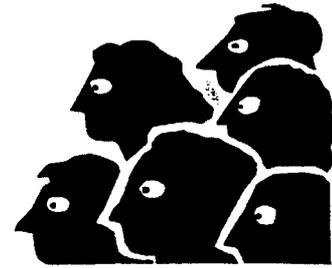




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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! Well, here we are with a fresh, new year ahead of us. I'm hoping it proves to be a great year for all of us in successfully researching our ancestors as well as in every other aspect of our lives. I'm looking forward to Leslie Dunn's talk at our January meeting concerning "Passports and Other Goodies", as well as Lisa Powell's new venture, Skeleton Closet, who she now represents in Pennsylvania and surrounding areas. She will have all the genealogical research forms she now sells at the January meeting. We were unable to tell members in advance about Lisa since our last newsletter was in November and we made these arrangements in December, but she'll be back with her merchandise, and, of course, you can see her at most regular meetings. Marilyn Holt from the Carnegie Library will be here for our February meeting telling us about doing research at the Carnegie. She always has a great program as well as handouts.

Our next Board meeting is February 7, 1995, at 7:30 p.m. at Northland Library, meeting room #2. All members are welcome. This is where decisions which affect our Club members are made and you can be a part of that process. We always welcome fresh ideas.

Hope all my great 1994 helpers stick with me in the new year. Without the other officers, committee chairs and their members, newsletter staff, and other volunteers, my job would be a tough one. They're what makes it all work. And we're always looking for more helpers. I have found that getting involved personally in the Club helped me

with my own research by presenting me with a lot more connections and more exposure to what is available to help me with my research. You don't have to be an experienced genealogist to get involved in running the Club. I sure wasn't. I learn as I go, which is what most of the officers have done. Try it, it might help you too. Hope to see all of you at the January meeting. Happy Hunting in 1995!
Ginny

WHERE GENEALOGIST MEET

Saturday, Jan. 21 at 10:00 a.m. - **W.P.G.S. Computer Interest Group** at Historical Society Building, 4338 Bigelow Blvd. Program: Panel discussion on Roots IV with Elissa Powell, Ginny Skander & Gwen Glasbergen.

Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m. - **NHG Board meeting** in meeting room #2 at Northland Library. All NHG members are always welcome at all Board meetings.

Saturday, Feb. 11 at 10:00 a.m. - **W.P.G.S. meeting** at Trinity Cathedral downtown. Call for program details.

Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 7:00 p.m. - **NHG regular meeting** at the Northland Library. Program: Marilyn Holt speaking on "Research at the Carnegie Library".

Tuesday, Mar. 21 at 7:00 p.m. - **NHG regular meeting** at the Northland Library. Program to be announced.

CCAC CLASSES ON BEGINNING GENEALOGY

CCAC North Campus, 8701 Perry Highway, will have classes on Sundays from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The classes on "How to Begin Your Genealogy" will start on February 12 and will run for four weeks. Elissa Powell will be the teacher. Nancy Singleton will be teaching the same course on Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., at Sewickley Academy. Call CCAC North, 369-3696 for more information.

WPGS GENEALOGY CLASSES

The classes will be held on the following Saturdays: March 25, April 1, April 8, April 22, April 29 and May 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Historical Society Building, 4338 Bigelow Blvd., Pittsburgh PA 15213. Call 1-412-681-5533 for more information.

IMPORTANT WPGS NOTICE

The Historical Society Building is closed during the relocation process. You can use the Genealogy Society's Library, by appointment only, on Friday and Saturday.

QUERIES

Looking for descendants of Joseph **MENTZER** and Florence Lewis Mentzer (b. 1888); Jakob **EICHLER** (b. 1825) & Katherina **SIMON** Eichler (b. 1824); Aloysius **NIEDERST** & Sophia Eickler Niederst (b. 1858); Martin **CLINTNER** (or **CLENTNER**) & Margaret **CORNYN** Clintner (b. 1821); Sophie **WILDS** Clintner (b. 1849) & Peter Augustine Clintner (b. 1847); Elizabeth Anna Clintner **BOTELER** (b. 1884); Mary Clintner **WILSON** (b. 1885); Agnes Clintner **GANNON** (b. 1865); Send information to Cora Ott, 310 Franklin St., #148, Boston, MA 02110-3000.

