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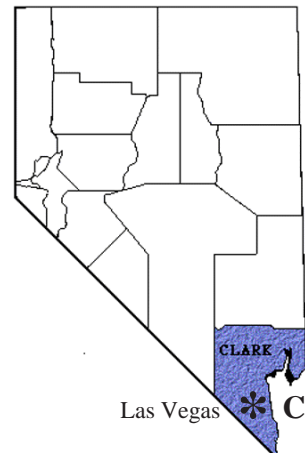
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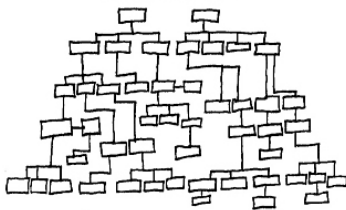
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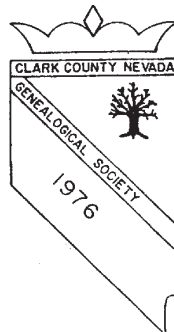
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The CCNGS election of the 2006-07 Board of Directors will be held at the September 16th meeting. The nominating committee is hard at work look-ing for candidates for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director Seminar, Director Publicity/Research and Historian. Nominations will be open at each meeting up to the election or contact Sydney **CAGLE** ([SLC1934@COX.NET](mailto:SLC1934@COX.NET)) or Helen **SMITH** (458-5540 or [HSmithLV@Prodigy.Net](mailto:HSmithLV@Prodigy.Net)) if interested in running for an office.

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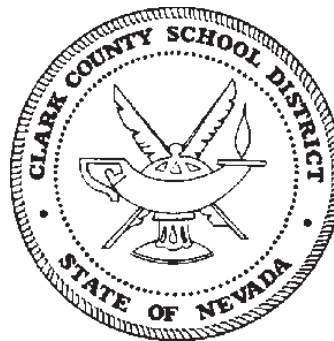
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- Jul 15** **SHORT:** Family Tree Distribution and Privacy Issues - John **FISCHER**  
**LONG:** MS Access Basics - Diane **SINCLAIR**
- Aug 19** **SHORT:** Researching Relatives in the Civil War - Alyce **WELCH**  
**LONG:** TBA
- Sep 16** **SHORT:** Nevada Certificates - Kat **McMAHON**  
**LONG:** Installation of new Officers
- OCT 7** **Fall Family History Seminar** with Christine **ROSE**
- Oct 21** **SHORT:** Writing the Perfect Letter - TBA  
**LONG:** TBA
- Nov 18** **SHORT:** Living Genealogy - Henry **DZIEGIEL**  
**LONG:** TBA
- Dec 16** **SHORT:** Genealogy for Kids - John **FISCHER**  
**LONG:** TBA

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Designed by Walter E. **JACOBSON**, who taught arts and crafts in the Henderson schools and at Western High School for 28 years. He died 1 June 1983.

### 2006 Logo

Adapted in 4 March 2006 after a contest for a new logo.



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# Preservation of Records From Civil War Urged

By Sban **WHALEY**  
*REVIEW-JOURNAL* CAPITAL BUREAU

**CARSON CITY** (Nevada) — A rare chance to examine the state's Civil War-era enlistment rolls showed that some draftees were deserters, and that there were at least a few blacks from Nevada who served in the Army in the West at places such as Fort Churchill just east of the capital.

The 260 documents held by the state Library and Archives were on display Wednesday to show the need for their preservation. The lists of hundreds of U.S. Army volunteers and draftees from Nevada and surrounding areas are too fragile to allow public access, despite continued interest by military historians and people searching their genealogies.

One was signed by Major Charles **McDERMIT**, for whom the town of McDermitt on the Oregon border is named. **McDERMIT** was killed by Indians near Paradise Valley in Northern Nevada in 1865.

"The paper documents, written by hand in flowery script, are the types of records that need costly preservation," state Archives Manager Jeff **KINTOP** said.

The preservation efforts got a boost from Bill **WATSON**, a Nevada resident who has formed a corporation to help save the state's historical documents. **WATSON** donated \$1,000 from his nonprofit group, called Foundation 36, to help in the agency's work.

"I have a strong interest in historic preservation and conservation," he said. "I was looking for some way to give something back to the

state."

Called muster rolls, the documents date from 1863 to 1865, covering a period when Nevada was a territory and in its early statehood which began on Oct. 31, 1864.

The state Library and Archives Division would like to make digital reproductions of the records, which are on large sheets of paper, so that researchers could continue to have access to the information while at the same time preserving the originals from further damage.

Some have been torn over the years and have taped areas. The tape needs to be removed and the acidity taken out of the paper.

State Archivist Guy **ROCHA** said the records tell a story.

He showed two enlistees from Nevada who were stationed at Fort Bridger in Wyoming, one named John **BROWN**, who deserted rather than take part in the hostilities with the Indians in the region.

**KINTOP** identified one black man, named John **WRIGHT**, who served as a cook.

**ROCHA** found a second black enlistee who also served as a cook, which serves as an example as why the documents are so important.

"It shows who served, where they came from and other data that helps paint a picture of military service at that time," he said.

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## USCIS To Provide Fee-for-Service Genealogy Program

After years of prodding by the genealogical community, it appears the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS—formerly called the Immigration and Naturalization Service) will provide a method for expediting inquiries from genealogists for records of their ancestors. There is a notice in the Federal Register to establish a Genealogy Program to process requests for historical records of deceased persons.

USCIS claims it receives 10,000 requests a year for the current service which is provided free under the Freedom of Information Act. Because of lack of manpower and facilities, it can take more than a year for a request to be processed. The genealogical community suggested that USCIS provide an alternate fee-for-service method to expedite requests. Such a service was started a few years ago by the Social Security Administration to process requests of their historical records.

Under the proposed rules, genealogical inquiries will no longer be free of charge. If a request is made under the Freedom of Information Act and USCIS determines it is a genealogical inquiry, the request will be returned to the sender who will be asked to resubmit using the Genealogy Program.

The following record groups will be part of the Genealogy Program:

- \* Naturalization Certificate Files (C-Files), which are records from September 27, 1906 to April 1, 1956, relating to U.S. naturalizations and the issuance of evidence of naturalization or citizenship.
- \* Forms AR-2, which are Alien Registration Forms on microfilm that were completed by all aliens age 14 and older who resided in or entered the United States between August 1, 1940, and March 31, 1944. These forms contain identification information, as well as information regarding the alien's employment and arrival to the United States.
- \* Visa Files, which are records from July 1, 1924, to March 31, 1944, containing the arrival information of immigrants admitted for permanent residence from July 1, 1924 to March 31, 1944, under the Immigration Act of 1924.
- \* Registry Files, which are records from March 2, 1929, to March 31, 1944, containing arrival information of immigrants who entered the United States prior to July 1, 1924, and for whom no arrival records could later be found.

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# GENEALOGY WEB SITE CONFUSION?

by John FISCHER (CCNGS)

Here is an update on the current state of some of the more popular genealogy web sites.

MyFamily.com (MyFamily.com, Inc., Corporate is the parent company for: MyFamily.com.)

[www.myfamily.com](http://www.myfamily.com)

Publishes Family Tree Maker software; Publishes Ancestry magazine; Affiliate program pays a commission to any affiliated sites that set up links to MyFamily.com that result in a purchase.

Ancestry.com

[www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com)

Available through subscription fees only; Census and book collection; Available in the Heritage Room, Paseo Verde Library, Henderson, NV; Available at all LDS Family History Centers

Rootsweb.com

[www.rootsweb.com](http://www.rootsweb.com)

Acquired in 2000. Supports GEDCOMS and uploads. [Genealogy.com ([www.genealogy.com](http://www.genealogy.com)) acquired it in 2003 and reputed to be left to stagnate.]

FamilyHeritage.com

[www.familyheritage.com](http://www.familyheritage.com)

Researches and prints family tree books for a fee; HeritageMakers.com ([www.heritagemakers.com](http://www.heritagemakers.com)) Acquired in 2005, creates and publishes family history scrapbooks from user provided data for a fee.

MyFamily.com, Inc. (Corporate Tim SULLIVAN, President 360 West 4800 North Provo, UT 84604 Total employees = 1300 {2006})

[www.myfamilyinc.com](http://www.myfamilyinc.com)

This is a private corporation founded in 1983 and a large percentage of stock is held by Infobase Ventures, a venture capital corporation. According to Public Relations manager, Peggy HAYES (Jan 2006) this company is privately held and the LDS (Mormon) Church has no stock in it.

HeritageQuest / ProQuest is the parent company for: HeritageQuest Online

[www.heritagequestonline.com](http://www.heritagequestonline.com)

Available through subscription fees only. Available to users with a Clark County Nevada library card from home. Henderson residents log into the Henderson Library system at [www.hdpl.org](http://www.hdpl.org); other Clark County residents access through the Clark County Library system at <https://ilsweb.lvccl.d.org/>. On line are US Census, PERSI, Revolutionary War and 20,000 family and local history books; Census updates have been scaled back; Markets subscription service to libraries through an agreement with MyFamily.com

[www.heritagequest.com](http://www.heritagequest.com)

Sales of genealogy material only

ProQuest Company (Alan ALDWORTH, Chairman 777 Eisenhower Parkway Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1346)

[www.proquest.com](http://www.proquest.com)

Specializes in microfilm and electronic publishing for the education market and archival news products.

FamilySearch.org (The LDS [Mormon] church is the owner of this web site: [FamilySearch.org](http://FamilySearch.org))

[www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org)

Searches the IGI (International Genealogical Index) files, the Social Security Death Index, 1880 US Census, the LDS Ancestral (PAF) file and the LDS Pedigree Resource file, and the Family History Library catalogue.

OTHERS And don't forget the following:

[www.ellisland.org](http://www.ellisland.org) [www.castlegarden.org](http://www.castlegarden.org)

Provides searchable data bases for immigrants entering the USA.

## NARA Workshop Schedule

Jul 21 Federal Land Records

All workshops will be conducted by Rose Mary KENNEDY at the National Archives and Records Administration Pacific Region, 1000 Commodore Drive, San Bruno CA 94066

To register and reserve a space contact: Rose Mary KENNEDY 650-238-3488. Fees are \$15 payable in advance.

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### 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.

### The Census Book by William DOLLARHIDE

Now on line and it's free! Most of us know of this man's work, but for those who are not familiar, it is full of helpful American and English census information, as well as census schedules and sample census pages.

It's in PDF format and is at:

[http://www.heritagequestonline.com/prod/genealogy/html/help/census\\_book.html](http://www.heritagequestonline.com/prod/genealogy/html/help/census_book.html)

# Census Search Tip

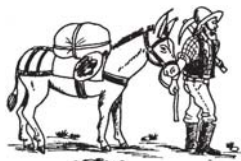
Pat ALMQUIST - Ancestry Weekly Journal: Tue, 25 Apr 2006

My tip involves a little heretofore overlooked (at least by me) gem in connection with census searches.

When you are looking for someone and you know the approximate area (town, city, community) where they lived, and you know a family member or neighbor who lived very near to them, do a search on that family member or neighbor. Click on the "(year) United States Federal Census Record." Look down at the info provided before you click on the census image itself. You will see either "Neighbors: View Results" or "Family and Neighbors: View Results."

I knew one of my grandmother's first cousins lived less than a quarter mile down the road from her, but could not find them in the census records. By locating the cousin in the index and clicking on "Neighbors: View Results," there he and his wife were—with their last name definitely misspelled!

As the phrase I coined says: "The rainbow is where you find it, not necessarily at the end of the rainbow." I found him, but not where I expected.



## NEVADA 1862 TERRITORIAL CENSUS

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

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

## Distributing Heirlooms

Nola CREWE (Ancestry Quick Tip 3/23/2006 - Archive)

As a lawyer, may I suggest that to ensure that heirlooms get to the correct heir, particularly those that are of significant value or coveted by a number of heirs, you include them in your will. This ensures they go where you want them to go and allows the heir to insist on their right to a particular item.

For the smaller, less fiscally valuable items, a phrase such as "I trust that my executor will be guided in distributing my estate by such memoranda as I leave in a binder/notebook, etc. titled 'For My Executor' (or any other name you choose). Then make sure the book has pictures of the specific items, a copy of the history you wanted to pass along, and the full name and birth date or address of the recipient.

