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CCNGS CONDUCTS CLASSES

The Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society will be conducting classes at the Paseo Verde Library, 280 S. Green Valley Parkway in Henderson. Seating for the Beginners class is (more or less) unlimited. The other two have limitations due to resource limitations, i.e., computers.

Genealogy for Beginners - A Four Week Series

Saturdays May 3, 10, 17, 31; Time: 10:00 am -12:00 pm

Online Genealogy

(Preregistration required - call 492-6593) Tuesday, May 20th, or Thursday, May 22nd. Time: 7:00 - 8:30 pm

How to Get Across the Pond

(Preregistration required - call 492-6593) Wednesday, June 25th; Time: 7:00 - ? pm

ATTENTION Correction

Essays in Presidential Genealogy CharleyRECKER

I have been advised of the following correction to essay #8 in the collection of essays which I recently sold at our last meeting: Isabella of Aragon, the first wife of Philip III, King of France, was not the mother of Margaret, the second wife of Edward I, King of England. Margaret's mother was Philip's second wife, Marie of Brabant.

I would like to apologize to those folks who bought the essays for this error.

ARE YOU A LIBRARY VOLUNTEER?

Ron **HUGHES** reports that there are approximately 35-40 people volunteering their time and talents at the Paseo Verde Library's Heritage room. These people are scheduled to be in the Heritage Room to provide assistance to patrons who come to research their families through use of the various books, periodicals, and computer resources.

The majority of the volunteers are members of the **Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society**, however there are several nonmember volunteers as well. Most of the volunteers are scheduled from three to four hours a session. Some individuals volunteer weekly, some volunteer every other week, and others volunteer once a month.

The volunteers vary in their genealogical experience. They range from those who are relatively new to researching their families to professional genealogists who are willing to help others who visit the Heritage Room.

When volunteering, it has been the experience of most of the volunteers that one to three patrons visit to the Heritage Room per session. The discussions of research prove to be benefical to both the patron and the volunteer since we always learn as we discuss the "Hows and Wheres" of researching.

If you are interested in volunteering at the library (and having some time to work on your family), contact Ron **HUGHES** by phone at 270-6955 or e-mail Ron at *RONDH@LVCM.COM* to join this great group of people who want to share their love of Genealogy with others in the community.

CCNGS

Starting in January 2003 Meetings for:

Months of Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep and Nov. Third Thursday of the Month Edwins Hall - Reformation Lutheran Church 580 East St. Louis 7 - 9 p.m.

** Months of Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct and Dec

Third Saturday of the Month Paseo Verde Library 280 So. Green Valley Parkway 10AM - 12PM

Meetings for 2003

(Meeting Topics Subject to Change)

- *Apr 19 <u>Short Topic:</u> Civil War websites. <u>Long Topic:</u> How to distribute information to family: i.e. develop a web site, burn a CD
- May 15 <u>Short Topic:</u> Tips on searching in: England. Long Topic: Scrapbooks
- *Jun 21 <u>Short Topic:</u> How to find what is digitized and where/ how to access. <u>Long Topic:</u> Tools/programs useful to genealogy other than programs designed for genealogy use
- Jul 17 <u>Short Topic:</u> Tips on searching in: Newberry Library, Chicago. <u>Long Topic:</u> 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 4 Fall Family History Seminar Arlene EAKLE
- *Oct 18 <u>Short Topic:</u> Tips on purchasing computer, scanner, printer for genealogy enhancement Long Topic: Program Demo: Freebie types
- Nov 20 <u>Short Topic:</u> Tips on searching in: <u>Long Topic:</u> Writing a Family History
- *Dec 20 <u>Short Topic:</u> Tips on how to find what is available in a given town/county/locality Long Topic: Program Demo:

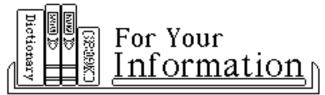
SCANNING IN COLOR

Susan McKINNEY (Kentucky)



It is easier to read documents that are hard to read by scanning or photographing them in color. I use a digital camera to take pictures of documents. After uploading them into the computer, I can enlarge areas and digitally enhance them to make them easier to read. Stored on CD, I can file them away by the 100s

for very little cost or space. They are easy to share this way and easy to find by file name. I put mine in folders according to family line.



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

Your Ancestors Did What — Where?

Kate (shiel007@tc.umn.edu)

One example of how the meaning of some expressions has changed: The local newspaper announcement of the 1899 wedding of my grandaunt to her husband states that "the wedding was consummated in the church." My, how times have changed!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: ELLIS ISLAND

Sharon DeBARTOLO CARMACK

Ellis Island was in operation from 1892 until 1954. During World War I, immigration dropped, but by 1920, immigrants slowly began arriving again. Based on the number of immigrants in census records, American nativists imposed quota laws to exclude those considered "undesirable" and to limit the number of ethnic immigrants arriving. These laws were first passed in 1921, with revisions in 1924. By 1927, only a few immigrants remained at Ellis Island.

The Ellis Island database has indexed only the years 1892 through 1924, the busiest years of immigration, so this may be the reason some think that no one came through Ellis Island or the Port of New York after that. However, microfilmed indexes exist that span through 1948. These and the corresponding passenger lists are avail-able either at the National Archives in Washington, DC, at the Nation-al Archives-Northeast Region in New York City, the Family History Library in Salt Lake City or through one of its Family History Centers.

Sharon **DeBARTOLO CARMACK** is the author of <u>A Genealogist's</u> <u>Guide to Discovering Your Immigrant & Ethnic Ancestors</u> (Betterway Books, \$18.99).

Information was extracted from: Family Tree News Service, 3-20-03

Time and Date

Nancy**HABERKOM RACHLIN** (Ancestry. com; March 11,2003)

While working with newspaper obituaries and other articles, there is often a need to translate something like "... funeral to be held on Thursday.." into a precise calendar date for the family history file. There is a great tool for this and other calendar functions at a site called time and date.

http://www.timeanddate.com

In my example, I simply imput the year and month I was working with. Then, the exact date of my great-grandfather's funeral was available in an instant.

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

Time:

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

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Class Schedule

<u>April 15</u>	Land Records: How they are vital in finding
	ancestors in the 1700's and early 1800's. Where
	to find them on the internet
<u>May 20</u>	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.
<u>June 17</u>	Church records- Where to find them on the
	internet and how to use them
<u>July & August</u>	No Class
September 16	Record Analysis: How to put all the information
	you have gathered together and gleen 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
	added this year.
November18	TBA

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

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

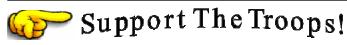
<u>Directions to chapel</u> - Go west on Ann Rd., past TeePee and Park, turn north on Grand Canyon, go about 2 blocks past the school zone and turn west on Azure. Go up Azure and you will see the chapel. We meet in the north end of the building.

FUNERAL HOME HELP

Carol HUMBERT LOWERY (Family Tree Magazine, 3-13-03)

I cannot stress enough how important funeral homes can be in your genealogical search. I recently visited the funeral home that handled my father's service. The staff there was able to provide quite a lot of information, even though my father passed away in 1945, when I was a child!

The woman who worked there made me a copy of the card file from my father's service. It included my father's parents' names and address at the time of his death, details about the accident in which he was killed and the cause of death. She also pulled information on other people with the same surname and volunteered to look up relatives with other surnames whose services they may have handled.





Ron HUGHES

CCNGS

Library Volunteer Coordinator (RONH@LVCM.COM)

COMPUTER CLASSES!

The Paseo Verde Library will be conducting basic computer classes throughout the year. Persons interested in signing up for these informative classes should call the library at 492-7252. The classes fill quickly, so don't delay.

Heritage Quest Now Available From Home

As many of you know, access to Heritage Quest has been available to Henderson Public Library patrons only from the computers at the library.

Well, things have changed. You can now access this very valuable resource from home. Follow these directions to access the program:

http://www.hdpl.org

Click on "Genealogy Research", then "Genealogy Databases" then "Heritage Quest."

All census years are available, several of which have been indexed. In addition, hundreds of books, directories, etc., can be searched.

You will need to be a member of the <u>*HENDERSON*</u> District Public Library system to use this resource, since you will have to enter your 16 digit card number.

E-MAIL - Heritage Room at the Library

Is it possible to send and/or receive EMail from the computers at the Library? The answer is YES — if you have an existing EMail address with someone, such as Access Nevada, LVCM, AOL, etc..

Here's a website that you can use from anywhere to send/receive EMail using your existing account.

http://www.Mail2Web.com

In addition to knowing your EMail address, you need to know your password. So, be sure to take it to the library with you.

This will come in handy when you find something of value at the Library and want to EMail it to yourself at home. You can send up to three attachments of not more than 10mb each.

If you're helping someone and they don't have an EMail account, they can go to several places and get a free one, such as Yahoo.

SCAN DARK IMAGES AS NEGATIVE Sue VISSER (Ontario, Canada)

Here's a scenario. You traveled hundreds of miles, found the hidden gravestone, then took photos. To your horror, after returning home, the picture developed too dark. Suggestion: Scan it in negative mode —the inscription is very easily read.

When this happened to me, I put both the too dark photo and the negative scan in the family tree.

Local Newspapers Available Through the Library

Every once in awhile, someone asks about the available of old Las Vegas newspapers. The following information has been obtained:

(1) The Paseo Verde Library does not have Newspapers on microfilm.

(2) The Gibson branch has the Henderson Home News going back to 1951. They have the RJ going back to 1993. If needed, these can be sent to Paseo Verde through interlibrary loan. Contact the reference desk.