Looking for descendants of Peter (1813-1884) and Margaretha **OTT**; Mary Ott **BLATT** (or **PLATT**) b. 1848; Cecilia Ott **BOEGEL**, b. 1882; Margaret Ott **WALZER** (or **WALTZER**), b. 1854; John Ott, b. 1843; Joseph **McKELVEY** & Ann **WEBER**

McKelvey; John **GERING** & Kate Weber Gering; Edward **SHANLEY** & Laura McKelvey Shanley; Jack **GHERIN** & Ann Gering Gherin. Send information to Cora Ott, 310 Franklin St., #148, Boston, MA 02110-3000.

Looking for information on William McKenzie **JAMIESON** (b. between 1880 & 1890) who moved to Pennsylvania between 1900-1915. He died 1945-1955 and had two sons. One son moved to Jersey and owned a funeral parlor. Contact Mary S. Posan, 359 Pine Hill Drive, Mobile, AL 36606.

Researching Johann Adam **WEIDMANN** (b. 7 Oct. 1836 in Frankenhausen, Hessen - Darmstadt, Germany) who married Caroline ? (b. 1837 Bavaria Germany). They had 5 children: Louisa (b. 1860, PA), Louis (b. 1862, PA), Albert (b. Oct. 1863, PA) & married Ida ?, Matilda (b. 1869, PA), Caroline (b. May 1875, PA). They lived on Carson St., Pittsburgh in 1880 census and 1900 census. Contact Richard M. Cochran, Ph. D., 1332 Sabrina Court, Lakewood, NJ 08701.

Researching Peter **MULLANEY** who lived at 507 Cabot Way, South Side (Pittsburgh). Emigrated from Ireland to the US approx. 1860, married Brigid **CUNNINGHAM** (1866) and had the following children: James, John, Catherine, Peter, Mary/Mamie, Agnes (**CLARK**), and Edward. He died in 1905. Contact Dan McCallus, PO Box 596, Oaks, PA 19456.

An Anglican religious order known as the Sisters of Compassion functioned in Pittsburgh around 1906. I am seeking information concerning the order's history. If you have any knowledge of the group, please contact Lynne Wohleber, Archivist for the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, at 281-6131.

Researching **PERSING**, PA counties of Allegheny and Venango; **SANFORD**, PA & OH; **ROBERTS**, PA, Wales and England. Send information to Betty Renner, 160 East St., Wadsworth, OH 44281.

I would like to correspond with anyone that is researching the **VANDERHOOF** family. Contact James E. Ashbaugh, 400 Washington St., Ligonier, PA 15658.

Seeking info on Mary Ann (**CAMPBELL**) **WILFORD** who as a young girl in PA was captured by the Delaware Indians (1757-59) and was taken to OH. Contact Ardyce C. Smith, 1909 Bridge St., Miles City, MT 59301.

BEGINNERS CORNER

Question: What does the term "Scotch-Irish" mean?

Answer: Being Scotch Irish means that the person was a descendant of Presbyterians from Scotland who settled in Ulster, the northernmost province of Ireland, in the 17th century. The term Scotch-Irish is an Americanism — in the British Isles it is hardly known. There anyone who describes Ulstermen of Scottish origin would use the term Ulster Scots. But the compound name does reflect a historical reality; the people to who it refers were culturally distinct from both the Irish and the Scots.

Pittsburgh, since the early eighteenth century, was a frontier haven for successive generations of Ulster emigrants, many of whom chose to settle in Allegheny City. Pittsburgh was an industrial hearth while Allegheny City was a hive of family workshops and its emergence as a light manufacturing and processing center attracted a population that was different from that of Pittsburgh itself. The primacy of the textile industry and the artisan character of Allegheny City lured many of the Ulster emigrants. These farmer-artisans and small traders brought with them a variety of skills, a modicum of capital, and an independent frame of mind. Ulstermen helped to make the cotton-weaving industry the pride of Allegheny City from 1830 to the Civil War.

The above information came from "A Scotch-Irish Emigrant Writes Home" by William Doak, *Pittsburgh History*, Winter 1994-95.

