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Third Saturday of the Month

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Paseo Verde Library

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Henderson, NV.

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Edwins Hall

Reformation Lutheran Church

580 East St. Louis

Las Vegas, NV.

Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society

Spring Family History Seminar

8 March 2003

JANE DOUMA PEARSON

TOPICS:

Washington, DC Research Facilities: Who has What? Overview of National Archives I & II, Library of Congress, DAR Library, Bureau of Land Management. What is available as published materials, microforms, newspapers & periodicals, maps, manuscript collections, military, also remote access.

Searching Passenger Arrival Records: Preliminary research, federal records, searching New York 1847-1896, Pre-federal Immigration, hints & warnings.

Original Federal Records in Washington & Regional Archives: Little used, not on microfilm or published. Hints on how to access.

Who, how & where of naturalization and records created: Who did naturalize, what was the procedure, how/where to access, specific hints to finding records.

CREDENTIALS: Jane DOUMA PEARSON is an archivist, professional genealogist and lecturer, specializing in Washington D.C. area source facilities, a genealogy instructor for Fairfax County Adult and Community Education, and a consulting family archivist. She is a graduate of the Modern Archives Institute of the National Archives and the Library of Congress and has worked as Processing Archivist on a records preservation project under a grant from the Library of Virginia.

She currently is an archivist with a company processing and managing corporate records. She has been a volunteer Docent and Staff Aide at the National Archives since 1992, serving three years as Docent Chair and as President of the Volunteer Association. She was Education Chair of the Fairfax Genealogical Society for two years and served three terms as Vice President/Program Chair. Jane is a member of the National Genealogical Society, the Association of Professional Genealogists, National Capital Area Chapter APG, the Genealogical Speakers Guild, the Society of American Archivists and the National Council on Public History.



DATE OF SEMINAR: 8 March 2003

TIME OF SEMINAR: 8:30AM - Registration & Exhibits/Sales 9:00AM - Seminar Begins 3:30PM Seminar Ends

LOCATION OF SEMINAR: Jokers Wild, 920 N Boulder Hwy, Henderson, Nevada

REGISTRATION FEE: \$35 Individuals (\$40 at the door) **Lunch included** / Half Day \$15 (\$20 at the door) **No Lunch**

REGISTRATION DETAILS: **Voice Mail:** 225-5838 / **E-mail:** CCNGS@Juno.com

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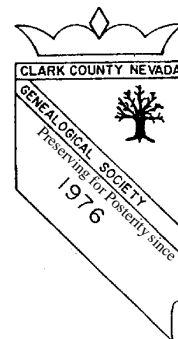
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Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society

Fall Family History Seminar

4 October 2003

with

Arlene H. EAKLE



Dr. **EAKLE** is president and founder of The Genealogical Institute, Inc. A professional genealogist with 35 years of experience, she has conducted on-site research at state archives, university and college libraries, county courthouses and public libraries throughout the United States, England, Germany, and Canada.

She has particular strengths in tracing Southern ancestors, including those with Native American Indian and Scots-Irish pedigrees. She has experienced noteworthy successes in tracing English, Scottish, German and Swiss ancestors.

As an author of more than 90 books and newsletters, she has been the coordinator of more than 300 workshops and seminars. Ms. **EAKLE** was the first American genealogist to receive the Julian Bickersteth Memorial Medal, the highest award given by the Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies of Canterbury, England. She was honored as a Fellow of the Utah Genealogical Association, presented in recognition of meritorious service rendered to genealogy and family history. She received the Award of Merit presented by the Federation of Genealogical Societies for distinguished work in family history, and was a Winner of the Graham Thomas Swallow, Jr. Award of Merit for personal commitment and outstanding service to the Association of Professional Genealogists.

Ms. **EAKLE** is one of the founding trustees of the Association of Professional Genealogists and Editor of *Research News and Immigration Digest*.

Her Research Specialties: Emigration & Immigration; Fur Trade; Native-Americans; Palatines; Scots-Irish.

Topics: (Note: not necessarily in order)

1. How to find birth, marriage, death dates prior to 1900
2. Vital records computer databases
3. Tracing the ladies on your pedigree
4. The case of the Missing Ancestor: How to use court records

Plan now to join us for this upcoming event.

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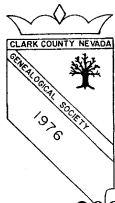
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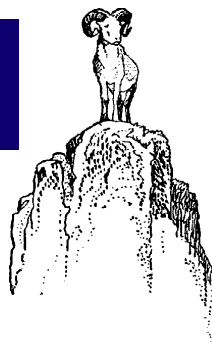
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The Internal Revenue has ruled that the Society is a tax-exempt Educational and Scientific Organization within the means of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Consequently donations of funds, library books and other property made to the Society are deductible contributions for the purpose of Federal Income Tax returns.

JOIN THE LIBRARY CREW

CCNGS Volunteers are busy at the new Paseo Verde Library, Heritage Room, helping patrons when they come to start or to continue researching their families. Patrons are at various levels of expertise, so sometimes just sharing genealogical stories with others will inspire all to continue their research or provide that extra little boost to go into another direction with their research.

If you have some hours one day a week, or every two weeks, or even once a month, we can use you as a volunteer at the library. Contact Ron HUGHES at the library, at one of our meetings, or by phone at 270-6955 and he will put you on the schedule.

REMEMBER, ONE OF OUR GOALS IS TO SHARE GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION WITH OTHERS. JOIN US!!

ANCESTORS DONATIONS

The Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society is currently sponsoring "The Ancestors Series" on Channel 10, KLVX, (PBS). It airs at 6:00 A.M. each Saturday morning for 30 minutes.

CCNGS would like to thank those members who provided a donation to Channel 10 through CCNGS to assist CCNGS in its sponsorship of this series which will educate members of our community on how to conduct genealogical research.

There are a few remaining programs to be aired, so don't miss out on these programs. Even the most advanced researcher can "pick up a few tips" to enhance his research. Check it out!

CALLING ALL TEACHERS (ANYONE CAN DO IT)

CCNGS has received numerous requests for its members to teach genealogical classes at all levels: introduction, beginning, intermediate, and advanced.

A program for "Introduction to Genealogy" (a two hour program) is currently available for use. It consists of numerous transparencies which can be used with an overhead projector and is easy to follow and to improvise with additional information from your own knowledge base. Also, one of our members is currently attempting to secure additional information on teaching "Beginning Genealogy" classes. This will be followed with formats for classes on Intermediate and Advanced levels.

Carole SCHRIEBER is currently looking for those of our members who would like to become involved with teaching some of these classes. Several people have already volunteered, but she can always use more participants. If you volunteer, you would be scheduled at your own convenience and classes will be developed to run for different periods of time.

If you are interest in helping with this project, please contact Carole at 565-3822 or e-mail: CAROLE04@EARTHLINK.NET We need YOU! (An you don't have to be a "teacher".)

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Meetings for 2003

(Meeting Topics Subject to Change)

- *Feb 15 **Short Topic:** Surnames in Search Engines: How to use wildcards etc.
Long Topic: Genealogy Resources at Paseo Verdi Library
- Mar 8 **Family History Seminar with Jane DOUMA PEARSON.**
- Mar. 20 **Short Topic:** Tips on searching in: Illinois, LaSalle Co.
Long Topic: How to use census information to locate more information
- *Apr 19 **Short Topic:** Civil War websites.
Long Topic: How to distribute information to family: i.e. develop a web site, burn a CD
- May 15 **Short Topic:** Tips on searching in: England.
Long Topic: Scrapbooks
- *Jun 21 **Short Topic:** How to find what is digitized and where/how to access.
Long Topic: Tools/programs useful to genealogy other than programs designed for genealogy use
- Jul 17 **Short Topic:** Tips on searching in: Newberry Library, Chicago.
Long Topic: How to get information from those old photos
- *Aug 16 **Short Topic:** Computer Problems & Solutions: Bring problem for solution
Long Topic: Demo of Cindi's list: How to find what you need
- Sep 18 Birthday Party / New officers installation // Some "FUN"
- Oct **Fall Family History Seminar**
- *Oct 18 **Short Topic:** Tips on purchasing computer, scanner, printer for genealogy enhancement
Long Topic: Program Demo: Freebie types
- Nov 20 **Short Topic:** Tips on searching in:
Long Topic: Writing a Family History
- *Dec 20 **Short Topic:** Tips on how to find what is available in a given town/county/locality
Long Topic: Program Demo:





Las Vegas Family History Center Hours

Tues - Fri 9 am to 8 pm

Sat 9 am to 6 pm.

509 S. 9th Street, Las Vegas, NV 89101

(702)382-9695

HELP FOR UNREADABLE HIGHLIGHTED TEXT

Bobbi from Chicago

Here are a few things to keep in mind when photocopying highlighted text. First of all, remember that there are colors that most copiers will not pick up. It will just copy the highlighting as a solid or a dark line.

There are two exceptions. One of them is light blue. In fact, you can even specifically buy markers in 'Printers Blue'. With this blue, you can take a letter printed on white paper, write all over it, make a copy, and the only thing that will show on the duplicate is the original letter, without the blue markings. You won't even get gray marks from writing with this particular marker.

If you take that same letter and put it in a small copier (I used to have a Canon Personal Copier), all of the blue markings will show up, because most personal copiers ignore pink markers instead of blue.

For those who have problems with the pink marker - when you scanned it as a picture, I'm guessing there was still a gray background. If you don't know anyone with a personal copier, try keeping your eye out for small stores that allow you to make copies. They usually have a small copier on a stand, and there's a good chance it will ignore the pink marker.

If you that want to continue using highlighters, take a plain sheet of paper, a black pen and one of each of the colors of highlighter that you have. Print the word yellow, then highlight it with your yellow highlighter, then leave a little space, print the word blue, then highlight it with your blue highlighter, and so forth, until you have a one spot for each color that you have. Take the paper to the place where you usually make copies and copy it. Now, you know which highlighters you can use. If you like using highlighters, at least you'll know ahead of time which colors you can use.

YOUR INTERNET RESOURCE FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

The AFRO-American Almanac ® is an on-line presentation of the African in America. It is a historical perspective of a nation, its people, and its cultural evolution from the beginning of the slave trade through the Civil Rights movement, to the present. Information that it provides will give you a better understanding of the problems we face today as a nation.

Various presentation formats are used to better portray the diversity that is African and American. Your comments are welcomed. We hope you enjoy your visit to the AFRO-American Almanac ®.

