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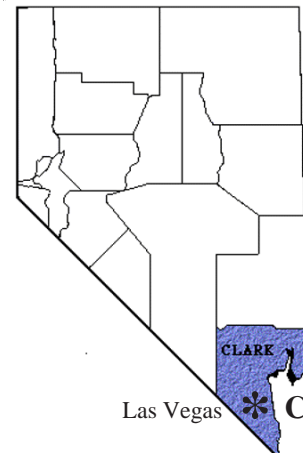
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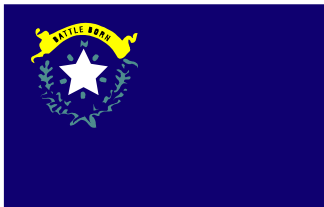
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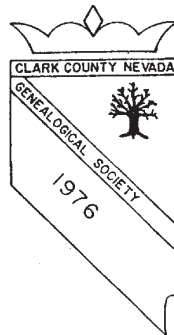
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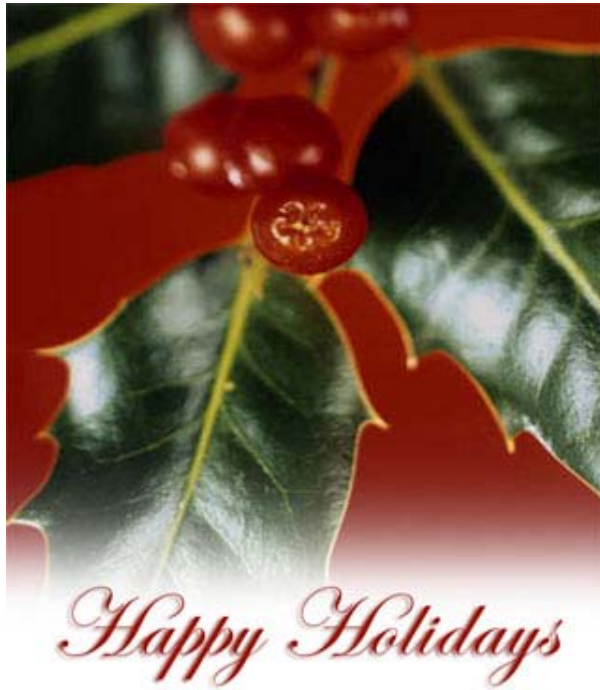
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Spring Family History Seminar

Richard L. HOOVERSON

31 March 2007

Topics:

1. Confusion on the docks: ship & passenger records
2. Land of the living dead: cemeteries & funeral records
3. Banns, Bonds, & Brands: vital record substitutes
4. Hold the press: using old newspapers

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

LOCATION OF SEMINAR: Orleans The Hotel & Casino

REGISTRATION: Pre-Registration \$40 (*Postmarked by 17 March*)
 \$45 (*After 17 March and at the Door*)

CCNGS 2007 Meetings

Third Saturday of the Month at Paseo Verde Library
 280 So. Green Valley Parkway
 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.

(Meeting Topics Subject to Change)

- Jan 20** **SHORT:** How to Preserve Your Family's Cuisine-Margaret LOUIS
LONG: Put Form(s) in your Research.-Helen SMITH
- Feb 17** **SHORT:** Sharon LOPEZ
LONG: Internet Genealogy for Beginners, Charles and Ellie JOHNSON
- Mar 17** **SHORT:** WWI: Diary of a Soldier-Paula PETRUSO
LONG: Telling a Family Story using PowerPoint-Diane SINCLAIR
- Mar 30** Spring Family History Seminar w/ Richard L HOOVERSON

- Apr 21
 May 19
 Jun 16
 Jul 21
 Aug 18
 Sep 15

- OCT Family History Month in Nevada
 OCT Fall Family History Seminar

- Oct 20
 Nov 17
 Dec 15



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WHILE RECENTLY TRAVELING

by Sharon **LOPEZ** (CCNGS Member)

While traveling this year, I found a great library for people looking for Germans from Russia. The focus of this library is the German population who traveled to Russia and settled there. This same group left Russia and traveled to the United States in the 1800's and home-stayed in Kansas, South Dakota, North Dakota as well as Canada. There were over a million people in this group so some may be your ancestors. This library has an extensive catalog of obituaries, immigration records and books on the history of the people in Russia as well as the early days on this continent. They have cemetery records from most counties in North Dakota. They have county records and community stories of many of the very early settlements. I have a copy of three books written about these families. Two of the books have pictures of each family group and a page on the history of that family in the early days of their residency here and the ancestors from the days in Russia. The third book tells the story of the people in their migration from Germany to Russia and then to the United States. Membership in this society is \$35 per year and provides you with a newsletter and internet access to their records and library holdings. Some of the books are available for purchase.

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QUICK TIP

from Leslie **NELSON**

Read Social Security and Census Instructions Search Social Security Death Benefit Records

<http://www.ancestralfindings.com/cd110.htm>

When looking over the SS-5 forms you ordered from the Social Security Administration, check out the instructions your ancestors were given when they filled out the form.

- **You'll find them here.**

<http://www.ssa.gov/history/ssn/ss5.html>

Also, one of the best pieces of advice I ever got was to use enumerator instructions to help me interpret census entries. I now routinely look for instructions and background for any record or document I have acquired, and it has saved me from some big mistakes. The site for the enumerator instructions has appeared in the Ancestry Daily News before, but it's probably worth repeating.

- **This is the website.**

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

Put Your Thinking Caps On

By Linda **SCOTT**

Many people who do family research on the Internet have become sloppy in regard to what they put into their files and records. Some are so consumed with finding that previous generation that they often throw common sense out the window. They do not take the time to "put on their thinking caps." The following is just one example that I ran across recently.

As I was looking for the ancestry of a Daniel **COLE**, father of at least two children: Ruth Chase **COLE** and John **COLE**, I found many entries on WorldConnect that made absolutely no sense. Many had his date of birth as 1614 and his birthplace as Eastham, Barnstable, Massachusetts. Obviously this cannot be accurate, as that area was not colonized until after the Mayflower landed in November 1620.

Continuing on, I found that many of these same listings had Daniel **COLE**'s father listed as Job or Jacob **COLE** with a birth year of 1605. This is totally impossible as he would have been only nine years old at the birth of Daniel. They also list Daniel's mother as Rebecca **COLLIER** with a birthdate of 10 Jan 1614/1615. How ludicrous that she would have become a mother before she was even one year old.

It gets even more ridiculous when you go back even one more generation to find that some of these very same listings have Daniel's grandparents listed as James **COLE**, b. about 1584 and Rebecca **COLLIER**, b. 10 January 1614/1615. Yes, that's what they have, Job or Jacob **COLE**, b. 1605 was born to a woman (Rebecca **COLLIER**) who was not even born yet and then he married her while she was still an infant so that she could give birth to a son Daniel **COLE** before she was even a year old, in a place that was not even colonized yet.

A lot of these entries list for their sources Ancestral File, LDS Church or FTW. I am sure that if these "researchers" had taken the time to think first, they would have realized that these sources could not possibly be accurate.

There are many more examples just like this one. It is so very frustrating to see fellow researchers blindly accepting and perpetuating blatant errors, when they could so easily be stopped in their tracks if only we would "**PUT ON OUR THINKING CAPS**" first. Ask yourselves this simple question, "Does this information make sense?" If the answer is "**NO**," then stop right there; do not add it to your files.

Now, I am not suggesting that just because information makes sense that it must be true. We still have the responsibility of verifying and proving that our information is accurate. Let's all work together to make genealogy even more fun for everyone rather than more frustrating.

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GENEALOGY FOR KIDS FOR ADULTS

By John FISCHER (CCNGS Member)

At some time or other a genealogist may find within themselves an ambition to hook a kid on their favorite subject - genealogy. Sometimes they may have already tried and failed, even with their own children, making it necessary to skip a generation. Here are some thoughts to review if you want to try again or try for the first time to hook kids on genealogy, a kid being defined as anyone under age eighteen.

Some basic truths about today's kids need to be identified:

- Kids do not respond to traditional genealogy processes;
- Kids are incredibly computer literate;
- Kids respond best when active.

Now, what works?

It is suggested that a gradual introduction to genealogy through activities associated with **family history** may be more successful.

Where to start and how to progress? There are three necessary ingredients:

1. **YOU** and your orientation and understanding of some concepts of genealogy for kids.
2. **THE KIDS** through an internalization of your family history.
3. **YOU & THE KIDS** using a gradual introduction to genealogy through the use of family history.

Start with **YOU** and your orientation to family history for kids. Some suggestions include the following:

- a. Read adult genealogy books that cover the methods of gaining kids interest in family history and genealogy. Try "**Climbing Family Trees**" by Trina **BOICE**, ISBN 9781932898491.
- b. Review and bookmark kid friendly web sites related to family history and genealogy. Try www.rootstelevision.com/.

Then the **KIDS** need to internalize your family history through guidance by the family. Some thoughts as to how this may be accomplished:

- a. Share family stories, tales, and photos;
- b. Take trips to cemeteries, funerals, reunions;
- c. Share old letters, scrapbooks, wills;
- d. Create family keepsakes or purchase some at www.cafepress.com;

- e. Use ancestral family recipes and maps of ancestral homelands.

Finally bring together **YOU & THE KIDS** through the gradual introduction of kids to genealogical concepts and details using two approaches.

The first is computer based. Have the kids, with your support and encouragement, try some of the following:

- a. Web searches for family names and trees;
- b. Web searches for ancestral homeland villages and countries;
- c. Post a query on a blog or genealogy web site;
- d. Request a WWI draft card or SS record on line;
- e. Create a "Cousins Club" of cousins with elected officers to encourage Email and historical family activities;
- f. Create a "Family Web Site".

The computer savvy kids may really surprise you with the results.

The second approach introduces the kids to concepts and details of traditional genealogy with your help. Some suggestions include:

- a. Create or buy a simple memory book with blank family tree group sheets or pedigree forms. You can fill in some blanks and, as a game, ask to have the rest completed by the kid. For younger kids try "**My Family and Me**" by Jane **DRAKE**, ISBN 1553370023.
- b. Give age appropriate books of fiction that have a genealogy related plot. Try "**The Puzzle in the Portrait**" by Eleanor **ROSELLINI**, ISBN 1578601274..
- c. Give rewards for completing a family group sheet or writing a short history of an ancestral country.
- d. Give or provide rewards for learning an ancestral language.
- e. Write letters to obtain birth and death certificates.

And finally!

- Keep it interesting and active!
- Use the computer!
- Combine family history with genealogy!

Watch Out for Name Switchers

By Karen ISAACSON in California, USA

Karen mentions a great-grandfather who switched his middle and last names. Something else researchers should watch for are record keepers (either contemporary or subsequent indexers) who switch names, due either to confusion or to good intentions.

I have an uppty-enth uncle whose name is West **PAUL**. But I find him recorded almost as often as Paul **WEST**. One of those would be boatloads easier to research if only it had been left alone.

