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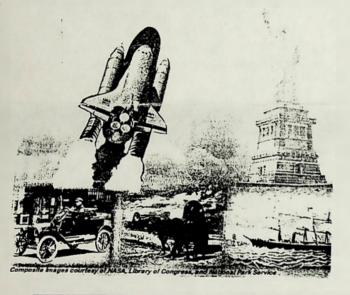
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The Official Newsletter of the North Dakota State Genealogical Society

TAKING THE PAST INTO THE FUTURE

Family History Workshop XXV

September 16, 2000 Comstock Memorial Union 6th Avenue South and 14th Street Minnesota State University Moorhead

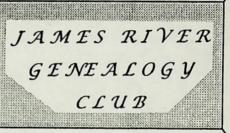


Pre-Registration Form: Family History Workshop XX\

To pre-register for the wor shop, including lunch, return this form with your payment of \$25 by September 6, 2000. Make check payable to Minnesola Slate University Moorhead and mail to: Continuing Studies, Minnesola State University Moorhead, 1104 7th Avenue South, Moorhead, Minnesota 56563

[] Enclosed is my check for \$25 which registers me for the workshop, lunch provided

Name	
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State/Zip	



Our James River Genealogy Club has been busy with searches for clients at a distance. We continue to help with searches in the counties of Stutsman, Eddy, Wells, and Foster.

In July we had a "Jamestown Outing" where we visited a number of places with ties to area genealogy.

We are ordering more rolls of newspaper microfilm, so we will soon have copies from the beginning to the early 1950's for Eddy, Foster, and Wells

Our cemetery crew is still at work compiling a new book for Jamestown cemeteries with publication of "Most Cemeteries of Jamestown, Stutsman County, North Dakota" expected perhaps in September.

Submitted by George Barron

Mouse Niver Aoop Wenealogy Society!

It has been a busy summer. Several of our members reported that they found time to travel to do some genealogical research. The award for traveling the greatest distance went to Pat Siebert, who traveled clear to Ireland. The rest of us did research and attended family reunions here in the United States.

We have had the opportunity to present at some genealogical workshops in North Dakota since the last newsletter, including the In-Home Care Specialist Conference in Jamestown. In July we had a picnic in Fessenden.

If you are ever in Minot on the first Saturday of the month, we welcome you to attend our meeting.

Submitted by John Mogren

BISMARCK-MANDAN HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Kennelly Funeral Parlor abstract is completed and the first volume of the Burleigh County School Census abstracts awaiting collating and binding.

The Bismarck Mandan Historical and Genealogical Society members have been gearing up for our workshop to be held on September 30, as announced in the last newsletter. [See also page]. The speakers, prices, place, and times have been set. The information flyers have been mailed, with the first of the registrants already responding.



Bismarck Family History Center, LDS Church 1500 Country Road W. • Bismarck, N.D. 58501

PLUS: A SPECIAL LEWIS & CLARK PRESENTATION

As a special treat for genealogists and history enthusiasts alike, Todd Hanson, Mandan, will present a program on Lewis and Clark during lunch. DON'T MISS THIS RIVETING PRESENTATION!

> PRE-REGISTER BY SEPT. 20 AND YOU'LL SAVE

> > \$5!!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: Don Smith, P.O. Box 485, Bismarck, ND 58502-0485 (701) 223-6273

or

E-mail: <DEarlSmith@prodigy.net>

Genie poem from Australia

They think that I should cook and clean, And be a model wife I tell them it's more interesting To know of grandpa's life.

They simply will not understand Why I never go to bed...
I'm busy living my own life,
And two hundred others instead.

Why waste the time we have on earth Snoring and asleep?
When we can fight off Indians and sail upon the deep?

We've preachers and lawmen, Soldiers, more than a few... And yes, a few old scoundrels And a bootlegger or two.

How can a person find this life An awful drudge or bore? When they can live the lives of all Those kin who came before?

