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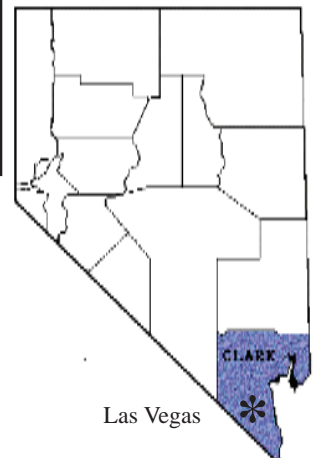


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The Internal Revenue has ruled that the Society is a tax-exempt Educational and Scientific Organization within the means of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Consequently, donations of funds, library books and other property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

PAHR Bill

Submitted by Ron HUGHES (CCNGS)

The Preserving the American Historical Record (PAHR) bill was introduced in the 111th Congress by co-sponsors, Representatives Maurice HINCHEY (D-NY) and John McHUGH (R-NY).

The Partnership for the American Historical Record proposes to increase federal support for state and local archival records held by state and local government, historical societies, libraries, and related organizations.

If approved in its present form, the bill would provide \$492,965 to the State of Nevada.

The Board of Directors of the Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society recently approved a Resolution in favor of approval of the bill. This Resolution was mailed to our representatives in Congress and read as follows.



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RESOLUTION – PRESERVATION AND ACCESS TO HISTORICAL RECORDS

WHEREAS the historical records housed in archives around the United States protect our rights as American citizens, hold government accountable, and educate, inform, and ensure the cultural heritage of this country; and

WHEREAS much of the American record—evidence of births, education, marriage, property owned, obligations satisfied, and criminal conduct—is held at the state and local level; and

WHEREAS the preservation, access and use of the historical records held in states, regions, and localities around the country is essential to sustaining the information needs of government officials, lawyers, scholars, teachers, students, genealogists, business people and a wide range of users; and

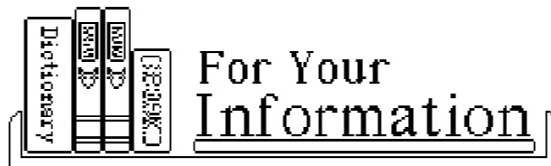
WHEREAS our nation has recognized the importance of history by its support of national institutions—the National Archives, the Library of Congress, the Smithsonian Institution; and

WHEREAS the existing federal support is not adequate to reach the rest of our nation's archives being held in government agencies, state and local historical societies, archives and library history collections;

THEREFORE the Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society, supports the passage of the Preserving the American Historical Records bill to establish a formal program at the national level to develop programs and practices in each state and territory to ensure the historical records of this country receives the attention and use necessary to continue to document our heritage and support our democracy.

Signed this 16th day of May, 2009

Ronald D. HUGHES, President
For The Membership (185)



JOIN THE PROSPECTOR STAFF

Bob **KENNARD** and Helen **SMITH** are requesting that CCNGS members join them in publishing *The Prospector*. Helen has been working as the Editor, while Bob works as the Publisher.

Articles for *The Prospector* are ferreted out by Bob and Helen and also by CCNGS members who find or write articles on various topics about or relating to genealogy.

The Prospector is produced four times a year: January, April, July and October. We are hoping that those who are interested in helping to continue the publication will step up and learn what the process is so that they would be able to step into positions in the future.

If you like journalism, editing, and publishing (software) and would like to join us, speak with Bob **KENNARD** (258-3322) or Helen **SMITH** (458-5540) or notify someone on the Board of CCNGS of your interest. We would love to have you become a member of the team.

Points to remember about the 1940 census...

Joel **WEINTRAUB** <jweintraub@cox.net> (JGSSN)

After a 72 year privacy period, the 1940 Census will be available online. The schedules, ED maps, and ED descriptions will be digitized; there will be no census schedule films produced.

There is only one column for information on naturalization and that is the status of people not born in the United States. There is no information on when a person actually immigrated to the U.S. If the person was foreign born, the place of birth as of 1937 was asked for since the map of Europe in 1940 masked many eastern European nation names because of the war. If a person could not come up with their birth country in 1937, then they were asked to give a city, province, or state name. Also, a question was asked as to where people were in 1935 but for those outside the US only the name of the country was asked for.

Only the birthplace of the person on the census was asked for, not their parents. But if you fell on one of two lines (of the 40 line schedule), you were then asked additional questions (the advent of sampling)... and there the birthplace of the person's parents was asked for, and if foreign born, then the name of their birth country as it existed in 1937.

Fall Family History Seminar

24 October 2009

Ceil Wendt **JENSEN**

Henderson Convention Center

CCNGS 2009 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)

(S) - Short Topic (L) - Long Topic

Jul 18 (S) Indentured Servants by Jana **WALKER**
(L) "Revolutionary War" Marilyn **RECKER**

Aug 15 (S) UNLV Library Research by Kathy **RANKIN**
(L) Adoption Research by Martha **REINHART**

Sep 19 (S) & (L) Election/ Installation/ Food/ Discussions

Due to library commitments, we will be unable to conduct our monthly meeting at the Paseo Verde Library during October and November. We will meet at the GREEN VALLEY LIBRARY, 2797 N. Green Valley Pkwy., (corner of Sunset Road and Green Valley Parkway) Henderson, instead.

Oct 17 (Reading Room) (S) The Effects of Early Immigration by Bill **WARD**
(L) TBA

Nov 21 (Reading Room) (S) TBA
(L) TBA

Dec 19 (S) Logging Information for Veterans by Kathy **RANKIN**
(L) Dutch Genealogy by Robert **WESTHOFF**

Jeff KINTOP Appointed Nevada's State Archivist

Longtime state employee Jeff **KINTOP** has been named Nevada's new state archivist. **KINTOP**, 58, has been the state archives manager since 1991 and worked in university, state history and archives positions since 1979. He replaces Guy **ROCHA**, who retired in February after 28 years in the position of running the Nevada State Library and Archives.

When his new position becomes effective July 1, **KINTOP** will become the third state archivist since the agency was created in 1965. He will manage a staff of 13 that catalogs and stores records of state and local governments.

"In Nevada, 87 percent of the people were not born here," **KINTOP** said Monday. "They don't know the history. You get a lot of misinformation. It has been fun working with sources to find out what did and did not happen."

You can read more at <http://www.lvrj.com/news/48145062.html>.

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Super Secrets of Successful Genealogists

by Sharon DeBartolo **CARMACK**

In this article: Question everything; Look for alternative sources; Study social history

You were happily researching your ancestors in one record after another. Then all of a sudden, boom! You hit a dead end. You can't find anything more—it's as if they disappeared from the face of the earth. You're frustrated and unsure where to turn.

You've hit what genealogists call a "brick-wall" problem, and sooner or later it happens to everybody.

Maybe you can't find out who an ancestor's parents were, when someone immigrated, what a woman's maiden name was or where an ancestor came from. Maybe the records you need have been lost, or maybe they were never created in the first place.

Brick walls happen once you've searched all of the typical records for an ancestor: census, vital records, deeds, probate, military and so on. I've had many beginners tell me they've hit a brick wall. My first question is "Have you searched for this ancestor in all possible censuses?" Almost every time, the answer will be "No." To which I respond, "Then you can't be at a brick wall."

Make sure you've looked for your ancestors in all of the basic genealogical sources before you start tearing your hair out.

When you do hit a brick wall and you've done all the basics, what next? Professional genealogists, who bulldoze through brick walls for a living, have learned ways around these problems—secrets you can apply to your own ancestral dead ends. Here are a few of them:

•Analyze what you've gathered, questioning everything. "I look at all I know and see if it can be confirmed," says one pro. "When I'm at a brick wall, I begin by assuming the information I have is correct, but something got recorded wrong, such as the spelling of a name, a wrong date or place." If that strategy doesn't work, then "I assume that there is something wrong with the information I have. Was she born when I thought she was? Is her name really Fanny? Why do I think she died in Manhattan? Then go from there."

In other words, question everything. Don't assume that what you find in records—even legal documents—is correct. **McVETTY** recommends using the "what if" approach: "Look at all the facts, then say,

TUMBLER & TIPSY

Glasses were hand blown, thus flat bottomed glasses were difficult to produce. Those with curved bottoms would tend to tumble over when placed on the table, and too many tumblers of whiskey would make you a little bit tipsy.

GETTING TANKED

When you drank too much out of the above "tankard" you were said to be "tanked" ... if you got so "tanked" that you passed out, there was a chance that somebody might think you had actually died. Since back then they didn't have experience with taking pulses, they often buried people alive who were actually in a drunken stupor or otherwise comatose.

"What if she didn't die in Manhattan? Where would the next logical place be?"

•Look for alternative sources.

If you're new to genealogy, you may not realize all the different records out there. Don't get stuck by thinking all that's available is what's online or in the usual sources: vital records, censuses, deeds, wills, passenger lists and the like.

Especially if you're researching in the South, chances are good you'll eventually hit a "burned county": a courthouse fire burned and some or all the records. Consider alternative sources such as city directories, tax records, property assessments, estate inventories and settlements, criminal cases, court minutes, coroner's files, commitment papers, newspaper items, business and employment records—the list is endless.

Not every type of record exists for every era or place. But as Patricia Law **HATCHER**, a certified genealogist and fellow of the American Society of Genealogists, suggests, you need to "sit yourself down in the place where you know your ancestor and family lived and don't leave until you've looked at every word of every record that is connected to the extended family (not just the ancestor), neighbors and associates."

•Study social history.

Study social histories of your problem ancestor's ethnic group, time period and place. Social histories, such as Alice Morse **EARLE**'s *Home Life in Colonial Days* (Berkshire House Publishers) or Steven **MINTZ** and Susan **KELLOGG**'s *Domestic Revolutions: A Social History of American Family Life* (Free Press), give accounts of everyday people and their lives. These books won't list your ancestors by name, but they will give you clues and insight into people like your ancestors and what motivated them to make certain choices—which may affect your research direction.

For example, I learned from social histories on Italian-Americans that it was common for a man to immigrate and bring his family to America five or ten years later. Dubbed "birds of passage," many of these men originally had no intention of staying in America; their goal was to earn enough money to buy land in Italy.

Once I found Albino **DeBARTOLO** on a passenger arrival list for 1905, even though his family didn't arrive until 1913, I went back to the passenger arrival lists to see if he fit the pattern of a returnee. Sure enough, he did. He made two more trips back and forth to Italy between 1905 and 1913.

Had I not broadened my research to social histories and learned the typical migration pattern for this ethnic group, I might have missed these additional records. For more on how social history assists specifically in immigrant research, see my book [**A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Immigrant and Ethnic Ancestors**](#) (Betterway Books).

Family Tree Magazine - 4 November 2008 - <http://www.familytreemagazine.com/article/Super-Secrets-of-Successful-Genealogists/>

Conference on Family History and Genealogy July 28-31, 2009

Strengthening Ties That Bind Families Together Forever

Jessica HAWKINS (jessica.hawkins@byu.edu)

The 41st annual BYU Conference on Family History and Genealogy will offer more than 140 classes, allowing participants to gain new skills and helpful information. Class topics include: Beginning Family History, FamilySearch, Writing the Narrative Family History, Using Computers, Internet and Technology, Basic Research Methodologies, Using the BYU Harold B. LEE Library, Research in the United States and Canada, Colonial America, International Research, Methodology, British Research, and Tips for Professional Genealogists.

Many vendors will be demonstrating and displaying their latest computer programs and products designed to aid genealogical researchers. You are invited to attend the conference to learn new techniques that will build and strengthen your family ties through genealogy and family history. The conference will be held in the BYU Conference Center (770 East University Parkway, Provo, Utah).

Keynote Presenters:

Elder John H. GROBERG was sustained to the First Quorum of the Seventy in 1976, where he had responsibilities with the Family History Department. On other assignments he and his family have lived in Argentina, Hawaii, and Hong Kong. He served in the Presidency of the Seventy until named General Authority emeritus in 2005. Elder GROBERG served as president of the Idaho Falls Temple from 2005 to 2008. His fascinating mission experiences were adapted to the Disney film *The Other Side of Heaven*.

John Phillip COLLETTA is one of America's most popular genealogical lecturers. Entertaining, knowledgeable, and experienced, he is based in Washington, D.C. where he conducts workshops for the National Archives and teaches courses for the Smithsonian Institution and local universities.

David E. RENCHER, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA, is employed by the Family History Department in Salt Lake City as the Director of the Planning and Coordination Division. He is both an accredited genealogist^{CM} and a certified genealogistSM. His topic is "FamilySearch Tackles the Information Explosion."

Other popular presenters include: Janet HOVORKA, Barbara RENICK, Mary SLAWSON, Steve W. ANDERSON, Jim GREENE, George RYSKAMP, and Judy JONES.

To see the complete schedule or to register, go to <http://familyhistoryconferences.byu.edu>. You may also register by calling 801-422-8925.

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REGISTER ONLINE FOR CLASSES

The Henderson Library District recently installed an on-line registration process that allows individuals to register for various programs and events, including those sponsored by CCNGS. Follow these steps to view library events and to register:

Go to the Libraries' website at <http://www.mypubliclibrary.com>
Under "Events and Classes", select "Events and Programs"
In the "Keyword" box on the left, enter 'Genealogy' and click "Find"
Scroll through the months until you find something you want to register for; once you find the class, click on it. You will be taken to a registration screen to complete the process.

Be sure to enter your telephone number and Email address so you can be contacted, if necessary. With this information the instructor can obtain a listing of those who have signed up for the class, allowing for better management of the entire process.

Las Vegas Regional Family History Center

Address: 509 South Ninth Street, Las Vegas, Clark, Nevada 89101
Handicapped entrance/ramp on 9th Street.
Additional entrance in rear, from the parking lot..

Phone: (702) 382-9695

Regular Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 10am - 7pm;
Friday & Saturday 10am - 5pm

<http://familyhistorylv.org/>



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LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

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Donated In Memory Of Catherine EDMONSON by Mr. and Mrs.
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National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Forgotten Patriots, African American and American Indian Patriots in the Revolutionary War, 2008, 854 pgs (Index & Bibliography)

Donated by: Audrey ANDERSON

CULLIGAN, Joseph J, Adoption Searches Made Easier, 367 pgs.

