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SpiderWebs

Marshfield, Wisconsin Genealogy Index

The Marshfield, Wisconsin Public Library has completed a 20 year project which culminated in an online genealogy index. Volunteers from the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group and Marshfield Public Library searched microfilm and newspapers for records of births, deaths and marriages. This online index includes more than 200,000 events reported in the Marshfield, Wisconsin area newspapers. The project will continue as more data becomes available. The online index is available at http://209.94.183.10/website/services_vdb.htm

Of Interest

Scotland Online Acquires FindMyPast.com

Scotland Online is recognized by genealogists for its ScotlandsPeople service with online records for Scotland and the British Isles, and FindMyPast.com (formerly 1837online.com) has a major subscription Web site with online records for genealogy research. The two companies have announced an acquisition of FindMyPast.com by Scotland Online. This will enable Scotland Online to offer a broader database for genealogical research. The two companies will work together to provide a wider selection of records for their subscribers. Scotland Online is currently indexing the 1911 census for the British Isles which is scheduled to go online

in 2009. The online services will continue as they are and are expected to be unaffected by the merger of the companies.

Genealogy Events

The events listed here are some of the major events that may be of interest to our members who may be traveling, vacationing, live nearby, or who may want to attend a special event.

Arizona Seminar

The Green Valley Genealogical Society will host a seminar on February 16 at Green Valley, Arizona. The featured speaker is J. Mark Lowe. For details, contact the society at PO Box 1009, Green Valley, AZ 85622-1009.

California Seminar

The Hemet-San Jacinto Genealogical Society will host a seminar on February 16 at Hemet, California. Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak will be the featured speaker. For more information and registration, go to www.hsigs.org

Illinois Seminar

The DuPage County Genealogical Society will host a conference on February 23 at St. Charles, Illinois. The featured speakers are Jana Sloan Broglin and Elissa Scalise Powell. Three session tracks covering twelve topics will be presented. The topics include migration and immigration, Ohio and Pennsylvania records, WWI-WWII records at the National Archives, using maps in your research, putting new twists on old data, organizing for better

productivity, and researching on a tight budget. Several exhibitors and vendors have been invited. For more information, go to: www.dcgsg.org

California Seminar

The Whittier Area Genealogical Society will hold their annual seminar on February 23 at Whittier, California. Lloyd Bockstruck will be the featured speaker. For more information or registration, go to: www.cagenweb.com/kr/wags

Arizona Seminar

The West Valley Genealogical Society will host a seminar on February 23 at Peoria, Arizona. The featured speaker is Meldon J. Wolfgang, III, writer of the genealogy column for The New York State Archives Partnership Trust's Magazine Archives and owner of Jonathan Sheppard Books. He will discuss "Exploring Uncommon Genealogical Research Resources, Techniques and Strategies." For more information, go to: www.azwvgs.org

Florida Seminar

The Talahassee Genealogical Society will host a seminar on March 1 at Tallahassee, Florida. The featured speaker is Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak. She will discuss:

- Trace Your Roots with DNA
- Beyond Y-DNA: Your Genetic Genealogy Options
- Cases That Made My Brain Hurt
- Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for Finding Your Lost Loved Ones
- Remembering Our Ancestors

For more information, go to: www.talgen.org

Ontario Canada Seminar

The Ontario Genealogical Society, Toronto Branch and the Canadiana Department of the North York Central Library. will present an all-day seminar on February 23 at Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The speakers are Christine Bouriolas, Ruth Burkholder, Diana Fink, Fraser Dunford, J. Brian Gilchrist, Kathryn Lake Hogan and Paul McGrath. For more information go to: www.torontofamilyhistory.org/ontariokeys.html

NGS Salt Lake Research Trip

The National Genealogical Society will host their ninth annual research trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City on February 24 to March 2, 2008. The trip will be led by Dereka Smith, the former librarian of the National Genealogical Society and by Shirley Langdon Wilcox, the upcoming president of the Virginia Genealogical Society. For more information, go to: www.ngsgenealogy.org/edutrips/altlake.cfm

Florida Seminar

The Tallahassee Genealogical Society will host a seminar on March 1 at Tallahassee, Florida. Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak will discuss:

- Trace Your Roots with DNA
 - Beyond Y-DNA: Your Genetic Genealogy Options
 - Cases That Made My Brain Hurt
 - Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for Finding Your Lost Loved Ones
 - Remembering Our Ancestors
- For more information, go to: www.talgen.org

California Lectures

The Genealogical Society of North Orange County will present "Court Records Seminar" featuring Cheryl Cook Singleton, Penny Feike, and Don Ray on March 8 at Brea, California. For more information or to register, go to www.gsnocc.org

Connecticut Lecture

The Connecticut Society of Genealogists will host a lecture by Janet Pestey on Irish research on March 15 at New Haven Connecticut. For more information, go to: www.csqinc.org/csq_view_event.php?event=52

Utah Jamboree

The Genealogy & Family Heritage Jamboree will be held on March 22 at Logan, Utah. The event will feature more than 36 classes and 20 vendors and exhibitors. For more information, go to: www.myancestorsfound.com