Weekly Planner:

Plan for Research in 2007

As you look ahead to 2007, take a look at your research and what you'd like to accomplish this year. Do you have travel plans that may be a good fit with research or a genealogical conference? What records do you need to access to move on with your research and how can you gain access to them? Start a to-do list that includes the locations of places from which you can access these records and you may find that you have enough to warrant a special trip.

Do you really know how to forward e-mails?

50% of us do, 50% DO NOT.

Do you wonder why you get viruses or junk mail? Do you hate it? Every time you forward an e-mail, there is information left over from the people who got the message before you—their e-mail addresses and names. As the messages get forwarded along, the list builds and builds and builds, and all it takes is for some poor sap to get a virus and his or her computer can send that virus to every E-mail address that has come across his computer. Or, someone can take all of those addresses and sell them, or send junk mail to them in the hopes that you will go to the site and that person will make five cents for each hit.

How do you stop it? There are several easy steps:

1. When you forward an e-mail, **DELETE** all of the other addresses that appear in the body of the message (at the top). That's right, **DELETE** them. Highlight them and delete them, backspace them, cut them, whatever it is you know how to do. It only takes a second. You **MUST** click the "Forward" button **first** and then you will have full editing capabilities against the body and headers of the message. If you don't click on "Forward" first, you won't be able to edit the message at all.
2. Whenever you send an e-mail to more than one person, do **NOT** use the "To" or "Cc" fields for adding e-mail addresses. Always use the "BCC" (blind carbon copy) field for listing the e-mail addresses. This way the people you send to will only see their own e-mail address. If you don't see your "BCC," option click on "To" and your address list will appear. Highlight the address and choose "BCC." It's that easy. When you send to "BCC" your message will automatically say "Undisclosed Recipients" in the "To" field of the ones who receive it.
3. Remove any "FW" in the subject line. You can re-name the subject or even fix spelling.
4. **ALWAYS** hit your "Forward" button from the actual e-mail you are reading, not from the one who sent it to you!! Ever get e-mails where you have to open ten pages first to read the one page with the

wanted information on it? By Forwarding from the actual page you wish to be viewed, it eliminates extra e-mails people have to wade through.

5. Have you ever gotten an e-mail that is a petition? It states a position, asks you to add your name and address and then requests that you forward it to ten or 15 people or your entire address book. As it is forwarded on and on it can collect thousands of names and e-mail addresses.

FACT: That petition is worth a couple of bucks to a professional spammer because of the wealth of valid names and e-mail addresses on it. If you want to support the intent of the petition, send it as your own personal letter to the most effective source. Your position may carry more weight as a personal letter than does a laundry list of names and e-mail address on a petition.

And think about this—Who is supposed to actually send the petition in after the names are collected? And don't believe the ones that say that the e-mail is being traced. It just ain't so!

6. One of the emails I hate is the one that says something like, "Send this e-mail to ten people and you'll see something cute run across your screen," or sometimes they just tease you by saying something really good will happen soon. **IT AIN'T GONNA!!!!** Trust me, some of the same ones went around ten years ago!

I don't let the bad luck ones scare me either, they get trashed (could be why I haven't won the lottery??)

7. Before you forward an Amber Alert or a Virus Alert, or some of the other ones floating around nowadays, check them out before you forward them. Most of them are junk mail that have been circling the net for YEARS! Is it real or not? Almost everything that is questionable can easily be checked out at Snopes.com. Take that moment. If it's not real, don't pass it on.

Please, let's stop the junk mail and the viruses!

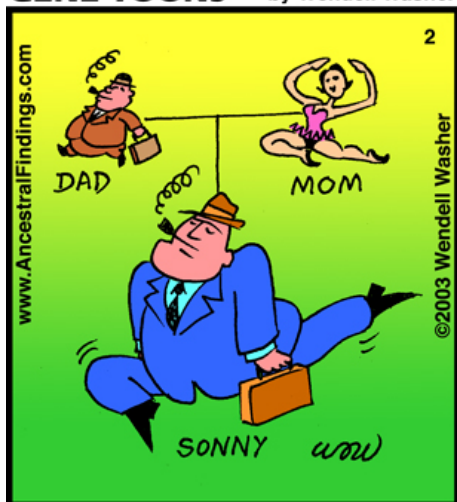
RootsWeb Review: RootsWeb's Weekly E-zine

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We thought our readers might enjoy this paragraph written by census enumerator Mary Ames ATKINS at the end of the 1880 Salem, Massachusetts census, Enumeration District 240:

"A thorough, patient, faithful canvass, which I have prosecuted in spite of dogs, an ignorant post-master, pitiful penny-a-liners (livers?), "bad whiskey," a too sadly frequent assurance that my employer was "a meddlesome fool," and long journeys, often with no one to enumerate for great distances."

GENE TOONS by Wendell Washer



How they get that way.



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LIBRARY NEWS

"LET'S SHARE"

Sharon LOPEZ (CCNGS)

A suggestion: Many of us have books on the individual communities that we are from or the particular area we are researching. We hold on to these books as our treasures. We paid for the books (some of them dearly) and they have our information in them. Many of them were very limited in the number of copies originally printed and many are out of print. As a society, could we print a list of the books held by our members and perhaps help each other with research questions without having to donate our precious books to the society's library to share the information?

I have centennial books on Flasher, North Dakota. I have Burleigh County, ND and Morton County North Dakota books which are out of print. I have books on the Binford, Hatton/Catt, and Horton families. I would love to see a copy of "Violettes History of Adair County Missouri" and can not find this book for sale or available in our local FHL libraries so pass the idea to whoever may be interested also in book sharing or at least sharing the information in the books.

"GOT A SOURCE?"

Ron HUGHES (President CCNGS)

A database is available on the computers in the Heritage Room where patrons can list books and other resources they have that may be of interest to others. The database is easy to use, and includes the name of the person holding the resource along with a method of contact (phone, email, U.S. Mail, etc.). Anyone wanting information can contact the owner and request a lookup. Feel free to add your name and resources to the database. That's what genealogy is all about—people helping others."

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The following books have been donated by Dick and Katie EDMONSON, long time members of CCNGS; additional books will be listed in the April Prospector. We want to thank Dick and Katie for their generous donation to the Heritage Room at the Paseo Verde Library. We hope the books will be well used by our members, members of the community, and visitors to the Library.

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1841 ENGLISH CENSUS FACTS

As the 1841 census for England has just been added to Ancestry.com, here are a few tips:

1. The 1841 census gives the first snapshot of everyone living in England.
2. It gives names and a rough address and indication of who was living in a household.
3. It does not give relationship or birthplace only indicating if someone was born in the county.
4. Ages for adults were rounded down to nearest five years. If you find two fifteen-year-olds living with a couple of toddlers they were not necessarily that precocious.
5. Male names were often abbreviated (e.g., Thos = Thomas, George = Geo, Jno = John, Wm = William).
6. Addresses were given as parish and county which can be confusing. For example, St. Phillip and St. Jacob Somerset was actually the centre of Bristol. The church is now known as Pip and Jay so even a local might be confused.
7. Surname spellings have changed a lot. It is worth considering regional accents. We found a family of Hares who became Ayres in London.

We Are The Chosen

AUTHOR UNKNOWN

We are the chosen. In each family there is one who seems called to find the ancestors. To put flesh on their bones and make them live again to tell the family story, and to feel that somehow they know and approve.

Doing genealogy is not a cold gathering of facts but, instead, breathing life into all who have gone before. We are the storytellers of the tribe. All tribes have one. We have been called, as it were, by our genes. Those who have gone before cry out to us, "Tell our story!" So, we do.

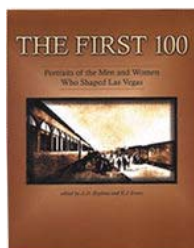
In finding them, we somehow find ourselves. How many graves have I stood before now and cried? I have lost count. How many times have I told the ancestors, "You have a wonderful family; you would be proud of us." How many times have I walked up to a grave and felt somehow there was love there for me? I cannot say.

It goes beyond just documenting facts. It goes to who I am and why do I do the things I do. It goes to seeing a cemetery about to be lost forever to weeds and indifference and saying, "I can't let this happen." The bones here are bones of my bone and flesh of my flesh. It goes to doing something about it. It goes to pride in what our ancestors were able to accomplish, how they contributed to what we are today. It goes to respecting their hardships and losses, their never giving in or giving up, their resoluteness to go on and build a life for their family.

It goes to deep pride that the fathers fought and some died to make and keep us a Nation. It goes to a deep and immense understanding that they were doing it for us. It is of equal pride and love that our mothers struggled to give us birth. Without them we could not exist, and so we love each one, as far back as we can reach.

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

That is why I do my family genealogy, and that is what that calls those young and old to step up and restore the memory or greet those whom we had never known before.



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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 fa. was Thomas **PURSEL**, stepmo. - Agnes **ANDREWS**.

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BARRELL, FAUST / FOUST

Rebecca **BARRELL** (1796-1878) m. Dewald **FAUST** (1796- 1849) in PA. Looking for info on Rebecca's parents.

Eileen **SENA** - 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

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.

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BEAN, MULLIN, STAR

Looking for any info on my g-g-grandmo. Betsy **BEAN** whose Cherokee name **Quayee Tooyah**. Parents were Chief John **BEAN** and Ruth **STAR**. She married Swift **MULLIN** Jr.

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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**.

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BEHR, HEIDT

Looking for parents and descendants of the six bros and sis of George **HEIDT** b 14 Jan 1840 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d 19 Nov 1925 in Erie, Erie, PA. He left Europe from LeHavre, FRA on ship **HOLSATIA** 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 m. Theresa **BEHR** b 31 Aug 1848 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d 23 Jan 1915 in Erie, Erie, PA. Both devout Roman Catholics.

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BELETSKI, YAMILKOSKI / JAMULKOVSKI

Seeking descendants of John **YAMILKOSKI** / **JAMULKOVSKI** b. abt 1873 and Mary **BELETSKI** b. abt 1894; both immig. from POL to PA.

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BENTLEY, RIDLEN, TODD

Looking for the name of the father of Samuel Bentley **TODD**; b. 26 Feb 1802 GA; m. Ruth **RIDLEN** 27 Aug 1846 IN; d. Abt 1876 IL. Bro. Able Albert **TODD** and Mo. Sarah **BENTLEY**.

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BOLDEN, BAREHAM, HUMM, LEGGETT

Seeking others researching these lines from Colchester, Essex, ENG. Abraham **HUMM** b. Abt. 1763, d. 3 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, ENG; (2) Sarah **BOLDEN** 1873 in Colchester, Essex ENG; Sarah b. 1832 in Oakley, Essex, ENG. Children of James and Eliza Ann are: James Josh b. 1840; Eliza b. 1843; Frederick b. 1847; George b. 1849; Henry b. 1852; Samuel L b. 1853. Frederick **HUMM** m. Eliza **LEGGETT BAREHAM** 7 Dec 1870 in Colchester, Essex, ENG, dau. of Frederick **LEGGETT** and Mary. Eliza b. 1847 in Clacton, Essex, ENG. Their children: James Frederick b. 21 Sep 1872, d. 13 Jan 1955; Lucas b. 1878; George b. 1883; Alice b. 1891.

