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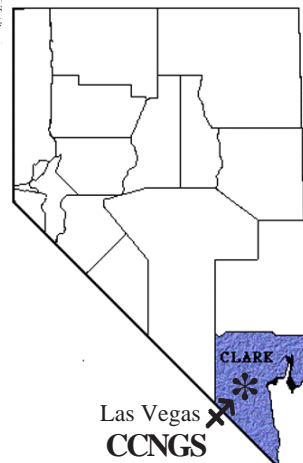
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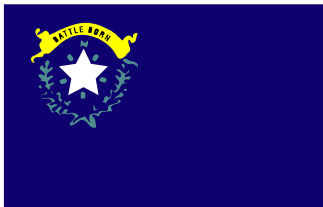
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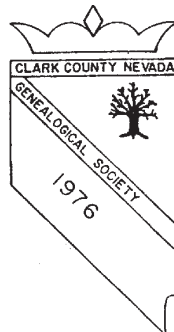
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DIANE E. GREENE AUTHORS NEW BOOK

Diane E. GREENE who is a long time member of the Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society and a professional genealogist has recently published another volume on the Boulder City (Nevada) Cemetery

which adds to the two volume set.

The previous publication is titled **Boulder City Cemetery 1942 to June 2000** (by Diane E. GREENE) and is a two volume set. Just released is the third volume which has obituaries not in the first two volumes and also includes newspaper articles and legislative reports.

If you are interested in ordering Volume 3, go to Willow Bend books, then to Heritage Books, then type "Diane Greene" in the search box. The new book is **Boulder City Cemetery, V. 3.**

http://www.heritagebooks.com/recent_publications.htm

CCNGS SUPPORTS PBS

On Sunday, March 18, 2007, members of CCNGS took time out of their busy schedules to offer assistance to Vegas PBS, Channel 10, during their Spring Pledge Drive. It was a fun day and we had lots of calls this year!

Vegas PBS has worked with CCNGS in the past to offer genealogical programming to the southern Nevada community and this was CCNGS's way to "pay back" for their support of our interests.

CCNGS wants to thank the following members for the work they did to assist Vegas PBS and make our participation successful: Bob FRANTZEN, Trish HARRIS, Ron HUGHES, Pat MATTHEWS (Ron HUGHES' neighbor), Paula PETRUSO, Grace REBMAN, Patti ROYALL, Carole SCHREIBER, Helen SMITH, Kathy WUENSCHERL and Susan YOUNG.

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)

- Apr 21** **Short:** Our Seminars - Ron HUGHES
Long: Test Your Genealogy Knowledge - Diane SINCLAIR
- May 19** TBA
- Jun 16** TBA
- Jul 21** **Short:** Special Character Sets for Genealogy
- Aug 18** TBA
- Sep 15** **Long:** Installation of new Officers
- Sep 29** **Fall Family History Seminar-** Michael John NEILL
- OCT** **Family History Month in Nevada**
- Oct 20** **Discussion Panel**
- Nov 17** TBA
- Dec 15** **Long:** Research in England - Trish HARRIS

17 ATTEND CLASSES

CCNGS and the Paseo Verde Library offered "Beginning Genealogy" in the "Gardening Your Roots" series in March (2007). Three sessions were held in the evening from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Seventeen persons attended the classes showing an interest in genealogy and the study of family history. Several attendees were members of CCNGS, but a number of the students were new to the area of genealogy and expressed an interest in attending our monthly meetings.

So, if you see new people at our meetings, make a special effort to greet them and make them feel welcome. Remember, we all felt "strange" when we came to our "first" meeting and a friendly face makes it a lot easier to begin the mixing process. Let's encourage them to come back by our actions.

NEW MEMBERS - 1st QUARTER 2007

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Update on LDS Digitalizing Project

"The future of family history researching may be closer than you think", said Rich **RUNNING** at a lecture held on January 9, 2007, as part of the annual Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy sponsored by the Utah Genealogical Association. Nearly 200 people attended the lecture, "Opening the Granite Mountain Vault," where production management leaders of the Church and Family History Department of the Church explained technological advances in two facets of genealogical research: scanning and indexing. As a manager of product management of the department, Brother **RUNNING** describes these changes as steps in building a digital highway for genealogical researchers.

FamilySearch Scanning

"This digital highway is being constructed through FamilySearch Scanning as the estimated five billion historic documents at the Church's Granite Mountain Records Vault are being converted from microfilm to digital pictures that will eventually be accessible via the Internet", Brother **RUNNING** said. The Granite Mountain Records Vault, located in the Wasatch Mountains, holds the largest collection of family history records in the world. Employees use advanced computer systems to convert the rolls of microfilm stored there into high-quality digital images. This scanning process began at the vault five years ago, Derek **DOBSON**, FamilySearch Scanning product manager, explained. "Within that short period of time technological developments have made this process at least four times faster and much higher quality than a few years ago. Now, in approximately 20 minutes the information in one roll of microfilm is made into some 1,200 digital images." Brother **RUNNING** said that this digitalization will make genealogy work much more convenient. Instead of traveling to one of the Church's 4,500 family history centers and ordering rolls of microfilm, researchers will eventually be able to access those documents online in the comfort of their homes. FamilySearch, the Church's Internet-based genealogy service, has as its main objectives to acquire and preserve data of genealogical significance and to improve accessibility to those records. "FamilySearch Scanning is an integral part of making those objectives a reality," said Paul **NAUTA**, manager of public affairs for the Family and Church History Department.

TURNING FAMILY STORIES INTO MEMOIRS

The Clark County Library System is sponsoring a class titled: *Turning Family Stories Into Memoirs*. The classes will run in MAY. Here is the schedule for location and time: Spring Valley Library at 2 p.m. on May 5th; Enterprise Library at 2:30 p.m. on May 12th; and West Charleston Library at 1 p.m. on May 19th.

If you are writing your memoirs or those of your family, this is a great opportunity to gain some skills in creating memoirs which your heirs will enjoy reading in years to come.

Indiana Marriage Index

Work is now underway to create an Indiana marriage index from 1790 to 1957. The Indiana Genealogical Society (P.O. Box 10507, Ft. Wayne IN 46852-0507; <http://www.indgensoc.org>) and the Genealogical Society of Utah (50 East North Temple, Salt Lake City UT 84150; <http://www.gensocietyofutah.org>) are working together to index the marriage records for every county in Indiana, beginning with the earliest surviving records and going up to 1957. GSU staff are working to digitize the LDS microfilm that already exists for several Indiana counties, as well as microfilming the original marriage books for all other counties.

When the Indiana Marriage Indexing Project is completed, it will be placed online as a searchable database that is free to the public. Entries in the marriage index will link to a digitized version of the actual marriage records (including marriage applications, when available).

To sign up to help with the Indiana Marriage Indexing Project or to see some screenshots from the indexing software, please visit

<http://www.indgensoc.org/indexing.html>.

Questions can also be directed to the project's coordinator, Shirley Richison **FIELDS**, at indexing@indgensoc.org or phone (317) 209-9637.

St. Charles County Recovered Records Announced

Posted by Dick **EASTMAN**

About four years ago, St. Charles County (Missouri) Executive Steve **EHLMANN**, then a judge, was poking through the county courthouse basement when he discovered a stash of court documents from the early 1800s. Now, after two years of preserving and indexing by the Missouri State Archives, historians are ready to tell the public exactly what they've found. Genealogists with ancestors in St. Charles Co. should pay close attention.

The newly-discovered records cover 40 years, a period when records were not plentiful. The first batch historians analyzed included about 7,000 pages of documents representing about 1,650 court cases and administrative actions from the years 1805 to 1835. The papers include signatures by Daniel **BOONE**, court documents about the Spanish Southwest, and the only publicly owned biography of

William **CLARK**, which was written for his 1820 run for governor.

State archivists Bill **GLANKER** and Nik **HENLE** have spent countless hours in a room in the courthouse basement sorting through and indexing the records from that period. Along with documents gathered from the St. Charles County Historical Society and elsewhere, the records total about 2,800 court cases of at least 10,000 pages and fill 25 cubic-foot storage boxes.

They have preserved damaged papers and indexed the information, and the index will eventually be searchable through the state archives and the county historical society. The actual documents should be placed on microfilm later this year.

The archivists will present their

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National Archives and Footnote Launch Project to Digitize Historic Documents

Archivist of the United States Allen WEINSTEIN and Footnote, Inc. CEO Russell WILDING recently announced an agreement to digitize selected records from the vast holdings of the National Archives. The 4.5 million pages that have been digitized so far are now available at www.footnote.com/nara.

This non-exclusive agreement, beginning with the sizeable collection of materials currently on microfilm, will enable researchers and the general public to access millions of newly digitized images of the National Archives historic records on a subscription basis from the Footnote Web site. By 6 February, the digitized materials will also be available at no charge in National Archives research rooms in Washington, D.C., and regional facilities across the country. After an interval of five years, all images digitized through this agreement will be available at no charge through the National Archives Web site.

The following represents a portion of the millions of historic documents that will be made available as part of the National Archives - Footnote Agreement.

Papers of the Continental Congress (1774-89)

The Papers of the Continental Congress include Journals of the Congress, reports of its committees, papers submitted by state Governments, and correspondence of its Presidents and other officers with diplomatic representatives of the United States abroad, officers in the Continental Army, State and local officials, and private persons. Among the Papers are copies of the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation, the Northwest Ordinance, the Constitution, and other documents instrumental in molding the new Government. Also included are drafts of treaties and commercial agreements, papers relating to expenditures and loans, reports of military progress during the Revolution, and papers relating to Indian treaties and tribes.

Mathew B. BRADY Collection of Civil War Photographs

One of the largest and most frequently researched bodies of Civil War photography anywhere, this series originated with some 6,000 glass plate negatives acquired by the War Department from BRADY in 1874-1875. Encompassing images by the enterprising BRADY and more than a dozen other photographers, including Alexander

GARDNER and Timothy O'SULLIVAN, directly or indirectly associated with him, the series ranges from BRADY Gallery portraits of leading military and political personalities of the 1850's-1860's to views of units, battlefields, ruins, landscapes, camps, hospitals, prisons, fortifications, bridges, and railroads from Fredericksburg to Chickamauga to Atlanta.

