

WESTERN MONTANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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IN REMEMBRANCE

Charter member Shirley Bennish died in Missoula, November 7, 1986. The members of the society wish to join in an expression of sympathy to Mr. James Bennish and family.

NOVEMBER MEETING

The November meeting will be at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, November 13 in the meeting room of the Western Federal Savings and Loan, Southgate Branch, 2601 Garfield, Missoula. Visitors and guests are welcome.

Andrea Frandsen and Shirley Ferris will be our speakers. Andrea will speak about the Daughters of the American Revolution and Shirley about the Mayflower Descendants. Both organizations have extensive genealogical holdings that may be helpful to you in your research. Come to the meeting and find out about these two organizations.

MISSOULIAN VITAL RECORDS INDEX

The Missoulian vital records index is a continuing project of the Western Montana Genealogical Society with the goal of completing an index of the 1901-1920 and 1982 to the present issues of the Missoulian. The index will include anniversaries, births, deaths, adoptions, special birthdays, divorces, engagements, naturalization, legal name changes, generation photographs, etc. The 1901-02 and 1903-04 volumes are completed and work is continuing on the remainder of the project. YOUR HELP IS NEEDED. Spend one of these cold winter afternoons in the warm library living a few days in the past as you extract names for the index. I think you will find it a very interesting project and give the society a hand in this project. Please contact Paulette Parpart at the Public Library for further information, 721-2665. A "work night" is also being planned for January.

AMERICAN GENEALOGICAL LENDING LIBRARY

The society is a member of American Genealogical Lending Library through the Public Library. The catalog and order forms are available at the Ready Reference Desk. The catalog lists federal census records (including Soundex), ship passenger lists, early military records, and "special" AGLL films. There is a rental of \$2.50 per roll of film.

HISTORY LESSON OF THE DAY OR GREAT WISDOM ACQUIRED DOING INDEXING

The first steel plow was brought into the Bitterroot Valley by Mike Printz and Hank Cone, who carried it on their shoulders from Bannack in the spring of 1864. Daily Missoulian, February, 1917.

LDS GENEALOGY LIBRARY RESEARCH AIDS

A reminder of some of the many research aids available at the LDS Genealogy Library:

FAMILY REGISTRY. A program designed to coordinate genealogical research efforts. It has a listing of ancestors being researched now, and gives the researcher's name, address and phone number. It also lists family organizations (both proposed and already organized). You can enter your family names at no charge. Ask the librarian to give you a form. This registry is on microfiche that is sent to all the LDS Branch Libraries and to major public libraries across the country. It is updated quarterly.

<u>INTERNATIONAL GENEALOGICAL INDEX (IGI).</u> An index of millions of names from many countries that have been extracted from birth and marriage records and from records submitted to Salt Lake.

<u>GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY CATALOG (GLC)</u> A listing of the card catalog of the Salt Lake City LDS Genealogical Library. Anything that is on microfilm can be ordered for use at the Missoula Branch Library. There is also a surname index of family books available in Salt Lake City.

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