So often people write, "I want John to have my old chest." But that could be any chest from a tea chest to a hope chest to a bureau or the old travel chest in the attic that no one knows exists! And it could be John the youngest grandson, or John your son, or John the handyman!

And remember, the intended recipient of something very important

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## Preserve Nevada Draws Attention to Historic Buildings at Risk

By Corey LEVITAN (REVIEW-JOURNAL)

Latest list includes the Huntridge Theater, adobe structures, Kiel Ranch and a fight against urban sprawl.

Preserve Nevada is the only statewide historic preservation group.

"All of the other ones do fabulous work but we're the only one that tries to see Nevada as a whole," says Michelle **TURK**, deputy director of the nonprofit organization, which launched in 2002 and is based at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. "This is basically a group where everyone comes together and decides what is wrong in Nevada and what we need to change.

"Each year, Preserve Nevada releases a list of what it deems the 11 most endangered historic places are in Nevada. Its 2006 list, released earlier this month, ranks Las Vegas' Huntridge Theater as No. 7 with a bullet. Built during World War II, the Huntridge is one of few surviving examples of Art Moderne theater architecture in the United States.

"They want to tear it down because the building is hard to restore," **TURK** says.

"And despite \$2 million invested by Las Vegas citizens to save the theater, and a 1993 listing on the National Register of Historic Places, its current private owners are legally entitled to do this", **TURK** says. (Operating on \$10,000 in annual grants from the State Historic Preservation Office and \$33,000 from UNLV, Preserve Nevada does not have the capital necessary to save the building or achieve most of its other goals, so it lobbies potential benefactors who do.)

Topping its list is what Preserve Nevada refers to as "sprawl-free landscape." Although this resource is listed as geographically nonspecific, the breakup of the Gilcrease family complex of properties in North Las Vegas is singled out as the primary example.

"There's tract development all around it," **TURK** says, explaining that Preserve Nevada is not opposed to housing development, only to development that doesn't take the historic feel of a community into account.

"We're not just providing advocacy for the preservation of historic buildings," **TURK** says. "It's the cultural history, the archaeological history and the landscapes.

"Other local buildings on the list include all Southern Nevada adobe structures, such as the El Sombrero Restaurant, and the Kiel Ranch in North Las Vegas."

To donate your time or money to Preserve Nevada's fight, contact (702) 895-2908.

**SOURCE:** Find this article at: [http://www.reviewjournal.com/lvrj\\_home/2006/May-28-Sun-2006/living/7295797.html](http://www.reviewjournal.com/lvrj_home/2006/May-28-Sun-2006/living/7295797.html)

can die before the testator. A book like this allows the person to write notes to the executor explaining what they want to happen if someone predeceases them. It can be easily added to when something new is acquired or something sold or given to the recipient. Other directions/suggestions can also be included as it does not legally bind the executor, but provides great help and moral-suasion.

Different jurisdictions allow you to deal with your estate and will in different ways, so these are only suggestions that I have found work very well in Ontario.



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# LIBRARY NEWS

## LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS

NEW LIBRARY BOOKS FOR THE SECOND QUARTER

### DONATIONS

Boone County Kentucky 1810-1840 Census, Heritage Books

BROOKS, Linda Barber, Pioneer Kentuckians with Missouri Cousins, Vol. 1

Davess County, Kentucky 1850 Census

Kentucky Military Pensioners 1818-1840 Researchers Pub.

La Salle County Genealogy Guild, La Salle County Illinois 1860 Federal Census Vol 1

MAJDALANY, Jeanne, The Story of the Early Settlers of Stamford, Connecticut 1641-1700, Heritage Books

STEPHENSON, Wendell Holmes, A Basic History of the Old South Philadelphia City & County Pennsylvania Taxpayers 1779

WHEATCROFT, Andrew, The Habsburgs

### PURCHASED BY THE LIBRARY

1800 Census of Oglethorpe County Georgia Published by Heritage papers

BOWEN, Jeff, Indian Wills, 1911-1921 Book One

CHAMBERLAYNE, C. G. (Ed.), The Vestry book of Blisland Parish 1721-1786

CHAMBERLAYNE, C. G., The Vestry Book of Christ Church Parish Middlesex County Virginia 1663-1767

DENNIS, Earle S. & SMITH, Jane E. (Compilers), Marriage Bonds of Bedford County Virginia 1755-1800

HARDY, Stella Pickett, Colonial Families of the Southern States of America

Genealogist's Guide to Pennsylvania Records Somerset Co., A

JONES, Mary Josephine, Harden County, Kentucky Cemetery Inscriptions Vol. 1 & 3

LEESON, Francis L., A Directory of British Peerages

MIHALYKA, Jean M. (Compiler), Marriages Northampton County, Virginia 1660/1-1854, Heritage Books, 1995

MILLER, Wathena Kennedy, Meade County, Kentucky Records Vol. 3 1885-1934

RENEAU, Martha Powell, Marriage Records of Barren County, Kentucky 1799-1879

SUMMER, George Leland, Newberry County South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Annals

## A Visit to the Pacific Regional Archives at Laguna Niguel, CA

Jana WALKER (CCNGS)

Interested in records from Arizona, Southern California, and Clark County, Nevada?

The Regional Archives Pacific Region at Laguna Niguel, CA is one of 14 regional facilities of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). It contains historical records from Federal agencies and courts from Arizona, Southern California, and Clark County, Nevada.

They have 32,000 cubic feet of historical records dating from 1850 to 1990 including photographs, maps and architectural drawings created or received by nearly 70 Federal agencies, including Federal courts.

I was with a group who had a behind the scenes tour of the facility in May. They had a display of Naturalization Applications for Hollywood personalities including Errol FLYNN, Marlene DIETRICH, and Peter LORRE. We got to look at the original documents from a copyright lawsuit against Walt DISNEY – including original drawings. We peeked into the secure area where they are cataloging the NIXON Pre-Presidential papers and artifacts for inclusion in his Presidential Library. We were able to look at old maps from the Las Vegas area and learn how they are preserving large documents.

Would you believe they unroll the old maps using distilled water, bricks and wool?

The microfilm holdings of genealogical interests include:

- \* Federal census for 1790 – 1930
- \* Native American censuses of reservations in Arizona and Southern California
- \* Indexes to compiled military service records
- \* Freedman's Bureau records
- \* Military post returns for forts in California and Arizona
- \* Pension records and bounty land warrant applications
- \* Passenger arrival records for ships entering Baltimore, Boston, Galveston, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and other ports
- \* Naturalization Records – including the Superior Courts of Los Angeles County and San Diego County

They also have four computers with access to *Ancestry*, *Heritage Quest*, and other internet sites and usually have volunteers to assist you.

A notebook containing materials collected at the site will be available in the Heritage Room at Paseo Verde Library. This includes more specific information on their holdings.



# GENEALOGY GOULASH: "MORE HOMEBOUND RESEARCH TIPS,"

by Paula Stuart WARREN

I struck an important cord with many readers in my January 12th column:

<http://www.ancestry.com/learn/library/article.aspx?article=10857>

about homebound researchers. Here are just a few comments I heard from readers:

## BEFORE AND AFTER COMPUTERS

Here's one story that was shared: "My mother-in-law's address book provided me several family members who I did not know, but who were part of the family I was then researching. I reached a woman in her 80s who was the last person in her family with the information I need-ed. She responded with a short, brusque note saying that everyone was gone, her children did not talk to her anymore and, 'I don't know nothing about the family.' It was a depressing note. However, a couple of months later at Easter, I sent a card and said that I hoped she was doing well. I asked no more questions. She responded saying that it was good to hear from another Christian woman. We wrote for a couple of years until her death. I never asked questions, but she gave me many answers as she told me about her years growing up, her brothers and sisters, and even her children. Sometimes it takes a bit of kindness and a lot of patience to flesh out the family tree.

"Using the computer, I went to the web page of a local library in the town my cousin Bill was raised in. He was killed at age 18 in WWII and I could not find much information or any picture. I asked the research librarian if they had yearbooks for the high schools in the area. I received some clippings and a copy of a yearbook page. She could not find a picture of Bill but did send me the yearbook page with his sister's photo. She also sent a couple of newspaper clippings about Bill and his death in the Hawaiian Islands. One of the clippings had his picture!"

## MORE ELECTRONIC SUGGESTIONS

Another reader "at home in the beautiful Pacific Northwest" wrote: "Computers are great for making contacts as well as finding databases. Leaving a message on a county genealogy web page in Iowa brought me death information and newspaper clippings that I might never have found on my own. The gentleman who responded actually went out and looked at the cemetery to see if my great-great-grandfather was buried there and then found supporting information about him. I had just asked if there were any cemetery indexes! I am not housebound or in a rural area but have a retired husband who has really limited my onsite research."

## MORE EQUIPMENT

A fellow Minnesotan shared: "Something that I have found to be a 'must' in my at-home research is a microfilm/fiche reader. I can borrow films of Norwegian parish records on microfilm from the Vesterheim Genealogical Center in Madison, Wisconsin but there are lots of other things available by rent or purchase on film -- church records, newspapers, and census records are the ones that quickly come to mind."

You may be able to find a business or school in your area that is getting rid of older film or fiche readers. Let your relatives know you are on the look-out for a reader.

## MESSAGE BOARDS

Another tip: "I'm not particularly home bound, but don't get out much. I have found that my two most valuable research methods are using ALL the message boards I can find that may apply to my questions, and finding other libraries in the vicinity of my research. I contact

those libraries and ask who is most experienced in doing genealogical research and get an email address if they have one. I've got a few people now that I can email directly with questions or requests, and I've been astounded at how much help they can be and how willing they are to do what you need. Sometimes, they ask for a donation, which is totally agreeable to me! I've also found that if I keep asking questions on message boards, usually someone will answer. I even had one lady in New York that signed herself off as being from 'friendly western New York.' And boy, was she a dear. She even traveled to local museums, genealogical societies, and a cemetery with her camera for me! She did more research than I would have even asked for and sent me a picture of where my grandmother's last brother was buried. No stone, but she found the location anyway and took a picture."

## KINDNESS IN GENEALOGY

Another reader wrote: "Speaking of random acts of genealogical kindness, a wonderful woman who happened to own the microfilmed archives of a newspaper from the 1890s in Gann Valley, South Dakota (her father had been the editor) transcribed all the MANY references to my grandfather and his family, who lived there during that time, and sent them to me, as well as copies of the ads from the paper mentioning my great-grandfather's store. She contacted me via a message board posting I had made. It still amazes me that she would go to all that trouble. It amounted to 27 pages of articles, covering eight years, and she typed all of it after reading through all of the issues to find it!"

I would be remiss if I didn't remind readers that it is OK to ask for source citations for material that others share with you or find on your behalf.

## USE REGULAR MAIL

Here is another good suggestion: "Write to libraries, city clerks, etc. I am pretty savvy with a computer, but I still write letters to libraries for copies of obits, to city clerks for copies of vital records, to the Archives of the Archdiocese of Boston for witnesses and sponsors at weddings and baptisms. You can write to historical societies and local genealogical societies with queries. People seem to think everything is online. It's not. Your suggestion to use the USGenWeb sites (<http://www.usgenweb.org>) was great. The amount of info for a given county varies widely, but it is a great starting point to find out when the county was formed, what records exist, and usually a list of volunteers for lookups. Worst case you can email the county or town coordinator and ask for help. Most of the sites have addresses for vital records, historical societies, etc."

## CARETAKERS

Other homebound researchers care for a family member. As one reader wrote: "Most mornings I am able to sit down at our computer with a cup of coffee and read the Ancestry Daily newsletter. I am no longer able to get to the library or courthouses as I am caring for our son who has ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). I don't miss getting out to do genealogy because I have Ancestry.com and the net. I have been able to do so much research right from our home and the Daily News has given me so much new information and places to look--not to mention the therapeutic aspects of not feeling deprived."

