

# WESTERN MONTANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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## September Meeting

Our first meeting of the year will be at 7:30 P.M., Thursday, September 12 in the meeting room of the Western Federal Savings and Loan Southgate Branch, 2601 Garfield, Missoula.

The program will be presented by Betsy Douglass of Stevensville on military records and their use in genealogy. Betsy has had extensive experience in this field. She has helped many people effectively use the extensive personnel and pension records maintained by the government in their own genealogical research. It promises to be a very interesting and informative program—don't miss it!

### *On the business agenda:*

The program committee has prepared a questionnaire on the needs and interests of the members of the society. To be an effective society we must know what your expectations and needs are—it is YOUR society. The questionnaire will be passed out at the meeting so please be thinking of what programs you would like to have, what workshops would be of help to you or what areas of research you are interested in learning more about. If you can't be at the meeting, please call Barbara Johnson (549-9564) or Joyce Kemmer (543-6770) with your ideas.

Dues will also be discussed. Since we no longer have a quarterly publication, it has been suggested that the dues be reduced. If they are not reduced, what should they be used for?

## Library Workshop

\*Joyce Kemmer has recently been appointed Librarian for the LDS Branch Genealogical Library. At 7:30 P.M., on either Friday, September 13 or Saturday, September 14, she will conduct a workshop on using the holdings of the Branch Library for your genealogical research. The day the workshop will be held will be decided at the meeting. The workshop will cover the many indexes to material in the Salt Lake library and how to use them to order microfilms for use in your research.

## Queries

- BAILEY Marian A. Taylor, 975 Forbes St., Apt. 8, Lakeport, CA 98453. Desires information concerning John William BAILEY of Missoula and James P. BAILEY of Colusa Co., CA. Mentioned in a deed dated 25 Aug 1881 concerning property in Halifax Co., VA.
- SWETT (SWEAT, SWEET) Mrs. H. J. Callaghan, P.O. Box 1087, Chester, CA 96020. Seeking information about Rufus Milliken SWETT. He was a miner in this area and in trouble with the law on several occasions. He was suspected of a robbery in the Blackfoot City area in January or February 1866. According to the *Montana Post* of February 3, 1866, he was "run out of town."
- ALLAN Dorothy A. Sorenson, 453 Beach Ave., San Bruno, CA 94066. Searching for her brother. His name or his mother's name were not given. She may have lived in Harlowtown. He was born between 1930 and 1934. Their father's name is Charles Harwood ALLEN, Jr.

## BRING A FRIEND AND WIN A PRIZE!

We're not telling what it is, so bring a guest to the September meeting and receive a gift we know you can use!

## Recent arrivals at the Missoula Public Library

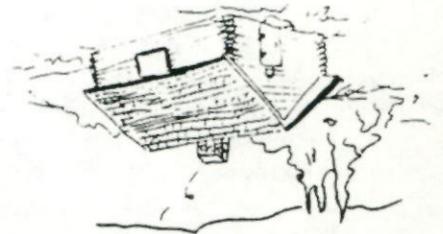
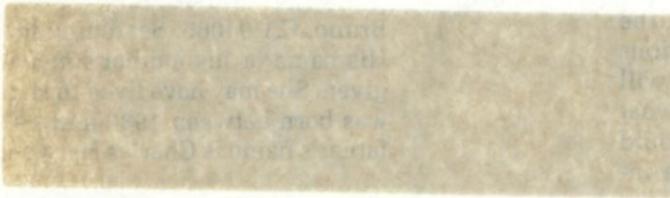
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929.50978 Yellowstone County, Montana, cemeteries.  
YELLOWS Yellowstone Genealogy Forum of Billings.  
1984, Vol. 1.
- R  
929.37862 1900 Federal Census index, Fergus County,  
NINETEE Montana. Compiled by Lewistown Genealogy  
Society. 1982.
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929.20973 The Francis Redfearn family—a story of the  
PELLS family of Francis Redfearn (1777-1857).  
By Louise Redfearn Pells. 1982.
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929.20973 A Bedwell Family—Robert Bedwell, Sr.,  
KING fourteen generations of his descendants  
from St. Gilen Parish, Cripplegate, London,  
in 1635 to all the fifty states and many foreign  
countries in 1982. By Larry King. 1982.
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929.20973 Hezekiah Leigh, his ancestors and descendants.  
GIFFORD By John D. Gifford. 1980.

## Of Interest

- Items that may be of interest from other Montana Genealogical Societies' newsletters: (available at the meeting and at the Missoula Public Library thereafter)
- Treasure State Lines*, Great Falls Genealogy Society, Volume 10, Number 2. Continuation of Cascade County Marriages (Price through Reed). Start of a listing of cremations from 1935 through 1984. When first established, this was the only crematorium in the Northwest. Includes Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, North and South Dakota.
- Faded Genes*, Lewis & Clark County Genealogical Society, Vol. II, No. 3. A recipe for de-acidifying cheap paper.
- Gallatin Trails*, the Gallatin Genealogy Society, Volume 6, No. 3. An English glossary of words found in French-Canadian genealogy.
- Central Montana Wagon Trails*, Lewistown Genealogy Society, Vol. VI, No. 4. Listing of railroad employees (continued). About 130 four-generation ancestor charts, indexed.

## October Meeting

St. Patrick's Day in October? Irish genealogical research is on the schedule for October. Wear a little green and come learn about your ancestors from the Auld Sod (Ireland)—even if you don't have any. Erin go bragh!



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