BOOK REVIEW

SCOTTISH-AMERICAN HEIRS

by Jack Sanders - Internet, Dec. 31, 1991

New sources of clues to our past are constantly appearing to help us in the quest for our roots. Among the newest of these is *Scottish-American Heirs, 1683-1883*, by David Dobson.

Mr. Dobson, who teaches at Madras College in Scotland, has scoured a little-known, but valuable source of records, called the Services of Heirs, and come up with more than 2,600 links between Scotland and the Americas. In Scotland, when someone died, the sheriff had an inquest to determine the rightful heirs of property. The records of these inquests contain many names, locations, and relationships of Americans with Scottish ancestry.

An example of a typical listing: "Duncan, James, currier, in NJ, heir to father John Duncan, tanner, in West Kilbride Ayrshire, died 4 Apr. 1836, reg. 22 May 1849." Here we learn that a New Jersey currier, named James Duncan, had a father, who died in 1836 and who had lived in West Kilbride. (Oddly enough, the book never explains what "reg." means; whether, for instance, it's when the claim was first made or when it was settled -- it seems to be the former.)

Needless to say, such information could be an invaluable link for the researcher. These links are not just to the states, but also to Canadians, and residents of Caribbean Islands. Listings are alphabetical by heir, but every name in the book is contained in the 22-page index, which can be important since the heir often has a different surname from the deceased relative back home.

The 165-page, hardbound edition of *Scottish-American Heirs* may be found in genealogical libraries, or purchased (\$21.50 plus \$2.50 postage and handling) from its publisher, Genealogical Publishing Company, Dept. SM, 1001 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md., 21202-3897.

BOOK FOR SALE

A new publication, *Meet Our Ancestors*, is a collection of information about the following names **LAWSON, LOUDIN or LOWDEN, THOMAS, CROWLEY or CROLEY, MUSE, BOWLIN, BOLIN, WALDEN, DABNEY, OWENS, AYERS, RAINS, HAMBY, HEMBREE** and allied families.

This book goes back to the year 1655 with the Thomas family in Ireland - James Burke and Mary Polly **BANE**. The cost is \$54.59 which includes shipping and tax. It can be ordered by sending a check to: Shelby Alexander, 7673 Shields Rd., Lewisburg, Ohio 45338.

VALLEY FORGE?

The Family Tree - December 94/January 95

Did you have an ancestor who was in Washington's Army at Valley Forge in 1777-78? If so, you are eligible to join the Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge. Write PO Box 915, Valley Forge, PA 19382-0915

HELP US FIND FUNDING FOR THE LDS PROGRAM

Northland Library has written a proposal for the hardware for the LDS program Family Search but they have not been able to find funding. If anyone knows of a company or corporation that would grant money (not more than \$6000), please let the library know. If you think of an **idea for another type of funding**, please let us know. NHG have set aside funds so we can purchase the software for the library. This would put a wonderful research tool at our finger tips.

APOLLO

Apollo Area Historical Society

The Borough of Apollo was laid out as the town of Warren on the north bank of the Kiskiminetas River in Armstrong County in 1816 on a track of land owned by William **JOHNSTON** and Rev. William **SPEER**, opposing the mouth of the Beaver Dam Creek on a farm known by the name of "Warren's Sleeping Ground".

The name **WARREN** refers to the legendary chief Warren who encamped along the banks of the Kiskiminetas River or Edward Warren, an Indian trader at Allegheny.

William **WATSON** surveyed and laid out the town in lots which at the time was the area within the present boundaries of First Street to South River. The first four houses built were those belonging to John **BLACK**, Conrad **LUDWIG**, Henry **FORD** and Robert **HANNA** on what is now South Second Street.

The first post office was established in 1827 with Milton **DALLY** as Postmaster. Since there already was a Warren post office in Pennsylvania the name Apollo was chosen, probably at the suggestion of Dr. Robert **McKISSEN** a man of classical education and poetic aspirations. When the town of Warren was incorporated into "The Borough of Apollo" in 1848, Dr. McKissen was elected the first burgess (mayor).