## BOTTOM LINE

We can learn much from each other. We are not alone in our research. We must not forget to recheck indexes, websites, and books. We must



# QUERIES



## ANDREWS, PURSEL

Who is Harriet **PURSEL**'s mother? Harriet was b. 16 July 1849 in Mansfield, OH, d. 1 Dec 1935 in Marshalltown, IA. Her father was Thomas **PURSEL**, stepmother - Agnes **ANDREWS**.  
M. **PURSEL** 4015 W. Arby Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89118, 702-361-6116

## BARRELL, FAUST / FOUST

Rebecca **BARRELL** (1796-1878) married to Dewald **FAUST** (1796- 1849) in PA. Looking for information on Rebecca's parents.  
Eileen **SENA** - [sstokes98@radicalage.com](mailto:sstokes98@radicalage.com) or (702) 361-0512

## BARTLETT, MAURICE

Seeking parents of Sarah Estelle **BARTLETT** b. 23 Aug 1854 in NY, m. Mathew **MAURICE** 7 May 1874, in Iowa Falls, IA; d. 20 Jun 1939 in Mineral Wells, TX.  
Jana **WALKER**, [janamwalkerlv@earthlink.net](mailto:janamwalkerlv@earthlink.net)

## BAYLES

Looking for the name of father & mother of Enoch **BAYLES**, b. 1823, Culpeper Co., VA; d. 1906 Davis Co., MO; located him in OH in 1840s.  
Patti **ROYALL** 318 Abington St., Henderson, NV 89074

## BEARDEN, BUNCH

Looking for parents of Mary Elizabeth **BEARDEN**, b. 25 Jan 1841, d. 30 Mar 1880 in Hot Springs, Garland Co., AR; wife of Benjamin Franklin **BUNCH**.  
Paula **PETROSO** 2764 Tent Moir Pl, Henderson, NV 89014, 702-435-0498, [petruso@aol.com](mailto:petruso@aol.com)

## BEHR, HEIDT

Looking for parents and descendants of the six brothers and sisters of George **HEIDT**, b Jan 14, 1840 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany, d Nov 19, 1925 in Erie, PA. He left Europe from LeHavre, France on the ship **HOLSATIA** and arrived in New York City, NY on Sept 14, 1871. He was a teamster in the Prussian Army during the Franco-Prussian War of 1870-71. In Erie, PA he married Theresa **BEHR**, b Aug 31, 1848 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany, d Jan 23, 1915 in Erie, PA. Both were devout Roman Catholics.  
John **FISCHER**, 4532 Wisconsin Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104-5515; 702-457-0486; [lucky1570@cox.net](mailto:lucky1570@cox.net)

## BOLDEN, BAREHAM, HUMM, LEGGETT

Seeking others researching these lines from Colchester, Essex, England. Abraham **HUMM**, b. Abt. 1763, d. 03 Dec 1839; m. Amelia b. 1783 and d. 1858. Their child James **HUMM** b. 15 Jan 1815, d. Mar 1895. He married (1) Eliza Ann, b. 1813 in Ardleigh, Essex, England. He married (2) Sarah **BOLDEN** 1873 in Colchester, Essex England; Sarah b. 1832 in Oakley, Essex, England. Children of James **HUMM** and Eliza Ann are: James Josh **HUMM**, b. 1840; Eliza **HUMM**, b. 1843; Frederick **HUMM**, b. 1847; George **HUMM**, b. 1849; Henry **HUMM**, b. 1852; Samuel L **HUMM**, b. 1853; Frederick **HUMM** (b. 1847) m. Eliza **LEGGETT BAREHAM** 07 Dec 1870 in Colchester, Essex England, daughter of Frederick **LEGGETT** and Mary. She was born 1847 in Clacton, Essex, England. Their children: James Frederick4 **HUMM**, b. 21 Sep 1872; d. 13 Jan 1955; Lucas **HUMM**, b. 1878; George **HUMM**, b. 1883; & Alice **HUMM**, b. 1891.  
Kim **BAKKAN** [cubba213@yahoo.com](mailto:cubba213@yahoo.com)

## BOLLINGER/BOLINGER, FOUST/FAUST SUNDERLAND

James L. **FOUST** (1835-1887) married to Sarah R. **BOLLINGER** (1839 - ) in Mifflin Co., PA. In 1920 Sarah, 80 is with daughter Phoebe and George **SUNDERLAND** in Mifflin Co., PA. When and where did Sarah die?  
Eileen **SENA** - [sstokes98@radicalage.com](mailto:sstokes98@radicalage.com) or (702) 361-0512

## CAGLE, HANES

Seeking parents of Elizabeth **HANES** of Cullman, AL; m. Charlie N. **CAGLE** in 1890.  
Sydney **CAGLE** 5305 Jim Dent way, Las Vegas, NV 89149, [SLC1934@cox.net](mailto:SLC1934@cox.net)

## CARR / KARR, CRONEY, WELCH

Seeking info on William W. **WELCH**, b. 1866 in MI, m. Samantha **CARR (KARR)** b. 1875 in MO. Their children: Flora F **WELCH**, b. 1893, MO; John W **WELCH**, b. 1895, Mo; Henderson Jackson **WELCH**, b. 1904, MO; d. 18 Jan 1969. Married Fannie Ann **CRONEY**, MO; Eva A **WELCH**, b. 1908, MO; Mildred Arcelia **WELCH**, b. 04 Jul 1910 MO; d. 06 Dec 1995 MO; Cora L **WELCH**, b. 1913, MO; Opal M **WELCH**, b. 1919, MO.  
Kim **BAKKAN**, [cubba213@yahoo.com](mailto:cubba213@yahoo.com)

## CASE, CASS

Seeking family descendants of Elijah **CASE**, aka Elihu **CASS**. Documents as father-in-law of Phoebe **CASE** in 1807 Argenteail, Quebec, Canada  
Connie **CHISM** 2122 Tiger Links Dr., Henderson, NV 89012  
[Conniechism@cox.net](mailto:Conniechism@cox.net)

## CENTANNI, MOATONE

Seeking marriage date of Caterina **MAOTONE** and Pasquale **CENTANNI** in Philadelphia, PA btw 1890-1895.  
Shirley **PEPE** 702-458-1924, [nevadapepe@cox.net](mailto:nevadapepe@cox.net)

## CUNNINGHAM, FALLON

Seeking parents of James **CUNNINGHAM**, b. 1825 in MD, d. 1893 in Utica, LaSalle Co., IL., m. Margaret **FALLON**.  
Patricia **AUNE** 5551 Corral Cl, Las Vegas, HV 89119, [gpaune5551@aol.com](mailto:gpaune5551@aol.com)

## FARROW, SINCLAIR,

Looking for descendents from 1<sup>st</sup> marriage of Edwin A. **SINCLAIR**, b. 1883 in Canada, son of Andrew M. **SINCLAIR** and Marjorie **FARROW**. His 1st marriage took place abt 1907, possibly in MA.  
Diane **SINCLAIR** [desertds@cox.net](mailto:desertds@cox.net)

## FRANTZEN, JOHNSON

Seeking info on parents of Amanda **JOHNSON**, b. ca 1865 in area of Malmo, Sweeden, d. 1950; emigrated to western NY and m. Jens C. **FRANTZEN**.  
Robert **FRANTZEN** 702-878-5659, [RFRANTZ1266@Earthlink.Net](mailto:RFRANTZ1266@Earthlink.Net)

## GALATAS, LAURENT

Seeking Basile **LAURENT** ancestry, b. 1853 Louisiana or France, m. Nicholas **GALATAS**, LA. Children: Joseph, Albert, and Jules.  
Jeannine **CRITIE** [jean9criti@aol.com](mailto:jean9criti@aol.com)

## GILFILLAN, NAGEL

Searching for information abt death date of Charles W. **GILFILLAN**, Md. He was b. 1906 in Hannibal, MO son of George **GILFILLAN** and Minnie **NAGEL**. He was an orthopedic Dr. in

Beverly Hills, CA during the 19040s.

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

### **GOODE, HORTON**

Looking in Missouri for the burial place of George **HORTON** born approx 1769 died after 1850. Last known location found on the 1850 census living in the household of his daughter Mary and her husband James C. **GOODE**, in Adair, County, Missouri. George was 81 years old in 1850, a carpenter, born in Virginia.

Sharon **LOPEZ**, 7800 West Rosada Way, Las Vegas, NV 89149, [vegaslopez@cox.net](mailto:vegaslopez@cox.net)

### **GRAY, GRIER, HORTON**

Looking for the parents/ancestors of George **HORTON**, b. 1769 VA to aft 1850; Married first to Margaret **GRIER** (1809 Caswell, NC) child Eleanor. Married second to Susannah **GRAY** (1813 Caswell, NC) children: William H., Mary, Amanda, Jane, Calvin and Sarah, Sharon **LOPEZ**, 7800 West Rosada Way, Las Vegas, NV 89149, [vegaslopez@cox.net](mailto:vegaslopez@cox.net)

### **GRAY, HORTON, WILEY**

Looking for any information about the birth, maiden name and parents of Susannah. 1<sup>st</sup> married to John **GRAY** (abt 1802) children: John B., Leatha, Frances (1804), Yancy (1806) John was 1<sup>st</sup> married to Margaret **WILEY** (1800) child Alexander. Susannah 2<sup>nd</sup> married to George **HORTON**, (1813 Caswell, NC) children: William H., Mary, Amanda, Jane, Calvin, Sarah.

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### **HANDY**

Seeking info abt father of Julia S. **HANDY**, b. 12 Nov 1894 in Pocattela, ID, d. abt 1956 in Long Beach, CA.

Barbara **TYHURST Bobbe+1@aol.com**

### **HINES**

Seeking father of Jacob **HINES**, b. 22 Dec 1822 in Allegheny Co., PA. 1830 Census listen Alman **HINES** with 3 sons: one age 5-10 yrs, two ages 1-5 yrs. Jacob would have been 6-7 yrs in 1930 depending on census date.

Duane E. **HINES** 702-362-5506 (voice), 702-362-5736 (fax), [dehines1@hotmail.com](mailto:dehines1@hotmail.com)

### **HUMM, LINES**

Seeking descendents of James Frederick **HUMM** (d. 1955)(m.1890, Edith Alice **LINES** (b.1876; d.1957). Children: Dorothy, Grace Victoria, Authur (b.1899), Henry Percy (b.1901), Winifred May (b.1904; d. 1996), Cyril Claude (b.1906), Violet (b.1912)

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### **HUMM, PAGE, PALMER**

Seeking descendents of Ernest **PALMER** (b.1878; d.1944) (m. 1902 Florence Lillian **PAGE** (b.1880) Children: Ernest Henry William (b.1903; d.1971)(m. Winifred May **HUMM**), May Florence Lillian (b.1905)(d.1956), Harry (b.1908; d.1982), Gladys Lilian (b.1919), Ronald Albert Victor (b.1921; d.1963)-Southend Essex.

Kim **BAKKEN**, 2375 E. Tropicana Ave #351, Las Vegas, NV 89119; [cubba213@yahoo.com](mailto:cubba213@yahoo.com)

### **KUCHMULLER**

Looking for decendents of Johann Christian **KUCHMULLER**; came from GER btw 1845-1855; lived in Utica, NY 1855-1880.

Trish **HARRIS** 702-914-0924, [TRISH2866@AOL.COM](mailto:TRISH2866@AOL.COM)

### **LARSEN**

Seeking info on Emily **LARSEN** who came to America from Sweeden abt 1890-1930; what ship and year? Settled in Three Oaks, MI. Ursula M. **WELLS** 702-567-5031, [BEARCLANW@COX.NET](mailto:BEARCLANW@COX.NET)

### **McNEAL**

Seeking birth certificate of Anthony **McNEAL** Sr. of Orange City, VA, 1820.

Ralph L. **McNEAL**, Sr., [RMCNEALS@AOL.COM](mailto:RMCNEALS@AOL.COM)

### **PIPER**

Seeking info on Jonathan S. **PIPER**, b. 1817 PA, moved to Columbiana Co., OH with family. 1840 Census was with his mother, brother & sister looking for his father who probably died before 1840 in OH.

Phyllis **LEVAY** 126 Palo Verde Dr., Henderson, NV 89015

### **PURSEL, WHEELOCK**

Need parents of William **WHEELOCK**, m. 8 March 1924 to Harriet **PURSEL** in Marshalltown, IA.

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### **RITZENTHALER**

Seeking to correspond with others researching **RITZENTHALERS** in Sauk Co., WI.; share info.

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### **SADAUSKIS, SZYMKAITE**

Seeking marriage info for Klemens **SADAUSKIS** and Ona **SZYMKAITE** of Chicago, Cook Co., IL ca 1914-1916.

