1897 in TX; died March 1897 in TX.
- vi. Jimmy May WARD, born May 2, 1898 in TX; died May 3, 1900 in TX.
- vii. Thomas WARD, born February 14, 1900 in Aspermont, TX; died November 1980 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married Frances Emiline ANDERSON December 1921 in AZ.
 - viii. King Charles **WARD**, born February 23, 1902 in Marey, Haskell Co., TX; died September 1, 1963 in Phoenix, Mar., AZ; married Mary Elizabeth (Marie) **CAREY** September 17, 1938.
 - ix. Edward WARD, born May 5, 1904 in Rosewell, NM; married Violet SINGELTON 1924 in AZ.
 - x. Lizzie Lorene WARD, born January 1, 1907.

- xi. Pauline Josephine WARD, born January 16, 1909; died in AZ; married Harold DIEGEL 1928.
- xii. Grace Olivia WARD, born January 26, 1911 in Portal, Cochiese Co., AZ; died May 29, 1979 in Pahrump, Nye Co., NV; married Jack CAMERON in Phoenix, AZ.

- xiii. Addie WARD, born May 10, 1914; married Daye HUMS.
- xiv. Johnny WARD, born January 9, 1916; married Clarence COLLETTE.
- 6. William Thomas ANDERSON, born September 23, 1872 in Benton, Benton Co., AR.; died July 8, 1951 in Tempe, AZ. He was the son of 12. George Reed ANDERSON and 13. Mahala Cumi LONG. He married 7. Henrietta Texanna STRINGER December 27, 1893 in TX.
- 7. Henrietta Texanna STRINGER, born March 1, 1873 in Polk Co., TX; died October 13, 1952 in Mesa, AZ.

Children of William ANDERSON and Henrietta STRINGER are:

- 3 i. Frances Emiline **ANDERSON**, born October 29, 1904 in San Saba Co., TX; died July 24, 1999 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married Thomas **WARD** December 1921 in AZ.
 - ii. Ollie Lee ANDERSON, born August 26, 1895.
 - iii. William Reed ANDERSON, born September 4, 1897.
 - iv. Martha Lavinia (Mattie) ANDERSON, born July 20, 1900.
 - v. Mary Elizabeth (Molly) **ANDERSON**, born July 20, 1900.
 - vi. Arnold Davied **ANDERSON**, born November 23, 1902.

Generation No. 4

- 10. William Henry EPLEY, born June 24, 1840 in Tenn; died August 28, 1933 in Paradise, AZ. He was the son of 20. John EPLEY and 21. Mary SPANGLER. He married 11. Martha Brown BECK September 25, 1861 in Hickory Co., MO.
- 11. Martha Brown BECK, born February 6, 1843 in Hickory Co., MO; died October 5, 1930 in Paradise, AZ.

Children of William EPLEY and Martha BECK are:

- Cordelia Caroline EPLEY, born August 11, 1862 in Mills Co., TX; died June 27, 1931 in TX; married (1) John F. DUNCAN May 19, 1880; died March 9, 1883; married (2) T. K. BRAZELL June 27, 1886.
- ii. Eliaz Ety EPLEY, born May 30, 1864.
- iii. David Emanuel EPLEY, born April 30, 1866.
- iv. Louisa Ann **EPLEY**, born October 16, 1868.
- v. William Thomas **EPLEY**, born March 9, 1870.
- vi. Mary Elizabeth **EPLEY**, born September 28, 1872 in Brownwood, TX; died September 15, 1955 in Phoenix, AZ; married Joseph Jackson **WARD** October 22, 1888 in Mells Co., TX.
 - vii. Edward Franklin **EPLEY**, born October 3, 1874 in Mullin, TX; died February 5, 1962 in Phoneix, AZ; married Annie B. **ALBIN** 1901; born November 12, 1880 in Comanche, TX; died March 1964 in Phoenix, AZ.
 - viii. John Emery EPLEY, born November 10, 1878.
 - ix. Martha Nelvina EPLEY, born March 11, 1881.
 - x. Bessie Leila **EPLEY**, born March 28, 1884; married Harrison **ALLEN** 1906.
 - xi. George Lee EPLEY, born September 10, 1890.
- 12. George Reed ANDERSON, born August 14, 1823 in TN.; died May 10, 1987 in San Saba Co., TX. He was the son of 24. Jame ANDERSON and 25. Catherine Elizabeth *unk*,. He married 13. Mahala Cumi LONG April 7, 1857 in Paris, Lamar Co., TX.
- 13. Mahala Cumi LONG, born November 11, 1939 in IL.; died November 17, 1925 in Florence, AZ. She was the daughter of 26. Henry LONG and 27. Lavinia DARBY.

Children of George ANDERSON and Mahala LONG are:

- 6 i. William Thomas **ANDERSON**, born September 23, 1872 in Benton, Benton Co., AR; died July 8, 1951 in Tempe, AZ; married Henrietta Texanna **STRINGER** December 27, 1893 in TX.
 - ii. Ollie Catherine **ANDERSON**, born February 2, 1859.
 - iii. Frances Emiline **ANDERSON**, born January 3, 1861.
 - iv. Mattie Ann ANDERSON, born October 30, 1862.
 - v. George MC Alvin **ANDERSON**, born October 14, 1864.
 - vi. James Henry **ANDERSON**, born October 7, 1866.
 - vii. Flora Lee **ANDERSON**, born October 16, 1870.
 - viii. Nellie May ANDERSON, born March 2, 1875.
 - ix. Minnie Elizebeth **ANDERSON**, born March 7, 1877.
 - x. Myrtie Luvenia **ANDERSON**, born March 7, 1877.
 - xi. Edwin Pearce ANDERSON, born May 15, 1879 in Benton Co., AR.; died in McCulloch Co., TX.
 - xii. Charles Wallas **ANDERSON**, born January 15, 1883.

Generation No. 5

- 20. John EPLEY, born July 30, 1807 in Lincoln Co., NC; died September 7, 1852 in Hickory Co., MO. He was the son of 40. Daniel EPLEY and 41. Catherine KEEBLER. He married 21. Mary SPANGLER November 3, 1832 in Warren Co., TN.
- 21. Mary SPANGLER, born Bet. 1808 1811 in Montgomery Co., VA; died October 2, 1852 in Hickory Co., MO.