Go to <http://www.toptags.com/aama>

Lone Mountain Family History Class

2003 calendar

(A class may change if something new is available)

Class is taught by Lee NISHIMOTO

She has a degree in Genealogy and has taught for over 30 years. We are very lucky to have access to expert knowledge.

When: Every 3rd Tuesday

Where: 70100 W. Azure- Lone Mountain Stake Center
(directions below)

Time: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Class Schedule

January 21

Immigration: "Jumping across the pond" How to find ports, passenger lists and sites involving immigration

February 18

Finding the lost women in your ancestors: It is difficult to find the women's maiden name. Some ideas on what to do.

March 18

Probate records: Where to find the records and how to use them.

April 15

Land Records: How they are vital in finding ancestors in the 1700's and early 1800's. Where to find them on the internet

May 20

Preparing for a visit to the Courthouse and Archives: People are traveling in the summer and will be visiting various genealogical sites. Learn what you need to do for field research.

June 17

Church records- Where to find them on the internet and how to use them

July & August

No Class

September 16

Record Analysis: How to put all the information you have gathered together and glean all the information from each source. We have had this class before and it was excellent.

October 21

Ancestry.com: Go over the new sites they have add this year.

November 18

TBA

Questions: Pat PRINCE 395-9224 / e-mail rlprince@worldnet.att.net

Family History Room-Open every Wed. night 6:30-8:30 PM

Directions to chapel - Go west on Ann Rd., past TeePee and Park, turn north on Grand Canyon, go about 2 blocks past the school zone and turn west on Azure. Go up Azure and you will see the chapel. We meet in the north end of the building.

LAS VEGAS FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

The Family History Library on 9th and Clark now has Ancestry. com on its computer(s) for all patrons to use. If you have not checked Ancestry's databases, hustle on down to the library and check out your family on-line. It might be wise to call in advance to reserve time on one of the computers.

Las Vegas Family History Center, 509 S. 9th Street, Las Vegas, NV 89101 (702) 382-9695.

Hours: Tues - Fri 9 am to 8 pm; Sat 9 am to 6 pm.

PREP WORK FOR RESEARCH TRIP TO A LIBRARY

Ron CHARD

To save valuable time at the library, visitors might want to try the following: access the libraries WebCat search engine via the Internet to search the library catalog for the books they want to research while visiting the library. I live in Allen County and always do my book searches at home and print out a copy of the book information (titles and call numbers) before heading to the library. This saves me valuable research time when I arrive, and gives me a printed copy for reference of the books I researched.

3" x 5" INDEX CARDS FOR GENEALOGY "TO GO"

Trisha CARLSON

Sometime ago, there was an Ancestry.com tip about putting information on three-by-five index cards. At the time, I thought that would be a lot of work. The purse I carry is fairly large, but not large enough to carry three-ring binders or even folders of information. I tried putting my information in a spreadsheet but that involved taking a folder along with me, too. Every time I wanted to do some researching, I was burdened with a lot of stuff to carry.

I have now put my genealogy information on those three-by-five cards, punched a hole in one corner, reinforced that hole, and put each family (in order) on a key ring — without the fancy bob on the ring. You can buy rings of different sizes in most hardware stores. On the front of the cards, I put the ancestor, birth date and place if known, death date and place if known, spouse with their information and then listed their children. While it seems a lot of work, it has allowed me to reinforce items of information in my mind. On the back of the cards, I put what information I have gleaned, like Civil War Pension records, census information, the location, and the years involved.

For relatives still living, I put their address, phone number, e-mail address, etc. on the back. I've included one card that has a list of "things to do" for that family line. When I complete an item, I highlight it. When I get them all done, I can easily replace that card with another one. I've also condensed state maps with counties, then outlined and taped them on a card. I highlight the counties and areas I am researching. This gives me location perspective.

Now, I have a set of cards with a lot of information on them that I can put in my purse and know I have pertinent information to continue my research wherever I may happen to be. Whoever first suggested the three-by-five cards, thank you!

QUILTS IN YOUR HISTORY

Nancy HENDRICKSON

Family Tree Magazine EMail Update, 31 October 2002

While in Kansas, my aunt showed me a quilt she purchased in about 1948. It was sewn as part of a fundraiser by the ladies aid society of a local church. The quilt features the names of church members and their families. For a name to be included on the quilt, the person had to pay 10 cents. It's a beautiful heirloom quilt and I hope someone reading this column will be inspired to do something similar. I've posted photos of the name quilt and the Lone Jack history quilt online. In addition, newsletter reader Margaret CHRISTENSEN sent in a photo of a quilt she did entirely by hand. Each block depicts the life of an ancestor of Margaret or her husband. You can see a portion of her quilt online too. I've uploaded everything to:

<http://nancyhendrickson.com/cemetery/quilts.htm>.

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TIME TO REGISTER

Spring Family History Seminar

8 March 2003

with

Jane DOUMA PEARSON

Registration forms attached

(Note: All Day Includes Lunch)

Pre-Registration \$35 all day

\$15 Half Day - AM or PM

Pre-Registration Deadline 1 March

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At the Door \$40 All Day

\$20 Half Day - AM or PM

NEW BOOKS

AT THE PASEO VERDE HERITAGE ROOM

Map Guide to the U.S. Federal Censuses 1790-1920 by THOMDALE and DOLLARHIDE. This is a must read to determine if county lines shifted and affected where your ancestors were residing.

How to Research American Indian Blood Lines by CARPENTER. This is a revised edition to our earlier edition.

Locating Union & Confederate Records by MOREBECK. Do you have Civil War ancestors?

Uncle, We Are Ready; Registering America's Men 1917-1918 by NEWMAN. AWWI resource.

You Ought to Write All That Down by DRAKE.. recording your family history.

The Historian's Where to Write Directory by *Heritage Quest*.

PASEO VERDE LIBRARY NEWS

Gayle HOMADAY, HDPL

I just want to alert you to a new database we have purchased that may have some application to genealogical research. It is the ReferenceUSA database at the bottom of our Online Database page on our website. It is a comprehensive nationwide listing of phone book information, including the residential pages. In the past I know researchers have come to the library looking for this type of information as part of their family research. It will be linked to the Heritage Room page at the library.

CEMETERIES IN DENMARK LOOK AT ALL THE FREDs?

Jan HARMON (Arnold, MD.)

This tip may be of some help to those whose ancestry takes them to Denmark's family burial sites. They should know ahead of time that the system there is quite different than that which we have here in the states.

This past June, my sister and I were fortunate enough to be able to travel to Denmark. After having spent the last year researching my ancestry, I was looking forward to finding the burial sites of my great-great-grandparents. We knew which of the various churchyards they were buried in.

We were surprised to learn that after twenty-five years, the vast majority of Danish graves are 'reused!' Meaning, the headstone is removed and someone else's "dearly departed" is laid to rest in the same plot with a new headstone.

You might be wondering what they do with "Great-Grandpa." We wondered as well. Well, it turns out that Great Grandpa isn't actually evicted but now has company. You see, what they do is dig very deep graves (about ten feet or so), use no cement vault and use wooden caskets. After about twenty years or so, nature takes its course and there's not much left. (Remember ashes to ashes, dust to dust?) It was explained to us that because they are such a small country they don't have the room to do what we do. If they did, they'd run out of room for the living.

There is a provision to keep the grave intact and in fact there are a few graves from the 1800s, but it takes a fair amount of money to do that. The fee for this "perpetual care" is equivalent to a few thousand dollars, and those left behind must tend the grave. Thus, most Danes tend not to participate.

They are very pragmatic about the whole issue of death and cemeteries and don't want to be a burden on their children and grandchildren.

Also, imagine our surprise (and amusement) when we found our fourth great-uncle's grave site with the headstone of another. On the very top of the stone above the usual name and dates was the name "FRED," like a nickname. We thought this was an unusual nickname for a Dane! We asked our cousin why there were so many "Freds" in Denmark. She was puzzled at first then started to laugh. Actually, "FRED" loosely translated means "rest or sleep in peace." (OK, so there's a learning curve!) So, when you go traipsing around Denmark in search of ancestors' graves, you may find the churchyard and possibly the grave, but also expect to find a lot of Freds!

WIDOW IN WHITE

L.A. KALEN

I lost my sweetheart over a year ago to cancer. I grieved for him, and would go to the cemetery day and night to sit by his grave. One night last fall, I had the urge to go to visit his grave and didn't bother getting dressed. I drove there in my long-sleeved, long white night gown, and I have white hair. I was crying beside his grave and the wind was blowing. My voice must have carried to a party of teenagers that was partying nearby in the cemetery. Can you picture a person grieving, dressed in all white flowing from head to toe? Well I sure scared them. They flew out of the graveyard leaving their beer behind. We've had no vandalism or thefts from the graves for over a year.

The Census Taker's Home

from: June PELO, FINNGEN

Well, I'm surely glad to be home, that I am. I tell you another day like this one and I am good mind just to fill them papers out on memory and be done with it. Here, put these socks over there next to the fire to dry out, will you? Got down yonder this mornin' and everyone in Household 451 through 486 was gone. Some big shindig goin' on down there. Good thing the folks in 441 could tell me who they all was. Here, reckon you could go over some of the writin' on this here page? Got smeared a bit in the rain. I think you can 'cipher most of it out.

Then them folks down in the holler got suspicious over a census. Said, and derned if they had a point, what difference did it make who they was? Was them guvment folks up in Warshington going to come down here to say howdy do? So they finally let me write down they last name and first initial, but I think they wuz havin' a bit of fun with me when they listed who lived in the house. Saw some winkin' goin' on and I believe I got the same house a youngins in two or three places. It been a day, woman. Honey, git that paper out of Johnny's mouth, wil ya? I worked all day on that thing, and no call to let him go chewin' it up.

Went up the river a piece and tried to get that done 'fore it come a downpour, but run into trouble there, too. Ole Man Jenkins' cur dog run me off and I tell you, ain't no call to get eat up over such a thing as this. They ort to be a limit what a man does for his country. Was lucky a man down the road mostly knew Jenkins was nigh on sixty years old and was living there with his woman and five youngins from his first marriage plus a passel from the second. We give em good Christian names.

Best be doin' something 'bout this pen. It give out on me halfway through. See you havin' trouble, too. Johnny! Hand that here, boy!

And I tell you I would ruther fight grandpap's British than mess with that feller out on the ridge. He got out his shotgun soon as he seen me comin' and I went t'other direction. Had Jones tell me about him instead, and he didn't rightly know the feller's first name. Said they called him "Squirrel", and it was ok just to put that cause wasn't nobody around here claimin' him no how, and they for sure didn't want the guvment knowin' there was any relationship. That coffee done?