Kim **BAKKAN** cubba213@yahoo.com

BOLLINGER/BOLINGER, FOUST/FAUST SUNDERLAND

James L. **FOUST** (1835-1887) m. to Sarah R. **BOLLINGER** (1839 -?) in Mifflin Co., PA. In 1920 Sarah, 80 is with dau Phoebe and George **SUNDERLAND** in Mifflin Co., PA. When and where did Sarah die?

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BOOKER, CARROLL

Looking for parents and siblings of James Ambrose **CARROLL** b.4 Apr 1833 Baltimore City, MD; m. 26 May 1863 Laura **BOOKER** (b.1 Apr 1842, d. 1890); d. 30 Jun 1906. Children: Frances M., Robert Lee, Stephen J, James I, Mary, Ernest, Sarah, Mae A., Anna R. and Mary Edna.

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BUSCH

My g-grandfather, Henry **BUSCH**, rented out the family farm in Van Wert County, OH and relocated to Brookville, IN, where he became the proprietor of property known as St. Charles Hotel. I went to Brookville a few years ago to find info abt the property, but unsuccessful. If you have such info, please e-mail.

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CAGLE, HANES

Seeking parents of Elizabeth **HANES** of Cullman, AL; m. Charlie N. **CAGLE** in 1890.

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COLLINS, CRONEY

Seeking descendents of Francis M. **CRONEY** b.1870 MO, m. Nancy **COLLINS** b.1875. Children: Fannie Ann b.1907; Landy b.1909; John; Floyd b.1905; Lewis Sampson b.1901 MO.

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CASE, CASS

Seeking descendants of Elijah **CASE**, aka Elihu **CASS**. Documented as father-in-law of Phoebe **CASE** in 1807 Argenteial, Quebec, CAN. Connie **CHISM** 2122 Tiger Links Dr., Henderson, NV 89012

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

DELANCY

Seeking info on Charles Wesley **DELANCY**. Moved from Ohio to IL abt 1910. Need to find him before 1910.

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DISSE, SCHULZE

Looking for any info on Anna Maria **DISSE** (b. abt. 1820) who m. John/Johannes **SCHULZE** (b. abt 1810) in W. Prussia/Westphalia. migrated to WI abt 1855.

Margaret **LOUIS**, MARGARET.LOUIS@UNLV.EDU

DURAN

Looking for Nicholas **DURAN** (b. 1906) on 1910 and 1920 censuses. Have him in TX in 1930.

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EARL, MULLIN

Seeking info on Warren **MULLIN**'s whereabouts. Believe he lives in southern states, TN or GA maybe. He would be a source for my early ancestors "SWIFT **MULLIN**'s Family History". Was corresponding with my now deceased brother, Richard **EARL** abt Swift **MULLIN** history. Since my brothers death, all trails he was working on have gone cold.

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FARROW, SINCLAIR,

Looking for descendents from 1st marriage of Edwin A. **SINCLAIR**, b. 1883 in CAN, son of Andrew M. **SINCLAIR** and Marjorie **FARROW**. His 1st marriage took place abt 1907, possibly in MA. Diane **SINCLAIRdesertds@cox.net**

FAYETTE, GAYNOR, STONET, Van LONE

Looking for info on Christopher **GAYNOR** and Robert **GAYNOR**. Christopher **GAYNOR** b 1823 IRE; to London and Hamilton, Ont, CAN, to Fayette, IA; m. 1848 CAN, Sarah Jane **STONE** b. 1827. Children born in CAN: Edmund 1849; Francis (Frank) 1852; Samuel 1853; Emma 1858. Children born in IA: Thomas 1860; Anna 1861; Lee 1870. Robert **GAYNOR** b. 1826 County Tipperary, IRE; to CAN 1847 to Fayette, IA; m. (1) Abigail **VAN LONE** in CAN (5 children); m. (2) Harriet E. Waite **FAYETTE** b. 1835 (8 children). Any info gratefully received/exchanged.

Elizabeth **GAYNOR**, griffingals@cox.net

FRANTZEN, JOHNSON

Seeking info on parents of Amanda **JOHNSON** b. ca 1865 in area of Malmo, Sweden, d. 1950; emigrated to western NY and m. Jens C. **FRANTZEN**.

Robert **FRANTZEN** 702-878-5659, RFRANTZ1266@Earthlink.Net

GALATAS, MOUNCE / MOUNTS, TINNON

Seeking info on Ida Mae **MOUNCE** m. Albert Joseph **GALATAS** 9 Nov 1888 in Montgomery AL. Ida Mae **MOUNCE** b. 20 Oct 1871 GA, d. 7 Aug 1952 CA. Fa: John Robert **MOUNCE** b. 28 Nov 1822 SC, d. Oct 1894 Montgomery, AL. Mo: Mary Elizabeth **TINNON** b. 1847 SC, d. 1895 Montgomery, AL. Siblings: Aloza b.1862 GA; Eula b. 1867 GA; Leila b.1847 GA, d. aft 1930 TX.
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GILFILLAN, NAGEL

Searching for info abt death date of Charles W. **GILFILLAN**, Md, b. 1906 in Hannibal, MO, son of George **GILFILLAN** and Minnie **NAGEL**. Was an orthopedic Dr. in Beverly Hills, CA during the 1940s.

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GRAY, GRIER, HORTON

Looking for info abt George **HORTON** (possibly George H. **HORTON**) b. abt 1769 in VA (info from all census records found). m. (1) Margaret **GRIER** 8 Feb 1809, had one dau Elinore; (2) Susannah **GRAY** (window of John **GRAY**) 3 Feb 1813. Both marriages in Caswell Co., NC. (NC marriage index). Where was George bef these marriages? Need Susannah's maiden name and George's parents.

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GRAY, HORTON, WILEY

Looking for info abt birth, maiden name and parents of Susannah. 1) m. John **GRAY** abt 1802; children: John B., Leatha, Frances b.1804, Yancy b.1806. John m. (1) Margaret **WILEY** 1800; child Alexander. Susannah; (2) 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**

GRIFFITHS, SEDDON

Seeking descendants of Jane **SEDDON**, b. abt Jun 1876 Ashton-in-Makersfield, Lancaster Co., ENG and John **GRIFFITHS**, b. abt 1871 Hanley, Staffordshire Co., ENG. Had 16 children bet. 1897-1918; immig. bef 1922 PA.

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HIGGINBOTHAM, WALKER

Looking for the names of the parents of Elmore **WALKER** b. abt 1845 WI; m. Lavina **HIGGINBOTHAM** 13 Oct 1870 IL.
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HINES

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

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HÖNEL, SEDLACEK

Looking for ancestors, relatives, siblings and descendants of Antonia Anna **HÖNEL** b. 1 Jan 1875 in Vienna (Wien), AUS (Österreich) and bap. in St. Peter & Paul RC Church, District XIII, Erdburg, in Vienna (Wien), AUS; d. unk. Married name and children unk. Sister of Leopold Rudolph **HÖNEL** b. 18 Sep 1880 and bap. in St. Peter & Paul RC Church, District XIII, Erdburg, Vienna (Wien) and emig.to Erie, PA, USA in 1904. Her fa Johann Edmund **HÖNEL** b. 1833 in Serovitz/Cernovice, County of Tabor, District of Pocatake, Bohemia/Czech who served 11 yrs in the Austrian Army. Her mo Anna

Christina **SEDLACEK** b. abt 1850 in Bohemia/Czech. Sister of Pauline Matilde **HÖNEL** b. 26 Jul 1872 in Vienna and Josephine **HÖNEL** b. abt 1872-1876 in Vienna, AUS.
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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.
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KENNARD, ROBINSON

Looking for info on parents and siblings of Joseph **KENNARD** b. May 1822 m. Anne(ie) **ROBINSON** in Baltimore, MD. Last record of him was in the 1910 Census where he was with his son James Harry **KENNARD**. He was a farmer from 1860-1900 in Queen Anne's County, MD.

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KLESZCZ / KLESZEZ, POZAR, SCZVREK

Seeking info on descendants of Stephen **KLESZCZ (KLESZEZ)** of Cleveland, OH, d. 1941; m. 1924 Mary **SCZVRAK** (b. Jul 1906 Cleveland, OH); daughters Wanda and Jean. Jean m. 1943 Paul **POZAR** (d. 1944 in France as soldier in US Army) in Cleveland, OH. Cathie **YAMILKOSKI**, 2098 Di Pinto Avenue, Henderson NV 89052; (702) 616-6875; PANDC.YAMO@VERIZON.NET

KUCHMULLER

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

Seeking info on Emily **LARSEN** who came to USA from Sweden abt 1890-1930; what ship and year? Settled in Three Oaks, MI.
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LINES

Seeking descendents of William **LINES** b. 1865 Suffolk UK, m. Mary (?) b.1865 Sussex, UK. Children: Edith Alice b.1876, d.1957; Arthur b.1880; Louisa b.1886; William b.1888; Edward b.1890; Percy b.1893.
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MANSFIELD, MILLER

Seeking info on my 7th great grandmother Sarah **MANSFIELD MILLER** b. 9 March 1630 in Salem, MA. She was suspected of being a witch.
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McFALL, MILLER

Looking for source of Thomas P. **McFALL** birth record in VA 28 May 1800 and Nancy A. **MILLER** birth record 8 Oct 1798 VA found on internet tree. They m. Botetourt, VA 3 June 1822 according to ancestry.com marriage index. Looking for birth parents for each. The 1880 census for Van Buren Twp, Shelby Co, IN finds Thomas still alive in IN and lists his parents as fa. b. PA and mo. b. IRE.
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McNEAL

Seeking b. cert. of Anthony **McNEAL** Sr. of Orange City, VA 1820.
Ralph L. **McNEAL**, Sr., RMCNEALSR@AOL.COM

PEEK

Want to communicate with anyone searching **PEEK** IL 1900-1930.
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PIPER

Seeking info on Jonathan S. **PIPER** b. 1817 PA, moved to Columbiana Co., OH with family; 1840 Census with his mo, bro and sis looking for his fa who probably died bef 1840 in OH.
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PURSEL, WHEELOCK

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

Looking for more info on Carley Mae **RIDDLE** in 1890s in Indian Territory (OK).
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RITZENTHALER

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

Seeking more info on John **ROWDEN** before 1611 in Salem, MA: church records, etc to identify children of correct John. Found 3 John **ROWDENs**: two in MA and one in NY.
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ROYCE

Looking for info on family of William J **ROYCE** (my 2 X great grandfa) b. 1807 in Westford Co., IRE; m. 1840 Catharine (nee Unk, b. 1816; assuming events occurred in Wexford Co., IRE); William J **ROYCE** family came to US in 1853; relocated 1855 to Dubuque, IA. My g-grandfa b. 27 Aug 1845 in Blackwater, Wexford Co., IRE.
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RUSSELL, STUART

Looking for names of parents of Charles Clement **RUSSELL** b. 4 Sep 1845 IA; d. 8 Nov 1917 OK?; m. Mary Margaret **STUART** 1 Jan 1867 IA
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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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MEMBER AHNENTAFEL

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Leopold Rudolf **HOENEL**, Sr is the grandfather of John G. **FISCHER**

Generation No. 1

1. Leopold Rudolph (AUS) **HOENEL**, Sr, born 18 Sep 1880 in Vienna, Austria; died 11 Jan 1940 in Erie, Erie County, PA. He was the son of 2. Johann Edmund **HÖNEL** and 3. Anna Christina **SEDLACEK**. He married (1) Marie Anna (AUS) **ALTENBERGER** 3 Apr 1903 in Vienna, Austria. She was born 5 May 1876 in Tomaszów, District of Piotrków, Poland, and died 3 Sep 1944 in Warren State Hospital, Conewango Township, Warren County, PA. She was the daughter of Lebrecht Robert **ALTENBERGER** and Agnes **PFEIFFER**.