(3) The Main Las Vegas Library on Flamingo has the Review Journal going back to "the time of the last supper"; however, they cannot be sent to Paseo Verde Library.

(More Nevada newspaper info from Diane E. GREENE, AG {Collection Specialist: Boulder City / Hoover Dam Museum})

(4) UNLV has most of the old Nevada newspapers on microfilm. Here is the UNLV link:

http://library.nevada.edu/micro/nevnews/nevtitle.html

(5) Boulder City Public Library has:

a) Boulder City News: 1942 to date

b) Las Vegas Review-Journal: 1964-2000

c) Las Vegas Evening Review-Journal: 1930-1932

(6) The Boulder City / Hoover Dam Museum archives has a wonderful collection of orginial newspapers. Mostly BCN.

LIVERPOOL LIBRARY TO BECOME HUGE VIRTUAL ARCHIVES BY 2007

A plan unveiled this month by Liverpool's Central Library may be England's answer to the United States' Family History Library. The Central Library will spend 40 million pounds (about \$64 million) to digitize millions of archive files and to create a 21st-century heritage center. Digital archives will include Liverpool's charter, birth certificates, school registers, emigration information and much more. It will cost about 10 million pounds (\$16 million) to make the files available on the Internet.

The new heritage center will allow people all over the world to access their family histories online. Both projects should be complete by 2007, Liverpool's 700th anniversary. Visit

http://www.europemedia.net

for further details on this story. For more information on the Liverpool Central Library, go to

http://www.liverpool.gov.uk.

Click on A to Z Council Services, then Libraries. Under How to Find Us, click on Central Library.

MIDWESTERN ROOTS 2003 FAMILY HISTORY AND GENEALOGY CONFERENCE

The Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana Genealogical Society will co-sponsor the "*Midwestern Roots 2003 Family History and Genealogy Conference*," 11-12 July in Indianapolis. The conference will be held at the Indianapolis Marriott East and will include speakers Tony **BURROUGHS**, Michael John **NEILL**, Cyndi **HOWELLS**, Amy Johnson **CROW**, Paul **MILNER**, John Philip **COLLETTA**, Loretto **SZUCS**, Curt **WITCHER**, and others. For more information go to:

www.ancestry.com/rd/prodredir.asp?sourceid=1644&key=A699101

A Frenchwoman in Prussia

Charles **RECKER**, CCNGS

The ahnentafel of my wife, Marilynne, was published in the July, 2001 issue of *The Prospector*. It includes a mention of her great-grandmother, Christina **GRAMZOW**, who emigrated to Michigan from Prussia in 1871 and married Wilhelm **GRUNEWALD** in the Protestant Evangelical Church in Casco Township, St. Clair County, Michigan in 1873, where she and Wilhelm operated a farm and raised a family of four boys and four girls. Although Christina died in Detroit in 1926, she left a will in Macomb County, Michigan.

Christina's death record states that she was born in Stettin. However, we subsequently learned that her brother, John **GRAMZOW**, a brickmaker, also emigrated to St. Clair County, Michigan where in 1871, he married Auguste **DRAWGER** and raised a family. A correspondent in Michigan advised us that John was born in the Ueckermark, which is part of the province of Brandenburg, and suggested that Christina was probably actually born there as well.

When we first identified Christina as Marilynne's forebear several years ago, I searched for her on the International Genealogical Index (IGI) maintained by the LDS Church but found no record. However, I recently decided to try again and this time got a "hit". The birth records of Christina and her brother John had been extracted and put onto the IGI from the records of the Evangelical Church in the village of Warnitz in Brandenburg in the Ueckermark. Warnitz is not far from a village named Gramzow.

Utilizing both the IGI and microfilms of the actual church records, I have now been able to work out the following ahnentafel for Christina and her brother:

Parents:

GRAMZOW, Johann, born 10 November 1797, probably in Warnitz where he was employed as a laborer ("Arbeitmann").
GRAMZOW, Christine, born about 1805. She married Johann on 13 November 1828 at Warnitz.

Grandparents:

4. **GRAMZOW**, Johann, born in 1759 in Warnitz, possibly died there in 1834. He appears to have served in the Prussian miltary as a

Ship Passenger Lists INDEXES

Here's a great website for doing Ship Passenger List searching.

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

This is a listing for sources of INDEXES to passenger arrival records (also called immigration records) in the United States from 1820 to the 1940s. Once you find your ancestor, you can determine what the Family History Center microfilm number and the National Achieve Number is. There are many CD-Roms and books available that index passenger lists. These are also listed here with information about how they can be ordered. You will also find links to passenger list indexes that can be searched online.

If you already know the exact date and port of arrival for your immigrant ancestor then you do not need to use these indexes. Instead visit this webpage to learn how to find the passenger lists themselves. sentry or lookout. He had a brother named Christian **GRAMZOW** who was a musketeer, apparently in a regiment commanded by a member of the **von KLEIST** Family.

5. **SELLENHEIM,** Christine, born in Warnitz in 1775. She married Johann on 17 November 1797 at Warnitz.

6. GRAMZOW, Daniel, born about 1777.

7. **BOITELET,** Mary Lovyse, born about 1779. She married Daniel at Warnitz on 10 November 1802.

Great-Grandparents:

GRAMZOW, Michael, born at Warnitz on 22 September 1720.
SPANN, Elizabeth, born at Warnitz in 1728. She married Michael in about 1758.

10. (?) **SELLENHEIM**, Gottfried died at Warnitz on 10 February 1831 at the age of 72 years and 10 months.

12. **GRAMZOW**, Daniel, perhaps the person of this name whose death at the age of 82 years and 8 months was recorded at the Evangelical Church in the neighboring village of Melzow.

Christina's parents were apparently cousins, since they had the same surname, but the degree of consanguinity is unclear as we don't know the nature of the relationship between her great-grandparents, Michael and Daniel**GRAMZOW**.

I was surprised, though, to find that one of Christina's grandparents had a French surname (**BOITELET**). "What", I wondered, "was a Frenchwoman doing in Prussia?" There is a logical explanation. According to *Prussia's Glory, The Rise of a Military State*, by S. **FISCHER-FABIAN**, some 40,000 French Calvinists, called Huguenots, emigrated to Prussia between 1685 and 1715 at the invitation of Frederick, the Elector of Brandenburg, who was given the title, "King in Prussia" in 1701 and was himself a Calvinist. It is said that in 1700 every third resident of Berlin was a Frenchman. When I looked up "**GRAMZOW**" in the locality index of the Family History Center Library, I learned that the village included a French Reformed Church as well as an Evangelical Church. So Mary Lovyse **BOITELET** was probably a descendant of Huguenots, not unlike many Americans whose Huguenot forebears chose to head west rather than east.

CEMETERY HUMOR

In a Georgia cemetery: "I told you I was sick!"

John PENNY's epitaph in the Wimbome, England, cemetery:

Reader if cash thou art In want of any Dig 4 feet deep And thou wilt find a Penny.

Margaret **DANIELS** grave at Hollywood Cemetery Richmond, VA.: She always said her feet were killing her but nobody believed her.

Fall Family History Seminar 4 October 2003 - Arlene H. EAKLE

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BAXTER, TAYLOR

John Henry **TAYLOR** b. 3 April 1873 in Pittsburgh; m. Emily **BAXTER** (possible second wife). Where was he between 1893 and 1920? Army? WWI? Found him as a farmer in 1930 census in Bucks Co., PA.

Gertrude R. **WARD** 3024 Donnegal Bay, Las Vegas, NV 89117, (702) 240-3840

BINGHAM, CRAVATH

Seeking descendants of Ezekial **CRAVATH** and Roxanna**BINGHAM** whose children were Augustus, Austin, Mary, Roxanna, Salome, Sarah, James and Samuel from Geneseo, New York—1700-1800's. Lois M. **BISH**, 438 Tatum Ridge St., Henderson, NV 89012; 702-269-3092; *LLMBISH@ aol.com*

BURGESS, LEAVITT, PULSIPHER

I am searching for information on the **BURGESS** and **PULSIPHER** families that settled in Lincoln (later Clark) County, NV, specifically in the towns of Mesquite, Bunkerville, Overton, Kaolin, and Las Vegas. Especially looking for information on my great grandparents George**BURGESS**, Elizabeth**LEAVITT**, Florence**PULSIPHER** and Frederick**BURGESS**.

Stephanie **STOEBE**, 94-364 Hokuala Street #183, Mililani, HI 96789; thestoebes@hawaii.rr.com

BURNS, MARTIN

Seeking descendants of Alexander**MARTIN** and Dora**BURNS** children, Clyde B., Remy, Allie Cone, Glydis, Edith all born Illinois. Lois M. **BISH**, 438 Tatum Ridge St., Henderson, NV 89012; 702-269-3092; *LLMBISH@ aol.com*

CLOUGH, KIMBALL

Searching CA for descendants of Charles Bradbury **KIMBALL**(1831-1896) and wife, Mary Anne **CLOUGH** (1841-1913) who lived in Oakland, Alameda Co, CA. Children Sarah, Martha, Simeon, Harriet, Charles, Kate, William, Mary Alice, Albert and Richard. Need to confirm that I have the correct identification of individuals in family photo.

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

CRAWFORD, GRIER

William **CRAWFORD** of Franklin Co., PA died ca 1788; left widow Margaret, son Thomas, daughters Elizabeth **GRIER**, Jane & Margaret. Would like information on any of these people.

E.A. SLOAN, PMB 121/3850 Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89121, eas@coam.net

DeLANO, GRISWOLD

Seeking birthplace of Thomas **DeLANO**, b. 1716, spouse of Olive **GRISWOLD**. Married in Litchfield Co., CT. No record there of his birth.

