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WMGS NEWSLETTER

MAY 1993

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DUES \*\*\* Dues are \$10.00 a year for individuals or \$12.00 a year for a family. This year we are asking our members to please include an extra \$1.00 with their dues if they would also like to be a member of the Montana State Genealogical Society through the Western Montana Genealogical Society.

MONTHLY MEETINGS are held on the second Thursday of the month (Sept.-May) at 7:00 pm in the small meeting room of the Missoula Public Library.

MAY MEETING will be on Thurs., May 13th. Paulette Parpart of the Missoula Public Library will talk on "Researching in Newspapers." We will also have the election of officers for 1993-1994. The slate is:  
Pres.....Paulette Parpart  
Vice-Pres....Judith Field  
Treas.....Laura Gregory  
Rec. Sec.....Enid Erie  
Corr. Sec....Mary Bergum

This will be the last meeting until September. If you have a topic that you can discuss at a meeting or know of someone who could talk on a topic of interest, please let Paulet know so she can schedule talks for the new year.

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY SCHEDULE

The library will maintain its current hours for the summer.  
Mon.-Thurs. & Sat. 12:00-4:00,  
& Tue.-Thurs. 7:00-9:30 pm.

The library will be closed:

May 29-31 for Memorial Day  
July 3-4 for 4th of July  
July 24th for Pioneer Day  
Aug. 8-14 for Fair Week  
Sept. 4-6 Labor Day  
Oct. 2 for General Conference

IRISH HOMECOMING \*\*\*\* KSPS TV

This Wed., May 12th at 10 pm. Follow five Americans as they "go home" to Ireland, drawn there by the expectation of discovering "where they came from" and establishing contact with distant relatives. One of the five visits a Heritage Center, while another visits their ancestral home. Celtic music underscores this documentary.

**\*\* DON'T FORGET \*\* "CROSSINGS"**

4TH Annual Seminar of the Montana State Genealogical Society at Lewistown, May 14-16th. If you would like to order a seminar sweatshirt or T-shirt, see the order blank enclosed. Paulette will pick up shirts for anyone who orders but isn't going to the seminar. Indicate this pick-up on order.

BITTERROOT GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Wed. June 22, 1993 - at the upstairs meeting room in City Hall in Hamilton, Pat Thompson will talk on Naturalization and Immigration. We hope to have Pat give this talk at a WMGS meeting in the fall. The Bit O' Roots also reports that the 1891 English/Welsh Census is now available on fiche from Salt Lake.

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For anyone planning on traveling to do research this summer, here are some helpful hints compiled in response to the question "How do you organize your time in Libraries?"

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- Set specific goals before you get there; prioritize them.
  - When you arrive, "size things up" before getting going.
  - Take advantage of guidebooks for the facility.
  - Take advantage of evening hours if you can.
  - Plan to use the site and/or its resources when there are fewer others using it/them.
  - Get heavily used items early in the day.
  - Pay attention during first visit as to where and when the long lines tend to be.
  - Think about using tape recorders versus writing.
  - Remember - peak times are not the same for ALL libraries.
  - Ask "What kinds of things are NOT in the Card Catalog?"
  - Think about how you word your questions. Some librarians are unfamiliar with genealogists' methods and/or jargon. Some may even be prejudiced against genealogists.
  - For college sites, think about the impact of sports events and class breaks on parking, site hours, and site use.
  - If the library's catalog or other data is available on-line you can use that to plan ahead

before going.

Examples: gopher, melvyl, archie, OCLC, ...

- Think about using a camera instead of a copier. (See following).
- Learn your way around. Show tangible appreciation. Be very nice.
- Call before and find out about busy days. Don't hog equipment.
- Don't bore the librarian with too much detail.
- Come prepared with strips of paper to mark pages to copy; also bring a stapler or paper clips, rolls of coins, and post-it notes.

\*\*\*\* If you publish, earn good-will for the rest of us by acknowledging the staff(s) of places that helped you. Offer them a copy of your work.

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CAMERA VS. COPIER

The use of one of the modern, small self-focussing autoflash 35mm cameras that will allow you to take a photo of an area the size of an A4 (about 8 x 11) sheet of paper can be \*very\* effective, as well as cheap and convenient, especially if you wish to copy material that cannot be photocopied because of its size or fragility, such as old newspapers or archive documents. The results, even from old handwritten documents or newspapers that have a small type size, can be quite readable even on ordinary size prints. And one can always use a magnifying glass, or get enlargements made if necessary. Use black and white film, and make sure to ask permission beforehand, in particular to use a flash camera--and try to do your photography somewhere where other users will not be annoyed by it.