Then got over to SMITHs, and ole Hoss was in a nervous fit so wasn't no getting information there. His woman havin' another youngin and he looked like he could run right through me when I went to askin' how many youngins he had now. Hightailed it out of there, and Miz HART helped me straighten that household out. Think we got most of the names straight, and as he has had a youngin a year for the last ten, ages purty close too. Now look what Johnny went and done!

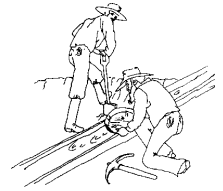
I tell you, next time this come around I ain't gonna be no where in sight. Farmin's a heap easier, and I figger they're folks 'round here what can read and write and 'cipher and ain't no good fer nothing else we can spare for this foolishness. Pass me another 'tater, will you?"



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QUERIES



BADEY, KIMBALL, LUMSDEN

Wish to correspond with descendants of Kate Eleanor **KIMBALL** (b 12 Jul 1875) and her husband William Stephen **LUMSDEN** who were married 2 Oct 1895. His parents were John Edward and Mary Amelia (**BADEY**) **LUMSDEN**. They had two daughters, Jane Belle **LUMSDEN** and Mary Amelia **LUMSDEN** who lived in the Oakland, CA. vicinity. William was a locomotive engineer on the Southern Pacific Railroad and they were residents of Tracy, San Joaquino Co, CA. in Sep 1901.

Eloise **KIMBALL**, 2621 Big Timber Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89134-7846; eloisekim@aol.com.

BARTLETT, MAURICE

Seeking information abt Sarah Estelle **BARTLETT**, b. 23 Aug 1854 in New York, m. Mathew **MAURICE** in April 1873, and d. 20 Jun 1939 in Palo Pinto, TX. Their children were Dasie, Cecile, Bruce, Jerry, Walter Scoff, Neill, and Bertha.

Jana **WALKER** 2713 Tidewater Ct, Las Vegas, NV 89117, e-mail: jmwalkerlv@earthlink.net

BEHR, HEIDT

Need parents of **HEIDT**, George; b 14 Jan 1840 in Neupotz?, Rheinpfaltz, Germany; d 19 November 1925 in Erie, PA.; m 4 Jul 1870 in Erie, PA. to **BEHR**, Theresa, b 31 August 1848 in Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz, Germany, d. 23 Jan 1915 in Erie, PA.

John **FISCHER**, 4532 Wisconsin Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104; JOHNGF@LV.RMCI.NET

BIBLE, THOMPSON

Need any info on parents or siblings of Thomas Odell **THOMPSON**, b. Sep 1826 in AL., a blacksmith, married Rhoda Recebba **BIBLE** ca. 1851 in Marion Co., TN, then settled in Hill Co., TX abt. 1855.

Carole **SCHREIBER**, 439 Wright Way, Henderson, NV 89015; carole04@earthlink.net

BRADBURY, KIMBALL, TYLER

Searching for descendants of Mary Alice **KIMBALL** (b 23 Aug 1882) and husband Willard Thurston **TYLER**, married about 1900, probably in the Oakland, CA. area. Also her twin brother, Albert DeWitt **KIMBALL** and his wife Martha Mabel **KIMBALL**. Were her parents Porter **KIMBALL** and Alice Rhoda **BRADBURY**?

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BRODBECK

I have a small testament dated 1916 from Y.M.C.A. Inside is a money order from Lancaster, Ohio to Switzerland 12/1922. There is also an Identification Card which reads: "Corp. Karl **BRODBECK**, Co. L. 166 U.S. inf. 42nd Division, 83 Brigade. In case of illness or accident, please notify Mr. Carl **BRODBECK**, Liestal, Switzerland." Please contact me if this is your family.

Mac **PURSEL** 4015 W. Arby Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89118, (702) 361-6116

DECH, DECK, WELSCH

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

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DEGNER, KÖLLER

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

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DeLANO, WHITNEY

Need birthplace of Franklin L. **WHITNEY**, born 24 July 1833. Son of Job Whitney Jr and Sylvia **DeLANO**. Siblings were: Charles Henry; George W; Egbert DeLane; Frederic J; John A; Gustaves A; Alonzo and Myron J. Died in Watertown, NY possibly.

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DIESSE, SCHULZE

Need information on Johannes (John) **SCHULZE**, b. abt. 1807 in Büchholz, Germany. He married Anna Maria **DIESSE**. They settled in southern Wisconsin abt 1860.

Margaret **LOUIS** 2479 Walsh Glen Ct., Henderson, NV 890952, e-mail: louisrn@nevada.edu

GAYLOR, THOMPSON

Seeking descendants of Carl Edward **THOMPSON**, b. abt 1885; m. Lillie Mae **GAYLOR**, abt 1889. Both born in Lexington, Rockbridge Co., VA. Had 3 children: Ernest & Sadie (twins) born 1907, and Paul born ? Children born in Goshen, Rockbridge Co., VA.

Alyce D. **WELCH** 2189 Point Mallard Dr., Henderson, NV 89015 (702) 270-9590; email: ALYCEWB@aol.com

GILBERT, MUELLER/MILLER, PAUL

Seeking any info on "Johannes" Jonathan **GILBERT**, born ca. 1845 in Hessen Darmstadt, Germany. Married 12 Oct 1879 in Pittsburgh, PA. to Ernestina Wilhelmine Caroline **MUELLER/MILLER**, dau of Friedrich Ehregott **MUELLER/MILLER** and Christine Phillippine **PAUL**.

Carole **SCHREIBER**, 439 Wright Way, Henderson, NV 89015; carole04@earthlink.net

HARROD

Seeking ancestors/descendants of Allen Augustus (Guss) **HARROD**, b. 31 Jan 1855 in MS., d. 29 Dec 1941 in Van Zandt Co., TX.; and wife, Lora M., b. 15 Jun 1865 in TX.; d. 1 Jun 1913 in Van Zandt Co., TX.

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LIUKKONEN

Seeking descendants of Johan (John) **LIUKKONEN** who was born in Finland and lived in the Quincy-Braintree area of MA. in the early 1900's. Served in WW I and known to have one daughter and relatives in MN.

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McCARTHY, McCARTY, SULLIVAN

Searching for death date and place (in Wisconsin) of Mary **SULLIVAN**, wife of Jeramiah **SULLIVAN**. Suspect she died in Ashland County, Wisconsin, possibly Hurley (town) before 1900. Reportedly, she is buried next to "Baby **McCARTHY/McCARTY**".

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McLEOD, SUTHERLAND, TATE

Seeking origin in Scotland of Norman **McLEOD**, son of Donald **McLEOD** and Margaret **SUTHERLAND**. He was b. 5 Jun 1832 and d. 19 Mar 1896 in Erie, PA. Also seeking origin of his wife Mary **TATE**, also b. in Scotland 10 May 1843, d. 6 May 1914 in Erie, PA. Kathleen **WUENSCHEL** 4532 Wisconsin Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89104, e-mail: kmw57@juno.com

RITZENTHALER

Looking to communicate with other **RITZENTHALER** descendents; descendents of Jacob/Jacques **RITZENTHALER** (Sr.) who was married to Salome' and Jacob/Jacques (Jr.) who was married to Madeleine/Ellen and resided in North Freedom and Reedsburg, Sauk County, Wisconsin 1875 to early 1900s. Helen **SMITH** 26 Quail Hollow Drive, Henderson, NV 89014, e-mail: HSmithlv@prodigy.net

WORTHAM

Seeking ancestors of Louis (Lula) Francis **WORTHAM** (female), b. 18 Jan 1889 in AR.; d. 26 Dec 1969 in Dallas, TX. Mark **DEERING** 2963 Bel Air Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89109, e-mail: mdeers@aol.com

LIBRARY LUCK

Paulette **TITUS**.

I have many ancestors who came from or through Pennsylvania. Since this is too far for me to travel in my genealogy research, I've done a lot of correspondence with others in the area. One cousin sent a copy of a page she found in a local library. She included the name of the book and author, as well as the page number and the name of the library. I was thrilled with the information! A few years later, I decided there might be more information in that book but had lost the contact person. My library was unable to get the book on interlibrary loan and suggested I write to my cousin's local library. My librarian gave me the address of my cousin's library and the name of a contact person. "I wrote to the librarian, offering to pay for copies of other pages in the book, including the index. Within a week, I had a reply that included the copies I'd requested. My contact said there was no charge as this was a service they enjoyed providing for their people. I found more of my relatives on other pages of the book, and when I sent a thank you card to the librarian, I told her of my success and appreciation. Often we're too content with the information we find and forget there might be other gems lurking just around the corner. My tip of the day? Don't be too content! **And** always show your appreciation.

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JEWISH GENEALOGY CENTER OPENS IN GERMANY

A new resource for helping Jews of Germanic descent connect to their ancestral past opened in Wurzburg, Germany last week. The Ephraim Gustav **HOENLEIN** Genealogy Project is a research center created by the Ronald S. **LAUDER** Foundation in partnership with the Jewish Community of Wurzburg. The center's namesake fled Nazi Germany to live with his family in the United States. Ephraim's son, Malcolm **HOENLEIN**, was present at the dedication of the new center in Wurzburg. "It is important for the younger generation to be able to find out about and explore their history," he said. You can e-mail queries to bbkrauss@hotmail.com or call +49 (69) 7137-460. Another **LAUDER** Foundation project is in the works for 2004.

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BURIED WITH HER MAIDEN NAME

Joan **SKIRVIN** (Scottsdale, AZ.)

My mother's father's name was **HOHMEISTER**. His aunt Pauline, is buried next to her mother and father in Evergreen Cemetery (Southgate, Campbell Co., KY). Her stone says she is Pauline **HOHMEISTER**. However, I found she had been married to a **TOLSTON**, and that there was an infant **TOLSTON** buried there, unmarked grave. I never found a record of a divorce and she always appeared as **HOLMEISTER** in the Census. I wonder how many "unmarried" women are buried with their maiden names instead of their married names.

Genealogist's Wish List

I want ancestors who could read and write, had their children baptized in recognized houses of worship, went to school, purchased land, left detailed wills (naming a huge extended family as legatees), had their photographs taken once a year - putting said pictures in elaborate isinglass frames annotated with calligraphic inscriptions, and carved voluble and informational inscriptions in their headstones.

I want relatives who managed to bury their predecessors in established, still extant (and indexed) cemeteries.

I want family members who wrote memoirs, who enlisted in the military as officers and who served strategically important (and well documented) skirmishes.

I want relatives who served as councilmen, school teachers, county clerks and town historians.

I want relatives who 'religiously' wrote in the family bible, journaling every little event and detailing the familial relationship of every visitor.