Two famous people who have hailed from Apollo are Nellie **BLY**, noted newspaper reporter, feminist and daredevil and Gen. Samuel M. **JACKSON**, organizer of the Co. G. of the 11th Reg. of the PA Reserves during the Civil War, who went on to be State Treasurer.

GENEALOGISTS' VOCABULARY

Excerpted from the book *Collecting Dead Relatives* by Laverne Galeener-Moore and printed in *Mahoning Meanderings*, October-1994, Vol. 18.

ANCESTOR: A person who gave so little thought to how important he would be to someone someday that he didn't commit nearly enough significant acts to get himself noticed, at least not in counties with fireproof courthouses. Instead of performing stupendous, momentous deeds to guarantee a place in the county history books, he just frittered away his time doing dumb things like pulling up trees or chopping them down, plodding along behind a mule and plow, keeping his wife (or wives) pregnant, or getting punctured by arrows. If he were alive today, you wouldn't even invite him to a party.

BRANCH: This word was almost surely added to the genealogists' vocabulary by the same tree-fetishist who started the whole silly habit of calling ancestral charts family trees. Within some families certain descriptive words are used to further identify descendents of this branch, the criminal branch, the branch we don't talk about, etc. The funny thing about this word is that even if you are cut off completely, you remain as firmly joined as ever to your branch, which remains forever attached to your tree, severed or not. Tell that one to the next arborist you meet.

HOW TO DATE A TOMBSTONE

Rocky Mountain Buckeye, Colorado Chapter Ohio Genealogical Society, Vol. VI, No. 1, April/ May 1994

Slate or common fieldstone are the oldest (except for wooden, used by pioneers) 1796-1830.

Flat-topped hard marble, 1830-1849.

Round or pointed soft marble with cursive inscriptions, 1845-1868.

Masonic 4-sided stones, began 1850 to present.

Pylons, columns and all exotic-type monuments, 1860-1900.

Zinc monuments, 1870-1900.

Granite, now common, came into use ca 1900.

FAMILY TREE MAKER SOFTWARE

Joel Smith , *North Hills News Record*, August 10, 1994

Family Tree Maker Deluxe CD-ROM Edition gives the genealogy buff a good start in mapping a family history. Through the wonders of CD-ROM and its huge storage capacity, the program includes 150 million names of individuals taken from census data between 1790-1880, state marriage records from the 1600s to the 1900s, some state land records and Social Security death records.

The easy to use program is menu driven, allowing the user to begin creating a family history almost at once. You can start with any member of the family.

For example, I put my name, birth date, birth place, date of marriage and place of marriage in appropriate boxes. I followed by inputting the same information about my wife and two sons.

In each case, the program allows you to include additional information about any individual. You could add the person's date of high school or college graduation.

The program allows the user to go forward or backward from the data on a particular individual. By going backward in my wife's case, it asked for similar information about her parents and brothers.

But the most fascinating part is the program's ability to search for ancestors from 100 or 200 years ago.

I've hear of genealogists spending months going through old dusty records looking for links in their family history.

While the index of 150 million names on the CD-ROM disc doesn't give the user the vital information like birth date and place, it tells the user the individual exists and where to find more information.

The program sells for \$60 in software stores or by calling Blue Software at (510) 794-6850.

PALATINES PUBLISH INDEX

The Family Tree - December 94/January 96

The Palatines to America *Ancestor Chart Index, Volume 6* has been published and is now available for sale. The ancestor charts contributed by members of Palatines to America are of particular value to family history

researchers. Each published index permits researchers to locate other genealogists who are researching the same lines. The ancestor charts, which have been collected by the Society since 1975, are strong German-speaking immigrant ancestors, in Colonial days as well in the nineteenth century.

The series of Ancestor Chart Indices is available in many genealogical collections, or may be ordered from the Pal-Am national office. Volume 6 is \$10.00, post-paid (Ohio residents please add 58 cents tax).

Palatines to America is a nineteen-year old genealogical society for person researching their German-speaking ancestors; state chapters are active in New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Colorado. The national Society and the chapters serve their members by promoting study of German immigrant migration through the annual national conference, local seminars, newsletters and the quarterly *Palatine Immigrant*.

For a copy of Pal-Am Ancestor Chart Index, Vol. 6, or for further information about Palatines to America, call or write Palatines to America, Capital University, Box 101P, Columbus, Ohio 43209-2394.

