

THE CITRUS TREE



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3474 W. Southern St., Lecanto. Guests are always welcome to attend.

July 11 – “Overview of the Genealogy Collection at the Lakes Region Library.” President Mary Ann Machonkin will give this presentation. Books tend to be an underutilized resource in genealogy, and should be used more often because not everything is available online. There are books with vital records in them that are not easily accessible anywhere else. The library has “how to” books on genealogy and books to aid in ethnic research.

August 8 – “Cemetery Transcriptions and Headstone Cleaning.” The program will be presented by Nigel Rudolph, Public Archaeology Coordinator, Florida Public Archaeology Network, Central Regional Center, USF Department of Anthropology.

September 12 – Our treasurer, Wesley Brockway, will present a “Case Study of 100 Years of his Family’s History in Hillsborough County.”

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Our Website:

www.citrusgenealogy.com

- Meeting dates and programs
- Lookup contacts for out of town Genealogists
- Links to leading websites



Book on American Migration now at the Lakes Region Library.

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Notes from the President

Mary Ann Machonkin



New records are being added all the time to Ancestry.com and the free website

www.familysearch.org Keep checking them and you might find additional information about your ancestors. I have started to

find naturalization papers on Ancestry.com, but I don't know how complete the records are. It may be easier to get the naturalization records on Ancestry.com instead of ordering them from the National Archives.

I hope all of you have a great summer vacation. Many genealogy societies do not meet during the summer but we do. I hope to see you at our meetings.

Genealogy Classes and Conferences:

Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference

August 30 – September 2 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Building Bridges to the Past. Register online at www.FGS.org

Genealogy Classes taught by Jackie Reiss

The Fall Genealogy Classes will be held on Wednesdays, September 20 through October 18, 10 a.m. to noon.

Location: Recreation Building in Whispering Pines Park, Inverness.

Cost: \$25 for the five classes.

Registration: You must register in advance:

- Website: www.inverness-fl.gov/
- Recreation Office: 212 W. Main Street Inverness, FL 34450. Phone 352-726-3913 or 352-726-2611
- Email: parks@inverness-fl.gov

Here lies one Wood enclosed in wood. One Wood within another.

The outer wood Is very good: we cannot praise the other.

Epitaph: In Memory of Beza Wood — Nov. 2 1837 Aged 45 yrs. in Winslow Maine

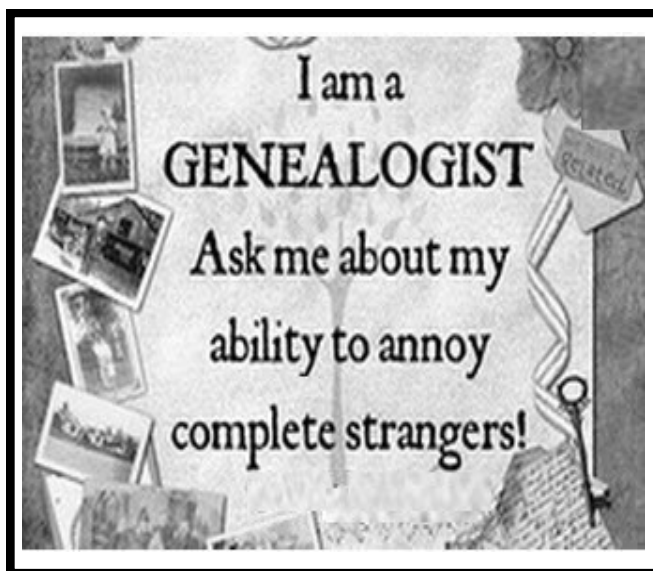
Certificate of Appreciation presented to Shirley Guenette



At the May 9 genealogy society meeting President, Mary Ann Machonkin, presented a certificate of appreciation to Shirley Guenette for her 4 years of service as secretary for the genealogy society.

Certificate of Appreciation Mailed to Janet Thompson

A certificate of appreciation was mailed to Janet Thompson for her 8 years of service as Hospitality Chairman.