Southern Claims Commission

In the 1870s, some southerners claimed compensation from the U.S. government for items used by the Union Army, ranging from corn and horses, to trees and church buildings. The claim files contain a wealth of genealogical information and they consist of petitions, inventories of properties lost, testimony of family members and others, reports, and certificates submitted by claimants to the Southern Claims Commission as proof of loyalty to the Federal Government and value of property damaged or lost during the Civil War. The materials are arranged by state and thereunder by the name of the claimant.

Name Index to Civil War and Later Pension Files

Pension applications for service in the U.S. Army between 1861 and 1900, grouped according to the units in which the veterans served. The name index to the Civil War and Later Pension Application Files contains more than 3 million index entries documenting the applications of soldiers, sailors and their widows. The index is the entry point for one of the most significant bodies of Federal records documenting the lives of volunteers who served in the Civil War, the western Indian Wars, and the Spanish American War.

Investigative Case Files of the Bureau of Investigation, 1908-22

The Bureau of Investigation investigated real and perceived threats to the nation and its citizens before it became the FBI. The materials compiled by the BOI from 1908 to 1922 consist of an index to the investigative case files, general investigative records, investigative records relating to German Aliens from 1915 through 1920, investigative records relating to Mexican Neutrality Violations from 1909 through 1921, and investigative records transferred from the Department of Justice from 1920 through 1921. The records are arranged alphabetically by the name of the person or organization investigated.

NHPRC is Threatened... Once Again

Posted by Dick EASTMAN

The Bush Administration keeps trying to shut down the **National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC)**, the grant-making arm of the **National Archives and Records Administration**. The threat appears once every year as the Administration starts to prepare its budget requests. You can read my previous articles about this at <http://tinyurl.com/2mqr9>.

Every year the Executive Branch proposes deletion of the agency. Then the Council of State Historical Records Coordinators, the Society of American Archivists, the National Association for Government Archivists and Records Administrators, and many other historical organizations all mobilize a "Save the NHPRC" effort. Thousands of people write to their elected representatives and then the full House of Representatives restores the funding. It is now fiscal year 2008 budget preparation time so you can guess what is happening this year. Once again, the Administration is trying to eliminate NHPRC.

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The National Historical Publications and Records Commission is a valuable service. The Commission "promotes the preservation and use of America's documentary heritage essential to understanding our democracy, history, and culture." Many of the documents used by genealogists every day would have been destroyed years ago or else never made public if it was not for the efforts of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

The New Jersey Department of State has just started an effort to again save the NHPRC and has created a web site to publicize the threat and the efforts to save the Commission. While the site is specific to New Jersey, I suspect that other organizations will soon follow. You can see this site at

<http://www.njarchives.org/links/savenhprc.html>.

Your help is needed. Please contact your elected representatives. My thanks to Maureen MANN for letting me know of this new web site.

"What the heck is Soundex?"

Soundex is a method of coding names with unique characters based on the way the names sound -- not on their spelling.

It is important to understand this process because of its use by the United States Government to index the surnames of some of the U.S. Census records and ships' passenger lists. By grouping together last names that sound similar (such as **STORY**, **STOREY** and **STORIES**), Soundex allows people to search for ancestors, even when the surname may have been recorded in any of several different spellings.

Only the 1880, 1900, 1920 and part of the 1910 census have Soundex indexes.

The Soundex code consists of the first letter of the surname, followed by three digits. The digits are based on the consonants as in the following table:

Letters having a value of 1 - B,P,F,V

Letters having a value of 2 - C, S, K, G, J, Q, X, Z

Letters having a value of 3 - D, T

Letters having a value of 4 - L

Letters having a value of 5 - M, N

Letters having a value of 6 - R

The vowels are not used. If two or more adjacent (not separated by a vowel) letters have the same numeric value, only one is used. This also applies if the first and the second letter in a name have the same value; the second letter would not be used to generate a digit. If there are not three digits after the consonants are converted, the code is padded with zeros. Thus, the name of **LEE** would be **L000**.

Using the '**STORY**' name mentioned in the first paragraph, it would work like this:

STORY - STR (DROP ALL VOWELS)

STOREY- STR (DROP ALL VOWELS)

STORIES - STR (DROP ALL VOWELS & THE REPEATING 'S')

The Soundex code would be S36 for all three names.

Fortunately, Family Tree Maker will convert names to Soundex. Click Tools and then Soundex Calculator. Enter the name and click Calculate. Several genealogical websites will do the same."

St. Charles Co. (cont. from page 4)

findings at the St. Charles County Historical Society's quarterly meeting on April 28. They will also give a presentation at the Missouri Conference on History in downtown St. Louis on April 19.

Lynn **MORROW**, director of the Local Records Preservation Program for the state archives, said "The collection is just loaded with **HOWELLS** and **ZUMWALTS**, and **CALLAWAYS** and **VanBIBBERS**. "Many of those families were involved in court cases or actions that give a closer look at American history. In the War of 1812, Capt. James **CALLAWAY** was killed near the modern-day border of Warren and Montgomery counties. "That kind of information about the War of 1812 is as scarce as hen's teeth," **MORROW** said.

More court records mention Matthias "Tice" **Van BIBBER**, a favorite hunting companion of Morgan and Nathan **BOONE**, two of Daniel **BOONE**'s sons. It was commonly thought **Van BIBBER**

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David GARDNER

David Ensign **GARDNER**, noted genealogist and teacher, passed away February 16, 2007. He was a Fellow of the Society of Genealogists (UK) and the co-author of the well-known standard genealogical text: **Genealogical Research in England and Wales**, a three volume set. His funeral was Tuesday, Feb 20th.

David was the 2006 recipient of the CFHG Distinguished Genealogist award.

David E. GARDNER

1915 - 2007

David Ensign **GARDNER** has gone to be with his Heavenly Father and beloved family who went before him. Born November 17, 1915 in Birkenhead, Cheshire, England to Captain John **GARDNER** and Mary **CALDWELL**. David's ancestry shows that he has three grandparents who are Scottish and one that is English. David was the ninth child of 10 and is the last child to live to 2007. David was baptized into the LDS Church in Liverpool, England 22 February 1927 and lived the gospel of Jesus Christ all his life. David had a love for genealogical research, and during the 1930s and 1940s, in the British Isles, became a great British researcher. He lived in the Liverpool area until 1943 when he was called to America and arrived in New York on Labor Day 1948. David came to Salt Lake City where he joined the Genealogical Staff of the LDS Church. He met his eternal companion, Mariel **PACK**, and they were married 25 June 1953 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

Mariel passed away in 1985. Two sons were born, Matthew in 1958, and Mark in 1961. Mark married his eternal companion Melissa **KIMBALL** and they have eight children.

David became an author of genealogical books and is well known for co-authoring with Frank **SMITH**, **Genealogical Research in England and Wales**, a three volume set. David was an inspired teacher and lecturer in British Genealogy and taught at BYU. He was a Fellow of the Society of Genealogists, London, England. David was a tour director with BYU from 1960 to 1976, taking people back to the British Isles for Family History purposes. David worked for the LDS Church and retired in 1985. David stayed on as a volunteer finishing the Scottish extraction program in 1993. David was well known for his genealogical abilities and loved the time spent with many on their pedigrees in family history; he had a lifelong pursuit of helping others.

His last years were spent with his family and he passed away 15 February 2007 as Mariel came to take him to heaven on Valentine's Day.

The funeral was Tuesday, 20 February 2007, 12 noon at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints chapel located on A Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenue in Salt Lake City, Utah. Viewing was 6-8 p.m. Monday evening 19 February 2007 at the Larkin Mortuary, 260 East South Temple and Tuesday 11-11:45 a.m. at the chapel, prior to the funeral service.

From the **Deseret News**, The (Salt Lake City, UT) - February 18, 2007; His obituary, above, from www.GenealogyBank.com; Courtesy of Tom **KEMP**.



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LIBRARY NEWS

YIPEE!! NEW VOLUNTEERS FOR THE HERITAGE ROOM

Seven members of the Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society have chosen to give of their time to assist others who visit the Heritage Room at the Paseo Verde Library. They are: Nelda CHAMNESS, Belle CHOANIN, Bud DIMON, Pauline GREENE, Claudia KOTEK, Paula PETRUSO, and Terry RAND.

CCNGS wishes to express its "thanks" to these folks. It is hoped that the experience will be just as rewarding to each of them as it will be to those to whom they offer help.

If you are interested in volunteering a few hours a week, every other week, or once a month, contact Sydney CAGLE, Library and Education Director (369-4773), or "Sam" GIORDANO (914-4408) who will be happy to "plug you in".

REMEMBER: WHILE YOU ARE VOLUNTEERING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM, YOU CAN WORK ON YOUR GENEALOGY, PERUSE THE BOOKS AND PERIODICALS, AND WORK ON THE COMPUTER DATABASES, ETC.

REQUEST A SEARCH FOR YOUR ANCESTORS AT THE FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

ANCESTOR SEEKERS, researchers at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, will search this vast collection for your ancestors from the U.S.A., Canada, England, Scotland, Australia, Ireland, Germany, Holland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and Italy. Prices start from \$55 (U.S.). For a FREE! initial e-mail consultation visit

<http://www.ancestorseekers.com/research.rwr/>

VISIT THE HERITAGE ROOM

Las Vegas Nevada Regional Family History Center

Tues - Fri 9 A.M. to 8 P.M.