Donated by Colleen BELL:

AIRD, Robert B, M.D., Deep Springs, It's Founder, History and Philosophy - Inyo County, CA, 130 pgs. (Index)

Ancestors and Descendants, Bell-Harbison-George Family, 103 pgs.

A Basic Guide to Genealogy, 3rd Edition

BELL, James, The History and Genealogy of Ottery Creek, Iron and Reynolds Counties, Missouri, 109 pgs. (Index)

CARPENTER, Cecelia Svinth, How to Research American Indian Blood Lines, 101 pgs.

CERNY, Johni and EAKLE, Arlene, Ancestry's Guide To Research, 364 pgs. (Index)

Dent County Historical Society, Ozark Heritage Dent County Missouri Area Cemeteries and Families, Volume III, 1994, 702 pgs. (Index)

EAKLE, Arlene, Early Settlers and Stations, Kentucky, 37 pgs. (maps)

EAKLE, Arlene, Kentucky, 31 pgs.

EAKLE, Arlene, Kentucky Marriages 1774-1799, 33 pgs. (Maps)

Everton Publishers, The Handybook for Genealogists, 8th Edition, 1995, 325 pgs. (Maps)

GARFIELD, Brian, The Thousand Mile War – World War II in Alaska and the Aleutians

GILBERT, Jan, The Trail of Tears Across Missouri, 121 pgs. (Bibliographical References & Index)

GREENWOOD, Val D., The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy (2nd Edition) 609 pgs, (Index)

HELM, Matthew & HELM, April, Genealogy Online for Dummies, 1999, Special Edition, 289 pgs. (Index)

KENNEDY, Ethel and STOBER, Eva Belt (Researcher/Compiler), Valley History, City of Belt, Montana, 582 pgs. (Index)

Mayo Historical Society, Gold & Galena, Mayo Region (Yukon), 502 pgs. (Index)

Sources for Vital Records, Family History World, 57 pgs.

STUART, Don, Sourdough Ray, Yukon Territory

Family Tree Maker 7.0 for Windows – Book

Family Tree maker 2005 Disk

Family Tree Maker 2005 Book

Donated by CCNGS:

GIBBS, Wilma (Editor), Indiana's African American Heritage Essays from Black History News & Notes, 243 pgs.

MOSS, Juanita Patience, Forgotten Black Soldiers Who Served in White Regiments During the Civil War, Revised Edition, 178 pgs. (Index)

MYERS, Albert Cook, Immigration of the Irish Quakers into Pennsylvania 1682-1750, 477 pgs. (Index)

Donated by: Barbara CULLINGS

BADGER, Jeffrey, Finding Granddad's War, 321 pgs.

County Historians Association of New York State, Directory of New York State County and Municipal Historians, 1988

Donated by: Wilbur (Bud) DIMON

BOWDER, Diana (Editor), Who Was Who In The Roman World, 255 pgs. (Index, Maps, Pedigree Charts)

FARAGO, Ladislas and SINCLAIR, Andrew, Royal Web (The Story of Princess Victoria & Frederick of Prussia), 348 pgs. (Index)

FISCHER-FABIAN, S., Prussia's Glory, 314 pgs, (Index)

GRANT, Michael, A Guide to the Ancient World. A Dictionary of Classical Place Names, 728 pgs.

GREEN, Bernard, The Timetables of History, 724 pgs. (Index)

HARRISON, John and SULLIVAN, Richard, A Short History of Western Civilization, 729 pgs. (Index and maps)

HOLMES, George (Editor), The Oxford Illustrated History of Medieval Europe, 398 pgs. (Index)

LACEY, Robert, Majesty - Elizabeth and the House of Windsor, 349 pgs., (Index)

LONGFORD, Elizabeth, Queen Victoria, 628 pgs. (Index)

Military Service Records, A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications, 330 pgs.

POWER, Eileen, Medieval People, 239 pgs. (Index)

RIASANOVSKY, Nicholas V, A History of Russia, 695 pgs. (Index)

SCHAEFFER, Christina Kassabian, The Hidden Half of the Family - A Sourcebook for Women's Genealogy, 298 pgs. (Index)

WESTER, Fr. Kevin J. (Researcher/Compiler), Wisconsin's Grand Duchy Vol. 1, Ozaukee Co., WI

WEUR, Alison, Eleanor of Aquitaine, 435 pgs.

WHITNEY, David, (Revised and Updated by WHITNEY, Robin Vaughn), American Presidents 8th Edition, 595 pgs.

WILLIS, F. Roy, Western Civilization, An Urban Perspective, Vol. II Second Edition, 601 pgs. (Index)

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LEHANE, Brendan, **Ireland**, (Maps, Photographs)

Donated by Robert **KENNARD**

WHITELY, Joan Burkhart, **Young Las Vegas**, 237 pgs.

Donated by Peggy **LUTHY**

The Dutchess – Periodical of the Dutchess County Genealogical Society, Surname Index Vol. 1, Summer 2002 Vol. 29 #4, Fall-Winter 2001 Vol. 29 #1

GREELEY, Andrew, **The Irish Americans, The Rise to Money & Power**, 215 pgs. (Index)

“Handy Tips on Immigration, Emigration & Naturalization Sources”, Published by The Everton Helper (This will be in the lateral file)

“Handy Tips to Your Genealogical Research in Germany” (This will be filed in the lateral file)

WANT TO LEARN THE COMPUTER?

While most of the members of CCNGS are familiar with the computer to various degrees, there are some who do not have that expertise and have expressed an interest in learning “the computer”. Here is some information that might help if you are one of those individuals.

SeniorNet is a nonprofit organization formed in 1986 to provide senior adults with educational opportunities to access computers and the Internet. Their unique “Seniors Teaching Seniors” approach has made it possible for a new group of citizens to participate in the information age.

The Las Vegas SeniorNet Learning Center offers classes such as: Computer FUNDamentals, Word Processing, Windows Operating Systems, Internet/Scanning/Digital Imaging, Repair and Maintenance, Basic Windows XP, Data base, Spreadsheets, and Graphics Design.

Membership may be obtained for \$40.00 for the first year, then \$30.00 thereafter. Membership fees are fully tax deductible. Membership allows eligibility for the computer training, a quarterly newsletter, member discounts, special discounts from computer software, hardware and other supporting companies.

For more information you can contact SeniorNet at 6615 S. Eastern Ave., Ste 104, Las Vegas, NV 89117, (702) 363-2626 or online at

www.seniornet.org.

So if you need to learn how to use the computer, here is your opportunity...start with Computer FUNDamentals and then work your way through some of the other classes if you are interested. You might also speak with our member, Jacques **SWEENEY**, who can fill you in with further details about SeniorNet.

GIVING SOMEONE THE COLD SHOULDER

When a guests would over stay their welcome as house guests, the hosts would (instead of feeding them good, warm meals) give their too-long staying guests the worst part of the animal, not warmed, but the **COLD SHOULDER**.

CANADIAN CIVIL SERVICE LIST 1872 - 1918

Canadian Civil Service salaries published online



The world's largest collection of Canadian Civil Service records are now available on the internet.

Familyrelatives.com today launched over 200,000 **Canadian Civil Service records** for the period 1872-1918. The fully searchable records offer a fascinating insight into the machinery of government - from the Governor General's office and those employed in Parliament (House of Commons & Senate) to the 10 people in the "Slide and Boom" Service of the Inland Revenue all of whom are meticulously accounted for. The

online records reveal the civil servant's name, position, department, length of service, salary and date of appointment.

The period covers the early years of the Dominion of Canada from 1872 through to the end of the First World War, When immigration to North America was increasing, Canada saw the majority of migrants arriving from Britain and Ireland which accounted for a large proportion of the Government Service Lists. In 1870 this influx reached its highest level.

The earliest Returns detail the origin and creed of those in the civil service. Canadians were described as French or British or even Irish and German but these distinctions eventually disappear.

When Engineers were paid more than lawyers

Interestingly the highest paid civil servant in 1872 was the Scottish born Sir Sandford **FLEMING**, who was fondly known as the "Inventor of Standard Time" as well as being the founder of the Canadian Institute. The 19th Century was the Age of Steam and the innovator **FLEMING** was the Chief Engineer for the Intercolonial Railway (later to become the Canadian National Railway) who earned \$4,800. The importance of **FLEMING**'s position is underscored by the fact the Deputy to the Minister of Justice was paid only Canadian \$2,600. An Under Secretary of State fared somewhat better with an annual salary of \$2,840 - by contrast a labourer earned as little as 70 cents a day, the equivalent of \$18.70 today. At that time the average annual wage was \$1,695.

In 1872 there were 3,704 civil servants which increased to 8,312 by 1909. The latest figures show that there are now over 454,000 Canadian civil servants.

Included in this online collection are individuals who shaped and transformed the country in those early days. One of these was Richard Burton **DEANE**, an officer and author educated in India and Ipswich (England) who in July 1883 was appointed by the Prime Minister Sir John A. **MacDONALD** as an inspector in the North-West Mounted Police in July 1883. After the North-West rebellion **DEANE** became responsible for the prisoners, including Louis **RIEL** one of the most controversial figures in Canadian history.

These comprehensive records spanning 47 formative years of Canada Administration are a vital part of the Dominion's development and the source for family historians whose forebears left Britain for a new life and in many cases reached importance and fame in their adopted country. The collection is available online to all members and by way of an annual subscription of only £30.00 or US \$50.00 with other datasets at www.familyrelatives.com

QUERIES



BENNER, FLUGLE, JONES, OVER, RUSSELL, SUTTONS, WATERS

Looking for other descendants of Samuel **WATERS**; b. 1805 in PA, and his wife Leah **OVER** b. 1811 in PA. They m. 12 Apr 1824 in Bedford, PA; they had a large family. I identified 12 of their children: 1) John F.; b. Abt. 1829 in Bedford, PA; m. "Mary"; 2) David Y.; b. Abt. 1831 in Bedford, PA; d. 1865 in the Civil War, left dau Anna; b. Abt. 1856; 3) Anna M.; b. Nov 1833 in Bedford, PA; m. Henry M. **RUSSELL** d. Aug 1913; 4) Isaac O.; b. 23 Mar 1837 in Bedford, PA; m. Sallie **JONES** d. 2 Apr 1901 in Howard Co, MO; 5) Ellen; b. 1839 in Bedford, PA; m. James W. **BENNER**; 6) Eliza b. 11 Feb 1841 in Bedford, PA; m. Royal A. **SUTTON**; 7) James B.; b. 1843 in Bedford, PA; 8) William; b. 1845 in Bedford, PA; 9) Charles V.; b. Mar 1851 (twin) on the banks of the Ohio River; m. Elizabeth "Lizzie" M. **FLUGLE**; 10) Kate L.; b. Mar 1851 (twin) on the banks of the Ohio River; 11) Jennie; b. Abt. 1854 in Urbana, IL; 12) Emma; b. Abt. 1866 in Urbana, IL. The family moved from Bedford, PA to Urbana, IL in March of 1851, taking a steam boat down the Ohio River. The boat capsized in OH, sending all of their household goods to the bottom of the river. Everyone was fine, but Leah gave birth to twins Charles and Kate on the river bank. They eventually bought the old Urbana House, refurbished and renamed it the Pennsylvania House. Samuel served a couple of terms as an Alderman, and several family members served in the Civil War from Urbana. Samuel d. Sep 1868, Leah; d. Oct 1868.

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BIHSON, BEHSON, BISSON, HAREN

Looking for ancestors, relatives, parents, siblings and descendants of Peter **BIHSON**, b Jun 1860 believed to be in Gernersheim County, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER. Died after 1930. Immigrated to the USA in 1879 and naturalized in 1884. Resided in Center, Monroe, OH, occupation farmer. Married Margaret **HAREN** in 1886. Margaret **HAREN** b. Nov 1860 in OH and died between 1920 and 1930 probably in OH. Children include Clara Josephine **BIHSON** b. 21 Sep 1886 in Monroe County, OH, never married, died May 1975 in Woodsfield, Monroe, OH; Joseph **BIHSON**, b. March 1891 in OH; Laura **BIHSON** b. Oct 1894, in OH; Philomena **BIHSON**, b. Jan 1897 in OH, never married. Peter **BIHSON** may have a brother, John who lived in Jersey City, NJ. Alternate spellings include: **BISSON, BISHON, BEHSON**.

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BRUGGER, HEID, SCHWAB, VEIT, WESCHLER

Looking for ancestors, relatives, siblings and descendants of Simon **HEID** b. 16 Oct 1845 in Neupotz, Gernersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, Ger.; d. 24 Apr 1902 in Erie, PA. Father John Adam **HEID**, mother Margaretha **VEIT**. Simon arrived at Castle Garden, NY 13 May 1872 on ship **DEUSCHLAND**. Simon m. Mary Elizabeth **WESCHLER** 12 May 1881 at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Erie, PA. Mary Elizabeth **WESCHLER** b. 13 Jan 1853 in Erie, PA and d. 17 Sep 1899 in Erie, PA. Children include Charles Michael **HEID** m. Anna Mary **BRUGGER**; Frank Peter **HEID** m. Anna Elizabeth **SCHWAB**; Simon, Frederick, Adam, Edward J. and John Jacob **HEID**. Religion is Roman Catholic. Several may be buried in Trinity Cemetery, W. Lake Rd., Erie, PA.

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CASTILE, HOFELE, TURNEY

Looking for birth *parents* of Harry P **TURNEY** b. 1890 TX. His *parents* b. TX.

1930 Census - Harry m. 1920/1930 Grace

CASTILE b. abt 1897, MO. Grace **CASTILE**

(1st m) to George **HOFELE**; had son James O. **HOFELE** b. 24 Dec 1916. James O. **HOFELE** changed name to James O. **TURNEY**.