A hundred years from now And no one will ever know Whether I did the laundry ... But they'll see our Tree and glow ...

Knowing their dear old granny
Left for prosperity
Not clean hankies and weeded flower beds
But a completed Family Tree!

So let the bills go unpaid, I've better things to do ... And forgetting will make the records And provide a descendant with a clue,

To the way their old great-great-granny Grasped the branches with glee And let the bills go hang while she hanged upon the Tree!

CREATOR OF GENEALOGY LIST AT UTAH CONFERENCE

"A World of Records" is the theme of a national genealogical and family history conference scheduled to be held Sept. 6-9 in the Salt Palace in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Cyndi Howells will be one of the speakers at the conference. A Washington state woman, she created "Cyndi's List," a categorized index of links to other genealogical resources on the Internet.

The site has had more than 16 million visitors through its front page; receives more than 2 million visits each month.

"(The Internet is) like a library with its books strewn all over the floor," said one genealogist, adding that on-line genealogists need a card catalog to guide them.

YEARLY NDSGS DUES

\$ 5.00 Individual

10.00 Supporting

5.00 Society (1-10)

10.00 Society (11-25)

20.00 Society (26-50)

35.00 Society (51+)

Queries welcome!!

Current officers (2000-2002)

Patrice Hartman, President Clara Bliss, V President Dorothy Pearson, Secretary Don Smith, Treasurer

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WILLIAMS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

WCGS HAS NEW PRESIDENT

Leadership of Williams County Genealogical Society was passed to Gloria Johnson at a recent meeting. New officers include:

Gladys Bakken - Vice president Arlene Dragseth - Secretary Adrienne Stepanek - Treasurer

"I've been part of the group since we came to Williston in 1992; president for about five years," stated out-going officer, Jacki Keck. "Seeing the 'Williams County Rural Cemetery Records Index' coming to fruition is a real highlight. Gloria is doing an excellent job of organizing the collected gravesite data and WCGS is in capable hands."

[see related article on page 5]

Money is still being sought to defray the costs of publication, with a tentative date of availability set for spring of 2001. Copies can be reserved through use of the flyer in this newsletter, or by contacting Gloria Johnson at (701) 572-3202; <gjohnson@dia.net> OR:

Williams County Genealogical Society P. O. Box 247 Williston ND 58801

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"The Final Resting Place"

An index to cemeteries in McKenzie County, N.D. compiled and available for \$15.00 (plus S+H) from:

Phylis Hystad HCO1 - Box 8 - Arnegard ND 58835

(701) 586-3724

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NDSGS Meeting Minutes - for June 23, 2000

Attending: George Barron, Clara Bliss, Patrice Hartman, John Mogren, Don Smith, Delores Vyzralek

Patrice called meeting to order. John moved to dispense with reading of the minutes and to approve them as printed. Don seconded. Motion carried.

Clara Bliss was appointed acting secretary for this meeting.

Treasurer's report was given. Delores moved to approve the report. George seconded. Motion carried. Don will do member mailing.

Discussion of newsletter. Jacki Keck resigned due to accepting a new job. John Mogren suggested we rotate the newsletter. Responsibility between genealogical societies. President will develop a letter to ask for a volunteer to be editor of newsletter if societies are not willing to rotate.

George Barron suggested we think about developing a website for the NDSGS. Be statewide.

[Content:] 1. Officers 2. Fees to join 3. Queries 4. Link with other societies

George will devleop a site for the state. Bismarck-Mandan Historical and Genealogical Society's website is down. Geroge Barron said they [Jamestown/Red River] use Rootsweb and through ND Gen. archive. A page could be developed.

Did we develop a map to show who is covering which county for genealogical research?

Tabled the brochure.

NEW BUSINESS:

Delores gave a report on the effects of the flooding at NDSU library, Fargo. They had water up to four feet. The wet materials were frozen and will be dealt with later.

Don Smith reported BMHGS bought and donated a computer and CD's to the Bismarck Family History Conference.