Genealogy Magazines in the Lakes Region Library, Inverness

The genealogy society subscribes to the following genealogy magazines and donates them to the Lakes Region Library in Inverness to make them available for your use. The *Internet Genealogy*, *Your Genealogy Today* and *American Ancestors* magazines are located in file holders **at the reference desk**. If you can't find them, just ask one of the librarians. The following are descriptions of interesting articles from recent magazines.

Internet Genealogy April/May 2017

“U.S. Passport Applications” by Joe Grandinetti. He examines a collection that often reveals unexpected results. NARA has passport applications from October 1795 to March 1925. After that they are located at the U.S. Dept. of State. Many passport applications may be found at www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2185145

Also some may be found on Ancestry.com or FindMyPast.com. Often ancestors returned to their place of origin and so had to apply for a passport. Learn about what can be found in these applications. pp 17 – 19.

“Stock Marks aren’t just Brands – Use them to Identify People Also!” by Diane L. Richard. Stock marks are cattle marks, earmarks, or brands to identify cattle. She explains how to glean genealogical information from stock marks records. pp 31 – 35.

“Yad Vashem, The World Holocaust Remembrance Center” by Melody Amsel-Arieli. She looks at some of the important searchable collections from the most comprehensive Holocaust research, documentation and commemoration establishment. This article lists online databases such as a Photo Archive, historical narratives, ghettos, deportation and camp records with recent additions concerning Jews who went to central parts of the USSR in 1941. pp 47 – 49.

Your Genealogy Today March/April 2017

“Matronymics and the Addition of Ann” by Robbi Gorr. He explores the possibility that when a daughter is named after her mother, Ann is given as the middle name. pp.19 – 21.

Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) Records

The Sons of the American Revolution is making available, to the public, this "dynamic" (or "work in progress") site at this moment containing records for some 169,200 Revolutionary Patriots, in various stages of completeness - and accuracy. The SAR has just made this available to the public and are encouraging more SAR members to submit a short story of their ancestor patriot(s).

While these stories cannot be used as proof of lineage, genealogists may find the stories helpful and enlightening. The URL to the webpage is <http://patriot.sar.org> Click on both the Grave and the Biography to get the most information about the Revolutionary Patriot.

Withlacoochee Chapter Sons of the American Revolution (SAR)

The Sons of the American Revolution is the largest **male lineage organization** in the U.S., consists of 50 societies with more than 500 local chapters, and several international societies. The Withlacoochee Chapter includes Citrus and Hernando Counties.

The SAR works to preserve our Nation’s past. It is dedicated to assisting our members, schools, teachers, and the general public, in their efforts to sustain and preserve our history and constitutional principles.

The Withlacoochee Chapter meets Monthly, on Saturday, at the Citrus Hills Country Club. It does NOT meet in June, July and August. If you are interested in joining the organization you can contact our [Withlacoochee SAR Registrar](#), Stephen Brown by email, TheHawk65@embarQmail.com or phone 352-564-4295. Ask him for assistance in getting started with defining your lineage from a patriot ancestor and collecting the documentation required for an SAR application. He will also help you find a member living near you to help you learn about chapter programs.

You can check out all of the local happenings on the website at www.withsar.org.



WEBSITES OF INTEREST

19th Century Germanic Immigrants to USA

This site contains an extensive searchable database of records on passengers who arrived at the United States between 1850 through 1859 and identified their country of origin or nationality as German or Germanic. Go to www.GermanImmigrants1850s.com Use the “Search option for a Name” field to search the records.

The Genealogical Association of Nova Scotia

www.novascotiaancestors.ca/cpage.php?pt=101 provides an Index to records of the Halifax Funeral Home from May 1939 to May 1960.

Online Naturalization Records – Joe Beine has created a webpage on [Online Searchable Naturalization Records and Indexes](http://www.germanroots.com/naturalization.html) at www.germanroots.com/naturalization.html

The **Seeking Michigan** website www.seekingmichigan.org has death records 1897 – 1952 and state census records 1827 – 1894.