Generation No. 2

2. Johann Edmund **HÖNEL**, born 1833 in Zirovnice, Pocatek District, Tabor, (Bohemia) Czech; died in Austria. He was the son of 4. Wenzel **HÖNEL** II and 5. Franziska **RATAI/RATAY**. He married 3. Anna Christina **SEDLACEK** 24 Oct 1870 in St Peter & Paul RC Church, District III, Erdberg, Vienna, Austria.
3. Anna Christina **SEDLACEK**, born abt 1850 in Cernovice, District of Tábor, Bohemia, Czech; died in Austria. She was the daughter of 6. Johann **SEDLACEK** and 7. Anna **LANDA**.

Children of Johann **HÖNEL** and Anna **SEDLACEK** are:

- i. Pauline Matilde **HÖNEL**, born 26 Jul 1872 in Vienna, Austria; died in Austria.
- ii. Antonia Anna **HÖNEL**, born 1 Jan 1875 in Vienna, Austria; died in Austria.
- iii. Josephine **HÖNEL**, born abt 1876 in Austria; died in Austria; married ? **PAUDULA** abt 1907 in Austria; born abt 1875 in Austria?; died in Austria.
- 1 iv. Leopold Rudolph (AUS) **HÖNEL**, Sr, born 18 Sep 1880 in Vienna, Austria; died 11 Jan 1940 in Erie, Erie County, PA; married Marie Anna (AUS) **ALTENBERGER** 3 Apr 1903 in Vienna, Austria.

Generation No. 3

4. Wenzel **HÖNEL** II, born abt 1810 in Bohemia/Czech?; died in Bohemia/Czech?. He was the son of 8. Wenzel **HÖNEL** I and 9. Anna **ZAMBULKA**. He married 5. Franziska **RATAI/RATAY** abt 1830 in Bohemia/Czech?.
5. Franziska **RATAI/RATAY**, born 1 Jan 1809 in Bohemia/Czech?; died in Bohemia/Czech?. She was the daughter of 10. Bartholomew **RATAI/RATAY** and 11. ? **ZZ?**.

Children of Wenzel **HÖNEL** and Franziska **RATAI/RATAY** are:

- i. Leopold **HÖNEL**, Sr, born 10 Nov 1831 in Serowitz/Cernovice, County of Tábor, District of Pocataker, Bohemia, Czech; died 22 Nov 1909 in Bohemia/Austria/Czech; married Barbara **HEINDL** 1 Mar 1859 in St Leonard RC Church, Hornerwald, Austria; born 20 Mar 1835 in Hornerwald, Austria; died 19 Oct 1928 in Austria.
- 2 ii. Johann Edmund **HÖNEL**, born 1833 in Zirovnice, Pocatek District, Tabor, (Bohemia) Czech; died in Austria; married Anna Christina **SEDLACEK** 24 Oct 1870 in St Peter & Paul RC Church, District III, Erdberg, Vienna, Austria.
- iii. Josef **HÖNEL**, born abt 1835 in Austria; died in Austria.

6. Johann **SEDLACEK**, born abt 1810; He married 7. Anna **LANDA**.
7. Anna **LANDA**, born abt 1810.

Child of Johann **SEDLACEK** and Anna **LANDA** is:

- 3 i. Anna Christina **SEDLACEK**, born abt 1850 in Cernovice, District of Tábor, Bohemia, Czech; died in Austria; married Johann Edmund **HÖNEL** 24 Oct 1870 in St Peter & Paul RC Church, District III, Erdberg, Vienna, Austria.

Generation No. 4

8. Wenzel **HÖNEL** I, born abt 1785 in Bohemia/Czech?; died in Bohemia/Czech?. He married 9. Anna **ZAMBULKA** abt 1809.
9. Anna **ZAMBULKA**, born abt 1786 in Bohemia/Czech?; died in Bohemia/Czech?.

Child of Wenzel **HÖNEL** and Anna **ZAMBULKA** is:

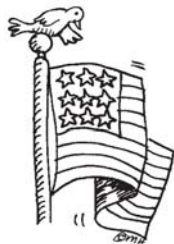
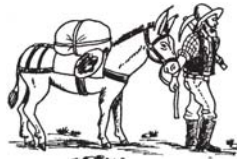
- 4 i. Wenzel **HÖNEL** II, born abt 1810 in Bohemia/Czech?; died in Bohemia/Czech?; married Franziska **RATAI/RATAY** abt 1830 in Bohemia/Czech?.

10. Bartholomew **RATAI/RATAY**, born abt 1789 in Europe; died in Europe. He married 11. **? ZZ?** abt 1807 in Europe.
 11. **? ZZ?**, born abt 1790 in Europe; died in Europe.

Child of Bartholomew **RATAI/RATAY** and **? ZZ?** is:

- 5 i. Franziska **RATAI/RATAY**, born Jan 1, 1809 in Bohemia/Czech?; died in Bohemia/Czech?; married Wenzel **HÖNEL II** abt 1830 in Bohemia/Czech?.

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NEVADA 1862 TERRITORIAL CENSUS

The Nevada 1862 Territorial Census project that CCNGS 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/>

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Marie Anna **ALTENBERGER** is the grandmother of John G. **FISCHER**

Generation No. 1

1. Marie Anna (AUS) **ALTENBERGER**, born 5 May 1876 in Tomaszów, District of Piotrków, Poland; died 3 Sep 1944 in Warren State Hospital, Conewango Township, Warren County, PA. She was the daughter of 2. Lebrecht Robert **ALTENBERGER** and 3. Agnes **PFEIFFER**. She married (1) Leopold Rudolph (AUS) **HÖNEL**, Sr 3 Apr 1903 in Vienna, Austria. He was born 18 Sep 1880 in Vienna, Austria, and died 11 Jan 1940 in Erie, Erie County, PA. He was the son of Johann Edmund **HÖNEL** and Anna Christina **SEDLACEK**.

Generation No. 2

2. Lebrecht Robert **ALTENBERGER**, born abt 1850 in Austria?; died in presumed Vienna, Austria. He married 3. Agnes **PFEIFFER** abt 1866 in Austria?.
 3. Agnes **PFEIFFER**, born abt 1850 in presumed Vienna, Austria; died in Austria?.

Children of Lebrecht **ALTENBERGER** and Agnes **PFEIFFER** are:

- i. Paul Rudolph (GER) **ALTENBERGER**, born 12 Sep 1867 in Russian Poland/ Russian German; died 5 May 1950 in Erie, Erie County, PA; married Anna Catherine **GEHRLEIN** 30 Dec 1890 in St John's RC Church Rectory, Erie, PA; born 9 Aug 1870 in Erie, PA; died 8 Nov 1932 in Erie, PA.
 ii. Herman **ALTENBERGER**, born abt 1868 in Tomaszów, Poland; died in Poland or Germany; married Olga **ZZ?** abt 1888; born abt 1867; died in Poland.
 iii. Clara **ALTENBERGER**, born abt 1870 in Poland; died in Poland; married Adolph **SCHEDIWY** abt 1890; born abt 1869 in Poland; died in Poland.
 iv. Helena **ALTENBERGER**, born abt 1871 in Poland; died in Poland; married Kazimierz **PAWTOSKI** abt 1890; born abt 1871 in Poland; died in Poland.
 1 v. Marie Anna (AUS) **ALTENBERGER**, born 5 May 1876 in Tomaszów, District of Piotrków, Poland; died 3 Sep 1944 in Warren State Hospital, Conewango Township, Warren County, PA; married Leopold Rudolph (AUS) **HÖNEL**, Sr 3 Apr 1903 in Vienna, Austria.

QUERIES Continued from page 11

SCHAAF, WALDINGER

Looking for ancestors, relatives, parents, siblings and descendants of Levi **SCHAAF** b. Mar 1844 in PA, d. 1909 in Erie, PA, bu. Trinity Cemetery, Section X, Erie, PA.; m. Pauline (?) b. Feb 1846 in Rheinzabern, Germansheim, GER. m.. in 1868 in USA. Children: George M. b. 1867, d. 1945; Peter b. 1869, d. 1944; Frank b. 1870, d. 1949; Aug b. Sep 1871, d. 1958; Edward S. b. Jun 1872, d. 1948 (wife Bertha **WALDINGER**); and Katherine b. Feb 1880 d. unk. John G. **FISCHER**, 4532 Wisconsin Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104-5515; 702-457-0486; lucky1570@cox.net

SENA, SORIANO / HORIANO

Augustin /Agustin **SENA** (1825-1865) m. Maria de los Santos **SORIANO/ HORIANO** abt 1859 in San Miguel, Co., NM. Looking for Maria's parents.
Eileen **SENA** - sstokes98@radicalage.com or (702) 361-0512

SIKES, SYKES

Looking for William **SIKES/SYKES** who was in his 20s in 1910 AR census. Was supposed to be in a Mississippi orphanage 1890-1910 ? Robert **ROWDEN** 424 National St., Henderson, NV 89015, RCRowden@cox.net

SULLIVAN

Seeking to correspond with others researching Jeramiah **SULLIVAN** b. abt 1832 in Co. Cork, IRE, d. 29 Sep 1922 in Hibbing, St. Louis Co., MN. Children: Michael, John, Jeramiah, Mary, Patrick, Daniel, Catherine, Annie, and Nellie; born MA, NY, and MI.
Helen **SMITH** 26 Quail Hollow Drive, Henderson, NV 89014
Hsmithlv@prodigy.net

PHOTOGRAPHING TOMBSTONES TO SHARE

Bonnie **SELIG**

I live in a very rural area and volunteer for an organization to do cemetery photos upon request. There are a lot of old, abandoned cemeteries around here, and whenever I have a photo request at one of them, I try to spend a little extra time and get photos of surrounding tombstones. If the cemetery is small enough, I try to get pictures of all the stones. So many have been broken, buried, or are weather-worn, and I figure this is one way of preserving what is left of them. I post all the photos to the Find-A-Grave site (<http://www.findagrave.com>) so that anybody looking for the information has it available, for free. If the stone is hard to read, but I can pick out part of a name, I often check census records or other county information to find the name.