In the case of immigrant progenitors, I want them to have arrived only in those years wherein passenger lists were indexed by the National Archives, and I want them to have applied for citizenship and to have done so only in those jurisdictions which have since established indices.

I want relatives who were patriotic and clubby, who joined every patrnomial society they could find, who kept diaries and listed all their addresses, who had paintings made of their houses, and who dated every piece of paper they touched.

I want forebears who were wealthy enough to afford and to keep the tribal homestead for generations and who left all the aforementioned pictures and diaries and journals intact in the library.

I want ancestors with names like Rudimentary Montagnard or Melchizenick Von Steubenhoffmannshild or Spetzntatz Giafortoni, not William Brown or John Hunter or Mary Smith.

But, most of all, I want relatives I can FIND.

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AHNENTAFEL

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First Generation

1. Patricia Lee HARRIS born on 31 May 1937 in Oakland, Alameda Co, CA.

Second Generation (Parents)

2. Benjamin Fredrick HARRIS born 1 Aug 1899 in Malden, MA.; died 12 May 1966 in Martinez, Contra Costa Co., CA.; Benjamin married Florence Luella CLOUD, 6 Jan 1934 in Oakland, Alameda Co., CA.
3. Florence Luella CLOUD born 5 Nov 1910 in San Francisco, CA.; died 10 Jun 1990 in Walnut Creek, Contra Costa Co., CA.

Third Generation (Grandparents)

4. John Turner HARRIS born in Nov 1850 in Shelburne, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 4 Feb 1917 in Malden, MA.; John first married Louisa LLOYD, born 8 Oct 1841 in Brighton, England; died 22 Jan 1895 in Malden, MA.; and second married Catherine (Kate) HUNT 27 Dec 1898 in Malden, MA.
5. Catherine (Kate) HUNT born 6 Mar 1872 in Croydon, Surrey, England; died 21 Mar 1939 in N. Quincy, MA.; Catherine married, second George E. McMAHON 6 Jun 1920 in Malden, MA.

Fourth Generation (Great Grandparents)

8. Benjamin HARRIS was born 10 Nov, abt 1822 in Shelburne, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 19 Apr 1892 at 174 Pearl St, Chelsea, MA.; buried in Woodlawn Cem., Everett, MA.; Benjamin married Rhoda ? between 1841-1842. (Rhoda was born about 1827; died 18 Oct 1849 in Shelburne, Nova Scotia, Canada.); Benjamin next married Deborah TURNER, daughter of John TURNER and Phoebe Jane ?, 17 Feb 1850 in Christ Church, Shelburne, N.S
9. Deborah TURNER was born abt. 1834-1835 in Arcadia, Nova Scotia; died 22 Jan 1907 in Malden, MA.; buried in Woodlawn Cem., Everett, MA.
10. Frederick HUNT was born in 1843 in Horsham, Sussex, England and was christened 12 Jul 1843 in Horsham, Sussex, England; Frederick married Maria OAKES about 1868.
11. Maria OAKES was born about 1844 in Bungay, Suffolk, England.
12. William H CLOUD born about 1848 in Hardin Co., OH.; died 30 Oct 1886 in San Francisco City & Co., CA.; buried in Lone Mountain Cem., in San Francisco; William married Lulu GOLDSBY, daughter of Zachariah Nance GOLDSBY and Harriet Elizabeth (Hattie) JETER, 9 Nov 1874 in Chillicothe, Livingston Co., MO.
13. Lulu GOLDSBY (6) born 10 Dec 1857 in Petersburg, Menard Co., IL (6); died 12 Jun 1924 in Oakland, Alameda Co, CA.; buried in Odd Fellows, Cem, S. 1/2, Lot 7 blk. J, Santa Cruz, CA. Another name for Lulu was Mary Luella GOLDSBY.
14. John K. MILLER born 19 Mar 1856 in Utica, Oneida Co., NY.; died Oct. 1936 in Oakland, Alameda Co, CA.; John married Florence Anne HARDIMAN, daughter of Charles HARDIMAN and Sarah Ann TALBOT, 25 Sep 1877 in Utica, Oneida Co., NY.
15. Florence Anne HARDIMAN born 13 May 1859 in Buffalo, Erie Co., NY.; died 5 May 1912 in Oakland, Alameda Co, CA.

Fifth Generation (Great Great Grandparents)

16. John HARRIS born about 1777 in Carmarthenshire, Wales and died 3 Jan 1858 in Welshtown, Shelburne Co., Nova Scotia, Canada. John married Mary JAMES 2 Aug 1798 in Llandyfriog, Cardiganshire, Wales.
17. Mary JAMES born about 1779 in Wales and died 11 Apr 1871 in Welshtown, Shelburne Co., Nova Scotia, Canada.
18. John TURNER born about 1826, died 16 Nov 1902 in Chelsea, MA. and buried 18 Nov 1902 in Woodlawn Cem., Everett, MA.; John married Phoebe Jane ?.
19. Phoebe Jane ? born between 1818-1828, died 23 Feb 1898 in Malden, MA.; buried in Woodlawn Cem., Everett, MA.
20. Jeramiah HUNT. Jeramiah married Catherine Unknown.
21. Catherine Unknown .
24. David CLOUD born in 1807 in PA. and died about 1878 probably in Hardin Co., OH.; David married Mary Jane SCOTT.
25. Mary Jane SCOTT born about 1811 in PA. and died between 1850-1860 in Hardin Co., OH.
26. Zachariah Nance GOLDSBY son of James GOLDSBY Jr. and Elizabeth BINGLEY born 4 Jun 1836 in Sangamon Co., IL.; died 27 Jun 1925 in Oakland, Alameda Co., CA.; buried in I.O.O.C. Santa Cruz Memorial Cemetery, Santa Cruz, CA.; Zachariah married Harriet Elizabeth (Hattie) JETER, daughter of William Griffin JETER and Elizabeth McCutcheon BERRY, on 24 Mar 1857 in Petersburg, Menard Co., IL.
27. Harriet Elizabeth (Hattie) JETER born 25 Nov 1838 in Petersburg, Menard Co., IL.; died 10 Sep 1897 in Oakland, Alameda Co., CA.; buried in 1906 in I.O.O.C. Santa Cruz Memorial Cemetery, Santa Cruz, CA.
28. Johann Christian KUCHEMULLER born 14 Jun 1819 in Schoenhausen, Hannover, Germany; died 29 Dec 1900 in Utica, Oneida Co. NY.; Johann married Rosine STRITT, daughter of Fenlon STRITT and Rosa ?, 26 Feb 1855 in Utica, Oneida Co., NY.
29. Rosine STRITT born in 1830 in Baden, Prussia; died Feb 1905 in Utica, Oneida Co. NY.

30. Charles **HARDIMAN** born 24 May 1829 in England and died 10 Sep 1871 in Litchfield, Herkimer Co. , NY. Charles son of Dionysius **HARDIMAN** and Unknown; married Sarah Ann **TALBOT**, daughter of Henry **TALBOTT** and Anne (Annie) **TALBOTT**, about 1855 in Herkimer, NY.
31. Sarah Ann **TALBOT** born about 1837 in England and died 7 Jun 1883 in Litchfield, Herkimer Co. , NY.

Sixth Generation (3rd Great Grandparents)

48. John **CLOUD** born between 1769-1776 in VA. John son of Mordecai **CLOUD** and ?; married Ann **McGUIGEN** before 1794.
49. Ann **McGUIGEN**. nfi
52. James **GOLDSBY** Jr. born 20 Dec 1793 in KY and died 2 Dec 1854 in , Menard Co., IL.; son of James **GOLDSBY** Sr. and Nancy **MATHEWS**, married Elizabeth **BINGLEY**, 23 Dec 1812 in Green Co., KY. James next married Margaret **PILLSBURY** 16 Oct 1843 in Menard Co., IL.
53. Elizabeth **BINGLEY** daughter of Lewis **BINGLEY** and Elizabeth **MORRIS**, born 9 Dec 1797 in James City Co, VA and died 30 Dec 1840 in Menard Co., IL.
54. William Griffin **JETER**, son of Thomas **JETER** and Sarah (Sally) **BENFIELD** born 20 Sep 1807 in Louisville, Jefferson, KY and died 31 Aug 1867 in Chillicothe, Livingston Co., MO. William Griffin **JETER** married Elizabeth McCutcheon **BERRY**, 13 Mar 1832 in Bernadotte, Fulton Co., IL.
55. Elizabeth McCutcheon **BERRY** daughter of Samuel James **BERRY** and Jane Ann **WEIR**, born 3 Oct 1812 in Franklin Co., TN and died 31 May 1875 in Chillicothe, Livingston Co., MO.
56. Johann Georg **KUCHEMULLER** born in 1774 in Germany and died 16 Apr 1854 in Germany. Johann married Christine Elizabeth **LANGSCHMIDT** about 1813 in Germany.
57. Christine Elizabeth **LANGSCHMIDT** born in 1785 in Germany and died 11 Aug 1861 in Germany.
58. Fenlon **STRITT** born about 1805 in Germany. Fenlon married Rosa ?
59. Rosa ? was born in Germany.
60. Dionysius **HARDIMAN** born in 1799 in England and died in NY. Dionysius married no record of her name about 1825 in England.
62. Henry **TALBOTT**, son of Thomas **TALBOTT** and Frances **FARNLEY**, was born in England, was christened 30 Jan 1806 in Lawshall, Suffolk, England, died 27 Mar 1873 in Litchfield, Herkimer, NY. and buried in Jerusalem Hill, Litchfield, Herkimer, New York. He married Anne (Annie) **TALBOTT**, 12 Nov 1833 in England.
63. Anne (Annie) **TALBOTT**, daughter of Sergeant **TALBOT** and Ann Maria (Mariah) **GOLDSMITH**, christened 20 Aug 1812 in Lawshall, Suffolk, England, died 17 Feb 1902 in Santa Monica, CA. and buried 19 Feb 1902.