Sat 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Hours subject to change-call ahead to confirm
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Brown County Genealogical Society Newsletter Abstracts of
Brown County, Ohio 1983-1987
Brown County Genealogical Society Periodical 1991-1998
Brown County, Ohio 1818 Index of Original Land Patents
1802 Census Clermont County, Ohio

(Books)

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The Metallic Years

by Dick EDMONSON

We thoroughly enjoyed the “Golden Years,” the first decade and a half or so after retirement – research trips, touring to all continents, golf trips, adventure trips. But now we are into the “Metallic Years” – silver hair, gold in the teeth we have left, tin ears, lead backsides. We have reached our mid-eighties and sixty-three years of marriage. Now, health issues force us to consider that we must give up our traditional “3-bdr, 2-ba” home and consider alternative and, inevitably, smaller living quarters. It will not be possible to take along all the things we have collected over the years.

We began the process by emailing the kids and grandkids a list of “precious” things – a 1957 painting of the kids walking down a country lane toward a covered bridge, a framed wall hanging of a pewter horse that our deceased daughter had since elementary school, a 25-year collection of Hummel plates; well, you know the kind of things we mean. It took a while, but we got their choices. Only one grandkid wound up unhappy with a second choice; her older sister took her first choice. We have shipped their choices to them. A major problem was all of our genealogy “stuff.” We can’t keep two file cabinets of paper records, so for some time we have tried to document records in the notes section of our software and by scanning images of certificates and photos. It’s a lot of work but it makes it possible to send printouts to libraries and genealogy/historical societies in our home areas and to interested relatives. Photo albums and notebooks have gone to the near and not-so-near (both genetically and geographically) family members who have shown interest.

Our collection of reference materials was substantial. A major collection documents in much detail the Civil War service of Dick’s great-grandfather, Sgt. Samuel Q. EDMONSON, Company H, 12th OVI. The entire collection went to Dick’s niece who shares our family history commitment. We asked that, when she is no longer able to use the collection herself, she send it intact to the library in Ripley, OH, where Company H was raised, or to the Brown County, OH, Genealogy Society.

That left a considerable collection of research materials that we wanted to be available to others with an interest in genealogy. Unless we ourselves placed these materials in a specialized location, there was a strong possibility that the collection would be dispersed or destroyed. As long-time members of the Clark County, Nevada Genealogical Society, selection of the society’s collection at Paseo Verde Library was our obvious choice for the collection.

We hope that the items we donated to the library will benefit others in their never-ending ancestral search as they have benefited us.

Dick and Katy EDMONSON.



Catherine Eleanor “Katy” CASTO EDMONSON



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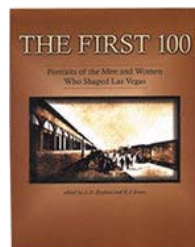
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QUERIES



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

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.
Patti **ROYALL** 318 Abbington St., Henderson, NV 89074

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.
Belle **CHOHANIN** 11925 Las Vegas Blvd. So., Las Vegas, NV 89183, BECDOLLS@juno.com

BEARDEN, BUNCH

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

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 immigr. 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

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.
Charley **RECKER**, Genbuff3@cox.net

CAGLE, HANES

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

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.
Kim **BAKKEN**, 2375 E. Tropicana Ave #351, Las Vegas, NV 89119; cubba213@yahoo.com

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.
Nichola **ROWDEN** 424 National St., Henderson, NV 89015, Littlefeathern@yahoo.com

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.

Belle (**EARL**) **CHOHANIN**, (702) 361-5422,

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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 **SINCLAIR** desertds@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.

Jeannine **CRITIE** jean9criti@aol.com

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

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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 Lillian 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.

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KUCHMULLER

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

Trish **HARRIS** 702-914-0924, *TRISH2866@AOL.COM*

LARSEN

Seeking info on Emily **LARSEN** who came to USA from Sweden abt 1890-1930; what ship and year? Settled in Three Oaks, MI. Insula M. **WELLS** 702-567-5031, *BEARCLANW@COX.NET*

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. Sharon **LOPEZ**, 7800 West Rosada Way, Las Vegas, NV 89149, *vegaslopez@cox.net*

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. Nichola **ROWDEN** 424 National St., Henderson, NV 89015, *Littlefeathern@yahoo.com*

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.

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

PURSEL, WHEELOCK

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

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

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 **ROWDEN**s: 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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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, GERMERSHEIM, 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*

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 ?

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Arthur Beaver HUGHES is Ronald Dale HUGHES' Grandfather (Father's Father)

Generation No. 1

1. Arthur Beaver HUGHES¹, b. Apr 19, 1869 in Danville, Montour Co., PA; d. Dec 19, 1912 in Danville, Montour Co., PA. He was the son of 2. William Wallace HUGHES and 3. Catherine W. WATERS. He m. (1) Hannah HARRIS³ Nov 30, 1892 in Scranton, Lackawanna Co., PA⁴. She was b. Jan 21, 1869 in Scranton, Lackawanna Co, PA, and d. in Philadelphia, Philadelphia Co., PA⁵. She was the daughter of David Robert HARRIS I and Mary Ann WILLIAMS.

Generation No. 2

2. William Wallace HUGHES⁶, b. 1832 in PA; d. May 19, 1878 in Danville, Montour Co., PA. He was the son of 4. Ellis HUGHES and 5. Williamina M. UNKNOWN. He m. 3. Catherine W. WATERS Dec 28, 1851 in Danville, Montour Co., PA.
3. Catherine W. WATERS⁷, b. Abt. 1833 in Near Snyderstown, PA; d. Jan 1906 in Danville, Montour Co., PA⁸. She was the daughter of 6. J. R. WATERS and 7. Elenor WATERS.

Children of William HUGHES and Catherine WATERS are:

- i. Annie Gartley HUGHES, b. Abt. Jan 1854; d. Jun 30, 1856.
- ii. Gim Sterling HUGHES, b. Abt. Mar 1860; d. Dec 19, 1862.
- iii. Laura Beacham HUGHES⁹, b. Jul 22, 1865; d. May 18, 1928.
- 1 iv. Arthur Beaver HUGHES, b. Apr 19, 1869 in Danville, Montour Co., PA; d. Dec 19, 1912 in Danville, Montour Co., PA; m. Hannah HARRIS Nov 30, 1892 in Scranton, Lackawanna Co., PA.
- v. Deborah Hunter HUGHES, b. Jun 26, 1873; d. unk; m. (1) Robert VINCENT; b. unk; d. unk; m. (2) Harry C. MOYER Feb 27, 1909; b. Abt. 1874; d. unk.
- vi. William Wallace HUGHES b. unk ; d. unk

Generation No. 3

4. Ellis HUGHES, b. Dec 5, 1786 in Catawissa, Northumberland Co. (now Columbia Co.), PA; d. Mar 16, 1850 in Danville, Montour Co., PA. He was the son of 8. William HUGHES and 9. Mary CLEAVER. He m. 5. Williamina M. UNKNOWN Abt. 1811.
5. Williamina M. UNKNOWN, b. Feb 24, 1787 in PA; d. Mar 6, 1857 in Danville, Montour Co., PA.

Children of Ellis HUGHES and Williamina UNKNOWN are:

- i. Thomas HUGHES, b. Sep 22, 1814 in Catawissa, Columbia Co., PA; d. Mar 11, 1881 in Iowa City, Johnson Co., IA; m. Louisa Catherine Frances KING Sep 15, 1841 in Dubuque, IA; b. Aug 23, 1821 in Baltimore, MD; d. Aug 31, 1902 in Iowa City, IA.
- ii. Isaac HUGHES, b. 1817; d. Oct 13, 1864; m. Margaret F. SMECK Jan 4, 1843 in Catawissa or Danville, PA; b. Mar 1822; d. Nov 26, 1888.
- iii. Eliza V. HUGHES, b. Abt. 1820; d. Aft. 1891; m. Thomas CHALFANT Nov 16, 1842 in Danville, Columbia Co., PA; b. 1819 in Philadelphia, PA; d. Abt. Nov 1899 in Danville, Montour Co., PA.
- iv. John HUGHES, b. 1823; d. Mar 28, 1855; m. Mary UNKNOWN; b. unk; d. May 4, 1891.
- v. Mary Mame HUGHES, b. 1828; d. Mar 30, 1891 bur. Episcopal Cemetery, Danville, Montour Co., PA.
- 2 vi. William Wallace HUGHES, b. 1832 in PA; d. May 19, 1878 in Danville, Montour Co., PA; m. Catherine W. WATERS Dec 28, 1851 in Danville, Montour Co., PA.
- vii. Annie HUGHES, b. unk; d. Aft. 1891; m. Joseph Gartley UNKNOWN; b. maybe Minersville; d. unk.
- viii. Deborah HUGHES, b. unk; d. Apr 11, 1856; m. Samuel Hunter UNKNOWN in ?; b. unk; d. unk.
- ix. Ellen HUGHES, b. unk; d. Aft. 1891; m. William Burr UNKNOWN; b. unk; d. unk.
6. J. R. WATERS, b. unk; d. unk. He m. 7. Elenor Waters UNKNOWN.
7. Elenor WATERS⁹, b. Dec 6, 1808 in PA¹⁰; d. Apr 16, 1878 in Danville, Montour Co., PA¹¹.

Children of J. WATERS and Elenor WATERS are:

- i. Spencer WATERS¹², b. Abt. 1826; d. unk.
- ii. P. H. WATERS¹², b. Abt. 1827; d. unk.
- iii. William D. WATERS¹², b. Abt. 1831 in PA; d. unk; m. Isabaella UNKNOWN; b. Abt. 1842 in NY State; d. unk.
- 3 iv. Catherine W. WATERS, b. Abt. 1833 in Near Snyderstown, PA; d. Jan 1906 in Danville, Montour Co., PA; m. William Wallace HUGHES Dec 28, 1851 in Danville, Montour Co., PA.
- v. Jonathan WATERS¹², b. Abt. 1836; d. unk; m. Harriet UNKNOWN; b. unk; d. unk

Generation No. 4

8. William **HUGHES**, b. Jan 30, 1748/49 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; d. Nov 21, 1824 in Roaring Creek, Columbia Co., PA. He was the son of 16. Samuel **HUGHES** and 17. Elizabeth **WILLITS**. He m. 9. Mary **CLEAVER** Sep 6, 1774 in Exeter Meeting House, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA.
9. Mary **CLEAVER**, b. 1740 in Exeter Twp, Berks, PA; d. Dec 26, 1811 in Roaring Creek, Columbia, PA. She was the daughter of 18. Derrick **CLEAVER** and 19. Mary **POTTS**.