Canada Event

GENE-O-RAMA will be held by the Ottawa Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society, in partnership with the Ottawa Public Library on March 28-29 at Ottawa Canada. For more information, go to: <http://ogsottawa.on.ca/geneoram/a/>

California Seminar

The Sacramento Genealogical Society will present its Spring Seminar on March 29 at Fair Oaks, California. The featured speaker is Geoff Rasmussen. For more information and to register, go to: www.rootcellar.org

Virginia Lectures

The Virginia Beach Genealogical Society will host 4 lectures by Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak

on March 29 at Virginia Beach, Virginia. The topics include Trace Your Roots with DNA; Beyond Y-DNA: Your Genetic Genealogy Options; Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for Finding Your Lost Loved Ones; Find That Obituary! Online Newspaper Research. For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~vavbgs

Massachusetts Seminar

The New England Family History Conference 2008 will be held on March 29 at Franklin, Massachusetts. Alan Man, David Diltz and Mary Hill will be the featured speakers. For more information, go to: www.nefamilyhistory.com, send an e-mail to.

California Seminar

The North San Diego County Genealogical Society will hold their spring seminar on March 29 at San Diego. Christine Rose, CG, CGL, FASG will discuss:

- Genealogical Proof Standard: Building a Solid Case
- Military Records for Problem Solving
- County Land Records in Depth
- Using Little Known and Neglected Sources: A Potpourri.

For information and registration, go to:

www.cagenweb.com/nsdcgs/springsem.html

Virginia Seminar

The Fairfax Genealogical Society will present its Annual Conference and Genealogy Expo on April 5 at the Marriott Fairfax at Fair Oaks. Speakers include Leslie Albrecht Huber, Chuck Mason, Elissa Scalise Powell, and Maureen Taylor. For more information, go to: www.fxgs.org

Oklahoma Seminar

The Oklahoma Genealogical Society will hold their Spring Seminar, *Military Research*, on April 5 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Craig Scott will be the featured speaker. For more information, go to: www.okgensoc.org

Washington Czechoslovak Symposium

The Czechoslovak Genealogical Society will hold their International Symposium on April 11-12 at Seattle, Washington. The Keynote Speaker will be Cyndi Howells. The Saturday program includes 10 speakers scheduled into five one-hour lecture periods. For more information, go to: www.cgsi.org/news.asp?intNewsID=129

Missouri Conference

The Saint Louis Genealogical Society will hold their annual conference on April 12 at Saint Louis, Missouri. Paula Stuart Warren will be the featured speaker. For more information, go to: <http://stlgs.org/faig.htm>

North Carolina Conference

The North Carolina Genealogical Society and the Olivia Raney Local and Family History Library are sponsoring a speakers Forum on April 12 at Raleigh, North Carolina. Speakers for this event will be Caltherin Elias, Monica Hopkins, Jordan Jones, Victor Jones, Kevin Milus, Jason Tomberlin, Diane Richard, Jeffrey Haines and Jim Jones. For more information and to register go to: www.ncgenealogy.org

Ohio Conference

The Ohio Genealogical Society will host their annual conference on April 17-19 at Cincinnati,

Ohio. Watch the society Web site for further information: www.ogs.org/

Saskatchewan, Seminar

The Prince Albert Branch of the Saskatchewan Genealogy Society will host a seminar on April 18-20 at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. Several speakers will teach classes on using the Internet for research. For more information, go to: www.saskgenealogy.com/events/Seminar_2008_Brochure.pdf

Massachusetts Seminar

The Massachusetts Genealogical Council will host a seminar on April 26 at Waltham, Massachusetts. A variety of speakers and topics are included on the program as well as a workshop for writing family history stories. Speakers from the main track are from NEHGS. For more information, go to: www.massgencouncil.com/program2008.html

Virginia Seminar

The Virginia Genealogical Society will host their Spring Conference on 26 April at Richmond, Virginia. For more information, go to: www.vgs.org/events.htm

Illinois Conference

The 34th Annual Quad-Cities Genealogical Conference will be held on April 26 at Moline, Illinois. The featured speaker is Colleen Fitzpatrick. For more information, e-mail Linda Polich at bergie1985@frontiernet.net.

Kansas Conference

The Topeka Genealogical Society will hold a conference" on April 26 at Topeka, Kansas. The featured speaker is Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak. For more information, e-mail Nora

Patton Taylor at npattontaylor@topekachamber.org

California Seminar

Rhonda McClure will present an all-day seminar 2008 on April 26 at Santa Rosa, California. For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~cascgs/mcc lure.htm

Louisiana Conference

The Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society will host a seminar on April 26 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The speakers are Claire Mire Bettag and Augusta Elmwood. For more information go to: www.rootsweb.com/~la-lghs/seminar.htm.