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

DeLANO, WHITNEY

Need birth & death info on Franklin L **WHITNEY**, son of Job **WHITNEY** and Sylvia **DeLANO** of Watertown, NY. Believe b July 1833 and d Aug 1900, but no proof.

Carole SCHREIBER, 439 Wright Way, Henderson, NV 89015;

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carole04@earthlink.net

DIMON, GREENMAN

Looking for ancestors of Alva **DIMON**, born about 1822/25; Wife Emeline **GREENMAN**; m. 16 Feb 1845; died 5 Mar 1899 in Bourbon Co., KS.

Wilbur "Bud" **DIMON**, 2272 Cascade St., Las Vegas, NV 89142-1714; *BUDDIMON@EARTHLINK.NET*

EASTON, KEALHOFER

Seeking information on Levi **EASTON**, b. 1818 in Franklin Co., PA. Married Mary **KEALHOFER** in Hagerstown, MD. Last seen in Philadelphia area; 1860 a salesman in Philadelphia. Where was he in 1870? Was alive in 1873. Need census showing Mary and children. Also need death and burial dates. Was he in the Civil War? Gertrude R. **WARD** 3024 Donnegal Bay, Las Vegas, NV 89117, (702) 240-3840

EASTON, McGUIRE

Hezekiah **EASTON** Sr. was father of Hezekiah **EASTON** of Ft Louden, PA, near Chambersburg, Franklin Co. Where was son Hezekiah born? Some say Louisiana in 1819, some say Kentucky. Son married Heffie Ann **McGUIRE** and was a prominent citizen of Fort Louden, PA.; owned the bank, various properties, etc. Where was son born and where was the father born? Where did Hezekiah Sr. disappear to after 1819?

Elizabeth A. **JONES** 6308 Fargo Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89107, (702) 258-0184;*ejone4008@aol.com*

EASTON, MILEY

Where did John George **MILEY** come from? John b. 1814. His father was Samuel **MILEY** b. in Lebanon Co., PA and died in Franklin Co., PA 1837. John's son, Jacob Daniel **MILEY**, born Franklin Co., married Hezekiah **EASTON**'s daughter Sarah Jane **MILEY** in 1868 in Ft. Louden, Peters Twp., PA. Last and only place known John George lived was Franklin Co., PA. Elizabeth A. **JONES** 6308 Fargo Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89107, (702)258-0184;*ejone4008@aol.com*

EASTON, SPENCE

Seeking descendants of Robert **EASTON** and Mary **SPENCE** b. in Scotland. Children-Sarah, Robert, Margaret, Adam, Ellen, Alexander b. in PA. last known to live in Illinois around mid 1800's Lois M. **BISH**, 438 Tatum Ridge St., Henderson, NV 89012; 702-269-3092; *LLMBISH@ aol.com*

GRIER, KERR

Michael **KERR** died in Lancaster Co., PA ca 1750. Son William was killed by Indians abt 1756 & left heirs. Michael **KERR**'s daughter Martha m. Thomas **GRIER** Sr. of Franklin Co., PA. Would like to know abt Michael's wife, country of birth and personal info. E.A. **SLOAN**, PMB 121/3850 Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89121, *eas@coam.net*

HELMER, KIMBALL, STANFORD

What became of the family of Isabella **KIMBALL** (b 20 Jun 1860, LaCrosse, WI.)? Married 1st Edwin **STANFORD** in about 1877, daughter Eva b. 7 Oct 1878. Married 2nd Homer M **HELMER** about 1879; children William b. May 1882, Stuart b. 22 Nov 1884, twins Lillie and Lottie b. 23 Oct 1886, Emma b. 25 Sep 1887, Archie Asa b. 3 Mar 1890, Albert Edwin b. 27 Nov 1892, d. 6 Dec 1892, and Nellie

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May b. 20 Jan 1895. Believed to have moved to Canada from the Dakotas in early 1900's.

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HOBART, KIMBALL

Where are descendants of Harriet Emily KIMBALL (b. 7 Jun 1871, Racine, WI.) and Edgar HOBART (b. 1 Aug 1870, San Francisco, CA.)? They were married 17 Sep 1891 in Oakland, Alameda Co, CA. and had a daughter, Gladys. They traveled to Paris in 1899 where Edgar continued his studies in music.

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KENNARD, TROUT

Looking for information on Edward TROUT. He was living at 3527 Avenue M in Galveston, Texas, July 1917. He was listed as an Uncle by my grandfather, Clarence Woodward KENNARD, on his enlistment papers.

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MAXFIELD STOCKS ELLIS

Looking for the burial location of Susan Ann MAXFIELD STOCKS ELLIS. Body shipped from Pittsburgh to Downingtown, PA; died 28 December 1913 and buried 31 December 1913. Which cemetery? Gertrude R. WARD 3024 Donnegal Bay, Las Vegas, NV 89117, (702) 240-3840

SCHREIBER

Searching for parents and siblings of Frederich Frank SCHREIBER in Pittsburgh, PA circa 1900. Frederich born Saltznidell, Germany 15 Nov 1876, Came to US ca. 1890.

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O'TOOLE, STEINER, STURGES

Katherine STEINER arrived US abt 1882, m. Ed STURGES (not sure where), had 2 children, Edward dies by 1888. Katherine married Mike O'TOOLE & had 2 children. They lived in Pittsburgh, PA. area. She died in early 1940s. Would like Katherine's parents' names in Germany and where she lived as a child. Where is she buried; where and when did she die?

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"Complete" Icelandic genealogy database Fridrik SKULASON (frisk@complex.is)

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 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.

TAX TIME!!

By Helen SMITH (CCNGS)

It is that time of year again - April 15th. Every year we look forward to April 15th with mixed feelings. Probably most of us are relieved that it is finally over and that our taxes have been filed successfully and that we have paid what we owe or that we can now wait for a tax refund.

Our ancestors paid taxes too. Taxes have existed in this country since the country began. Taxes were paid by our ancestors when they lived in lands across the sea. Because governments collected taxes, it created records of those who paid those taxes and therefore created records that we can use to find our ancestors and provide more information about their lives.

We are all familiar with income taxes. There are many other kinds of taxes that were imposed on our ancestors as well. Land/property taxes and personal property taxes of which we are familiar were accompanied by taxes on carriages, watches, windows, whiskey and slaves, etc. All of us are familiar with the famous tax on tea which caused a revolt in Boston. "Colonial and antebellum counties and towns usually taxed free adult males a set, uniform amount called the poll tax which became due when a young man reached age twenty-one (sixteen or eighteen in some areas) and ceased to be due when a man reached some age, such as fifty or sixty." (p. 262)

While many tax lists and records only survive for intermittent years and sometimes only partial records remain, it is worth your time and effort to look for these records for your ancestors. Poll tax records along with property tax lists can be used as substitutes for census records. Tax records provide information about your ancestor as to his place in society as compared with others on the various tax lists when actual tax information is provided. Other tax records and lists will provide additional information in your search for your ancestors and their lives.

Since you must keep April 15th in mind, now let April 15th be a reminder to you to look for tax records and lists to enhance your family history.

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ICELANDIC DATABASE

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Dick EASTMAN has written in his Newsletter about the new online database of Icelandic genealogy. It was compiled from records in the Book of Settlement, written in 1125, the Family sagas, church registers, administrative records, and census dating back 300 years, and lists every Icelander currently living as well as their ancestors, back to the original settlement of Iceland in the 9th century, or as far as records exist. No other genealogy database can compare to this work. It was created and placed online by DeCode Genetics. The Islendingabok, or "Book of Icelanders," database was meant as a way of returning something to the community. Now privacy advocates have all but crippled the database and the database's primary purpose of genetic research has been weakened. You can read about this in "The Scientist Daily News" for February 10, 2003 at:

http://www.biomedcentral.com/news/20030210/03

Dick EASTMAN's most recent article is at:

http://www.rootsforum.com/archives/news0303.htm

AHNENTAFEL

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MEMBER

I am submitting this information on behalf of my son (Kevin C. JONES - deceased), and his son (my grandson) Steven.

Most all names and relationships are proven by birth, baptismal, marriage, and death certiticates, or Family History Library computer records. And also a very indepth search for descendents from Rees **JONES** to William G. **JONES**, to include Rees' father and grand- father (Paul **JONES** and Gerrard **JONES**), done in about 1995-6 for a bank settlement of a legal trust. That search was done by International Genealogical Search Inc., of Seattle, Washington. The information has also been validated correct by N.S. Sons of the Revolutionary War (also D.A.R. & C.A.R.) from William G. **JONES** back to Paul **JONES**, and from William G. **JONES** to William Lloyd **JONES** (lst) by National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Much of the information can also be confirmed by published authors Thomas A. **GLENN** and Charles **BROWNINGS**' books about the Welsh settlers of Pennsylvania back in 1683, who were some of the first settlers to settle on land in Pennsylvania originally bought by John ap **THOMAS**, and few others. Also a book called "<u>the First 300-</u>" published by the Merion Historical Society of Merion, PA.

Note: Living persons mentioned in generation one and two are only identified by initials only for their privacy and protection.

First Generation

 JONES, Kevin C. b. 17 SEP 1966, Riverside, CA.; d. 10 JUL 1990, Las Vegas, NV. (Sisters: Angela L., Tammi K.; Son: Steven, b. 15 OCT 1989); Grad: 1984 Chaparel H.S., Las Vegas, NV.; U.S. Army 82nd Air Borne Paratrooper, DEC 1985-DEC 1989; University of Nevada Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV, student 1990.

