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oddities:

Oldest book : "De Civitate Dei," 1475

Most pages in a book: 4,111
Strangest discovery in a book: 8-inch lock of braided hair

Most ironic title : "The life of Mohammed: Founder of the Religion of Islam, and of the Empire of the Saracens" by George Bush (the first cousin of George W. Bush's great-great-great-grandfather)

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JANUARY 13, 2009 MEETING

The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the MISSOULA PUBLIC LIBRARY LARGE DOWN-STAIRS MEETING ROOM.

PROGRAM: It's A Miracle That I Exist

Susan Doores, heir to personal letters, a transcribed diary, and other Civil War documents of her great-great-grandfather, John Richard Bowersox, has further researched his service with the 5th Ohio Volunteer Cavalry, and will share her discoveries with us. Eighteen-year-old Private Bowersox

boarded a steamboat at Cincinnati to float down the Ohio River to war in the South. His cavalry worked its way along the Tennessee River into Mississippi, and fought at Shiloh, Corinth, and Vicksburg. Following sanguinary victories at those places, the unit rode to battles in Tennessee, North Carolina, and Georgia, then joined Union General Sherman for part of his march to Atlanta. Susan's story continues into 1884, where she discovered "a mysterious death in Pennsylvania."

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In The Mail



BEAVER HEAD HUNTERS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, 15 S. Montana Ave., Dillon, MT 59725; www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mtbeaver, December 2008.

They are finishing up the Index of Declarations of Intention which started in 1856. You can read "**Stories From the Grave**" online at <http://www.greatfallstribune.com/article/20081111/NEWS01/811110306>. This is an article About a former Saco, Montana resident and his theory that obituaries of a small town's residents could say a lot about the town itself.

FADED GENES, Lewis & Clark Co. Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 5313, Helena, MT 59604, www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mtlcgs/index.htm, December 2008. They have completed the Lewis & Clark County Probate 1865-1979 Index, available on CD for \$8. Vital Records From *The Mountaineer* is continued with Dec 1898-Mar 1899.

INTERNET GENEALOGY, November 2008. "Get Comfortable With the Unfamiliar!" shows how to access records of the Government Printing Office (GPO) and the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) [Available at the U of M Mansfield Library.] Also see "Finding Elusive Civil War Ancestors" and "Jumping Over Online Hurdles" seven online research problems and how to avoid them.

NGS NEWSMAGAZINE, October-December 2008. "Preserving Old Texas Records" shows what a small genealogical society can do to preserve and make public records accessible. "They Went West: Colonial and Territorial Records" shows some of the records types available and how to find them.

TREASURE STATE LINES, Great Falls Genealogy Society, 301 2nd Ave. N., Great Falls, MT 59401, November 2008. *Rocky Mountain Husbandman Newspaper*, White Sulphur Springs, MT, Marriages & Deaths, Nov 1875 -1889. There is also a poignant Civil War letter written by Nathaniel Wilson of the 42nd Indiana Infantry.

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

*****The Missoula Family History Library, 3201 Bancroft St., Missoula, is open again on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but is still closed on Saturdays until staff is in place.

COMPUTER RESERVATIONS

(1 hour session)

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FHL HOURS

Mon. CLOSED

Tue. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM & 7:00 - 9:00 PM*

Wed. CLOSED

Thurs. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM & 7:00 - 9:00 PM*

Sat. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM* (Closed)

Footnote.com available free at the FHL

Civil War Widow's Pension Files—These are about 19% complete.

Civil War Service Records & Civil War Rolls - are about 99% complete

1860 US Census— may have a better index than the Ancestry.com version. (This is the only census record on Footnote.com.)

New at Ancestry.com [Missoula Public Library]

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- South Carolina Death Records, 1821-1955 - updated
- Netherlands Births and Christenings, 1608-1882 (in Dutch)
- Netherlands Marriages, 1637-1892 (in Dutch)
- Denmark Births and Christenings, 1631-1900s (in Danish)
- Denmark Marriages, 1631-1900s (in Danish)
- Varese, Lombardia, Italy: Civil Registration, 1866-1937 (in Italian)
- 1900 United States Federal Census — updated
- Wisconsin Divorce Index, 1965-1984

Bits & Bytes



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[Http://catalog.gpo.gov](http://catalog.gpo.gov)

Library of Virginia Online— to browse the record categories and find indexes .
www.lva.lib.va.us/siteindex/index.htm