Jo Daviess Co, IL RAOGK Volunteer - www.raogk.org
Find-a-Grave County Keeper - www.findagrave.com
My site - <http://tinyurl.com/4zq7z>

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WEST

Need parents of John D. **WEST** b. 21 Jun 1842 Liverpool, ENG. Came to US 1856, lived in PA, d. Apr 1903 Michigan City, IN.
Ginny **DELMARTO** Ralphsgirl@cox.net

WHITE

Seeking info on Samuel **WHITE** who immigrated from IRE btw 1890-1930; what ship and year? Settled in Three Oaks, MI.
Irsula M. **WELLS** 702-567-5031, BEARCLANW@COX.NET

WEISSANG, WYSONG

A database identifying descendants of immigrant Ludwig **WEISSANG** who settled in York County, PA prior to Revolution, was initiated by Clark **WYSONG** who passed away in Las Vegas, NV in 2000. In his honor it's now Clark **WYSONG** Memorial Database. As custodian of the database, if you believe you are a descendant and want to find out if you are included, or want to be included, I'll do a lookup for you at no cost if you send an email.
Charley **RECKER**, Genbuff3@cox.net

YATNICK

Seeking others researching Harry **YATNICK** of Brooklyn, NY, (1906-1932); share info.
Marjorie **SHELD**, hsheld@vwestm.net

Contact Sydney **CAGLE** - 396-4773 or SLC1934@COX.NET

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Ye Olde English Sayings

English sayings and customs that we have grown up with and taken for granted were explained during a tour of the Anne Hathaway house in Victoria, British Columbia.

GETTING THE SHORT END OF THE STICK

Candles were expensive to make, so often reeds were dipped in tallow and burned instead. When visitors came, it was the custom for guests to make their exit by the time the lights went out. Therefore, if your host didn't want you to stay very long, he would give you a "short stick."

George wrote: In the days of outhouses, often there were outhouses with multiple "holes" so that more than one person could relieve him(herself) at a time. Before the time of toilet paper, Sears catalogs and corn cobs, a stick shaped like a shoe horn was used for "hygienic cleaning." It was rather a short spatula device with a longer handle. Well, if one person was done, he could request that the person using the adjoining hole pass the stick. Of course the person with the stick would pass it holding onto the other person by holding the long end of the stick. The recipient would therefore receive it holding the "short end of the stick."

CHEW THE FAT

A host would offer his guests a piece of bacon, which was stored above the fireplace in the parlor, so they could chew the fat during their visit.

Tips from the Pros:

Sources Off the Beaten Track

Loretto D. SZUCS

What more can you learn about your ancestors after you've milked all the usual sources? Census records and information sources that provide us with landmark life events such as births, marriages and deaths will always be critical to learning more about family members and others who have influenced our past. However, because of habit or because we don't think beyond these commonly-used sources, we often overlook a wonderful array of "hidden sources."

Sometimes it helps to tickle the imagination by going through the genealogy pages of the [National Archives](#) or to look through lists posted on the websites of your favorite state archives, the RootsWeb free pages, FamilySearch.org, or under the database descriptions at Ancestry.com.

There are lesser-known record sources for almost every letter of the alphabet. Did you know that there are incredible stories about the people who lived along the shoreline of any navigable waterway of the United States, including lakes, rivers and canals in the Admiralty Court records that can be found in the regional offices of the National

Archives?

"Bodies in Transit" is another unusual set of records. In an effort to stem the spread of communicable diseases, local governments in many states required that bodies arriving in their jurisdiction be registered. Some have been microfilmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah and can be found for a number of places in the U.S.

Think about where your ancestors or people of interest lived. What kinds of records would include them? Were they members of fraternal orders, were they included on tax lists, slave schedules, religious records, or alien registrations? Were they included in a necrology, a midwife's record, or a medical record? Were they involved in an accident that led to a court case? Did they leave any kind of a paper trail in court records?

The possibilities are almost endless. Start a list and let the search begin. The New Year is a perfect time to jumpstart your research with sources that are a little "off the beaten track!"

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CAN YOU HELP US?



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.

Here are some ideas for articles:

- Genealogical and historical stories from any where
- Your Ahnentafel
- Your own family story
- Articles concerning how to use various reference materials
- Good genealogical practices
- Collections held in other libraries across the USA
- Research in Europe
- Interesting sites on the computer
- 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.



Charles and Phyllis FRIAS Elementry School

Charles FRIAS

8 October 1922 - 24 October 2006

Charles **FRIAS** was born in San Antonio, Texas 8 October 1922. As a young man, he worked alongside his father and grandmother as a delivery boy in the family business. He graduated from Breckenridge High School and then joined the Navy. After being honorably discharged, he returned to San Antonio, Texas and married his wife, Phyllis.

In 1958, the couple moved to Las Vegas, Nevada. He worked at Nellis Air Force Base as a civilian employee until he decided to enter into the business of transportation.

He began working as a cab driver for the Union Cab Company. In 1962, Mr. **FRIAS** purchased the Union Cab Company, which has grown to become one of the largest transportation companies in Nevada. In addition to the cab company, Mr. and Mrs. Frias owned numerous business and commercial properties throughout the country.

Mr. and Mrs. **FRIAS** were successful business people whose reputations for honesty and integrity were well known in the business community. Because he was a man of action and few words, his support to the community was not well known to the public. He was well respected by citizens who were active in public service and aware of his humanitarianism and philanthropic contributions to numerous groups and organizations throughout Southern Nevada. Mr. **FRIAS** was known for being a confident, responsible man. He had a strong work ethic, a pioneering spirit, and a sense of civic responsibility.

One of Charles and Phyllis **FRIAS** greatest beliefs was that every child have the opportunity to obtain a quality education. Over the years, Mr. **FRIAS** and his wife established several scholarships and funded several programs for students in the education system. Charles and Phyllis **FRIAS** made it possible for many children to attend college through educational scholarships. They established the Phyllis **FRIAS** Environmental Studies Scholarship at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Mr. and Mrs. **FRIAS** sent school bands to participate in events in Washington, D.C., purchased buses for the Virgin Valley High School, and purchased jackets for the football team.

Mr. and Mrs. **FRIAS** were members of the Mesquite, Las Vegas, and North Las Vegas Chambers of Commerce. He was also a member of the Nevada Restaurant Association and the Latin Chamber of Commerce.



In 1996, he received the Entrepreneur Award from the Latin Chamber of Commerce. He received a host of awards from various organizations, including the Metropolitan Police Department, the Republican Presidential Task Force, and the National Football Foundation.

Mr. and Mrs. **FRIAS** not only donated to educational facilities, but to a wide range of other organizations such as the Mesquite Arts Council, Spring Valley Little League, American Lung Association, Las Vegas Rescue Mission, NFL Collegiate 49'ers, and the Clark County Firefighters Christmas Fund. Former President Ronald **REAGAN** honored Mr. **FRIAS**. Sheriff Jerry **KELLER** showed his appreciation to Mr. **FRIAS** for his outstanding support and services to the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. Senator Harry **REID** identified Mr. **FRIAS** as a community leader who was eager to help people, especially children in need.

The school that bears their name is Charles and Phyllis **FRIAS** Elementry School located at 5800 Broken Top Avenue in Southwest Las Vegas, NV.

Ask the Genealogy Genie

By Nicole HENKE

There is definitely a chance when you explore local shops that you might luck out and find some family photos.

Two months ago I was at an antique store in Slidell, Louisiana and it had all the family photos for one family. Apparently there were no morerelatives around to pass them onto (whether any existed elsewhere across the country, it is unknown).

The collection went from pre-civil war to present, and there were photos it looked like of every family member in between. I stood there looking at all those pictures and thought how sad that such a precious legacy was relegated to being sold to anyone who wanted an "instant family tree." Had the cost not been so high, I would have considered buying it and trying to find a relative to pass them onto!

In my personal search for family photos, I've found that putting requests on county or county genealogical sites to be better than local stores in larger areas. The more rural the area (small towns), the better odds for finding someone in your family tree (or an in-law). Chicago (or large cities) would be difficult, but you never know, the genealogy genie might grant your wish!

Meeting Schedules Local Groups of Interest

Sons of the American Revolution - meets 1st Saturday 8 am at Denny's 3081 S. Maryland Pkwy monthly - contact 798-1856

Old Spanish Trail Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution - Meets 2nd Saturday 10:30 am monthly - contact 429-0959

Valley of Fire Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution - contact 341-9420

Francisco Garces Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution - Meets 1st Friday monthly -contact 647-1689

Silver State Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution - Meets 2nd Saturday 1 pm montly - contact 293-6335

Saint Andrew's Society of Southern Nevada - meets 2nd Thursday 6:30 pm monthly - contact 223-8040

Sons of Norway, Desert Troll Lodge - contact 270-3493

Vegas Viking Lodge #6-152 of the Sons of Norway - Meets 1st Thursday 6:30 pm monthly - contact 227-9842

Sons of Confederate Veterans, Silver State Grays Camp - Summerlin Library - contact 858-9963

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War -Meets 2nd Thursday 6:30 pm monthly at Green Valley Library - contact 648-1902

Las Vegas Civil War Round Table - Meets 4th Wednesday 6:30 pm monthly at Summerlin Library - contact 743-3932

Southern Nevada Chapter of American Historical Society of Germans from Russia - contact 433-6968

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Query and Answer

Native American Marriage Information for New York General Query (Query #05GQ-13):

What resources are available to research marriages between an Irishman and a Native American woman in the Buffalo/Niagara areas of New York in mid to late 1800s?

Resources for 19th century Native American and European marriages in New York are basically the same as for any marriage. If they married under civil or church jurisdiction, the records should be searched as for any marriage.

1. Erie County, NY was founded in 1821 from Niagara County. The Handybook for Genealogists indicates that the County Clerk (Erie County, 25 Delaware Ave, Buffalo NY 14202) has marriage, divorce and court records from 1809, and land records from 1810. The Surrogate Court holds the probate records. If you don't know the year of the marriage, you may be able to narrow your search by looking at land and probate records for a mention of a wife and to pin down the actual residence of the couple.

2. Niagara County was formed in 1808 from Genesee County, but sources show that they only have marriage records after 1908. You may have to look at surrounding counties as boundaries shifted frequently.

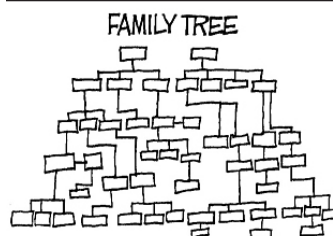
3. Each New York county has a county historian, and most counties have listings on USGenWeb and Rootsweb which should be searched. Online queries to these sites may help.

4. U.S. census records should be searched for all records of the family to narrow the time frame. Find out which local newspapers were publishing during your time frame and search for a mention of the wedding. Most reference librarians can show the sources for newspaper listings and the archives currently holding the records.

5. Identify the church your couple probably attended. If you are not sure, look at the county histories and find those closest to their residence and check for records. If you know where they were buried, this may give you a clue as to their church preference.

6. Be aware that they may also have been married in Canada or even in a Native American ceremony. An Indian ceremony was no less binding whether recognized by US sources or not. Tribal identification is necessary to trace the family and can be inferred by the time frame, location, and whatever family information is available. The county histories are a good source for finding the possible tribe. The area around Erie County was a main travel corridor for many years and many tribes passed regularly through the area.