Second Generation (Parents)

- 2. JONES, William G. b. 27 JUL 1940, Santa Monica, CA.. Living; Occ: Retired U.S.A.F.
- 3. M., P.C. b. 3 FEB 1937, Fort Smith, AR.. Living; Occ: Registered Nurse.

Third Generation (Grandparents)

- 4. JONES, Melvin R. b. 30 MAR 1916, Fimore, CA.; d. 5 FEB 1988, Las Vegas, NV.; Occ: Salesman, Real Estate Broker.
- 5. METCALF(E), Kathleen I. b. 18 JUN 1913, London, England; d. 22 MAY 1984, Hemet, CA.; Occ: Sales clerk, waitress.

Fourth Generation (Great Grandparents)

- 6. JONES, William L. b. 16 JAN 1894, Pittsburgh, PA.; d. 22 APR 1953, Yucaipa, CA.; Occ: Contractor, Farmer, Poultryman.
- 7. THORNBURG, Leoti Rhea b. 1 AUG 1894, Los Angeles, CA.; d. 4 DEC 1976, Riverside, CA.; Occ: Nurse, farmer, raised canaries.
- METCALFE, Alfred G. b. 16 SEP 1879, County Cork, Ireland; d. 15 AUG 1957, Santa Monica, CA.; Occ: Painter, decorator; Came to U.S.A abt. 1922.
- 9. HILL, Jane b. 16 SEP 1880, London, England; d. 8 MAY 1971, Santa Monica, CA.; Occ: Housewife, mother to 7 children.

Fifth Generation (Second Great Grandparents)

- 10. JONES, Rees J. b. 14 JUN 1859, South Fayette, PA.; d. 15 MAR 1938, Los Angeles, CA.; Occ: Oil field supervisor.
- 11. WAMMOCK, Norabelle (Betty) b. 18 JUL 1873, PA.; d: 15 MAR 1915, Los Angeles, CA.; Occ: Housewife/home maker.
- 12. THORNBURG, George M. b. 16 SEP 1864, New Castle, IN.; d. 19 JAN 1947, Marion, IN.; Occ: RR conductor, deputy sheriff/ constable, state hospital supervisor.
- 13. McKEE, Argenta M. b. 6 MAR 1871, Bannack City, MT.; d. 15 OCT 1928, Los Angeles, CA.; Occ: Housewife.
- 14. HILL, John (Jack) b. Ireland; d. England.
- 15. HEDGES, Sarah b. England; d. England.

Sixth Generation (Third Great Grandparents)

- 16. JONES, William Lloyd b. 1 MAR 1830, Pittsburgh, PA.; d. 1 MAR 1916, Pittsburgh, PA.; Occ: Farmer, druggist, Captain-74th Regiment Missouri in Civil War.
- 17. LANG, Mary Elliot Noble b. 3 DEC 1833 Unknown; d. 3 APR 1888, Latrobe, PA.; Occ: Housewife.
- 18. WAMMOCK, Iverson Henry b. 3 SEP 1834, Macon, GA.; d. 22 JAN 1914, Los Angeles, CA.; Occ: Oil well industry supervisor.
- 19. HOWELL, Mary R. b. 6 MAR 1846, Talhassa, FL.; d. 3 FEB 1907, Fairview, PA.; Occ: Housewife.
- THORNBURGH, Alfred M. b. 14 OCT 1839, NC.; d. 29 AUG 1918, Los Angeles, CA.; Occ: Laborer, carpenter; NOTE: Civil War Veteran from Indiana.
- 21. WALLACE, Emaline b. FEB 1842, IN.; d. bef. 1870 in IN.; Occ: Housewife.
- 22. McKEE, James H. b. abt. 1834, in IL.; d. 7 FEB 1880, Dawson Springs, Kent; Occ: Physican (Allopath).

23. GREEN, Margaret E. b. 3 Apr. 1843 in IN./IL.; d. 13 Mar 1931, San Diego, CA.; Occ: Housewife, doctors assistant.

Seventh Generation (Fourth Great Grandparents)

- 24. JONES, Rees b. 15 JAN 1772, Merion, PA.; d. 12 JUN 1850, Brownsville, PA.; Occ: Tobaccoist; Note: Married twice. 2nd wife was HUMBERT, Catherine.
- 25. HUMBERT, Catherine b. 16 JUN 1799, Coal Hill/Brownsville, PA.; d. 24 NOV 1897, Pittsburgh, PA.; Occ: Housewife.
- 26. LANG, Henry W. b. 1797, Pittsburgh, PA.; d. 31 MAR 1872, Wickensburg, PA.; Occ: Farmer.
- 27. NOBLE, Matilda Tarvin b. 24 JUL 1804, Noblestown, PA.; d. 18 SEP 1882, Pittsburg, PA.; Occ: Housewife.; Note: Lost 3 sons at "Battle of Wilderness, 1864.
- 28. WAMMOCK, Henry b. abt. 1800 in GA.; d. unknown.
- 29. ASTERBROOK, Jane from NC.
- 30. THORNBURG, Benjamin b. abt. 1802, Guilford Co., NC.; d. abt. 1861, Henry Co., IN.; Occ: Farmer, laborer.
- 31. MERPHY, Elizabeth b: abt. 1806 in NC.; d. unknown, but after 1860 in IN.

Eighth Generation (Fifth Great Grandparents)

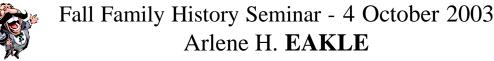
- **32.** JONES, Paul b. 4 AUG 1737, Merion, PA.; d. 16 SEP 1821, Merion, PA.; Occ. Farmer, Quaker preacher, Revolutionary Vet. (Served in Captain John YOUNG Militia)
- 33. ROBERTS, Phebe b. 17 JUN 1741, Merion, PA.; d. 25 JUN 1813, Merion, PA.; Occ: Housewife.
- 34. NOBLE, William Henry Tarvin (Col) b. abt. 1758, Prince Georges Co., MD.; d. 3 APR 1819.
- 35. ELLIOT, MARy "Polly" b. 11 APR 1783, MD.; d. 9 AUG 1855, Pittsburgh, PA.; Occ: Housewife.
- 36. HUMBERT, Michael b. abt. 1755, in PA.; d. aft. 1789, Hunting, PA.; Occ: Farmer.
- 37. Von STANDENFIELD, Rachael b. unknown. d: PA.
- **38.** THORNBURG, Benjamin b. 26 Feb 1779, Guilford Co., NC.; d. unknown
- **39.** WITTEN, Ann b. unknown date in NC.; d. unknown.; m. 17 DEC 1801.
- 40. WAMMOCK, William b. 6 NOV 1809, Washington Co., GA.; d. 7 SEP 1878, Washington Co., GA.; Occ: Farmer
- 41. BRANTLY, Mary b: 11 OCT 1811, Washington Co., GA.; d. 29 FEB 1884, Washington Co., GA.; Occ: Housewife.

Ninth Generation (Sixth Great Grandparents)

- 42. JONES, Gerrard b. 28 DEC 1705, Merion, PA.; d. 30 MAR 1765, Merion, PA.; Occ: Farmer.
- 43. LLOYD, Sarah b. 19 MAY 1703, Merion, PA.; d. 5 JUL 1739, Merion, PA.; Occ: Housewife.
- 44. NOBLE, Joseph III (Col) b. 15 APR 1715, Charles Co., MD.; d. 24 SEP 1780, St. Marys Co., MD.; Occ: Colonel Tory.
- 45. TARVIN, Martha Dent b. 14 MAR 1723, Charles Co., MD.; d. 30 JAN 1798, Noblestown, PA.; Occ: Housewife.
- 46. ROBERTS, John b. unknown; d. 19 MAR 1767, Merion, PA.; Occ: unknown.
- 47. EDWARDS, Susannah b. unknown; d. 26 Oct 1792, Merion, PA.; Occ: Housewife.
- **48.** THORNBURG, James b. 4 APR 1745, Frederick Co., NC./VA.; d. 9 AUG 1814, Guilford Co., NC.; Note: Is listed in D.A.R. Patriotic Index, Centenial Edition, pg 2930 P.C. N/C.
- 49. MOON, Mary Ruth b. 16 JAN 1752, Guilford Co., NC.; d. 1 JUL 1830, Guilford Co., NC.; Occ: Housewife.

Tenth Generation (Seventh Great Grandparents)

- 50. JONES, Robert b. abt. 1665, Llaithgwm, Wales; d. 8 MAY 1746, Merion, PA.; Note: Came to America with his mother (Katherine ROBERTS/THOMAS) in NOV 1681; Occ: Original settler, land developer, farmer, Quaker preacher, Justice of the Peace, member of Pennsylvania Provential Assembly 1706-1722. His father (John ap THOMAS) was an original purchaser of Pennsylvania land from William PENN in 1681.
- **51.** JONES, Ellin b. abt. 1665, Ciltalgarth, Wales; d. 8 MAY 1744, Merion, PA.; Occ: Housewife; Note: Also an original settler in 1683.
- 52. NOBLE, Joseph b. 17 APR 1689, Cockermouth, England; d: 14 DEC 1749, Anne Arundal Co., MD.; Occ: Farmer.
- 53. WHEELER, b. 14 NOV 1693, Wheeler Palms, MD.; d. 14 APR 1766, Piscataway, MD.; Occ: Housewife.
- 54. TARVIN, Richard b. abt. 1692, Charles Co., MD.; d. 20 DEC 1742, Charles Co. MD.
- 55. DENT, Elizabeth b: abt. 1696, Charles Co., MD.; d. 13 NOV 1760, Charles Co. MD.
- 56. LLOYD, Robert b. abt. 1668, Llanfor, Wales; d. 29 MAR 1714, SC.; Note: Also an original settler of Pennsylvania lands in 1683; bu. Friends Cemetery, Merion, PA.
- 57. JONES, Lowry b. abt. 1680, Llangelynnin, Wales; d. 25 NOV 1762, Philadelphia, PA.; Occ: House wife; Note: Her mother (Hannah **PRICE**) and father (Rees John **WILLIAMS**) were original Pennsylvania settlers in 1683.
- 58. THORNBURG, Thomas Jr. b. 10 JUL 1705, Lancaster, PA.; d. 4 MAR 1797, Guilford Co. NC.; Occ: Farmer.
- 59. BROWN, Abigail b. abt. 1717, Guilford Co., NC.; d. 21 APR 1780, Guilford Co., NC.; Occ: Housewife.
- 60. MOON, Richard b. abt. 1724, Frederick Co., VA.; d. Feb 1797, Hancock Co., GA.
- 61. BROWN, Susannah b. abt. 1726, Guilford Co., NC.; d: unknown.



