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WMGS NEWSLETTER

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DUES *** Dues are \$10.00 a year for individuals or \$12.00 a year for a family, and includes Newsletter (Sept-May). Please include an extra \$1.00 with your dues if they would also like to be a member of the Montana State Genealogical Society through the Western Montana Genealogical Society.

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

MARCH MEETING - Thursday, March 10th at 7:00 pm in the Large Meeting Room of the Missoula Public Library. The speaker will be Harold Fisher, who will talk about Norwegian Research.

Marcia Porter gave a wonderful program in February on the records which are available in the Missoula County Courthouse. Similar types of records could be available in other U.S. courthouses. The full list that Marcia drew up is included in this

newsletter. Thank you Marcia!

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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MONTANA STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - If you haven't yet received a brochure for the upcoming Montana State Genealogical Society Seminar "BITS, BYTES & BULL" to be held in Missoula from April 22-24th please see the enclosed registration coupon. It will be a good conference.

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY - The current FHL hours are Mon., Tue., Thurs. & Sat. 12:00-4:00 and Tue., Wed. & Thurs. 7:00-9:30 PM. The FHL will be closed on

MISSOULA PUBLIC LIBRARY

There is a new video entitled "Out Of Your Tree! Crazy About Genealogy" with Robert A. Burns. This video is described as "a fun, factual, sometimes irreverent tour of libraries, courthouses and cemeteries, with side-trips of historic recreations." The call number is VIDEO, 929.1 BURNS.

* Remember that all of our exchange newsletters and quarterlies are catalogued in the Genealogy Collection, as are the WMGS subscriptions to the Genealogical Helper and Heritage Quest magazines.

UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA LIBRARY

The university spring break is coming up March 11-18th which means that the Mansfield Library will be operating on reduced hours during this time period:

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Mon.-Fri.
Closed Sat. & Sun. (Mar 12-13)

You do not have to be faculty, staff, or students to get a library card for the U of M library. Bring your ID to the loan desk and they will issue you a "Montana Borrowers" plastic, bar-coded library card with which you can check out books for a 14 day period.

If you have a computer with a modem you can even dial into the online library catalogue. The university online catalogue runs just like the online catalogue at the

Missoula Public Library and is quite "user friendly". Make sure that your keyboard is not in Caps Lock (you need to login in lower case), set your terminal emulation to VT-100 (ANSI), 8 data bits, no parity and dial one of the following numbers:

243-8622 243-6845
243-6832 243-6892

When your terminal shows that you are connected:

- press <ENTER> until you see a prompt that looks like Lat ##>.
- at the Lat ##> prompt, type: c:griznet. You should then get the Login: prompt.
- at the Login: prompt type: griznet.

You should then get the main library menu and be on your way. You can even dial in to check on the status of books that you have checked out, and create your own bibliography. Just follow the menu.

UTAH GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION SEMINAR - April 8-9 th, 1994
They are celebrating 100 years of the Genealogical Society of Utah with the upcoming seminar to be held in Salt Lake City - "Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow". Among the classes scheduled are those for genealogical librarians; accreditation; computers; Scandinavian, British, Irish, U.S., and Native American research; migration; producing family histories and more.

Between Mar.-Dec. of 1933, after the repeal of prohibition, 60 licenses were issued for the manufacture of beer in Missoula County.

REGISTRATION COUPON

5TH ANNUAL MONTANA STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
CONFERENCE

APRIL 22-24TH, 1994
HOLIDAY INN PARKSIDE
200 SOUTH PATTEE
MISSOULA, MT

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____ x PRE-REGISTRATION @ \$35.00:

NUMBER OF EXTRA BANQUET QUESTS: _____ @ \$14.00:

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

PRE-REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 8TH, 1994

SEND FEE WITH
THIS FORM TO: **MSGs**

1/2 BETTY MARSHALL
P.O. BOX 476
CHESTER, MT 59522

NAME: _____

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PROGRAM IN EACH SESSION YOU WILL ATTEND:

SESSION I 9:00 - 10:00 AM I will attend program number: _____

HOLIDAY INN

- PROGRAM 1. What's new in CD ROMS
- PROGRAM 2. Writing it all down
- PROGRAM 3. Preserving your paper heirlooms

LIBRARY

- PROGRAM 4. Starting out right, part
- PROGRAM 5. Using PAF

SESSION II 10:30 - 11:30 AM I will attend program number: _____

HOLIDAY INN

- PROGRAM 1. Tracking Germans from Russia
- PROGRAM 2. Mayflower Society/Surname origins
- PROGRAM 3. Finding the land records

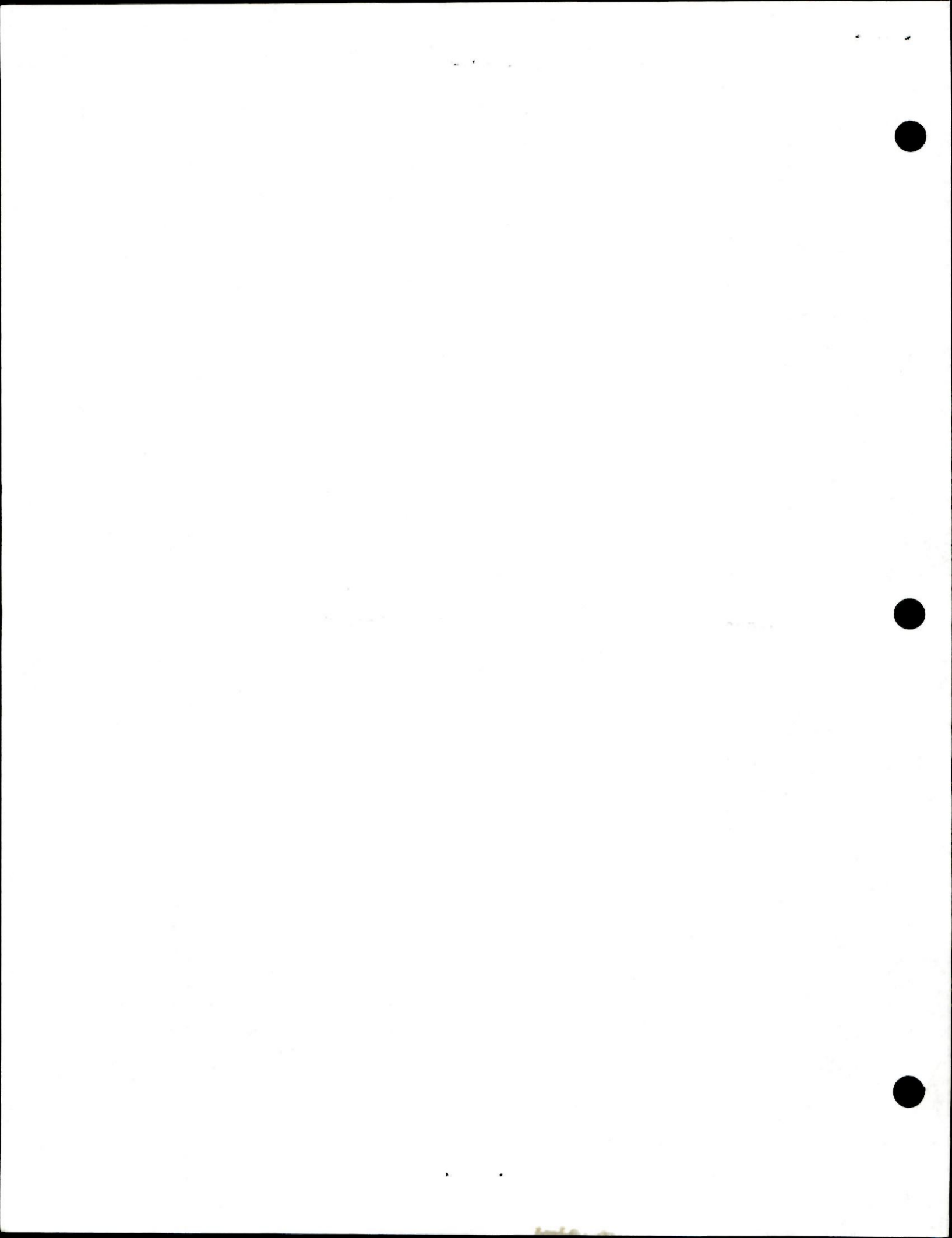
LIBRARY

- PROGRAM 4. Starting out right, part 2
- PROGRAM 5. Using KinWright

SESSION III 2:00 - 3:00 PM I will attend program number: _____

HOLIDAY INN

- PROGRAM 1. Newspaper research: Can I do it?
- PROGRAM 2. Hidden people in the archives
- PROGRAM 3. Lights! Camera! Family!!



RECORDS YOU MAY FIND AT A
COUNTY COURTHOUSE

* INDICATES CONFIDENTIAL
RECORDS OR RESTRICTED ACCESS

*Adoptions
Appraisalment
Articles of Incorporation/
annual statements
Assessments: Real estate and
personal property
Bargain and Sale
Beef Inspection
Beer Act Records - 1933
Bids
*Births
Bond and Oath registers
Bounty certificates - (skins)
Bridges
Building permits, inspections,
plans
Burial records, cemeteries
Business licenses
Candidate fiscal statement
Certificates of surveys of
land
Certificates of fictitious
names
Civil records
Commissioners Minutes
Commissioners Journals
*Concealed weapon index
Contracts and agreements
*Coroners reports and
registers
County Hospital/Poor Farm
records
Court Calendars and Journals
Criminal records
*Deaths
Declaration of Occupancy
Deeds: quit claim, warranty,
tax, sale, homestead,
patented land
Divorce records
Easements
Elections: returns, precinct
boundaries
Farm land register
Floodplain
Guardianship
Herd District

Homestead
*Inquests
*Insanity/Sanity
Irrigation district records
Justice of the Peace records
Justice Court records
Lease records
Liens
Maps -original townsites...