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### **SENA, SORIANO / HORIANO**

Augustin /Agustin **SENA** (1825-1865) married to Maria de los Santos **SORIANO/ HORIANO** about 1859 in San Miguel, Co., NM.

Looking for Maria's parents

Eileen **SENA** - [sstokes98@radicalage.com](mailto:ssstokes98@radicalage.com) or (702) 361-0512

### **SULLIVAN**

Seeking to correspond with others researching Jeremiah

**SULLIVAN**, b. abt 1832 in Co Cork, IRE, d. 29 Sep 1922 in Hibbing, St. Louis Co., MN. Children: Michael, John, Jeremiah, Mary, Patrick, Daniel, Catherine, Annie, and Nellie born MA, NY, & MI.

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[Hsmithlv@prodigy.net](mailto:Hsmithlv@prodigy.net)

### **WEST**

Need parents of John D. **WEST** b. 21 Jun 1842 Liverpool, Eng.

Came to America 1856, lived in PA, d. Apr 1903 Michigan City, IN.

Ginny **DELMARTO** [Ralphsgirl@cox.net](mailto:Ralphsgirl@cox.net)

### **WHITE**

Seeking info on Samual **WHITE** who immigrated from Ireland btw 1890-1930; what ship and year? Settled in Three Oaks, MI.

Ursula M. **WELLS** 702-567-5031, [BEARCLANW@COX.NET](mailto:BEARCLANW@COX.NET)

### **YATNICK**

Seeking others researching Harry **YATNICK** of Brooklyn, NY, 1906-1932; share info.

Marjorie **SHELD**, [hsheld@vwestm.net](mailto:hsheld@vwestm.net)



# REMEMBERING MY BROTHER FAMILY GENEALOGIST

by Belle (EARL) CHOCHANIN {CCNGS}

On the fourth of July 2003, my brother, Richard L. **EARL**, was killed in a parade accident in Grass Valley, CA. He died a hero, with his boots on. He was a Paratrooper in WWII and as a retired engineer from the telephone company, he continued the Paratrooper legacy by building a plane out of cardboard, dressing up his garden tractor to look like a jeep, and participating in as many parades as possible.

He would have someone drive the jeep and, at the proper time, he would jump out of the plane and yell "**Geronimo**". He was 78 years old and could still wear his Paratrooper uniform and boots.

At the time of the accident, they had left the parade and were heading off to park the plane. Going down a grade, the brakes failed. At that time he was in the jeep heading toward some parked cars and people. Because he couldn't stop, he decided to roll the jeep. When he did, he hit his head on a curb and died a few hours later.

The *Grass Valley Union* wrote a report on the accident and also on my brother's activities in organizing "Band of Brothers" in Nevada County, CA. He also was quite well known as a ham operator.

He spent a lot of his retired time as a collector of farm equipment which was used during the '30s. He loved milk separators and had quite a collection. But as a genealogist is where he really shined.

He had a RV and used it frequently. I was with him once and it was so much fun. We were on our way to a class reunion in Jasper, MO. and stopped at all the graveyards on the way there. He would go out of his way just to track down an ancestor.

He actually located a town that our great-great-grandfather, John **EARL**, founded: Emporium, PA. The people of the town were thrilled that an **EARL** finally showed up and they made him promise to come back on their 100<sup>th</sup> year. He said he would probably be too old by then.

He did enough research on our ancestors for me to join the DAR (my ancestor was Consider **BRICKLAY**). My mother also joined the DAR on her side of the family as her ancestor provided the troops with beef.

I have joined our local genealogical society to take up where my brother left off. There are some questions I need to answer. I was fortunate that when my brother was active, he sent me copies of his findings. Now I have a lot to work with.

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\* A-Files, which are case files on individuals containing all immigration records created or consolidated from April 1, 1944, to the present. Only files containing documents dated prior to May 1, 1951, will be available.

Submitters will have to show proof of death of the individual such as a death certificate or obituary notice. If the year of birth was more than 100 years ago, no proof of death will be required. These records often include information about the children of the individual, and these children may still be living; therefore, USCIS states that "the Genealogy Program will not release personal information concerning a subject's children."

USCIS envisions the service to be in two stages. Initially the submitter would request an index search to determine what information is available. Then there would be a request for the actual documents.

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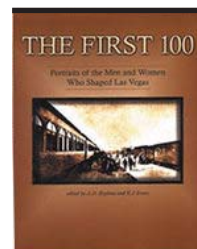
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be proactive in sharing family history. We must understand if someone is not able to assist in our research. We must respect the record keepers and the level of help they are able to provide. We must have patience. And we do have to spend a few dollars every so often to obtain some family details. All in all, we are part of a pretty neat community.

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## VISIT THE HERITAGE ROOM

USCIS has budgeted about \$1 million per year for the service, and they expect such a level of expense could handle the anticipated 25,000 inquiries per year. This would make break even \$40 per inquiry; however, the agency already has in its budget the cost of processing current inquiries. In the Federal Register the agency is recommending that the cost for an index search and for requests for an actual document be between \$16-45 for each file of microfilm being searched and \$26-55 for retrieval of textual files.

Interested persons can comment on the proposed regulation. Information on how to respond to the proposal, as well as a 12-page description of the new plan, is located at the Federal Register site <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20061800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2006/pdf/E6-5947.pdf>

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# MEMBER AHNENTAFEL

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Anna **HEIDT** is John **FISCHER**'s paternal grandmother.

## Generation No. 1

1. Anna **HEIDT**, born Sep 3, 1874 in Erie, PA; died Mar 4, 1954 in Erie, PA. She was the daughter of 2. George (GER) **HEIDT** and 3. Theresa (GER) **BEHR**. She married John George **FISCHER**, Sr Jun 1, 1903 in St. Joseph's RC Church, Erie, PA. He was born Nov 12, 1876 in Erie, PA, and died Feb 19, 1966 in Erie, PA. He was the son of Valentin (GER) **FISCHER** II and Francisca (GER) **LOESCH**.

## Generation No. 2

2. George (GER) **HEIDT**, born Jan 14, 1840 in Neupotz (?), Rheinpfaltz, Germany; died Nov 19, 1925 in Erie, PA. He married 3. Theresa (GER) **BEHR** Jul 4, 1870 in Erie, PA.
3. Theresa (GER) **BEHR**, born Aug 31, 1848 in Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz, GER; died Jan 23, 1915 in Erie, PA. She was the daughter of 6. Johann Michael **BEHR** and 7. Maria Eva **HOFFMAN**.

Children of George **HEIDT** and Theresa **BEHR** are:

1. i. Anna **HEIDT**, born Sep 3, 1874 in Erie, PA; died Mar 4, 1954 in Erie, PA; married John George **FISCHER**, Sr Jun 1, 1903 in St. Joseph's RC Church, Erie, PA.
- ii. Catherine **HEIDT**, born Dec 05, 1878 in Erie, PA; died Jul 24, 1963 in Erie, PA; married Joseph George **MEHLER** Feb 11, 1901 in St. Joseph's RC Church, Erie, PA; born Sep 5, 1877 in Erie, PA; died Sep 3, 1960 in Erie, PA.
- iii. William **HEIDT**, born Sep 10, 1883 in Erie, PA; died Jan 1, 1951 in Erie, PA.

## Generation No. 3

6. Johann Michael **BEHR**, born Aug 01, 1817 in Neupotz, Germany; died Nov 1, 1880 in Neupotz, Germany. He was the son of 12. Lorenz Christoph **BEHR** and 13. Eva Marie Barbara **HEID**. He married 7. Maria Eva **HOFFMAN** Apr 26, 1844 in Neupotz, Germany.
7. Maria Eva **HOFFMAN**, born Jun 16, 1824 in Neupotz, Germany; died Aug 20, 1891 in Neupotz, Germany. She was the daughter of 14. Johannes **HOFFMANN** I and 15. Eva Catherina **BURCK**.

Children of Johann **BEHR** and Maria **HOFFMAN** are:

3. i. Carolina (GER) **BEHR**, born Aug 24, 1845 in Neupotz, Germany; died Feb 1, 1907 in Erie, PA; married Louis (GER) **BAUMANN** Dec 29, 1873 in St. Josephs RC Church, Erie, PA; born 1833 in Germany; died Jun 26, 1892 in Erie, PA.
- ii. Theresa (GER) **BEHR**, born Aug 31, 1848 in Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz, Germany; died Jan 23, 1915 in Erie, PA; married George (GER) **HEIDT** Jul 4, 1870 in Erie, PA.
- iii. Theodor **BEHR**, born Jan 27, 1851 in Neupotz, Germany; died Dec 16, 1873 in U.S.
- iv. Tobias F. (GER) **BEHR**, born Mar 8, 1854 in Neupotz, Germany; died Dec 31, 1918 in Erie, PA; married Anna M. **WEIS** 1876 in Erie, PA; born 1856 in Franklin Center, PA; died May 3, 1939 in Erie, PA.
- v. Anna **BEHR**, born Nov 28, 1856 in Neupotz, Germany; died Feb 12, 1921 in Neupotz, Germany; married Eduard **BEHR** Feb 12, 1879 in Neupotz, Germany; born Sep 19, 1850 in Neupotz, Germany; died Mar 26, 1913 in Neupotz, Germany.
- vi. Louis **BEHR**, born Mar 21, 1861 in Neupotz, Germany; died in U.S.
- vii. Maria Theresia **BEHR**, born Dec 11, 1867 in Neupotz, Germany; died Oct 26, 1941 in Neupotz, Germany; married Otto **HEID** Oct 16, 1890 in Germany; born abt 1866 in Germany; died in Germany.

## Generation No. 4

12. Lorenz Christoph **BEHR**, born Nov 26, 1767 in Neupotz, Germany; died Jul 25, 1833 in Neupotz, Germany. He was the son of 24. Johann Adam **BEHR** and 25. Maria Anna **HEINTZ**. He married 13. Eva Marie Barbara **HEID** Jan 16, 1804 in Neupotz, Germany.
13. Eva Marie Barbara **HEID**, born Jul 16, 1781 in Neupotz, Germany; died Feb 20, 1842 in Neupotz, Germany. She was the daughter of 26. Johann Georg **HEID** and 27. Maria Anna **BURCK**.

Children of Lorenz **BEHR** and Eva **HEID** are:

- i. Eva Katharina **BEHR**, born Aug 27, 1805 in Neupotz, Germany; died Mar 8, 1824 in Neupotz, Germany.



- ii. Georg Jakob **BEHR**, born Feb 6, 1807 in Neupotz, Germany; died Oct 27, 1835 in Neupotz, Germany.
  - iii. Ferdinand **BEHR**, born Mar 26, 1815 in Neupotz, Germany; died Oct 5, 1870 in Neupotz, Germany; married Regina **ANTONI** Sep 1, 1839 in Neupotz, Germany; born Jan 20, 1816 in Neupotz, Germany; died in Erie, Erie, PA.
  - 6 iv. Johann Michael **BEHR**, born Aug 1, 1817 in Neupotz, Germany; died Nov 1, 1880 in Neupotz, Germany; married Maria Eva **HOFFMAN** Apr 26, 1844 in Neupotz, Germany.
  - v. Jakob **BEHR**, born Feb 10, 1819 in Neupotz, Germany; died Apr 8, 1881 in Neupotz, Germany; married (1) Eva Katharina **ANTONI** Nov 10, 1843 in Neupotz, Germany; born Apr 22, 1823 in Germany; died Sep 2, 1862 in Germany; married (2) Maria Anna M Oct 30, 1862 in Neupotz, Germany; born Sep 19, 1832 in Neupotz, Germany; died Mar 3, 1899 in Neupotz, Germany.
  - vi. Regina **BEHR**, born Dec 9, 1821 in Neupotz, Germany; died Oct 9, 1876 in Neupotz, Germany; married Peter **BECKER** Aug 17, 1846 in Neupotz, Germany; born abt 1820 in Germany; died in Germany.
  - vii. Eva Katharina **BEHR**, born Aug 17, 1825 in Neupotz, Germany; died Feb 3, 1892 in Neupotz, Germany; married Tobias **HEID / HEIDT** Apr 21, 1849 in Germany; born abt 1824 in Germany; died in Germany.
  - viii. Katharina Elizabeth **BEHR**, born Sep 28, 1809 in Neupotz, Germany; died Jun 20, 1875 in Neupotz, Germany; married Georg Adam **ROTHER** Nov 20, 1835 in Germany; born Sep 23, 1808 in Neupotz, Germany; died Sep 19, 1886 in Neupotz, Germany.
- 14.** Johannes **HOFFMANN** I, born Sep 17, 1791 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany; died in Neupotz, Germany. He was the son of **28.** Georg Adam **HOFFMANN** and **29.** Eva Margaritha **SCHWAB**. He married **15.** Eva Catherina **BURCK** Feb 10, 1823 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany.
- 15.** Eva Catherina **BURCK**, born abt 1798 in Germany; died in Germany. She was the daughter of **30.** Peter **BURCK** and **31.** Eva Kathrina **GEHRLEIN**.

