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# MEMBERSHIP

Open to all those persons who have an active interest in GENEALCCY.

#### DUES

Fiscal Year is Sept. 1 - Aug. 31.

Single membership \$6.00
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# QUERIES -- NEWSLETTER

Queries are FREE to members. Non-members may submit queries for \$1.00 per query. Send all queries to Madison County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 347, Norfolk, NE 68701.

The NEWSLETTER is published quarterly -- October, anuary. April and July.

Items that have genealogical data and historical interest are welcome. HAVE YOU SENT ONE IN ?

# GENEALOGY DISEASE

Warning: Highly Contagious.

Symptoms: Continual complaints as to names, dates, places. Blank expression, faraway look in eyes. Periodically deaf to spouses and children.

Distaste for work except feverishly looking through records of libraries and court houses. Compulsion to write letters. Swears at mailman when he doesn't leave mail. Frequents strange places as cemeteries, ruins, and remote, desolate country areas. Makes secret night calls; hides phone bills from spouse. Mumbles to self.

Treatment: NO KNOWN CURE!

Patient should attend genealogy workshops, subscribe to genealogical magazines, and be given a quiet corner in the house where he/she can be alone.

Prognosis: Gets progressively worse, but it is not fatal.

Remarks: The sicker the patient gets, the more he/she enjoys it!!!

(Excerpt from "Where The Trails Cross",
South Suburban Genealogical and Historical
Society -- Vol. 14-1, Fall 1983 -- published
in the NEW MEXICO GENEALOGIST -- Vol.XXIII,
No. 1, March 1984) -- submitted by Laura
Allison, Member from Albuqueque, NM -thankyou Laura, Laura's angestry chart
is included in this issue.

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# HAVE YOU PAID YOU DUES?

Please renew by the end of October so our mailing list will be up-to-date and no reminders will have to be sent. Remember we are non-profit and your dues are needed to meet expenses.

1983-1984 membership was 32 individual and 3 family, making a total of 38 members.

The members of the MCGS send CCNGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES to Harlow and Lil BUTCHER who celebrated their 40th Wedding Aniversary Sunday October 21 with an open house at the First Baptist Church in Norfolk. Hosts were their children Arvona and Kenneth Jaeger and David and Diane Butcher. Harlow is a charter member of the soc.

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The Rebecca Winter Genealogical Society has been gathering data on early settlers in Banner, Scottsbluff, and Sioux counties in Nebraska for the purpose of publishing a book. Three catagories are: Pioneer Family, 1880-1900; Early Settler, 1900-1910; and Old Settler, 1910-1928. If you have information or names of families living in these counties during these years they would appreciate the data...contact RWGS, 1121 Ave. L. Scottsbluff, NE 69361.

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NARS BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

On 2 August the House of Representaives passed its version of the Bill to establish an independent National Archives and Records Administration.

Because H.R. 3987 differs in several respects from S. 905, which was passed by the Senate on 21 June, a conference committee must resolve the differences. The report of that committee must then be accepted by both houses before the bill goes to the President for his signature.

One of the differences relates to the term of the Archivist of the United States. Under the Senate bill, the Archivist would be appointed for a ten-year term. Uner the House bill, there would be no fixed term. The Archivist could be removed by the President with the reasons for his removal communicated to the Congress. Under both bills, the Archivist sould be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate.

It is expected that the bill will be sent to the President before Congress adjourns early in October. (NGS Newsletter, Vol.10, No.5, Sept/Oct. 1984)

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#### BIRTHDATE FORMULA

In a case where you have the death date of a person (from a Bible, newspaper or other source) and the gravestone shows only the age at death, you can find the birthdate in this manner: in order, put down the year, month, and day of death. Beneath that put down number of years, months, and days of the persons age at death, and subtract to get the birthdate.

