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Western Montana Genealogical Society

NEXT MEETING - Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Missoula Public Library, large downstairs meeting room, 7:00 pm.

PROGRAM: Program: "Brick Wall Night"

Has your family history search led to a brick wall? Sometimes genealogists can guide each other over, around or through this blockade. Bring your prob-

lem to this meeting of sympathetic listeners and present the case of WHO you are looking for, WHAT you want to know, approximately WHEN the ancestor lived and WHERE you have already looked. We all understand WHY you need to know. We will do our best to suggest new research options. Non-members are welcome.

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Genealogy Question #3

What % of your genealogical information is on your computer and how much would you like to have computerized?

- A year ago I began entering data onto PAF. I am a novice. It has helped me be more organized. Probably have another 10 % to get typed in yet.
- Virtually all of my relative genealogy is on computer, although much of it could be re-organized and edited.
- 95% is on my computer, but not in any formal family tree software. I would like to get it entered into a formal software package.
- About half is on computer it

would be good to have all of it on. I'd like to have an actual pedigree chart to print, instead of just have Ancestry, which doesn't print those charts really well.

- Right now none. I don't trust my computer ---eventually when I get more ambitious, I might consider getting all my information into a computer.
- My info: no. My husband's info: yes
- 100%
- 75% of my research is computerized; I use Family Tree Maker 2009. I would like to have it all on the computer. I keep a backup in a fire proof

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In The Mail



INTERNET GENEALOGY, Feb / Mar 2010, "Whalers, Sailors and Immigrants," "Top 10 French-Canadian Websites," "Timelines in Genealogy," "England and Wales Criminal Registers."

NGS Quarterly, Vol. 97, No. 4, Dec 2009.

2009 Family History Writing Contest Winner—"Verifying an Ancestor's Words: The Autobiography of Mary (seeds) Haviland"

Bits & Bytes



Using Google News Timeline for Genealogy & Family History This podcast on YouTube shows you how to use the Google News Timeline step by step to learn more about your family tree. See it at: http://www.youtube.com/user/GenealogyGems#p/u/11/wrn1gt_CvN0 [Google News Timeline is in Google Labs]

Researching You Patriot Ancestor

There are now thousands of links to free vital records, probate indexes, county histories, and sources of Revolutionary War service at the free online tutorial "Researching Your Revolutionary War Patriot Ancestor" at: <http://www.learnwebskills.com/patriot/>

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

The Missoula Family History Library, 3201 Bancroft St., Missoula, has resumed its Tuesdays / Thursday / Saturday schedule and is open all hours listed below.

COMPUTER RESERVATIONS

(1 hour session) Call 543-6148

FHL HOURS

Mon. CLOSED
Tue. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM & 6:30-8:30 PM
Wed. CLOSED
Thurs. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM & 6:30—8:30 PM
[Sat. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM] May resume soon

Footnote.com

Digested Summary of Private Claims

1853-1882 — [From Footnote.com] Almost half of the laws passed by Congress have been private acts applying to a single person or a specified group of people... While the bulk of the claims were for pensions, arrears of pay or compensation for property taken or destroyed, land claims ran a close second... The text is fully searchable and the search engine searches across all five volumes simultaneously... Many of these claims never became law, but even if they didn't they generated paper-paper that provides details about our ancestors. This index is the first step in getting to the additional paperwork found in the records of the House of Representatives' Claims Committees [NARA Record Group 233].

Query

Need information on all of these people.

James Thomas Case (1861 MO—1951 Missoula.) He was employed at the Anaconda Copper Smelter; Died in Missoula but buried in Anaconda. He married his second wife, **May Hollenbeck**, in Anaconda; the marriage seems to have been short lived. His third wife was **Ida Carey** who died in 1928 in Anaconda. She had been a nurse at the Anaconda Hospital for many years. I am descended from the first wife whom he married in MO. Want to hear from anyone who may have information on any of these people.

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His obituary, found in the Missoulian of Monday, 3 Dec 1951 and reads as follows:

Former Anaconda Resident Dies

"J.T. Case, retired Anaconda smelter worker,

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Who Do You Think You Are?

is coming to NBC on Friday, March 5, 2010 at 8/7 Central. This TV show will explore the genealogy of a number of prominent people/actors/actresses. You can find more info and watch the trailer at: <http://landing.ancestry.com/spreadtheword> The President of the National Genealogical Society, Jane A. Alpert, says "Many people are interested in knowing more about their heritage, but have no idea how to begin. I hope *Who Do You Think You Are?* will encourage people to move from interest to action and take advantage of the many resources available." Perhaps we will have more people interested in genealogy showing up at our meetings and at the Family History Center.

Ancestry.com in conjunction with the premier of this show is running a sweepstakes—*The Ultimate Family History Journey*.

Grand Prize includes:

- \$20,000 in travel money
- Eight hour consultation with an expert genealogist
- Five experts in fields relevant to your personal family history to help you learn even more
- Annual World Deluxe Subscription for you and five family members

PLUS! Twenty First Prize winners get a World Deluxe Subscription from Ancestry.com®. Enter once a day from now until April 30th at: <http://ancestry.promo.eprize.com/sweepstakes>

FamilySearch.org Research Series Classes Online

- [England Beginning Research](#)
- [Germany Research New!](#)
- [Ireland Research New!](#)
- [Italy Research](#)
- [Principios básicos para la investigación genealógica en Hispanoamérica \(México\)](#)
- [Research Principles and Tools New!](#)
- [Russia Research](#)
- [U.S. Research New!](#)

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box, because you can never be too careful with these things.

- About 50 %. I'd like it all saved digitally.
- I use Family Tree Maker and so most of my stuff is on the computer.
- I would like to spend a lot more, but life has other plans
- A Family Tree Maker database holds basis statistics. Photographs, document copies, handwritten notes, etc., etc., are not computerized.
- About 10% is on the computer and I am working to computerize it. 100% of the photos are on the computer (and backed up by a commercial firm twice daily). I now have way over 1000 photos (some back to the Civil War, and some recent), and I am using Photo Shop to work on the photos.
- All of my family group sheets are on my computer. I am working on transcribing my obit. collection, etc.
- 97%, probably. I'd like it all there. (Including, of course, the facts that I can't find!)
- .00001%, I have the program and I am entered.
- 2%. I had more but between moving computers I lost most of it.
- About 50 % on the computer. I would like it all, but I'm too lazy.

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died at a local rest home Saturday night. The body was taken Sunday from the Marsh & Powell mortuary here to Anaconda for funeral services and burial. Mr. Case came to Missoula several Years ago after retiring. He lived at 233 East Pine street. He was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge in Anaconda. He apparently left no survivors."

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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. Membership runs from September to May of the next year.

2010 Conferences

NGS 2010 Family History Conference
April 26—May 1, 2010, Salt Lake City, UT;
"Follow Your Ancestral Trail". Find more
info at: [http://www.familysearch.org/
ngs2010/](http://www.familysearch.org/ngs2010/) or [http://www.familysearch.org/
ngs2010/](http://www.familysearch.org/ngs2010/)

MSGs 21st Annual Conference
Sept 23-25, 2010, Lewistown, Montana.

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.