Child of Johannes **HOFFMANN** and Eva **BURCK** is:

- 7 i. Maria Eva **HOFFMAN**, born Jun 16, 1824 in Neupotz, Germany; died Aug 20, 1891 in Neupotz, Germany; married Johann Michael **BEHR** Apr 26, 1844 in Neupotz, Germany.

### Generation No. 5

- 24.** Johann Adam **BEHR**, born Nov 09, 1726 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Germany; died Jan 30, 1785 in Neupotz, Germany. He was the son of **48.** Johann Georg **BEHR** and **49.** Anna Maria **SCHWAB**. He married **25.** Maria Anna **HEINTZ** Jan 24, 1757 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Germany.
- 25.** Maria Anna **HEINTZ**, born Nov 18, 1736 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Germany; died abt 1785 in Neupotz, Germany. She was the daughter of **50.** Johann Georg **HEINTZ** and **51.** Maria Eva **WUNSCHEL**.

Children of Johann **BEHR** and Maria **HEINTZ** are:

- i. Maria Eva **BEHR**, born Dec 7, 1757 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany; died Feb 12, 1832 in Neupotz, Germany; married (1) Johannes **MARTHALER** 1786 in Germany; born abt 1756 in Germany; died in Germany; married (2) Georg Adam **GOTZ** abt 1810 in Germany; born abt 1756 in Germany; died in Germany.
  - ii. Johann Christopher **BEHR**, born Oct 28, 1760 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany; died in Germany.
  - iii. Anna Catherine **BEHR**, born Nov 16, 1762 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Germany; died Dec 12, 1835 in Germany; married Johann Georg **MARTHALER** Feb 12, 1793 in Germany; born Apr 20, 1766 in Germany; died 1795 in Germany.
  - iv. Eva Barbara **BEHR**, born Jul 4, 1765 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany; died Jan 4, 1826 in Germany; married Johann Nikolaus **KREGER** 1795 in Neupotz, Germany; born abt 1764 in Germany; died in Germany.
  - 12 v. Lorenz Christoph **BEHR**, born Nov 26, 1767 in Neupotz, Germany; died Jul 25, 1833 in Neupotz, Germany; married (1) Veronika Maria **BURCK** 1794 in Neupotz, Germany; married (2) Eva Marie Barbara **HEID** Jan 16, 1804 in Neupotz, Germany.
  - vi. Georg Jacob **BEHR**, born Sep 20, 1770 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany; died May 27, 1848 in Neupotz, Germany; married Eva Katharina **WUNSCHEL** Apr 13, 1801 in Neupotz, Germany; born Mar 17, 1779 in Neupotz, Germany; died Nov 16, 1833 in Germany.
  - vii. Johann Adam **BEHR**, born May 12, 1776 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany; died in Germany.
- 26.** Johann Georg **HEID**, born May 7, 1746 in Neupotz, Germany; died May 29, 1808 in Neupotz, Germany. He married **27.** Maria Anna **BURCK** May 4, 1772 in Neupotz, Germany.
- 27.** Maria Anna **BURCK**, born abt 1748 in Germany; died abt 1808 in Germany.

Child of Johann **HEID** and Maria **BURCK** is:

- 13 i. Eva Marie Barbara **HEID**, born Jul 16, 1781 in Neupotz, Germany; died Feb 20, 1842 in Neupotz, Germany; married Lorenz Christoph **BEHR** Jan 16, 1804 in Neupotz, Germany.

28. Georg Adam **HOFFMANN**, born Feb 03, 1760 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany; died Jan 01, 1814 in Neupotz, Germany. He was the son of 56. Hans Adam **HOFFMANN** and 57. Maria Margarethe **GEHRLEIN**. He married 29. Eva Margartha **SCHWAB** Feb 23, 1784 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany.

29. Eva Margartha **SCHWAB**, born Oct 13, 1760 in Neupotz, Germany; died Dec 8, 1813 in Germany.

Child of Georg **HOFFMANN** and Eva **SCHWAB** is:

4. i. Johannes **HOFFMANN** I, born Sep 17, 1791 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany; died in Neupotz, Germany; married (1) Apollonia Veith May 26, 1813 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany; married (2) Eva Catherina **BURCK** Feb 10, 1823 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany.

30. Peter **BURCK**, born abt 1740 in Germany; died in Germany. He married 31. Eva Kathrina **GEHRLEIN** in Germany.

31. Eva Kathrina **GEHRLEIN**, born abt 1750 in Germany; died Germany.

Child of Peter **BURCK** and Eva **GEHRLEIN** is:

- 15 i. Eva Catherina **BURCK**, born abt 1798 in Germany; died in Germany; married Johannes **HOFFMANN** I Feb 10, 1823 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany.

### Generation No. 6

48. Johann Georg **BEHR**, born 1687 in Neupotz, Germany; died Jun 5, 1734 in Neupotz, Germany. He married 49. Anna Maria **SCHWAB** Feb 24, 1715/16 in Neupotz, Germany.

49. Anna Maria **SCHWAB**, born Sep 3, 1690 in Neupotz, Germany; died Jan 09, 1739/40 in Neupotz, Germany. She was the daughter of 98. Johann Andreas **SCHWAB** and 99. Apollonia zz?.

Children of Johann **BEHR** and Anna **SCHWAB** are:

- i. Maria Apollonia **BEHR**, born Nov 11, 1716 in Neupotz, Germany; died in Neupotz, Germany; married Johann Wendelin **WUNSCHEL** 1738 in Neupotz, Germany; born Apr 22, 1721 in Neupotz, Germany; died 1747 in Neupotz, Germany.  
ii. Anna Katharina **BEHR**, born Feb 28, 1719/20 in Neupotz, Germany; died Feb 21, 1783 in Neupotz, Germany; married Hans Peter **BURCK** Aug 08, 1740 in Neupotz, Germany; born abt 1718 in Germany; died in Germany.  
iii. Johann Peter **BEHR**, born Feb 28, 1719/20 in Neupotz, Germany; died in Germany.  
iv. Maria Katharina **BEHR**, born Apr 20, 1722 in Neupotz, Germany; died in Germany; married (1) Georg Michaelzz? Mar 19, 1751/52 in Neupotz, Germany; born abt 1721 in Germany; died in Germany; married (2) ? zz? Jan 25, 1756 in Neupotz, Germany; born abt 1721 in Germany; died in Germany.  
24 v. Johann Adam **BEHR**, born Nov 09, 1726 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Germany; died Jan 30, 1785 in Neupotz, Germany; married (1) Marie Barbara Liebel Nov 10, 1755 in Neupotz, Germany; married (2) Maria Anna **HEINTZ** Jan 24, 1757 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Germany.

50. Johann Georg **HEINTZ**, born Mar 15, 1704/05 in Neupotz, Germany; died Sep 29, 1756 in Neupotz, Germany. He was the son of 100. Johann **HEINTZ** and 101. Elisabeth Barbara **TONNIES**. He married 51. Maria Eva **WUNSCHEL** Feb 13, 1735/36 in Neupotz, Germany.

51. Maria Eva **WUNSCHEL**, born abt 1706 in Neupotz, Germany; died Dec 25, 1752 in Neupotz, Germany. She was the daughter of 102. Johann Jacob **WUNSCHEL** and 103. Anna Katharina **MALTHANER**.

Children of Johann **HEINTZ** and Maria **WUNSCHEL** are:

- 25 i. Maria Anna **HEINTZ**, born Nov 18, 1736 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Germany; died abt 1785 in Neupotz, Germany; married Johann Adam **BEHR** Jan 24, 1757 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Germany.  
ii. Hans **HEINTZ**, born Dec 23, 1739 in Neupotz, Germany; died in Neupotz, Germany; married (1) Maria Eva **BURCK** Sep 26, 1763 in Neupotz, Germany; born Oct 15, 1741 in Neupotz, Germany; died Jul 6, 1778 in Neupotz, Germany; married (2) Anna Elisabeth Weschler Nov 23, 1778 in Neupotz, Germany; born abt 1745 in Neupotz, Germany; died in Neupotz, Germany.  
iii. Hans Peter **HEINTZ**, born Jan 01, 1746/47 in Neupotz, Germany; died Nov 19, 1810 in Neupotz, Germany; married Maria Elisabeth **GEHRLEIN** Feb 10, 1777 in Neupotz, Germany; born abt 1747 in Neupotz, Germany; died Unknown in Neupotz, Germany.

56. Hans Adam **HOFFMANN**, born Sep 25, 1725 in Neupotz, Germany; died Sep 20, 1775 in Neupotz, Germany. He was the son of 112. Hans Georg **HOFFMANN** and 113. Anna Barbara **ALLGEIER**. He married 57. Maria Margarethe **GEHRLEIN** Nov 07, 1753 in Neupotz, Germany.

57. Maria Margarethe **GEHRLEIN**, born Nov 06, 1732 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany; died Unknown in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany. She was the daughter of 114. Johann Klaus **GEHRLEIN** and 115. Anna Catherine **HEINTZ**.

Children of Hans **HOFFMANN** and Maria **GEHRLEIN** are:

- 28 i. Georg Adam **HOFFMANN**, born Feb 03, 1760 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany; died Jan 1, 1814 in Neupotz, Germany; married Eva Margartha **SCHWAB** Feb 23, 1784 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, Germany.  
ii. Eva Catharina **HOFFMAN**, born Nov 09, 1762 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany; died in Germany.

# Web Site Locates Graves in Utah

By Lee DAVIDSON (*Deseret Morning News*, Monday, May 29, 2006)

## Families can easily find where loved ones buried

Today is Memorial Day, and many people would like to decorate the graves of relatives or ancestors — but cannot remember exactly where they are buried.

The Utah Division of State History offers an easy solution: a searchable Web site that can quickly tell where 605,931 people are buried in 365 Utah cemeteries.

And believe it or not, officials say it is fast becoming one of the state's most popular online services. The site — [history.utah.gov/apps/burials/execute/searchburials](http://history.utah.gov/apps/burials/execute/searchburials) — had 2.9 million hits over the past 12 months, more than one for every Utah resident.

"I even tried it," said Philip F. NOTARIANNI, director of the Division of State History. "Mount Calvary Cemetery, the Catholic cemetery next to the Salt Lake City Cemetery, is where my parents are buried. We just went online a month ago with information from it, and I found my parents' names there."

The state has been collecting burial information for nine years and putting it online cemetery by cemetery as it becomes available. Other recent additions, for example, include the Orem, Fairview, Milton, Millville-Nibley and Bingham cemeteries.

Linda THATCHER, coordinator of the project, said data is now online for about two-thirds of the 550 known cemeteries in the state (active and inactive), and the state is working to add the rest, as well as regularly update data from new burials.

"The project began in 1997 with an appropriation from the Legislature to help celebrate the 150th anniversary of the arrival in Utah of the Mormon pioneers," she said.

"That money ended, but the service has become so popular that we've used some of our discretionary money to keep it going," NOTARIANNI said.

On the Web site, visitors can search by name for just one individual or choose to generate a list of everyone buried in Utah with the same surname. They can even obtain lists of all burials at one cemetery.

They do not need to know beforehand in what cemetery or even what city their relatives are buried to find them. Visitors may also obtain driving directions online to cemeteries and plot numbers for individuals they are seeking.

The database often includes family-history information beyond what is on headstones, too, such as listings of parents or other relatives, death causes and cities where they were born or died, along with key dates.

"That's because our information comes from sextons' records rather than from gravestones, so it often contains more than what visitors would see at cemeteries," THATCHER said.

