

WESTERN MONTANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The first Western Montana Genealogical Society meeting of the New Year will be held at the Missoula Public Library Meeting Room at 7:00-9:00 P.M. on January 6th. Information on the evening's program was not available at the newsletter deadline. Hope to see you there!

Joyce Kemmer's Genealogical Classes for January

Classes are held at the LDS Branch Genealogical Library (3201 Bancroft) 7:00-9:00 on Wednesday evenings. This month's schedule is as follows:

January 13--Military Records January 20--Settlement Patterns

January 27-Determining the Immigrant Ancestral Home The classes are FREE so do take advantage of them.

Where to Write for Vital Records--1987 edition

A new 1987 edition of Where to Write for Vital Records is now available. The <u>Consumer Information Catalog</u> is available at the Public Library for free. It also lists other helpful information in other areas. You may order only the Vital Records pamphlet by sending a check or money order for \$1.50 to R. Woods, Consumer Information Center-E, P.D. Box 100, Pueblo, CO 81002. Request pamphlet no.170T.

WMGS PROFILE

Sharon Rose is a new member to WMGS this year. She grew up in Southern California and Oregon. Sharon is interested in reading, research, insects, nature observations (plants, birds), cats, hiking and travel. Sharon is married to Mike Thompson. Mike is also a member of WMGS. Mike is employed as a wildlife biologist by the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks. He enjoys hunting, basketball and research. Sharon's genealogical research includes the names of Von Verdo (Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, and Germany about 1885+), Ellis (Pennsylvania about Tate [John M. & Robert] (Pennsylvania about 1815+), 1840+). Willard [John, Fannie, Carrie] (Pennsylvania, Virginia about 1817+), Rose [Rosenberg] (Pennsylvania, New Jersey about 1870+), Thompson [Ora] (New York, Pennsylvania about 1825+), Comstock (in Massachusetts. New York, Pennsylvania about 1650+), Hicks/Sikes (in New York, Pennsylvania about 1830+). Sharon has already become involved with our Society's future publications-she is currently working on a set of Mineral County marriage records. Welcome to our Society, Sharon.

At the LDS Branch Library

100 Genealogical Reference Works on Microfiche continued

PENNSYLVANIA

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Daly, John and Weinberg, Allan. <u>Genealogy of Philadelphia</u>
<u>County Subdivisions</u>. 2nd ed. Philadelphia: Department of Records,
1966.

Historical maps, chronology, and description of the political subdivisions and city wards in Philadelphia. Shows creation dates and jurisdictions of the various divisions throughout their existence.

6053251 8 fiche

Gordon, Thomas F. <u>A Gazetteer of the State of Pennsylvania</u>. Philadelphia: T. Belknap, 1832.

A gazetteer of place names for the state of Pennsylvania. Includes topographical, statistical, and historical descriptions of the cities, towns, villages, and counties in existence at the time.

New at the Missoula Public Library

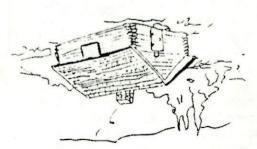
An index to some of the Bibles and family records of the United States, by E. Kay Kirkham is now in the Genealogical Collection. It is volume 2 of the set concerning the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. R 016.9292 KIRKHAM@GenColl

For those doing research in Canada, specifically Alberta, we have received a gift of the book 2000 Place Names of Alberta, by Eric J. and Patricia M. Holmgren. It is an alphabetical list of Alberta's place names that includes some basic statistical information as well as a brief historical description. The book does include a bibliography for further research. R 910.3 HOLMGRE@GenColl

CONCERNING DUES

Those members who have not paid their dues by the end of December will not be receiving a newsletter. Annual dues are \$10 for an individual membership, \$12 for a family. Dues structure and publications information will be discussed at the January meeting. Please bring your ideas and concerns.

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The program will be "Round Robin Brain Storming". Please bring: Two genealogical problems. 1. One that you have solved and how. 2. One that you haven't solved and would like help with. "More" heads are better than one. Someone may have solved a problem similar to yours.

Please bring your Dec. 87 newsletter. We will be discussing the recommendations made by the Ad Hoc Committee on Publications and Out of State Membership.