1930 census - Grace **CASTILE** (2nd m) 1920/1930 to Harry P **TURNEY**; had son, Harry P. **TURNEY, Jr.**, b. abt 1928 IL

James **TURNEY**, 1708 Cheddar Street, Las Vegas, NV 89117-1290; 702-341-6893; Jtcheddar@aol.com

DIERKES

Looking for info on Maria Charlotta **DIERKES** who emigrated from Eissen, Ger. Her parents: Bernard Joseph **DIERKES** and Maria Gertrud.

Margaret **LOUIS** 2479 Walsh Glen Ct., Henderson, NV 89052, margaret.louis@unlv.edu

DISSE, SCHULZE

Looking for info (b, m) for Anna Maria **DISSE** who immigrated from Westphalei area of Ger. abt 1854. She came with husband Johannes F **SCHULZE** and daughters Maria Anna and Helena.

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DODGE

Looking for parents of Aaron **DODGE** of Wiscassette, MA; b. abt 1791 or 1794 along with a sister Lydia.

Linda L **COOK**, 4330 El Esteban Way, Las Vegas, NV; (702) 458-8448; bllcook15@cox.net

ENSIGN, VANAUKEN

Seeking desc of Fred **VANAUKEN** (b. 1860) and wife, Alice (**EN-SIGN**) **VANAUKEN** (b. May 4, 1862). Originally from Dansville, Livingston, NY. May have relocated to the Rochester, Monroe, NY area. Ch were Charles, Harry, Edna, Augsta, Howard, Eva and Fred. Ron **HUGHES**, 2271 Bildad Dr., Henderson, NV 89044; (702) 270-6955; rondh@cox.net

FREED / FRIED, HESSON

Seeking anc of Philip John **FRIED**, b. 1795 PA. M. Elizabeth **HES-SON**, b. MD abt 1804.

Donna **BALLEW** 2808 Lakecrest Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89128; 702-647-2412; donnaballew@juno.com

FRY(E), TRICE

Need info on Retta L. **FRY(E) TRICE**, d. 25 April 1914, Burlington, Des Moines Co. Iowa. Parents were Thomas and Mary V. **FRY(E)**. Who was Retta's husband? Where was she buried?

Mac **PURSEL**, 4015 W. Arby Ave; Las Vegas, NV 89118; PURSEL@COX.NET

GASKINS, SMITH

Looking for birth *parents* and sibs of Cora Jean **SMITH** (adopted name; infant adoption) b. 21 Oct 1934 TN. Adopted *parents* Ernest **SMITH** b. 30 Sep 1895 TN; d. 17 Jul 1978 Memphis, TN; m. 26 Dec 1931 Hattie Julia **GASKINS** b. 9 Apr 1899 Lake City, SC; d. May 1961 Hamburg, AR.

Linda D. **TURNEY**, 1708 Cheddar Street, Las Vegas, NV 89117-1290; 702-341-6893; Jtcheddar@aol.com

GERHLEIN, HEINTZ, MERZ, VEIT

Looking for ancestors, relatives, siblings and descendants of Lawrence F. **GERHLEIN** b. 22 Nov 1807 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, Ger., d. 24 Sep 1881 in Harbor Creek/Erie, PA. Wife Magdalena **HEINTZ**, b. 25 Apr 1812 in Hördt, Germersheim, d. 18 Dec 1893 in Erie, PA.; m. between 28-31 Aug 1835 in Neupotz, Germersheim, Ger.. Children include Jacob b 23 Feb 1839, d. 9 Apr 1915 in Erie, PA; m. Katherine **VEIT**; Caspar, b 22-29 Oct 1840, d 1 Oct 1926 in Erie, PA m. Philomina **MERZ**; Philippina, b 13 Mar 1843, d. 19 Oct 1922 in Erie, PA, m. George C. **MERZ**. Religion - Roman Catholic. Several are believed buried in Trinity Cemetery, W. Lake Rd., Erie, PA. John G. **FISCHER**, 4532 Wisconsin Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104-5515; 702-457-0486; lucky1570@cox.net

HOLLIS / HOLLINS

Looking for fa and grandparents of William I. **HOLLIS**, b. Dec 1882 Winston, MS. Mo Kitty/Ketty **HOLLIS/HOLLINS** b. Oct 1864; widowed farmer. Sisters of William: Maud M b. Jun 1890 and Lucy b. May 1896. Linda D. **TURNNEY**, 1708 Cheddar Street, Las Vegas, NV 89117-1290; 702-341-6893; Jtcheddar@aol.com

HÖNEL, LANDA, SEDLACEK

Looking for ancestors, relatives, siblings and descendants of Anna **LANDA** b. abt 1810 in Serovitz/Cernovice, County of Tabor, District of Pocatake, Bohemia/Czech. d. abt 1880 place unknown maybe Vienna (Wien), Austria. m. to Johann **SEDLACEK**, farmer in Serovitz, abt 1848. Dau Anna Christina **SEDLACEK** b. abt 1850 in Serovitz. d. unk in Austria, probably Vienna (Wien). Anna Christina **SEDLACEK** m. Johann Edmund **HÖNEL**, 24 Oct 1870 in St Peter and Paul Roman Catholic Church, District XIII, Erdburg, Vienna, Austria. He was b. 1833 in Serovitz also. Relationship g-g grandmother. Email: John at pineplain@gmail.com

KENNARD, ROBINSON

Looking for info on parents and siblings of Joseph R **KENNARD** b. May 1825, d. 1913; m. 1852 Anne(ie) **ROBINSON** in Baltimore, MD. Joseph was a farmer from 1860-1900 in Queen Anne's Co, MD. Robert **KENNARD** Jr. 6504 White Swan Circle, Las Vegas, NV 89108-1812; Fax: (702) 258-4099; RKennardLV@COX.NET

MCFEE, RYAN

Seeking siblings of Paul Emerson **RYAN** b. 17 July 1883 in Williamsport, PA. P are Mathian B. **RYAN** and Ada Manze **MCFEE**. M. Rae **ZBIEGIEN** 9066 Edenbridge Court, Las Vegas, NV; zbieg@embarqmail.com

RUTNOSKI / RUTNOWSKI, SUMINSKI

Looking for any relatives of John **RUTNOSKI (RUTNOWSKI)** and Josephine **SUMINSKI** of Jersey City, Hudson Co, NJ 1900's - 1920; moved to MI in 1920's. Ch: Walter, Zigmund, Mary, Antoinette, Helen, Ted, Adele, John, Arthur and Norman of Detroit, Wayne Co, MI. John visited relatives in NJ early 1950's after d. of wife. Claudia **KOTEK** 2519 Stanwood Ave, Henderson, NV 89074; (702) 492-0035; cakoteknv@cox.net

SCHMIDT, SIEBERT

Seeking anc and desc of Michael and Helena **SCHMIDT** who lived in Beaver Falls, PA in 1910. Michael was employed as a watchman in a shovel works. He was 45 and Helena was 34. They were m. 18 years and had 7 ch; six living in 1910: Christina 15, Henry 14, Julius 11, Mike 8, Edward 3 and Martha 12/12. Edward and Martha b. in PA, but others were natives of "German/Poland". Sometime between 1910 and 1920, Christina m. Ben **SIEBERT** and relocated to Detroit, MI, where she and Ben. Charley **RECKER** Genbuff3@cox.net

SIEBERT

Need to know if Benjamin Rudolph **SIEBERT**, shown by LDS records as b. or bap. 27 May 1886 in "Staroje Hufte, Russia" was the same person as the 35 yr old Benjamin **SIEBERT**, b. in "Russia/Poland" who was living in Detroit, MI in 1920 with his wife, Christina, and 28 yr old brother, Herman. Charley **RECKER** Genbuff3@cox.net

SMITH

Looking for info on Earnest **SMITH**, Jr; b. abt 1920; d. in his 20s in a car accident; was a Guitar Entertainer in Nashville, TN; birth mother unk; fa - Ernest **SMITH**; b. 30 Sep 1895 TN; d. 17 Jul 1978 Memphis, TN. Linda D. **TURNNEY**, 1708 Cheddar Street, Las Vegas, NV 89117-1290; 702-341-6893; JTCHEDDAR@AOL.COM

SULLIVAN

Seeking to share info with desc of Michael and Catherine **SULLIVAN**, m. 5 Mar 1889 in Hurley, Iron Co., WI. Ch: John b. Sep 1890 (?), Joseph Patrick b. 21 Mar 1891, Mike b. 1893, Matthew b. 1895, Steven b. 1897, Mary b. 1899 all in WI; Francis b. 1902, Catherine b. 1904 and William b. 1906 in KS. Mo Catherine's brothers John (60) and Mike (49) lived with the family in Apr 1910 in Weir, KS (so. of Pittsburg, KS). Appears Michael d. bef 1920. In 1920 Catherine (58) is farm manager and 8 ch still at home. Helen **SMITH** 26 Quail Hollow Dr, Henderson, NV 89014; HSmithlv@cox.net

TAYLOR, WILCOX

Seeking info abt origins and fam of Col. George **WILCOX** who served in the 8th Regiment of KY militia under Zachary **TAYLOR** in the War of 1812. Was he the same person as the George **WILCOX** who later lived in Scott Co, VA, served in the VA legislature and left a will in Scott Co, VA dated 16 August 1828? Charles **RECKER** Genbuff3@cox.net

ROOM & BOARD

An apprentice would journey to another village to learn more about his craft (journeyman). There he would pay someone for his room, and food for his board.

Julia says: More to the point, the term "board" comes from the eating table. Before power tools, it was a great and lengthy effort to make smooth-hewn tables; people would make do with as few pieces as possible. Usually a table was just one board, sometimes two, set on trestles, making a long narrow surface to eat from. Coming to dinner was called "coming to the board," a table cloth was referred to as "board clothes," and when hired help or an apprentice came to stay, they paid in cash or service for their room (where they slept) and their "board" (what they ate). Note: the American colonials hated making boards suitable for tables so much that they often used split apart shipping crates; there are still examples to be found which have the painted names of the master of the house and the shipping agent/company on the underside.

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10 Steps to Start Your Family Tree

- 1. Gather what you already know about your family.** Scour your basement, attic and closets (and those of your family members) and collect family records, old photos, letters, diaries, photocopies from family Bibles, even newspaper clippings. E-mail far-flung relatives to ask whether they have records that may be of help for your genealogy quest.
- 2. Talk to your relatives.** Ask your parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles about their memories. Don't ask just about facts and dates—get the stories of their growing up and of the ancestors they remember. Try to phrase questions with "why," "how" and "what." (See our tips for oral-history interviewing.)
- 3. Put it on paper.** Write down what you know so you can decide what you don't know yet. Start with the five-generation "pedigree" chart available in our Free Forms section (and on Heritage Room computers).
- 4. Focus your search.** What are the blanks in your family tree? Don't try to fill them in all at once—focus on someone from the most recent generation where your chart is missing information. Try to answer that "mystery" first, then work backward in time.
- 5. Search the Internet.** The Internet is a terrific place to find leads and share information—but don't expect to "find your whole family tree" online. You can search many of the biggest databases of names on the Web with one click using One-Step Webpages by Stephen MORSE.
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- 7. Discover your local Family History Center.** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has more than 4,000 Family History Centers where you can tap the world's largest collection of genealogical information. To find the center nearest you, download our directory.
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- 9. Organize your new information.** Enter your findings in family tree software programs or on paper charts (make sure you note your sources). File photocopies and notes by family, geography or source so you can refer to them again. Decide what you want to focus on next.
- 10. Plan your next step.** Once you've exhausted your family sources, the Internet and the Family History Center, you may want to travel to places your ancestors lived to visit courthouses, churches, cemeteries and other places where old records are kept. This is also a rewarding way to walk in the footsteps of your ancestors and bring your heritage to life. You'll find that the quest to discover where you came from is fun, as exciting as a detective story, and never-ending.

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Organize Your Genealogy E-mail

by Rick CRUME

In this article: File messages in folders; Use descriptive subjects
Learn to flag messages; Act promptly; Keep an account for sign-ups

Genealogists are notorious for accumulating piles of "stuff." Some researchers' dining-room tables are so thick with pedigree charts, old family pictures and photocopied Bible records that their spouses have abandoned the idea of actually eating at the table. Others stash mountains of documents on their desks—or to be precise, where the desks used to be; no one's seen them in years.

Fortunately, we no longer gather so much paper. But we haven't abandoned our pack-rat ways. Now we collect computer files—census images, scanned pictures, digitized books, GEDCOM files and e-mail messages that clutter our hard drives. A word processing document lost in the morass of bits and bytes could just as well be a letter hiding in one of those towering stacks of paper.

Maybe you've resolved that this will be the year you finally get those files organized. Start with your e-mail. With these pointers, it will be far less scary than clearing off that dining-room table (we promise!).

•Put your messages in folders. Keeping all your incoming messages in your Inbox (and all the messages you've written in your Sent folder) can make it hard to locate an e-mail when you need it. Instead, group related e-mail messages in folders. You might create a Surnames folder with subfolders for specific names; a Places folder with subfolders for counties, states or countries; and a Genealogy folder with subfolders for general genealogy mailing lists and newsletters. Use an e-mail filing method that corresponds to the organization system on your hard drive so you remember it easily.

•Give your messages descriptive subjects. If you're writing about a family, include a surname and place, such as "Hall family of Pittsfield, Otsego Co., New York." That'll make it easy to identify a message's content and to file sent messages in the appropriate surname folders. (Hint: In the Outlook Macintosh version, you also can rename messages that you receive—just click a message once to select it, then go to Properties under the File menu. The message title will appear in the resulting dialog box; simply type over the text to edit it, and click OK. Now you're no longer stuck with a dozen vaguely titled "Robinson family" messages from your sixth cousin.)

•Flag messages. Most e-mail software—including Web-based mail services such as Yahoo! Mail, Hotmail and Gmail—lets you highlight important messages. Click in the flag column preceding a message listing in Outlook Express, and a red flag appears. In Outlook, each message's toolbar contains a flag button. Netscape Messenger lets you not only flag a message, but also color-code it. You could use colors to identify messages concerning different branches of your family.