If we have a mailing list and want to provide it to Don Smith, he will send a notice out of any upcoming workshops.

Sharon Selingo will be the new archival photographer for SHSND.

Next meeting: September 22, 2000, at 1:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.

Mintues by Clara Bliss (in absence of Dorothy Pearson)

"To the family, that dear octopus from whose tentacles we never quite escape, nor, in our inmost hearts, ever quite wish to."

Dodie Smith Dear Octopus

Source of random quotes in this issue: Funk & Wagnalls New Encyclopedia

PROJECT TURNS INTO 'ADOPTION' FOR JOHNSONS

[Exerpts from an article by Sue Neft, Lifestyles Editor, in "Williston Daily Herald," Sunday, August 27, 2000, p.1]

"This started out as simple A-Z fact-gathering ...but there is so much history out there. You become a part of it, it gets to be like family," said Gloria Johnson of Williston.

As a member of the Williams County Genealogical Society, Johnson has been working with other members for the last three years to document rural cemeteries in Williams County.

"Getting involved in history" has led Johnson and her husband, Roger, to "adopt" the St. George Syrian Cemetery in Cow Creek Township.

With the help of Billy Owan and Merle and Mary Lund, the Johnsons burned the grass last fall. "Billy brought out a payloader and leveled the mounds of dirt and we have been working by hand to fill in the badger holes and clean up the individual graves and mark them."

There are about 30 graves of Syrians from Lebanon within the fenced acre of land. Four graves have headstones and Johnson and her husband have marked other graves with pieces of pipe.

"A Syrian hall was located about half a mile away from the cemetery," explained Johnson. A priest came out from St. Paul, Minn., about twice a year for services, baptisms and weddings. She contacted the Syrian Antiochian Orthodox Church in St. Paul to request information from its archives, but they had no records.

"The only resource we have had is what local people can remember."

[Editor: Anyone with information about this cemetery is encouraged to contact Gloria Johnson at (701) 572-3202 evenings and weekends.]

PIONEER TRAILS REGIONAL MUSEUM

12 1 Ave. NE · Bowman, ND

NEED A FALL WEEK-ENDER TRIP?

Try Bowman!!

Pioneer Trails Regional Museum opened June 13, 1992, with a few exhibits and a Paleontology Lab for researching fossils and some fossil displays. It now has six departments:

· Anthropology

· Genealogy

· Archaeology

· Paleontology

· Local History

· Museum Store

HOURS: May 1 through October 1 = 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon-Sat;

1:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday

October 1 through April 30 = 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mon-Sat; 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday

ADMISSION: \$2.00 (14 years+); under 13 = free.

Membership in BH&GS = free admission.



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A8 TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2000

Retired Jamestown teacher is county's people 'searcher'

Jamestown, N.D. (AP)

When it comes to genealogical information, George Barron might be compared to Sherlock Holmes.

"I'm more or less the searcher for Stutsman County," Barron

Barron's research has led him to chronicle marriages and deaths and to document burial plots. It began as a project for his family, but it grew into a hobby that will benefit many other families as jects," Barron said

Barron, a retired Jamestown High School chemistry and aviation teacher, began his "second career" by searching for information for a family photo album in

His daughter, Mary Kuhn, was putting together the album. He set out to help her and later, with the help of cousin Norma M. Johnson, published "The Barron Family: From Banfishire, Scotland, to Moody County, Dakota Territory, USA.

The book traces the family back State Hospital. to the 1700s.

Barron. There were two, and we didn't know which one was ours," Barron remembered.

others find information on their then "Jamestown Alert" in 1878. family members.

"I don't do much of my own stuff anymore - mostly working for other people, for free," Barron

Almost an entire wall at Alfred Dickey Public Library is filled with index books he completed

"Along the way, I got sucked into working on other indexing pro-

The projects include the "Rural and Village Cemeteries of Stutsman County, North Dakota," published by the James River Genealogy Club. Barron got help from Daphne Drewello, the library director.

