

WESTERN MONTANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

P.O. Box 2714 Missoula, MT 59806 NOVEMBER 1987

The November meeting of the Western Montana Genealogical Society will be held at the Missoula Public Library on Novemeber 4th, 7-9 P.M. in the downstairs Meeting Room. The program on Church Records will be presented by Joyce Kemmer and will begin at 7:00. A short business meeting will start at 8:00.

"The Phone Tree"

Accompanying this newsletter is a profile letter for WMGS members to fill out and return (by mail or bring it to the next meeting). This questionnaire will be used to develop a "Phone Tree." New member Sharon Rose has agreed to set up the calling system (based on surname and research areas listed on the form) once the profiles are returned. If research materials will become available at the LDS Branch Library or the Public Library, the librarian will call Sharon. Sharon will notify the WMGS member what materials are available and for how long. This is a service that our Society can provide for its local membership. It can 1) help cut research costs, 2) help find new research sources, and 3) encourage members to "work" on their family tree.

New Books at the Missoula Public Library

<u>Collecting Dead Relatives</u>, by Laverne Galeener-Moore. Part of the review from the back of the book reads : "Here you'll meet the people and situations you're already familiar with, or about to become familiar with-- the BORE, the OLD MASTER, and the BRIEFCASE MAGNET, and a clutch of dissembling officials, wetnosed beginners, and tongue-clucking harridans--but this time the meeting will drive you wild with laughter." Need some humor while working on your family lines? This looks like the answer. 929.102 GALEENE

The Scottish People, by James Alan Rennie. This volume tells of the development of the Scottish people from tribal Scotland, the emergence of the clans and an outline of over 100 clans (Highland, Border, and Lowlands). The appendices include the tartan and kilt, Lord Cooper's comment, an ancient Gaelic prayer, the commonest surnames in Scotland, and a list of clan septs and dependants. There is also an index and a bibliography. R 941.1 RENNIE@GenColl

WMGS MEMBERS PLEASE HELP WITH THE NEWSLETTER

Please bring suitable material to Paulette at the Missoula Public Library. I would like to have information on other genealogical or historical societies, research sources, addresses to write for additional information. SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE.

FREE LESSONS !!!!

Joyce Kemmer will be presenting Free classes in genealogical research at the LDS Branch Genealogical Library (3201 Bancroft). Meetings will be held on Wednesdays at 7:00. The topic for the November 11th class will be the Census; on November 18th it will be naturalization. For more information call Joyce at 543-6770 or check here for upcoming lessons.

WMGS PROFILE

Jo Potter is the 1987-88 President of the WMGS. She was raised on a ranch in Powder River County, MT and attended school mostly in Miles City. Jo is married to Wilbert Potter. Wilbert is from the areas of Hope and Artesia, New Mexico, but has been in Montana since 1951. Jo and Wilbert have five daughters, the youngest is a senior in high school. They have nine grandchildren and are expecting their first great-grandchild. Jo is also interested in sewing, cake decorating, cooking and collecting cookbooks, cookie cutters, antiques and old books. Other activities she shares with her husband are hunting, RVing, horses and sports.

The Potters are researching the surnames of Potter, Parker and Snow in the states of New Mexico, Texas and Missouri.

New at the LDS Branch Library

A listing 100 Genealogical Reference Works on Microfiche can be found at the LDS Library. Notations from this list will be made in this newsletter to help you find new sources. The microfic**he** will be found at the LDS Branch Library.

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Beck, Louis Caleb. <u>A Gazetteer of the States of Illinois and</u> <u>Missouri.</u> 1823. Reprint. New York: Arno Press. A gazetteer of place names in Missouri and Illinois published at a very early date. Includes historical, topographical and statistical data on the towns, villages, and counties of these states.

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Ellsberry, Elizabeth Prather, comp. <u>Bible Records of</u> <u>Missouri</u>. 8 vols. Chillicothe, Mo.: E.P. Ellsberry, 1963. An extensive collection of abstracted Bible records of births, marriages, deaths, etc., recorded in private Bibles and journals.

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