•Act promptly. Don't let e-mails sit around in the folders or you'll never look at them again. Schedule a time each day or each week to respond to messages that require replies, or add new information from some message to your genealogy software. Then, delete messages you no longer need.

•Keep a separate account for sign-ups. Create a Web-based e-mail account just for registering with genealogy sites, online forums (such as FamilyTreeMagazine.com's) and newsletters.

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MEMBER AHNENTAFEL

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Amanda E MEHLER is John's Great Aunt:

Ancestors of Amanda E. MEHLER

Generation No. 1

1. Amanda E. MEHLER, b. 5 Feb 1910 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 18 Nov 1998 in Erie, Erie Co., PA. She was the daughter of 2. Joseph George MEHLER and 3. Catherine HEIDT. She m. (1) Hillis C. CAMPBELL 20 Oct 1934 in Erie, Erie Co., PA. He was b. 18 Sep 1910 in Latrobe, PA, and d. 16 Sep 1985 in Erie, PA.

Generation No. 2

2. Joseph George MEHLER, b. 5 Sep 1877 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 3 Sep 1960 in Erie, Erie Co., PA. He was the son of 4. Louis MEHLER, Sr and 5. Margaret D. (GER) HOFFMAN. He m. 3. Catherine HEIDT 11 Feb 1901 in St. Joseph's RC Church, Erie, PA.
3. Catherine HEIDT, b. 5 Dec 1878 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 24 Jul 1963 in Erie, Erie Co., PA. She was the daughter of 6. George (GER) HEIDT and 7. Theresa (GER) BEHR.

Children of Joseph MEHLER and Catherine HEIDT are:

- i. John G. MEHLER, b. 4 Jun 1902 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 24 Mar 1966 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Ruth Irene WITTENBURG 19 Aug 1925 in St Joseph's RC Rectory, Erie, PA; b. 10 May 1903 in USA; d. 27 Apr 1976 in Doctor's Osteopathic Hospital, Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- 1 ii. Amanda E. MEHLER, b. 5 Feb 1910 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 18 Nov 1998 in Erie Co., Erie, PA; m. Hillis C. CAMPBELL 20 Oct 1934 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- iii. Loretta C. MEHLER, b. 27 Apr 1912 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 21 Mar 1988 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. James Patrick CARROLL 1 Jul 1939 in Erie, PA; b. 27 May 1907 in Saegertown, Crawford Co., PA; d. 27 Feb 1974 in St Vincents Hospital, Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- iv. Margaret Theresa MEHLER, b. 28 Apr 1915 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Carl Edward RANDALL 30 Sep 1939 in St Joseph RC Church, Erie, PA; b. 18 Sep 1909 in Erie, PA; d. 18 Apr 2002 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- v. Gertrude I. MEHLER, b. 23 Oct 1917 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 12 Dec 2001 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. (1) John B. IGNASIAK 31 Dec 1941 in Erie, PA; b. 2 Mar 1918 in Erie, PA; d. 13 Oct 1974 in Erie, PA; m. (2) Roy STARRY 26 May 1978 in Erie, PA; b. 18 Jun 1919 in Erie, PA; d. 27 May 2003 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.

Generation No. 3

4. Louis MEHLER, Sr, b. 11 May 1847 in PA; d. Unknown in Detroit, MI?. He was the son of 8. ?MEHLER and 9. ?zz?. He m. 5. Margaret D. (GER) HOFFMAN 1869 in Erie, PA.
5. Margaret D. (GER) HOFFMAN, b. 14 May 1848 in GER; d. 20 Oct 1942 in Erie, Erie Co., PA. She was the daughter of 10. John Nicholas (GER) HOFFMAN and 11. Eva (GER) FATH.

Children of Louis MEHLER and Margaret HOFFMAN are:

- i. Elizabeth A. MEHLER, b. 1 Jul 1867 in Erie, PA; d. 27 Dec 1927 in Erie, PA; m. Joseph SCHILLING 12 Jul 1898 in Erie, PA; b. 1863 in Erie, PA; d. 11 Jun 1946 in Erie, PA.
- ii. Anna MEHLER, b. 1870 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 13 Sep 1927 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. John POSPIESKI abt 1890 in USA; b. 1863 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 10 Oct 1946 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- iii. Sebastino MEHLER, b. 1871 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. Unknown in US.
- iv. Louis (Lewis) Edward MEHLER, Jr, b. 17 Jan 1872 in Erie, PA; d. 31 Mar 1926 in Erie, PA; m. Nellie B. MURPHY 3 Oct 1895 in Erie, PA; b. 1872 in PA; d. 15 Aug 1957 in Erie, PA.
- 2 v. Joseph George MEHLER, b. 5 Sep 1877 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 3 Sep 1960 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Catherine HEIDT 11 Feb 1901 in St. Joseph's RC Church, Erie, PA.
- vi. Jacob MEHLER, b. 1880 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. Unknown in US.
- vii. John Bernard MEHLER, b. Nov 1886 in Erie, PA; d. abt 20 May 1920 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Lillian Forbes FELKER abt 1913 in U.S.; b. 1890 in PA; d. Unknown in U.S..
6. George (GER) HEIDT, b. 14 Jan 1840 in Neupotz (?), Rheinpfaltz, GER; d. 19 Nov 1925 in Erie, Erie Co., PA. He m. 7. Theresa (GER) BEHR 4 Jul 1870 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
7. Theresa (GER) BEHR, b. 31 Aug 1848 in Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz, GER; d. Jan 23, 1915 in Erie, Erie Co., PA. She was the daughter of 14. Johann Michael BEHR and 15. Maria Eva HOFFMAN.

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

- i. Anna **HEIDT**, b. 3 Sep 1874 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 4 Mar 1954 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. John George **FISCHER**, Sr 1 Jun 1903 in St. Joseph's RC Church, Erie, Erie Co., PA; b. 12 Nov 1876 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 19 Feb 1966 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- 3 ii. Catherine **HEIDT**, b. 5 Dec 1878 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 24 Jul 1963 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Joseph George **MEHLER** 11 Feb 1901 in St. Joseph's RC Church, Erie, PA.
- iii. William **HEIDT**, b. 10 Sep 1883 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. 1 Jan 1951 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.

Generation No. 4

8. ? **MEHLER**, b. abt 1825 in Bavaria, GER; d. Unknown in Unk. He m. 9. ? **zz?** abt 1846 in Unk.

9. ? **zz?**, b. abt 1826 in Bavaria, GER; d. Unknown in Unk.

Child of ? **MEHLER** and ? **zz?** is:

- 4 i. Louis **MEHLER**, Sr, b. 11 May 1847 in PA; d. Unknown in Detroit, MI?; m. Margaret D. (GER) **HOFFMAN** 1869 in Erie, PA.
10. John Nicholas (GER) **HOFFMAN**, b. 1824 in Krombach or Grosssteinhausen, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; d. 1873 in Erie, PA. He was the son of 20. Peter **HOFFMANN** and 21. Catherine **FUCHS**. He m. 11. Eva (GER) **FATH** abt 1842 in GER.
11. Eva (GER) **FATH**, b. 6 Jun 1811 in Bavaria, GER; d. 30 Apr 1904 in Erie, PA.

Children of John **HOFFMAN** and Eva **FATH** are:

- i. John **HOFFMAN**, b. 1843 in Bavaria, GER; d. 6 May 1919 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Mary **ERMAN** abt 1864 in U.S; b. 1848 in PA; d. 8 Jul 1939 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- ii. Mary Anna (GER) **HOFFMAN**, b. 30 Sep 1845 in GER; d. 16 May 1935 in Erie, PA; m. Conrad A. (GER) **DECK**, Sr 16 Jun 1863 in St Mary's RC Church, Erie, PA; b. 6 Feb 1837 in Wollmesheim, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; d. 24 Dec 1925 in Erie, PA.
- iii. Simon **HOFFMAN**, b. abt 1846 in unk; d. 5 Jun 1919 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Margaret **ILLIG** abt 1867 in unk; b. abt 1847 in unk; d. Unknown in unk.
- 5 iv. Margaret D. (GER) **HOFFMAN**, b. 14 May 1848 in GER; d. 20 Oct 1942 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Louis **MEHLER**, Sr 1869 in Erie, PA.
- v. Anna Marie **HOFFMAN**, b. abt 1849 in unk; d. Unknown in unk.
- vi. Adam J. **HOFFMAN**, b. 29 Aug 1850 in Erie, Erie, PA; d. 17 Feb 1927 in Erie, Erie, PA; m. Catherine **SITTERLE** abt 1865 in U.S; b. 1853 in PA; d. 17 Feb 1926 in U.S..
- vii. Samuel **HOFFMAN**, b. 1856 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; d. Unknown in US.
14. Johann Michael **BEHR**, b. 1 Aug 1817 in Neupotz, GER; d. 1 Nov 1880 in Neupotz, GER. He was the son of 28. Lorenz Christoph **BEHR** and 29. Eva Marie Barbara **HEID**. He m. 15. Maria Eva **HOFFMAN** 26 Apr 1844 in Neupotz, GER.
15. Maria Eva **HOFFMAN**, b. 16 Jun 1824 in Neupotz, GER; d. 20 Aug 1891 in Neupotz, GER. She was the daughter of 30. Johannes **HOFFMANN I** and 31. Eva Catherina **BURCK**.

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

- i. Carolina (GER) **BEHR**, b. 24 Aug 1845 in Neupotz, GER; d. 1 Feb 1907 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. Louis (GER) **BAUMANN** 29 Dec 1873 in St. Josephs RC Church, Erie, PA; b. 1833 in GER; d. 26 Jun 1892 in Erie, PA.
- 7 ii. Theresa (GER) **BEHR**, b. 31 Aug 1848 in Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz, GER; d. 23 Jan 1915 in Erie, Erie Co., PA; m. George (GER) **HEIDT** 4 Jul 1870 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- iii. Theodor **BEHR**, b. 27 Jan 1851 in Neupotz, GER; d. 16 Dec 1873 in U.S.
- iv. Tobias F. (GER) **BEHR**, b. 8 Mar 1854 in Neupotz, GER; d. 31 Dec 1918 in Erie, PA; m. Anna M. **WEIS** 1876 in Erie, PA; b. Jan 1856 in Franklin Center, PA; d. 3 May 1939 in Erie, PA.
- v. Anna **BEHR**, b. 28 Nov 1856 in Neupotz, GER; d. 12 Feb 1921 in Neupotz, GER; m. Eduard **BEHR** 12 Feb 1879 in Neupotz, GER; b. 19 Sep 1850 in Neupotz, GER; d. 26 Mar 1913 in Neupotz, GER.
- vi. Louis **BEHR**, b. 21 Mar 1861 in Neupotz, GER; d. 29 Jun 1924 in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
- vii. Maria Theresia **BEHR**, b. 11 Dec 1867 in Neupotz, GER; d. 26 Oct 1941 in Neupotz, GER; m. Otto **HEID** 16 Oct 1890 in GER; b. abt 1866 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.

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20. Peter **HOFFMANN**, b. abt 1794 in GER; d. Unknown in GER. He m. 21. Catherine **FUCHS** abt 1821 in GER.

21. Catherine **FUCHS**, b. abt 1795 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.

Child of Peter **HOFFMANN** and Catherine **FUCHS** is:

- 10 i. John Nicholas (GER) **HOFFMAN**, b. 1824 in Krombach or Grosssteinhausen, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; d. 1873 in Erie, PA; m. Eva (GER) **FATH** abt 1842 in GER.
28. Lorenz Christoph **BEHR**, b. 26 Nov 1767 in Neupotz, GER; d. 25 Jul 1833 in Neupotz, GER. He was the son of 56. Johann Adam **BEHR** and 57. Maria Anna **HEINTZ**. He m. 29. Eva Marie Barbara **HEID** 16 Jan 1804 in Neupotz, GER.
29. Eva Marie Barbara **HEID**, b. 16 Jul 1781 in Neupotz, GER; d. 20 Feb 1842 in Neupotz, GER. She was the daughter of 58. Johann Georg **HEID** and 59. Maria Anna **BURCK**.

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

- i. Eva Katharina **BEHR**, b. 27 Aug 1805 in Neupotz, GER; d. 8 Mar 1824 in Neupotz, GER.

- ii. Georg Jakob **BEHR**, b. 6 Feb 1807 in Neupotz, GER; d. 27 Oct 1835 in Neupotz, GER.
 - iii. Katharina Elizabeth **BEHR**, b. 28 Sep 1809 in Neupotz, GER; d. 20 Jun 1875 in Neupotz, GER; m. Georg Adam **RÖTHER** 20 Nov 1835 in Neupotz, GER; b. 23 Sep 1808 in Neupotz, GER; d. 19 Sep 1886 in Neupotz, GER.
 - iv. Ferdinand **BEHR**, b. 26 Mar 1815 in Neupotz, GER; d. 5 Oct 1870 in Neupotz, GER; m. Regina (GER) **ANTONI** 1 Sep 1839 in Neupotz, GER; b. 20 Jan 1816 in Neupotz, GER; d. Unknown in Erie, Erie Co., PA.
 - 14 v. Johann Michael **BEHR**, b. 1 Aug 1817 in Neupotz, GER; d. 1 Nov 1880 in Neupotz, GER; m. Maria Eva **HOFFMAN** 26 Apr 1844 in Neupotz, GER.
 - vi. Jakob **BEHR**, b. 10 Feb 1819 in Neupotz, GER; d. 8 Apr 1881 in Neupotz, GER; m. (1) Eva Katharina **ANTONI** 10 Nov 1843 in Neupotz, GER; b. 22 Apr 1823 in GER; d. 2 Sep 1862 in GER; m. (2) Maria Anna **RÖTHER** 30 Oct 1862 in Neupotz, GER; b. 19 Sep 1832 in Neupotz, GER; d. 3 Mar 1899 in Neupotz, GER.
 - vii. Regina **BEHR**, b. 9 Dec 1821 in Neupotz, GER; d. 9 Oct 1876 in Neupotz, GER; m. Peter **BECKER** 17 Aug 1846 in Neupotz, GER; b. abt 1820 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.
 - viii. Eva Katharina **BEHR**, b. 17 Aug 1825 in Neupotz, GER; d. 3 Feb 1892 in Neupotz, GER; m. Tobias **HEID / HEIDT** 21 Apr 1849 in GER; b. 15 Jun 1827 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.
30. Johannes I **HOFFMANN** b. 17 Sep 1791 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Unknown in Neupotz, GER. He was the son of 60. Georg Adam **HOFFMANN** and 61. Eva Margaritha **SCHWAB**. He m. 31. Eva Catherina **BURCK** 10 Feb 1823 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, GER.
31. Eva Catherina **BURCK**, b. 22 Aug 1797 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Unknown in GER. She was the daughter of 62. Johannes Peter **BURCK** and 63. Eva Katharina **GEHRLEIN**.

