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## WMGS NOVEMBER MEETING—WEDNESDAY, Nov. 13th

The November meeting of the Western Montana Genealogical Society will be held on **WEDNESDAY, November 13th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Missoula Family History Library, 3201 Bancroft St., Missoula.** The library will be open for the WMGS members and a guest if you want to bring one. We will be doing a presentation of resources available at the library including the book collection,

the permanent microfilm/fiche collection and the computer resources including Family Search and Ancestry. You are invited to bring a problem to work on using the library resources as we would like to do some hands-on work to demonstrate the library resources. Patti Nord, library training specialist, will be on hand to assist us. If you have any questions please call Judith Field.

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## In The Mail



**BEAVER HEAD HUNTERS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**, 15 S. Montana Ave., Dillon, MT 59725; [www.rootsweb.com/~mtbhhgs](http://www.rootsweb.com/~mtbhhgs), Oct 2006. They would like to hear from anyone who has information on where the "Red Boots" district of Beaverhead County was located in 1890. They came upon mention of this place while looking at names in the Montana 1890 Census Index of surviving Union soldiers.

**BIG SKY ROUNDUP**, Montana State Genealogical Society, Betty L. Marshall, P.O. Box 476, Chester, MT 59522; [www.rootsweb.com/~mtmsgs](http://www.rootsweb.com/~mtmsgs), Oct 2006. Minutes from the Sept 21st MSGS board meeting, report on the 2006 State Conference in Gardiner. New applications are being accepted for Vol. III of First Families of Montana.

**FADED GENES**, Lewis & Clark Co. Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 5313, Helena, MT 59604; [www.rootsweb.com/~mtlcgs/index.htm](http://www.rootsweb.com/~mtlcgs/index.htm), Sept 2006. The Index to the Births recorded at the Lewis & Clark County Clerk & Recorder's Office has been completed for 1867-1950. The alphabetical file is on their library computer and anyone who wishes a search may contact the society through their web site.

**FAMILY CHRONICLE**, October 2006. Look at articles on Private Archives, Civil War Militias, 20th Century Desperate Housewives, Our Ancestor's Ships, DNA Projects, Revenue Stamps on Family Documents, Translation Websites.

**GEN-BUG NEWS**, Yellowstone Genealogy Forum, % Parmley Billings Library, 510 N. Broadway, Billings MT 59101, Oct 2006. The 2007 MSGS Conference will be in Billings. The keynote speaker will be Sandra, Hargreaves Luebking, FUGA, who teaches at Samford University's Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, in Birmingham, Alabama. Another national speaker will be Birdie Monk Holsclaw.

**GENEALOGICAL HELPER**, Sep / Oct 2006. See articles on Avoiding Pitfalls in Document-

tary Evidence, Finding 1861-1869 Names of Residents & Civil War Soldiers, Paying to Find Your Ancestors—with tips on hiring a professional genealogist. In "Digital Documents for American Research" William Dollarhide explores the top genealogical websites on the net including sites for digital books, city directories, yearbooks, family bibles, naturalization and historical documents.

**INTERNET GENEALOGY**, Nov 2006. Read about "Old Newspapers Online" and "Finding Ancestral Artifacts on the Net."

**NGS NEWSMAGAZINE**, Oct/Nov/Dec 2006. There are articles on State vs. Federal Land Records, the FBI and Your Ancestor, 19th Century Guardianship Records, School Records, and tips on writing family history and delivering a genealogical lecture.

**NGS QUARTERLY**, September 2006. The feature article is on "Identifying Parents Indirectly" with other articles on sorting wives and sorting slaves.

**TALES & TRAILS**, Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society, % The Dalles Public Library, 722 Court St., The Dalles, OR 97058-2270, Oct 2006. "Old Carson Cemetery" inscriptions Whitecotton—Zurcher. Do you know what a *bateau/battoe* was or how large a *hogshead* was? See p. 11 of this issue.