Child of John **EPLEY** and Mary **SPANGLER** is:

- 10 i. William Henry **EPLEY**, born June 24, 1840 in TN.; died August 28, 1933 in Paradise, AZ; married Martha Brown **BECK** September 25, 1861 in Hickory Co., MO.
- 24. Jame ANDERSON, born Abt. 1782 in NC?. He married 25. Catherine Elizabeth unk.
- 25. Catherine Elizabeth unk, born Abt. 1800 in VA?.

Child of Jame **ANDERSON** and Catherine *unk* is:

- George Reed ANDERSON, born August 14, 1823 in TN.; died May 10, 1987 in San Saba Co., TX; married Mahala Cumi LONG April 7, 1857 in Paris, Lamar Co., TX.
- 26. Henry LONG, born 1808 in TN?. He married 27. Lavinia DARBY.
- 27. Lavinia DARBY, born 1809 in VA?. She was the daughter of 54. John DARBY and 55. Rachel JONES.

Children of Henry **LONG** and Lavinia **DARBY** are:

- Mahala Cumi LONG, born November 11, 1939 in IL.; died November 17, 1925 in Florence, AZ; married George Reed ANDERSON April 7, 1857 in Paris, Lamar Co., TX.
 - ii. Jane **LONG**, born November 11, 1839.
 - iii. Henry LONG, born 1838.
 - iv. Margaret **LONG**, born 1841.

Generation No. 6

- **40.** Daniel **EPLEY**, born 1779 in York Co., PA; died August 1845 in Cannon Co., NC. He was the son of **80.** Mathias **EPLEY** and **81.** Anna Maria **RITTER**. He married **41.** Catherine **KEEBLER** March 10, 1800 in Lincoln Co., NC.
- 41. Catherine KEEBLER, born 1781 in PA; died March 12, 1836 in Cannon Co., TN.

Child of Daniel EPLEY and Catherine KEEBLER is:

- 20 i. John **EPLEY**, born July 30, 1807 in Lincoln Co., NC; died September 7, 1852 in Hickory Co., MO; married Mary **SPANGLER** November 3, 1832 in Warren Co., TN.
- **54.** John **DARBY**, born Abt. 1795 in OH. He married **55.** Rachel **JONES**.
- 55. Rachel JONES, born Abt. 1810; died Abt. 1876.

Child of John DARBY and Rachel JONES is:

27 i. Lavinia **DARBY**, born 1809 in VA?; married Henry **LONG**.

Generation No. 7

- 80. Mathias EPLEY, born 1740 in York Co., PA; died 1790 in PA or NC. He was the son of 160. John EPLEY and 161. Rosina *unk*, He married 81. Anna Maria RITTER October 23, 1764 in Hannover, PA.
- 81. Anna Maria RITTER, born 1742 in York Co., PA; died 1771 in York, PA.

Child of Mathias EPLEY and Anna RITTER is:

40 i. Daniel **EPLEY**, born 1779 in York Co., PA; died August 1845 in Cannon Co., NC; married Catherine **KEEBLER** March 10, 1800 in Lincoln Co., NC.

Generation No. 8

- 160. John EPLEY, born 1720 in York, PA; died November 30, 1795 in Mannheim Twp, York Co., PA. He married 161. Rosina unk, 1740 in PA.
- 161. Rosina unk, born 1724 in York, PA; died November 19, 1795 in York, PA.

Child of John EPLEY and Rosina EPLEY is:

i. Mathias **EPLEY**, born 1740 in York Co., PA; died 1790 in PA or NC; married Anna Maria **RITTER** October 23, 1764 in Hannover, PA.

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SULLIVAN, McCARTY/McCARTHY

Trying to find the death and burial site of Mary **SULLIVAN** who was possibly buried in Hurley - Ashland, WI. area in 1890s - early 1900s (unsure); husband Jeramiah then followed sons to northern MN. Family story is: grandchild "Baby" **McCARTY/McCARTHY** was buried beside her.

Helen **SMITH**, 26 Quail Hollow Dr, Henderson, NV 89014, E-mail: HSmithlv@prodigy.net

THRASHER, THRACHER

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Seeking death date of John **THRACHER** of Guilford, NC, not listed in 1790 census; father of Mary, Isaac, Joseph Cloud, and John Jr. Betty **SLOAN**, PMB 121, 3850 Flamingo Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89121, (702)451-4252, E-mail: eas@coam.net

HERE'S A PUZZLE

Susan wants to know: What do you call the person for whom you are named?

For example, if you are named for your grandmother, you are HER "namesake". Your grandmother is YOUR "_(what)_"? What is the term that is the counterpart to "namesake"?

If you have the answer, e-mail our Editor Helen **SMITH** at HSmithlv@prodigy.net. If we receive an answer, we will reveal it to you in the next issue.

Let's hear from YOU if you know!!!



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CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

<u>The Prospector</u> is pleased to continue a series of articles which feature schools in the Clark County (Nevada) School District named in honor of individuals from the Clark County, Nevada area. The information presented has been extracted from material derived from each of the schools so honored.

Helen JYDSTRUP Elementary School

Longtime educator Helen M. **JYDSTRUP**, who died Friday, April 2, 1999 at a local hospital at 86 years of age, was born December 2, 1912, in Brainerd Township, South Dakota. Helen moved to Las Vegas 37 years ago after teaching in several states, including South Dakota, where she was elected a county superintendent of schools.

In 1962, Helen **JYDSTRUP** interviewed over the telephone for a teaching position in Las Vegas and without ever visiting the valley, she accepted the job. In the fall she moved with her husband from South Dakota. The dynamic **JYDSTRUP**, who had just received her master's degree in special education, was a perfect match for the physically handicapped students at Variety School. She arrived in Las Vegas at a time when opportunities and access for the physically handicapped were scarce.

At Variety School Helen taught all of the basic courses to the small classes of students who ranged from grades 8 to 12. Outside school she gave the students opportunities that might otherwise have been out of their reach. Helen took her students to local businesses on annual Christmas shopping sprees, to see performers on the Strip, and to the state Legislature in Carson City. She also advised the students on the school newspaper and yearbook. For their birthdays, she would buy cakes and presents.