Children of William **HUGHES** and Mary **CLEAVER** are:

- i. Jeremiah **HUGHES**, b. Aug 9, 1775 in PA; d. Apr 24, 1844 in Muncy Meeting, Columbia, PA; m. Sarah **HUGHES** Dec 31, 1800 in Catawissa, Columbia, PA; b. Aug 24, 1779 in PA; d. Apr 24, 1844 in Roaring Creek, Columbia, PA.
- ii. Mary **HUGHES**, b. Feb 17, 1778 in PA; d. unk Roaring Creek, Columbia Co., PA; m. Samuel **CHERRINGTON**; b. Mar 20, 1776 in Columbia Co., PA; d. Aug 16, 1847 in Roaring Creek, Columbia Co., PA.
- iii. Elizabeth **HUGHES**, b. Jul 30, 1780 in PA; d. unk .
- 4 iv. Ellis **HUGHES**, b. Dec 5, 1786 in Catawissa, Northumberland, now Columbia, PA; d. Mar 16, 1850 in Danville, Montour Co., PA; m. Williamina M. **UNKNOWN** Abt. 1811.

Generation No. 5

16. Samuel **HUGHES**, b. May 10, 1722 in Exeter Twp, Berks, PA; d. Jul 8, 1796 in Berks Co., PA. He was the son of 32. Ellis **HUGH** and 33. Jane **FOUKLE**. He m. 17. Elizabeth **WILLITS** Apr 10, 1747 in Exeter Meeting House, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA.
17. Elizabeth **WILLITS**, b. 1725 in Islip, Suffolk, NY; d. Dec 12, 1753 in Exeter Twp, Berks, PA. She was the daughter of 34. Thomas **WILLITS** and 35. Rachel **POWELL**.
- Children of Samuel **HUGHES** and Elizabeth **WILLITS** are:
- i. Rachel **HUGHES**, b. Jan 28, 1747/48 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; d. Aug 8, 1830; m. John **WILLITS** Jun 11, 1772 in Exeter Meeting House, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; b. Dec 23, 1748 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; d. Jul 11, 1826.
 - 8 ii. William **HUGHES**, b. Jan 30, 1748/49 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; d. Nov 21, 1824 in Roaring Creek, Columbia Co., PA; m. Mary **CLEAVER** Sep 6, 1774 in Exeter Meeting House, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA.
 - iii. Jesse **HUGHES**, b. Aug 03, 1752 in Exeter Twp, Berks, PA; d. unk ; m. Elizabeth Swayne **UNKNOWN**; b. Abt. 1756 in PA; d. unk .
18. Derrick **CLEAVER**, b. 1702 in Bristol Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. Feb 1768 in Douglas Twp, Berks Co., PA. He was the son of 36. Peter **CLEAVER**, Sr. and 37. Catherine Gertrude **SHOEMAKER**. He m. 19. Mary **POTTS** Jun 30, 1725 in Abington Meeting, Philadelphia Co., PA.
19. Mary **POTTS**, b. unk ; d. unk . She was the daughter of 38. Thomas **POTTS** and 39. Martha **KEURLISS**.

Children of Derrick **CLEAVER** and Mary **POTTS** are:

- 9 i. Mary **CLEAVER**, b. 1740 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; d. Dec 26, 1811 in Roaring Creek, Columbia Co., PA; m. William **HUGHES** Sep 06, 1774 in Exeter Meeting House, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA.
- ii. John **CLEAVER**, b. unk ; d. unk .
- iii. Elizabeth **CLEAVER**, b. unk ; d. unk .
- iv. Martha **CLEAVER**, b. unk ; d. unk .

Generation No. 6

32. Ellis **HUGH**, b. Jan 10, 1686/87 in Caernarvon, Conway, Wales; d. Jan 11, 1764 in Oley Twp, Berks Co., PA. He was the son of 64. John **HUGH** and 65. Gwena **CADWALADER**. He m. 33. Jane **FOUKLE** Apr 5, 1713 in Gwynedd, Montgomery Co., PA.
33. Jane **FOUKLE**, b. Nov 10, 1684 in Merionethshire, Wales; d. Oct 7, 1766 in Oley Twp, Berks Co., PA. She was the daughter of 66. Edward **FOUKLE** and 67. Eleanor **HUGH**.

Children of **ELLIS HUGH** and Jane **FOUKLE** are:

- i. John **HUGH**, b. May 19, 1714 in Exeter Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. 1763 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; m. (1) Hannah **BOONE** Oct 30, 1742 in Exeter Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; b. Sep 20, 1718 in Abington, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. Jul 8, 1746 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; m. (2) Martha **COLES** 1748 in PA; b. Abt. 1727 in PA; d. unk.
- ii. William **HUGH**, b. Dec 16, 1716 in Exeter Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. May 16, 1776 in Long Island, NY; m. Amy **WILLITS** Jan 4, 1737/38 in Maiden Creek Meeting, Oley Co., PA; b. Dec 16, 1716 in Gwyned Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. 1760.
- iii. Ann **HUGH**, b. 1717; d. 1718.
- iv. Rowland **HUGH**, b. Mar 8, 1719/20 in Exeter Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. Feb 20, 1737/38 in Oley Twp, Berks Co., PA.
- 16 v. Samuel **HUGHES**, b. May 10, 1722 in Exeter Twp, Berks, PA; d. Jul 8, 1796 in Berks County, PA; m. (1) Elizabeth **WILLITS** Apr 10, 1747 in Exeter Meeting House, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; m. (2) Margaret Gethin **MAY** Dec 10, 1755.

- vi. Edward **HUGH, Sr.**, b. Feb 26, 1723/24 in Exeter Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. Jul 08, 1791; m. Elizabeth **WILLIAMS** May 27, 1749; b. Mar 10, 1724/25 in PA; d. Feb 29, 1796.
- vii. Margaret May **HUGH**, b. Feb 14, 1725/26 in Exeter Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. Apr 28, 1810 in Glen Valley, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; m. Samuel **LEE, Sr.** Apr 4, 1747 in Exeter Meeting House, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; b. Apr 7, 1722 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; d. Mar 10, 1802 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA.
- 34.** Thomas **WILLITS**, b. 1683; d. 1772 in Long Island, NY. He m. **35.** Rachel **POWELL** 1719.
- 35.** Rachel **POWELL**, b. unk; d. in Long Island, NY.
Children of Thomas **WILLITS** and Rachel **POWELL** are:
- i. Hannah **WILLITS**, b. 1712; d. 1755; m. Thomas **SEAMAN** 1743; b. unk; d. unk.
 - ii. Jesse **WILLITS**, b. 1714; d. unk; m. Elisabeth **UNKNOWN** 1751; b. unk; d. unk.
 - 17 iii. Elizabeth **WILLITS**, b. 1725 in Islip, Suffolk, NY; d. Dec 12, 1753 in Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA; m. Samuel **HUGHES** Apr 10, 1747 in Exeter Meeting House, Exeter Twp, Berks Co., PA.
 - iv. John **WILLITS**, b. unk; d. unk.
- 36.** Peter **CLEAVER, Sr.**, b. unk in Germany; d. unk. He m. **37.** Catherine Gertrude **SHOEMAKER** Mar 27, 1695 in Abington, Philadelphia Co. (now Bucks Co.), PA.
- 37.** Catherine Gertrude **SHOEMAKER**, b. unk Germany; d. unk.
Children of Peter **CLEAVER** and Catherine **SHOEMAKER** are:
- i. Peter **CLEAVER, Jr.**, b. Oct 18, 1687 in Germantown, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. 1776 in Upper Dublin Twp, Montgomery Co., PA; m. Elizabeth **POTTS** Sep 24, 1722 in Germantown, Philadelphia Co., PA; b. Oct 30, 1699 in Philadelphia Co., PA; d. Sep 30, 1762.
 - 18 ii. Derrick **CLEAVER**, b. 1702 in Bristol Twp, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. Feb 1768 in Douglas Twp, Berks Co., PA; m. Mary **POTTS** Jun 30, 1725 in Abington Meeting, Philadelphia Co., PA.
 - iii. John **CLEAVER**, b. Abt. 1705; d. 1773 in Bristol, Philadelphia Co., PA; m. Elizabeth **LEVERING** Mar 1778; b. Abt. 1712 in Roxborough, Philadelphia Co., PA; d. unk.
 - iv. Agnes **CLEAVER**, b. 1707; d. Aug 12, 1757; m. Richard **SHOEMAKER**; b. Apr 16, 1707; d. Jan 24, 1790.
 - v. Isaac **CLEAVER**, b. Feb 20, 1711/12; d. Abt. 1799; m. Rebecca **IRDELL**; b. unk; d. unk.
 - vi. Christiana **CLEAVER**, b. unk; d. unk; m. **MELCHIOR** Mar 20, 1725/26; b. unk; d. unk.
 - vii. Eve **CLEAVER**, b. unk; d. unk; m. **ADAMS**; b. unk; d. unk.
- 38.** Thomas **POTTS**, b. unk; d. unk. He m. **39.** Martha **KEURLISS**.
- 39.** Martha **KEURLISS**, b. unk; d. unk.
Child of Thomas **POTTS** and Martha **KEURLISS** is:
- 19 i. Mary **POTTS**, b. unk; d. unk; m. Derrick **CLEAVER** Jun 30, 1725 in Abington Meeting, Philadelphia Co., PA.