A fan of the Web site is Salt Lake City Cemetery sexton Mark SMITH. He notes it is often difficult for people visiting there to remember where relatives' plots are among its vast 250 acres and 120,000 graves.

"If they look up information at home, they can just grab a map at our office and easily find the grave site," he said. But for people who don't know about that, he expects long lines all Memorial Day weekend at his office waiting to look up information on its database.

"People can do it on the Web at home, whenever it is convenient," SMITH said. "They don't have to do it during our office hours. And we leave maps outside our door that they can pick up after hours."

The Web site helps diminish crowds at his office. He said, "You can imagine that with 120,000 graves, if we had just two people for each of those who need to know where they are, the lines here can get pretty long."

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Here is something you can do for your Society even if you live far away from Las Vegas. We are working to improve "*The PROSPECTOR*" with people who would be willing to become part of our *PROSPECTOR* staff. Your job would be to help us [Helen (Editor) and Bob (Publisher)] by getting one or two articles a year which we could use in *The PROSPECTOR*. You could write the articles yourself, ask interesting speakers you have heard to write an article, contact experts in a field that interests you and ask them to write an article, contact authors who have written interesting articles in other journals to write for us, etc. We think, by getting our members involved, we will have a more balanced journal and be able to print articles that will be of interest to a wider audience.

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- Truthfully, any article that would interest your fellow CCNGS members.



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**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.



# Aggie Roberts Elementary School

## AGGIE ROBERTS

Jan. 2, 1919-May 16, 2006



Aggie **ROBERTS**, was born in Steinauer, Nebraska. At 16 she graduated as Valedictorian from her small class. She traveled to Denver, Colorado to attend Barnes Business School. Still just a kid, she moved to Las Vegas in 1943, married, and began raising a family. She had been a resident of Las Vegas for more than 60 years. She passed away May 16, 2006, at a local hospital.

Aggie was employed as a horticulturist with the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension since 1977, and she passed away on the date that marked her 29th anniversary with the Extension Service.

Aggie was a prolific writer of gardening articles for local publications as well as a recognized horticulturist on local television and radio. Aggie was a very active member of the community and especially involved with activities benefiting children.

She served as a PTA president for 16 years at four different schools and was also active in PTA at the area council and state level. She received a PTA Lifetime Membership from National PTA for her service. Aggie was the superintendent of the youth division of the Jaycee State Fair for more than 25 years. She was a Girl Scout leader and a Boy Scout den mother. Aggie formed junior garden clubs, including garden clubs for children with disabilities.

She was a First Communion teacher for more than 40 years at Parishes within the Diocese of Las Vegas. She has touched the lives of countless children.

Aggie was a member and officer of many local garden clubs, and she served as president of the Nevada State Federation of Garden Clubs for eight years. Aggie was elected to the Executive Board of the Metropolitan Beautification Committee in 1975, and served until 1991. She helped organize Southern Nevada Clean Communities in 1985, served on its advisory board, and received the first Outstanding Member of the Year Award.

For more than 40 years Aggie served as clerk of the Sunrise Manor Advisory Board.

The Clark County School District recognized Aggie by naming Aggie **ROBERTS** Elementary School in her honor. The school opened during the 1996-1997 school year and is located at 227 Charter Oak in Henderson. Aggie has been an extremely involved namesake, and three of her grandchildren have attended school there.

Aggie is survived by her daughters, Betty **ROBERTS** and Pam

**LEVINS**, both from Henderson; son, Bill **ROBERTS** (Susan) from Milpitas, Calif.; and grandchildren, Chandra **McMAHON** (Ray), Mallory **LEVINS**, Reese **LEVINS**, and Burke **LEVINS**, all from Henderson, and David **ROBERTS**, Michael **ROBERTS**, and Courtney **ROBERTS**, all from California. Her husband, Reese **ROBERTS**; and her grandson, Darin **SAVAGE** (11 July 1968-11 December 1998), preceded Aggie in death.

Funeral Mass was 8 a.m. Saturday, May 20, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, located at 130 N. Pecos Road, Henderson, followed by a "Celebration of Life" at noon at the Aggie **ROBERTS** Elementary School. Burial was private.



Wednesday, May 09, 2001

### **GREEN THUMB GRANDMA: Students learn from the best**

Well-known green-thumb, Aggie Roberts, spent arbor day teaching a fourth-grade class from Will Beckley Elementary how to plant shrubs



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# Do Not Let Your Family Throw Away Your Precious Genealogical Research Papers

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As we get older, our stuff has a kind of primary importance. Our children, even if they have the interest, usually lack the space to raise a family and preserve genealogy files too.

The Genealogical Library Center, Inc. has bought a large building on Main Street in Tremonton Utah to store, protect, preserve, and make available to the public various genealogical research collection that need a permanent home.

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## Norfolk Ancestry?

Search MIs with NAOMI!

If you have ancestry who come from the county of Norfolk, we might be able to help you. The National Archive of Memorial Inscriptions (NAOMI) has recently set up a website which enables you to search for gravestone inscriptions.

Log on to [www.memorialinscriptions.org.uk](http://www.memorialinscriptions.org.uk), enter the personal details you have, and check our database.

At present we have data from Norfolk only, but we are rapidly expanding. We started in November 2005 with inscriptions from 175 burial grounds, comprising 44,000 names, and now we have 290 burial grounds, 82,000 names. We have digitized as many as this again, which we are checking an uploading to the live site as fast as we can, bearing in mind the need for the highest standards of accuracy to be maintained. This will take us into the autumn, after which we shall move on.

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## THE POOR DEBTOR'S LAW

As a subject of general interest, we publish the following act, passed by the Senate Wednesday, and thereby became a law, having previously passed the House of Delegates:

Be it enacted by the General Assembly, That the 33d section of chapter 49 of the Code of Virginia of 1860, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

**Sec. 33.** In the case of a husband, parent or other person who is a housekeeper, and head of a family, there shall be exempted from distress or levy the following articles, or so much or so many thereof as the party may have:

1. The family bible.
2. Family pictures, school books and library for the use of the family not exceeding \$100 in value.
3. A seat or pew in any house or place of worship.
4. A lot in any burial-ground.
5. All necessary wearing apparel of the debtor and his family. All beds, bedsteads and bedding necessary for the use of such family. All stoves and appendages put up and kept for the necessary use of family, not to exceed three.
6. One cow, one horse, six chairs, one table, six knives, six forks, six plates, one dozen spoons, two dishes, two basins, one pot, one oven, six pieces of wood or earthenware, one loom and its appurtenances, one safe or press, one spinning-wheel, one pair of cards, one axe, two hoes, five barrels of corn, five bushels of wheat or one barrel of flour, two hundred pounds of bacon or pork, three hogs, ten dollars in value of forage or hay, one cooking stove and utensils for cooking therewith, and one sewing machine; and in case of a mechanic, the tools and utensils of his trade not exceeding \$100 in money.

**Sec. 34.** If the debtor be at the time actually engaged in the business of agriculture, then shall be exempt from such distress or levy, while he is so engaged, one yoke of oxen or a pair of horses or mules in lieu thereof, with the necessary gearing, one wagon or cart, two ploughs, one drag, one harvest cradle, one pitch-fork, one rake, two iron wedges. All of which articles intended to be exempted by this shall not be chosen by the head of the family, his agent or representative: Provided, that the provisions of this act shall not extend to distress made for taxes, county and parish levies: And, provided further, That upon all contracts made and entered into before the passage of this act, only so much of the above mentioned property shall be exempt from distress or levy as are hereby exempted under the provisions of the said thirty-third and thirty-fourth sections of chapter forty-nine of the Code of 1860.

2. This act shall be in force from its passage.

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## ANCESTRY QUICK TIPS

"Ancestry Weekly Journal" Monday, March 27, 2006

### RANKEDSEARCHWITHONLYAGIVENAME

Jack LUCKS

You have tried Ranked Search with the Soundex option on and still can't get a hit. Try *omitting the last name* from a single record search. You may be surprised. I have found ancestors that were indexed in error as **RUCKS** and other similar names.

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Make checks out to NAAGS and mail to Brenda HARRIS, 341 Rossmoyne Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89030

### SUGGESTED SESSIONS (CIRCLE 8 CHOICES)

1. How to begin, organize and enhance your genealogical research
2. How to publish the results of your research
3. Discovering ancestors in the census
4. Discovering your ancestors on the internet
5. Discovering your Native American Roots
6. Discovering your Roots in emancipation/manumission records
7. Discovering plantation records slave owner inventories/estates
8. Discovering your Black ancestors, when you're Caucasian or Multiethnic
9. Discover the fabric of African American Heritage "Quilts"... Stories In Quilts
10. Discover African American Time Lines Pre Slavery to Freedom
11. Discovering your ancestral roots through DNA
12. Discovering your ancestors in unknown Texas Records
13. Discovering Reconstruction Records
14. How to preserve documents/photographs
15. Discover the African American Presence in Las Vegas
16. Discover the Migration from FORDYCE, ARKANSAS "ROAD TO LAS VEGAS"
17. Family Time Capsules (Documenting your visual oral history)
18. Smithsonian Anacostia Museum "A Sacred Trust"
19. WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE \_\_\_\_\_
20. WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE \_\_\_\_\_

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTION PLEASE GIVE ME A CALL: Gerri JOHNSON, 702-501-2270 or 702-889-4087.

**NOTE: HOTEL RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE DIRECTLY WITH THE TUSCANNY SUITES HOTEL  
877-887-2261 (\$109.00 per room Single Or Double Occupancy / Share a Room Split The Cost)**

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# Upcoming Family History Events

## Saturday, July 15, 2006 - Culver City, CA

British & Irish Family History Seminar - 18th Annual Seminar of the British Isles Family History Society - U.S.A. featuring John M. KITZMILLER, II. **Saturday, July 15, 2006 8:00AM - 4:00PM**  
Veterans Memorial Complex (Rotunda Room) 4117 Overland Ave.  
Culver City, CA

- \* **SEMINAR FOCUS** - This one-day seminar will bring us up to date on the latest aids for genealogical research in **Britain and Ireland** and then concentrate on the usefulness of land records for tracing those of humble origin as well as the wealthy.
- \* **QUESTIONS?** Telephone Lydia JEFFREY at (626) 359-1729, or email Annie LLOYD at [cardi2@aol.com](mailto:cardi2@aol.com) (please mention "BIFHS-USA Seminar" in the subject line)

## August 1-4, 2006 - Provo, Utah

### **38TH ANNUAL BYU GENEALOGY AND FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE**

- \* Eight information tracks will be available: Beginning Family History, Family History Center Support, Computers, Europe / Nordic Research, British Research, U.S. Research, Methodology, and Publishing Family Histories.
- \* Contact BYU Conferences and Workshops, 136 Harman Continuing Education Building, Provo, Utah 84602-1516. Register by phone (801) 378-8925, or call (801) 422-4853 or e-mail at [cw136@byu.edu](mailto:cw136@byu.edu).

## October 6-8, 2006-Los Angeles, California

**Fourth POINT National Conference** - Los Angeles, California.  
POINT (Pursuing Our Italian Names Together) - American Network of Italian Genealogy will hold its National Conference - 2006 at the Hacienda Hotel in El Segundo, California, October 6 - 8, 2006 - To request a **Registration Form** or for answers to **questions about the conference**, write to:

**POINT 2006**  
**P.O. Box 5164**  
**Culver City, CA 90231-5164**

send e-mail note to: Thomas Edward MILITELLO, MD  
(POINTer #1): [DrTom@point-pointers.net](mailto:DrTom@point-pointers.net)

## October 6-7, 2006-Ogden, Utah

- \* Northern Utah Family History Conference & Symposium.
- \* Sponsored by My Ancestors Found and volunteers from Ogden Regional Family History Center.
- \* 70 classes by many renowned speakers, terrific genealogy exhibitors, and fun door prizes.
- \* \$38 Early-bird special until June 30 (\$45 thereafter, \$50 at the door). Keynote speaker and exhibit hall at the Eccles Conference Center are free and open to the public.
- \* Keynote speaker and exhibit hall are free and open to the public.
- \* For more information, go [www.myancestorsfound.com](http://www.myancestorsfound.com), or call (801) 829-3295. Email [northutah@myancestorsfound.com](mailto:northutah@myancestorsfound.com).