Helen **JYDSTRUP** taught in Clark County School District from 1962 to 1985. She found her niche as a special education teacher, working with physically handicapped students at Variety School, a special education school for physically and multiply handicapped students. Friends and family paint a picture of a vital woman, whose dedication to educational causes took her from organizing local fund-raisers to testifying before Congress.

Helen's son, Douglas **JYDSTRUP** said of her, "She thought a lot of the kids. It was kind of like a family since the kids were with her for so long. She was a really dedicated, caring person. She had a dynamic personality and she'd just take something and run with it."

After her retirement in 1985, former students would call to see how she

was doing

Then in 1991, Helen **JYDSTRUP** Elementary School was named in her honor. Helen **JYDSTRUP** Elementary School is located at 5150 Duneville Street in Las Vegas.

JYDSTRUP, a 23-year teacher at Variety School, was an active member of the community and played a part in community clubs and activities. She was the president of the Clark Towers retirement housing complex, which she founded in the early 1970s when there were few retirement homes in the area. She led the movement to establish the retirement community, initially envisioning it as a haven for retired teachers. However as the project took shape, it became a retirement complex open to all senior citizens.

She served as president of the Vegas Valley Business and Professional Women's Club and was the governor of the Council of the Exceptional Children. Helen held membership in Delta Kappa Gamma (an honorary teachers' society), the Nevada State Education Association, the Clark County Classroom Teachers Association, the Women's Democratic Club, the Paradise Democratic Club, and the Democratic Central Committee.

Helen **JYDSTRUP** is survived by her son, Douglas, who teaches government at Cimarron-Memorial High School, a daughter, Jill**MAHR** of Colorado Springs, Colorado and two grandchildren.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, April 10, 1999, at 4:30 p.m. and was preceded by visitation which was held from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., at Palm Mortuary, 7400 W. Cheyenne Ave.

The preceding article was written by Helen SMITH, The PROSPEC-TOR Editor, by extracting information from newspaper articles written on Tuesday April 06, 1999, by Lisa Kim BACH of the LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL and on April 05, 1999, by Kristen PETERSON of the LAS VEGAS SUN and from obituaries which appeared in both newspapers.

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Ye Olde English Sayings

NOTE: Many of the origins are "folk etymologies" ... stories passed among us to explain where words came from that are not necessarily based in linguistic "truth".

BLACK MARKET

In medieval England there were nomadic mercenaries who wandered the country side and would sell their services to the highest bidder. These were hardened fighters who lived solitary lives in the wilderness. They did not have the luxury of servants to polish their armor and it would oxidize to a blackish hue, and they came to be known as black knights. At local town festivals they would have exhibition jousting matches in which the winner of the fight would win the loser's weapons and armor. The local gentry, softened by the good life, would lose to these black knights. The nomadic knights didn't have much use for an extra set of armor and would sell it back to them immediately after the fight. The losing nobility would be forced to buy back their armor and this after market came to be known as the "Black Market" (submitted by Gonzalo).

Judith interjects: Isn't it kind of strange that if "black market" is a medieval term, the Oxford English Dictionary doesn't show it as having been first used until 1931 in "The Economist."

ALONG THOSE LINES...A GEDCOM Primer

George G.MORGAN

If you're just beginning to work with your genealogy software, or if you're spreading your wings from the basics, it's important to learn about how data from your genealogy database software is shared.

JUST WHAT IS A GEDCOM?

The term GEDCOM is an acronym, standing for Genealogy Electronic Data COMmunications. It is a data format standard that allows data from one genealogy computer program to be shared with and read by another genealogy computer program. Here is a scenario to try to explain what a GEDCOM is. Let's pretend that three people meet on a busy street corner in the city and each is lost. However, each knows something about the city but, because one speaks French, one speaks Swahili, and the third speaks Chinese, no one can understand the other. They are each speaking in their own language. Finally, one speaks a phrase in English, and the other two realize that they, too, can speak English. A common ground has now been defined for the exchange of information. They exchange information and directions, and they all can now better find their way to their destinations in the city.

The GEDCOM standard acts as the 'English' on the analogy above. Genealogy database programs typically save information in their own, proprietary format (or language, as it were). However, they also provide the ability to save the same information in another format — the GEDCOM standard, and that format is used to export the data to other computers. The format of the GEDCOM can be used by any other genealogy computer to import and read the same data. The way it does so is simple.

In a GEDCOM file, each record type has an identifier attached to it so that a name, for instance, always has the same identifier code, the date of birth has another identifier, the birth location has another identifier, and so on. The receiving program knows that one individual's information has a starting code and an ending code, like an envelope. Inside, the record identifier codes tell the receiving computer where to put the data attached to it in its own program. That means that it know what field in its own program to place the name, the date of birth, the birth location, etc., and how to attach which spouse and children, and so on. It sounds complicated, but it really is relatively simple for a programmer to set up. For us, the users of the software programs, it is a "no-brainer."

Now, there are different handlings of the GEDCOM files by some programs. For example, a life event defined in your Family Tree Maker database, which will be coded with an identifier code, may be treated as a separate event in one program or the data may be dropped into the notes area of the receiving program. The most important thing, of course, is that the data is moved intact and placed somewhere.

Note also that some software programs allow you to specify how much information you want to export in your outgoing GEDCOM file. You could specify everything, which means text, events, notes, source citations—the works. Or you might opt to include only a finite amount of information in the GEDCOM you create and export. It is important for you to read your program's HELP file and learn about the following topics:

1) File formats in which your data may be saved;

- 2) GEDCOM files that can be produced from your program;
- 3) How to create a GEDCOM file;
- 4) How to export a GEDCOM file;
- 5) How to import someone else's GEDCOM file into your program;
- 6) Whether or how you merge another imported GEDCOM file into your exisiting database (if you even want to!); and
- 7) Privatizing your information on living individuals.

PRIVATIZING INFORMATION ON LIVING INDIVIDUALS

It is always important to privatize your GEDCOM data. Privatizing is the process of excluding some or all information about living individuals. That means either suppressing their names, their vital dates, or other information so as to keep their information private. I believe that most genealogy database software programs include opting to use this built-in capability before you create your GEDCOM file. If your program does not have this function, there are utility programs available at various places on the Web. Gedliving is one of these, available from the RootsWeb site at http://www.rootsweb.com/~gumby/ged.html. There are, however, others.