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- 64.** John **HUGH**, b. Jan 10, 1652/53 in Merionethshire, North Wales; d. Oct 10, 1736 in Exeter Meeting House, Philadelphia Co. (Berks) PA. He was the son of **128.** Hugh Cadwallader **RHYS** and **129.** Gwen **WILLIAMS**. He m. **65.** Gwena **CADWALADER** Feb 3, 1675/76 in Llanfor Parish, Penllyn, Merionethshire, Wales.
- 65.** Gwena **CADWALADER**, b. unk; d. unk.
Children of John **HUGH** and Gwena **CADWALADER** are:
- i. Jane **HUGH**, b. Mar 1682/83 in Merionethshire, Ysptty Evan, Denbigshire, North Wales; d. Sep 20, 1772 in Gwynedd, Montgomery Co., PA; m. Thomas **ELLIS, Sr.** Aug 31, 1712 in Gwynedd Meeting House, Gwynedd, Montgomery Co., PA; b. May 27, 1683 in Merionethshire, North Wales; d. Jun 11, 1760 in Exeter Twp, Montgomery Co., PA.
 - 32 ii. Rowland **HUGH**, b. 1685; d. unk; m. Catherine **HUMPHRIES** Aug 8, 1708 in Merion MH; b. unk; d. unk.
 - iii. **Ellis HUGH**, b. Jan 10, 1686/87 in Caernarvon, Conway, Wales; d. Jan 11, 1764 in Oley Twp, Berks Co., PA; m. Jane **FOUKLE** Apr 05, 1713 in Gwynedd, Montgomery, PA.
 - iv. Gainora **HUGH**, b. 1704; d. unk; m. John **HARRIS** Oct 5, 1723 in Gwynedd Meeting House, Gwynedd, Montgomery Co., PA; b. unk; d. unk.
 - v. Mary **HUGH**, b. unk; d. unk; m. Humphrey **ELLIS** Oct 1, 1708 in Radnor Meeting House, Haverford Co., PA; b. unk; d. unk.
- 66.** Edward **FOUKLE**, b. May 13, 1651 in Llanderfel Parish, Wales; d. 1741. He was the son of **132.** Thomas **FOUKLE**. He m.
- 67.** Eleanor **HUGH**, b. in Wales.
- 67.** Eleanor **HUGH**, b. unk; d. Jan 1732/33 in Gwynedd, PA. She was the daughter of **128.** Hugh Cadwallader **RHYS** and **129.** Gwen **WILLIAMS**.



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SULLIVAN

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

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 Samual 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

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was killed on a hunting venture, MORROW said, but the court documents show that he didn't die that way at all. Van BIBBER showed up several years after his supposed death working at a saw mill in Texas County owned by Morgan BOONE. The court case involved the mill. "The reach of the court is much farther than most people realize," MORROW said.

If you had ancestors in St. Charles County the years 1805 to 1835, you need to check this new collection as soon as you can. Admittedly, it will not be online so travel to the county courthouse is probably needed.

My thanks to Rosanne (GOAD) VRUGTMAN for telling me about this new collection.

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

Volunteers Welcomed

Call Sydney if you can volunteer some time.

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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.



Grant SAWYER Middle School

5450 Redwood Street
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Frank Grant SAWYER

(December 14, 1918 - February 19, 1996)

"Governor Who Knew How to Hang Tough"

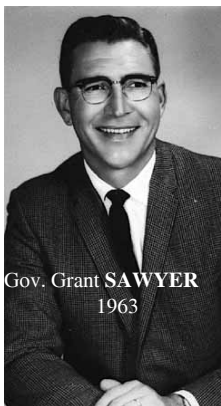
"A civil rights supporter who brought the Black Book to Nevada casinos, the man from Elko took on the **KENNEDY** brothers and the FBI to protect gaming in the Silver State." - A.D. **HOPKINS** (Review Journal - **The First 100 Persons Who Shaped Southern Nevada**)

Frank Grant **SAWYER** was born in Twin Falls, Idaho December 14, 1918, son of two Osteopaths, Doctors Harry W. and Buella (**CAMERON**) **SAWYER**.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He attended Linfield College, the University of Nevada at Reno and The George Washington University Law School. He served as the governor between 1959 and 1967. He ran for reelection but was defeated in 1966. He died in Las Vegas of complications from a stroke Feb.19,1996.

His Wife, Bette Norene (**HOGUE**) **SAWYER** whom he married in 1946 died Sept.11, 2002; both were buried at Palm Valley View Memorial Park in Las Vegas.

Their only child, Gail, was born in Elko in 1949.



Gov. Grant **SAWYER**
1963

Grant **SAWYER** served two turbulent terms as Nevada's governor from 1959 to 1966. Sawyer was an advocate of progressive change. By the late fifties he had come so far from his start in the conservative political machine of Senator Patrick **McCARRAN** that many powerful Nevadans considered his policies on education, the environment, and civil rights to be dangerously radical. When he demanded meaningful regulatory control over casino gaming and took decisive action to purge the industry of its mob connections, the establishment's resistance stiffened. Eventually, **SAWYER**'s positions brought him into open conflict with special interests and led to a collision with the justice department of the federal government, but he never backed down.

Governor **SAWYER** was an early leader in the battle to establish laws that promote equal rights. His efforts led to an end to segregationist policies in the state of Nevada and helped to integrate schools, police departments, and the Nevada gaming industry. He was instrumental in creating the Nevada Gaming Commission in 1959, which helped to free the gaming industry from underworld influences. He was also an



Grant **SAWYER** had a good relationship with President **KENNEDY** and was one of the few governors considered to have personal influence with the White House, beyond that of his state's congressional delegation.



advocate of environmental conservation, and a leader in the movement to protect land at Lake Tahoe for public use. He also served as Chair of the Nevada Commission on Nuclear Projects, where he worked to prevent the establishment of nuclear waste dumps in Nevada.

Grant **SAWYER** left a legacy of exemplary public service and a strong record of support for social justice issues in both the state of Nevada and our nation. The Grant **SAWYER** Center for Justice Studies is also named after former Governor Grant **SAWYER**.

An Overview of the Coroner's Records

While we tend to link coroners with only those deaths of a violent nature, this is a misunderstanding on our part. The coroner would also investigate deaths that were of an accidental or mysterious nature as well.

We also tend to think of these records as being a modern invention. In reality though, coroner's records and inquests have existed for hundreds of years. For the genealogist, the more genealogically-informative ones are likely to be the earlier ones.

What Will You Find

There are many different types of records that you are likely to find in a coroner's report, including:

- Pathology reports
- Necrology reports
- Toxicology reports
- Testimony offered at the inquest
- Police reports
- Jury reports

Like other records, the coroner's records can be found at a variety of levels of jurisdiction including city, county and state. Most places will have a county examiner, however larger cities will have medical examiner offices.

While these records may not offer the place of burial for your ancestor, you may be able to determine where he was buried based on other clues included in the report.

Where Can You Find Them

It is important to first determine the jurisdiction for the area of interest. In your case, because you are dealing with a large city, there is going to be more than one city examiner's office. However, as was mentioned earlier, some of these records have been microfilmed.

A search for coroner's records for New York found at the Family History Library revealed the following records:

- Brooklyn (Kings County) - Coroner's reports 1897-1914
- Manhattan (New York County) - Coroner inquests 1797-1820, 1862-1864, 1868-1918
- Manhattan (New York County) - Coroner inquests 1823-

1898

- Manhattan (New York County) - Coroner reports 1839
- Manhattan (New York County) - Bodies-in-transit 1859-1894

The bodies-in-transit records are one of those records that do in fact supply you with information about burial.

Other Places for Records

Locating these records may require additional searching. The first stop should be the local city or county clerk's office. However, you will also want to be sure to check the local and state historical societies. And don't overlook the state archives either. Finally, you can contact the current coroner's office and ask them where their old records are now located.

And as I have shown above, many of these records may have been microfilmed and you may find it easier to get them through your local Family History Center.

New York Cemeteries

If you haven't done so already, you will want to be sure to get the death certificate for the wife in question. Perhaps it will give you insight into where she was buried. However, a newly released book that may be of use to you in this search is **The Graveyard Shift, A Family Historian's Guide to New York City Cemeteries** by Carolee INSKEEP and published by Ancestry.

See Rhonda's Previous Columns (<http://www.genealogy.com/genealogy/rhondaback.html>) - Rhonda R. McCLURE is a professional genealogist specializing in celebrity trees and computerized genealogy. She has been involved in online genealogy for fifteen years. She is the author of the award-winning **The Complete Idiot's Guide to Online Genealogy**, now in its second edition. She is the author of four how-to guides on Family Tree Maker. In late 2001, she wrote **The Genealogist's Computer Companion**. She is a contributing editor to *Biography Magazine* with her "*Celebrity Roots*" column and a contributing writer to *The History Channel Magazine*. Her latest book is **Finding Your Famous and Infamous Ancestors**. She may be contacted at rhondagen@thegenealogist.com.

1911 Census for England and Wales to be Released Online

Posted by Dick EASTMAN

This announcement was written by the U.K. National Archives:

The National Archives is delighted to announce that ScotlandOnline will partner the UK government's official archive in the forthcoming project to put the 1911 Census for England and Wales online.

The 1911 census (document references RG 14 and RG 78) is huge - it currently occupies 2 kilometres of shelving at The National Archives. Comprising over eight million householder schedules and a further 38,000 enumerators' summary books, it details information relating to approximately 35 million people then living in England and Wales.

Once digitised the census will take up an equally large ½ a petabyte of computer memory or, physically, 800 data tapes. The digital scanning alone in preparation for digitisation will create 18 million images - 14 times the number of images created in advance of the 1901 census being launched online in 2002.

Census records are invaluable in helping us trace our ancestors, and access to them can help those seeking to trace their family tree. From

2009, there will be a phased release of the information in the 1911 census starting with the major conurbations. This will include images and transcription data, but with sensitive data redacted in line with the Information Commissioner's recent ruling. From 3 January 2012, the public will have full access to the entire 1911 census, including the information not accessible in 2009. Researchers anywhere in the world will be able to search across the fields of the census by name, address or The National Archives reference, and download high-resolution digital images.

Natalie CEENEY, Chief Executive of The National Archives said: "The 1911 census holds more information than the 1901 census. It is also the first census where the householder's schedule has remained the master entry, rather than the enumerator's notes, so researchers are actually able, in most cases, to view their actual ancestors' handwriting when looking at 1911 census entries. This will be an invaluable resource for anyone who is working hard to trace their family's

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How Far Back?