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National Archives' Access to Archives Databases

Researchers, genealogists and the plain curious can now use the Internet to check more than 50 million historical records at the National Archives, from Civil War battles to family immigration files.

Before the system became available, people had to either visit the Archives and spend hours combing through documents or request the files by phone and pay to have them mailed.

The records available on the database system represent a small fraction of the archive's electronic holdings. They were selected because of their analytical and statistical nature - most deal with information that easily can be looked up based on specific names, dates, organizations, cities or states.

For instance, someone wanting to research a great-grandfather who immigrated to the United States in the 19th century can choose the series of records listed under "immigrants," enter the relative's name and learn on what ship he traveled, the occupation he claimed prior to leaving, the date he arrived in New York, and the country from which he left, among other details.

"It can be another stop in creating your family tree and understanding what happened and when," said Michael Kurtz, assistant archivist for records services.

Shirley Langdon Wilcox, former president of the National Genealogical Society, called the new system an "extremely useful and exciting" tool.

National Archives' Access to Archives Databases http://www.archives.gov/aad/



Clark County (Nevada) History

by Karen A. PORTER (CCSD Interact)

The first known inhabitants of Clark County were the Anasazi Indians. The Basketmakers were the first Anasazi Indians to live in Clark County, while the later Anasazi inhabitants were the Pueblo Indians. The Basketmakers built a community, the Lost City, also known as Pueblo Grande de Nevada near the present day city of Overton. The Basketmakers lived in "Pit Houses" built partially underground, while the Pueblo Indians lived above ground in complex apartment-like rooms. They were farmers as well as hunters and gathers. Since they lived close to the Muddy River and Virgin River, they watered their crops by irrigation. They are known for their unique pottery and woven baskets. They were also our first miners, as they used turquoise for jewelry and salt for preserving their food. For some unknown reason they left this area around 1150 A.D. Today portions of the "Lost City" ruins are under the waters of Lake Mead. Fortunately, the Anasazi artifacts were persevered and a replica of the Anasazi buildings can be viewed at the "Lost City Museum" near the city of Overton.

Later the Mojave and Southern Paiutes inhabited our county. They were not related to the Anasazi Indians nor were they farmers; they were predominately gatherers and hunters. They depended on rabbits for food and clothes.

Three explorers stand out in the history of Clark County. The county's first known explorer was Jedediah **SMITH**, who traveled the Virgin River from Zion across the southern Nevada deserts into California in 1826. In 1829 teenager Rafael **RIVERA**, a scout for a Mexican trade caravan, wandered from the caravan into the Las Vegas Valley. This area was a lush meadow with many springs, so Rafael named it Las Vegas, a Spanish word which means "The Meadows." After his discovery of the the Las Vegas area and its springs, it became a stopping place for weary travelers along the Old Spanish Trail on their way to Los Angeles. Later, in the spring of 1844, John C Fremont, an explorer and mapmaker for the Army Corps of Engineers, camped at Tule Spring in the Las Vegas Valley. He was responsible for putting the name of Las Vegas on the map.

In 1855 Mormon emigrants came to the Las Vegas Valley to build a

mission and fort. Three years later they abandoned the fort due to the many hardships they experienced.

During the early 1860's, prospectors and miners came into the Las Vegas Valley in hopes of finding rich ore. One of the miners was a man named Octavius **GASS**. **GASS** later settled in the area on a 640 acre ranch located near the ruins of the old Mormon fort.

In 1905, Senator William J. **CLARK** played a major role in routing the Union Pacific trains into the Las Vegas Valley bringing growth and prosperity to the town of Las Vegas. When Clark County was created on July 1, 1909, as a division of Lincoln County, it took Senator **CLARK**'s name. Las Vegas was named the county seat and became incorporated in 1911.

During the Great Depression in the 1930's, the Boulder Dam (now named Hoover Dam) was built. This U.S. government project brought many workers to the Las Vegas area and also created the town of Boulder City.

In 1931, gambling was legalized and contributed to Clark County's growth. The Flamingo Hotel started the development of the present day Strip, located a few miles south of the downtown area.

During the 1950's, Las Vegas became a popular vacation spot where visitors could see their favorite entertainer perform. The Moulin Rouge, Las Vegas' first racially integrated hotel, opened in 1955.

Many grand and elegant hotels opened during the 60's and 70's such as, Caesars Palace and MGM Grand (now Bally's). Today, Las Vegas casinos are becoming more family orientated and are being built around themes like the Excalibur, Treasure Island, MGM Grand, Paris, New York-New York, and the Venetion.

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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.



J. L. BOWLER Sr Elemetary School Bunkerville, Nevada



Joseph L. BOWLER Sr., born January 1909, better know as J. L., moved to the Virgin Valley in 1946. Since that time he has shown his commitment to the community with vigor, determination and enthusiasm. He has served his church in many capacities including scoutmaster and bishop. He has served on the Mesquite Town Council, on the Mesquite Farmstead Water Board, as a long time member and President of the Virgin Valley Lions Club, as a guiding force and President for the Chamber of Commerce for decades, and was one of the

founders of the Virgin Valley Credit Union where he served in one capacity or another for 30 years. He has served as chairman and member of the Virgin Valley Medical Committee which was the guiding force in bringing the first medical clinic to Virgin Valley. He served as Parks Beautification Commission Chairman and oversaw the development and completion of the Hillside Arboretum. He is presently serving as a member of the Mesquite Special Events Board.

As a former student body president of Dixie College, Valedictorian of his high school class, violinist in the college orchestra, and a winner of many oratorical contests, J. L. has always realized and stressed the importance of education and the participation in extra curricular activities. He has always supported school activities and has donated to the Virgin Valley Scholarship Fund since its inception. When asked if he had ever turned down a request to contribute to a school related cause, he said, that if he did, he couldn't remember it.

J. L. owned and operated J. L. Bowler's Department Store for over 40 years. His primary emphasis was always service. This service often exceeded the expected. Anyone short of money could obtain instant credit. This practice sometimes created a problem with cash flow, but was never curtailed. When Hispanics started arriving in the valley, they found that Bowler's was a place to obtain easy credit and employment. Numerous members of this community have spent part of their teenage years working for J. L.

J. L.'s generosity extended beyond the permanent members of the Virgin Valley to all those with whom he came in contact. Those passing through the valley who had car problems or ran short of food or money often ended up at his door. Those people were given temporary jobs, fed, sheltered, and helped in whatever way J. L. thought best.

J. L., through his commitment to his church and his community and through his long and devoted service to others, has given a great example of "Helping Hands".

ONLINE: CONNECTING TO CASTLE GARDEN

Sharon DeBARTOLO CARMACK

Do you want to find immigration information about an ancestor who came through Castle Garden, NY, and you don't know what ship brought him to the United States?

Passenger lists from 1820 to about 1891 were known as customs lists. Ship company personnel completed these lists at the port of departure, printed them in the United States and maintained the records for statistical purposes. Customs lists contain scanty information name of the ship and its master, port of embarkation, date and port of arrival, plus each passenger's name, sex, age, occupation and nationality. These lists (with some gaps), have been microfilmed and are available through the National Archives and through the Family History Library in Salt Lake City and its branch Family History Centers.

In the Family History Library catalog, look under United States Emigration and Immigration (no subtopic), or look under New York,

Ye Olde English Sayings

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

NY (City) Emigration and Immigration. Then scroll down to "Passenger lists of vessels arriving at New York, 1820-1897; index to passenger lists of vessels arriving in New York, 1820-1846, United States; Immigration and Naturalization Service." If you do a film/fiche search on film number 350204, it will take you right to the series. Unfortunately, there's a gap in the indexes for New York arrivals between 1846 and 1897, when the majority of Irish and German immigrants arrived. From other records you may be able to narrow the date of arrival, but hundreds of ships arrived during this time period. Also, check book indexes dealing with ethnic arrivals, such as the "Germans to America" series (Scholarly Resources).

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linguistic "truth".

GETTING BOMBED

A bombard is a leather jug which holds 8 pints or 4 quarts. A full bombard of ale would make you drunk.

"GENEALOGY ON FOUR HOURS A WEEK,"

Patricia Law HATCHER, CG, FASG

I recently discovered that my professional colleagues had the misconception that my research files are well organized, with every fact documented. I can't imagine where they got such an idea. Knowing *WHAT* and *HOW* one should do things and having *DONE* them are two different things.