When you submit a GEDCOM to a responsible Web-based database entity such as Ancestry.com or RootsWeb.com, you can be assured that information about living people will be privatized and not shown. Neither will the data be sold, leased, or published for sale on CD-ROM. In other words, the privacy of living individuals is respected and will not be compromised.

AND WHAT ABOUT MY GRAPHICS?

Graphics in your database are not part of the data included in the creation and export of a GEDCOM file. I often hear people complaining that they had created a vast database and had embedded photographs of people, places, tombstones, and other subjects. They were distressed and disappointed that the pictures weren't in the GEDCOM. Well, the GEDCOM standard wasn't originally conceived to deal with these graphics, only with text. Perhaps a future version of the standard can and will incorporate that. However, until ultrahigh-speed communications is available universally, the addition of graphics into a GEDCOM file transfer would be pretty unwieldy for most people.

AN EDUCATED CONSUMER

Before you spend a great deal of time creating, uploading, downloading, exporting, importing, and merging all these GEDCOM files, please invest a little time reading the HELP text of your genealogy program and learn more about its capabilities and/or limitations. You will then be able to make more informed decisions about your own use of the facilities.

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THE CLINK

The name of a prison which was on Clink Street in the Southwark area of London. Claudie wrote: I always thought that the doors of the cells went "clink" when they shut behind the prisoner. Maybe a more accurate name would be the "clang".

The Storytellers

We are the chosen. My feelings are that in each family there is one who seems called to find the ancestors.

To put flesh on their bones and make them live again....to tell the family story and to feel that somehow they know and approve. To me, doing genealogy is not a cold gathering of facts, but instead, breathing life into all who have gone before.

We are the storytellers of the tribe. All tribes have one. We have been called as it were by our genes. Those who have gone before cry out to us: Tell our story. So, we do. In finding them, we somehow find ourselves.

How many graves have I stood before now and cried? I have lost count. How many times have I told the ancestors, "You have a wonderful family.....you would be proud of us"?

How many times have I walked up to a grave and felt somehow there was love there for me? I cannot say. It goes beyond just documenting facts. It goes to who am I and why do I do the things I do. It goes to seeing a cemetery about to be lost forever to weeds and indifference and saying I can't let this happen.

The bones here are bones of my bone and flesh of my flesh. It goes to doing something about it. It goes to pride in what our ancestors were able to accomplish. How they contributed to what we are today. It goes to respecting their hardships and losses, their never giving in or giving up, their resoluteness to go on and build a life for their family.

It goes to deep pride that they fought to make and keep us a Nation. It goes to a deep and immense understanding that they were doing it for us....that we might be born who we are. That we might remember them.

So we do. With love and caring and scribing each fact of their existence, because we are them and they are us. So, as a scribe called, I tell the story of my family. It is up to that one called in the next generation to answer the call and take their place in the long line of family storytellers.

That, is why I do my family genealogy, and that is what calls those young and old to step up and put flesh on the bones.

- Author unknown

Just for fun

My family tree needs more wood and less sap.

My family tree must be a pecan because it is full of nuts.

Old genealogist never die, they just lose their census.

Genealogy is not fatal, but it is a grave disease.

Heredity: Everyone believes in it until their children act like fools!

"Sure, a real job would be nice, but it would interfere with my genealogy!"

So many dead men! So little time!

Who's in charge of washing the Family Group Sheets?

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bigger and better pieces of information by interviewing older family members. For example, the time period that my great grandmother and her sister lived in Chicago can be calculated and then the census records and directories can be used to determine their address, children, husband's name, etc. especially if you don't have that information and are seeking to find it. Interviewing older relatives that are still alive is a wonderful resource in itself. It can be done over the phone or in person. In person, you can get a picture of them as they look today for your records also.

Another "tip" that is probably a common one, but quite useful:

I take a lot of cemetery photos. I always take a photo of the entrance or church, also the section, as often there are signs telling which section they are in. I also use my computer and label the photos when I put them in my album.

Joe CAWLEY - Augusta, GA 30909

Take pictures of headstones and write on the back of the picture all the additional information necessary to know where these headstones are located, such as the name of the cemetery, city, county and state where located, lot number, section, etc. if known. Also, if name is not present or legible, write it on the back of the picture. For example, sometimes there will be a big family stone with small stones that say "Mother," "Father," etc. If the pictures of the big stone and smaller stones were to become separated later, you or someone else will know whose grave you/they are looking at. Keep an alphabetized index file in a recipe style box of these pictures so you can readily located them. Susan **PENA** - Arlington, TX

Record Latitude and Longitude in Cemeteries

I recommend adding degrees of latitude and longitude when describing the location of a cemeteries and obscure burial sites. Lat/Lon allows pinpointing locations within mere feet. It is especially helpful in finding an accurate location of grave sites in rural areas, many of which are unmarked, overgrown, abandoned, and may only contain one or two graves.

A Global Positioning System (GPS) device can be purchased for well under \$100. Pawn Shops are a good source. They're simple and easy to use. Just turn them on at the site you want to record, and within a minute or so the degrees of lat/lon are displayed.

Try it. I believe that in the future, genealogy buffs and other researchers will appreciate this bit of extra effort on our part. I sure wish my ancestors had passed this kind of information on to me. [Unsigned]

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German Genealogy

A good site for beginners in German genealogy studies with connections to resources for German research, book stores and a helpful section on German history, culture and language is

http://home.att.net/~wee-monster

ANCESTRY QUICK TIP - Susan J. FEVOLA

When you find a family in the census, be sure to check out the name of the census taker at the top of the page. I happened to look at the name on one page and found that one of my ancestors was the census taker. Just a little extra info to add to your family history—an ancestor who was a census taker.

Documenting Sources, Keeping Records of all Kinds

VirginiaSCHULTZ<pinkiems@hotmail.com>

Sometimes documenting sources is very clear cut, especially when the information is from a book or from a family association. However, sometimes it's tricky to have a really "tidy" source listing. My grandmother kept a tidy, extensive list of every event that happened, and I got my information from her way back in the 1960's. I never xeroxed her papers, Bible, cards, certificates, etc., which, in hindsight, would have been a good idea.

Now though, all the information from her is simply listed as "Anna Paavo Poussu". On the master source I explain that those were her papers. I don't know whatever happened to her papers. No one does, it seems. I didn't realize that I was going to be the only family member interested in old papers and letters, so I'm sure they were just thrown away. Luckily I did xerox 4 letters from 1872 from Finland. The originals are long gone.