Texas Workshop

The Bay Area Genealogical Society is holding a workshop on May 3 at Houston, Texas. The featured speaker is Christine Rose. For more information e-mail Alice Braud-Jones at genealijonz@comcast.net

NGS 2008 Conference

The National Genealogy Society (NGS) will hold their 2008 conference on May 14-17 2008 at Kansas City, Missouri. For more information, go to: www.ngsgenealogy.org

Washington Conference

The Washington State Genealogical Society will hold their conference on May 16-17 at Mount Vernon, Washington. Sandra Hargreaves Luebking will be the featured speaker. Other speakers for this event will be David Obee, James Copher, Scott Roley, Ruth Steele, Laura Sparr, Carol Buswell, Bill Ronhaar, Mary Kozy, Sarah Thorson Little, and Mary Douglass. For more information,

go to:

www.rootsweb.com/~wasvgs.

Ohio Palatine Conference

The Ohio Chapter of Palatines to America will host a National Conference on Palatines to America on June 19-21 at Columbus, Ohio. Speakers for this event will be Marion Wolfert, Maralyn Wellauer, Meldon Wolfgang, Roberta Estes, Ken Smith, Ann Miller and Barbara Nuehring. For more information, go to: www.palam.org

California Jamboree

The 39th Annual Southern California Genealogy Jamboree will be held on June 27-29 at Burbank, California.

Jewish Genealogy Conference

An International Conference on Jewish Genealogy will be held on August 17-22 at Chicago, Illinois. Sixteen Special Interest Groups (SIGS) will host sessions concerning their research focus such as German-Jewish Genealogy, Ukraine, Poland, and Litvak Jewish Genealogy research. A number of specialists or archivists from Europe or Eastern Europe will be in attendance to make presentations and advise attendees about resources available in their country. Some of the SIGS will hold luncheons with a featured speaker. For more information, go to: www.chicago2008.org

FGS 2008 Conference

The Federation of Genealogy Societies will hold their 2008 conference on September 3-6 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. For more information, go to: www.fgs.org/2008conf/FGS-2008.htm

England Family History Fair

The National Family History Fair will be held at the Gateshead International Stadium at Gateshead, England on September 13. For more information, go to: www.nationalfamilyhistoryfair.com/index.htm

Oxford, England Open Day

The Oxfordshire Family History Society Open Day will be held on September 20 at Kidlington,, England. The event will include an assortment of an assortment of visiting Societies, publishers, dealers in second hand books and postcards, and the like. The Oxfordshire Family History Society library, search services, and a beginners' helpdesk. There will also be computing demonstrations, which include genealogical software and the Internet. For more information, go to: www.ofhs.org.uk

Illinois Seminar

The Fox Valley Genealogical Society will hold a seminar on September 27 at Naperville, Illinois. Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak will discuss "Unraveling Genealogical Puzzles." For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~ilfvgs/index.htm

2009 Events

Irish Genealogy Cruise

An Irish Genealogy Cruise will be held on January 10-18. The cruise departs from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. This cruise will focus on Irish research. All speakers have presented at national genealogical conferences and are recognized as knowledgeable in their fields. There will be two tracks. Track 1 will have lectures on basic resources and techniques for Irish research. Track 2 will focus on more advanced topics and is intended for those with experience in using Irish records. The first thirty registrants will be given a one-hour private consultation with one of the professional genealogists on the program. For more information, go to: www.tiara.ie

Australian Conference

The Australasian Genealogical Congress is held once every three years and will be held on January 16-20 at Auckland, New Zealand. It attracts more than 1000 delegates from around the world, with for four days of genealogical conference sessions, lectures and exhibits. Watch the Web site for date, place and program: www.affho.org/

New England Regional Conference

The New England Regional Genealogical Conference will be held on April 22-26 in Manchester, New Hampshire. For more information, go to: www.nergc.org/

Scotland Genealogy Conference

The Aberdeen & North-East Scotland Family History Society will hold a conference on April 25 at Aberdeen, Scotland. For more information, go to: www.anesfhs.org.uk/safhs2009.htm

2009 FGS Conference

The Federation of Genealogical Societies will hold its annual conference on September 2-5 in Little Rock, Arkansas. For more information, go to: www.fgs.org/

Michigan Seminar

The Michigan Genealogical Council will host a seminar on October 15-17 at Midland Michigan. Thursday a tour of the Midland County Historical Society facilities is scheduled. On Friday and Saturday, sixteen instructors will teach 32 sessions covering 4 tracks of genealogy topics. For more details or to register, e-mail: faeae@chartermi.net

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Personal Ancestral File 5.2.18 and 4 (Windows), PAF 3, & 2.31 (DOS), lessons and user guide, Personal Ancestral File Companion 5.2 evaluation (Windows) (2 CDs)	US\$8.25
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www.FamilySearch.org	free

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<i>Family History Documentation Guidelines</i>	\$10 + postage (see www.svcomputergenealogy.org for multi-copy orders)
Stuck-on Sources Post-It note pads	Available at meetings and on Web site
Flash Drives with SVCGG logo and loaded with 9000 Internet genealogy sites	Available at cost on Web site and at meetings