FRENCH-CANADIAN

FGS *Forum*, Volume 6 Number 3 Fall 1994

Canadian immigrants into the U. S. began as early as the 17th century, but it was in the late 1800s that the great influx of immigrants entered this country. More than 10,000,000 descendants of these immigrants have been assimilated into the American society. The American-French Genealogical Society (AFGS) was formed in February of 1978 an a non-profit genealogical and historical society devoted to people of French-Canadian extraction. The society is actively involved in extracting, collating, and publishing Franco-American vital statistics, parish registers, burial records, and other data consistent with the preservation of the culture. the society's library holds more than 4,000 volumes of reference material and many genealogical journals and publications of regional, national and international scope. The AFGS Library is located at 78 Earle Street, Woonsocket, Rhode Island. For membership information and arrangements to use the library, write to: American-French Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 2113, Pawtucket, RI 02851-0113.

GENEALOGICAL BOOK CONTEST

July 1, 1994 - June 30, 1995

If you have published a family history book or any other type of genealogical history book, **ENTER NOW!!!** You could win a prize for yourself. Two top prizes will be awarded. *This contest includes any surname and any area.* **DEADLINE IS JUNE 30, 1995**

Your book will be read and evaluated by three judges on overall appearance, content, organization and ease of reference and authenticity. A brief review of your book will be carried in an issue of the Washington County Society quarterly newsletter. All submissions will become the property of the WCGS and will be added to the society's library, where it will be available to researchers. Send one copy to: Genealogical Book Contest, Washington County Genealogical Society, Post Office Box 446, Washington, Iowa 52353-0446

ORIGINAL RESEARCH

We were very pleased at the response to our request for "Original Research". The following two articles were written by NHG members Virginia Skander and Elissa Powell. We hope that other readers will send us copies of their research experiences. They will be published in future issues of the NHG Newsletter.

VIRGINIA STATE LIBRARY

by Virginia C. Skander

Recently, Gwen Glasbergen, Sally Hough, and I went to Richmond, Virginia, to do intensive research at the State Library located at Eleventh Street and Capitol Square, which is open to the public between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. from Monday through Saturday, except on legal holidays. It has a treasure trove of records for Virginia (as well as surrounding states) too numerous to mention, but a brief outline follows:

Manuscript Sources: Records of colonial and state governments, copies of extant county court records such as wills, deeds, orders, and marriage bonds up to approximately 1865, a small number of church records, some personal papers, Bible records, and unpublished genealogical notes and charts.

Tax Records: Begins in 1782 and is composed of personal

property and land tax lists, which are arranged by county. Unindexed.

Military Records: Documents attesting to the military service of some Virginians during the colonial period (mainly the French and Indian War), the American Revolution, the War of 1812, and the Civil War, as well as limited information about Virginia's participants in other wars. Bounty Land records for French and Indian War vets and Land Office records (indexed), state pension, and public service claim records for the American Revolutionary War. Index to veterans' and widows' pension applications on microfilm for the Civil War.

Land Office Records: Land patents and grants which contain the same types of information: the name of the person receiving the land, the county in which it was located, the number of acres, the metes and bounds, and the date of issuance. A survey provides the number of acres, the metes and bounds, and, generally, a plat. The warrant gives the person's name, the date of issuance, and the amount of land to which the warrantee was entitled. Indexed by name of the patentees or grantees. After 1690, and until 1874, grants in the Northern Neck of Virginia were entered in a separate series of volumes, for which there is an index. Many of these are extant.

Vital Statistics: Early official records of births and deaths in Virginia are almost nonexistent, but can sometimes be located through church registers or family Bibles. Few marriage records prior to 1730 survive either in parish registers or county court record books. Marriage bonds required by law as early as March 1661, but these list only names of the bride and groom, the names of the security, and the date issued. Microfilm copies of birth and death records from 1853 to 1896 and of marriage records from 1853 to 1935 are available in the Archives Branch for reference use only.

County Records: Microfilm copies of extant court record books from the dates of county formation up to 1865. Generally include wills, deeds, court orders or minutes, and marriage bonds. Guardians' records, survey books, and various other records for some localities. General indexes are usually available for wills, deeds, and marriages.