Answers by Billy Dubois EDGINGTON, BA - A My Ancestors Professional



Wantabes and Outalucks: Searching for Indian Ancestors in Federal Records

by Kent CARTER, Director, National Archives-Fort Worth Branch

For More Information

Every year, the staff of the Fort Worth Branch of the National Archives gets thousands of letters from people all over the United States who are trying to prove that an ancestor was an Indian. These researchers comprise what must be one of the largest "tribes" in North America, the Wantabes. People wantabe an Indian for a variety of reasons but most are not successful in their efforts to find proof and thus join the ranks of another very large "tribe", the Outalucks. Many people fail in their genealogical research because they are not familiar with the records of the Federal government which relate to the American Indian. Hopefully, the following information will help researchers avoid becoming an Outaluck.

Getting Started

As with most genealogical research, the best results are obtained by beginning with yourself and working your way backward in time. It is virtually impossible to begin with Pocahontas and Captain John SMITH and work your way forward. With the exception of Emmett STAR's Old Cherokee Families and a few similar works, there are very few published genealogies of famous Indians. There is no computer that will provide you with a list of all Geronimo's descendants. Interviewing family members, especially at picnics and reunions when they may be in a good mood and willing to talk, often provides enough basic information about names, places of residence, and approximate dates of birth and death to allow you to begin the search.

Finding the Tribe

The first step is to determine what tribe the elusive Indian ancestor was a member of. That sounds simple but many researchers have no idea. In many cases, all they have is an old photograph of someone who "looks like an Indian" or a family legend that says grandmother was an "Indian princess". If you know approximately where the ancestor lived, you can consult *The Indian Tribes of North America* by John R. SWANTON published by the Smithsonian Institution Press. It provides information about the tribes, sub-tribes, bands, etc. which lived in each state. Muriel H. WRIGHT's *A Guide to the Indian Tribes of Oklahoma* and W. W. NEWCOMB, Jr's *The Indians of Texas* are valuable sources of information about the tribes which lived in those areas.

Having decided on a tribe or tribes, the next step is to do some basic homework on the tribal history. The best place to begin is with a good general survey such as William T. HAGAN's *American Indians*, Angie DEBO's *A History of the Indians of the United States*, or Arrell GIBSON's *The American Indian: Prehistory to the Present*. Francis Paul PRUCHA's *A Bibliographical Guide to the History of Indian-White Relations in the United States* provides references to studies of specific tribes. The time spent on background reading is worth the effort because it will help you evaluate the accuracy of the family legends. You'll realize, for example, that there is something wrong with the story that you're great-grandfather was a Cherokee who lived in Michigan in 1850. Searching in Federal Records

When you have penciled in the names of relatives who were living in 1900 on your family tree chart, you're ready to start searching in Federal records. You might start by browsing through the *Guide to Records in the National Archives of the United States Relating to American Indians* compiled by Edward E. HILL which is available from the Government Printing Office. The amount of material available is enormous as evidenced by the fact it takes the Guide 412 pages just to give brief descriptions of it. The trick, of course, is to focus on records relating to your ancestor's tribe and time period. Some of the records mentioned in the Guide have been reproduced on microfilm

and you should consult *American Indians: A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications* for information about the contents of the film. The Catalog is available from the National Archives, Publications Sales Branch, Washington, D.C. 20408.

Even a casual glance through the Guide will show that there is information about Indians contained in the records of many Federal agencies. Most genealogical searches, however, concentrate on the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (the BIA). The headquarters of the BIA has been responsible for formulating Federal policy towards Indians. Its records are in the main Archives Building in Washington, D.C. Responsibility for actually implementing that policy and dealing with individual Indians fell on Indian Agents and School Superintendents. Their records are generally in the Field Branches of the National Archives or still in the custody of the BIA. The Fort Worth Branch of the National Archives has records from seven agencies located in Oklahoma (Five Civilized Tribes, Kiowa, Cheyenne and Arapaho, Osage, Shawnee, Pawnee, and Miami or Quapaw) which contain information about more than fifty tribes. A list of the Field Branches and the areas from which they have records can be obtained from the National Archives (NNA), Washington, D.C. 20408.

As a general rule, Indian Agents did not create records with the needs of genealogists in mind. Their main concerns were accounting for every penny they spent and convincing their bosses that they were doing a better job of "civilizing" the Indians than their predecessors had done. Thus, the bulk of most agency files consist of accounting records, narrative reports, and correspondence with BIA headquarters in Washington. When they did record information about an individual Indian it generally related to the payment of money, the allotment of land and its subsequent leasing or sale, and the determination of heirs entitled to inherit a deceased Indian's land or money. Genealogists must always keep in mind that the agent was only keeping track of people who were recognized as tribal members (either by the Federal government or the tribal government) and who resided with the bulk of the tribe (either on a reservation or within the recognized boundaries of the tribal domain). For the most part, the agent did not maintain records on Indians who moved away and, in effect, ended their affiliation with the tribe. If, for example, your ancestor left the recognized boundaries of the Choctaw Nation and took up farming across the Red River in Texas or went back to Mississippi or Alabama you will probably never find them mentioned in the agent's records. Such people can often be found in the regular Federal population censuses that were taken every ten years, but there will be no indication that they are Indian. In addition, people who remained behind when the bulk of their tribe was moved by the Federal government will probably be "lost" as far as official BIA records are concerned. Unfortunately, many people with legitimate claims to Indian heritage will never be able to "prove" their claim because their ancestor did not stay with the tribe or did not choose to be recorded in official records as an Indian.

Indian Census Records

If you know what tribe your ancestor belonged to, and if your ancestor stayed with the tribe, and if they were recognized by that tribe as a member, and if the agent kept good records, and if those records were not destroyed by a fire or some other calamity, you should start your research with National Archives Microfilm Publication M595 which reproduces "Indian Census Rolls, 1885-1940". Agents were required by an act of Congress of July 4, 1884 (23

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Upcoming Family History Events

27 January 2007 - Lake Havasu City, Arizona

13th ANNUAL GENEALOGICAL SEMINAR

Sponsored by the Lake Havasu Genealogical Society, Inc.
Mountain View M.H.P. Clubhouse, 2635 Anita Avenue
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404



Shirley **HODGES**, Speaker

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Mail Registration to:

Lake Havasu Genealogical Society, Inc, 1208 McCulloch Blvd. S.,
Lake Havasu City, 86406-8963
(Make checks payable to LHGS)

Website: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~azlhgs/>

Email: saf1930@hotmail.com

3 February 2007 - Hemet, California



A Family History Seminar with Dr. George K **SCHWEITZER** presented by the Hemet-San Jacinto Genealogical Society.

Topics: Pennsylvania Genealogical; Missouri Genealogical Research and Irish Genealogical Research.

Pre-Registration: \$25 with luncheon available for addition \$6

Further Information:

Hemet-San Jacinto Genealogical Society

PO Box 2516

Hemet, CA 92546

Phone: 951-765-2372

Feb 9-10, 2007 - St. George, Utah

St. George Genealogy Jamboree

<http://www.myancestorsfound.com/jamboree/jamboreeSG.htm>

24 February 2007 - Whittier, CA

Whittier Area Genealogical Society 24th Annual Seminar with Curt B. **WITCHER**. 8am - 4pm

Back to Basics: a Research Plan for Beginners and Experienced Researchers Alike; Using Government Documents; Germans to the Midwest and Doing the History Eliminates the Mystery.

Further information:

Website: <http://www.cagenweb.com/kr/wags>

Call or email: Barbara **WILKS**, Seminar Director: (562) 696-5915;

barbwilks@earthlink.net OR John **HERGESHEIMER**, WAGS

President: (562) 941-3184; hergwerk@earthlink.net

Mar 10, 2007 - Bountiful, Utah

South Davis Family History Fair

<http://www.familyhistoryfair.com>

Mar 16-17, 2007 - Salt Lake City, Utah

BYU Computerized Genealogy Conference

The tenth annual Computerized Genealogy Conference at Brigham

Young University has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday March 16 and 17, 2007. This conference is designed to be a how-to guide for everyone—beginning, intermediate, and advanced researchers.

The focus of the conference is to help everyone learn how new computer programs and advancements in existing programs can help them be more effective in genealogy and family history work

<http://genealogyconferences.byu.edu>

Mar 24, 2007 - Logan, Utah

Logan Genealogy and Family Heritage Jamboree

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Stat. 98) to submit these census rolls annually and they generally contain each Indian's name ("English" and/or "Indian"), age or date of birth, sex, and relationship to the head of the family. Beginning in 1930, most rolls include degree of blood and marital status. The Select Catalog provides a list of the contents of each of the 692 rolls of microfilm. Unfortunately, M595 does not include any rolls of the Five Civilized Tribes (Choctaw, Chickasaw, Cherokee, Creek, and Seminole) except for an 1885 Choctaw census (which is on roll 623). If you find an ancestor in one of these rolls you are off and running on your trip back in time.

Unfortunately, M595 will only take you back to 1885. What next? Depending on the tribe you are researching, there are probably earlier census or annuity rolls and the Field Branch which has the agent's records can probably give you information about them. In general, the earlier the roll the less data it contains. In many cases, the agent only listed the Indian's name and perhaps the amount of money he or she received. The "roll numbers" from one list seldom have any relation to earlier or latter rolls and will not help you make positive identifications. One source of lists of names that is often overlooked is the Congressional Serial Set which contains documents received by Congress from various sources (primarily agencies of the Executive Branch) and reports published by Congressional committees. Many of these documents relate to claims against the government for Indian depredations or claims by Indians for rights under treaties. Some documents include lists of Indians but seldom provide much genealogical information. Steven L. Johnson's *Guide to American Indian Documents in the Congressional Serial Set: 1817-1899* is an essential tool to using these documents.

School Records

If your ancestor attended a school operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, either on the reservation or one of the non-reservation boarding schools, the records maintained by the school often contain genealogical information. If you can determine what school the ancestor attended and if records for that school exist for the right time period, you may be able to locate the student's case file which will probably contain an application for admission and related documents.

Sometimes there are even pictures of the student and correspondence with family members. The Fort Worth Branch of the National Archives has some records from Carter Seminary (1917-1970), Chillico Boarding School (1912-1980), Euchee Boarding School (1912-1947), Eufaula Boarding School (1925- 1959), Jones Academy (1920-1952), Sequoyah High School (1911-1960), and Wheelock Academy (1911-1953) in addition to schools operated by agencies.

Correspondence

When you have searched all the census and annuity rolls you can locate, you might try reading the letters sent by the agent to his bosses back in Washington. These letters for the period from 1824 to 1881 have been reproduced on 962 rolls of microfilm as National Archives Microfilm Publication M234. You can use the Select Catalog to determine which rolls pertain to your tribe. The letters relate primarily to administrative and other bureaucratic matters but sometimes include petitions or other documents listing tribal members and often include information about people and events. The letters are in chronological order with no name or subject indexes so be prepared to do lots of reading. Letters sent after 1881 are not on microfilm and the best source of this correspondence is the records of the agency which are probably in the custody of one of the National Archives Field Branches.