I've learned something from all of this. I didn't feel that I, as one of the youngest in the family, had any right to those precious things. I didn't speak up when she went into the hospital and then died, so no one really thought of me when her things were — thrown away. (I was out of the country.)

One thing I am glad I did was write down almost every "story" that I heard. That even includes strange dreams, psychic events, descriptions of the trip to America, recipes, just everything. I heard a lot of things

just orally.

For instance, I knew that my great grandmother came over on the ship Reuben, which was a bark. She was 19 years old and by herself, but she befriended a woman about 35 years old, and they became friends. Then I have the minute descriptions of her journey from Quebec to Milwaukee to Moore's Prairie, Minnesota. No one ever wrote all of that down until I did, but it had been repeated many times.

I guess what I'm saying here is that you should write down everything and copy anything you can copy that might be interesting. I was extremely fortunate to be able to have interviewed many of my relatives who were born in the 1880's. Maybe that just means I'm old...! When my father heard I was interested in genealogy, he made a trip with me interviewing everyone who might know something. I was about 20 years old, and it was fun to meet them. If some of the people were a little, well, confused, we wrote it down anyway, and then we just double checked it against other reports if we could.

By the way, the little story I included about a week ago is really just a "rural legend" up in Saskatchewan. No one knows if that really happened. Some of the old timers swear it did. (It wasn't my family.)

Another thing I wish I had done is take a little recorder along to record their voices. I would really love to hear my grandmother's voice again!

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Pomona Public Library {http://www.ci.pomona.ca.us/library/htm} 625 South Garey, Pomona, CA 91769; (909) 620-2043

San Diego Public Library {http://www.sannet.gov/public-library/} 820 E Street (8th and E Streets), San Diego, CA 92101-6478; (619) 236-5834

Grant R. Brimhall Library {http://www.tol.lib.ca.us/1general.html} 1401 East Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362; (805) 449-2660

Sahyun Library {http://www.cagenweb.com/santabarbara/sbcgs} 316 Castillo Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (P.O. Box 1303, Goleta, CA 93116-1303); (805) 884-9909

Gledhill Library, Santa Barbara Historical Society 136 East De la Guerra Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (P.O. Box 578, Santa Barbara, CA 93101-0578); (805) 966-1601

Orange Family History Center 674 South Yorba Street, Orange, CA 92869-5042; (714) 997-7710. The library contains one of the largest local collections of census indices. There are over 500 microfilms for Hispanic research ordered by members of the Society for Hispanic History and Ancestral Research (SHHAR).

Jurupa Family History Center 5950 Serendipity Road, Riverside, CA 92509-4775; (909) 360-8547. Both the Jurupa and Orange Family History Centers are planning to add volunteer staff and expand their hours during the FGS/CSGA 2002 Conference.

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Genealogists say the funniest things!

These quotes are from copies of actual correspondence received by the Family History Department of the LDS Church:

We are sending you 5 children in a separate envelope.

My Grandfather died at the age of 3.

Will you please send me the name of my first wife? I have forgotten her name.

We lost our Grandmother, will you please send us a copy?

The wife of #22 could not be found. Somebody suggested that she might have been stillborn - what do you think?

Will you send me a list of all the Dripps in your library?

Further research will be necessary to eliminate one of the parents.

He and his daughter are listed as not being born.

I would like to find out if I have any living relatives or dead relatives or ancestors in my family.

A 14-year-old boy wrote: "I do not want you to do my research for me. Will you please send me all of the material on the Welch line, in the US, England and Scotland countries? I will do the research.

NEXT GENERATION GENEALOGISTS

A modern mother is explaining to her little girl about pictures in the family photo album. "This is the geneticist with your surrogate mother and here's your sperm donor and your father's clone. This is me holding you when you were just a frozen embryo. The lady with the very troubled look on her face is your aunt, she's the family genealogist."

THE CLARK WYSONG MEMORIAL DATABASE

Contributed by Charles RECKER, Genealogist for the WYSONG Family Association

The Clark **WYSONG** Memorial Database is an update of information collected by Clark **WYSONG** before his death in Las Vegas, Nevada, in September, 2000. Genealogical reports identifying some of the descendants of the immigrant, Ludwig **WEISSANG**, are now available. Grateful acknowledgement is extended to the many researchers who contributed the information which is included in this database.

The **WYSONG** Family Association was established by the late Dr. Dudley **WYSONG** of McKinney, Texas, who obtained information about the family's origins from family members living in Southern Germany. According to Dr. **WYSONG** 's sources, the **WEISSANG** surname was originally **VINCENT**. A family of that name [perhaps derived from de **VINCENNES**], which belonged to the "minor nobility", was established at Nimes, France, in the 16th Century. St. Vincent de Paul [1576-1660] is said to be related to the family through his grandmother. The family allegedly had a "big bust up" with King Henry II of France who had lost wars with Spain and Italy and raised taxes to the breaking point. In 1558, the family was attacked by the king's soldiers. Only two brothers escaped the slaughter.

One of the brothers went to Interlaken, Switzerland. The last of his male descendants is said to have died in 1976. The other brother went to Durlock, Germany, which is now a suburb of Karlsruhe where he came under the protection of the Margrave and changed the spelling of his name from "Joseph Pier VINCENT" to "Joseph Peter WEISSANG". During the Thirty Years War, which lasted from 1618 to 1648, the family was divided into the Catholic branch which emigrated to the Saarland and the Lutheran branch which remained in Durlock. Although there are no longer very many members of the Lutheran branch left, the Catholic branch has many descendants. Some members of the Catholic branch now spell their name "WEISANG" or "WEISONG" while others have returned to the "VINCENT" or "VINZENT" spellings.

Ludwig, who arrived in Philadelphia on board the St. Andrew in 1738, using the name "Lewis **VINCENT**", belonged to the Catholic branch. He is believed to have been born in a village in the Saarland, south of St. Ingbert and east of Saarbruecken. However, his baptismal record has not been located, and Dr. **WYSONG** was unable to establish his direct descent from Joseph Pier **VINCENT**.