“Manifest Markings: A Guide to Interpreting Passenger List Annotations,” by Marina L. Smith, et al. www.jewishgen.org/infofiles/manifests Proof of arrival was required for naturalization to show that the person arrived here legally. A number next to the name in a passenger list may be the Naturalization Number that was penciled in later.

Family Search Website

Go to familysearch.org/search/collection/1935767 for vital records of Rhode Island; births 1846 – 1898, 1901 – 1903; marriages 1901 – 1953; deaths 1901 – 1953.

New Material on Family Search

- French census records are now available: 1856, 1876, 1891, and 1906.
- Connecticut marriage records 1640 – 1939.

MyHeritage Website

European Immigrant Ancestor Search

After you have found your immigrant ancestor, you still may not know the location of his home in Europe. Try

looking at websites that have European family trees on them. MyHeritage.com has family trees from many countries and is a good place to look for your ancestor. Family trees are not always accurate but may still give you a place to start and some clues. Access to MyHeritage.com is free in the Family History Center (FHC) of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 9 - 4.

Seven Guidelines for Adoptees

Richard Hill has written “Seven Guidelines for Adoptees” for MyHeritage Blog at blog.myheritage.com/2017/02/dna-testing-seven-guidelines-for-adoptees/ or <https://goo.gl/C5MZPV>

EASTMAN’S ONLINE NEWSLETTER

The Standard Edition of Dick Eastman’s Online Genealogy Newsletter is published weekdays and is free at www.blog.cogn.com There is a fee for the Plus Edition but it has additional information and no advertising. The following is an example of information found in the online newsletter:

Georgia State Archives Digitizes Thousands of Confederate Muster Rolls and Places them Online
Dick Eastman · [May 8, 2017](#)

The Georgia State Archives’ web site now contains digital images of the previously microfilmed *Record Groups 22-1-63, Defense Dept., Adjutant General, Confederate Muster Rolls*. The contents include the majority of the company muster rolls in this series are from military organizations created by the State of Georgia during the Civil War for service within the state.

These military organizations include the Georgia Army (1861), the Georgia State Guards (August 1863-February 1864), and the Georgia State Line (1862-1865). The Georgia Militia is referred to as Georgia State Troops. Some units were later turned over to Confederate service.

There are also nearly 250 muster rolls from Georgia Volunteer Infantry. Please note these are not records for all Confederate troops from Georgia. It lists only the “military organizations created by the State of Georgia during the Civil War for service within the state.” The records may be accessed at the Georgia State Archives’ web site at: www.bit.ly/2qbkH1k

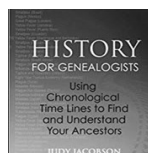


Library Report

By Jamie Johnson, Library Chair

The following are the latest books given by the genealogy society to the Lakes Region Library. These books are located in the Genealogy Section of the Lakes Region Library on Druid St. in Inverness.

You may request a book to be sent to the Library nearest you.



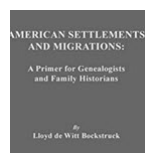
History for Genealogists: Using Chronological Time Lines to Find and Understand Your Ancestors

By Judy Jacobson, GEN 929.1 JAC (310 pages)

This is the 2016 edition of this book which updates the previous 2009 edition. This newer edition was published in a new, larger-format and is easier to read than the earlier edition. Two new sections have been added. They are *1907-1947/48 Homefront and Fashion and Leisure*.

This book highlights dates and events that played into the lives of our ancestors using a series of timelines. For example, if you are trying to learn when your ancestors left one place for another, it would be helpful to ask the question, “Why did they leave?” Did it have to do with a military conflict, social injustice, religion, disease, economic hardship, or a natural disaster? Other chapters pose answers to crucial questions, such as “How did they go?” and “What route did they take?”