The 280-page book contains information on more than 8,000 burials from 73 of the 80 known cemeteries in the county.

This summer, Barron has been documenting burials Jamestown's city cemeteries, including two cemeteries at the

"It's like getting a virus or some-"We got hung up on William thing. Once you get it, you can't get rid of it," he said

Barron decided in 1990 he his family tree, Barron has volunbegan taking them out of The street in the wintertime."

teered countless hours to help Jamestown Sun, starting with the By 1995, Barron had recorded information on everyone who had any record of death in Stutsman County. He continues to record obituary information from the

> "I've gotten them all indexed from 1878 until this (Friday) morning," Barron said.

> The work can be depressing at

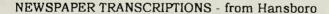
"Pretty soon you discover all your buddies are dead," he said.

But Barron presses on for the benefit of providing a decent record. He said he has indexed more than 60,000 obituaries.

Last winter, Barron began indexing school censuses. The earliest records he could find for indexing date back to 1901. He is currently working on the year 1917 for the project.

He also has compiled databases on all the teachers who have taught ir Stutsman County since about 1902. Another database records all the eighth-grade and 12th-grade graduates from Stutsman County since the late 1800s.

Barron acknowledges his hobby could glean more information can be demanding. But, he says Since establishing that record of about people from obituaries and with a grin, "It keeps me off the



I've been busy all summer transcribing old newspapers from the town of Hansboro, North Dakota. Transcripts begin with March 1906 and go through 1912; will soon have 1914 ready to submit.

- northern Towner County, ND
- news from the entire state of North Dakota, also
- fascinating stories

located on the Towner County Archives page:

http://www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/nd/towner/towner.htm

Good luck and enjoy

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QUERY EXCHANGE

[queries obtained via NDSDMN-L (Rootsweb) based on interest in North Dakota + snail mail address]

ADAMS/ALLEN/BACKLAND/BERDAHL/CHAPLIN/CORLEY/DeRUYTER>DeRYDER/ECKSTROM/ HEDSTROM/HUGHES/LEVITT/LOOMER/NORTON/OLIVER/STABLER/STEBLER/WIJFFELS/WYFFELS Lynn DeRider Olivier, 1613 Hewitt Ave, St Paul MN 55104 <olivierlynn@geocities.com>

BATEMAN/BLAYLOCK/CROCKER/FETTERLEY/GLADBACH/ILER/SARGENT/STRONG/TRINTERUD Clint Crocker, 3425 Kegley Meadows Court NE, Olympia WA 98506 <cli>clintcrocker@home.com>

CARTWRIGHT/DEAN/DEEN/HARTSOCK/HUNTLEY/JENSEN/JOHNSON/KROGSTED/MARTINSON/MESSERSMITH/OLSON(new name BURMAN)/VIGLES
Sherri L. Oveson, 48469 Co. Rd. 142, Deer River MN 56636 <ri>rjerry@paulbunyan.net>

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La Rae Huelsmann, 10036 Midland Blvd, Overland MO 63114 laraesph@aol.com http://members.aol.com/laraesph/parrow.html

DOHENY/GRIMES/HAGERTY/O'GORMAN (ND) Bill Grimes, Round Rock TX 78664

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Fred Pflugrath, Box 561, Peshastin WA 98847 <fpflug@nwi.net>

PETERLE/PAVLICEK/SEITZ (Stark and Dunn Counties, ND. c1888+)
Vince Pavlicek, Saint Charles IL 60174 <vince@elnet.com>

CHECK OUT UND ON-LINE!!

The Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections at UND's Chester Fritz Library has recently completed a LSTA grant-sponsored project that cataloged womens' papers and organizational records contained in over 100 manuscript collections preserved by the Department. Their bibliographic records are now in ODIN and their finding aids/inventories are on the web at:

<www.und.nodak.edu.dept/library/Collections/womenpap.html>

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<www.und.nodak.edu.dept/library/Collections/women.html>

Of particular note is the name index to the Pembina Pioneer Daughters Records at:

<www.und.nodak.edu.dept/library/Collections/og1210.html>

The Department has mounted the inventory to its microfilm collection of North Dakota American Lutheran Church Records on the web at:

<www.und.nodak.edu.dept/library/Collections/og849.html>

The inventory indicates the post offfice and county location of each church, congregational name, and inclusive dates of church registers and minutes of congregational minutes. The majority of the records are written in Norwegian and then in English sometime in the 1930's or so.

Also of interest to family historians may be the newly acquired records of Grand Forks County World War II Service Record Books. The finding aid is located at:

<www.und.nodak.edu.dept/library/Collections/gfcrb.html>

The record books, arranged alphabetically, contain personal information about soldiers both born and raised in the county, as well as those residing in Grand Forks County at the time of entry into the military. They offer information in excess of that provided in the Register of North Dakota Veterans: World War II, 1941-1945, and Korean Conflict, 1950-1953. In addition, two books of newspaper clippings contain notices of missing-inaction and deceased veterans.

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RESOURCE FOR JEWISH GENEALOGISTS http://www.ids.org/news/article/0,5422,116-999;FF.html

The Church announced the release of a special collection of genealogical resources designed to aid research in Jewish lineages. According to the official news release:

"The new catalogue will make it easier for Jews to research their ancestors in specific categories and locations, including the concentration camps of the Holocaust."

Subject: digitized census

Just spreading the word about this great website that hopefully will be up this fall. <genealogydatabase.com>

Will offer all US census records and indexes. Of course, there will be a subscription fee.

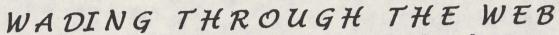
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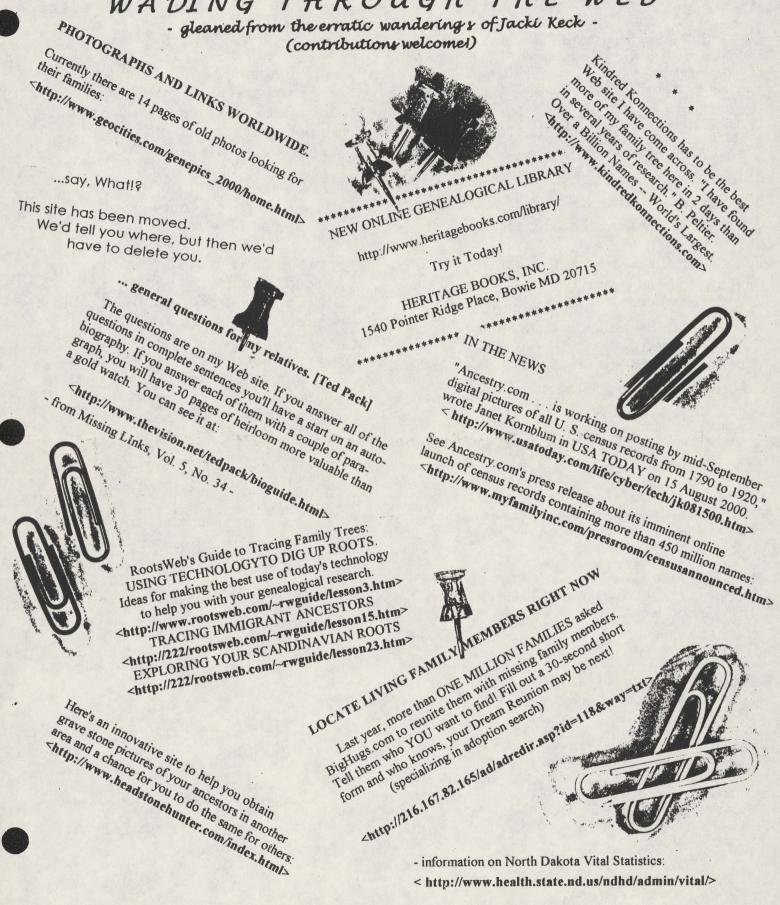
Are you kin to a U.S. president? Compare your pedigree chart to theirs and perhaps you'll find a clue:

http://www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide/presidents/

"The family is one of nature's masterpieces."