Example: John Doe died 11 November 1900, aged 97y,7m,6d.
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answer 1803 4 5 or 5 April 1803

If the number of the death month is smaller than the age in months, you will have to borrow a year (12 months) from the death year, thus:

Example: date died 1984 5 19 1984-1=1983 5+12=17 19 age 72y 11m 0d 72y 11m 0d

answer 1911 6 19 or 19 June 1911

(Austin Gen Soc/Austin, TX Vol XXV No.2 June 1984 via SWNGS, McCook, NE Vol 8 No 5)

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If you need the Four County Plat Book covering 1902 Dodge Co, 1907 Saunders Co, 1908 Cuming Co and 1917 Colfax Co, all in Nebraska, you should place your order now. All these counties are connecting and there are photographes in the back of the plat book and there is only a limited supply left -- they will not be reprinted. Price is \$30. plus sales tax (Nebraska res. ohly)...order from Mrs. Rudie Sobotka, 11014 Military, Omaha, NE 68 64. (Roots & Leaves, Fremont, NE Vol VII, No 3, Fall 1984)

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THE COLONIAL KITCHEN...by Gertrude Cooper Andrews

In our research, locating those women who lived and died in New Hampshire from the time of its earlies settlement to the mid-nineteenth century, we may often fail to think beyond the dates to the particulars of their lives. Even less are we apt to imagine them at work in their homes day by day. Our foremothers could not leave their comfortable living rooms and go to a pushbutton kitchen to prepare meals for the family. They had to stay by the fireplace winter and summer, day in and day out, no less sensitive to that intense heat on their faces and hands than we are.

In the American home up to the time of the Industrial Revolution, the fireplace was the very center. The earliest homes had but one room with a fireplace at one end, a structure scmetimes called a "kitchen house". Later dwellings had two rooms, back to back, with a chimney between, the origin of the center chamney which is a feature of so many New England homes today. Often there were fireplaces on two or three sides.

The kitchen was the first room about which the home was built. Not only the center for cooking and preserving foods, it drew in all members of the family for their activities, serving as work room and living room: the first "family room".

In the earliest contracts made by the settlers with the Trading Companies which sponsored their coming to the New World, it was agreed that within four years, the settler would build "a good and fashionable dwelling, 18 x 16, and nine feet between the joints with a good chimney". This structure was known as the "Fireroom".

As seventeenth century houses were enlarged, the old fireroom was consistently called the kitchen. Of all rooms in the colonial house, it was the kitchen that was least changed architecturally until the end of the eighteenth century.

Let us turn back time — and look in on a colonial wife and mother on an early fall morning in New Hampshire more than two and one-half centuries ago. Awakened by the wild geese winging south with dawn just breaking, she uses her apron to fan the coals in the fireplace to life. Perhaps if the family can afford it, she enjoys the luxury of a bellows to do the task. Banked carefully the night before, the coals trigger the kindling to blaze up, and with luck this housewife soon has a good fire going; water carried from a nearby spring or a dug well is poured into an iron pot hanging on the crane, and a scoop of cornmeal added for the usual breakfast of a "hasty pudding".

While this is bubbling, the crude "board" is set with a minimum of utensiks: wooden trenchers or plates, not always one for every family member, some of them with a dinner side, and on the reverse, a pie side. The story is told of a New England deacon who made a plate for each member of his family, for which extravagance he was soundly reproved.

In a family of means, there might be some pewter spoons, but more often they were of wood, for pewter did not enjoy extensive use until the 1750's.

The simple breakfasr over, the day's work really begins. Depending upon her man's luck at the morning hunt, she may have some game to clean, and even though a squirrel or rabbit is easy enough to do, her only tool might have been her husband's hunting knife. As it is fall, there are vegetables to add to the ever-present stew bubblings over the fire, which, of course, must be replenished regularly.

Any of her "spare time" is spent at carding, spinning, dying and weaving the wool; making soap (generally a springtime chore) dipping candles and sewing. Today, with the leaves turning, she must gather seeds for next spring's garden and see them preserved carefully through the winter.

During the more than two hundred fifty years from the founding of Jamestown, Virginia in 1607, to the conclusion of the Civil War, there were relatively few changes in the common implements found in most early American kitchens.

Hanging on its wooden pegs over the outside door through which the mistress has just come with her spron full of seeds, isthe trustly Kentucky Rifle, without which our forebears could not have lived. No self-respecting pioneer would have mounted his

firearm over the mantle as we see in so many house today, for his was a handmade stock, and the heat would have ruined it. On the wooden plank mantle rests a flint box, powder horn, and combination rush light and candle holder, the only source of light other than the open fire. On the wall nearby hangs a candle box, wither of wood or tin, holding a six-month's supply of hand-dipped candles, the product of many hours of female work. Later, tin molds will become available, making the task a little easier. On the mantle, too, sits the precious salt bowl, kept high and dry. Sometimes, a brick or stone was removed to make a niche where the salt could be kept.