By Charles RECKER, CCNGS

When folks learn that my hobby is genealogy, many of them often ask, "How far back have you gone?". Too often, when I respond, "The Thirty Years War" (1618-1648), I get a confused look, especially if the person asking the question has typically American Scotch/Irish/English, rather than German, ancestry, and doesn't know much about that period in Germany. But thanks to the availability of church records most ordinary working- and farming-class Germans can get back that far, but not much farther.

However, those Americans with English ancestry can often do better, as evidenced by the fact that approximately 30% of the presidents of the United States can claim descent from the Plantagenet Kings of England, William the Conqueror, and Charles I ("the Great") who became Holy Roman Emperor on Christmas Day of the year 800. Certain publications of the Genealogical Publishing Company of Baltimore have made this possible, so if your ancestor is a colonist who came to America before 1700, you might find him or her in the eighth edition of Ancestral Roots originally created by Frederick Lewis WEISS, continued by Walter Lee SHEPPARD, Jr. and updated in 2004 by William R. and Kaleen E. BEALL.

Most folks who can trace their lineage back to Emperor Charles I descend from one of the "Plantagenets", that is, from King Edward III, or his direct male line forebears, Kings Edward II, Edward I, Henry III, John, or Henry II. And since King Henry II was the great-grandson of William the Conqueror and his queen Matilda of Flanders, both of whom descended from Charles I, that connection is a slam dunk.

But not everyone has to descend from a Plantagenet king to descend from that emperor. Mildred WARNER, who was born in Virginia in about 1671 and was the paternal grandmother of President WASHINGTON, could claim descent from Sir Henry ("Harry Hotspur") PERCY, who was killed at Shrewsbury in 1403. PERCY's direct male ancestors included a certain Jocelin of Louvain (died 1179/80) who obtained the PERCY name by marrying Agnes, the daughter of William de PERCY. Jocelin was an out-of-wedlock son of Duke GODFREY I of Brabant and a direct male line descendant of a count in the Meuse Valley named GISELBERT who abducted the daughter

of Emperor LOTHAIR I.

According to a German source, Caroli Magni Progenies, compiled by Siegfried ROESCH and published by Verlag DEGNER & Co. in 1977, this abduction occurred in 846 and the resulting marriage was recognized by the emperor in 849. Emperor LOTHAIR I was the son of Charles' son, Emperor LOUIS I (called "the Pious").

But if you are indeed fortunate enough to descend from Emperor Charles I, there is no need to conclude you are at the end of the line, because a French researcher named Christian SETTIPANI has studied Charles' ancestry and traced it back to SELEUCUS, a Greek general in the army of Alexander the Great.

The Genealogical Publishing Company has also given us a compilation by the late Roderick W. STUART, called Royalty for Commoners, and thanks to Mr. STUART, you can, if you are so inclined, get all the way back to NJORD, contemporary of the Teutonic god, ODIN, King Priam of Troy, and even Adam and Eve. The descent from NJORD is based on material in the Heimskringla or The Lives of the Norse Kings compiled by the Icelander, Snorri STURLASON (1178-1241) and is relevant because Snorri has identified Rolf the Ganger, the conqueror of Normandy, and a male line ancestor of William the Conqueror. However, there is much in Heimskringla that does not appear credible to serious historians. Also, those genealogies which purport to demonstrate how Emperor Charles I and other Frankish kings descended from the Trojans through the Cimmerian tribes also lack credibility.

The descent from Adam and Eve is derived from the fact that Matilda, the mother of King Henry II of England, can be shown to descend from St. William of Gellone, Margrave of Septimania, who died in 812/3. William's father is shown as a Duke of Toulouse named Theuderic who some scholars believe to have been the same person as the Jewish Exilarch of Narbonne named MAKHIR. STUART shows how this MAKHIR is believed to descend from Jewish exilarchs in Babylon who traced their ancestry to JEHOIACHIN, the last King of Judah in Jerusalem, as mentioned in the third chapter of the first *Book of Chronicles* in the *Old Testament*. And it is, of course, through this source that one can get back to Adam and Eve.

More on Cemetery Photos

By Teresa LEHMAN

I just wanted to write another tip on taking photos at cemeteries.

When using a 35mm camera, it sometimes helps to use black and white film as it picks up the stone's transcription without the distraction of all the color of the surrounding grounds. I took two pictures of a set of stones—one in color and one in black and white. In the black and white picture I was able to see a headstone in the background that I missed in the color photo. The stone was one I had been looking for but overlooked. Also, when photo-copying an information page containing a photo, black and white seems to copy better.

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history."

Dr Richard CALLISON of Scotland Online, said, "The 1911 census records will provide a mine of important historical information and I'm delighted that The National Archives has chosen to work with *Scotland Online* on this momentous project. We have a strong track record in the field of genealogy, having worked in partnership with the General Register Office for Scotland since 2002 to publish almost 50 million pages of Scottish historical records, all of which are now available to view online."

Over the past five years The National Archives has embarked on an ambitious and successful programme to digitise over 90 per cent of the most popular documents in its largely paper-based collection. It is aiming to digitise over 100 million pages by 2012. These range from

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Upcoming Family History Events

20 April 2007 - San Bruno, California

NARA Workshop - **Passenger Arrival & Naturalization Records** - 9am - 1pm.

Workshop will be conducted by Rose Mary **KENNEDY** at the National Archives and Records Administration - Pacific Region (San Bruno), 1000 Commodore Drive, San Bruno CA 94066-2350

To register and reserve a space contact: Rose Mary **KENNEDY** 650-238-3488 or e-mail her at rosemary.kennedy@nara.gov.

Cost: \$15, payable in advance

21-22 April 2007 - Las Vegas, NV

Las Vegas Celtic Gathering and Highland Games - 9 am - 6 pm

Further Information: www.LasVegasCelticSociety.org

28 April 2007 - Carmichael, California

Annual Spring Seminar presented by the Sacramento German Genealogy Society (SGGS).

John T. **HUMPHREY** - **Lost and Found- Your German Ancestors** - at the Carmichael Park Community Center - 5750 Grant Ave.

Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. Program runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information: <http://www.sacgergensoc.org> or Chuck **KNUTHSON** at (916) 782- 5704



28 April 2007 - Santa Rosa, California

All-Day Genealogy Seminar presented by the Sonoma County Genealogical Society (SCGS)

John Philip **COLLETTA**, Ph.D.- nationally known genealogical lecturer and writer

Admission fee - pre-registration: \$20 - SCGS members, \$25 - non-members, Admission at

door (beginning 8 a.m.)- \$30

For more information: <http://www.scgs.org>

28 April 2007 - Topeka, Kansas

Topeka Genealogical Society's 35th Annual Genealogy Conference Co-hosting with the Kansas State Historical Society.

Russell **BAKER** - "Which Direction Did They Go?"

- 1) I'll Fly Away-Church & Religious Records
- 2) War in Blue and Gray
- 3) I Wantobee A Cherokee
- 4) Over the Mountain Men

For further information: Topeka Genealogical Society, PO Box 4048, Topeka, KS 66604-0048; <http://www.tgstopeka.org> ; library@tgstopeka.org

Nora Patton **TAYLOR**, 1145 NW 39th Street, Topeka, KS 66618-1119

18 May 2007 - San Bruno, California

NARA Workshop - **E-VET Records Research** - 9am - 1pm.

Workshop will be conducted by Rose Mary **KENNEDY** at the National Archives and Records Administration - Pacific Region (San Bruno), 1000 Commodore Drive, San Bruno CA 94066-2350

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Cost: \$15, payable in advance

8 June 2007 - San Bruno, California

NARA Workshop - **Military - Part I Revolutionary War to Civil War** - 9am - 1pm.

Workshop will be conducted by Rose Mary **KENNEDY** at the National Archives and Records Administration - Pacific Region (San Bruno), 1000 Commodore Drive, San Bruno CA 94066-2350

To register and reserve a space contact: Rose Mary **KENNEDY** 650-238-3488 or e-mail her at rosemary.kennedy@nara.gov.

Cost: \$15, payable in advance

8-10 June 2007 - Burbank, California

38th Annual Genealogy Jamboree and Resource Expo. presented by the Southern California Genealogical Society.

This popular genealogy conference features three days of lectures, exhibitors, and one-on-one research consultation by many of genealogy's most respected and knowledgeable speakers, for all experience levels and geographic / ethnic interests; a special lecture track by the Creole Heritage Center, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, Louisiana, "Louisiana - California Creole Connections"; a day-long Family History Writers Conference, with lectures and workshops to inspire family history writers; dozens of exhibitors and vendors with products and services to support your genealogical research; and much more.

Pre-Registration: \$65 till March 1st then \$75

Further info: Phone: 818-843-7247 / Fax: 818-843-7262
E-Mail: jamboree@scsgenealogu.com

22 June 2007 - San Bruno, California

NARA Workshop - **Military - Part II Spanish American to Vietnam** - 9am - 1pm.

Workshop will be conducted by Rose Mary **KENNEDY** at the National Archives and Records Administration - Pacific Region (San Bruno), 1000 Commodore Drive, San Bruno CA 94066-2350

To register and reserve a space contact: Rose Mary **KENNEDY** 650-238-3488 or e-mail her at rosemary.kennedy@nara.gov.

Cost: \$15, payable in advance

12-14 July 2007 - Salt Lake City, Utah

FEEFHS Conference - The Federation of East European Family History Societies (FEEFHS) will hold their 2007 Conference "Access Your Ancestors: One On One Will Get It Done" July 12-14 in Salt Lake City, Utah at the Plaza Hotel and the Family History Library. The feature for this year's Conference will be individual consultations, by appointment, with the FEEFHS experts and Family History Library staff. A cultural presentation entitled "Got Culture? See, Hear and Experience Your Ethnicity" will be presented Thursday evening. The annual banquet will be on Friday night and tours to hear the world famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir broadcast, Temple Square and other historic sights will round out the activities.