According to family tradition, on reaching manhood Ludwig migrated to Alsace-Lorraine, then to Wales where he enlisted in the King's service and landed in America in 1715. Some have suggested instead that he arrived in Philadelphia in 1740, on board the Loyal Judith with two persons bearing the same surname who might have been his brothers. They were: Conrad, age 30 in 1740, who had 50 acres in Lancaster County in 1752; and Philip, age 26 in 1740, who had 16 acres in Philadelphia County in 1769. In 1742, another possible brother, Simon, then age 41, arrived on the same ship. He owned 200 acres in Lancaster County in 1760. However, Ludwig's name does not appear on the passenger list of the Loyal Judith, and there is hard evidence that, as mentioned above, he arrived in Philadelphia on board the St. Andrew in 1738. The relevant documentation indicates that he was too sick to come ashore to sign the oath of allegiance. One way to reconcile the family tradition with the evidence of the arrival on the St. Andrew is to suggest that he may have been returned to Europe with the British Army after 1715, been discharged there, and then returned to America.

Conrad died in May, 1789, and left a will in York County which indicates that he lived in Paradise Township and had a wife named

Mary Elizabeth who "eloped my bed and board and left me in a poor and sickly condition". His will also mentions four children, Conrad, Anna Mary (wife of Jacob **SMITH**), Leonard, and Margaretha, wife of George**METZLER**, and a granddaughter, Elizabeth**METZLER**. The son, Conrad, apparently emigrated to Cumberland County where he at one time owned 480 acres of land. Information about the subsequent history of Simon and Philip is not now available.

Ludwig was a blacksmith and appears to have originally settled in Manchester Township which was part of Lancaster County until 1749, when it became part of the then newly-created York County. He is said to have been called "Welsh LONG" and "Welsh LOUIS" by his neighbors. We know from the baptismal records of Christ Lutheran Church in York, Pennsylvania, that on 10 January, 1740, he and an unidentified wife became parents of a daughter named Susan Catharina. George HENNING and his wife and Reinhardt HAMMER and his wife were sponsors at Susan's baptism. Then, on 4 February 1743, Ludwig and his still unidentified wife became parents of a son named John Ludwig REINHARDT who was also baptized at Christ Lutheran. REINHARDT and Susan HAMMER were sponsors at Ludwig **REINHARDT**'s baptism. This has led researchers to assume that Ludwig's wife was probably the daughter of **REINHARDT** and Susan HAMMER. Although Ludwig is known to have had additional children, their date and place of birth and baptism, if any, is unknown. There is evidence that Ludwig was married more than once.

In 1766, some 26 years after the birth of his daughter, Susan, Ludwig acquired a 176-acre farm in Manchester Township from John PENN. On 14 March 1769 "Ludwick WEISANG, Anna M. WEISANG (Ludwig's wife?) and Henry SHITZ" witnessed the will of Thomas BUTLER of Heidelberg Township. Dr. Dudley WYSONG believed that Ludwig had five sons who served in the Revolutionary War. In 1782, Ludwig moved to a farm in Heidelberg Township.

On 19 September 1784, Ludwig wrote his last will and testament, which was probated ten days later on 29 September. One of his daughters-in-law is said to have claimed that only a few days before his death he walked "sthright upe shust like a solgher". In his will he asked that he be given a Christian burial and made reference to the worldly estate which it "has pleased God to bless me in this life." His wife, named Mary, was given his land and his household goods as long as she lived and after her death his first born son, "Lodwick" was to be given ten shillings. The "over plush" was to be divided into ten equal shares among his children. He appointed Philip SCHLENTZ, Jr. to be his executor. The will was witnessed by Peter HILL, Jr. and Henry BERRINGER.

The settlement of Ludwig's estate tells us a little bit about his life. The household goods were appraised at 11-19-0 pounds, which included, as his most valuable assets, one cow appraised at 3-15-0 and hay appraised at 1-10-0. Other items included three pewter and six earthen plates, ten pewter spoons, a pepper mill, a skillet, two hammers and a chisel, two washing tubs, some Indian corn, a kitchen dresser, a spinning wheel and a chest. On 20 November 1785, Mr. SCHLENTZ filed an accounting where he reported that he had sold some of the goods for 2-13-7 and paid out 4-13-49 for expenses which included 2-5-0 to David KLEINDIENST for the coffin and 0-7-6 for the funeral sermon preached by Rev. Jacob PELLENTZ who has been identified as a Catholic priest. In a later accounting dated 26 March 1793, Mr. SCHLENTZ reported that the estate had realized the sums of 45-1-0 from the sale of a house and lot and 7-19-2 from the sale of

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Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society FALL FAMILY HISTORY SEMINAR 19 October 2002

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Kory **MEYERINK** has been involved in nearly every aspect of genealogy and family history for the past 20 years, Beginning as a record searcher while attending Brigham Young University where he received an Associate in Family and Local History, as well as a B.S. in Psychology, he later completed a Masters of Library and Information Science. Spending two years in Germany gave him a fluency in German that has served him well in his professional research. He became accredited in four areas (Germany, Midwest, Eastern and New England U.S.), specializing in tracing the origins of German and Dutch immigrants. He then joined the staff of the Family History Library as a reference consultant.

Later, as the library's publication coordinator, he developed instructional and reference material for the thousands of Family History Centers supported by the Library. He also served as the primary content consultant for the PBS Ancestors television series http://www.ancestors.com. In his recent work developing electronic products, Kory's tasks included serving as product manager for the LDS Family History Suite and developing the largest genealogical gazetteer and largest genealogical bibliography available on CD-ROM.

As a teacher, Kory has spoken at many local, state, and national genealogical conferences throughout the U.S. and Canada, including NGS, FGS, GENTECH, and, since 1991, the annual BYU Family History Conference. Since 1991, he has also served as adjunct history faculty for that university's Salt Lake Center. As the founding director of the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy, he developed one of the nation's largest such institutes. He has written extensively, including chapters in **The Library**, both editions of **The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy**, as well as numerous articles and book reviews for the *Genealogical Journal*, *Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly*, *Genealogical Computing*, *New York Genealogical and Biographical Record*, and *The Genealogist*.

He also writes for both *Ancestry* and *Heritage Quest* magazines. He is the author/presenter of <u>Doing Genealogy: Foundations for Successful Research</u>, an audio presentation with workbook. For his most recent book, <u>Printed Sources: A Guide to Published Genealogical Records</u> (Ancestry: Salt Lake City, 1998), he served as overall editor as well as primary author.