## October 7, 2006 - Henderson, Nevada

**Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society's Fall Family History Seminar** Speaker Christine ROSE (CG, CGL, FASG). Place Henderson Convention Center, 200 S. Water Street, Henderson, NV. \$40 Pre-registration (by 15 Sep 2006) \$45 at Door  
[www.reviewjournal.com/communitylink/ccngs](http://www.reviewjournal.com/communitylink/ccngs) or  
[www.rootsworld.com/~nvcngs](http://www.rootsworld.com/~nvcngs)

## October 20-21, 2006-Cheyenne, Wyoming

- \* Cheyenne Genealogy & Family Heritage Jamboree.

- \* Sponsored by My Ancestors Found-Volunteers from the Cheyenne Genealogical Society.
- \* More than 40 classes, superb genealogy exhibitors, and fun door prizes. Held at the Best Western Hitching Post Inn.
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## October 20-21, 2006-Las Vegas, Nevada

**West Coast African American Summit** - Tuscany Suites Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada. Theme: "**Discovering Your Roots and Branches**" Have any question give a call to: Gerri JOHNSON, 702-501-2270 or 702-889-4087.

## November 3-4, 2006-Midway, Utah

- \* **Family History Seminar** at Homestead Resort with Susan Easton BLACK (Professor of Church History and Doctrine, BYU), and Kip SPERRY (Professor of Family History, BYU) as presenters.
- \* Topics will include Writing Biographies and Personal Histories, Organizing Your Family History Collections, Making the Most of Your Resources, Establishing Family History Databases, Using the Computer to Locate Family History Resources, Using the Computer to Locate Original Records, What's New on the Internet for Family History, and Successful Online Research.
- \* Seminar begins 1:00 pm Friday (Friday evening entertainment is included in the registration). Hours for the Saturday seminar are 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. There is an optional lunch buffet Saturday (\$25.00). Door prizes will be awarded Saturday afternoon. Registration is limited. Registration discount is offered before 1 September 2006 (\$65.00 before 1 September and \$75.00 thereafter). A one-day registration fee is available for \$40.00.
- \* Make checks payable to Family History Seminar. Mail to Family History Seminar, P.O. Box 7160, Univ. Station, Provo, UT 84602. Attendees should include name, mailing address with zip code, and email address with registration.
- \* For more information, see (<http://home.byu.net/ks4/>).
- \* Seminar will be held at the Homestead Resort and Conference Center, 700 North Homestead Drive, Midway, Utah 84049 ([www.homesteadresort.com](http://www.homesteadresort.com)).
- \* Lodging reservations are limited and should be made directly with the Homestead before 1 September. Lodging is on a first come, first served basis. Attendees will receive 25 percent off regular room rates (call toll free 800-327-7220 and ask for Family History Seminar room discount code 4555J1).

## November 13-18, 2006-Salt Lake City, Utah

- \* Research Retreat at the LDS Family History Library
- \* Sponsored by My Ancestors Found
- \* A fantastic way to access millions of records, get one-on-one coaching from professional researchers every day, take individualized classes, and get to know new friends in genealogy

Only \$299 for a week of the best research you've ever done. Take home great skills and knowledge that will serve you no matter where you search from now on.

- \* For more information, go [www.myancestorsfound.com](http://www.myancestorsfound.com), or call the retreat hotline at 1-866-701-5071.

# USING ROOTSWEB: Delving Deeper into the SSDI

*Rootsweb Review*, 17 May 2006, Vol 9, No. 20

Q: My ancestor Florence **SCHATTSCHEIDER** doesn't show up in an exact spelling search of the SSDI either at RootsWeb or at Ancestry--why?

A: The Social Security Administration limits surnames to 12 letters in the SSDI database and given names to nine letters. Names that exceed those length limits are abbreviated to show only the first 12 and/or nine letters respectively. Therefore, when doing an exact spelling search of the SSDI database for lengthy surnames either at RootsWeb (<http://ssdi.rootsweb.com/>) or at Ancestry, limit your search to the first 12 letters of the surname and nine letters of the given name. In this example, search for **SCHATTSCHEI** and the results will be found.

Q: I live in England and found a relative listed on the SSDI and would like to send away for the SS-5 (original Social Security application) information. However, it is difficult for me to pay in American currency. Are there other forms of payment that are acceptable to the Social Security Administration aside from checks and money orders?

A: Yes. The Social Security Administration will accept a variety of credit cards in payment for SS-5 information. See the following page for a more complete explanation of the acceptable payment methods: [http://www.ssa.gov/foia/html/foia\\_guide.htm#\\_Toc517745431](http://www.ssa.gov/foia/html/foia_guide.htm#_Toc517745431)

Q: I can't find my grandfather on the SSDI and I know he had a Social Security number and was receiving benefits when he died in 1958.

A: The Social Security records were not digitized until 1962 and deaths prior to 1962 are generally not found in the SSDI database. However, this doesn't mean you cannot obtain information about this individual from the Social Security Administration as outlined here: [http://www.ssa.gov/foia/html/foia\\_guide.htm](http://www.ssa.gov/foia/html/foia_guide.htm)

Q: I can't find my father on the SSDI who died in 1964. He was a physician.

A: Medical doctors were not covered under Social Security until 1965. Many other occupations were not covered under Social Security until the 1960s and even later. Your father's occupation could have been the reason he is not included in the SSDI.

Q: My grandfather was not a U.S. citizen but he worked legally in the United States in an occupation that was covered under Social Security. Might I find him listed in the SSDI?

A: It is possible, as some non-U.S. citizens are found in the SSDI listings, but by far, most listings are for American citizens.

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**THATCHER** said that most of the information has come from cemeteries that received state grants to computerize their data. They do not conduct gravestone surveys, but instead convert written sexton records. It helps cemeteries manage their records better and helps the state have a central database.

That has been supplemented from occasional private groups and Boy Scout projects that have surveyed cemeteries and written down information from gravestones. But **THATCHER** warns that groups interested in doing that information gathering must first contact her office and gather data in the proper format or it cannot be accepted.

**NOTARIANNI** said, "The database has proven also to be a popular genealogy tool, and we have heavy traffic online. We get hits to our site from all over the world by people doing genealogy."

**THATCHER** adds that the site has links to other Web sites that help locate graves elsewhere nationally, and some Web sites even have photos of all graves in some cemeteries around the country — sometimes allowing online visits to graves when personal visits are not possible.

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Plan Now to Attend and Bring A Friend!

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## Beautitudes of a Family Genealogist

Blessed are the greatgrandmothers who hoarded newspaper clippings and old letters,  
For these tell the story of their time.

Blessed are the greatgrandfathers, who saved emharkation and citizenship papers.

Blessed are fathers, who elected officials that answered letters of inquiry  
For, for some, it's the only link with the past.

Blessed are the grandmothers who preserved family Bibles and diaries,  
For this is our heritage

Blessed are mothers, who relate family tradition and legend to the family,  
For one of her children will surely remember.

Blessed are all grandfathers, who filed every legal document  
For this provides us with proof.

Blessed are the children who will never say,  
"Grandma, you told me that old story twice today!"

Blessed are relatives, who fill in many sheets with extra dates.  
For to them we owe the family history.

Blessed is any family, whose members strive for the preservation of records,  
For theirs is a labor of love.

William **MAUK**, author



<http://www.hdpl.org/programs/heritage.html>



# Saving Graves

## How to Interpret Gravestone Motifs

These are a few of the many motifs that are found on gravestones along with some of the more commonly held interpretations of their symbolism.

- **Rising Sun** - Resurrection, Immortality.
- **Rope** - Eternity, Binding and Connection. In Egyptian hieroglyphics, a knotted cord signifies a man's name, a symbol of an individual's existence. In Vedic teaching, the silver cord "expresses the sacred, inner path which binds the outer consciousness of man (his intellect) with his spiritual essence"
- **Rosebud** - Morning of Life or Renewal of Life
- **Roses** - Brevity of earthly existence, Completion, Achievement, Perfection. Meanings vary depending on the color, shape and number of petals. For example, the blue rose symbolizes the impossible, the golden rose the pinnacle of achievement, an eight petal rose regeneration.
- **Scales** - Justice, Balance. Originating in Chaldea as the mystic symbol of justice, it represents the equivalence of guilt and punishment. From the zodiacal archetype of Libra it represents immanent justice, the idea that guilt automatically unleashes the forces that bring self-destruction and punishment.
- **Scarab** - An ancient Egyptian emblem symbolizing the renewal of life. When shown with falcon's wings it represents transcendence and protection.
- **Shattered Urn** Someone Old
- **Sheaf of Wheat** - Ripe for Harvest, Divine Harvest, Time
- **Shell** - The Human Journey Through Life, Birth, Life, Resurrection, Love, Good Luck. The shell's hard casing protects life, the pearl inside, and its aquatic nature associates it with the feminine, lunar, and virginity. Both the Hindu goddess Lakshmi and the Greco-Roman goddess Aphrodite were carried ashore on a scallop shell. In medieval Christianity the scallop shell was the emblem of St. James, the patron of pilgrims, so the shell came to symbolize a pilgrimage. The scallop shell is also associated with the guardian angel Raphael, and the Virgin Mary. In later Christianity, it symbolized resurrection and baptism. In Buddhism and Hinduism the conch shell's call awakens the faithful from ignorance. The conch also is a sign of victory over samsara, or suffering existence, in Buddhism. In Chinese Buddhism, the conch shell can signify a prosperous journey, and in Islam it represents the hearing of the divine word.
- **Ships** - Hope or Seafaring profession
- **Shovels** - Mortality
- **Skeleton** - The personification of death.

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## POINT National Conference - 2006

October 6 - 7 - 8, 2006

POINT (Pursuing Our Italian Names Together) - The American Network or Italian Genealogy, will hold its National Conference - 2006 at the Hacienda Hotel in El Segundo California, October 6 - 8, 2006.

Friday afternoon and evening (October 6) will be for sign-in, along with a get-acquainted social gathering.

Saturday (October 7) and Sunday (October 8) will include two intensive days of lectures on Italian genealogy (both for beginners and for those more advanced in the search for their Italian family roots) and other topics of interest to the Italian community. There will also be a closing session where all the speakers will be present and to whom questions can be addressed. Conference attendees will enjoy a gala banquet on Saturday evening and a luncheon on Sunday.

On Monday (October 9), there will be an optional tour (at additional cost) of Haunted Hollywood. This tour gives a history of Hollywood and some of its great Italian actors and will include lunch and a stop at Mann's Chinese Theater.

The registration fee (\$165 until 31 May 2006, \$185 after 31 May 2006) includes the costs of all workshops and lectures, the registration / get-acquainted social gathering, the banquet, the luncheon, snacks during the day, and a syllabus with conference speaker notes and other items of interest. It does not include the cost of lodging and other meals. The Haunted Hollywood trip will be at an optional extra cost. Those attending the conference may invite a spouse or guest to the banquet (\$40 extra) and or the luncheon (\$30 extra).

Speakers at the conference (and their topics) will include:

Paula **PACKWOOD** MHA, RN  
Researching Your Fable Health History

David **KERTZER**  
How To Find Information On Orphaned Babies In Italy

Suzanne Russo **ADAMS** - Finding Your Italian Family On-line

Elaine **ALEXANDER** - Passenger List Research

Louis **LOCCISANO** - DNA Research

Nancy **CARLBURG** - Basic Genealogy Research

James **CHIAMPI** - Italian Families In The Renaissance

Tony **PERRONE** - Italian Research, Traditions and Customs

Teresa **FIORE**, PhD - Italian Immigration and Emigration

Carolyn **UGOLINI** - Italian Records for Italian Research.

A block of rooms has been set aside at the Hacienda hotels which may be contacted at: 525 N. Sepulveda Blvd., El Segundo, CA 90245 / 1-800-421-5900



Visit the POINT website at <http://www.point-pointers.net> for the latest conference information.