More Info: www.feeffhs.org

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15-20 July 2007 - Salt Lake City, Utah

IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy (15-20 July 2007 - Hilton Salt Lake City Center) - Hosted by the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies, this year's premiere Jewish genealogy event includes such highlights as networking with international researchers and experts, a film festival, breakfasts with experts, computer training workshops, special photographic exhibits, resource room, special interest groups, extensive resources of the Family History Library, vendor room, tours and more.

Program categories include: Eastern/Central/Western Europe; Eretz Israel (pre/post-1948); Genetics/DNA; Holocaust; immigration/naturalization/migration; Jewish history/sociology; methodology; Sephardic/Mizrahi; non-European (e.g. India, China); photograph/document preservation; rabbinic research; repositories; South/Central America; technology/Internet resources; U.S./North America (includes specific locales) and Yiddish theater/Jewish music.

More Info: www.slc2007.org

Imperfect Data Can Yield Perfect Results

By Robyn DOWD (rdowd@santa-clarita.com)

To all those who feel that there is no value in uploading your family files to the Web because it may contain errors or isn't done yet, please do it now! I just received a handwritten note from my ex-husband's cousin who, because of my research and uploaded files, made contact with a long-lost cousin of fifty years. Just how does that happen?

I received an e-mail through my subscription to Ancestry.com saying that someone was interested in one of the members on my tree--my ex-husband's grandmother, Emma Barrett. I e-mailed back to ask how they were related and explained my connections. He advised me that his father, Emma's son, had died at a young age after marrying and having two sons. His mother remarried and moved to Hawaii around 1958. He was reaching out to find out more about his father's family and was sorry that it had taken him this long. This man was e-mailing from Hawaii. I e-mailed back and told him that one of Emma's daughters--his aunt--was living in Arizona and that I would make contact with her.

I immediately called "Aunt Fran" in Arizona and asked if she would want this man to contact her. She was so excited and shared with me the loss the family suffered in not only losing her brother, but his children as well. So, yesterday I received a note from a member of the family letting me know how much my research and reconnection to their cousins meant to them. She said, "Now that they have been found, every red-headed man in the world can now rest easy as I won't be stopping them on the street asking them their family history!" (Due to her brother's hair color, her brother's nickname was "Red.")

So, even if you aren't sure that birth date is correct, or think maybe you made a connection to the wrong "John Smith," please upload. You never know what good can come of it. (P.S. Be sure to update your e-mail address so people can contact you.)

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Meeting Schedules

Local Groups of Interest

Signers Chapter of the 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 monthly except December - contact 858-9963

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

Grandsons of Italy - Meets 2nd Saturday of month - contact 254-1782

Sons of Erin - Meets 2nd Wednesday of month - contact 458-7710

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Domesday Book (now available digitally at www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/domesday), through to the census records, prisoner of war records, ancient petitions, war service and medal records. Working with partners in the private sector, The National Archives has made records such as lists of emigrating passengers and the 1841 -1891 census records available for research, through similar partnerships. The National Archives has also launched a digitisation-on-demand programme which makes the majority of its collection accessible to researchers from anywhere across the globe.

VISIT THE HERITAGE

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Paseo Verde Library | 280 S Green Valley Pkwy | 492-7252
Mon-Thurs 9-9 | Fri - Sat 9-5 | Sun 12-4



SOURCE: February 26, 2007 - [EASTMAN's Online Genealogy Newsletter](#)
The DAILY newsletter for genealogy consumers, packed with straight talk - hold the sugar coating - whether the vendors like it or not!

NARA Proposes Major Fee Increases for Photocopies

Warning to all U.S. genealogists! Two rules published in the Federal Register on Monday, February 26, 2007, relate to fees for reproductions of records at the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). On page 8327 is a proposed rule revising fees for reproductions to cover NARA's costs for providing copies. On page 8279 is an interim final rule removing from the fee schedule fees for the reproduction of records of other Federal agencies stored in NARA records centers.

The proposals are written in the finest governmental "legalese" language. However, it is obvious that the proposal is to INCREASE all fees. No surprise there, right? The item that leaps off the page of this proposal, however, is the plan to increase the price of providing copies of Civil War pension applications: a whopping 338% increase!

Here is the list:

<u>Type of record</u>	<u>Order form</u>	<u>Fee</u>
(1) Passenger arrival lists	NATF Form 81.....	\$25.00
(2) Federal Census requests	NATF Form 82.....	25.00
(3) Eastern Cherokee applications to	NATF Form 83.....	25.00 the Court of Claims.
(4) Land entry records	NATF Form 84.....	40.00
(5) Full pension file more than 75	NATF Form 85.....	125.00 years old (Civil War period).
(6) Full pension file more than 75	NATF Form 85.....	60.00 years old (non-Civil War).
(7) Pension documents packet	NATF Form 85.....	25.00 (selected records).
(8) Bounty land warrant application	NATF Form 85.....	25.00 files.
(9) Military service files more than	NATF Form 86.....	25.00 75 years old.

Correcting Mis-transcriptions

By Margaret J. LEONARD (m.leonard23@ntlworld.com)

I have found LEONARD families indexed as SEONARD. My favourite LEONARD family--not ancestors of mine--consists of the following individuals: John SEONARD and his wife BARDINES, with their daughters Salsa and Ellen. Mrs. Bardines SEONARD--sorry, LEONARD--was actually Caroline LEONARD, and her daughter Salsa was baptised Laura.

If you find mis-transcriptions of your own family in Ancestry.com, you can really help other searchers by entering the correct name, with your explanation of how you know it is correct, under the "Comments and Corrections" link next to the record. These corrections are periodically updated.

Of course, not all the mis-transcriptions are as simple as LANDOVER / SANDOVER. I recently found a missing SHEARGOLD family indexed as MONYAK in the 1871 census. So if you think your missing ancestors "must be in there somewhere," they probably are. But they might be buried pretty deep!

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Ancestry Quick Tip 2/4/2002 - Archive

You Can Print Large Charts Cheap

Karen WOLZANSKI (Kempton, PA)

I made a hand-drawn descendent chart for an ancestor who had immigrated from Denmark in 1850. I took it to my cousin when I visited to see if she could help fill in some blanks on her branch of the family. She wanted a copy to share with her children. Recopying the chart by hand (it was about 30" x 50") was too time consuming, so I procrastinated. One day, when I was in Office Depot, I saw a building contractor asking for copies of his blueprints. I was told that the copies were made on 36-inch wide-rolled paper, so they could be as long as you wanted. They copied my chart while I waited for only \$2.99.

THE HERITAGE ROOM



AT THE PASEO VERDE LIBRARY

http://www.mypubliclibrary.com/libinfo/genealogy_index.html

2006 Year in Review for Newspaper Abstracts Finding Our Ancestors in the News!

by Barbara FREEMAN

Newspaper Abstracts started out over six years ago simply as a place to share old newspaper articles I had in my collection and has grown into a site with hundreds of contributors and over 30,900 articles - with over 9,100 contributed during 2006! There are currently over 1,500 registered members on the Newspaper Abstracts site and over 10,000 subscribers to the various Old-News mail lists. An average of 750 news items are added each month and over 1,317,000 of these articles have been read on the site in just the last 18 months!

Old News Articles

Old news articles are submitted on the website at:

<http://www.NewspaperAbstracts.com>,

and on occasion through one of the mail lists, by site visitors, regular contributors along with county and state coordinators. For more information on how to submit news articles and what type of articles are accepted on the site please visit

<http://www.newspaperabstracts.com/link.php?id=1588>

and

<http://www.newspaperabstracts.com/link.php?id=1590>.

Mail Lists

There are 53 mail lists associated with the Newspaper Abstracts website. Through the miracle of computers, all articles added to the site are automatically sent to two mail lists by the script on the website. The first mail list an article goes to is *Newspaper-Abstracts@rootsweb.com*. This is the main list for Newspaper Abstracts and has the most traffic - normally over 600 emails per month. The second list the article goes to is the state specific list, for example, an article posted in any county in Missouri is sent to the *MO-Old-News@newspaperabstracts.com* mail list, an article posted in Illinois goes to *IL-Old-News@rootsweb.com*, etc. More information, including subscribe and unsubscribe instructions for the mail lists can be found at

<http://www.newspaperabstracts.com/link.php?id=2339>.

Newspaper Abstracts Registered Members

The Newspaper Abstracts website allows visitors to register for a free account. Once registered, the member can choose to subscribe to a specific county and/or state. By subscribing, the member is notified each time a new article is added to the county and/or state that the member subscribed to. To unsubscribe, the member only needs to return to the main page for the county and/or state that they are receiving notifications from and click on unsubscribe. Alternately, a registered member can log in at the site and go to 'Options', then go to 'Manage Subscriptions'. This area will list all county, state and/or specific article pages that you have subscribed to and allow you to unsubscribe from there.

Barbara FREEMAN

Site Administrator

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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.

- **Urn with Wreath or Crepe** - Mourning
- **Willows** - Presented in a variety of styles, this symbol is of German origin and usually represents sorrow.
- **Winged Effigies** - Flight of the Soul
- **Winged Sun Disk** - This is an ancient Egyptian symbol which represents the journey of the sun. Ra was the creator of the world, ancestor of the pharaohs and god of the sun (symbolized by the solar disk) and skies (symbolized by the wings). The winged sun disk symbolizes the life-giving power of the sun and the spiritual attributes of the heavens.
- **Wreaths** - Victory in Death.
- **Yew Leaves** - Eternal Life
- **Yin-Yang Circle** - The symbol comes from Taoism and Confucianism and represents harmony and balance. It denotes the two existential and controlling forces of the universe, the yin, the negative and passive feminine power depicted in black and on the left side of the circle, and the yang, the positive and active masculine power depicted in white on the right side of the circle. Yin represents the soul, wetness, cold, darkness, the moon, the Earth and sustenance. Yang represents the spirit, light, heat, dryness, day, the sun, heaven, creation and dominance. The yin before the yang signifies primeval darkness before creation. The small circle of the opposite color contained within both the yin and the yang represents the seed of the other and therefore their interdependence. The sigmoid line dividing the yin and yang means dynamism and the two are contained within a circle of revolution and unity.