**THE TREE BRANCH**, Dawson County Tree Branches Genealogical Society, [www.rootsweb.com/~mtdawson/index.html](http://www.rootsweb.com/~mtdawson/index.html), Oct 2006. Dawson County and Eastern Montana Death Notices, Jan-June 2006. They reprinted the following from *Nuggets from Paradise* :

#### "Reluctant Information—

The way I got some reluctant relatives to respond to requests for information was to send them a family tree with erroneous information about them. There is nothing like making a woman ten years older than you think she is to get her to respond! And adding a strange husband and some kids..... "



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**Upcoming Closures :**

Nov 23-25th — Thanksgiving  
Dec 11 - Jan 1 — Christmas

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are spotty. You can browse the

collection by location to see what papers may be available for your area and time period, or do an advanced search for a person over a year span, in a particular country, state, and city. They are constantly adding new pages.

The Missoula Public Library *Access Newspaper Archive* is located on the iBistro library catalogue computers (not the Internet computers) and is accessed through the *Favorites* tab at the top of the Home page by going to US Newspapers. [ I could not get the article I wanted to download after doing a search and got a message to ask my librarian to upgrade. However, they say you are supposed to be able to download and print your articles from the library.]

You can get your own subscription to NewspaperARCHIVE.com for about \$10 a month when you subscribe with a monthly subscription. You need to subscribe with a credit card, so you must cancel before your month is up if you want to try it for only one month.

## Bits &amp; Bytes

**Some Free Old Newspapers:**

**Brooklyn Daily Eagle** - [www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/eagle/](http://www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/eagle/)

**Colorado** - [www.ColoradoHistoricNewspapers.org](http://www.ColoradoHistoricNewspapers.org)

**Utah** - [www.lib.utah.edu/digital/unews/index.html](http://www.lib.utah.edu/digital/unews/index.html)

**Finding Books****Quintin's Local History Center**

<http://www.quintinpublications.com/qfhc.html>

This service - **Quintin's Local and Family History Centre** - is an extensive collection of custom-produced genealogical books (family and town histories as well as all types of vital records) reprinted on demand for the amateur and professional genealogist. What makes this service **unique** is the fact that you have your choice of either printed version or electronic version (CD). All CD-ROMs produced by Quintin Publications are in PDF® format. Each CD-ROM contains actual page images of the book. Unless stated to the contrary they are not text searchable but if you will allow us some time we will OCR it for you for free (not all CD's can be made searchable due to the quality of the original images.) Each CD-ROM includes Acrobat Reader® which is the program needed to read these CD-ROMs. **All CD-ROMs are both PC and MAC compatible.**

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## Missoula Public Library— New Books

Our Fifty Years, Regent, N.D. 1911-1961,  
GenColl R 978.4 REGENT

The Atlantic Bridge to Germany, Vol. III,  
Prussia, by Charles M. Hall, GenColl R  
929.3094 HALL

Plantegenet Ancestry: A Study in Colonial  
and Medieval Families, by Douglas Richard-  
son, GenColl R 929.2097 RICHARD

Magna Carta Ancestry: A Study in Colonial  
and Medieval Families, by Douglas Richard-  
son, GenColl R 929.3089 RICHARD

Ancestors in German Archives, A Guide to  
Family History Sources, by Raymond S.  
Wright et. Al, GenColl R 929.1072 ANCESTO

Kinship, It's All Relative, by Jackie Smith Ar-  
nold, 306.83 ARNOLD

Black Genesis, A Resource Book for Afri-  
can-American Genealogy, 2nd ed., by James  
M. Rose and Alice Eichholz, 929.1089 ROSE

Norwegians, Swedes and More, Destination  
Dakota Territory, by Loren H. Amundson,  
929.2 AMUNDSO v.4

Norwegians, Swedes and More, Norway to  
Minnesota, by Loren H. Amundson, 929.2  
AMUNDSO v.3

Discovering Your Jewish Ancestors, by  
Barbara Krasner-Khait, 929.1089 KRASNER

The Great War, A Guide to the Service Re-  
records of All the World's Fighting Man and  
Volunteers, by Christina K. Schaefer, 929.373  
SCHAEFE

Not Merely Ancestors, A Guide for Teach-  
ing Genealogy in the Schools, by John Ri-  
vard Davis, 929.1071 DAVIS

## ANCESTRY.COM NEWS

### 1851 Census of Canada

The 1851 census includes the areas of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Canada East (Lower Canada, or roughly Quebec), and Canada West (Upper Canada, or roughly Ontario).