As fireplaces became more sophisticated, they were built with brick ovens, a big imprevement over the tin reflecting and basting ovens used in front of the fire. Since the so-called beehive or Dutch ovens were deep, the width of the firebox, it was necessary to have long-handled implements to put things into and remove them from the ovens; thus peels were invented, some of wood and others of iron.

No fireplace was complete without its assortment of spoons, skewers, scoops, and ladles, and none of them, of course, for "decoration". Near the fireplace stand the wooden churn, the dasher and paddle made of wood, firkins and pails, buckets and kegs. All of these implements were the work of the cooper, a most important artisan in colonial times, for without his skill in turning wood into utensils and tooks, life would have been most difficult. Wooden kegs were particularly important for storage, especially that for hard cider, a commodity in every colonial home.

On the wall of most kitchesn containing the precious ingredients which made food more tasteful, was the spice box, or boxes, most of them handmade by the craftsman husband as he sat by the fire on cold winter nights.

It is remarkable how much of this early woodenware has survived. These treen-ware items which so many collect today were the everyday tools of our ancestors; in these implements we can see the history of our country unfold --- wood was plentiful and inexpensive and America was built on it, from the pioneer home to the rail-roads of the Indrustrial Revolution.

Fortunately for us today, we can visit many restored colonial homes where the kitchen is shown as the center of family life, and where for a moment or two such entries in our books as "Mary (OSGOOD) CURRIER, b. 3 March 1649/50 at Salisbury, Mass., d. 2 November 1705 at Amesbury, Mass." can take new meaning and trigger our imaginations and appreciation. (NEW HAMPSHIRE YESTERDAY - Dec. 1982)

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### ARE YOU A ROYAL BASTARD?

In the National Genealogical Society Quarterly of September 1974, there is a most informative article by Walter Lee Sheppard, Jr., entitled "Descendants of the illegitimate Sons and Daughter of the Kings of Britain."

Recent newspaper articls about the society of these descendants of the Kings of Britain have aroused considerable interest. Many persons have inquired about membership requirements and how to proceed in order to join the society. Since proof for each generation, including the applicant, is required, the task of research is often formidable. However, there are a number of immigrant ancestors whose lineages have been approved since the writing of the 1974 NGSQ article by Mr. Sheppard. This up-date is intended to generate new interest and hopefully make the path to the past a biteasier.

As of 31 December 1983, a total of only 202 lineages had been approved. Persons interested in serious research may contact the author for further details. Please follow the custom of sending a self-addressed-stamped envelope... Lt. Gen. Herman Nickerson, Jr., C.G. — 107 Lake Lane Rock Creek — Jacksonville, NC 28540.

(NGS NEWSLETTER, Vol. 10, No. 3, May/June19

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## ICWA INCREASE COST FOR VITAL RECORDS

State certified copies of birth, marriage and death certificates have increased since June 1984. They have no mirth, marriage or death records before July 1, 1880. Price increase from \$4.00 to \$6.00. Address is: Towa State Department of Health Vital Records, Lucas State Collice Bldg., Des Moines, IA 50319.

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## KANSAS PIONEERS

The North Central Kansas Genealogical Society and Library Incorporated is sponsoring a "Factual Picneer Story" contest. If you have had family in the following counties: SMITH, OSBORNE, RUSSELL, JEWELL, MITCHELL, LINCOLN, REPUBLIC, CLOUD, OTTAWA, PHILLIPS, ROOKS of ELLIS before 31 December 1900 — a book will published later. Write for details from NCK Genealogical Soc., P.O. Box 251 Cawker City, KS 67430 — include a SASE — deadline for contest is February 1, 1985. (RWGS, Vol.7, Vo.3, Sept. 1984)

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# DID YOU KNOW?

By law every county, city and town is supposed to have a "historian" who may be able to assist you. Simply address your query to: County Historian, % Court House; City Historian, % City Clerk; or Town Historian, %Town Hall at the appropriate address.

Many are unpaid volunteers, so be certain you include a SASE and be patient.