The author uses timelines to lay out the history of the transportation revolutions in America (roads, rails, canals, and air travel), as well as the history of the great western trails our ancestors followed in crossing the country. There is a timeline of the Industrial Revolution, American immigration, and the Labor Movement. Researchers can also make use of a timeline for the history of each of the 50 states, and, in brief, for the rest of North America, Europe, and more.



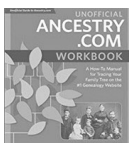
American Settlements and Migrations: A Primer for Genealogists and Family Historians

By Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, GEN (108 pages)

This book provides a synopsis of the original patterns of settlement and migration

for the United States. There is a summary of the settlement of each of the 50 states with emphasis on states and territories that were established between the colonial period and the middle of the nineteenth century. For each state the author examines pioneers' places of origin, reasons for settlement, specific places of settlement in America, names of pioneering families, migrations within and between states, and more.

Throughout the book, the author names the key sources for further research. The book's basic information pertaining to the settlement of every US state is essential for learning about those who settled there—how, why, and when—vital details needed by all researchers.



Unofficial Ancestry.com Workbook: A How to Manual for Tracing Your Family Tree on the #1 Genealogy Website

By Nancy Hendrickson, GEN (191 pages)

This book was published earlier this year to update the previous version. The genealogy section of the Lakes Region library also has the earlier 2014 edition, but since the ancestry.com website changes so frequently, this is a good addition to our genealogy collection.

Ancestry.com keeps growing and in this workbook you will learn how to use Ancestry.com to its full advantage with detailed guides to searching Ancestry.com's digitized records. Each section briefly discusses how to search Ancestry.com for a particular type of record (including census records, vital records and historical publications), then shares detailed, illustrated tutorials that put those strategies into practice. With the worksheets and genealogy forms in each section, you can easily plan your own Ancestry.com searches and apply what you've learned.

The workbook features introductions to using the seven most important record groups on Ancestry.com, plus tips to navigate AncestryDNA and use DNA test results in your research, step-by-step case studies showing how to use Ancestry.com to find ancestors and solve research problems, and fill-in worksheets and forms that let you apply the book's techniques to your own research.

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Library Report

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Packed with expert advice, handy worksheets, and real-life search scenarios, this workbook will give you the hands-on knowledge you need to mine Ancestry.com for your family's records.

This would be a great way to maximize your Ancestry membership, beginners and advanced.

The Month of July in History

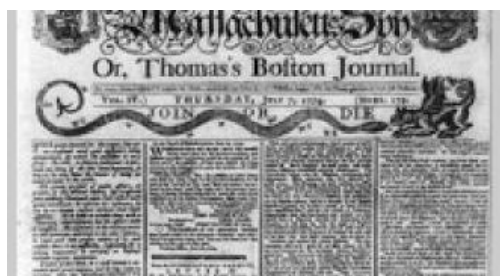
July 11, 1656 — Quaker preachers Mary Fisher and Ann Austin became the first Quakers to visit the English North American colonies, arriving at Boston in the Massachusetts Bay Colony from Barbados on the *Swallow*. There they met with fierce hostility from the Puritan population.

On arrival, they were arrested, taken ashore and imprisoned. Their books and pamphlets were seized and burned. Fisher and Austin were deported back to Barbados on the *Swallow* after five weeks' imprisonment.

Fisher and Austin returned to England in 1657.

(Source: Wikipedia)