Note: Not all of the 1851 census has survived, so this database does not contain a complete representation of the above areas. The missing areas are still listed in the browse portion of this database but are shown as non-links.

**The Ellis Island Experience - Collection of Immigration Records**

**FREE - Now to Nov 30th**



<http://landing.ancestry.com/immigration/main/?offerid=0%3a7858%3a0>

This new site from Ancestry.com has just been introduced. It is graphic and was slow to load even on my old computer even with a DSL connection. However, the opening panorama of immigrants landing at Ellis Island is awesome. To see the panorama click on the Ellis Island Experience link from the above site.

Ancestry is making this offer because they have just **tripled** the size of their Immigration Collection to more than 100 million names from over 100 American ports including New York, Boston, Philadelphia, San Francisco, New Orleans and Baltimore. However, **ALL** Of the Immigration Collection (US, Canada, Great Britain, and World wide) is **FREE** until Nov. 30th.

The following records are new additions:

- 19-Century Emigration of 'Old Lutherans' from Eastern Germany to Australia, Canada, and the United States



- 19th-Century Emigration from Kreis Simmern (Hunsrueck), Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany to Brazil, England, Russian Poland, and USA -
- A List of Emigrants from England to America, 1682-1692
- A List of Emigrants from England to America, 1718-1759

Also, the New York Passenger Lists 1820-1957, and the California Passenger and Crew Lists 1893-1957 have been updated.

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#### Finding Books

of an out-of-print title. [Includes printing on acid-free paper, with plastic, spiral binding. Hard cover, library binding is +\$20.]

- **Digital Version.** If you prefer to have your chosen title on CD-ROM, the cost is only 5¢ per page. There is a minimum price of \$10.95 per title.
- **Unpriced Items:** In several cases it was impossible to determine an accurate price for a genealogy because of a lack of bibliographic information. In general, these books can run from 10 pages to more than 900 pages per volume. Such genealogies are priced with "XXX". By ordering these items you agree to pay the per page cost of the volume(s) is based upon the pricing structure as explained above. Because of the peculiarities of our online "shopping cart" the prices for these items turn up as "Free" on the shopping cart. **Please be advised that these books and CD-ROMS are not free.**
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longer under copyright. They also have arrangements with some publishers to scan whole, searchable pages with links to the publisher to buy the book if you like what you find. Other books under copyright were scanned and can be searched, but only return snippets of the book which may not contain your search term. There may also be links to new/used book sellers when you click on a book title.

You can include search terms to look for anything you like including people, places and book titles. For fully scanned books you can view and print indexes and tables of contents as well as full pages.

#### A Message from the President:

This is just a short note to tell you about the fun we had at the State Conference in Gardiner in September. It's certainly a worthwhile trip because the information and enthusiasm is phenomenal. One doesn't feel the need to rationalize or explain this hobby of ours because the whole group has the same interest. There were great talks, field trips, and entertainment. The Montana State Genealogical Society newsletter tells all about it. I'll bring my copy. Please think about attending next year's in Billings on Oct 5-6, 2007. I was able to carpool and share rooms to keep the cost down. Put it on your calendar now!

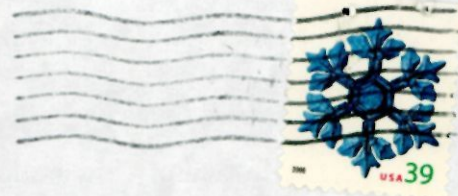
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## Dues & Queries

Dues are \$11 a year for individuals and \$13 for families, which includes a Newsletter (Sep, Nov, Jan, Apr, & May) and membership in the Montana State Genealogical Society. Queries are published free for members, \$2 for non-members.

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Please use the enclosed form for renewals or new membership and please include or update phone #'s and e-mail addresses.. Note the number after your name on the mailing label - if it is 06 your dues have not been paid for 2006-2007 and this is your last Newsletter.

## Submissions

We would appreciate any submissions of articles on genealogy for the Newsletter including *How You Solved It*, local pedigrees, book reviews of local history/ genealogy books, and any genealogy news items.