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# BROKEN MOUNTAINS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

WILL BE SELLING  
SWEATSHIRTS AND T-SHIRTS  
AT THE 4th ANNUAL SEMINAR AT LEWISTOWN

THE ATTACHED COPY IS WHAT IS ON THE SHIRT . THE COLOR IS HEATHER GREY WITH BLUE PRINTING. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED YOU SHOULD ORDER NOW FOR WE WILL ONLY HAVE A LIMITED SUPPLY WITH US TO LEWISTOWN BUT WE WILL TAKE ORDERS THERE.

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\*\*\*\* A NOTE ABOUT DEEDS \*\*\*\*

You do not have to file a deed if the real estate is given to an heir. It is not sold, and can pass from heir to heir with no deed being filed in THE RECORDERS OFFICE. There is one case in Ohio, where this occurred, where the original deed was recorded in the very early 19th century but the land was not sold until the mid 20th century. At the time it was sold, THE RECORDER'S OFFICE updated their records to show that the "x" ggsion of the original purchaser of the land was selling the land. The deed covered over 125 years of history and ownership, which explained why today's researchers could not locate their ancestor as owning any land in the county, i.e.

it was given by the probate court (the County clerk) not the RECORDER'S OFFICE. You might want to look in a legal dictionary for quit claim deed for clarification.

Mr. K. Haybron Adams  
Reference Librarian  
Brigham Young Univ.

NEW BOOKS AT THE MISSOULA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Record Offices: How to Find Them, 5th ed., by Jeremy Gibson and Pamela Peskett. GenColl R 929.341 GIBSOB. Shows the location of record offices for England, Wales, Isle of Man, and Scotland; has an alphabetical list of cities and towns.

Local Census Listings 1522-1930. Holdings In The British Isles, by Jeremy Gibson and Mervyn Mendlycott. GenColl R 929.1072 GIBSOB. Shows census for England, Wales, Isle of Man, Channel Islands, Scotland, and Ireland.

Genealogies Cataloged By The Library Of Congress, (no number yet). This contains a list of established forms of family names and a list of genealogies

converted to microform since 1983. (The use of established name forms is important when searching for family genealogies in library catalogues. No matter what the actual spelling of a name, it will only be catalogued under the established name form).

Writing And Marketing A Family History In The 1990s, by Dwain L. Kitchel. R 070.5 KITCHEL. Shows how to organize the project and what you should include in your book.

Cite Your Sources. A Manual For Documenting Family Histories And Genealogical Records. by Richard S. Lackey. GenColl R 929.1 LACKEY. A Manual designed to provide genealogists with an uncomplicated, yet academically acceptable, method of recording citations.

In Search Of Your Canadian Roots. Tracing Your Family Tree In Canada, by Angus Baxter. GenColl R 929.1097 BAXTER. Tells what kinds of records are available and gives a province by province list of where these records can be found.

Unlocking The Secrets In Old Photographs, by Karen Frisch-Ripley. 929.1072 FRISCH. This book will help you with keeping photo records, with dating and recognizing types of photos, and with the care and restoration of old photos.

Kinship. It's All Relative, by Jackie Smith Arnold. 306.83 ARNOLD. This book goes into many aspects of kinship. In addition to tracing your family tree, it covers the meaning and types of kinship as originally started, in the present and for the future. The health aspects of genetic inheritance and medical charts for family members are discussed.

Mayflower Families. Through Five Generations, Vol.5-6, by Edward Winslow and John Billington. R 929.20973 MAYFLOW US.

German - English Genealogical

Dictionary, by Ernest Thode. GenColl R 929.103 Thode. German alphabet and scripts, genealogical terms, male and female given names, surnames and occupations, and maps of Germany 1871-1918.

Locating Your Immigrant Ancestor. A Guide To Naturalization Records, by James C. Neagles and Lila Lee Neagles. GenColl R 929.1 NEAGLE. Shows early migrations, resources related to naturalization, the naturalization process, early records (pre 1907), recent records (after 1906), and the location of early records.

Flathead Valley Cemeteries, vol.2, 1893-1978. GenColl R 929.3 INDEX VOL. 1 & 2.

**\*\*\* CONFEDERATE RECORDS \*\*\***  
The March-April 1993 issue of the Confederate Veteran reported that the official Confederate Government records, which are kept in the National Archives' central facility, are badly deteriorating. The records are being kept in stacks of cardboard boxes with no precautions being taken to preserve them. With paper in short supply, some were even written on the backs of old wall paper. A new state of the art Archives II building has been constructed, but these Confederate records are not slated to be moved there. (Some janitorial records will be.) Write your Congressional Representatives about this.

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