Kory has served the genealogical community on national conference committees, as an officer of the Association of Professional Genealogists and the Utah Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and is a member of the National Genealogical Society. From 1996 through 1998, he served as president of the Utah Genealogical Association. Currently he conducts professional research in Salt Lake City where he lives with his wife and the three of his five children still at home.

TOPICS:

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Research Close to Home: Get What You Want Without A Big Travel Budget.

Midwest - The Heart Land of America (8 Midwestern States)

Getting There From Here: US Sources For Tracking Immigrant Origins.

Getting There When There Is Nothing Here: European Sources For Tracking Immigrant Origins.

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the goods and chattels of Ludwig's widow who was now deceased.

Ludwig's age at his death is unknown. Some family stories claim that he lived until the advanced age of 106 years and was able to walk 20 miles a day after he was 100 years old.

The five sons of Ludwig WEISSANG who were identified by Dr. Dudley WYSONG as Revolutionary War veterans were named John Ludwig REINHARDT, Valentine ("Felty"), Joseph, Feidt and Jacob. Dr. WYSONG also believed that Ludwig had another son, named

Henry, but no other information about Henry has come to light. The total number and the identification of Ludwig's daughters is unclear. Since we know that Ludwig had a minimum of ten surviving children (possibly eleven) when he wrote his will and only five (perhaps only four) surviving sons have been identified, this means he could have had at least four and perhaps as many as seven daughters. Dr. Dudley **WYSONG** identified four, namely Mary, Susan Catherina, Veronica (Franey) and Catherine. Other researchers add Elizabeth and Anna Maria to this list. Only Susan Catherina has been documented in the baptismal records.

Ye Olde English Sayings

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<u>DONE TO A TURN</u> - Meat was roasted until cooked on an upright spit which had to be turned by hand.

POINT National Conference 2002

POINT (pursuing Our Italian Names Together) - The American Network of Italian Genealogy - will hold its Third Biennial National Conference (Oct 10 - 15, 2002) in Salt Lake City, Utah, at the Wyndham Hotel.

- * Thursday evening, Oct 10, early signin will be in our Hospitality Room the Emigration Room of the hotel. Attendees may also sign in on Friday morning in the same room.
- * Friday, Oct 11, will feature lectures, workshops, tours, and guided research. There will be a box lunch and an evening banquet with a guest speaker
- * Saturday, Oct 12, will be filled with more lectures, workshops and guided research and will feature a luncheon with another guest speaker .
- * Sunday, Oct 13, attendees will be free to pursue personal activities.
- * Monday, Oct 14 and Tuesday, Oct 15, will be devoted to more guided research.

Cost for the conference will be \$125 (by Mar 31, 2002) and \$140 for registration after Mar 31. Above meals will be included in the cost of the conference with a continental breakfast available each day through the hotel at an additional cost. Spouses or guests may accompany the conference registrant to the banquet for \$38 or the luncheon for \$26; The box lunch/lecture will be \$20 per extra guest.

We will begin Friday morning with a two-hour VIP tour of the Family History Library, followed by our opening session. Next will be the box lunch with Ruth MERRIMAN who will explain how the Guided Research aspect of the conference will work. Guided Research will provide an opportunity for attendees to pre-order the microfilms they will need for their research. Ruth will make sure any films ordered will be in the Library during the conference. This will avoid the often encountered problem of having to wait for the films to come from the "vault." The many Italian specialists at the Library will be available during the entire conference for extra consultation with attendees and their guests through October 19th.

After lunch on Friday, the three-track Conference will begin in earnest. One track will concentrate on general research topics. The second track will concentrate on Italian research and culture. The third track will be Guided Research at the Family History Library, which will be available during all hours the Library is open. There will also be classes held at the Library.

Room reservations are now being accepted at the Wyndham Hotel in Salt Lake City. Call 801-531-7500 and be sure to mention the **POINT National Conference 2002** for group rates. There are a limited number of rooms set side for our group, so early reservations are highly recommended.

If you are doing Italian genealogical research in Italy or anywhere you will not want to miss this conference.

Anyone with questions about the conference may contact:

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prepared soundex and miracode indexes to the 1930 Census.

The 1930 Census: A Reference and Research Guide goes into detail on how these indexes were created, tips for searching them and what you can expect in the 1930 census. This guide explains not just how to use the Census of Population but also the Census of Agriculture, Census of Religious Bodies and the other less well-known special censuses

The Census of Religious Bodies is particularly interesting as it includes a brief biographical return for every member of the clergy and a detailed statistical description of the hundreds of denominations and their local congregations across the country. This is an excellent tool for learning how many Methodist or Presbyterian churches existed in a given town and knowing which strain of the denomination that they, and their records, followed.

Did you know that the Census Bureau did a study of marriage patterns in 1930? This guide summarizes their detailed conclusions and points out that couples living in North Dakota often got married in Moorhead, Minnesota; that after Texas imposed a new 3 day waiting period for getting married that Texans went to Arkansas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma to get married.

The guide also alerts us to the Special Municipal Censuses that were taken in between the census years. There were more than 20 of these carried out in Alabama, Indiana, Illinois, Oklahoma and other states.

Many researchers have never heard of these "extra" censuses. **The 1930 Census: A Reference and Research Guide** is packed with information that genealogists will rely on to get the most from the 1930 Census and to push forward in their research.

The 1930 Census: A Reference and Research Guide by KEMP, Thomas Jay is available from HeritageQuest ProQuest as is priced at \$19.95.

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2002 FGS Conference

The Federation of Genealogical Societies & The California State Genealogical Alliance

To be held at the Ontario Convention Center in Ontario, California 7-10 August 2002. The 2002 Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference will be hosted by the California State Genealogical Alliance. This 2002 Conference will celebrate the ethnic diversity of this country since its foundation. Nowhere is this multi-cultural environment more apparent than in California, the venue of this conference. Lectures and activities will emphasize the many cultures in our society today and how they influence the work of today's genealogists.

The 2002 FGS Conference in Ontario offers many valuable lectures for every genealogist!