Seventh Generation (4th Great Grandparents)

96. Mordecai **CLOUD**. Mordecai married ? before 1743.
104. James **GOLDSBY** Sr., son of Stephen **GOLDSBY** and Martha **THOMAS**, born 18 Nov 1764. Married Nancy **MATHEWS**, about 1782 in , VA.
105. Nancy **MATHEWS**, daughter of William **MATHEWS** and Jemimah ?, born 9 Jul 1765 in VA. and died 8 Mar 1845.
106. Lewis **BINGLEY**, born about 1763 and died 13 Oct 1799 in Charles City, VA. Lewis married Elizabeth **MORRIS**, 23 Feb 1788 in James City, VA
107. Elizabeth **MORRIS**, daughter of John **MORRIS** and Elizabeth **TURNER**, born about 1771 in James City Co., VA. and died 11 Jan 1850 in Petersburg, Menard Co., IL. Elizabeth next married Zachariah **NANCE** 15 Dec 1802 in James City Co., VA.
108. Thomas **JETER**, son of William **JETER** and Nancy Ann **GRIFFIN**, born about 1780 in VA. and died about 1845. Thomas married Sarah (Sally) **BENFIELD**, about 1806 in Jefferson Co., KY.
109. Sarah (Sally) **BENFIELD**, daughter of Samuel **BENFIELD**, Jr. and Dorothy **SPALDING**, born in 1780 in Annapolis, Anne Arundel Co., MD and died before 1830 in KY?.
110. Samuel James **BERRY**, son of James **BERRY** and Elizabeth **McCUTCHEEN**, born 27 Jan 1780 in Westmoreland, VA and died 10 Feb 1855 in Petersburg, Menard Co., IL. Samuel married Jane Ann **WEIR** 6 Sep 1803 in VA.
111. Jane Ann **WEIR**, daughter of James **WEIR** and Margaret **SHARPE**, was born in 1784 in, Washington, VA and died on 13 Mar 1834 in IL.

Eighth Generation (5th Great Grandparents)

208. Stephen **GOLDSBY** , son of Thomas **GOLDSBY** II and Tabitha ?, born in 1730 in Goochland County, VA. and died in 1782. Stephen married Martha **THOMAS** before 1764
209. Martha **THOMAS** . nfi; (Stephen **GOLDSBY** was born in 1730 in Goochland Co., VA. and died in 1782.)
210. William **MATHEWS**. nfi; William married Jemimah ?.
211. Jemimah ?.
214. John **MORRIS** son of John **MORRIS**, born in 1730 in James City Co., VA. and died before 1794. John married Elizabeth **TURNER** before 1753.
215. Elizabeth **TURNER**, daughter of John **TURNER** and Mary ?.
216. William **JETER**, son of John **JETER** Jr. and (?) Sarah **DOZIER**, born about 1734 in Caroline Co., VA. and died in 1786 in Caroline Co., VA. William married Nancy Ann **GRIFFIN** about 1777 in Caroline Co., VA.
217. Nancy Ann **GRIFFIN** born in VA and died in KY?. William next married Margaret **VAUGHN**, daughter of Martin **VAUGHN** and ?, on an unknown date in Caroline Co., VA.
220. James **BERRY**, son of Thomas (Senior) **BERRY** and Esther **BUCHANAN**, born in 1740 in VA and died in Bowling Green, KY. James married Elizabeth **McCUTCHEEN**, in 1762 in Augusta Co, VA. (Elizabeth **McCUTCHEEN** born circa 1744 in VA and died

by 1812.)

221. Elizabeth McCUTCHEM daughter of James McCUTCHEM and Grisal CAMPBELL, born circa 1744 in VA and died by 1812.

222. James WEIR, son of Hugh WEIR, died 20 Mar 1820. James married Margaret SHARPE 19 Feb 1783.

223. Margaret SHARPE, daughter of John SHARPE and Unknown, born 22 Dec 1763 and died Sep 1848.

The Census

Twas the first day of the census, and all through the land,
each pollster was ready...a black book in hand.

He mounted his horse for a long dusty ride,
his book and his quills were tucked by his side.

A long winding ride down a road barely there,
toward the smell of fresh bread wafting up through the air.

The woman seemed tired, with lines on her face,
and wisps of brown hair tucked back into place.

She gave him some water...as they sat at the table,
and she answered his questions...the best she was able.

He asked her of children. Yes, she had quite a few ...
the oldest was twenty, the youngest not yet two.

She held up a toddler with cheeks round and red;
his sister she whispered was napping in bed.

She noted each person who lived there with pride,
and she felt the faint stirrings of the wee one inside.

He noted the sex, the color, the age...
the marks of the quill soon filled up the page.

At the number of childrenshe nodded her head
and felt her lips quiver for the three that were dead.

The places of birth she..."never forgot",
Was it Georgia? or Alabama? or what?

They had come cross the sea, of that she was clear,
but she wasn't quite sure how long they'd been here.

They spoke of employment, of schooling and such,
they could read and write some, but really not much.

When the questions were answered, his job there was done,
so he mounted his horse and rode toward the sun.

We can almost imagine his voice loud and clear,
"May God bless you all for another ten years".

Now picture a time warpits now you and me,
as we search for the people on our family tree.

We squint at the census and scroll down so slow,
as we search for "THAT ENTRY" from long, long ago.

Could they ever imagine on that long ago day,
that the entries they made would effect us this way?

If they knew, would they wonder at the yearnings we feel,
and the searching that makes them so lovingly real?

Would they understand our efforts, our struggles,
to reach back to touch them because they are ours?

Hush now awhile, we can hear if we listen the words they impart,
"Our blood's in your veins and our love's in your hearts.

- Author Unknown

COMPARING

FUNERAL HOME RECORDS WITH DEATH CERTIFICATE

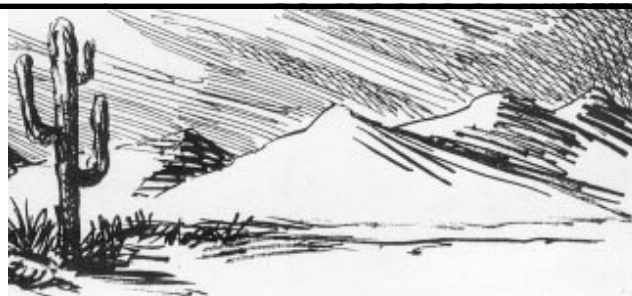
Stephana MARTINEZ

I went through the card files at a funeral home where some family members were buried and wrote down all the information recorded about deceased relatives, including who the informant had been.

I always record this information in the hopes that the informant is 1) still living or, 2) has living relatives who will lead me to the mother lode of information I am wishing for. I also went to the Department of Vital Statistics and got the copies of death certificates of the persons whom I had researched at the funeral home.

When I got home and began to compare one particular set of records (certificate vs. funeral home) I noticed that the name of the death certificate informant did not match the informant name I had copied from the card files. The wife of the deceased had been the informant as recorded at the funeral home (along with her 'X' signature). The informant on the death certificate was one of the funeral home directors - who relayed the information he had been given to Vital Statistics.

Now I wonder if some of the informants listed on certificates that I have tried to locate (unsuccessfully) in the past were relatives or friends of the deceased, or if they worked at the funeral home and relayed the information they had themselves been given. I will keep this in mind the next time I am unable to tie in the informant name on a death certificate to the deceased.



THE LONE RANGER CREED

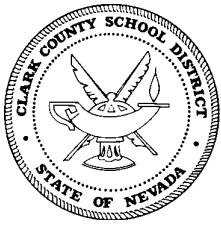
I BELIEVE THAT TO HAVE A FRIEND,
A MAN MUST BE ONE.

-THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL AND
THAT EVERYONE HAS WITHIN HIMSELF THE
POWER TO MAKE THIS A BETTER WORLD.

-THAT GOD PUT THE FIREWOOD THERE BUT THAT
EVERY MAN SHOULD GATHER AND LIGHT IT HIMSELF.

-THAT MEN SHOULD LIVE BY THE RULE OF WHAT
IS BEST FOR THE GREATEST NUMBER...

CLAYTON MOORE, 1914-1999



CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Prospector 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.

Oran K. GRAGSON Elementary School



Oran K. GRAGSON was born 14 February 1911, in Tucumcari, New Mexico. GRAGSON attended high school in Texas, but his family left the state when the Dust Bowl hit.

The Great Depression found him riding the rails, seeking work. In the fall of 1932, he was headed for what would later become Hoover Dam. "I caught a freight train out of Oklahoma," he recalled. "Six days later, I arrived in Las Vegas, Nevada, at 11 o'clock at night." GRAGSON landed a job at the dam,

worked for two weeks, but failed the first company physical and was dismissed due to a hernia which later caused him to also be rejected for military service in 1944. Three days later, he went to work at \$1 an hour driving a truck for J.C. Compton, a road construction outfit.

On 24 December 1934, he married Bonnie HENLEY, his childhood sweetheart in Mansfield, Arkansas. The car drive back to Las Vegas was their honeymoon. Bonnie was not impressed with the little railroad town. GRAGSON called upon his diplomatic skills which served him so well in later years. "I walked her out on the street, showed her the bank and the other buildings. Then I told her, 'One of these days I'm going to be mayor of this town.'" He was only kidding, he admitted, and Bonnie stayed.

Once back, the couple went to work for Pete PECCOLE, who operated a bar and cafe at Railroad Pass. PECCOLE needed someone to run the cafe and he also needed a waitress. The GRAGSONs came as a package deal.

Back then everyone was an entrepreneur; everyone had a real estate deal going on the side. GRAGSON's first enterprise was The Little Secondhand Store which opened 18 December 1937. Used furniture was a growth industry in the blue-collar town, Las Vegas. Later his partners closed the secondhand store, so he worked for a while at Basic Magnesium.

Then he went into partnership in a furniture store with George SKYLSTEAD at 1100 E. Charleston Ave. A few years later, he sold his interest to SKYLSTEAD and opened his own store at 808 N. Main Street, a piece of land he continued to own. He began to sell television sets before there was a television station in town. But one was being planned and GRAGSON owned an 18 percent interest in what would become KLAS-TV, Channel 8. Later he sold his interest in Channel 8 to Hank GREENSPUN to acquire the needed money to expand the furniture business, especially more Admiral television sets. They sold so well the Admiral Company rewarded Oran and Bonnie with a trip to London for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II. (Later he felt he made a mistake by selling the station.)

In those early days, local police officers often carried keys to local businesses to allow cops access in case of a burglary or fire. After a

few strange incidents in which his door seemed to unlock itself during the night, GRAGSON became suspicious. "I locked the door myself; I knew it was locked," he recalled. "At about 11 that night, I got a call from the police telling me that they'd found my door open, and a television stolen." This happened three or four times.

"If they hadn't have done that, I would never have run for mayor," GRAGSON declared. His idyllic image of his hometown was replaced with an ugly picture of a place so corrupt that police could burglarize with impunity. By mid-1960, an investigation had uncovered a full-blown burglary ring within the Las Vegas Police Department resulting in dismissal of many individuals.