Prior to the establishment of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1824, the

War Department was responsible for relations between the Federal government and Indian tribes. Correspondence of the Secretary of War relating to Indian affairs has been reproduced as two Microfilm Publications. Letters sent by the Secretary from 1800-1824 are on six rolls of M15 and the letters received are on four rolls of M271.

Pre-Federal Records

Prior to 1789 there was no Federal government so there were no Federal Indian agents to make census rolls. From 1774 to 1789 the Continental and Confederation Congresses were in charge of relations with Indians and most of their records have been reproduced on 204 rolls of microfilm as National Archives Microfilm Publication M247. Documents about individuals and tribes can be located using the five volume name and subject Index to the Papers of the Continental Congress compiled by John **BUTLER** and published by the Government Printing Office. The single volume Index to Journals of the Continental Congress compiled by Kenneth E. **HARRIS** and Steven D. **TILLEY** is also helpful in locating documents relating to Indian affairs.

The British and the various colonial governments controlled Indian affairs before the American Revolution and State archives are generally the best source of information about what records exist for the pre-Revolutionary period. If you are able to trace your Indian ancestry back this far you have been extremely lucky. Most researchers will run out of records long before they run out of questions.

Dawes Rolls

More than 95% of the letters received by the Fort Worth Branch of the National Archives relate to the Five Civilized Tribes and most of those pertain to the Cherokee. If you are tracing a Cherokee ancestor, the place to begin is with the Final Rolls of the Five Civilized Tribes (commonly called the Dawes rolls). They contain the names of more than 101,000 people enrolled under an act of Congress of June 27, 1898 (30 Stat. 459) which authorized a Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes (under the chairmanship of Senator Henry L. **DAWES**) to determine who was eligible for tribal membership and thus entitled to an allotment of land. In 1887 the Federal government embarked on the policy of extinguishing tribal title to land and allotting it to individual Indians so there is generally a similar "final roll" or allotment roll for most tribes. Tracing your ancestry to someone on a "final roll" is usually the key to recognition by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The Dawes rolls only include people who were alive during the 1898-1907 enrollment period. The index to the Dawes roll has been reproduced on roll 1 of National Archives Microfilm Publication M1186 and many libraries in Oklahoma have copies of the index printed by the BIA. If you find your ancestor's name, their Dawes roll number is the key to various other records. Unlike most other "roll numbers", it was used by the BIA as a means of positive identification (thus it is something like a social security number).

Census Cards and Application Jackets

The Dawes roll number will lead you to a "census card" which contains information about other family members who might have been enrolled, references to earlier rolls used to verify eligibility (such as the 1880 Cherokee census), and the names of the enrollee's parents (which will take you one generation farther back, but no farther). The cards were prepared by the Dawes Commission to enable the staff to keep track of the status of enrollment applications and the originals were hauled around Indian Territory in wagons as the staff gathered applications and took testimony. The cards have also been reproduced on M1186.

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For each card there is usually an application jacket which contains transcripts of any testimony taken by the Commission, birth and death affidavits, marriage licenses (sometimes), and correspondence between the Commission and the applicants, their attorneys, and tribal officials. These application jackets are microfilmed as M1301. In general, the more controversial the applicant's claim the thicker the jacket. The jackets for many full-bloods whose claim to membership was not disputed by the tribal government usually contain very little genealogical information.

Land Allotment Jackets

Once a person was enrolled they were eligible to select the land they wanted as their allotment. The amount of land each person received varied from tribe to tribe but generally consisted of a "homestead" which was inalienable for a period of time and "surplus" which was often quickly sold or leased. For each person enrolled, there is an "allotment jacket" which contains an application giving the legal description of the land selected and information about improvements on it and related documents such as plat maps showing the location. The allotment jackets seldom contain much genealogical information. In many cases, the Indian agency supervised the subsequent sale or lease of allotted land but the records relating to these transactions have very little genealogical value.

The fact that an ancestor "got land" in Oklahoma does not prove they were an Indian because many non-Indians bought lots in townsites or purchased "surplus" land from allotted Indians or "unallotted land" directly from the Federal government.

The Dawes Commission rejected the applications of almost two out of every three persons who applied so don't be surprised if your ancestor is not listed in the "final roll". There is no comprehensive index to all the rejected applicants but there are partial indexes to persons rejected as Cherokee or Choctaw. For each rejected applicant there is a "census card" and an "application jacket" but the catch here is that you have to know (or find out) the census card number to find the records.

The best source of information about the allotment of the Five Civilized Tribes is *And Still the Waters Run* by Angie Debo. For information about allotment of other tribes see *The Dawes Act and the Allotment of Indian Lands* by D. S. Otis. Most tribal histories also contain a chapter or two about allotment.

1900 Census

If you do not find your ancestor's name listed in the "final rolls" and you are sure they were living in Indian Territory you should check the Soundex index to the 1900 Federal population census of the area which has been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publication T1082. The index will tell you exactly where the person is listed in the actual census schedules that are reproduced as rolls 1843-1854 of T623. By 1900 there were almost four times as many non-Indians in Indian Territory as there were Indians so you may find that the ancestor has been enumerated by the Federal census taker as White.

Guion Miller Rolls

Another source to check is a roll prepared in 1909-1910 of applicants for a share of an award by the U.S. Court of Claims to Eastern Cherokees and their descendants alive on May 28, 1906. The roll was prepared by Guion MILLER from 45,847 applications covering about 90,000 persons. The applications, which have been reproduced on 348 rolls of microfilm as M1104, were received from persons living all over the United States (not just in Indian Territory) and contain the applicant's name, residence, age, sex, place of birth, and information about children, parents, and other relatives. The index to applicants,

which is reproduced on roll 1 of M1104, covers all the applicants including the more than 60,000 whose claims were rejected.

Census of Intruders

If you haven't found your ancestor listed on any rolls of persons recognized as tribal members, you should check for lists of "Intruders". The correspondence between tribal officials and agents is full of complaints about non-Indians living on tribal land and sometimes includes lists of the names of these people with a request that they be removed. The Cherokees compiled a census of intruders in 1893 which has been microfilmed by the Fort Worth Branch (control number 7RA-55) and censuses taken by the tribe in 1880 and 1890 (microfilmed as 7RA07 and 7RA08) contain separate schedules of Intruders. Many of the persons enrolled by the Dawes Commission found non-Indians living on the lands they selected as allotments. The Commission investigated these complaints from 1901 to 1909 and the indexes to these intruder cases are available on microfilm (7RA5-3) at the Fort Worth Branch. Many Outalucks are the descendants of these "intruders".

Non-Indians on Tribal Land

Not all non-Indians living on tribal land were intruders. Some were traders operating under permits from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, teachers at tribal schools, or employees of the agency such as clerks or blacksmiths. You may be able to find such people mentioned in an agency's personnel or accounting records (if any still exist) but there will probably be very little genealogical information. Some tribal governments, such as those of the Five Civilized Tribes, issued residency permits to non-Indians allowing them to farm tribal land or operate businesses. These permits and most of the other records created by the tribal governments (as opposed to the official records of the Indian agent) are in the custody of the Archives and Manuscripts Division of the Oklahoma Historical Society. In some cases, there are name indexes to these records that may help you locate references to the ancestor who is in Indian Territory but does not appear on any tribal roll.

Pre-1896 Cherokee Records

If you have found your ancestor on the Dawes rolls, you will probably want to go back as many generations as you can. Unfortunately, the Dawes Commission was only concerned with the people who were alive to claim an allotment and its staff only gathered as much information about an applicant's ancestors as was necessary to support their claim to tribal membership. The Dawes card will give you references to rolls taken in 1880 or 1896 by the Cherokee tribal government which were used by the Commission to verify eligibility and those references may lead you to the names of relatives of the enrollee who died prior to the start of the allotment process.

The Fort Worth Branch of the National Archives has microfilmed a number of Cherokee census and payment rolls including those done in 1867, 1880, 1883, 1886, 1890, 1893, 1894, and 1896. Most of these rolls are not indexed, contain only the person's name, and do not include degree of Indian blood. We also have dockets of the Cherokee Citizenship Commission, which include the names of persons who

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applied to the tribal government for admission between 1879 and 1889. These have been microfilmed as 7RA25. If you can work-your way back to ancestors who were alive during the Civil War, you can request a search of military service and pension records by getting an NATF Form 80 from the Military Service Branch (NNMS), National Archives, Washington, D.C. 20408 and submitting it in accordance with the instructions it contains.

Prior to the Civil War there are relatively few rolls of Cherokee citizens. In *Occupying the Cherokee Country of Oklahoma* (published by the University of Nebraska in 1978) Leslie Hewes estimates that there may have been as many as 22,000 Cherokees living in the Southeast prior to the arrival of European settlers. Unfortunately for genealogists, no one made lists of their names. As early as 1792, some Cherokees began moving west as the area of European settlement expanded and the National Archives has "emigration rolls" for the period 1817-1838 which contain the names of people who wished to relocate. Many of these rolls have been transcribed by Jack D. **BAKER** and published in 1977 by the Baker Publishing Company in Oklahoma City.

The first major census of Cherokees living in North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Tennessee taken by the Federal government was compiled from June-December, 1835 and is generally called the Henderson Roll. The roll, which only lists the name of the head of each family, and an index to it have been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publication T496.

From 1835-1837 the Cherokees living in what is now Arkansas and Oklahoma were joined by thousands of Cherokees who moved under the terms of the treaty of New Echota signed on December 29, 1835. The Old Settlers Roll of 1851 and the Drennen Payment Roll of 1851 are the best sources of the names of people who voluntarily moved west. They are both reproduced on roll 12 of National Archives Microfilm Publication M685. There is also a roll prepared in 1896 of the Old Settlers and their heirs who received a payment resulting from a decision of the U.S. Court of Claims of June 6, 1893. The payment roll has been microfilmed by the Fort Worth Branch (control number 7RA34) and an index to the roll is available as National Archives Microfilm Publication T985.

Most Cherokees, however, refused to relocate and were forcibly moved by the Federal government in 1838-1839 in what has come to be called The Trail of Tears. There is no consolidated list of all the people on the Trail of Tears (or their descendants) but the National

Archives in Washington, D.C. does have numerous muster rolls prepared by the military officers in charge of the removal parties. R.S. Cotterill's *The Southern Indians* is an excellent source of information about the Five Civilized Tribes before removal and the numerous footnotes to the various books by Grant Foreman are a source of valuable information about the tribes both before and after removal.

Some Cherokees avoided the army and stayed behind to become what is now called the Eastern Cherokee. The Mullay Roll of 1848, the Siler and Chapman Rolls of 1851, and the Hester Roll of 1884 provide the names of many of these people. The "Enrollment Records of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians" by Gaston **LITTON** which appeared in the July, 1940 issue of *The North Carolina Historical Review* provides detailed information about these records. Many of the rolls were used by Guion **MILLER** to prepare "his" roll and have been reproduced on roll 12 of M685.

Genealogical research is hard work and filling in the blanks on any family tree chart requires lots of effort and a sense of humor. Finding an Indian ancestor can be particularly difficult but there are numerous sources of information which might be useful. The National Archives is committed to preserving and making available the records of the Federal government which document the heritage of Native Americans.