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

- 15 i. Maria Eva **HOFFMAN**, b. 16 Jun 1824 in Neupotz, GER; d. 20 Aug 1891 in Neupotz, GER; m. Johann Michael **BEHR** 26 Apr 1844 in Neupotz, GER.

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- 56. Johann Adam **BEHR**, b. 9 Nov 1726 in Neupotz, Pfalz, GER; d. 30 Jan 1785 in Neupotz, GER. He was the son of 112. Johann Georg **BEHR** and 113. Anna Maria **SCHWAB**. He m. 57. Maria Anna **HEINTZ** 24 Jan 1757 in Neupotz, Pfalz, GER.
- 57. Maria Anna **HEINTZ**, b. 18 Nov 1736 in Neupotz, Pfalz, GER; d. abt 1785 in Neupotz, GER. She was the daughter of 114. Johann Georg (Hans Jurg) **HEINTZ** and 115. Maria Eva **WÜNSCHEL**.

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

- i. Maria Eva **BEHR**, b. 7 Dec 1757 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; d. 12 Feb 1832 in Neupotz, GER; m. (1) Johannes **MARTHALER** 1786 in GER; b. 1756 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Unknown in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; m. (2) Georg Adam **GÖTZ** abt 1810 in GER; b. abt 1756 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.
 - ii. Johann Christopher **BEHR**, b. 28 Oct 1760 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; d. 27 Oct 1767 in GER.
 - iii. Anna Catherine **BEHR**, b. 16 Nov 1762 in Neupotz, Pfalz, GER; d. 12 Dec 1835 in GER; m. Johann Georg **MARTHALER** 12 Feb 1793 in GER; b. 20 Apr 1766 in GER; d. 1795 in GER.
 - iv. Eva Barbara **BEHR**, b. 4 Jul 1765 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; d. 4 Jan 1826 in GER; m. Johann Nikolaus **KREGGER** 1795 in Neupotz, GER; b. 27 Jun 1759 in Neupotz, Bayern, GER; d. 19 Apr 1811 in Neupotz, Bayern, GER.
 - 28 v. Lorenz Christoph **BEHR**, b. 26 Nov 1767 in Neupotz, GER; d. 25 Jul 1833 in Neupotz, GER; m. (1) Veronika Maria **BURCK** 1794 in Neupotz, GER; m. (2) Eva Marie Barbara **HEID** 16 Jan 1804 in Neupotz, GER.
 - vi. Georg Jacob **BEHR**, b. 20 Sep 1770 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; d. 27 May 1848 in Neupotz, GER; m. Eva Katharina **WÜNSCHEL** 13 Apr 1801 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. 17 Mar 1779 in Neupotz, GER; d. 16 Nov 1833 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, GER.
 - vii. Johann Adam **BEHR**, b. 12 May 1776 in Neupotz, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; d. Unknown in GER.
58. Johann Georg **HEID**, b. 7 May 1746 in Neupotz, GER; d. 29 May 1808 in Neupotz, GER. He m. 59. Maria Anna **BURCK** 4 May 1772 in Neupotz, GER.
59. Maria Anna **BURCK**, b. 19 Dec 1752 in Neupotz, Bayern, GER; d. abt 1808 in Neupotz, Bayern, GER.

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

- 29 i. Eva Marie Barbara **HEID**, b. 16 Jul 1781 in Neupotz, GER; d. 20 Feb 1842 in Neupotz, GER; m. Lorenz Christoph **BEHR** 16 Jan 1804 in Neupotz, GER.
60. Georg Adam **HOFFMANN**, b. 3 Feb 1760 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. 1 Jan 1814 in Neupotz, GER. He was the son of 120. Johann Hans Adam **HOFFMANN** and 121. Maria Margarethe **GEHRLEIN**. He m. 61. Eva Margaritha **SCHWAB** 23 Feb 1784 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, GER.
61. Eva Margaritha **SCHWAB**, b. 13 Oct 1760 in Neupotz, GER; d. 8 Dec 1813 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER.

Children of Georg **HOFFMANN** and Eva **SCHWAB** are:

- i. Johannes Peter **HOFFMANN**, b. 13 Jun 1784 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. 11 Mar

1849 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; m. Regina **HESSELSCHWERT** 23 Nov 1807 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. abt 1785 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.

- ii. Georg Philip **HOFFMANN**, b. 14 Oct 1786 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. 1869 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; m. Eva Catharina **PFISTER** 24 Jan 1815 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. abt 1787 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.
 - iii. Francis Philip **HOFFMANN**, b. 15 Mar 1789 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Unknown in GER; m. Margretha **PFISTER** 14 Jan 1811 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. 1792 in Neupotz, Bayern, GER; d. Unknown in GER.
 - 30 iv. Johannes **HOFFMANN** I, b. 17 Sep 1791 in Leimersheim, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Unknown in Neupotz, GER; m. (1) Apollonia **VEIT** 26 May 1813 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, GER; m. (2) Eva Catherina **BURCK** 10 Feb 1823 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, GER.
 - v. Regina **HOFFMANN**, b. 24 Feb 1796 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. 11 May 1852 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; m. Johann Adam **GEHRLEIN** Bet. 7-12 Jan 1819 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. 6 Feb 1788 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. 23 Jun 1848 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER.
 - vi. Margretha **HOFFMANN**, b. 14 May 1799 in GER; d. 29 Nov 1839 in GER; m. Johannes Peter/Adam **ANTONI** 7 Jun 1825 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. abt 1798 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.
 - vii. Maria Barbara **HOFFMANN**, b. 23 Sep 1807 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Unknown in GER; m. Salomon **ZIEMER** 9 Sep 1824 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. 21 Aug 1801 in Neupotz, Bayern, GER; d. 31 Oct 1861 in Neupotz, Bayern, GER.
- 62.** Johannes Peter **BURCK**, b. 28 May 1769 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Feb 25, 1818 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER. He was the son of **124.** Johannes Adam **BURCK** and **125.** Anna Rosina **HOFFMANN**. He m. **63.** Eva Katharina **GEHRLEIN** 1795 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER.
- 63.** Eva Katharina **GEHRLEIN**, b. 23 Jul 1773 in Neupotz, Bayern, GER; d. 5 Dec 1845 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER. She was the daughter of **126.** Johann Baptist **GEHRLEIN** and **127.** Margarethe **GEHRLEIN**.

Children of Johannes **BURCK** and Eva **GEHRLEIN** are:

- 31 i. Eva Catherina **BURCK**, b. 22 Aug 1797 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Unknown in GER; m. Johannes I **HOFFMANN** 10 Feb 1823 in Leimersheim, Pfalz, Bayern, GER.
- ii. Johannes Wendel **BURCK**, b. 10 Oct 1802 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. 10 Dec 1835 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; m. Maria Elisabeth **GEHRLEIN** 20 Oct 1828 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. abt 1803 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.
- iii. Johannes Peter **BURCK**, b. 2 Oct 1805 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; d. Unknown in GER; m. Eva Margretha **HAMMER** 20 Nov 1832 in Neupotz, Rheinland-Pfalz, GER; b. abt 1806 in GER; d. Unknown in GER.

CAN YOU HELP IDENTIFY THIS MEDALLIAN AND ITS HISTORY?

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My name is Judy. I have been trying to find out information about this medallion that has an elk in the center of it and four symbols around the elk. I was researching elks and indians in 1865. Can you tell me anything about this medal?

It has 4 symbols around the elk that is in the center. It is approximately two inches in diameter and looks like a bronze or copper type metal.



HENDRIX 1850 CENSUS

CAUSE FOR CONFUSION

Submitted by William WARD (CCNGS)

While researching census records for my ancestors in Missouri, I discovered an odd happening with the 1850 Federal Census. Beginning in 1848 with the discovery of gold in California, many mid-westerners made the rush to find their share. One of my great-grandfathers, William HENDRIX, made that trek to California with his 19 year old son, James, late in 1850. We knew this from other family data. My niece and co-administrator of our Family History site was curious about the time-line for this California excursion and discovered the 1850 Federal Census for El Dorado, California wasn't enumerated until 22 November 1850. This created an odd double counting for that census. The regular census for Audrain Co., Missouri was enumerated on 21 August 1850 and William and son James also appeared in that record with the rest of the family.

At least eight Audrain Co. farmers made the trip and all of them were counted again in Placerville, El Dorado, California on 22 November 1850. Here are extracts from those two census records:

Federal Census, District 4, Audrain Co., Missouri, page 169, lines 16 through 20, dwelling no.194, family number 211, enumerated 21 August 1850 by W. P. Harrison.

Wm. Hendrix, 46 male, place of birth - Kentucky, occupation - farmer, value of real estate owned - \$900.00
Judith A., 35 female, place of birth - Kentucky
James D., 18 male, place of birth - Kentucky
Richard, 16 male, place of birth - Kentucky
Franklin, 15 male, place of birth - Kentucky (would be Francis)
Launance, 9 male, place of birth - Missouri (would be Lawrence)
Whitney, 7 male, place of birth - Missouri (would be Whitley)
Ellen, 5 female, place of birth - Missouri
Mary A., 3 female, place of birth - Missouri
Affiah, 6 month female, place of birth - Missouri

1850 United States Federal Census, Placerville and Vicinity, El Dorado, California, page 606, enumerated 22 November 1850 by Andrew Copfinbeny

Lines 22 - 25, Dwelling Number (blank), Family Number 20
Madison Davis, 27 male, place of birth - Kentucky, occupation - mining for gold, approximate dollar amount of gold mined each day - \$5.00, value of real estate owned - blank, cannot read or write.

James Sims, 22 male, place of birth Missouri, occupation - mining for gold, approximate dollar amount of gold mined each day - \$5.00, value of real estate owned - blank

William Barnett, 22 male, place of birth - Missouri, occupation - mining for gold, approximate dollar amount of gold mined each day - \$5.00, value of real estate owned - \$200.00.

John Dingle, 30 male, place of birth - Kentucky, occupation - mining for gold, approximate dollar amount of gold mined each day - \$5.00, value of real estate owned - \$1,000.00.

Line 34, Dwelling Number (blank), Family Number 20

Leander P Pearson 20 male, place of birth - North Carolina, occupation - mining for gold, approximate dollar amount of gold mined each day - \$4.00, value of real estate owned - blank

Line 37 - 39, Dwelling Number (blank), Family Number 31

William D Bourne, 32 male, place of birth - Kentucky, occupation - mining for gold, approximate dollar amount of gold mined each day - \$5.00, value of real estate owned - blank

William Hendrix, 45 male, place of birth - Kentucky, occupation - mining for gold, approximate dollar amount of gold mined each day - \$5.00, value of real estate owned - \$1200.00

James Hendrix, 19 male, place of birth - Kentucky, occupation - mining for gold, approximate dollar amount of gold mined each day - \$5.00, value of real estate owned - blank

Sorting Out Duplicate Children

by LaRae FREE KERR

There may be duplicate children – by different names – in your family tree.

How many children did John Belcher FREE and his wife, Emeline STEPHENS, have? There were John Finley, Margaret, Edwin, Ada Estalome and Euphrasia. Plus there were Nettie, Mattie, Sophia, and Jenetta. That makes nine children. As you will see, however, there were actually only six children. But which were they? Amazingly, Nettie, Mattie, Sophia and Jenetta were all the same child. Her name was Sophia Jenetta FREE, but she was listed four times on a family group record. Do any of your family group records list too many children? Here's a protocol for getting the kids right.

First, when you look at a family group sheet, what clues would suggest all is not well with the children? If there is a Bob and a Robert, a Sarah and a Sary, a Mary and a Molly and/or a Polly, you probably have a case of doubled children. In the case of Sophia Jenetta, our family knew her only by the nickname Nettie. So this is the first clue: Are regular names interspersed with nicknames?

The second clue is a clustering of birth dates. Nettie, Mattie, Sophia and Jenetta were all born about 1850, some 1849, some 1851; the dates were too close to be possible.

The third clue is a bit more challenging. Are the name and the nickname(s) ever mentioned as separate people in any documents? Sophia Jenetta was given the name Nettie in the century-old family group sheets I inherited. But the 1850 census listed only two children in the family, John F and Sophia J. The 1860 census listed a Sophia. So where was the Nettie of our family records? The 1880, 1900 and 1930 censuses give her name as Nettie. A marriage record calls her Mattie. But the telling clue that I was dealing with one person rather than four, was that only one person near Nettie's age ever showed up in any given record for the family.

Use the above clues to determine if any of your family group records need a second look. Then follow these steps to solve any problems.

1. Record all the names for a family with their dates and sources, creating a timeline for the family as a whole. Then compare children.

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CLARK Co. SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Prospector is pleased to continue a series of articles which feature schools in the Clark Co. (Nevada) School District named in honor of individuals from the Clark Co., Nevada area. The information presented has been extracted from material derived from each of the schools so honored.



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Revered Jesse D. SCOTT

On September 11, 2006, the School Name Committee considered recommendations of names for approval. It was recommended that an elementary school be named for Jesse D. **SCOTT**.