Above all, my colleagues know that I have almost no time to work on my own family genealogy. Between lecturing, clients, and writing, there just isn't any time.

I used to research my family. In February of 1982 when I began researching, I planned to trace all of my lines back to the immigrant ancestors by June when I had a trip planned to Nebraska to see my family. In all fairness, I had no idea that many of my family lines had been in America far longer than I thought.

I still have not achieved that optimistic goal, but I have collected four-file drawers, numerous boxes, and many computer files of family research. Much of it was acquired when my understanding of the need for documentation was a smidge weak. Most of it was acquired before I understood the need for creating a single compilation of all information on a family in order to analyze it critically.

What this means is that there is a lot of material that retroactively needs organizing. Which brings us back to the problem stated above: I have almost no time to work on my own family genealogy. What I do know is that an hour here or there won't do it.

My solution? Beginning this week, I resolve to devote four hours per week to my genealogical family. That, however, is easier said than done. When I examine my calendar and take into consideration all my responsibilities, I see there is no time today, or tomorrow, or the next day, or . . .

Clearly this won't work. It's time to take my own advice, from an old lecture on the subject, "Genealogy on Four Hours a Week" and see what I can learn from myself.

GET FOCUSED

One of my problems is that when I do work on my family, I work on too many parts of it at once. I need to start, persist, and complete my efforts on one family. At the moment, I have made commitments to others that I will complete work on three different families. They are all overdue. I need to focus on one. I have decided to begin on the smallest family. In this case, it is one surname in a relatively limited locale. When I move on to the next two families, in order to be focused, I will have to divide them into subsections. They are migrating families, so tackling one locality at a time makes sense, although when I get to them, I may find that it is more logical to do one family unit at a time.

GET COMMITTED

One key element of this plan is that I won't just commit to devote four hours per week to my own family research, it means that I will commit to devote a *SPECIFIC* four hours per week to my own family research. I reviewed my calendar and chose Thursdays from 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.(half an hour for dinner) because I have no regular commitments on Thursday evenings and the library is open until 9:00 p.m.. (Those of you with spouses may find the spouse's bowling night to be the best option.) During those hours, I may switch the phone over to the answering machine to avoid interruptions. In the event of a conflict (or unavoidable interruption) I intend to reschedule the four hours immediately.

Artificial aids are good. I am putting it on my calendar and setting my computer to remind me at 4:45 p.m. on Thursdays to close up whatever I am doing and get ready to work on my own family. I am more likely to keep my commitments if I tell others about them, so I am telling several friends (the kind who don't mind gently nagging) about my schedule and focus family.

To stay focused and committed, I am putting all other family research away, out of sight. This is taking me a little bit of time because, although I thought the piles in my office were well organized, papers seem to have managed to migrate almost as often as my ancestors. This step has the added advantage, though, of providing me with more working space in my office.

GETORGANIZED

To begin with, this means finding what I have already collected on the family. The first project I selected is, fortunately, also my newest family find, so the material is more or less in one place. After I complete this project and progress to the next, I will have go through the massive amount of material I have collected and select only what pertains to the subsections on which I am focusing

Once I have identified the research material that I have collected, I will create a simple chronology listing all events. For family units during the federal period, I also create a census grid indicating which censuses I have found for each family member.

GET IT IN PRINT

The most important part of the Four Hours a Week plan (sounds like a diet, doesn't it?) is to compile a fully documented, detailed discussion of everything found thus far and a fully documented genealogical summary (family group) in Register or modified Record format.

I expect this compilation to take several work sessions. One lesson I have learned (but do not remember as often as I should) is that it takes much longer to enter the research into the computer properly than it does to find it. On this family, I have already devoted more hours to typing than were spent on researching, and I am far from done. This is because I am taking the time to analyze each document carefully, often transcribing all or part word-by-word. As discussed in "Typing Every Word" (*http://www.ancestry.com/rd/*

prodredir.asp?sourceid=831&key=A690501), this almost always results in a better understanding of our ancestors and new ideas about research.

GET READY TO RESEARCH

It is while creating the compilation that I begin my "to-do" list. I also review the chronology to determine events for which I do not have a record, and I marked the census grid with a highlighter in cells for which I do not have a census record.

Explore what is available on the locality. With a variety of catalogs and websites on the Internet, this is much easier to do than when I first gave my lecture. I won't just look for what is available. I will create a resource list on the computer, including full name of author and full title.

Then, I will check to see what is available at the local library from their online catalog and add the call number to the resource list.

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Our cataloging system shelves books on a single locality in numerous places, so I sort the list in call-number order for rapid retrieval. I have already identified and ordered two microfilms from the Family History Library and will probably order more.

GET TO THE LIBRARY

Researching is what I love to do. I just have to remember that the keyword is *FOCUS*. I am not taking any other research with me, and I will wear blinders and refuse to be distracted by books and microfilm that catch my eye but are related to other projects.

As I research, I will continue to update the chronology and compilation (plus the census grid when appropriate).

GET PUBLISHED

There is closure to this process. By "publish" I don't mean there has to be a book. I mean "make it public." In my first project, I will be sharing my detailed, fully documented discussion and compilation with other researchers on the family.

I am starting my four hours a week tonight. It will be interesting to see if I can stick with it.

Patricia Law **HATCHER**, CG, FASG is a technical writer, instructor, and professional genealogist. She has written, edited, and produced numerous publications and has written articles for "*The American Genealogist*," "*The Maine Genealogist*," the "*New Hampshire Genealogical Record*," "*The Virginia Genealogist*," and "*Ancestry*" Magazine. She is the author of "<u>Producing a Quality Family History</u>."

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A SERMON

by John**HAGEE**

I want you to close your eyes and picture in your mind the soldier at Valley Forge, as he holds his musket in his bloody hands. He stands barefoot in the snow, starved from lack of food, wounded from months of battle and emotionally scarred from the eternity away from his family, surrounded by nothing but death and carnage of war. He stands though, with fire in his eyes and victory on his breath. He looks at us now, in anger and disgust and tells us this...

I gave you a birthright of freedom born in the Constitution, and now, your children graduate too illiterate to read it. I fought in the snow, barefoot, to give you the freedom to vote, and now, you stay at home because it rains. I left my family destitute to give you the freedom of speech, and now, you remain silent on critical issues, because it might be bad for business. I orphaned my children to give you a government to serve you and it has stolen democracy from the people.

It is the soldier, not the reporter, who gives you the freedom of the press. It is the soldier, not the poet, who gives you the freedom of speech. It is the soldier, not the campus organizer, who allows you to demonstrate. It is the soldier who salutes the flag, serves the flag, whose coffin is draped with the flag, that allows the protester to burn the flag.

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they per-

form ... Amen. Support The Troops!

Searching Ellis Island Records

June **PELO** <jmpelo@nut-n-but.net> wrote:

The following address contains some useful tools for searching the Ellis island database. It is directed at Jewish genealogists. But there is no reason not to try your names in it too!

http://www.jewishgen.org/databases/EIDB/

Just go to this address and click on one of the possible forms to help you in searching the Ellis Island Database in more dynamic ways than the standard site permits.

Here are some hints when searching through Ellis Island records.

http://www.ellisisland.org

1. Is your ancestor's name spelled correctly? Can you think of alternate spellings?

HELPFUL HINT: Some names may have been misspelled at the time the manifest was recorded, which always took place at the port of departure in the Old World where clerical errors may have been made. If you don't find a match for exact spelling, our database offers alternate spellings.

2. Even if you know the person's first name, search with just the first initial and last name, or don't use a first name in your search at all.

HELPFUL HINT: Not only were last names changed by immigrants, often first names were anglicized from the original spelling. Irving **BERLIN**'s name, for instance, was actually "Israel **BEILIN**" - and you can find his original manifest in our database!

3. Most manifests are actually two pages, not one. The most important is the first page, with the passenger's name on the far left side.

HELPFUL HINT: Sometimes the second page of the manifest turns up on your computer screen first. Make certain you are looking at the proper page. There is a button you can click (it looks like a magnifying glass) to enlarge the screen view of the manifest. When you've enlarged the image, scroll down the left side of the screen and look for passenger names. If you can't find any, then you are not on the first manifest page. Here's what you do: click where it says "Close Window," which brings you back to the search results page (that's the page with the magnifying glass). Right above the magnifier you will find "Previous" and "Next" buttons. Click on those to work your way backward or forward through the manifest pages. Be aware that the pages are not necessarily in order. It takes some effort, but it can be worthwhile.

4. These records are not a perfect collection.

HELPFUL HINT: Sometimes you may not find an ancestor's name where the database says it should be on a particular page; if that is your case, try clicking the "Previous" or "Next" buttons on the search results page to expand your search. You might very well find the name on a manifest located nearby in our collection.

5. Don't be discouraged!

HELPFUL HINT: No one ever said the search for genealogy was going to be easy. Although this website is the most efficient way to find your ancestors' arrival records to this country, it might take you a few tries to get your match. And don't assume too much about family lore. Oftentimes, information passed down over the generations can prove unreliable. Perhaps Grandmother did not actually arrive in 1905, but another year. Or the name was spelled differently than anyone in your family can recall. Or Great-Grandad was listed as a laborer, not the lawyer he turned out to be in the New World. There are all sorts of possibilities. Be creative, and keep at it!

An exciting research development...

Note: available at Paseo Verde Library

The New York Genealogical & Biographical Society has expanded its remote access offerings to include ProQuest's Heritage Quest Online.

Members, at no extra cost, will be able to receive this fine database of censuses, digitized books, Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files, Freedman's Bank Records, and more via their home computers. This follows on the heels of the NYG&B's giving members remote access to ProQuest's extraordinary full-text, every-word-searchable database of The New York Times.