To request a Conference registration Form, to participate as an exhibitor or vendor, or for answers to questions about the conference, write to: POINT 2|06, P.O Box 5164, Culver Cite CA 9|231-5164 or send an a-mail message to: DFromt|point-pointers.net

# Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society Fall Family History Seminar

7 October 2006

## Christine ROSE (CG, CGL, FASG)



Christine Rose is a Certified Genealogist, Certified Genealogical Lecturer, and Fellow, American Society of Genealogists. Her lecturing experience includes national conferences (National Genealogical Society, Federation of Genealogical Societies, and GenTech), and many regional seminar and local seminars including New York Genealogical and Biographical Society in New York City; seminars in Chicago, Illinois; San Francisco, California; Long Island, New York, and many others. In addition, she served on the faculty of the Institute of Genealogical Research in Washington, D.C. and has been on the faculty as an instructor and a coordinator of Samford University's Institute of Historical and Genealogical Research since 1992. Christine was elected Fellow, American Society of Genealogists in 1988. This honor is bestowed by peers based on the quantity and quality of publications and is limited to only 50 at any one time. She has also been awarded the prestigious Donald Lines JACOBUS award for two ROSE genealogies and received top reviews for the book she co-authored, *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Genealogy*. [See listing of her books.](#) The newest, published in 2006, is *Courthouse Indexes Illustrated*.

Christine is a past VP for the Federation of Genealogical Societies, past VP for the Association of Genealogical Societies, and an Associate of the Board for Certification of Genealogists. She has been interviewed on CBS evening news (San Francisco, California), W.H.O. (Des Moines, Iowa), PBS in Jackson, Mississippi, and others. She has also been the subject of extensive news articles in the *Des Moines Register*, The San Jose [California] *Mercury-News*, and others.

### TOPICS:

#### **Court Records: The System and Its Records**

This lecture includes an overview of the court system and the records it generates. Specific examples explain how to locate and use these valuable documents. Differs from the Courthouse lecture.

#### **“Solving” the Problem Onsite in 25 Hours or Less!**

This lecture is one of the favorites. Strategies are presented to maximize onsite research, with a case study to illustrate it. The same strategies can be used even when not onsite.

#### **Using Little Known and Neglected Sources: A Potpourri**

In this lecture a variety of records are discussed, from land to federal to court and military. The examples presented will open many doors to the researchers who think they've examined everything.

#### **Avoid the Crooked Path! Genealogical Problem Solving**

Demonstrates with overheads and case studies how to zero in on the goal, reduce the problem, and stay on the path to solve it. A great motivational talk.

#### **Speaking Highlights**

National Genealogical Society Conference in the States  
Federation of Genealogical Societies Conferences  
National Institute on Genealogical Research  
Samford University's Institute for Genealogical and Historical Research

#### **Honors**

Fellow, American Society of Genealogists  
Elected 1988 (Honor society limited to 50 living genealogists at any time, based on quality and quantity of published genealogies)  
Recipient, Donald Lines JACOBUS Award 1987, for two ROSE books

#### **Books:**

- o **Genealogical Proof Standard. Building a Sound Case.** re1 1/05
- o **Courthouse Research.** re1 5/04
- o **Nicknames. Past and Present**
- o **Family Associations. Organization and Management.**
- o **Military Pension Acts. 1776 to 1858**
- o **Declarations of Intention from 1850 to 1870: Santa Clara, CA**
- o **The Complete Idiot's Guide to Genealogy**

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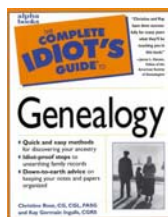
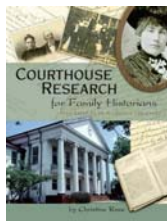
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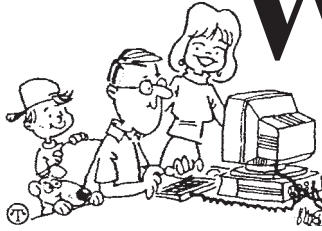
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#### **The Forum**

Columnist

National Genealogical Society  
New England Historic Genealogical Society  
New York Genealogical and Biographical Society  
Pennsylvania Genealogical Society  
Virginia Genealogical Society





# WEB LINKS

## HTTP://



These are the Instructions to Enumerators  
for the census for the years 1850 - 2000

<http://www.ipums.umn.edu/usa/voliii/tEnumInstr.html>

Bureau of Land Management & go to Search Land Patents

<http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/>

Genforum Surname Search

<http://genforum.genealogy.com/surnames/>

A One-step Portal for On-Line Genealogy Stephen P. MORSE

<http://www.stevemorse.org/>

Online Seachable Death Indexes for the USA Includes  
Obituaries, Cemeteries & the Social Security Death Index

<http://home.att.net/~wee-monster/deathrecords.html>

Search for a town! Any city or town! Anywhere in the US!

<http://www.epodunk.com/>

North Dakota Department of Health on line death index.

<https://secure.apps.state.nd.us/doh/certificates/deathCertSearch.htm>

The Genealogy of Mexico has posted 16th through 18th  
century passenger lists of Spanish immigrants to Mexico.

<http://members.tripod.com/~garyfelix/index1.htm>

Try searching foreign phone books.

<http://www.infobel.com/teldir/>

Missouri Death certificates online

Index is complete for: 1910 - 1955 and

Images are available for: 1910 - 1920

<http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/>

Castle Garden Immigration Center

Free access to 10 million immigrants who came to the US between  
1830 and 1892 through the Castle Garden immigration center in New  
York City.

[www.castlegarden.org](http://www.castlegarden.org)

West Virginia Websites

The state of West Virginia has begun putting their vital records on  
line. Images of the records, in some cases record book pages, in other  
documents copies can be viewed online, and copies downloaded and/or  
printed at no cost. Searches are possible by surname and/or first name.

Home Page

<http://wvculture.org/index.aspx>

Vital Records Search Page

[http://wvculture.org/vrr/va\\_select.aspx](http://wvculture.org/vrr/va_select.aspx)

Wisconsin has put their pre-1907 vitals index on-line

<http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/genealogy/ogrs/>

<http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/vitalrecords/>

## 23rd Psalm for Genealogists

Anonymous - et al

Genealogy is my passion, I shall not wander.

It maketh me to lie down and examine  
half-buried tombstones.

It leadeth me into musty courthouses.

It restoreth knowledge of my ancestors.

It leadeth me into paths of Soundex, Index,

Internet and ship's passenger lists for my  
surnames' sake.

Yea, though I wade through the aisles of  
research books in the shadows of libraries.

I will fear no failure, for the quest is upon  
me. Curiosity and a need to know, they do  
drive me. It demandeth preparation, time,  
and purchase commitments in the  
presence of other financial considerations.

It anointeth my head with burning of the  
midnight oil; my data base and file folders  
runneth over. Surely, birth, marriage and  
death dates and details of lives shall haunt  
me all the days of my life and my house  
shall be the house of a family history  
seeker forever.

And, I shall lay me down to rest -

Wrapped in satisfaction

For my knowledge of **WHO** my ancestors

were,

And, **WHO I AM!**



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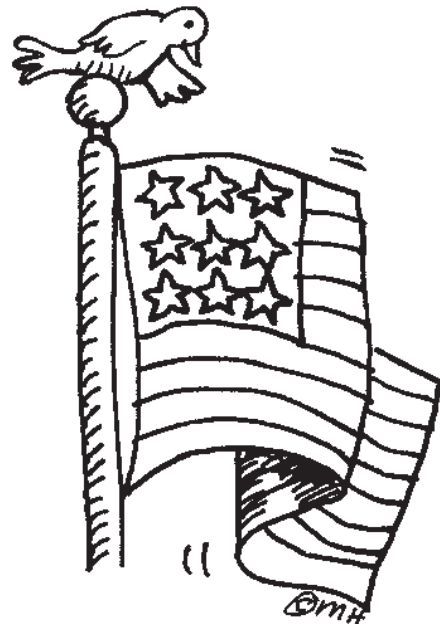
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# Family History Events



## July

### **1 Saturday**

8:00 AM Sons of the American Revolution - Nevada Society  
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Denny's Across from Sunrise Hosp.

### **15 Saturday**

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM CCNGS MEETING - Paseo Verde  
Library (Voice Mail 225-5838)

### **26 Wednesday**

6:30 PM Las Vegas Civil War Round Table - Summerlin Library (743-3932)

### **27 Thursday**

6:30 PM Sons of Confederate Veterans, Silver State Grays  
Camp - Summerlin Library (858-9963)

## August

### **3 Thursday**

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

### **4 Friday**

D.A.R., Francisco Garces Chapter (647-1689)

### **5 Saturday**

8:00 AM Sons of the American Revolution - Nevada Society  
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Denny's Across from Sunrise Hosp.

10:30 AM Nevada African American Genealogy Society -  
West Las Vegas Library (Darell WHITE 646-9836)

### **8 Tuesday**

11:30 AM D.A.R., Old Spanish Trail Chapter (242-2112 or  
407-0208)

### **10 Thursday**

6:30 PM Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War - Green  
Valley Library (648-1902)

### **12 Saturday**

9:00 AM Las Vegas PC Users Group SIG - Genealogy  
Las Vegas Family History Ctr (Val SHARP: 453-4037)  
1:00 PM D.A.R., Silver State Chapter (293-6335)

### **14 Monday**

11:30 AM D.A.R., Valley of Fire Chapter (363-1147)

### **19 Saturday**

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### **20 Sunday**

1:00 PM Jewish Genealogical Society of Southern Nevada  
Sahara West Library (Charlotte SHOWEL 363-8230 or  
JGSSN@YAHOO.COM)

### **23 Wednesday**

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## September

### **1 Friday**

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## September

### **2 Saturday**

Spring Valley Library (Darell WHITE 646-9836)

### **6 Wednesday**

7:00 PM Sons of Norway, Desert Troll Lodge (564-4828)  
Green Valley Library, contact: Richard 564-4828

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pointers.net Website: <http://www.point-pointers.net>

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### **7 Saturday**

**Fall Family History Seminar with Christine ROSE**  
Henderson Convention Center.

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# Fall Family History Seminar

## 7 October 2006

# Christine ROSE (CG, CGL, FASG)



Christine ROSE is a Certified Genealogist, Certified Genealogical Lecturer, and Fellow, American Society of Genealogists. Her lecturing experience includes national conferences (National Genealogical Society, Federation of Genealogical Societies, and GenTech), and many regional seminar and local seminars including New York Genealogical and Biographical Society in New York City; seminars in Chicago, Illinois; San Francisco, California; Long Island, New York, and many others. In addition, she served on the faculty of the Institute of Genealogical Research in Washington, D.C. and has been on the faculty as an instructor and a coordinator, of Samford University's Institute of Historical and Genealogical Research since 1992. Christine was elected Fellow, American Society of Genealogists in 1988. This honor is bestowed by peers based on the quantity and quality of publications and is limited to only 50 at any one time. She has also been awarded the prestigious Donald Lines JACOBUS award for two ROSE genealogies and received top reviews for the book she co-authored, *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Genealogy*. The newest, published in 2006, is *Courthouse Indexes Illustrated*.

Christine is a past VP for the Federation of Genealogical Societies, past VP for the Association of Genealogical Societies, and an Associate of the Board for Certification of Genealogists. She has been interviewed on CBS evening news (San Francisco, California), W.H.O. (Des Moines, Iowa), PBS in Jackson, Mississippi, and others. She has also been subject of extensive news articles in the *Des Moines Register*, The San Jose [California] *Mercury-News*, and others.

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**DATE OF SEMINAR:** 7 October 2006

**TIME OF SEMINAR:** 8:30AM - Registration 9:00AM - Seminar Begins **11:45AM-1:00PM Lunch** 3:30PM Seminar Ends

**LOCATION OF SEMINAR:** Henderson Convention Center, 200 S. Water Street (Call 225-5838 for directions or check [www.mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com))

**SEMINAR REGISTRATION:** Pre-Registration \$40 (*Postmarked by 16 September 2006*) / \$45 (*At the Door*)

**OPTIONAL BOX LUNCH AVAILABLE:** \$5 with Pre-Registration (*Not Available for On Site Registrators*)

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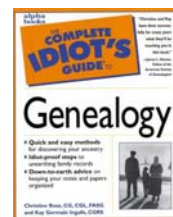
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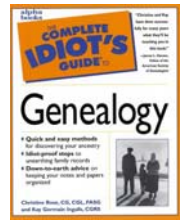
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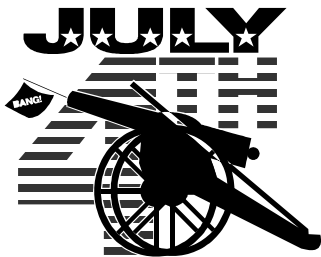
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