Jesse D. **SCOTT** was born in 1920 in Ethel, Louisiana. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Post-graduate work was done at the University of Southern California. In 1992, the Board of Regents honored him as a Distinguished Nevadan for the Nevada System of High Education.

Jesse D. **SCOTT** has devoted his life to active involvement in civic and community organizations. He has worked with and given support to the children of Clark County for the past 36 years by visiting various schools throughout the district and reading to students and encouraging them to succeed and to stay in school. His motto was: "To learn, to achieve, to excel, to graduate." He met with administrators and teachers at various school levels to encourage tolerance and nondiscrimination in academics, sports, and other extracurricular activities.

Jesse D. **SCOTT** served as executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in 1970, and has been a member for more than 50 years. In addition, he served as executive director of the Nevada Equal Rights Commission (NERC), as commissioner on the Nevada Parole Board, as an employment specialist for the City of Las Vegas, and as chairman and co-organizer of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Community Relations Board. He is a former member of the Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County and Governor Bob **MILLER**'s Blue Ribbon Committee on the Overgrowing of Prisoners in Nevada. He is also a member of the Southern University Alumni Association, president of the Nevada Voter's League, and has served on the Clark County Democratic Party's Central Committee and the Board of Directors Habitat of Nevada.

Well known in the community as the Reverend Jesse D. **SCOTT**, he is the former pastor of the Second Christian Church, former member of the Ministers' Alliance Association of Southern Nevada, and co-organizer and member of the Pastor's Conference of Southern Nevada. He was a weekly writer for the Las Vegas Sentinel Voice and formerly hosted various radio stations. Currently, he serves as



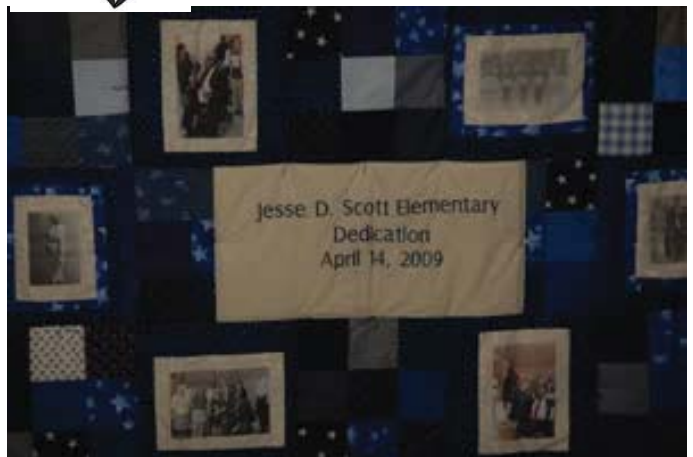
assistant to the pastor of the Second Baptist Church.

On 14 April 2009 the Rev. Jesse **SCOTT** Elementary School located at 5700 N. Bruce Street in North Las Vegas was dedicated.



School Motto

"Climbing Higher ...Preparing for Tomorrow by Doing Our Best Today"



20 Ways to Avoid Genealogical Grief

Here are some suggestions to help beginners prevent misfortune when learning how to do genealogical research. Many of these tips are "old hat" to experienced genealogists, but it is always worthwhile to remind ourselves of the basics of sound research.

1. Always note the source of information that you record or photocopy, and date it too. If the material is from a book, write the name, author, publisher, year of publication, ISBN or ISSN (if it has one), and also the library where you found it (or else photocopy the title page). Occasionally you'll find that you need to refer to a book again, or go back to great aunt Matilda to clarify something she told you.
2. Talk to all your older-generation relatives (before they're all gone and you're the older generation!). Even a distant relative can be a goldmine of information about your ancestors.
3. Make photocopies or keep backups of all letters and e-mail messages you send. This will save you from wondering which of your correspondents' questions you've already answered and which of your questions they have or haven't answered.
4. Don't procrastinate in responding to letters or messages you receive. If you don't have time to write a detailed reply, send your correspondent a quick message or postcard to acknowledge receipt and tell her/him approximately when you'll send them a more complete reply. Then be sure to write back as you've promised.
5. Make frequent backups of your computer disks. Store your backups and photocopies of your irreplaceable documents where you work or at someone else's home.
6. When searching for relatives in records, don't pass over entries that are almost (but not quite) what you're looking for. For example, if you're searching for the marriage of John **BROWN** and Mary **JONES** in 1850, make a note of the marriage of John **BROWN** and Nancy **SMITH** in 1847: this could be a previous marriage in which the wife d. shortly after.
7. When writing to libraries or to genealogical or historical societies in your areas of interest, ask them for the names and addresses of out-of-print booksellers in the area. Write to the booksellers and ask if they have any old local histories or family histories pertaining to the area.
8. Remember that just because information is on computer or in print, it "ain't" necessarily fact! Information in recent family histories is often based on that from older published works. If the older books are incorrect, the wrong information simply gets repeated and further disseminated.
9. The earlier the time period in which you're researching, the less consistent our ancestors were about the spelling of their surnames. Also, some of them were illiterate and couldn't tell a record keeper how their names should be spelled.
10. Family traditions of close connections to famous people are usually false, but there may be a more obscure relationship involved. For example, perhaps the famous person spent a night at your ancestor's inn instead of (as the legend goes) marrying into the family.
11. Try not to let your research get behind. Establish a filing system for your papers (using file folders or 3-ring binders) and file each page of notes, document, photocopy, etc. as you acquire it. There are few things more disheartening than contemplating a foot-high stack of unfiled papers, wondering if the birth certificate you desperately need to refer to is buried somewhere in it.

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Daughters of Ludwig WEISSANG

Submitted by Charles **RECKER** (CCNGS)

Although the late Dr. Dudley **WYSONG** of McKinney, Texas, who founded the **WYSONG** Family Association, determined to his satisfaction that the immigrant to Pennsylvania, Ludwig **WEISSANG**, who died in York Co. in 1784, had six sons, he was uncertain about the exact number of Ludwig's daughters. He thought there were four, namely Mary, Susan Catharina, Veronica (Franey) and Catherine. Other researchers believe there were two more, namely, Elizabeth and Anna Maria. The only one whose baptismal record has been located was Susan Catharina who was baptized at Trinity Lutheran Church in York in 1740, apparently the daughter, also named Susan, of Reinhold and Susan **HAMMER**. We know from later records that Ludwig was married twice, but we don't know the subsequent history of his first wife, and all we know about his second wife is that she was named Mary and survived Ludwig by only a few years.

Mary may have been the same person as the Mary "**WEISER**" who is shown by the Pennsylvania Archives as married to George "**BOARDMENT**" (sic) in 1747, although another source indicates that she was born in about 1738 and was married in 1757. A Catholic family named **BOARMAN** was established in Maryland early on and there is speculation that Ludwig's daughter, Mary, may have been the same person as Mary **BOARMAN** who was a widowed head-of-household in Charles Co., Maryland in 1790. Her household then included two other females, two males under 16 and 28 slaves. No further research appears to have been done by members of the **WYSONG** family to confirm this relationship or to identify her descendants nor are we aware of any similar research done by persons interested in the history of the **BOARMAN** Family.

Susan Catharina's subsequent history is also unclear. There is a record that a Susan "**WEISING**" married Heinrich **HARTMAN** at the German Reformed Church in Philadelphia in July 1773. But this woman appears to have been born in 1754 rather than 1740.

Veronica married James Dole **DAVIS** in July 1771, in York Co., but no further information about this family has been obtained.

Catharine was a different person than Susan Catharina, but if so, there is no additional information about her.

Elizabeth was the first wife of John **PLATT**, a Revolutionary War veteran who died in Loretto, Cambria Co., Pennsylvania, in 1850. His military service was attested to in a document filed in Cambria Co. in 1844, filed by his grandson, John **STORM**, who revealed that Elizabeth was a half-sister of John Ludwig Reinhardt **WYSONG**, the oldest son of the immigrant Ludwig **WEISSANG**. This is the evidence that Ludwig had more than one wife. Elizabeth died in Carrolltown in Cambria Co. in 1807. She and John had six children, all of whom were baptized by Father **GALLITZIN** at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Loretto. **WYSONG** researchers have learned that the Most Reverend Rembert **WEAKLAND**, who recently retired as the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Milwaukee, descends from both John Ludwig Reinhardt **WYSONG** and Elizabeth (**WYSONG**) **PLATT**.

Anna Maria married Sebastian Jacob **WEBER**. They lived on a farm in Mt. Pleasant Township. Both of them died in Adams Co., which was created from York Co. in 1800. Sebastian was a head-of-household in 1800 and 1810 and died in 1812. He is buried in the graveyard of the Catholic chapel of the Sacred Heart in Conewago Township. Anna Maria died in 1813. She and Sebastian were parents of eleven children, some of whom changed their surname to "**WEAVER**".

FamilySearch Expands Canadian Census Collection

The following announcement was written by FamilySearch:

TORONTO—FamilySearch, in partnership with Ancestry.ca and the Libraries and Archives Canada (LAC), announced today the addition of the 1851, 1861, and 1871 Canada Census indexes to its online collection. The new indexes can be searched for free at FamilySearch.org (click Search Records, and then click Record Search pilot). FamilySearch published the 1881 Canada Census previously online and plans to add the 1891 Canada Census shortly.

Over a fourth of all Canadians struggle to trace their roots past 100 years. Having the indexes to all of the pre-1900 Canadian censuses online will make it much easier for Canadians to extend their understanding of their family's history.

These censuses are part of the FamilySearch records access program reported in May 2008, to provide public access to more records more quickly. In this project, Ancestry.ca provided the indexes to the 1851 and 1891 Canada Censuses, and FamilySearch created the indexes for the 1861, 1871, and 1881 Canada Censuses. It is a win-win for the public, who will have free access to all five of the pre-1900 census indexes online at FamilySearch.org.

FamilySearch used its growing community of online volunteers to index the 1861 and 1871 Census records. For the past year, volunteers have logged online to FamilySearch's indexing application from all over the world, working seven days a week, 24 hours a day—literally—to accomplish the feat. Thousands of volunteer hours later, coupled with the added indexes from Ancestry.ca, the public now has free, easily searchable databases of millions of Canadian citizens from 1851 to 1891.

“The publication of free indexes to these major censuses gives a great boost to Canadian family history research. For the first time, genealogy enthusiasts and historians may search online databases containing some 17 million records of individuals who lived in Canada in the latter half of the 19th century. Indexers keyed many personal details—names, ages, birthplaces, religions, and residences—for individuals listed in these early Canadian censuses,” said FamilySearch chief genealogical officer, David **RENCHER**.

Researchers will discover heads of households, their family members, and any lodgers residing with a family at the time. They can also see the street address where ancestors were living at the time the census was taken, along with their age, occupation, and perhaps their ethnicity.

Free access to the indexes for the 19th century collection of Canada Censuses is the first phase. Free access to the record images will also be available to qualified FamilySearch members as soon as an authentication process is implemented.

The 1881 Canada Census was published on FamilySearch.org in 2002. The 1916 Canada Census was also made available for free to the public earlier this year through FamilySearch's 4,600 family history centers worldwide.

Posted by Dick **EASTMAN** on June 10, 2009; [Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter](http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2009/06/familysearch-expands-canadian-census-collection.html): http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2009/06/familysearch-expands-canadian-census-collection.html

CAN YOU HELP US?

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

Here are some ideas for articles:

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12. Double-check all dates to make sure they are reasonable, for example, a woman b. in 1790 could not have become a mother in 1800.

13. Be on the lookout for nicknames. A request for a birth certificate for Sadie **WHITE** may be rejected by a record office if the name in their files is Sarah **WHITE**.

14. Beware of mail-order promotions offering what might purport to be a personalized genealogy of your surname with a title like *The Amazing Story of the BLANK Family*, *Blanks Since the Civil War* or *Burke's Peerage World Book of BLANKs*. These books are not properly researched and documented genealogies; instead they are often little more than lists of names from phone directories or other readily available sources. Notify the BetterBusiness Bureau, postal authorities and consumer advocate agencies if you receive one of these. For more about these, see the ROOTS-L FAQ file [FAQ SCAMS](#).

If you're looking for occurrences of a particular surname, national and international phone listings are widely available on CD-ROM and can be viewed in many public libraries or purchased.

15. Don't assume modern meanings for terms used to describe relationships. For example, in the 17th century a step-child was often called a "son-in-law" or "daughter-in-law," and a "cousin" could refer to almost any relative except a sibling or child.

16. Remember that indexes to books rarely include the names of all persons mentioned in the book and, in addition, occasionally contain errors. If it appears that a book is likely to have valuable information, spend some time skimming its contents rather than returning it to the library shelf after a quick glance at the index.

17. Be precise when making notes and especially when sharing information with others. Write dates using an unambiguous format: Americans interpret 5/6/1881 as 6 May 1881, but in many other countries it would be read as 5 June 1881. Always capitalize or underline surnames, some of which can be mistaken for given names, e.g., **HENRY, HOWARD**. Note: place names in full, including parish or township, Co., state or province, and country.

18. You'll often encounter conflicting information, for example, you might discover that your paternal grandmother's birth date on her gravestone is different than her birth date as told to you by your father. Note the source for each piece of information, but don't feel you have to decide immediately which date is the correct one. In fact, both of

them may be wrong! Further research may reveal a more credible birth date, for example, the one on her birth certificate.

Take time occasionally to review and verify the conclusions you've reached concerning each of your ancestors' lives: this will prevent you from wasting time following blind alleys.

19. Boundaries and place names change constantly over the years. Always verify them in historical atlases or genealogical texts pertaining to the area. For example, the boundaries of Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania have changed four times since it was first colonized.

20. Whenever you can, advertise the surnames you're researching by posting them electronically (for example, on the [RootsWeb Surname List](#)) and submitting them to genealogical directories and surname lists published by genealogical societies that you belong to. This will put you in touch with others who are researching the same surnames--possibly for a much longer time--and save you from reinventing the wheel. After all, the most rewarding genealogical research is the kind that no-one else has already done!