Among the highlights of Heritage Quest Online are over 25,000 genealogies and local histories and the 1870 and 1910 census indexes linked to images—something not presently found anywhere else. Other census years are available, with the full run, 1790-1930, promised.

Census images are beautiful—the whole page, without the need to click and scroll around to find anyone.

Here's more about Heritage Quest Online from their website

http://www.heritagequestonline.com

Content

A subscription to HeritageQuest Online includes the following content:

1. ProQuest's Genealogy & Local History Collection of 25,000+ family and local history books, every word searchable.

Every page of each book is presented and can be easily downloaded or copied. Few genealogical collections in the country have this many titles. Now even the smallest library can instantly begin to offer the information power of a large research library. More titles are added regularly. See What's New to keep up to date on the number of titles added.

These titles have been digitized from ProQuest's microfilm collection, Genealogy & Local History, which assembles genealogies, local histories, primary source materials, and genealogical and local history serials including material from all 50 states and Canada. Titles are included from libraries nationwide including the Newberry Library (Chicago), the Widener Library (Harvard University), the New York Public Library, the Sutro Library, the University of Illinois at Urbana, and others. For more information on this ongoing collection, see http:// www.umi.com/hp/Support/Research/Files/324.html.

2. Complete U.S. Federal Census, 1790-1930. [Under construction]

The page images and corresponding indexes for the entire census, 1790-1930 are included in HeritageQuest Online. These are completely new indexes created by Heritage Quest. More than 1 million corrections and more than 25,000 additional names have been added over competing indexes. In addition to the ability to search by name, our census records can be searched by place of birth, age, ethnicity and other variables making this the most versatile census searching available online. For example researchers can quickly see all African-Americans or all persons born in Ireland living in a state or county. ProQuest is in the process of loading Census images and indexing. See What's New to keep up to date on Census loading.

3. ProQuest Newspaper Obituaries. (Forthcoming)

This massive collection contains the full-text entries for obituaries reported in over 150 newspapers from across the nation included in our ProQuest database. Beginning researchers can instantly find recent deceased relatives and obtain the information they need to extend their family tree back to early generations. These entries are regularly updated.

4. Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files. (Forthcoming)

This HeritageQuest collection details records of 80,000+ individuals who served in the Revolutionary War and contains both genealogical and historical information. Each veteran's file usually contains six or more pages on each veteran and normally includes the veteran's former rank, unit, and period of service, age or date of birth, residence, and sometimes-genealogical information on other family members.

5. Freedman's Bank Records. (Forthcoming)

At the close of the Civil War, the Freedman's Savings & Trust Company was the primary bank for America's freed slaves and others from 1865-1874. This HeritageQuest collection documents more than 70,000 bank depositors and nearly 480,000 of their dependants and heirs. It is considered one of the most important resources for African-American genealogical research.

6. And more ...

HeritageQuest Online will continue to grow with material from ProQuest's and HeritageQuest's vaults. Working with an advisory board of genealogical librarians and professional genealogists, we are considering new content, such as ships passenger lists, military history, city directories, vital records, African-American Collections, Native American Collections, international genealogical content, and more.

Features [Value]

HeritageQuest Online makes searching easy. Users can search across the ASCII text as well as indexed names and subjects to find information on ancestors and local areas. Each record is linked to the corresponding page images and is downloadable in Adobe® PDF format. HeritageQuest Online also makes it easy to save, retrieve and take notes on your research through the Search History and Notebook features.

Within HeritageQuest Online you can:

- * Search for documents related to people or places
- * Perform a basic or advanced search on available census materials
- * Browse or search publications, including both magazines and books
- * Browse through census data
- * Access a list of results that link to detailed citations for each result
- * Access scanned census images to view pages of census data
- * View and download scanned images of the documents
- * Create a list of citations to print, email or download
- * Edit and combine searches using the Search History function
- * Save selected results to a personal Notebook, where you can take notes on your findings

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For more information please visit

http://www.nygbs.org.

The New York Times, 1851-1998: Remote Access to the ProQuest Database for NYG&B Members. Part 1: Getting Started

http://www.nygbs.org/info/articles/ProQuest1.html

ACCESS TO CENSUS DATA

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1800	Indexed	Indexed	Indexed	
1810	Indexed	Indexed	Indexed	
1820		Indexed	X	
1830	_	Indexed	X	
1840	_	Indexed	X	
1850	Х	Indexed	X	
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1880	Х	Х	Х	Full set in Heritage Room (CDs).
				Also Available at FamilySearch.com (Free)
1890	Indexed	Х	Indexed	
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1920	Х	Indexed	Х	
1930	—	Indexed	X	
			Х	
	Annual - \$99.99	U.S. Records	Free Internet	
	Monthly - \$19.99	\$79.95	Access In The	
	• ·	U.S. Records and census \$119.90	Heritage Room	

Some localities have taken the initiative and transcribed selected census data. Here's a few suggestions.

- Browse your way through USGenweb.com. Drill down to individual states/counties/towns
- ➢ Go to http://www.census-online.com/links/
- ➢ Go to http://www.rootsweb.com/~census/states.htm

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

For running down the Wheelers, I will send \$3.00 more.

He and his daughter are listed as not being born.

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

My Grandfather died at the age of 3.

We are sending you 5 children in a separate envelope.

Documentation: Family Bible in possession of Aunt Merle until the tornado hit Topeka, Kansas, now only the Good Lord knows where it is.

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

I am mailing you my aunt and uncle and 3 of their children.

Enclosed please find my Grandmother. I have worked on her for 30

years without success. Now see what you can do.

I have a hard time finding myself in London. If I were there I was very small and cannot be found.

This family had 7 nephews that I am unable to find. If you know who they are, please add them to the list.

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

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

A 14-year-old boy wrote: "1 do not want you to do my research for me. Will you please send me all of the material on the Welch line, in the US, England and Scotland countries? I will do the research.

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

Southern Nevada POINTers In Person To Host Sunday Afternoon Luncheon/Meeting in April

For the first time, **POINT**ers *In Person* Chapter #11 - Southern Nevada will hold a Sunday afternoon luncheon. We will meet to eat and chat about all things Italian at Capozzoli's Restaurant in Las Vegas on Sunday, April 20, 2003, at 4pm.

Capozzoli's Restaurant 1333 South Maryland Parkway (On the southwest corner of Maryland Parkway and Desert Inn) Las Vegas, NV 731-5311

PLEASE NOTE THE NEW DAY AND TIME: SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2003 - 4 PM

We must reserve space, so anyone who plans to attend should notify **Chapter #11- Southern Nevada**. Attendees may bring something for **Show and Tell** if they wish.

POINTers *In Person* is the social arm of **POINT** - Pursuing Our Italian Names Together. **POINT** members and non-members may attend. We warmly welcome anyone interested in Italian genealogy. Those who cannot attend this time should notify the chapter and ask to be placed on our mailing list for future meetings.

To make reservations for our dinner on *April 20, 2003*, to be placed on our mailing list or for more information about **POINT** or **POINT**ers In Person, contact:

> POINTers In Person Chapter #11 Box 14966 Las Vegas, NV 89114-4966

E-Mail: DrTom@point-pointers.net

SINGING WITH THE LUTHERANS GarrisonKEILLOR

I have made fun of Lutherans for years—who wouldn't if you lived in Minnesota? But I have also sung with Lutherans and that is one of the main joys of life, along with hot baths and fresh sweet corn.

We make fun of Lutherans for their blandness, their excessive calm, their fear of giving offense, their lack of speed and also for their secret fondness for macaroni and cheese. But nobody sings like them.

If you ask an audience in New York City, a relatively "Lutheranless" place, to sing along on the chorus of "Michael Row the Boat Ashore" they will look daggers at you as if you had asked them to strip to their underwear. But if you do this among Lutherans, they'll smile and row that boat ashore and up on the beach! And down the road!

Lutherans are bred from childhood to sing in four-part harmony. It's a talent that comes from sitting on the lap of someone singing alto or tenor or bass and hearing the harmonic intervals by putting your little head against that person's rib cage.

It's natural for Lutherans to sing in harmony. We're too modest to be soloists, too worldly to sing in unison. When you're singing in the key of C and you slide into the A7th and D7th chords, all two hundred of you, it's an emotionally fulfilling moment.

I once sang the bass line of "Children of the Heavenly Father" in a room with about three thousand Lutherans in it; and when we finished we all had tears in our eyes, partly from the promise that God will not forsake us, partly from the proximity of all those lovely voices. By

INDEX TO THE 1901 CENSUS FOR THE NORTHWEST PROVINCES OF CANADA

VoLAPPI

The Alberta Genealogical Society (AGS) has published an index of the 1901 census for the District of Saskatchewan, District of Assiniboia and the Unorganized Territory of Athabasca. A copy of the index is available at the AGS Library in Edmonton. Copies are for sale for \$48.00 (Canadian) plus \$7.00 postage and handling. The AGS has a volunteer Research Group that does look-ups. They will search in their own library which includes Community Histories and a database for burials. They will go to the City of Edmonton Archives to search newspapers for obituaries. They will also go to the Alberta Provincial Archives to get Alberta Homestead files. The only charge is the cost of photocopies or computer printouts (though they really appreciate donations). While the City of Edmonton Archives are in the same building, the Provincial Archives are a long way from the AGS library (a 20 minute drive or so).

Further information can be found on the AGS website

http://www.compusmart.ab.ca/abgensoc/

under Publications and Research Services.