In the election of 1959, Oran GRAGSON who was not the favorite and lacked political or governmental experience was elected mayor of Las Vegas. He got hardly any votes from the Westside, but the second time he ran (1963), he got 89 percent of the votes there. The reason for the surge in popularity was GRAGSON's introduction of equal representation. GRAGSON discovered there was a city fund earmarked for depressed areas; West Las Vegas, with its mostly unpaved, mostly unlit streets certainly fit the definition, therefore the majority of that money went for improvements on the Westside.



Almost everywhere in Las Vegas, Oran GRAGSON's influence can be seen. GRAGSON immersed himself in planning the Fremont West Expressway, now part of U.S. Highway 95, which in 1982 became the Oran GRAGSON Expressway.

GRAGSON went on to devise and implement a code of ethics for all city employees following some questionable activities of city officials regarding land acquisition by the city.

A big project loomed on the horizon. The city had long outgrown the old City Hall. GRAGSON proposed to build a City Hall complex (at 400 E. Stewart Avenue) a couple of years before the commission approved it, therefore what would have cost \$5 million then wound up costing \$8 million. Even so, GRAGSON regarded it as his single greatest accomplishment.

He proposed the construction of Cashman Field Center while mayor.

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The President Was Counted Twice

Charles **RECKER**

From time to time we hear complaints from folks about the so-called “undercount” in the Federal Census. In fact many of us genealogists have stories to tell about relatives who were known to have lived in a particular area during the year of a census, but who don’t show up in the records.

However, there is another side to the coin. Some folks have managed to get themselves counted twice. I have a 2nd great uncle named Valentine Mosier who was counted twice in Allen Co., Ohio, in 1850 - once living at home with his parents, and once on the farm of a neighbor where he was employed as a hired hand.

But a more interesting example of a double count is that of no less a personage than the president of the United States, specifically, Rutherford B. **HAYES**, who was president from 1877 through 1881. According to **BURKE**’s Presidential Families of the United States of America, President **HAYES** was born in Delaware, Ohio, in 1822 and retired to Fremont, Ohio, in 1873 after serving two terms as Governor of Ohio. He married Lucy **WEBB**, who was born in Ohio in 1831 and died in 1889. He and Lucy had eight children, but only five were living in 1880. They were: Sardis, James, Rutherford, Fanny and Scott, born in Ohio in 1853, 1856, 1858, 1867 and 1871, respectively.

As you might expect, the president and his family can be found in the 1880 record from Washington D.C. This record shows the president as age 57, born in Ohio; his wife, “Lucy W.”, as age 48, born in Ohio; daughter Fanny, age 12 born in Ohio; and son Scott, age 9, born in Ohio. Also in the household were five other persons whose relationship to the president is given as “other”. Except for the 3-year-old child, they were probably household servants: two were identified as mulattos, Winnie **MONROE**, age 50, born in Kentucky; and Mary **MONROE**, age 23, born in Ohio. Three were white: Anna E. **O’BREIN**, age 45, born in Ireland; Mary A. **BURNS**, age 36, born in Scotland; and Mary J. **BURNS**, age 3, born in the District of Columbia.

But the president and his family also show up in the census record from Fremont, Ohio. In this record the president is consistently identified as age 57, born in Ohio, and Lucy, now called “Lucy **WEBB HAYES**”, is identified as age 48, born in Ohio. The record is also consistent with respect to Fanny and Scott, who are both shown as born in Ohio, age 12 and 9, respectively. But the Fremont, Ohio, household also included son Rutherford, identified as age 21 and born in Ohio. Anna **O’BREIN** and Mary A. and Mary J. **BURNS** are not in the Ohio household, but the household does include Winnie and Mary **MONROE**. In the Ohio record the **MONROE** women are identified as black rather than as mulatto, but Winnie is shown as age 35, born in Ohio, and Mary is shown as age 18. Her birthplace is not given. The Ohio household also included a 27-year-old Ohio-born black man named Isaiah **LANCASTER**.

It appears that when the president and his wife lived in Ohio they had only three servants and that when they moved to Washington they released Isaiah **LANCASTER** and replaced him with two women, one of whom had a child. Son Rutherford apparently did not relocate to Washington with the rest of the family. Although some might be troubled by the fact that six of these folks (the president, his wife, two children and two servants) were counted twice, we as genealogists might well be more troubled by the inconsistencies in the way in which the two **MONROE** women were reported. Although the differences in the racial classifications from “black” to “mulatto” might be understandable, the differences in their reported ages and places of birth should serve as a warning to us that the census, like any other record, is only as reliable as the person taking the record, and should not be relied upon as Gospel.

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DUSING Family

Marge (**DUSING**) **PACHECO**

I knew nothing about my **DUSING** family of Attica, New York. I first contacted the Attica Historical Society and was several pictures and the obituaries of the William and Gertrude, my grandparents, born in New York state.

I had never heard that I had any other earlier relatives and in the package was the obituary of Friedrich **DUSING**, b.1827 d. 1905, and son William, b. 1851 d. 1911. All were from Germany and they had settled in Attica in 1872.

In December 2001, I went to Attica to take pictures of where the **DUSING** Saloon that William owned and where he died in 1911. It is now an insurance company. 1977 was the last time for me to be walking through deep snow and this was my first experience of taking pictures of the headstones.

I contacted the church the family attended to see if I could find out where in Germany they came from. I received a wonderful email from Betty **YOUNG**, the church historian, who said that they were all from Mecklenburg. As a young child she remembered my grandmother Gertrude as having a beautiful voice and always wearing a large brimmed hat when she sang on Sundays in the choir. In the early days the church was called The German Church and nothing but German was spoken. Betty’s grandmother would make her go to church in hopes she would pick up some German. In time the church soon had every other Sunday service in English.

Now, how do I go about finding records in Mecklenburg? I first went to Family History Center run by the LDS church here in Las Vegas and looked at some of the Mecklenburg baptism films and made a copy of a **DUSING** record.

I found a German website for genealogy and Marie **RENKEN**, treasurer of MFP, did the translation. But this was not my **DUSING**. Marie offered on her next trip to the archives to find my family. And she did as far back as 1822. She copied all the original records, translated them for me and then went to the villages of Liepen and Grammow and took many pictures. Because this area of Germany is in the East, not much has changed during the time my family left in 1870.

The family thought there would be objection because of Franco-Prussian War that began in 1870, as a result of a dispute between France and Prussia, a German state. All the other German states joined Prussia. The war abolished the Northern German Confederation and created a new German empire. It helped set the stage for World War I by increasing French and German hostility.

Because the oldest son had flatfeet, he was able to be exempted from serving. The permission letter was signed 28 September 1870. The grandparents, parents and children, a total of nine, left Hamburg on the Thuringia on October 26, 1870, and arrived New York on November 9th.

After the recent reunification of Germany, this area of Mecklenburg is now called Mecklenburg-Vorpommern.

Marie **RENKEN** located the estate on which Friedrich worked as a bookkeeper and the building was still standing where he had lived so many years ago. She also found a letter where he had asked permission from the Duke to leave. If Friedrich hadn’t done this, which was the law, it would have been very difficult for Marie to find these records.

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And it was on **GRAGSON**'s watch that the city embarked on an ambitious park-building program, acquiring Lorenzi Park and Tule Springs, along with its artesian water well.

Three days before the 30th anniversary of his furniture store in 1967, **GRAGSON** closed it to devote his full attention to his mayoral duties. "I could not have done both as well as I did one," he said simply.

GRAGSON was elected to his third mayoral term (1967-1971) with no opposition, and it was during this term that the new City Hall was completed. He was challenged in the 1971 election by Bill **BRIARE**. Like nearly every campaign in which **GRAGSON** had been involved, it was a very civil contest. **BRIARE** recalled that the only issue he was able to raise was **GRAGSON**'s longevity in office; **GRAGSON** was running for a fourth term. "That was the only issue I had because he had been such a good mayor that there was nothing much to talk about," **BRIARE** stated. **BRIARE** lost, but was elected mayor in 1975 - with **GRAGSON**'s endorsement.

GRAGSON said that he never thought he had all the answers and weighed every decision pretty thoroughly before he made it. He hoped he didn't make too many bad ones. He joked that his biggest mistake was not quitting after the third term.

Oran **GRAGSON** was a 70-year resident of Las Vegas, former mayor of Las Vegas, past president of Nevada League of Cities, past chairman of the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, chairman of Downtown Progress, and a member of the Elks Lodge, Eagles, Friend of Youth, Daylite Lodge 44, the Scottish Rite and the Zelzah Shrine. With wife Bonnie he co-chaired the American Cancer Society's 1976 Cancer Crusade. **GRAGSON** was a past chairman of the President's Committee to Employ the Handicapped.

A local elementary school bears his name; it is located at 555 N Honolulu Street in Las Vegas. Almost every city park and many of the recreational facilities were built during his years at the helm. Two regional agencies can also trace their roots to plans he developed. **GRAGSON**, among his many accomplishments, helped bring to the attention of the Nevada Legislature the need for regional street planning which led to the creation of the Clark County Regional Streets and Highway Commission, which today is the Regional Transportation Commission. **GRAGSON** also was a key figure in forming the Regional Planning Coalition. But he may best be remem-

bered for his actions during a period of racial strife in the late 1960s.

In 1976, **GRAGSON** was appointed state chairman of President Gerald **FORD**'s election campaign. In 1979, Governor Bob **LIST** named **GRAGSON** to the State Public Works Board. He also served on the Valley Hospital board of governors and, in the mid-1980s, was its chairman.

In 1983, the Southern Nevada Urban League honored **GRAGSON** with its Founders Award for helping minorities secure housing and employment and for initiating the Urban Renewal Committee and Human Rights Commission in the 1960s.

During his four terms as mayor, **GRAGSON** served on the advisory boards of both the National League of Cities and the National Mayors Conference. When **GRAGSON** opted not to run for a fifth term at Bonnie's request, he became executive director of the Downtown Progress Association, a post he would hold until his retirement in 1986.

Oran K. **GRAGSON**, 91, died Monday, 7 October 2002, at a local hospice. He was survived by his wife, Bonnie; son, Kenneth R., both of Las Vegas; daughter, Shirley **ARANDA** of Phoenix; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Services were held Shadow Hills Baptist Church followed by burial at Palm Valley View Memorial Park.

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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".

CUT THROUGH THE RED TAPE

Solicitors kept their clients papers in a file folder tied with red ribbon to prevent the papers from falling out. Of course, when they wanted to get at the papers, they would have to cut through the red tape.