A variety of lectures for the beginning, intermediate, and advanced researcher

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The conference will be held at the new Ontario Convention Center. It is directly adjacent to the Ontario International Airport, which is serviced by most major airlines. Three major freeways provide easy access to the conference. Public transportation (Metrolink) is also available to Ontario from the surrounding counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino, Conference hotels and numerous restaurants close to the Convention Center provide a wide selection of accommodations and dining options for conference visitors.

The National Archives and Records Administration Pacific Region facility (Laguna Niguel) is located in nearby Orange County. The Los Angeles Public Library is also situated within easy driving distance from Ontario.

Listen to and learn from lectures on a variety of topics; choose from over 150 lectures and over 60 presenters; meet, network, and collaborate with other genealogists. Why not meet your "online" research friends at this picturesque California site; browse and shop in our vendor area aisle after aisle of genealogical software, books, and services; discover and expand your family tree; find out what genealogical societies can do for you; enjoy the multitude of attractions, historic sites, and research facilities that California provides.

Detailed information on the FGS/CSGA 2002 Conference in Ontario, CA and accommodations will be available in early 2002. Contact the FGS office to request a registration booklet in the mail.

For additional information contact:

California State Genealogical Alliance P.O. Box 311 Danville, CA 94526-0311 www.csga.com

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11th Annual Genealogy and Technology (GENTECH) Conference



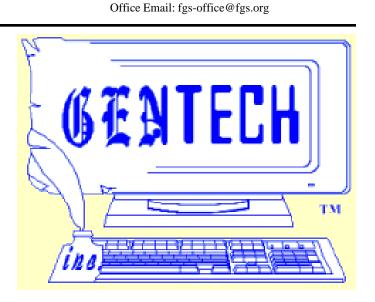
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will be held in Phoenix, Arizona on Friday the 17th and Saturday the 18th of January 2003.

The theme this year

- "Digital Technology - The Ancestral Frontier" —

is appropriate for the conference content and the geographical location. The two-day agenda will feature nationally known speakers in a variety of fields relating to the union of traditional genealogy and modern technology. Plus, there will be an exhibit hall with dozens of organizations from the genealogical community who will be presenting their best and latest products and services. And as with past GENTECH conferences, there will also be a special Library Day before the conference proper. That will be on Thursday, January 16, 2003.



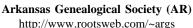
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Cochise Genealogical Society (AZ) http://www.mycochise.com

Northern Arizona Genealogical Society (AZ) http://www.rootsweb.com/~aznags/

Conejo Valley Genealogical Society (CA) http://www.rootsweb.com/~cacvgs/

North San Diego County Genealogical Society (CA) http://www.cagenweb.com/nsdcgs

San Mateo County Genealogical Society (CA) http://www.smcgs.org

Solano County Genealogical Society (CA) http://www.scgsinc.org

Whittier Area Genealogical Society (CA) http://www.cagenweb.com/kr/wags

Colorado Genealogical Society (CO) http://www.rootsweb.com/~cocga

Southeastern Colorado Genealogical Society (CO) http://www.geocities.com/secogeneso

Southern Genealogist's Exchange Society (FL) http://www.sgesjax.tripod.com

Ellen Payne ODEM Genealogy Library (GA) http://www.scottishtales.com/familytree/

Chickasaw County Genealogical Society (IA) http://www.rootsweb.com/~iachicka/CK_FrontPage.htm

Phillips County Genealogical Society (KS) http://skyways.lib.ks.us/kansas/genweb/phillips/

Central Louisiana Genealogical Society (LA) http://www.rootsweb.com/~laclgs/index.html

Minnesota Genealogical Society (MN) http://www.mngs.org

Jefferson County Genealogical Society (NE) http://www.rootsweb.com/~nejeffgs/

American-Canadian Genealogical Society (NH) http://www.acgs.org

New Mexico Genealogical Society (NM) http://www.nmgs.org

Nevada State Genealogical Society (NV) http://www.rootsweb.com/~nvsgs Nevada Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (NV) http://sar.annetta.com

Pursuing Our Italian Names Together [POINT] (NV) http://members.aol.com/pointhompg/home.htm

Westchester County Genealogical Society (NY) http://www.rootsweb.com/~nywcgs

Licking County Genealogical Society (OH) http://newark.lib.oh.us/lcgs

Oklahoma Genealogical Society (OK) http://www.rootswem.com/~okgs/

Historical & Genealogical Society of Indiana County (PA) http://www.rootsweb.com/~paicgs/

> Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society (PA) http://www.lmhs.org

> > Mennonite Family History (PA) http://www.masthof.com

American-French Genealogical Society (RI) http://www.afgs.org

Tennessee Genealogical Society (TN) http://www.rootsweb.com/~tngs/

Clark County Genealogical Society (WA) http://www.ccgs-wa.org

Genealogical Society of Finland http://www.genealogia.fi/

Looking For Elusive Germans

In case any of you have German ancestors, this site lists those who entered Canada through the port of Quebec between 1900 and 1909, their ages, their destinations, the ship, port of departure, and date of arrival:

http://pixel.cs.vt.edu/library/ships/link/quebec.txt





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NEVADA 1862 TERRITORIAL CENSUS

The Nevada 1862 Territorial Census project that CCNGS did for the Nevada State Archives is finally completed, checked, uploaded and now available on ROOTSWEB. There are links to it from the society websites, or it can be accessed at:

http://userdb.rootsweb.com/census/index/

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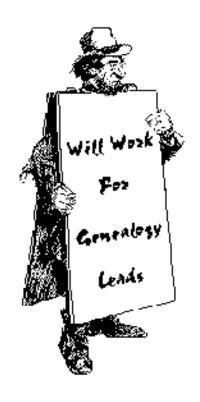
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7:00 PM CCNGS MEETING (225-5838)

19 Saturday

Fall Family History Seminar with Kory L. MEYERINK **20 S unday**

1:00 PM Jewish Genealogy Society of So NV - West (871-9773)

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2 Saturday

DAR, Silver State Chapter (293-0703)

9:00 AM Sons of the American Revolution - NV Society Denny's Restaurant, Maryland Pkw y across from Sunrise Hospital. Prospective members and guests w elcome.

6 Wednesday

6:30 PM Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Whitney Library, 5175 ETropicana. Prospective members and guests w elcome.

9 Saturday

Pursuing Our Italian Names Together, POINT (257-6628) Anna Bella, 3310 So Sandhill Rd. 257-6628 to reserve space.



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