Apparently, the Alberta Family Histories Society in Calgary, Alberta has started indexing the 1906 special census.

ANOTHER LINK to 1901 CANADIAN CENSUS

Esther (EDMONTON)

There is a link for the 1901 Canadian census:

http://www.archives.ca/08/08_e.html

The special 1906 Census is not indexed and is only searchable page by page (in a tiny window) after you determine the correct district. The whole process is therefore excrutiatingly slow.

Some parts of the Ontario census, or indexes, are online elsewhere (try a Google search).

There is a 1901 Alberta Census Index already online (60,000 people) at:

http://agsedm.edmonton.ab.ca/index.html

our joining in harmony, we somehow promise that we will not forsake each other.

I do believe this: people, these Lutherans, who love to sing in fourpart harmony are the sort of people you could call up when you're in deep distress. If you're dying, they'll comfort you. If you're lonely, they'll talk to you. And if you're hungry, they'll give you tuna salad!

If you laughed while reading this, you must be a Lutheran.

The following list was compiled by a 20th century Lutheran who, observing other Lutherans, wrote down exactly what he saw or heard:

1) Lutherans believe in prayer but would practically die if asked to pray out loud.

2) Lutherans like to sing except when confronted with a new hymn or a hymn with more than four stanzas.

3) Lutherans believe their pastors will visit them in the hospital even if they don't notify them that they are there.

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Fall Family History Seminar 4 October 2003 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 note-worthy 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 recieve 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 recieved 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 Swallwood, Jr. Award of Merit for personal commitment and outstanding service to the Association of Professional Genealogist.

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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4) Lutherans usually follow the official liturgy and will feel it is their way of suffering for their sins.

5) Lutherans believe in miracles and even expect miracles, especially during their stewardship visitation programs or when passing the plate.

6) Lutherans feel that applauding for their children's choirs would make them too proud and conceited.

7) Lutherans think that the Bible forbids them from crossing the aisle while"passing the peace."

8) Lutherans drink coffee as if it were the Third Sacrament.

9) Some Lutherans still believe that an ELCA bride and an LCMS

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groom make for a mixed marriage. (or an ELCA groom and WELS bride?)

10) Lutherans feel guilty for not staying to clean up after their own wedding reception in the Fellowship Hall.

- 11) Lutherans are willing to pay up to a dollar for a meal at church.
- 12) Lutherans think that Garrison Keeler stories are totally factual.

13) Lutherans still serve Jell-O in the proper liturgical color or the season and think that peas in a tuna noodle casserole adds too much color.

14) Lutherans believe that it is OK to poke fun at themselves and never take themselves too seriously.

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Fourth Biennial POINT National Conference Kansas City , Missouri October 7-8-9, 2004

POINT (Pursuing Our Italian Names Together) -The American Network of Italian Genealogy -will hold its Fourth Biennial National Conference (October 7-9,2004) at the beautiful Westin Crown Center Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri.

Early sign-in will be on Thursday evening, October 7, in our Hospitality Room in the hotel. Attendees may also sign in on Friday morning, in the same room. Friday, October 8 and Saturday, October 9 will feature lectures and workshops on Italian genealogy both for beginners and for those more advanced in the search for their Italian family roots.

Sunday, October 10 is planned for an optional activity, to be announced, in conjunction with Columbus Day.

Cost for the conference will be \$160 (before May 31,2004) and \$175 for registration after May 31, which will include all lecture and workshop sessions, a Continental breakfast each morning, refreshments and snacks at the morning and afternoon breaks both days and our traditional banquet on Friday evening.

Spouses or guests may accompany the conference registrant to the banquet for an additional cost of \$45.

On both days, attendees will be free for lunch, and will probably want to eat at one of the restaurants in the hotel or at one of the many eating establishments (from fast-food to sit-down) in the mall, just a few steps from the hotel lobby. Plenty of time has been planned between morning and afternoon sessions to allow for lunch.

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

Anyone with questions about the conference may contact:

DannyZANGARA Box 2441 Kansas City, KS 66110-0441 *E-mail: pointkc-2004@yahoo.com*

Or

Joseph**LaBELLA** President Holy Rosary Credit Union 533 Campbell Street Kansas City, MO 64106

Or visit the POINT website for the latest information at: *http://www.point-pointers.net*

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And finally, you know you're a Lutheran when:

* You hear something really funny during the sermon and smile as loudly as you can!

* It's 100 degrees, with 90% humidity, and you still have coffee after the service.

* Doughnuts are a line item in the church budget, just like coffee.

* The communion cabinet is open to all, but the coffee cabinet is locked up tight.

* All your relatives graduated from a school named Concordia (or Luther).

* When you watch a "Star Wars" movie and they say, "May the Force be with you," you respond, "and also with you."

* You actually understand those folks from Lake Wobegon, MN.

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> **Topeka Genealogical Society (KS)** http://www.tgstopeka.org

Genealogical Research Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania http://www.cfrobbins.com/grsnp

> Allen County Library http://www.visitfortwayne.com

Translation service

This online translation service was shared with me by a colleague and it may prove helpful. After opening click on online translation. http://www.allvirtualware.com/languages/

> Alberta Genealogical Society (AGS) http://www.compusmart.ab.ca/abgensoc/

Time and Date

There is often a need to translate something like"... funeral to be held on Thursday... "into a precise calendar date for the family history file. This is a great site with tools for this and other calendar functions: *http://www.timeanddate.com*

> **Reno County Genealogical Society (KS)** http://www.rootsweb.com/~`ksrcgs/renocokansas.htm

> > **Orphan Train Riderss to IOWA** http://iagenweb.org/iaopgphans

Michigan Cemetery Sources

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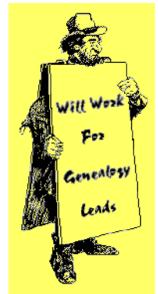
A gateway for the genealogist to locate information about the wide archival community in the UK, and details of most record repositories in Scotland and the genealogical material that they hold. http://www.hmc.gov.uk/archon/archon.htm

> Idaho Death Index (1911-1950) http://www.rootswen.com/~idgenweb/deaths/search.htm

National Archives' Access to Archives Databases http://www.archives.gov/aad/

Scottish Archives Network http://www.scottish.documents.com/content/default.asp

USA and Canada Naturalization and Citizenship Records http://naturalizationrecords.com



"FINDING OUR FAMILIES" EXHIBIT AT THE MUSEUM OF TOLERANCE

Mark

There is a new exhibit at the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles that is wonderful. I think your subscribers would love to visit it. It's called "Finding Our Families." The exhibit recreates the experience of coming to America, It profiles several prominent Americans and how they researched their family history. At the end of the exhibit, they built an interactive Ancestry research computer room.

The exhibit takes about one hour to tour although it can be longer for some. I found it to be a very sentimental journey. The Maya Angelo and the Billy Crystal stories are especially moving and interesting. The exhibit was very motivational.

I am providing the links for you to visit: http://www.findingourfamilies.com/foffo/index.cfm





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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MORE CEMETERY HUMOR

In a cemetery in Hartscombe, England: On the 22nd of June Jonathan**FIDDLE**-Went out of tune.

Anna**HOPEWELL**'s grave in Enosburg Falls, Vermont has an epitaph that sounds like something from a Three Stooges movie: Here lies the body of our Anna Done to death by a banana

It wasn't the fruit that laid her low But the skin of the thing that made her go.

More fun with names with Owen **MOORE** in Battersea, London, England: Gone away Owin'more Than he could pay.

Someone in Winslow, Maine didn't like Mr. WOOD. In Memory of Beza WOOD Departed this life Nov. 2, 1837 Aged 45 yrs. Here lies one Wood Enclosed in wood One Wood Within another. The outer wood Is very good: We cannot praise The other.

On a grave from the 1880's in Nantucket, Massachusetts: Under the sod and under the trees Lies the body of Jonathan Pease. He is not here, there's only the pod: Pease shelled out and went to God.

The grave of Ellen **SHANNON** in Girard, Pennsylvania is almost a consumer tip: Who was fatally burned March 21, 1870 by the explosion of a lamp filled with "R.E. Danforth's

Oops! Harry Edsel **SMITH** of Albany, New York: Born 1903—Died 1942 Looked up the elevator shaft to see if the car was on the way down. It was.

In a Thunnont, Maryland, cemetery: Here lies an Atheist All dressed up And no place to go.

But does he make house calls? Dr. Fred **ROBERTS**, Brookland, Arkansas: Office upstairs

Non-Explosive Burning Fluid"



Family History Events



April 14 Monday

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11:30 AM DAR, Valley of Fire Chapter (363-1147)

16 Wednesday

6:30 PM Jewish Genealogy Society of So. NV - East (896-1899)

19 Saturday

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM CCNCS MEETING (225-5838) Paseo Verde Library, Henderson, NV.

20 S unday

- Pursuing Our Italian Names Together, POINT (257-6628) Capozzoli's Restaurant, 1333 So Maryland Pkwy. Please call 257-6628 to reserve space.
- 1:00 PM Jewish Genealogy Society of So NV West (871-9773)

May

<u>1 Thursday</u>

6:30 PM Sons of Norway, Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 (227-9842)

7 Wednesday

DAR, Francisco Garces (647-1689)

12 Monday

11:30 AM DAR, Valley of Fire Chapter (363-1147)

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DAR, Spanish Trail (270-3448)

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Fall Family History Seminar 4 October 2003 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 note-worthy 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 recieve 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 recieved 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 Swallwood, Jr. Award of Merit for personal commitment and outstanding service to the Association of Professional Genealogist.

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





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