(Ancestors Unlimited, Vol. 8, No. 4 1984)

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Omaha World-Herald Tuesday, August 21, 1984

-HAMBURG MUSEUM HAS EMIGRATION RECORDS-

For more than 200 years Hamburg was one of Europe's major embarkation points for millions of emigrants to the New World.

There are nearly five million name stored on 274 microfilm fales, which include the only complete German emigrant records from 1850 to 1914 known to exist.

In 1850 Hamburg was a commercial center where emigrants were counseled, fed, and given medical care and housing. Every ship's agent had to give authorities a complete list of all passengers with age, occupation, family and home city.... and that was the origin of the city's files.

You can check your ancestry against those files either in person or by mail. Include the names of ancestors, the emigration year determined as accurately as possible and any other pertinent details.

The cost is \$30.00 US, if the emigration years is known, \$10.00 more for each additional year that must be searched. You must pay for the search even if no information is found and mail requests must be accompanied by certified checks.

FREE INFORMATION is available from: Hamburg North America Representation, 26 Broadway, Suite 911

New York, NY 10004

For search by mail, send facts and payment directly to:

Historic Emigration Office

Museum fur Hamburgishce Geschichte

Holstenwall 24

2000 Hamburg 36

West Germany (will require more postage than 20¢)

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#### GERMAN CUSTOM

Middle names were first used as a status symbol by German nobility in the 15th century and were not common in the United States until after the American Revolution, when it was fashionable to use the mother's maiden name.

(Decatur Genealogical Soc. Newsletter
Decatur, IL, June 1984)

Decatur County, Indiana has published a County History book. For details send SASE to: Decatur County Historical Society, P.O. Box 412, Greensburg, Indiana 47240.

# SOME HELPS FOR GERMAN RESEARCH

Those interested in tracing their German ancestory in Pomerania might consider a subscription to "Die Pommerschen Leute" a newsletter published by:

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Militararchiv

or try:

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West Germany

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Steamship Historical Society University of Baltimore Library or.....The Mariner's Museum Newport News, VA 23606

1420 Maryland Avenue Baltimore, MD 21201

or. Peabody Museum of Salem East India Square Salem, MA 01970

(submitted by Joan Moody)

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HOW TO FIND MY GERMAN ANCESTORS AND RELATIVES by Dr. Heinz F. Friederichs 1969. Written in English for all people who desire to trace the origin of their German ancestors. After a historica review of the causes for the emigration of Germans to overseas follows a report about the geographical origins of the emigrants and the possibilities of finding documents concerning the emigrants in German archives. The booklet also lists the addresses of German arrives in German states and cities as well as those of German genealogical societies and collecting centers, to which the inquirer could apply for more information. Booklet is 16 pages, 1 map "German before 1918". Paperbound DM 2.50 or Dollar 1.\_ which includes shipping costs. Payment in advance required (3 International Reply Coupon).

> Verlag Degener and Co. Inhader Gerhard Gessner P.O. Box 1340 D 8530 Neustadt/Aishc West Germany

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This book wants to give you hints of how and where to look for genealogical sources. It covers a vast area from the Baltic countries, the Soviet Union, Poland, Chechoslovakia, Rumania, Hungary, Yugoslavia to the East German areas now under Polish and Soviet rule. it lists genealogical societies specializing in those Eastern areas where ever Germans used to live prior to 1945, and the sources which may shed some light on their anxestors and and their past, It includes maps and lists gazetteers, directories, archives in the East and West. 1984, 160 pages, 45 maps, size 17 x 24 cm. Name and place index. Soft cover. DM 36, -; US \$16.00. Send for at same address as above.

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(Editors Note: THE GERMAN CONNECTION is a 22 page issue well worth the membership.)

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A new periodical, Krefeld Immigrants and Their Descendants, is being published twice a year by Links Genealogy Publications, 7677 Abaline Way, Sacramento, CA 95823. A subscription is \$10 per year. (NGS Newsletter, Vol. 10, No. 4, Jul/Aug 1984)

# D.R.K. NURSES TO MEMORIAL DEDICATION IN TOBRUK

After Twelve Years First Time Again on African Soil

In a few days Ward Nurse Grete Fock of the Surgical University Clinic will pack her suitcase for her annual vacation. For these holiday weeks she has a particular interest. Her journey will take her to Tobruk in North Africa where on Memorial Sunday, 20th of November, a Memorial will be dedicated in honor of the German Soldiers who fell on the African Battlefields. In this dedication Nurse Grete from Kiel will participate. After twelve years she will again set foot in Africa where she was Senior Nurse in the Field Hospital on the battlefields of the German Africa Corps, in the years 1941 to 1943. Consequently, she already knows this "corner of the world", and with pleasure this 57 year old D.R.K. Nurse from Kiel Anscharhouse, views her distant journey to the dark continent, which she would now like to get to know in peace—time. D.R.K. Nurse Toni Möller from the Anschar Hospital, also has resolved to make the distant journey.