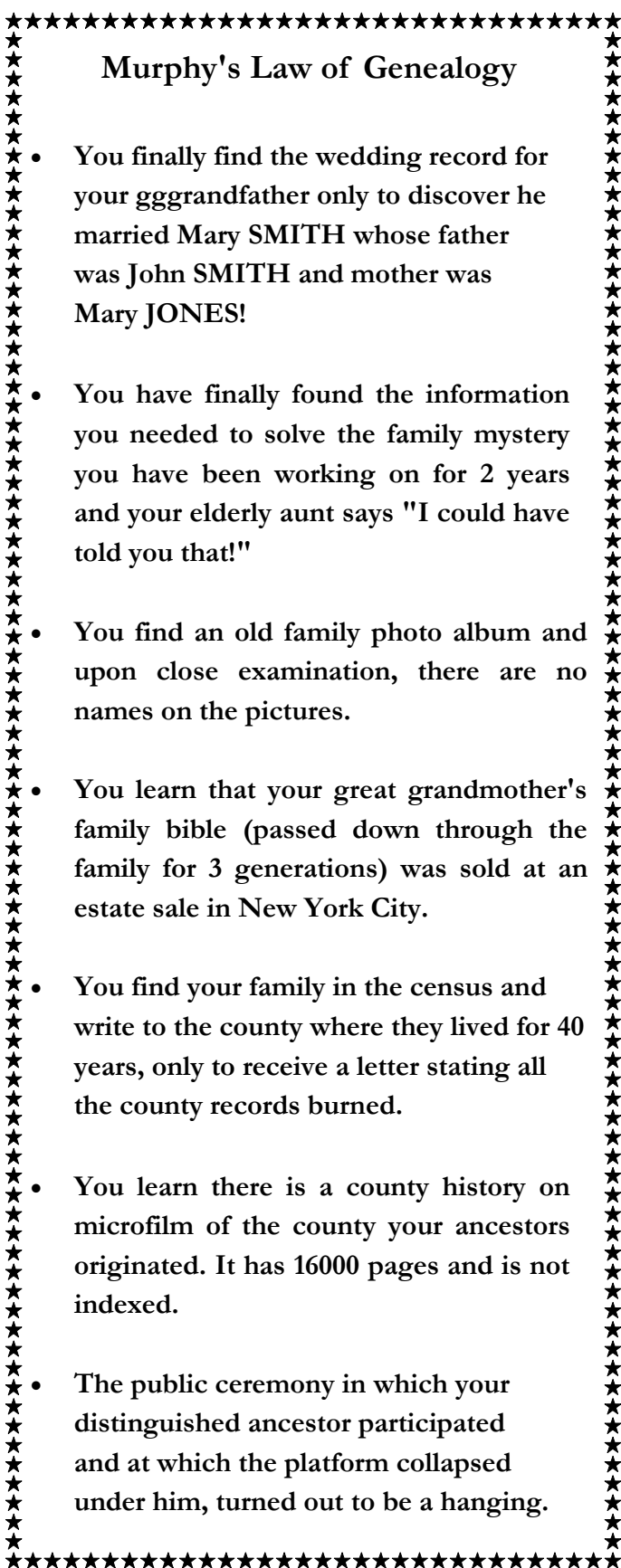
July 7, 1774 Masthead and part of front page of *The Massachusetts Spy*



Paul Revere, engraver,

Boston: Isaiah Thomas, Publisher

One of Isaiah Thomas' most significant ventures was *The Massachusetts Spy*, a newspaper he founded with Zechariah Fowle in July 1770 [Fowle's name no longer appears after Oct 11, 1770]. Widely read and exceedingly anti-British, his paper so angered Tory authorities that just three days before the battles of Lexington and Concord in April 1775, Thomas was forced to smuggle his press out of Boston. He fled to Worcester, Massachusetts, where he quickly set up shop and remained as a resident for the next fifty-six years. (Source: Library of Congress)



Murphy's Law of Genealogy

- You finally find the wedding record for your gggrandfather only to discover he married Mary SMITH whose father was John SMITH and mother was Mary JONES!
- You have finally found the information you needed to solve the family mystery you have been working on for 2 years and your elderly aunt says "I could have told you that!"
- You find an old family photo album and upon close examination, there are no names on the pictures.
- You learn that your great grandmother's family bible (passed down through the family for 3 generations) was sold at an estate sale in New York City.
- You find your family in the census and write to the county where they lived for 40 years, only to receive a letter stating all the county records burned.
- You learn there is a county history on microfilm of the county your ancestors originated. It has 16000 pages and is not indexed.
- The public ceremony in which your distinguished ancestor participated and at which the platform collapsed under him, turned out to be a hanging.

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