My Great-Grand Aunt Jane **BABOCK**'s occupation stumped me and I've worked the New York Times crossword puzzle for years. But my niece Nikki **EDMONSON NICKELL** emailed the answer within minutes. *Ancestry.com* - Mar 2007 - 1850 Census, IL, Pike, Pittsfield L-22 **BABCOCK**, Jane, 29 (1821), female, Mantua Maker, real property-\$800, born-MA.

Diadama Babcock	29	Y	Tailor
Jane	29	Y	Mantua maker
Will Parkes	24	M	Editor & Printer
Leis O.	26	Y	
Theresa E.	1/2	Y	

Ancestry Daily News - 11/10/2005 - [Archive](#)

The Mantua Maker

Patricia Law **HATCHER**, FASG

This byway began because the people gazing at a computer screen couldn't read an occupation on the 1850 census. Being the nosy person that I am (and that most genealogists are), I peeked over a shoulder at the screen and volunteered the information that it said "mantua maker." This bit of enlightenment didn't seem to enlighten anyone. No one had heard of the term.

I had once attended a lecture on mantua making, but didn't remember enough about it to make more than generalized statements. So, of course, my curiosity was aroused (another trait of genealogists), and I began researching.

I found mantua makers on the US census from 1790 through 1910, but the story begins much earlier.

Mantuas became stylish in the seventeenth century. First, I should be clear that we are not talking about a mantle nor a mantilla. A mantua was a loose gown worn over a petticoat and open down the front. Although this standard dictionary definition brings to mind the image of a dressing gown, the mantua was nothing of the sort. The style may have begun as a casual garment, but mantuas were usually made of sumptuous material such as damask or brocade and worn for dressy occasions.

And "loose" is a relative term. A mantua was unboned, but it wasn't unfitted. In other words, there were no stays. (As colleagues of mine remarked, having heard the description of the effects of stays in my earlier column, "No wonder mantuas were so popular!")

The construction was quite tricky. This is what I remembered from the lecture I had attended. As I recalled, the idea was that the mantua was constructed from a single length of material, with few if any cuts. Our image of dressmaking is cutting out a variety of pieces from the fabric, some small, then sewing those pieces together. Mantua-making was not at all like this.

One of the things that identifies a true mantua is that it did not have a separate skirt and top. The material was one continuous piece from shoulder to floor. Mantuas fit the figure, yet had a very full skirt.

This was accomplished by shaping the material to the body with a series of deep, outward-facing stitched-down pleats that flared gracefully below the waistline.

This single-piece construction with few unreversible actions meant that gowns could be altered for changes in fashion, weight, and ownership. A skilled mantua maker could, literally, disassemble a mantua and remake it into a new garment, saving the beautiful material.

Depending on the current style and the mantua-maker's construction, the rich fabric might be longer in back, almost forming a train. The mantua was not closed at the front (usually just caught at the waist, sometimes belted), exposing the shirt of the lightweight petticoat (you will recall from the earlier article that this could refer to a dress-length garment), which was often of silk. As you can imagine, this allowed interesting and attractive contrast in color and fabric. It also permitted more freedom of movement. I can practically hear the swishing sounds as mantua-wearing women made their social calls. A stomacher was often worn with a mantua. This was an elaborate, decorated, ornamental piece, shaped in a V to help create the illusion of a slim waist.

As is often the case with historical terminology, things changed. Eventually the term mantua seems to have been applied to any elaborate gown of dressy material that was open down the front (and even to some that were not).

As you can imagine, the skills required to construct a mantua was not something young girls learned from their mothers. Additionally, the materials used were expensive. Thus, mantua-making became one of the first women-based occupations, run as a business. (The other was the milliner, who carried various accessories for women's attire.) Thus it is that in the Philadelphia census for 1790 that we see in Southwark a listing for "Lucy (Mantua Maker) Brown." A colleague remarked that she often noticed mantua makers mentioned in St. Croix (we figured that in the hot humid climate in the islands,

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Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society

Fall Family History Seminar

29 September 2007



Michael John NEILL

- **Columnist**
Ancestry World Journal. Writes a regular column on genealogical research for the world's most popular genealogical "ezine".
- **Board Member**
Federation of Genealogical Societies.
- **Instructor**
On the mathematics faculty at Carl Sandburg College, a community college in West-Central IL.
- **Course Designer/Instructor**
Genealogy Computing Week, Carl Sandburg College. The coordinator and instructor for the annual week of genealogical computing workshops held at the college.
- **Trip Leader**
Trip co-leader and trip genealogist for an annual research trip to the Allen County Public Library co-sponsored by the St. Charles Community College and the St. Charles County (MO) Genealogical Society. He also leads an annual research trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT.

Michael's Lectures:

His approach is relaxed, generally lighthearted, yet informative. No one wants to sit and listen to a speaker read their lecture from a handout or give a monotone recitation of what is already on the projection screen. He also avoids the use of constant bullets in PowerPoint, probably because a bullet is how at least two of his ancestors met their demise (another one probably died due to having a sword pulled through his hands, but that's a whole lecture in and of itself).

Experience:

He has researched his own family for over twenty years and has actively researched his children's ancestry as well. The bulk of this ancestry is centered in the American Midwest and points east. Many of his children's ancestors were post-1850 European immigrants from a variety of countries, including: Belgium, Germany, Ireland, Sweden, and Switzerland. There are also lines from Missouri, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Virginia, and Maryland. By ancestry, He is one-half Ostfriesen. He has spent numerous hours in local courthouses, archives and libraries working on these families.

He has written on genealogical research and methods since 1987, for a wide variety of genealogical publications, including *Ancestry*, *Genealogical Computing*, the *Genealogical Helper*, *Heritage Quest*, and others. He has been actively involved in program planning and promotion of several of the Federation of Genealogical Societies' annual conferences.

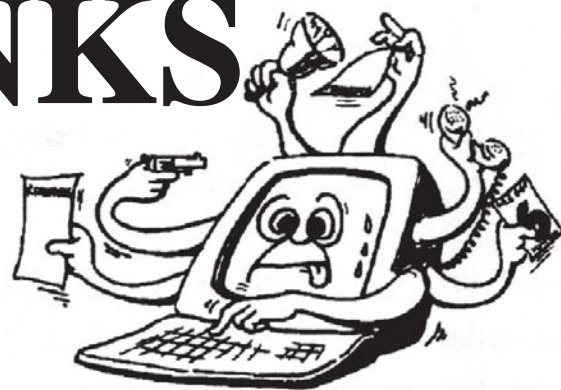
He is a native of West-Central Illinois and was raised on a grain and cattle farm in Hancock County where many of his ancestors began settling in the 1850s. He attended high school in the same building as his parents and went to junior high school in the building where his grandmother went to high school.

He got started in genealogy when his younger brother had to bring a 4-generation family tree to school. Michael wanted to know more and it's been "uphill" from there.

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<http://www.academic-genealogy.com/>

Historical Directories

Created and maintained by the University of Leicester, this site is a digital library of local and trade directories for England and Wales, from 1750 to 1919.

<http://www.historicaldirectories.org/hd/about.asp>

Prisoner 4099

The National Archives of Britain recently released a mini-site on its award-winning "Learning Curve" website titled "Prisoner 4099." The mini-site was part of a project in which the national archives worked with twenty-six young adults to teach them how to conduct original research in the archives. They created a site exploring Victorian-era punishment of children. The youth used the archives to search for original documents about William Towers, a twelve-year-old boy from Richmond in Surrey who was imprisoned in 1872 for stealing two rabbits--possibly as food for his family. The website includes information about the project, original documents found by the students, an audio version of a play created by the students, and more.

<http://www.learningcurve.gov.uk/prisoner4099/>

Digitalarkivet (Digital Archives): National Archives of Norway

If you're tracing your Norwegian heritage, this website is a good place to start. It has migration, court, church, census, and military records; emigrant lists; maps; real estate books; and registers of conveyances and mortgages. It also has maps, online exhibitions, forums, an article on tracing your ancestry in Norway, and a directory of links to additional resources.

<http://digitalarkivet.uib.no/index-eng.htm>

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the women were thrilled with a looser garment). Mantuas were also worn in England and France.

By the nineteenth century, most mantua makers were no longer mantua makers. In the mid-1800s, almost every small town in America seemed to boast a milliner and a mantua maker in their business directories. What seems to have transpired is that although dresses could be made at home, mantua making had established the right to exist as a WOB (women-owned business), so as more women set up shop as dressmakers, they did so under the title of mantua maker (which probably added class to the establishment, too), even though they may not have made dressy gowns. The market for the most elegant mantuas had been limited to begin with, fashions changed, and mantuas were no longer worn. Eventually the title changed also, and seamstresses began calling themselves dressmakers instead.

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April
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May
5 Saturday
 10:30 AM Nevada African American Genealogy Society - Spring Valley Library (Darell WHITE 646-9836)

August
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12 Sunday
 4:30 PM Pursuing Our Italian Names Together, POINT Carluccio's Tivoli Gardens / E-mail: DrTom@point-pointers.net Website: <http://www.point-pointers.net>

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

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July
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 10:30 AM Nevada African American Genealogy Society - Spring Valley Library (Darell WHITE 646-9836)

29 Saturday
8:00 AM - 3:30 PM Fall Family History Seminar with Michael John NEILL

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



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- 1909-1911 - Clark County Recorder, P.O. Box 551510, Las Vegas, NV 89155 (500 S. Grand Central Pkwy.) (702) 455-4336.
- After July 1911 - Nevada State Health Division, Section of Vital Statistics, 505 E. King St., Room 102, Carson City, NV 89710, (775) 687-4480. During the first 90 days after birth or death, obtain records from the Clark County Health District, Vital Records, P.O. Box 4426, Las Vegas, NV 89127 (702) 3831223. The Clark County Health District retains birth records for only 25 years; death records for only 20 years — only the Nevada State Health Division has earlier records.

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