Marriage Licenses
Military rolls - of eligible
conscriptees (name, age,
address)
Military Registrations/
discharges
Mining location records,
placer, quartz, surface,
annual reports
Miscellaneous records
Mortgages
Mothers Pensions
Naturalizations
Oaths of Office
Old Age Pension records
Peace Bonds - 1941
Petitions
Physician certificates
Plats of land
Poor Records
Power of Attorney
Probate Records
Ranch claims
Reception books - shows all
documents recorded in
Clerk & Recorder
Road and land surveys and
reports
School: Teachers Reports,
Census, Boundaries
Sewer records
Special Improvement Districts
Stallion register - 1912-1935
Surveys
Tax records: delinquent,
personal property, real
estate, liens
Tax Sales
Teachers registers and
contract records
Townsite plats
Vacating street and alley
records
Voter registrations - 1890-

1911 at Mansfield Library
may give personal
description
War Risk Insurance - 1918
Water rights
*Welfare
Wills

WPA Sponsor agreements 1937-
1942 (In 1942 the WPA
indexed all records types
in Missoula Co. as to
where they were kept,
storage conditions, etc.

* UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS *

March 22nd HELENA EVERTON SEMINAR - see Feb. Newsletter.
April 8-9th UTAH GENEALOGICAL ASSOC. SEMINAR, SALT LAKE CITY
April 22-24th MONTANA STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE
MAY 13 - 14th IDAHO FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE - see Feb. News
JUNE 1 - 4th 1994 NGS CONFERENCE IN THE STATES, HOUSTON TEXAS

Registration forms for all of the above seminars and conferences
are available at the information desk at the Missoula Public
Library.

"PAF DOCUMENTATION GUIDELINES" - is available from :
SILICON VALLEY PAF USERS GROUP, 4417 Pitch Pine Court, San
Jose, CA 95136. Cost is \$2.00, 20p + ready reference chart.
This is an excellent guide for entering notes in PAF.

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