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FamilySearch Record Search Update:

Louisiana and Idaho Death Indexes - Part of Six Million New Records Added

The following announcement was written by FamilySearch: 17 June 2009

Six million new records were added to the FamilySearch Record Search pilot this week. The much anticipated Louisiana and Idaho death records are now available. The states of Delaware, District of Columbia, Michigan, Nevada, New Hampshire, and New Mexico were added to the 1920 U.S. Census collection. Digital images of church records were also added for Mexico (Baja California, and Baja California Sur).

These collections can be searched for free at the [FamilySearch.org Record Search pilot](#) (click Search Records, and then click Record Search pilot). Special thanks to the [FamilySearch volunteers](#) who help make these collections freely available.

Collection Name	Comments
1920 US Census	Added Delaware, District of Columbia, New Mexico, Michigan, Nevada, and New Hampshire) Note: Images will be added at a later date when additional features are available.
Louisiana Deaths 1850-1875; 1894-1954	Note: Images will be added at a later date when additional features are available.
Idaho Deaths 1911-1937	
Mexico, Baja California and Baja California Sur, Church Records 1750-1983	Browsable images only--no index.

Family History Expos.com

Tip of the Week ~ #4 of 101

Research tips are fun fast ideas designed to increase your awareness and improve your research skills. We hope you enjoy these 101 tips and plan to attend a Family History Expo soon.

Tips are great, Expos are sensational!

Tip #4: Land Records

With the housing market the way it is currently, it's fairly easy to find a treasure of a home at a good price. But even greater treasures await the family history researcher in records involving land and property.

Before 1850, we find that nine out of ten adult white males in America owned land. Even today, the figure is over 50 percent. With these percentages, the chances of finding your ancestors in the land records are pretty good.

Here are some of the treasures you may find by using land records:

1. Did you know about the Grantee/Grantor Indexes to real estate conveyances? The Grantors are the ones who were selling, and the Grantees are the ones who were buying. They help you find those records where your ancestor is participating as a principal. As stated above, they therefore include 90 percent of the heads of households in all 3,100 counties of the United States prior to 1850.

2. Do you realize, however, that there are more people involved in a deed than the Grantors and Grantees? There are also the witnesses, the legal representative who is certifying the accuracy of the documentation, and frequently a list of previous owners and even current neighbors. All of these names can give you clues to the people your ancestor probably associated with during his or her lifetime. And very often, relatives are included in that group of associates.

3. Did you know you can locate the record containing your ancestor by using the Family History Library Catalog? Look them up under "Land and Property."

http://www.familysearch.org/eng/Library/FHLC/frameset_fhlc.asp

4. Do you know where to find copies of the deeds? They are recorded

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Are several children consistently born at about the same time without being multiple births? Yet the names change? And is there only one child for that birth period in each record? If so, take the next step.

2. Gather as many documents as possible about the family and about the person in question. As you have seen, Sophia Jenetta **FREE** was called Sophia by her family in her growing up years. But she chose to go by Nettie as an adult. Obviously, adulthood is when her cousins knew her and wrote her name down on the early family group record I inherited. Use the names of family members as anchors. With Sophia Jenetta, I used her father's name as an identifier for her. After the birth of her son, Frank S Fry, I was able to locate her in various records because her son's name was consistent, and she lived with his family in her later years.

Obviously, this is another time when you must understand nicknames. Rick and Dick are nicknames for Richard, for example. Peggy is the usual nickname for Margaret, yet my friend Peggy was christened Peggy. Patsy is the usual nickname for Martha. Don't ask me why.

in the courthouse of the county in which the land was located at the time of the transaction. If county boundaries changed following the transaction, you will need to know the previous boundaries in order to determine in which county you should be looking. And remember many of these records have been microfilmed and are available to view at a local Family History Center.

5. Did you know that land records are more complete than other records? Land records include deeds, property tax lists, and written transcripts of real estate transactions. These records were of great value because they protected the most valuable possession most people had—their land. Even if a fire destroyed the courthouse, the land records were almost always the first documents to be recreated.

6. Did you know that land records often reveal the name of a man's wife? Because a woman held a "dower right" in the property (amounting to one-third), she was usually named as a party when the land was being sold and interviewed separately to determine that she agreed with the sale.

It's that Easy!

You CAN learn the tips and tricks to use Land Records!

Many of the classes taught at our family history events focus on land and property records. They also explain how to locate the jurisdictions that recorded the associated documents created during land and property transactions. We think you will enjoy using land and property records in your research. Try using the handouts included in our conference syllabi to help you locate land and property records, you will find several to choose from at

<http://www.fhexpos.com/store/category.php?cid=32>

Click on the blue title for each product to read a detailed description of classes included on each different syllabus.

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Al and Bert are nicknames for Albert. Bob, Rob, Bobbie and Bert are all nicknames for Robert. Any name ending in "y" or "ie" can be a diminutive of a regular name: Annie, Chucky, Katie, Wally, etc.

3. If all the children in the family have fairly sophisticated and/or original names like Sophia Jenetta's siblings had, and there is one Nettie or Matty, it is an excellent clue that this is a nickname. Then go to "Common Nicknames and Their Given Name Equivalents" at http://genealogy.about.com/library/bl_nicknames.htm or "Nicknames" at <http://www.genealogytoday.com/genealogy/enoch/nicknames.html> or a similar source, to determine what the real name might be.

4. With those name possibilities in hand, you can search for vital records of the person: birth, christening, marriage, death and burial. An obituary can also provide the full name. Locating more records about the person is the solution to determining how many nicknames and real names a person has.

5. The last step is to publish your information somewhere on the web, so that a cousin who has information you do not have can contact you. Together you may be able to solve the nickname continued on page 23

QUERY GUIDELINES

by John FISCHER (CCNGS), Robert KENNARD, Jr (CCNGS) and
Helen SMITH (CCNGS)

"Submit queries early and often"

The following guidelines for writing genealogical queries or posting queries to internet message boards may be helpful.

- 1. WHO:** Identify the person or a linking person you are looking for. Use the full name and include alternate spellings and spelling in a different language if known. e.g. John in English, Johann in German and Johannes in Latin. Include diacritical marks in names such as Bohn in English and Böhn in German.
- 2. WHAT:** What do you want to know. State exactly what it is that you are looking for. Are you looking for parents, children, siblings, ancestors, descendants, birth, death, marriage, location, etc.
- 3. WHEN:** Date and place them in time. Include as much information as possible for the reader to be able to identify the person(s) in the query. You may include their parents names and birth dates, burial dates, emigration/immigration dates, military service dates, graduation dates, baptism or other significant religious dates, names and birth dates of children, etc.
- 4. WHERE:** Identify an area where you know the person was living. Include as much information about locations as possible. You may include town, village, Co., district and country of birth, marriage and death locations, addresses of residences over a the life of the individual, place of burial, name and location of schools attended, name and location of work places, name and location of marriage place, etc. Include diacritical marks in locations such as Tomazow in English and Tomazów in Polish. Use both English and foreign language spellings such as Rheinland-Pfalz in German and Rhine--land-Palatinate in English or Bavaria in English and Bayern in German.
- 5.** All surnames in the heading and the body of the query should be in caps and bolded.
- 6.** All surnames contained in the title should be listed alphabetically, bolded and in caps in the heading.
- 7.** Names of all countries should be spelled out in their entirety except for the United States where USA is acceptable. USA is not needed if the query is for the United States only.
- 8.** Always include the names of counties if possible. The abbreviation Co. is acceptable but the spelling out of the word "County" is preferred.
- 9.** Using the standard U.S. postal system abbreviation for a state is acceptable. e.g. MA, PA, NV.
- 10.** Normal genealogical abbreviations are acceptable. e.g., **b.** for b.; **d.** for death date; **bur.** for buried; **m.** for married, etc.
- 11.** Confine your query to one person or a m. couple if possible.
- 12.** Always include how you are related to the individual(s) in the query and an easy way for you to be contacted (Email, address, phone, etc.).
- 13.** Keep copies and create a log of your queries indicating when and to whom they were sent.
- 14.** It is important to be as consistent as possible when writing queries.
- 15.** Short concise queries are more likely to be read.

'Ellis Island of the West,' threatened by California budget cuts

Juliana BARBASSA, Associated Press Writer
12:00 PM PDT, June 6, 2009

ANGEL ISLAND STATE PARK, Calif. (AP) — School children crowd into the barracks of this former immigration station, pouring over poems of sadness and longing carved into the walls by the million-plus immigrants who passed through the "Ellis Island of the West" decades ago.

Some of their ancestors were among the mostly Chinese immigrants detained on this island in San Francisco Bay.

Back in their classroom, these fourth-graders will do some writing of their own, joining ethnic groups, outdoor enthusiasts and educators in petitioning Gov. Arnold SCHWARZENEGGER to spare Angel Island from a proposal that 220 state parks be closed because of California's \$24.3 billion budget deficit.

Closing the parks at the end of summer would cut \$70 million through the end of the fiscal year next June. Keeping them closed through the following fiscal year would save \$143.4 million more.

Reopened four months ago after a \$15 million face lift, Angel Island's dingy barracks tell a lesser-known side of American immigration history than its Eastern counterpart: the hardship that Chinese newcomers faced at the hands of immigration officials enforcing race-based laws.

"The government was unfair," said Taylor LIM, a serious 10-year-old glancing at the metal bunks, stacked three high, that once held immigrants who included her great-grandfather.

Assemblywoman Noreen EVANS, chair of the California State Assembly's Budget Committee, has been hearing from the public about the impact of proposed cuts to parks.

"The governor keeps asking this rhetorical question: what is the alternative?" she said. "We can close some on certain days, reduce hours, increase fees ... There are alternatives."

Angel Island's operational costs — a \$900,000 yearly allocation, largely made up by annual revenues of about \$725,000 — are just one line in a budget the governor wants to see by June 15.

Advocates say the immigration station represents a chapter in history that is finally being recognized and that the state cannot afford to close.

"Can you imagine recommending Ellis Island be closed? That was our Plymouth rock for our history as an ethnic American group," said historian Judy YUNG. "It would mean a part of our past is being closed to us."

YUNG picnicked on Angel Island as a high school student, unaware her father had been detained there for a month in 1921. "Like many others, after his release he never discussed Angel Island", said YUNG.

The facility was closed in 1940. The rickety buildings were going to be torn down in the 1970s to make way for recreational space when a park ranger spotted the poetry engraved on the walls. Decades later, placards display translations of some of the approximately 200 poems left behind.

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Upcoming Family History Events

Jul 17-18, 2009 - Wyoming Family History Expo (Sheridan, Wyoming)

http://www.fhexpos.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=51

July 28-31, 2009 - BYU Genealogy Conference (Provo, Utah)

<http://ce.byu.edu/cw/cwgen/>

Aug 28-29, 2009 - Salt Lake City Family History Expo (Sandy, Utah)

http://www.fhexpos.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=50

Sep 2-5, 2009 - FGS Conference (Little Rock, Arkansas)

<http://fgs.org/>

Sep 11-12, 2009 - Washington State Genealogy Conference (Spokane, Washington)

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasgs/>

September 2-5, 2009 - Little Rock, Arkansas

Federation of Genealogical Societies Annual Conference.

Further details can be found at: <http://www.fgs.org/>

Oct 16-17, 2009 - California Family History Expo (Redding, California)

http://www.fhexpos.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=52

24 October 2009 - Las Vegas, Nevada

Clark Co. Nevada Genealogical Society's 2009 Fall Family History Seminar at the Henderson Convention Center with Ceil Wendt **JENSEN**



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Professional Techniques for the Family Genealogist
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Further info: CCNGS@COX.NET

www.reviewjournal.com/communitylink/ccngs

www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nvccngs

Jan 22-23, 2010 - Mesa Arizona Family History Expo (Mesa, Arizona)

http://www.fhexpos.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=53

Feb 26-27, 2010 - St George Family History Expo (St George, Utah)

http://www.fhexpos.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=54

Mar 6, 2010 - South Davis Family History Fair (Bountiful, Utah)

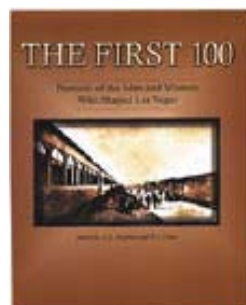
<http://www.familyhistoryfair.com>

Apr 28-May1, 2010 - NGS Conference (Salt Lake City, Utah)

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

27 March 2010 - Las Vegas, Nevada

Clark Co. Nevada Genealogical Society's 2010 Spring Family History Seminar at the Henderson Convention Center Speaker TBA



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Clark Co. Centennial 2009 Calendar

July 3

Touring Exhibit Opening & Roundtable Discussion--Government Ctr.

August 7

Roundtable history discussion, Clark Co. Government Center.

August 22

Moonlight Concert, Clark Co. Government Center Amphitheater.

September 4

Roundtable history discussion, Clark Co. Government Center.

September 12

Moonlight Concert, Clark Co. Government Center Amphitheater.

September 19

Moonlight Concert, Clark Co. Government Center Amphitheater.

September 26

Moonlight Concert, Clark Co. Government Center Amphitheater.

October 2

Roundtable history discussion, Clark Co. Government

October 9-11

Renaissance Festival—Sunset Park.

November 1-2

Mexican Day of the Dead—Winchester Cultural Center.

November 6

Roundtable history discussion, Clark Co. Government Center.

November 14

Wedding Chapel Gala Opening, Clark Co. Museum.

December 4

Roundtable history discussion, Clark Co. Government Center.

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problem.

Listing too many children for John Belcher Free and Emeline Stephens is a big deal. It is an error of unthinkable proportions because the genealogist invented people who did not exist! This is fiction of the worst kind. And it leads to additional fictions, the claiming of unrelated women with similar names for example. Scan a critical eye over all your family group sheets,

looking for children who never existed. Then follow the steps given above to ensure you have only real people on any given family group record.

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"Even if it is built of jade, it has turned into a cage," one detainee wrote in Cantonese on the once-green wooden walls of the building.