Census Records: Neither 1790 nor 1800 federal census returns for Virginia survived. A substitute 1790 census for 39 of the commonwealth's then 80 counties was compiled from the 1782-1785 state enumerations. Available federal census returns for Virginia from 1810

through 1880 and for 1900, 1910, and 1920, as well as indexes to the censuses from 1810 through 1880, 1900, 1910, and 1920. Census records for states adjacent to Virginia are also available on microfilm.

Church Records: Some date from the colonial period and most are administrative. They contain very few references to births, deaths, or marriages. Represented denominations include the Society of Friends, Baptist, Christian, Episcopal, German Reformed, Lutheran, Methodist, and Presbyterian. No master index.

Personal Papers: Small collection; correspondence, journals, and diaries.

Bible Records and Genealogical Notes: Published guides to these records.

Maps: Large collection consisting of state, county, and regional maps. Earliest authentic map of Virginia dates from 1608. Few detailed county maps prior to 1820.

Records of Areas Once Part of Virginia: Local court records, such as deeds, wills, and marriage bonds maintained in each county. When the states of Kentucky and West Virginia were established in 1792 and 1863, respectively, their local records were retained in the counties, but the Archives does have certain Virginia state records pertaining to these areas, including personal property tax books, land grants, and legislative petitions.

Microfilm copies are \$.25 each and regular photocopies are \$.10 each. The people who work at the Library are very helpful. Also located at the Library is the LDS Family Search program. Even though you are supposed to limit your use to one hour, if no one is waiting to use the machine, you can use it as long as you want. The days Gwen and I used it, we were able to stay on it all morning without interruption.

If you're looking for a good place to stay, we checked into the Holiday Inn Downtown Richmond located at 301 Franklin Street. The room charge was \$55.00 plus \$5.23 tax per night. There is a restaurant located in the building which is open for breakfast and serves sizeable portions which should hold you over until supper if you're like us and didn't want to break for lunch. But be sure to take some sucking candy in case you get motion sickness like I did the first day watching the microfilm slide by. Lucky for me Gwen had a stash of candy and a few pieces of that did the trick. The restaurant is medium priced and open early enough that you can have a leisurely breakfast and

still be at the library when it opens.

The hotel also offers a Van service which will take you anywhere you want to go in town and pick you up. It dropped us at the door to the library each day. You couldn't ask for anything more convenient than that. And it's a real life saver because there is limited parking near the Library. If you park on the street by the Library, you have to feed the meter every couple hours, and if you're still parked there after 4:00 p.m., they tow your car away. I'm not familiar with any indoor parking garages in the vicinity, but I'm sure they fill up early with people who work in the area. The hotel has an indoor parking lot, and my car went in the first day and didn't come out until we left the fourth day.

There are cafeterias and restaurants within walking distance of the library, so after we were done with our research each day, we went out to dinner and then called the Van to come get us. The hospital and campus cafeterias are one and two blocks in one direction from the Library where you can get a good low-priced meal, and in the opposite direction, about three blocks, is South 12th Street where there is an array of restored shops and restaurants to choose from. We ate at the Tobacco Company Restaurant our last night there. It was originally a tobacco warehouse, and what atmosphere. The prices were medium to high, but very good and worth the price.

So, if you're researching Virginia ancestors, the State Library is the place to go and the Holiday Inn is a great place to stay. Happy Hunting!

LUXEMBOURG ANYONE?

by Elissa Scalise Powell

Genealogists love names! Below are names taken from the Catholic records in Habergy, Luxembourg from 1700 to 1798. You may recognize some of your "Alsace Lorain" surnames who came to America. Found at the L.D.S. Family History Library, the Catholic Records of Habergy are indexed on microfilm roll #617831, item 3. Other towns in the area are also on the film. The church records themselves are recorded in Latin and the Civil Registers are in French up to the 1820's and then in German.

If you have the surnames of **SCHMIT, ETTINGER, MUSTY, CASSEL/KASSEL**, please contact me as I have full records of these families.