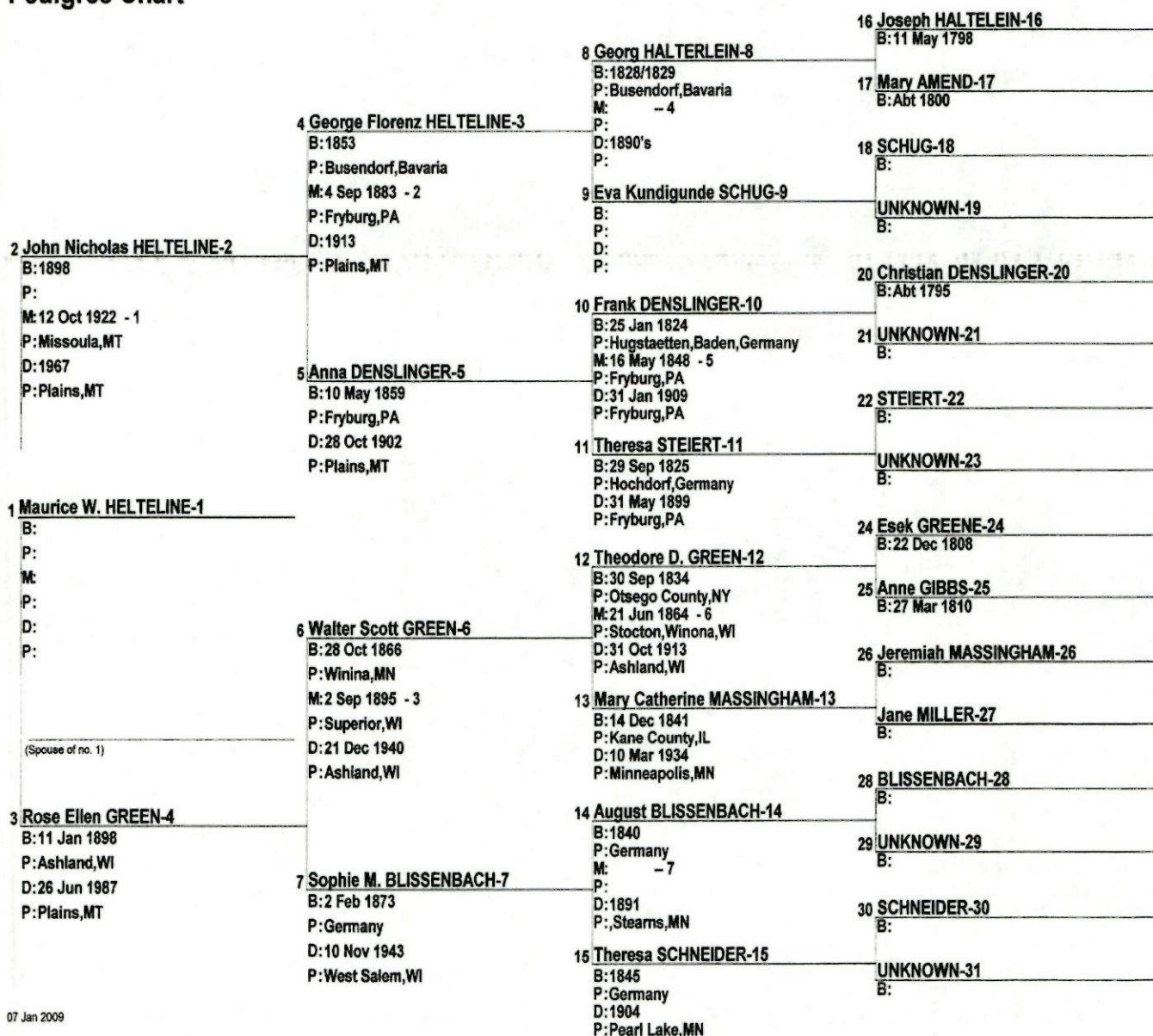
HELTERLINE FAMILY HISTORY

Maurice Helterline, longtime member of the WMGS, has finished a book on his family history. His Helterline Family History is divided into two parts. Part One is primarily Helterline genealogy. Part Two is primarily his mother's Greene ancestry, and more. Much of the Greene ancestry is both French and English Royal blood, some twenty generations from Charlemagne to Sir Henry De Greene in multiple lines of descent.