For both Kiel D.R.K. Nurses it had really been doubtful that they would be notified to participate in the African trip, which the Unit caring for German war dead prepared in common with the Unit that formerly belonged to the African Corps. Already for some time Nurse Grete and Nurse Toni have been planning their visit to their former field of operation in Northern Africa. For some time they have anticipated it and saved for it. And now their departure is at hand. On the 13th of November they travel via Rome and Naples, then by ship to Tunis, and then on to Tobruk. The journey will take about three weeks, and from Tobruk, on to Alexandria, from which during the war Nurse Grete and her field hospital were about 55 miles; Cairo, Egypt and Olympia, Greece will also be visited. This is the overall travel plan, however, several excursions will be taken into the surroundings of this particular locale.

This time on the battlefield, a ceremony will be held, for which Nurse Grete returns to Africa. Certainly, this time she will not live on sardines, tube cheese and donkey meat from cans, as she did twelve years earlier, when the push forward of the advance troops did not succeed. But now the memories of the work and experiences of those years will accompany every footstep of both Kiel Nurses, who already at that time were on duty together at the same hospital. This time they will come as vacation travelers, then the strain of working in the African heat sapped their strength, while the feared sandstorms, the Ghiblis, and tropical rainstorms, all challenged the responsibility and endurance of their entire profession. The tormenting thirst they appeased then with hot tea and coffee, which they willingly saved for the pleasures of mealtime. Unfortunately, excep in Derna, it had to be brewed with salt water, making it somewhat less enjoyable.

Considering the approaching trip, Nurse Grete by no means considers herself "heroine of the day"; in her calm, modest way, she prefers as little as possible fuss made over her journey. Never-the-less, it is granted extraordinary when a Kiel Nurse, for more than ten years in the same post, lives to see the honorary dedication of the war wounded, which she so cared for and attended. (Article from German newspaper 1955)

Decorations and Honorary Medals bestowed on D.R.K. Nurse Grete Fock:

- 1. 8 October 1941 Medal of Honor for Servide to German People, Third Degree.
- 2. 19 January 1942 Commemorative Medal of Battle-field in Libya.

3. 9 March 1942 - War Service Medal.

4. 10 April 1943 - IRON CROSS, Second class. Together with Nurse Ilse Schulz, for brave conduct during two year tour of duty in Africa, as sixth and seventh women on whom this decoration was bestowed, because, in spite of heavy bomb attack they did not leave their post at the doctor's side during an important operation. This award the Führer presented the nurses for their excellence in combat zone.

Margarethe "Grete" FCCK is the dau. of Claus and Cacilie (Harbs) FCCK; b. 8 Nov. 1887 at Silzen, S/E, Germany. She is enjoying a life of retirement living at the center for retired nurses in Kiel, Germany. I have not known the pleasure of her acquaintance, but have been told she is still the modest little lady she always was and to this day does not think of herself as the WW Heroine people have attached to her name. Unfortunately during WW II with all the hatred of Germans etc., our family just recently learned about so many family members who served and died in the Germany forces. This "Florence Nightengale" is a beloved leaf on the FCCK FAMILY TREE. Realtionship to me is first cousin, twice removed. (submitted by Mary A. Voss via Helmut Gloy of Itzhoe, Germany) 10/84

Maybe these can be of HELP:

NCRTH CAROLINA ARCHIVES -- In 1978 a state law authorized the North Carolina State Archives to answer written inquiries from nonresidents fo the state upon payment by the writer of a search and handling fee not to exceed \$10. This fee was set by the Archives at \$2.

Effective 1 July 1984 the fee was increased to \$5.00 in compliance with the recommendation of the State Historical Records Advisory Committee. Inquiries should be addressed to the North Carolina State Archives, 109 East Jones St., Raleigh, NC 27611.