Note from Glenn **BARRY**: I read that "red tape" came from the Indian Administrative Service practice of tying files with tape, these were moved by "Peons" by hand from office to office. No senior person would move a file no matter how important because of the caste system. Thus the uneducated lower caste would slow down the movement of files, thus the files were tied up with red tape, having been to India in recent times and seen this still the case I can understand where it came from. One official I went to see had the file we were talking about on the bench behind him but rang his bell for the peon to come, which took some minutes, and then asked him to get the file! This took .2 of a second.

MILITARY RECORDS DISCOVERED

The Veterans Administration has reported discovering 10 million duplicates of 20th Century Military Records. These records were thought to have been destroyed in a 1973 fire which wiped out most Army records from 1912 to 1960 and most Air Force records from 1947 to 1964.

If you need records that you were told were burned, you may contact: Veterans Personnel Records, GSA, St. Louis, MO 63132.

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SO CLOSE YOU COULD TRIP OVER IT...

Georgia KRAMER-HINSKE

My sister Alex and I spend every free moment on our family genealogy. We often ride out to the cemeteries our ancestors are supposed to be in, looking for their graves. One old cemetery was supposed to have our great-great-uncle buried in it along with members from two strains of my family. But we were unable to find him.

Like so many cemeteries in northern Illinois, this cemetery was on the corner of a farm field and is mowed by a larger tractor mower. The ground was never graded so you can't tell if you're going to step in two inches or fourteen inches of deep grass.

Well, the last three times we went out there, she would take one side and I the other and it never failed that I would trip and fall flat on my face. Which, by the way, is very humiliating for a professional ballet dancer.

This last time I fell, instead of getting up right away I busted out laughing on the ground and my sister came over to laugh with me (or at me?), commenting that it was always in the same spot that I would fall. It was then that I noticed a difference in grass types and began clearing the crab grass to find that what I had been tripping over was Thomas HESSELGRAVE's head stone! There was our great-great-uncle all along! The head stone had busted off at the base and over the years the grass grew over it. (And I redeemed myself as a graceful dancer).

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Putting the Piles to Pasture

Juliana SMITH

Last night I opened Pandora's box. Yes, I finally unpacked my family history. I've cleared a shelf in my office closet and am ready to start putting my binders away. It is time to set up my wonderfully organized family history files. But wait, what's with all the piles of paper? This box is supposed to be organized. Have there been gremlins in here wreaking havoc with my files. Or was it me?

I am guessing you know the answer to that question, but in my defense, I started the moving process back in mid-July and absolutely nothing in my house has been organized since. Why would I think my family history would be an exception? Thinking back, I can understand how this mess came about. Mom (Loreffo **SZUCS**) has made several trips to Salt Lake City and a trip to Ireland since I packed up my binders. Between the pages and pages of old notes she dug up from her files as she prepared for the trips, and the large piles of paperwork that she brought home, I have amassed quite a collection of new information.

Last week's column talked a little about that four-letter word file. Well, that's what I need to do now, and since I've had a number of questions recently on what to do with all this paperwork, I thought that we'd spend a little time talking about filing systems.

Because everyone's situation is unique, the best filing system for you is one that fits with your style. Big help, huh? Seriously though, when you pull out your files for a good research sessions, how do you want to view them? Let's talk about some options:

The Great Debate: Notebook vs Folder

The first thing you'll want to consider is what to keep your documents in. Like most of the other things we'll cover today, the choice here is really just a matter of preference. Some people like the flexibility that folders provide, allowing you to spread things out and move them around easily as you work on a problem. And being able to take out just the documents you need as you work, rather than rifling through a binder for various records can be appealing.

For myself, I choose binders. I just know myself too well. I want those pages firmly attached to the binder so that they can't migrate into other folders and form new piles that I'll have to go back and re-file. Within the binder, I use archival-quality plastic sleeves to keep important documents safe.

Arrangement

Once we've decided on a form of containment, we need to think about the structure. Just filling the binders with documents isn't going to help us be organized. When you first begin, you may be able to fit everything into one or two binders, but trust me, that doesn't last long!

There are a number of filing systems that you can be use, including:

By Surname. With this system you'll want to do a substructure, breaking it down by given name, family, generation, location, or chronologically.

By Family. This is the structure I use, with each family getting a binder, divided into sections for each individual. In cases where I don't have a lot on a family, there may be several families (usually parents and children) in one binder.

In my filing system, it's all about the kids in the family. Each individual's records are in a group with his/her siblings. I keep a individual report with all the vital information on the parents in with

their children, but their original records are filed with their siblings, their parents with their respective siblings, etc. Since I usually include timelines and transcriptions of records in my family history database, I print them with the report and have that information handy anyway.

By Location. If you have branches of your family scattered in a number of locations, you may choose to arrange your files along geographical lines. Again here, as with the other systems, you'll want to come up with a subsystem to file within each location, but this can be very helpful when working on resources from one particular area as all the surnames you need to search in that area are together.

By Record Type. Another option would be to rely on one binder or folder full of charts and reports that contain the pertinent information from the records you have collected and then arrange a filing system by record type, with each record numbered and filed in the appropriate place. The number location is noted in the database and printed on reports, allowing the user to locate the record easily if it needs to be reviewed. This could also be used as a subsystem of files, which are arranged in the previous methods.

One advantage of this system is that you can avoid having to make copies of records that reference more than one family member for each person's file. You just have the one copy in a central location and cross-reference it with all the individuals that it pertains to.

The Riffraff

Then there's that stuff that just doesn't fit in. The family sections of the binders are reserved for those individuals that I am sure are family. The lists of your surnames from an index, pages of directory listings, printouts of various records for individuals that you think might be related, etc. these I relegate to the back of the binder in a separate section. In many cases, I've even had to start new binders just for the riffraff.

Here again, we need to come up with a file system, but it can be complicated when were looking at large lists of people. In my world, directory listings, lists of surnames pulled from indexes, they go in the front. If I've identified an ancestor or two in the list, I may either copy the page in their section, or transcribe it, but I want the list in with the riffraff because this is where I often go to brainstorm. Notations can be made to remind us of which individuals we've proven to be ours.

Miscellaneous records of individuals who may or may not be related, get filed by surname, then given name, and then chronologically if necessary. Other options for keeping track of these folks include, indexing them on index cards, using an electronic filing system, or a word processing document or spreadsheet.

Do What Works For You

There are undoubtedly more systems, and plenty of combinations of these systems that can be used. The trick is to find the one that works best with your work habits. Once you've established a system, it becomes easier to stay on top of things. As intimidating as the large piles I have waiting for me to file are looking, since my system has been established, I hope to knock it out fairly quickly.

One thing I have noticed though is that some of the binders are getting rather full (this is a good thing!). As I go along I find that I need to rearrange some binders as it becomes necessary. The beauty of three-ring binders though is that this is a relatively easy chore. Sections can be pulled out to create new binders and pages can be rearranged easily

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Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society SPRING FAMILY HISTORY SEMINAR

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JANE DOUMA PEARSON

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Searching Passenger Arrival Records: Preliminary research, federal records, searching New York 1847-1896, Pre-federal Immigration, hints & warnings.

Original Federal Records in Washington & Regional Archives: Little used as not on microfilm or published. Hints on how to access.

Who, how & where of naturalization and records created: Who did naturalize, procedure, access, specific hints to finding records.

CREDENTIALS:

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She currently is an archivist with a company processing and managing corporate records. She has been a volunteer Docent and Staff Aide at the National Archives since 1992, serving three years as Docent Chair, and as President of the Volunteer Association. She was Education Chair of the Fairfax Genealogical Society for two years and served three terms as Vice President/Program Chair. Jane is a member of the National Genealogical Society, the Association of Professional Genealogists, National Capital Area Chapter APG, the Genealogical Speakers Guild, the Society of American Archivists and the National Council on Public History.



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if I find that I've outgrown my system.

You can also be flexible. The system you use for one family, may not work for another, so you might want to try something slightly different.

Other Ideas

If you're still having trouble locating documents as you need them, create an index for your binders.

Dividers, Post-It flags, and small numbered labels (applied to the plastic sleeves) can help you navigate to indexed pages.

If you are planning to publish or submit your genealogy to a publication, you may want to arrange your files to correspond with recommended numbering systems like the "NGSQ" System or the "Register" System, examples of which are included in "**The BCG Genealogical Standards Manual**," Appendix 0.

Color-coding can also be helpful in keeping lines straight. You could

use a particular color for each branch of your family tree, or maybe you'd rather use a particular color for direct line ancestors, and other colors for collateral lines.

The options for organizing your family history papers are endless, and finding a system that works will allow you to make much better use of your research time, because whatever system you choose, it is sure to beat the heck out of sifting through piles every time you need to find a document.

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Lake Havasu Genealogical Society, Inc.
9th Annual Genealogical Seminar
Saturday March 1st, 2003

Jean McRae **WHITE**

Jean is a native of the Chicago, Illinois area and has been actively doing genealogical research since 1974. She holds a BA degree in education from Mornmouth College, and taught third grade in the Chicago suburbs. Prior to moving to Arizona in 1990, Jean taught genealogy and lectured in Indiana and Kansas. Jean has served as president of West Valley Genealogical Society and editor of their quarterly publication. She currently chairs the collection development committee of their library. Besides teaching classes at their library, she has abstracted territorial marriages of Maricopa County. Jean is also past president, editor and archivist of *The Castor Association of America* (a surname organization with 400 members). She is editor of their newest book, **The Descendants of Paulus and Gertrude Kusters of Kaldekirchen, Germany and Germantown, Pennsylvania.** She has also served as a Trustee on the Board of The Association of Professional Genealogists. Her current memberships include The Genealogical Speaker's Guild, and the Arizona Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists.

Seminar Registration at 8:00

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
2170 Havasupai Blvd.
Lake Havasu City, Az
(Comer of Havasupai and Acorno Blvds)

Schedule

8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.	Registration
9:00 - 10:00	Ideas for climbing over the brick wall
10:00 - 10:30	Break
10:30 - 11:30	Weird and wonderful sources of information
11:30 - 12:30	Lunch Break
12:30 - 1:30	Tips for death records and probate
1:30 - 2:00	Break
2:00 - 3:00	Who was that woman I saw you with? (Finding maiden names)

Registration - \$25.00, non refundable, includes lunch and snacks.

Late registration. \$30.00

Early Registration Deadline is Friday, February 21, 2003

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Schedule of Genealogical Workshops

Feb 4	Naturalization ~ Immigration Records
Feb 14	Introduction to Military Records
Feb 18	Preserving Your Family's History
Feb 25	Introduction to Genealogical Resources
Mar 3	1930 Census Search Strategies
Mar 5	Naturalization & Immigration Records

All workshops begin at 9:30 am.