For More Information

For more information, please write to the National Archives-Fort Worth Branch,
P.O. Box 6216, Fort Worth, TX 76115. Email:
ftworth.archives@nara.gov

See Also:

Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs
Microfilm on Native American Records in NARA's Fort Worth facility

Page URL:

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TIPS FROM THE PROS:

“Looking for Help in the New Year?”

from Loretto (Lou) Dennis **SZUCS**

Are you anxious to get your research off on the right foot in the New Year? Help may be as close as your local society and now is a great time to join.

If your research interests lie elsewhere, that shouldn't stop you. Help may come in the form of a periodical delivered via snail mail or e-mail, online conferences, discounts on research services, online classes, exclusive access to online databases, and in a variety of other ways. If you are in the area, check to see when their next meeting or conference is planned.

As an added bonus, when you are on a society membership list, you can be counted as someone with an interest in family history. When legislation arises that threatens the records we use, these membership numbers can be used to exert influence over those we vote into (or out of) office.

Check out the societies that are out there for your area of interest and see what they have to offer. You can find many societies through the FGS Society Hall:

<http://www.familyhistory.com/societyhall/main.asp>

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.

- **Swallow** Hope, Fertility, Renewal of Life, Resurrection Like most birds, it also represents light. In ancient Egypt, it symbolized motherhood. In ancient Greece and Rome, it was a bad omen to kill a swallow because it held the spirits of dead children. In Swedish legend, a swallow was present at Christ's crucifixion, where it called for consolation. In China, it represents daring, danger, and a good change in fortune and in Japan it can mean unfaithfulness and maternal care. In Islam, the swallow makes an annual pilgrimage to Mecca and so is revered. In African cultures it represents purity. These birds are often symbols of illumination and good luck.
- **Thistles** - Traditional Scottish symbol connoting remembrance.
- **Tombs** - Mortality
- **Torch** - Turned upside down, it represents death. Right side up, it symbolizes life and the regenerative power of fire. It has been used in initiation and fertility rites in many cultures and was the emblem, in Greek mythology, of Eros and Aphrodite, symbolizing the flame of love. In Christianity, the torch represents purification through God's illuminating the spirit, and Christ as the Light of the World. Associated with one of the seven deadly sins, it represents anger. The torch is also seen as an emblem of places of learning and signifies truth and intelligence.
- **Tree Stump w/Ivy** - Head of Family; Immortality
- **Trees** - Life
- **Triangle** - In the Christian tradition, the triangle represents Faith, Hope and Charity, and the Holy Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Ghost. The symbolism of this shape is always associated with its three sides, signifying a variety of triads such as birth, life and death; heaven, earth and human; mind, body and soul; body, soul and spirit; and father, mother and child. In ancient Egypt, the triangle combined will, intelligence, and love to represent man's soul. The ancient Egyptians and the Mayans built stepped pyramids with temples at the top to represent the cosmic mountain. In magic and alchemy, the pyramid with its apex pointing upward represents fire or masculinity and when inverted, represents water or femininity. These two triangles combined signify the unity of the elements in alchemy and, in Judaism's Star of David they stand for the union of opposites. The pyramid can also represent aspiration, the struggle to climb to the top and achieve one's earthly ambition or heavenly ascent.
- **Trumpeters** - Heralds of the Resurrection
- **Urn with Blaze** - Undying Friendship

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E-MAILS WORTH SAVING!

David J. STRATTON

Remember all those letters grandma had stashed in her attic? Remember the pictures that are old and cracked and torn, but still precious to someone, so they were not thrown away? They seem to be a thing of the past. What will future generations salvage of us, when Ancestry.com wants to know about us? The answer is e-mail!

Most of us know we can add folders in our e-mail by right-clicking on the Inbox. Click on "**New Folder**" and type in "**E-mails Worth Saving**". Then, when you have an e-mail you have sent or one that you have received, it is saved for posterity.

What triggered this idea for me was an e-mail I received from my son's girlfriend. She wanted some information which I shared with her. Her e-mail was one that I thought was worth saving. Then as I answered each question under her question in the reply, I realized this too was worth saving.

Then I got a nice thank you from a friend and did not want to delete it. So, save those letters, and don't edit them. Our computers today have enough room in them, and what may not interest you may be the very thing your ancestors want to know.

I was so pleased with this idea of mine that I shared it with my wife who promptly pricked my bubble. She is already saving e-mails. She is also saving her letters that she writes to others. But, I have a fear which I have to share.

I fear that if we do not state clearly what this stuff is, it may be lost. Maybe we even need to say, "e-mails worth saving for antiquity"? But I encouraged my wife to do one more thing: make a note in these e-mails worth saving that there are letters saved elsewhere on her computer for people to salvage. Name the files for others to find!

Ancestry Weekly Journal Editors Note: One more step toward preserving important correspondence would be to print it out. Technology changes and computers can crash. While even paper and ink properly preserved will not last forever, it outlasts most technology these days. I still have handwritten pages of notes my mother took in the 1970s when she first began researching our family, but diskettes with my family history data from the 1990s are useless now because my computer doesn't have a drive for them—which is also a reminder to keep your technology as current as possible.

ANCESTRY QUICK TIPS:

PHOTOGRAPH HEADSTONE LOCATION

Betty VOSS (Cape Girardeau, MO)

Sometimes it is not easy to find a specific headstone in a large cemetery, so when I take a photo of the stone itself, I take a picture of the stone with some feature that will be likely to remain in place in relationship to the stone (e.g., a structure such as a gazebo, a large, distinctive stone or monument, or other permanent outstanding feature in the area). Trees die and are removed, so they do not make good points of reference. These photos help other family members find the headstones when they are visiting for the first time.

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Mr. **HOOVERSON** has been appointed to the Texas Historical Records Advisory Board and is the first professional genealogist to be a permanent member. Mr. **HOOVERSON** has presented over 300 lectures at colleges and societies. He also assists authors in the preparation of family histories and does research for a select number of clients. A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, he has been an active genealogist for 25 years (seven in Europe) and has worked professionally for 15 years.

Mr. **HOOVERSON**'s great-grandfather emigrated from Årdal, Norway to Wisconsin Territory in 1847. Mr. **HOOVERSON** has traced this line to 1640 and has made two trips to the ancestral farm.

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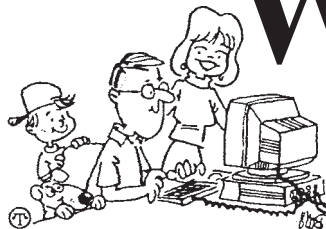
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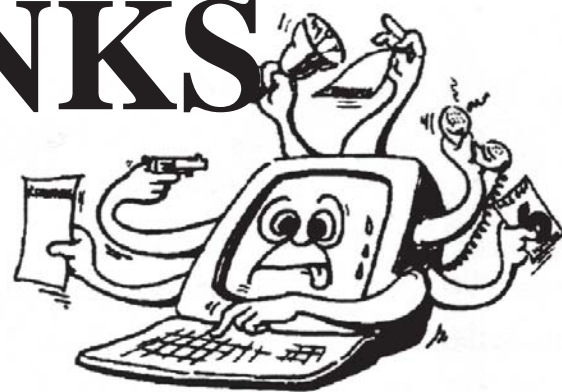
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Colorado's Historic Newspaper Collection
covering the period of 1859 to 1923.

These records have been digitized and available online:

www.ColoradoHistoricNewspapers.org

When you first visit this site - there may be a slight delay as the page is loading the server controls for performing a search of their collections. The opening page shows a clickable map. Along the left are links for understanding what is in their collection, tips for doing a search as well as some minor genealogy information. This site might be useful for those doing genealogy research in this area, particularly for "marriage" or "died/obituary" notices.

Alberta homesteads

<http://abgensoc.ca/homestead/index.htm#records>

Alberta Genealogical Society

<http://abgensoc.ca/>

Alberta Family Histories Society

<http://www.afhs.ab.ca/>

Glenbow Musuem.

They have alot of information and the CPR database to search for people who bought land instead of homesteading.

<http://www.glenbow.org/collections/search/>

1901 census of Alberta and Saskatchewan

<http://www.agsedm.edmonton.ab.ca/1901census/>

This site is for books across Canada. Local histories

<http://www.ourroots.ca/e/search.aspx>

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<http://www.englishplacenames.co.uk/>

Genealogical Society of Finland

<http://www.genealogia.fi/indexe.htm>

Institute of Migration (Finland)

Emigrant register search form

http://www.migrationinstitute.fi/migration/ml/asp/search_e.asp

Sudbury District Ontario GenWeb - Part of Canada GenWeb

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

Genealogical Research

<http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/english/geneal/index.html>

American Family Immigration History Center

<http://www.ellislandrecords.org/default.asp>

(OGSPI) Ontario Genealogical Society Provincial Index

<http://www.ogs.on.ca/ogspi/welcome.htm>

Immigrant Ships Transcribers Guild

<http://istg.rootsweb.com/>

FamilySearch Internet Genealogy Service

(this is the Latter Day Saints site)

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

Bill Martin's Genealogy Page(s)

<http://www.tbaytel.net/bmartin/sitemap.htm>

National Archives of Canada

<http://www.archives.ca/www/Genealogy.html>

Archives of Ontario

<http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/english/index.html>

Cindi's List for Ontario - Genealogy Links to Ontario resources.

<http://www.cyndislist.com/ontario.htm>

Ellis Island Records - On-Line from 1892 - 1924

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

Canadian Genealogy Centre Canadien de genealogie

<http://www.genealogy.gc.ca/>

Ontario Genealogical Society

<http://www.ogs.on.ca/>

Canada GenWeb

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

Canada Archives - Western Land Grants

http://www.archives.ca/02/02011102_e.html

Vital Records British Columbia a searchable database of BMDs
(births, marriages & deaths)

<http://www.bcarchives.gov.bc.ca/sn-4F3D367/index.htm>

Vital Records - Manitoba...a searchable database of BMDs

<http://web2.gov.mb.ca/cca/vital/Query.php>

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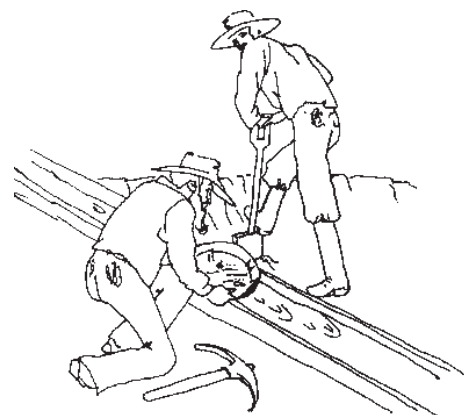
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2. Land of the living dead: cemeteries & funeral records

This talk covers the use of maps and other aids to locate cemeteries; the use of local histories, funeral director's and sexton's records; methods of cataloging a cemetery; equipment needed for tombstone rubbings and photographs; and follow up on research in newspapers and court records.

3. Banns, Bonds, & Brands: vital record substitutes

This covers substitute civil and church records during the period before centralized records were maintained by state bureaus of vital statistics. Includes marriage banns and bonds, evidence of births, implied marriages, and evidence of paternity in court records and other sources

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