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Recently the MCGS did research for Tom GLENN of Champaign, II, for which he appreciated very much the data sent him. He has offered to be of assistance to anyone needing research in Illinois, as he lives near the University of IL — for further information send SASE to him at  $80\frac{3}{2}$  Hollycrest, Champaign, IL 61821.

NEW AT OUR MCGS LIBRARY -- A select catalog of National Archives Microfilm publications "Immigrant and Passenger Arrivals" This catalog is one in a series that describes National Archives microfilm publications related to specific subjects of high research interest. The following are genealogical columns compiled by MCGS member.

- MO/ARK -- SOUTHERN MISSOURI/NORTHERN ARKANSAS -- Queries to "The Family Ree" c/c
  Margaret A. Briscoe, 302 West Maple, West Plains, MO 65774. Genealogical
  column appears in the West Plains Daily Quill.
- MISS. -- "Under the Family Tree" published in <u>De Soto Times, Hernando, Miss. Direct</u> to Mildred M. Scott, 2067 Laughter Road S., Hernando, MS 38632.
- NEBR -- "Platte Valley Pioneers", c/o Elaine Vanek Columbus Telegram, Box 648, Columbus, NE 68601. East central Nebraska.
- OHIO -- "The Missing Spoke" a genealogical column pub. by Times-Reporter, New Philadelphia, OH. Coverage in Holmes, Wayne, Coshocton and Tuscarawas Counties, OH. Submit queries on 3 x 5 index card and directto: JoAnne Stallman, Rt. 1, Box 120, Holmesville, OH 44633.
- MICH/IND- Michiana, publication of Elkhart County Gnealogical Soc. will print FFEE queries for anyone. Write Elkhart County Genealogical Soc., 1812 Jeanwood Drive, Elkhart, IN 46514
- KANSAS Eastern Kansas FREE. The Chanute Tribune. Write c/o Warren Fitch, 810 South Wilson, Chanute, KS 66720
- INDIANA Hagerstown Exponent Mr. Floyd Lacy, P.O. Box 111, Hagerstown, IN 47346
- MASS. -- "Trace Your Roots" c/o The Middlesex News, 33 New York Ave., Framingham, Massachusetts 01701
- OKLAHCMA The Woods County Genealogist, P.O. Box 234, Alva OK 73717 publishes a column "Woods County Roots" appearing in Tuesdays issue of the Alva Review-Courier and Fridays issue of Woods County News. FREE queries accepted for Oklahoma or Woods County.
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  Direct to: Carolyn Ericson, 1614 Redbud St., Nacogdoches, TX 75961

All of the above query column information was compiled and submitted to MCGS editor by Laura Allison, 1501 Girard Blvd. SE, Albuquerque, NM, a member of the MCGS.

Thankyou Laura see page 5 for her Ances or Chart.

Dear Members,

Our society has started it's eleventh year. Our membership has "rolly-coastered" up and down, which is not an unusual occurance for any society. In 1973 the membership was 44 and our 1983 membership was 32 individual and 3 family members. We would be ever so pleased to increase membership to whatever amount, we can handle it.

It has been my pleasure to compile the quarterly Newsletter this past year and at this time want to SINCERELY THANK ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED MATERIAL FOR EACH ISSUE. Without your in-put, the newsletter would shrink in pages. Anyone wishing to contribute material for this year send to the Post Office box or bring to meetings.

V. President Mary Ellen Haas will be presenting the programs this year, as V.P. Myrtle Eddy presented excellent programs for 1983/84. Myrtle is a charter member of the society and is a willing and invaluable member, who has served on many committees this last 11 years. THANKYOU MYRTLE we so appreciate your assistance!

To my co-officers of 1983/84 a special thankyou for making this president's term roll-by so smoothly. And to those who willingly served on the society committees, JOB WELL DONE -- THNAKYOU!

To those of you that are able but have not attended the monthly meetings, we feel the vacary of your chair. It is totally impossible to include all the information the society receives in the quartely Newsletter. We have added new material to our Library — some of which are Newsletters and Magazines from the thirteen societies we exchange newsletters with.

Come and share your genealogy with us -- who knows where the next CLUE will come from.

Good Hunting,

Mary A. Voss, President 1983 - 1985

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