



**WESTERN MONTANA
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
P. O. Box 2714
Missoula, MT 59806**

OCTOBER 1992

OFFICERS FOR 1992-1993

President	Jo Potter	251-3588
Vice-President	Dorothea Berthoud	244-5684
Treasurer	Hazel Harley	626-5581
Recording Secretary	Enid Erie	541-3583
Corresponding Secretary	Paulette Parpart	728-8054
Librarian	Paulette Parpart	721-2665 @ Library
Newsletter	Judith Field	728-1628

DUES *** This year we are asking our members to please include an extra dollar with their dues to cover the cost of the annual membership in the Montana State Genealogical Society. Dues are \$10.00 + \$1.00/year for individuals or \$12.00 + \$1.00/year for a family. *** Dues for 1992-93 are now being accepted. Please use the membership form enclosed with this newsletter and bring it with your dues to the next meeting or mail to: WMGS, P.O.Box 2714, Missoula MT 59806-2714.

MONTHLY MEETINGS are held on the second Thursday of the month (September-May) at 7:00 pm in the small meeting room of the Missoula Public Library. *** Please see check off chart for possible new meeting day if you did not return this form last month.

OCTOBER MEETING will be Thursday, Oct. 8th at 7:00pm. The program this month will include a demonstration of some new indexes available on floppy disk (Marriage Records, Census, New York Passenger Ship Arrivals 1820-1850, County Reference Guide), and a presentation of the new IGI (Jan. 1992) illustrating the additions and new symbols being used. This edition of the IGI includes all of the submissions that were made for baptisms for the dead from 1897 to 1970. So far, the family history library has only received the new IGI fiche for the United States and Canada. The new RDM Disc version is not expected in until the rest of the fiche have arrived.

PAF We are still trying to get the PAF USERS' GROUP going again. There should be a notice out in about a week as to meeting date and time. A new PAF USER'S GROUP NEWSLETTER (3rd quarter 1992) arrived at the Family History Library and is available for anyone to look at. There were some interesting articles including "Global Updates to PAF Using a Word Processor", "Publishing One of a Kind PAF Books", and "Moving a Word Processor File into PAF Notes". It was also reported that the ultimate goal is to update the Ancestral File Program at the Family History Libraries every six months.

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY at the LDS Church, 3201 Bancroft, Missoula, 543-6148. The library will be open for some additional hours starting in September:

Monday	12:00 - 4:00pm		
Tuesday	12:00 - 4:00pm	and	7:00 - 9:30pm
Wednesday	12:00 - 4:00pm	and	7:00 - 9:30pm
Thursday	12:00 - 4:00pm	and	7:00 - 9:30pm
Friday			7:00 - 9:30pm
Saturday	12:00 - 4:00pm		

1920 FEDERAL CENSUS the Family History Library has received the rest of the 1920 Census for SD and WY. They now have the complete 1920 Census for MT, WY, ID, ND, and SD.

MISSOULA VITAL RECORDS INDEX ON COMPUTER Paulette Parpart would like to get all of the vital records that have already been indexed into the computer before the State Genealogical meeting that will be here in April of 1994. John and Mary Bergum have developed a program to do this. Anyone who would like to help on this project can pick up a box of vital records cards and the computer program on floppy disc at the Missoula Public Library. The floppy disk has a read.me file that can be printed out or read on the computer monitor with all of the instructions. When you check out a disc be sure that the librarian has recorded the disc number and the year of the vital records that you have taken.

****Note on directions: it is not necessary to enter the full parents names on births, i.e. if you have a baby Jane Smith with parents Mr. & Mrs. Harry Smith, you only need to enter Mr. & Mrs. Harry in the parents space. If the parents have two different names enter these in full, i.e. Mr. Harry Smith, Miss Jane Doe, in the parents space, and note this on the card that comes with the disc by entering the baby's name and birth date. If you have any question you can call Mary Bergum at 251-5944.

CONFERENCE GET-TOGETHER On Saturday, Oct. 17th we will have a meeting with the Bitterroot Genealogical Society at the Missoula Public Library. See enclosed flier for more info.

MASSACHUSETTS VITAL RECORDS SERVICES has announced a fee increase as of 1 Aug. 1992. Copies of birth, marriage or death certificates ordered by mail will now cost \$11.00. This includes a ten year search. Decorative heirloom certificates for births and marriages are also available for \$30.00. The rates are less if the search is made in person, however, they have also announced that researchers at the State Registry Office who do their own research will be charged \$3.00/hour starting 5 Oct. 1992. They say that all of the extra money collected will remain in the Registry Office to hire more staff and improve services.

NOVA SCOTIA IMMIGRANTS TO 1867 BY Leonard H. Smith Jr. and Norma Smith, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1992. Gives year of arrival in Nova Scotia, vessel, sometimes birth date and place. Many are loyalists. References are cited. I will check names for those interested. Contact Judith Field, 728-1628.

LET'S GET THE BALL ROLLIN'

*Come and Meet your
Fellow genealogists in the*

***WESTERN MONTANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
AND THE
BITTERROOT GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY***

A Pre-1994 Conference Get Together

*To get to know one another, exchange ideas,
and begin working on our conference*

*Saturday, October 17, 1992
2 - 5 P.M.*

*Missoula Public Library
301 E. Main Street*



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM:

Membership is from Sept.- May. Your 1992-93 dues are now due. Dues are \$10.00 for an individual or \$12.00 for a family membership. Please enclose \$1.00 for State Genealogical Society dues.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Have you enclosed \$1.00 for State Genealogical Society dues? _____

Is this a new address? _____

Send this page to: WMGS
P.O. Box 2714
Missoula, MT 59806-2714

Meeting day preference: Please place a check mark at days that you can not come.

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

1st _____

2nd _____

3rd _____

4th _____

Western Montana Genealogical Soc.
P.O. Box 2714
Missoula, MT 58906-2714



Paulette K. Parpart +\$\$
415 E. Main St. #1
Missoula MT 59802-4772