While Ellis Island in New York Harbor processed 12 million mostly European immigrants, the nationalities passing through Angel Island included White Russians fleeing civil war, Jews taking the Eastern route out of Europe before WWII, and tens of thousands of Japanese picture brides joining their husbands.

But the majority were Chinese, and they were subject to the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882, held for weeks and months while their cases were appealed.

Next year will be the station's 100th anniversary. Closing it now would be unconscionable, said Eddie **WONG**, director of the Angel Island Immigration Station Foundation.

Waiting to speak before the Budget Committee, **WONG** carried letters from supporters.

"For years, the history of what happened at Angel Island remained a secret — it was not taught in schools — it wasn't even discussed by Angel Island immigrants with their own families," Katherine **TOY**, of San Francisco, wrote to the governor. Her extended family passed through the island.

"Please don't let this important story be silenced," she wrote.

Some former detainees are working to share their stories with younger generations.

As a seven-year-old, Li Keng **WONG** was separated from her mother and two sisters and questioned during their five-day stay in 1933. All four made it, settling in tiny living quarters behind her father's gambling business in Oakland's Chinatown. To Li Keng **WONG**, now 83, closing Angel Island would be a personal blow.

"I am so sad," she said. "What does that mean? All the work we have put in, millions of dollars used to restore it, what's going to happen to this place?"

Said Park Superintendent Dave **MATTHEWS**: "We have no control over what will happen. We will continue to serve the public and protect the park until we are asked not to do so."

On the Net:

Angel Island State Park: <http://tinyurl.com/c6ldw4>

Angel Island Immigration State Foundation: <http://aiisf.org/>



Fall Family History Seminar

24 October 2009

Ceil Wendt **JENSEN**

Henderson Convention Center

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U.S. Surgeon General Says Family History Research Can be Great for Your Health!

It's common knowledge that many physical ailments run in families. Diseases such as diabetes, cancer and heart disease are known to be passed down through generations, according to the U.S. Surgeon General's report on a Family Health History Initiative online at <http://www.hhs.gov/familyhistory/>.

"Tracing the illnesses suffered by your parents, grandparents, and other blood relatives can help your doctor predict the disorders to which you may be at risk and take action to keep you and your family healthy," according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

A national public health campaign encourages all American families to learn more about their family health history. To make the process easier for family historians, the federal government has provided a Family Health Portrait Tool.

The Surgeon General's report emphasizes the importance of family history to Americans citing a recent survey that found 96 percent of those surveyed believe knowing their family history is important, "Yet, the same survey found that only one-third of Americans have ever tried to gather and write down their family's health history."

The new computerized Family Health Portrait makes creating a health history easy and it's available free online!

The revised version of the "My Family Health Portrait" tool is Web-enabled. Don't worry, the Feds are not collecting and saving your data. Anyone with a computer and Internet access can use the program with a major Internet browser.

The tool allows users to:

- organize family history information
- print out the information to present to a health care provider
- save information on a personal computer
- share family history information with other family members

You'll find this handy research tool at Access the **My Family Health Portrait** Web tool, <http://familyhistory.hhs.gov>.

It's a good idea to ask family members what they remember about their ancestor's health conditions. In fact, now is the time to record all of their precious memories. Start with a book from our Capture the Memories Series such as "Father Remembers," now on special! <http://www.fhexpos.com/store/>

You CAN learn to keep careful family health history records with the proper tools!

Join us as soon as possible at a Family History Expo near you. You will enjoy learning more about organizing, researching, writing and sharing your family history. It is also the place where you will learn the tech to trace your roots!

Your friends at Family History Expos.com, PO Box 187, Morgan, UT 84050; 801-829-3295; expos@fhexpos.com ; www.FHExpos.com ; www.FHExpos.com/wordpress

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ronris@sbcglobal.net <http://www.societyofthewarof1812.org>

Signers Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution
meets 1st Saturday 8 am at Denny's 3081 S. Maryland Pkwy monthly
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Old Spanish Trail Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the
American Revolution - Meets 2nd Saturday 10:30 am monthly
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<http://signers-lasvegas.com/>

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 monthly - 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 869-5775

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

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War - contact 648-1902

Las Vegas Civil War Round Table
Meets 4th Wednesday monthly except December
Al **PETERSON** (702) 743-7018 aepSUVcw@cox.net

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

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Vasa Lodge - meets 2nd Thursday 6 p.m. Reformation Luth. Church
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City records online decision is praised

By Staff Reporter

(*LIMERICK LEADER*; Published Date: 10 June 2009)

IRELANDS leading genealogical magazine has praised Limerick City Council's decision to become the first local authority to put its burial records online.

And '*Ireland's Genealogical Gazette*' believes it will help bring more tourists into the city.

The monthly newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Ireland says, Limerick City Council has most certainly thrown down the gauntlet to all other local authorities by its decision to utilise its archival and heritage resources as a means to promote an awareness, appreciation and knowledge of the social history of its city.

Burial records for the City's largest cemetery, Mount Saint Lawrence, dating back to 1855 are accessible on the internet free of charge.

"This latter point is a hugely significant departure from the blinkered norm in Ireland. Many in Ireland viewed genealogical records as 'potential earners' to be computer-ised and shamefully sold at unsustainably high prices to gullible tourists.

"This Society has battled since its foundation against this blatant commercialisation of our nation's genealogical heritage.

"The 'Principle of Public Ownership and Right of Access' to our genealogical heritage adopted by the Society at its 1997 AGM has slowly emerged as the enlightened public policy of many institutions," it says.

"Those with Limerick ancestry will be able to locate the burial place of their forefathers and in doing so, be encouraged to find out more information on the City, its environs and especially, its rich and varied history. This is an investment in the City's tourism potential and in essence it is creating and informing future visitors to the City. This is precisely the intelligent and strategic use of genealogical records publicly advocated by this Society since 1990. These resources should be freely available online to encourage and sustain an interest in the mother country amongst the millions of her Dias-pora."

The Society says it has consistently argued that genealogical records should not be viewed as commercial products in themselves, but simply as components of a wider marketing strategy. Any costs involved in the upload-ing of these records to the web-sites of the local authorities could be offset by suitably targeted advertising of tourism facilities in each county. If the link between the Diaspora and these shores is essentially one of sentiment and longing for a knowledge of ancestry, then any dampening of this initial enthusiasm for the 'old country' by the imposition of charges, pay-for-view or otherwise, to access records such as parish or burial records is simply counterproductive Limerick has shown the way – the local authorities have the websites with the capacity to make available all sorts of genealogical information from burial records, local census records, local histories, parish registers, school registers, to old photographs and much more.

"In preparing our nation for the eventual upturn in the global economy and the return to a growth in overseas visitors to Ireland, Limerick City's initiative has unequivocally demonstrated the cost effective way forward. Ireland, during these recessionary times, could and should be to the forefront in such tourism promotion utilizing our rich archival resources – the records of our ancestors – freely available on-line to build a sustainable 'roots tourism' industry for this and future generations," they say.

<http://www.limerickleader.ie/news/City-records-online-decision-is.5348402.jp>

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Her father's untimely death several months later made her determined to continue her research and find out the ancestral villages of her **PRZYTULSKI, WENDT, WOJTKOWIAK,** and **ZDZIEBKO** grandparents. Cecil is now a Certified Genealogist who has documented her ancestry back to the 1600s. Cecil has become a featured international speaker sharing her vision to bring Polish genealogy into the mainstream and guiding 10 million Polish Americans back home. She dispels the myth that records were destroyed during the World Wars and that language barriers make research difficult. She has done on-site research in Poland and leads research trips abroad.

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Arcadia Publishing has released three titles by Cecil: [Detroit's Polonia](#) (2005), [Detroit's Mount Elliott Cemetery](#) (2006), and [Detroit's Mount Olivet Cemetery](#) (2006). She collaborated on the DVD [Our Polish Story](#) (2007). She is the 2008 recipient of the Michigan Genealogical Council's Lucy Mary **KELLOGG** Award and The MTU Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections 2008 Research Travel Award. In 1998, Cecil began a transition from public education to genealogy and has become a featured writer.

TOPICS:

Professional Techniques for the Family Genealogist

The Google Guide

The ABCs of School Records

Maps for Genealogy: Old, New and Electronic

WEB LINKS HTTP://

MICHIGAN DEATH CERTIFICATES

Looking for Michigan death certificates? You might be able to find death certificates of family members by using these links.

1867-1897 <http://www.mdch.state.mi.us/gendisx/search.htm>

1897-1920 <http://seekingmichigan.org/> [go into the *SEEK* module]

CLARK COUNTY HISTORY

Clark Co., formed in 1908, is named for William Andrews **CLARK** (1839-1925), who established the railroad that linked Los Angeles with Salt Lake City. Las Vegas was founded in 1905 after **CLARK**'s railroad, which made stops here, purchased land for a town site and sold lots by auction, creating downtown Las Vegas. The original Co. for much of the current Clark Co. was Pah-Ute Co. in Arizona Territory even before statehood for Nevada. The County seat has been Las Vegas since the creation date of Clark Co. from a portion of Lincoln Co. on 5 February 1908.

History of the Las Vegas Strip - Founded: February 5, 1908

Biographical sketch of founder William Andrews **CLARK**

<http://www.accessclarkCo..com/100/Pages/default.aspx>

<http://genealogytrails.com/nev/clark/>

<http://www.epodunk.com/cgi-bin/genealogyInfo.php?locIndex=17659#Phot>

<http://govdeathrecords.com/?tid=dr04>

[SIZEMORE] FREE images of newspapers

The majority of the newspapers are for the 1900-1910 period. A search for Sizemore brought up numerous entries for KY.

<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/search/pages/>

Family Genealogy & History Internet Education Directory

Professional worldwide humanities and social sciences mega portal, connected directly to thousands of related sub-sets, with billions of primary or secondary database family history and genealogy records. It encompasses all other key worldwide genealogy sites.

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

Entire 1911 UK Census Now Available Online for the First Time

<http://1911census.co.uk/>

<http://www.findmypast.com/home.jsp>

10 Best Web Sites to See Dead People

Use these sites to find obituaries, cemeteries and other traces of your departed ancestors.

American Battle Monuments Commission (<http://www.abmc.gov/>)

If you have military ancestors buried in US cemeteries abroad, this is the place to find them. The site covers 24 overseas military cemeteries with almost 125,000 American war dead, plus Tablets of the Missing that memorialize more than 94,000 US servicemen and -women.

AncientFaces \$ (<http://www.ancientfaces.com/>)

This collection of nearly 50,000 old family photos also offers family stories and recipes, plus Family Spaces Web pages on which to share them (starting at \$29.95 a year).

Cemetery Surveys (<http://cemeterysurveysinc.org/>)

View nearly 240,000 burial records, many with photos of the actual headstones; the site is richest in coverage for the southeastern United States. You can even import your finds into Google Earth.

DeadFred \$ (<http://www.deadfred.com/>)

A longtime favorite, this genealogy photo archive has helped more than 1,400 people reunite with pictures of their ancestors. It's free to search the archive of more than 92,000 records representing more than 16,000 surnames. Paying members (\$19.95 a year) get customization options and enhanced photo posting.

Find a Grave (<http://www.findagrave.com/>)

This simple-yet-powerful cemetery database has grown to more than 31 million grave transcriptions. You can search by name (with options for maiden names and partial surnames), birth date, death date or cemetery location, or browse a cemetery for people you think might be your ancestors. There's also a surname index and the Social Security Death Index.

Interment.net (<http://www.interment.net/>)

Though smaller than Find a Grave, Interment.net is likewise worth a look—its user-submitted gravestone records cover cemeteries that no longer exist, along with graveyards beyond the United States. Special collections cover veterans' cemeteries, flooded cemeteries, California mission graveyards and Woodmen of the World burials.

Kentucky Historical Society (<http://history.ky.gov/>)

In addition to a searchable catalog and digital collections, this handsome site serves up the Kentucky Cemetery Records Database—hundreds of thousands of names transcribed from gravestones across Kentucky, from urban cemeteries to rural plots.

MortalitySchedules.com (<http://mortalityschedules.com/>)

Don't you just hate it when you find an inconsiderate ancestor who died right before the next census? Now you can track him or her with the help of this site: It provides free transcriptions of the 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880 census mortality schedules, in which enumerators recorded information on all people who perished within the 12 months preceding the census.

Names in Stone \$ (<http://www.namesinstone.com/>)

Not nearly as data-rich—yet—as more established cemetery sites, this newcomer nonetheless has a great concept: You can search for a grave and get a map showing where it is in the cemetery and whose plots are nearby. Searching is free, and you get not only the information on a tombstone but also the grave's location, the cemetery name, a cemetery map, the address, GPS coordinates and driving directions. Paying members (\$7.95 per month, \$39.99 per year) can save searches and a "cemeteries of interest" list, get automated- search notifications and receive discounts on "virtual gravestone décor." Only about a dozen states are represented to date, but this one's worth watching.

Nationwide Gravesite Locator (http://gravelocator.cem.va.gov/j2ee/servlet/NGL_v1)

This Department of Veterans Affairs Web site—a domestic counterpart to the aforementioned American Battle Monuments Commission site—searches burial locations of veterans and their family members in VA National Cemeteries, state veterans cemeteries and various other military and Department of Interior cemeteries. It also includes veterans buried in private cemeteries where the grave is marked with a government grave marker.

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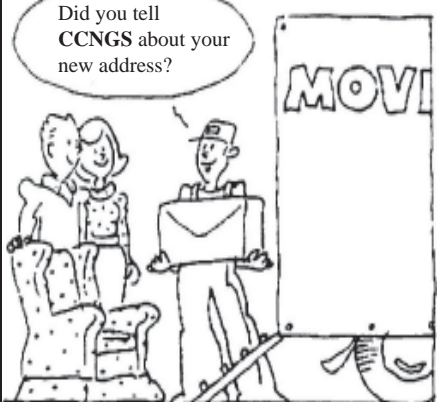
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12 Sunday

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