Altenhoven	Denis	Georgen	Kerschenmeyer	Reuter
Andre	Deny	Georges	Kettel	Robert
Arend	Derden	Gergen	Kettenmeyer	Robin
Arentz	Derneyen	Gille	Keyser	Robiz
Anseaux	Devallerang	Gillet	Kieffe	Roo
Bailleux	Dickes	Gilson	Kirsch	Schadeck
Banten	Didier	Girsch	Kleinen	Schanen
Barnich	Dufferding	Glaesener	Koob	Scheyer
Barthel	Dietges	Goeder	Kornhaus	Schleimer
Bartz	Difaut	Goedert	Krell	Schmit
Bentz	Diffour	Goffinch	Krier	Schneider
Berchman	Dimpsher	Goffinet	Lambert	Scholler
Berends	Domals	Gouvy	Lamotte	Schoob
Berens	Domelschen	Graff	Lardo	Schreer
Berentz	Douckholtz	Grafser	Lauer	Schuller
Bertrang	Dur	Gravis	Laurenz	Schumacker
Bernard	Etgen	Grein	Lichtfus	Schutz
Besling	Ettinger	Greisch	Lienime	Schweich
Bichler	Fack	Greth	Loos	Schwiecher
Bintz	Fak	Grethen	Luy	Schweitzer
Biver	Faque	Grun	Masson	Sondage
Bivert	Farmer	Guelff	Mathen	Spick
Biving	Farney	Guillaume	Mauer	Starken
Bloum	Faten	Guvy	Meisch	Steinback
Blum	Feck	Hames	Meyer	Stoffel
Boane	Feidt	Hans	Minmeister	Theves
Bonnert	Feibles	Hansen	Muller	Thilge
Botzom	Fein	Hantz	Mussy	Thiry
Brandebourger	Felbes	Hantzen	Nees	Thomas
Brisbois	Feller	Hanz	Nepper	Urban
Burton	Felten	Hanzen	Neyjacob	Vagner
Burtong	Fend	Harpes	Nickels	Veber
Calmes	Feyend	Hasis	Niderkor	Virt
Casel	Feyer	Hauptert	Noel	Virtz
Charles	Feyereisen	Hauvert	Obert	Waltener
Chumer	Feypler	Heiertz	Olimar	Walzing
Claude	Flamand	Hengtges	Page	Weber
Claudy	Franck	Henzen	Pallansche	Weisgerber
Claudye	Francois	Herman	Pallen	Weisser
Cleren	Francy	Heyert	Peiffer	Wiltz
Colles	Franque	Hiltgen	Pesch	Zombrez
Collignon	Freiman	Hintz	Peschon	
Corineyer	Funck	Hoeltgen	Peter	
Cornelius	Gaspard	Hoeltges	Peters	
Cornely	Gauche	Hollenbrandt	Petes	
Cornelier	Gef	Homel	Pierre	
Cosse	Geimer	Honck	Poncelet	
Cravat	Gelff	Hoerentz	Poncet	
Creutz	Gengen	Hos	Portz	
Damian	Genges	Jung	Pussery	
Decker	Gengler	Jungers	Reding	
Defacq	Gentgen	Kemp	Reichling	
Deneden	Gentges	Kergen	Reinert	

some names from Catholic Church Records, Habergy, Luxembourg, 1700-1798, LDS Film #617831, item 3, extracted by Elissa Scalise Powell, 720 Highpoint Drive, Wexford, PA 15090-7571

MORMON PIONEER GENEALOGY LIBRARY CD-ROM

AUTOMATED ARCHIVES has developed a new computerized research system that will change the way much of genealogy research is done. It is called the Genealogical Research System (GRS).

At last it will be possible to search quickly and completely through databases that contain millions of individuals, such as the U. S. Census. You will be able to look across large regions of the country and extended time periods, within one single search.

We are producing the Mormon Pioneer Genealogy Library (MPGL) on CD. The Mormon Pioneer Genealogy Library represents the genealogy of the 1500 Mormon pioneer families with the largest posterity. It is estimated that about seventy-five percent of all the millions of charts submitted to the LDS Church would duplicate information already organized and available in the Mormon Pioneer Genealogy Library. This data has been gathered by Michel L. Call. It is comprised of over 15,000 pedigree charts and 35,000 family group sheets. These families are taken back into the colonial periods and into the royal lines of England.