Five Generation Helterline/Green Pedigree Chart Compiled from Helterline Family History

Pedigree Chart

Chart no. 1



WMGS Member Research Surnames

SURNAME	AREA	MEMBER	Cox	MA, WI, OR, WA, ID	Sidney Reynolds
Abernathy	AL	Kerry Brandoff	Cramer	MT, IA, Bavaria	Wanda Alsaker
Anderson	UT, ID	Terri Denney	Crum	IN	Loren and Barbara Johnson
Atkins	MO	Jo Potter	Curry	NY, IRE	Judith Field
Awtry		Sharon Phillips	Daniel	VA, NC	Peggy Harris
Barth	NY	Jackie Riemers	Doores	VA, KY, MO, MT	Susan Doores
Batzer	Germany	Gerald Schliebe	Dore	MT	Karen and Jack Reynolds
Bayley	VA	Peggy Harris	Drew	VA	Peggy Harris
Beischel	CA, WI, IA, MT, Bavaria	Wanda Alsaker	Drew	MN, NE, VT, CAN, SCO	Sharon Phillips
Belt	SC, TN	Cathryn Strombo	Duncan		Katherine Campbell
Bennett	OH, IA, PA	Pat Culver	Edmunds	VA	Peggy Harris
Bergerbakken	Norway	Paulette Parpart	Egbert	NY, PA, IRE	Alayne Hilditch
Bishel	CA, WI, IA, MT, Bavaria	Wanda Alsaker	Enright	NY, IRE	Peggy Harris
Bliss		Brenda Miller	Farr	IL, VT, MD, NH	Wanda Alsaker
Branch	VA	Peggy Harris	Fay		Katherine Campbell
Brewer	IN	Pat Culver	Felkins	AR, LA	William and Shirley Morrison
Briggs	VA	Peggy Harris	Felley	Switzerland	Blanche Tate
Brightman	NY, MI, MD	Loren and Barbara Johnson	Field	RI, MA	Judith Field
Brockopp	MN, Germany	Paulette Parpart	Fiess	WA	Sharon Garner
Brockway		Katherine Campbell	Fink	MO	Laura Gregory
Brooks	GA, TX	Kerry Brandoff	Fitz Jarold	DE, MD, IN	Loren and Barbara Johnson
Brown		Brenda Miller	Fitzgerald	DE, MD, IN	Loren and Barbara Johnson
Brown	OH	Evelyn Newell	Fitzhugh	VA	Peggy Harris
Brown		Sidney Reynolds	Flood	VA	Peggy Harris
Bruce	PA, Eng	Evelyn Newell	Flye	Switzerland	Blanche Tate
Burch	MO, OR	Sidney Reynolds	Foster	PA	Nancy Shrader
Burris	KY	Loren and Barbara Johnson	Fowler	MT, IRE	S. Ann Ross
Burton	VA, IA, IN, NE	Fred Samson	Fries	MO, VA	Susan Doores
Campbell		Katherine Campbell	Fulkerson	VA, MO	Susan Doores
Carroll	NY, PA, NE	Fred Samson	Fulton		Brenda Miller
Carstons	CA, Germany	Sidney Reynolds	Gallagher		Bridget Wanderer
Chapman	MO, VA	Sidney Reynolds	Garner	MT	Sharon Garner
Church	NY, MI	Loren and Barbara Johnson	Gentry	AS, OR	Sidney Reynolds
Cocke	VA	Peggy Harris	Gibbins		Brenda Miller
Coffman	AL	Kerry Brandoff	Gilder		Don Gilder
Collins	CA	Pat Culver	Gilligan	IA	Carma Gilligan
Collins	NY, IRE	Peggy Harris	Gilmore	KY, IL	Pat Culver
Comer	MN, MT, OH, VA, ENG	Wanda Alsaker	Goit	SC, TN	Cathryn Strombo
Cook	IA, MT, CAN	Wanda Alsaker	Gorman	IRE	William and Shirley Morrison
Cox	NY, IRE	Peggy Harris			
Cox		Sidney Reynolds			

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Greene	RI, NY, WI, ENG	Maurice Helterline	Kirkling	NC, IL, IN	Pat Culver
Hale	KY	Evelyn Newell	Kolb	NY	Jackie Riemers
Hardin	MT, TN, TX	S. Ann Ross	Krammer	MT, IA, Bavaria	Wanda Alsaker
Harker	OH	Evelyn Newell	Krege	Prussia	Gerald Schliebe
Harlan	PA, IA, OH, WA, OR	Sidney Reynolds	Latta	AL	Kerry Brandoff
Harper	NY	Blanche Tate	Latty	AI	Kerry Brandoff
Harris	RI	Loren and Barbara Johnson	Lauchaire	NY	Judith Field
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Hassenforder	NJ, France	Judith Field	Lockheart	SC	Blanche Tate
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Jarrell	DE, MD, IN	Loren and Barbara Johnson	Mitchell		Bridget Wanderer
Jeffrey	LS, AR, IN	Shirley and William Morrison	Mitchell	MO, KS	Carma Gilligan
Jobe	IA, IL, IN	Pat Culver	Moeller	NY, Germany	Jackie Riemers
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Jones		Sharon Phillips	Morrison	MT, MN, IRE	Shirley and William Morrison
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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.

NEW BOOKS

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