George Santayana The Life of Reason





MAPS... MAPS... MAPS... MAPS...

[Ed: This information is subject to revision.]

During one if its formative meetings, NDSGS members discussed which group would be responsible for which county for genealogical research with the following recommendation:

Bismarck Mandan Historical & Genealogical Society
Burleigh, Emmons, Grant, Logan?, McIntosh, Mercer,
Morton, Oliver, Sheridan?, Sioux?

Bottineau County Genealogical Society = Bottineau?

Bowman County Historical & Genealogical Society = Bowman

Central North Dakota Genealogical Society Benson, Pierce, Wells

Griggs County Genealogical Society = Griggs

James River Genealogical Club

Eddy, Foster, Kidder?, Stutzman, Wells

McLean County Genealogical Society = McLean

Mouse River Loop Genealogical Society
Bottineau?, Burke, McHenry, Mountrail, Renville, Ward

Red River Valley Genealogical Society = Cass

South West Genealogical Society

Adams, Billings, Dunn, Golden Valley, Hettinger, Slope, Stark

Williams County Genealogical Society = Divide?, Williams

This a wonderful sight for pinpointing or finding almost any location in the United States. When you get the form, you need to fill in the following:

- 1) Feature Name: i.e., Frozen Rock Cemetery
- 2) State: i.e., Choose Oklahoma from the list
- 3) Feature Type: Choose 'Cemetery' from the list
- 4) Send Query: press Enter or Click on box

http://mapping.USGS.gov/www/gnis/gnisform.html

Another useful mapping site from Kathy in MN (has topographical and aerial photos) <khines l@uswest.net>

http://terraserver.microsoft.com/

Enter a town to search for - such as "Waconia, Minnesota" and get back some links. Pick which kind of map you want to view and zoom around a bit. I have found cemeteries in KY by studying the aerial photos that had the little topo maps to the left of them. It takes a bit to get the hang of it, but it has been worth it to me.



Dear Ancestor

Your tombstone stands among the rest; Neglected and alone, The name and date are chiselled out On polished marbled stone.

It reaches out to all who care It is too late to mourn. You did not know that I exist. You died and I was born.

Yet each of us are cells of you In flesh, in blood, in bone. Our blood contracts and beats a pulse Entirely not our own.

Dear Ancestor, the place you filled One hundred years ago Spreads out among the ones you left Who would have loved you so.

I wonder if you lived and loved, I wonder if you knew That some day I would find this spot, And come to visit you.



"He that has no fools, knaves, nor beggars in his family, was begot by a flash of lightning."

Thomas Fuller Gnomologia



"Accidents will occur in the best-regulated families."

Charles Dickens David Copperfield

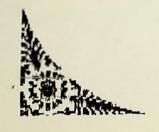
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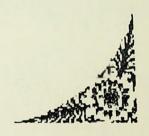
In 1997 the Williams County Genealogical Society began gathering gravesite data from the cemeteries in rural Williams County.

This information is in the computer-entry stage and currently the Society has been seeking ways to underwrite the cost of publishing the compilation.

If you would like to assist in this project, please fill out the form below. A contribution of \$15.00 or more will reserve a copy in your name.

For more information, contact Gloria Johnson (a) (701) 572-3202





Mail to: Gloria Johnson, P. O. Box 247, Williston ND 58801

Name: _____Phone: _____

Address: _____ No. of copies: _____

Amount enclosed: \$_____

[\$15.00 is an estimated amount. You will be notified with final details when the book is printed]

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