According to MPGL projections, the largest family in America is that of Robert **WHITE** (b. ca. 1560) & Bridget **ALLGAR**, with a Mormon posterity of 430,000 and an American posterity of 29,000,000. The next five families are Edward **GRISWOLD** and Margaret, Joseph **LOOMIS** and Mary White, Gerard **SPENCER** and Alice **WHITBREAD**, Thomas **FORD** and Elizabeth **CHARDE**, and Thomas **BLISS** and Margaret **HULINS**, each with a Mormon posterity of 270,000 and a American posterity of 18,000,000. You can see that with all these major families, & hundreds more, that The possibility of linking into this database is extremely high.

TWO NHG MEMBERS HONORED

Ann and Frank Thomas were selected as Croatian Fraternal Union of America, Lodge 4's (Etna PA) "Man and Woman of the Year" award recipients. The award was given for their outstanding efforts in behalf of the needy people in war-torn Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

They collected, packed and contributed more than 400 boxes of clothing, food medication and other supplies which were delivered to the CFU Home Office for shipment to Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina. Then in September of 1993 they visited Croatia (it was the 11th trip for Ann and the 13th trip for Frank to the old homeland) where they distributed hygiene supplies, medicines and envelopes of money to people in the Old Homeland, from Zagreb to Sisak, Karlovac, Jastrebasco and other cities and villages.

Ann T. **JURJEVIC** Thomas was born on Pittsburgh's North Side, the daughter of Julia Sita and Vid L. Jurjevic. Her mother hailed from Rude, Croatia, near Samobor, while her father was a native of Jonji Desinec in Croatia, near Jastrebasco.

Frank **THOMAS** was born in Monessen, PA, the son of Kata **BUKOVAC** Thomas, from Gomji Ostrc, Croatia and George Thomas of Stupe, Croatia. Frank helps people in the U. S. and Canada find their roots in Croatia.

WAS YOUR OHIO ANCESTOR AN ARTIST?

The Ohio Artists Project is looking for info on any artist, amateur or professional, who worked in Ohio before 1900. A forthcoming biographical dictionary, Art in Ohio: 1787-1900, edited by Mary Sayre Haverstock, is due January 1, 1995, for publication in 1996 by Kent State University Press. The book will contain more than 12,000 concise references to 19th century Ohio Artists in virtually all areas, including painters, of portraits, landscapes, miniatures, frescos, murals, fancy signs, railroad car decor and furniture. Also seeking photographs, retouchers and colorists, crayon artists and sculptors, gravestone carvers, newspaper cartoonists, engravers, lithographers, illustrators, ornamental pen artists (an important Ohio specialty), woodcarvers and teachers of art at Ohio schools, seminaries and colleges.

If you can contribute any family information to this important statewide effort, please send a postcard to the OAP for more details at: Ohio Artists Project, Mudd Library #405, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH 44074, 216-775-8081.

Editors note: I did not receive this in time for the Nov/Dec Newsletter. Materials were due by Jan. 1, 1995 so call immediately so your information can be included.

BITS AND PIECES

SENDING MONEY TO IRELAND

from the celtic knot, Sept. 1993

The best way to send money to Ireland, or any other country, is to use Ruesch International, telephone 1-800-424-2923. You tell them the exact amount you wish to send in U. S. dollars. They will immediately tell you the cost, including their \$2.00 transaction fee. They send the check to you in Irish punts made to the person or agency you specify. Their check will be on a London branch of the Westminster Bank. Experience has shown this to be the least expensive way of sending funds to Ireland.

Editors note: Shirley Kelly, NHG member has used

Ruesch International for English transactions and has found them to be very prompt.

NEW ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL CONFERENCE

The Family Tree - December 94/January 95

The New England Historic Genealogical Society presents its Sesquicentennial Celebration and Conference July 13-15, 1995 at the Westin Hotel at Copley Place in Boston MA. David McCullough will be the keynote speaker. To receive a free conference brochure later this year, write or fax now to be put on the mailing list. Write Sesquicentennial Conference, 99-101 Newbury St., Department D, Boston, MA 02116-3087. Fax: 617-536-7307.

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