Introduction to Genealogical Resources

For beginners and those who want to brush up on their basic skills, this workshop addresses the use of Federal census, passenger arrival, naturalization, and military records as well as basic reference works.

Offered Tuesday, February 25 at 9:30 am.

Introduction to Military Records

This workshop will explore basic military resources for genealogy relating to American military actions from the Revolutionary War through the conflicts of the late 20th century. Special resources and techniques useful in genealogical research from World War II to the present will be emphasized.

Offered Friday, February 14 at 9:30 am.

Preserving Your Family's History

Participants in this workshop will learn basic methods for organizing genealogical records and preserving photographs, historical documents, and other treasured heirlooms.

Offered Tuesday, February 18 at 9:30 am.

1930 Census Search Strategies

The 1930 Federal Population Census was released April 1, 2002, and is mostly unindexed. This course will instruct genealogists on the five NARA locator films and two public websites used for locating individuals. Instructed by Dr. Joel **WEINTRAUB**, NARA Volunteer.

Offered Monday, March 3 at 9:30 am.

Naturalization and Immigration Records

This course examines immigration and citizenship records, emphasizing procedural changes from 1790 to the present as well as methods for locating both naturalization records and passenger manifests.

Offered Tuesday, February 4 and Wednesday, March 5 at 9:30 am.

Reminder: Reservations Required!

Class sizes are limited. Please call (949) 360-2641, ext. 0 to reserve your place in each class you would like to attend. All workshops cost \$7.50, payable at the door. If you cannot attend any of these classes but wish to remain on our mailing list, please call Randy **THOMPSON** at (949) 360-3427.

Driving Directions

From I-5, exit at Oso Parkway and head west. Turn left at La Paz Road. Follow La Paz through the intersection with Avila and make the next right on Allegra, a small side street in the midst of an office park. Go straight and park in any unmarked space.

“Died After” Dates

Susan HOPKINS - Urbana, Illinois

I have a lot of people in my family trees for whom I have no death date or place. In order to make it easier to keep in mind where and/or when I've found them alive (in a census, or an obituary's list of survivors, for instance), I record the information in my software's spot for recording deaths. I record it as Died: After [the date]. For the place, I type in "last found [the place]" if my source indicates such.

Doing this helps in two ways.

1. It makes it much clearer where I might begin to look for more records when I have the opportunity.
2. When I upload the latest update of my file at Ancestry.com or Rootsweb.com, other researchers can get a better idea of whether the people in my files are of interest to them. My Benjamin FRANKLIN and A. Lincoln HUFFMAN, whom I've last found alive in the 1880 census in Kansas are not likely to be the same as someone in their family who shares the same name, but who appears in the 1880 census in Ohio, or who died in 1860.

Adding Historic Events To Timelines

John VOMHOF

I just read an article on timelines in the 23 September Ancestry Newsletter. In addition to preparing family timelines, I find it interesting - for myself and other family members who are less into the details - to include historical dates on my timeline. It shows what else was happening in the world.

For example, my great grandparents were married on 19 April 1865, just four days after President Lincoln was assassinated.

I have also included historical and famous sports events. I include when each president was elected and the population of the U.S. at each census.

Capture Stories On Tape

Tina HOUCK - Longview, Washington

It has been a year since my paternal grandfather, Leonard McDONALD, passed away. However, I will always remember the wonderful moments we had together in his later life sitting around boxes of old and unorganized photos and tin types scattered on the dining room table, learning of the stories behind them, and watching great old memories flash to my grandpa's eyes. My tip of the day is to sit a voice-activated tape recorder next to you where you sit discussing the photos and to capture the stories. Also, list the names of the people in the pictures on the back of the photo in pencil or on an acid-free ink. I miss Grandpa very much, but each time I look into my collection of old photos, I have the memories and names to apply to my family tree.

Ancestry Quick Tip

Paffy MERTZ - Nashville, Tennessee
Ancestry News, October 30, 2002

I was intrigued that a 19th century Pennsylvania German ancestor whose name was WEIDENHAMMER was listed in a city directory of the day as WEIDENHAMER (one 'm'). A reference librarian at a historical society explained how this came about when she was shown a photograph of the ancestor's tombstone. The name on the stone was WEIDENHAMER with a line over the 'm.' She said this line was commonly used with German surnames to indicate a double consonant. So when the ancestor signed the Directory form, he must have written WEIDENHAMER with a line over the m. Transcribed by the typesetter into English, the name appears misspelled.

Road Atlas Reference

Cindy HARTWICK - Attica, Michigan

As I track my ancestors' migration from Boston to Michigan, via New York, I cut pages of each state out of a Road Atlas. I put these into page protectors in my binders so they are always within reach at the library when I make a new discovery. My family name is SHATTUCK, and I even found a Shattuckville in Massachusetts. A new destination for a road trip next spring!

Scanning Tips

Joanne HINTZ

For scanning, since the use of a white box - bright white or too-smooth surface - can cause reflections, glare, and color wash-out, I use a medium to light grey to provide better contrast with light-colored objects and a "soft" surface instead of "hard." (Photographer's backdrop or even construction paper rather than a glossy paper or tagboard.)

To avoid color bleed-through when scanning paper with printing or writing on both sides of the paper, place a sheet of paper the same color as the writing over the back of the page being scanned. The back will seem to be a uniform color, and the print or writing from the back will nearly always disappear.

WHAT IS "ONCE REMOVED"?

From: June PELO (Finngen, 30 October 2002)

This explanation appeared on Finngen and should be of interest to many people who don't understand what "once removed" means. In the November's issue of *Biography Magazine*, Rhonda R. McCLURE, Genealogist, provided this genealogy description of "once removed." Here is her explanation of this term.

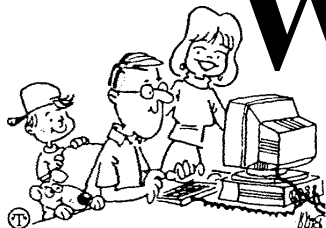
First cousins share a common grandparent, while second cousins share a common great-grandparent, third cousins share a common great-great-grandparent and so on. In all of these cases, they are the same number of generations away from the common ancestor.

With first cousins who are "once removed", they are one generation apart, or removed, in their connection to that ancestor. In other words, one descends from the grandparent; the other from the great-grandparent. For example, your first cousin's daughter is your "first cousin once removed".

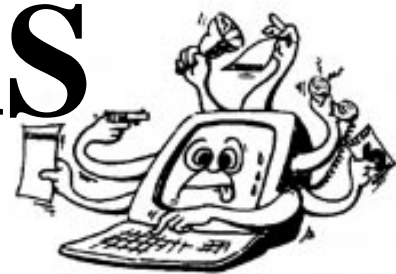
When we say that Lee Marvin is a 1st cousin 4 times removed of Robert E. LEE, this means that Robert E. LEE's grandfather was Lee Marvin's 4th-great-grandfather. Lee Marvin's 2nd great-grandmother, Ann Matilda LEE, and Robert E. LEE were first cousins.



WEB LINKS



HTTP://



Solano County Genealogical Society (CA)

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~cascgsi/>

Decatur Genealogical Society (IL)

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~ildecgs>

Sons of Norway, Vegas Viking Lodge #6-152 (NV)

<http://www.vegasviking.com>

Milwaukee County Genealogical Society (WI)

<http://www.MilwaukeeGenealogy.org>

Kanawha Valley Genealogical Society (WV)

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wvkvgs>

Official Website for the church of Ireland

<http://ireland.anglican.org/home.html>

The Ships List

<http://www.theshiplist.com/index.html>

The Family Tree & Electric Scotland

<http://electricScotland.com>



SHOOTING DARTS

HalSEPPALA - Chassell, Michigan

Looking for new and fresh genealogy leads early in this new year? I got some results using an old technique - put the family name into a search engine, such as "Google" or "Yahoo". Look at results for possible family tree listings. If too many candidates, add the appropriate (Finnish) town or city location. It seems that more and more genealogies are showing up. I just got some new data on my interest in "Nikurautio". Sometimes it may require a note asking if they have any genealogy information, and they may respond with someone in the family who has. I try also with the word "genealogy" in it but seem to have more luck without it. Anyone have any other options in using this strategy?

MORE SHOOTING DARTS

Matti KIJALA - RMkujala@kolumbus.fi
Espoo, Finland (formerly of Red Lodge, MT., USA)

If you can savvy some terms (ie. Finnish or Swedish). You may get broader results using some related terminology. For example using the following Finnish words such as taulu, suku, sukupolvi plus a surname or complete name or place and so on. These will give greater access to (Finnish) compiled genealogies on the Internet. Use the same for those in Swedish, tabell, släkt, generation and so on. This technique can be used with any search.

SHOOTING DARTS PT III

Margaret SMITH

Your technique works using Genealogy + surname, Surname + parish or Genealogy + Parish (in Finland). I have also used just surname, then, searched within results for parish or genealogy. Sometimes I use old forms of (Finnish) names and find some new reference.

Icelandic database

Fridrik SKULASON (frisk@complex.is)

The "complete" Icelandic genealogy database is now open.

In 1988 I started a project that involved the creation of a single database of all Icelandic genealogy information from the earliest settlers until today.

Yesterday, 18 January 2003 that database was finally opened on the Web. It includes all currently living Icelanders, as well as over 95% of those mentioned in any records for the last 1129 years.

The database can be found at <http://www.islendingabok.is>

One can find information of more than 95% of all who have lived in the country from 1703 onward. The Book is available for all. One can find his relatives back to the 3rd generation and information about all born before 1700. The book shows that all Icelanders are related to each other - most of them in the 7th to 9th generation.



Remember

Feb. & Apr. meetings
the 3rd Saturday 9am-
12pm at the Library



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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1 Wednesday

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2 Thursday

6:30 PM Sons of Norway, Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152
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11 Saturday

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La Scala Risorante Italiano, 1020 East Desert Inn Road.
Please call 257-6628 to reserve space.

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Spring Family History Seminar
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JANE DUMA PEARSON
8 March 2003
at Joker's Wild

TOPICS:

Washington, DC Research Facilities: Who has What? Overview of National Archives I & II, Library of Congress, DAR Library, Bureau of Land Management. What is available as published materials, microforms, newspapers & periodicals, maps, manuscript collections, military, also remote access.

Searching Passenger Arrival Records: Preliminary research, federal records, searching New York 1847-1896, Pre-federal Immigration, hints & warnings.

Original Federal Records in Washington & Regional Archives: Little used as not on microfilm or published. Hints on how to access.

Who, how & where of naturalization and records created: Who did naturalize, procedure, access, specific hints to finding records.



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