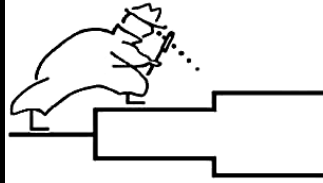




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GAS

February 2007

Helping you step toward your ancestors

Web Address

<http://home.surewest.net/bbetts/gas.htm>

**TUESDAY, 20 February 2007 Meeting at 9:30 am
In the LDS LIBRARY (at the rear of the church)
2745 Eastern Ave, Sacramento**

Speaker will be Thatcher Johnson on "Using the Family History Center"

The Library will be open for research after the presentation

Volunteers will be available to assist researchers after the meeting

NOTE THE DAY AND TIME CHANGE

The Library will be open at 9:00 am

The GAS MARCH Meeting will be held at COLONIAL HEIGHTS LIBRARY
4799 Stockton Blvd. (21st Ave. & Stockton Blvd.)

Wednesday, March 27, 2007

Program to be announced

MEMBERS:

The Lamplighter Editor would like to be replaced after the June, 2007 issue
Please contact a Co-President (Esther or Ralph) if you can help

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There will be a bus trip to Sutro Library on 28 March 2007 - see page 6

A New Genealogy Audio Program

[Family Roots Radio with Kory Meyerink - Thursdays at 1 PM Pacific](#)

The show will feature a wide range of "how-to" elements designed to assist all people interested in family history, from the novice to the professional. In addition to answering general questions from listeners, spotlighting important family history news and providing research tips from professionals, the show will include guests from among the most prominent genealogists today. The show will also explore effective ways to use software and the Internet in the pursuit of family history, including spotlighting data-rich websites. In addition, an "interactive" feature will walk listeners through the use of important sites, while they are listening to the broadcast.

The program can be found at: <http://www.familyrootsradio.com/> It can be heard online live as it is presented, played back after the presentation or downloaded and saved to a hard disk. The first program is outlined below:

2/8/07 - [Finding Your Ancestor's Passenger List](#)

Kory introduces the new "Family Roots Radio" show and welcomes John Phillip Colletta, one of America's most popular genealogists, for a discussion of one of genealogy's most common problems, finding the immigrant family in passenger arrival lists. Learn about the great tools available online that are making it easier than ever to track those immigrant ancestors. <http://howmanyofme.com/search/>

About the Genealogical Association of Sacramento (GAS)

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Meetings

We meet the third Wednesday of each month (except July, August and December) at 1:00 pm, Belle Cooledge Library, 5600 South Land Park Drive, Sacramento. We offer assistance in genealogical research, and support members in tracing their family trees. Activities include guest speakers, seminars, and field trips to library or archive holdings.

Dues are \$20 per person or \$25 per couple from July 1 to June 30.

Salt Lake Trip

Once a year GAS coordinates a trip to Salt Lake City so that participants can research at the LDS Family History Library. Individuals must arrange their own transportation, but hotels are secured at a discount for the group.

Library Collection

The GAS collection of genealogical books and periodicals is held on the fourth floor of the Sacramento Central Library, 828 I Street, Sacramento, CA. The collection can be accessed during regular library hours, currently 12-5 on Sunday; closed on Monday; 10-6 Friday; 10-8 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday; and 10-5 on Saturday. Donations of books are accepted.

Help and problem solving group - primarily for starting genealogists. Carol Byers has volunteered to lead a help and problem solving group, which will meet for a short period, after the regular meetings, depending on library availability.

Tips from the Pros: The Best Laid Plans... from Paula Stuart Warren From 24/7 Family History Circle, An Ancestry blog, <http://blogs.ancestry.com/circle/> 10 February 2007

You finally have a day when you can do some research at an historical society or other library. You checked the repository hours and have your research plan laid out. You don't know that when you get to the place, you will find that the person who usually retrieves the materials from the closed stacks called in sick. It might be a large repository where a fork-lift is needed to retrieve materials and that day the fork-lift is broken. The photocopier is jamming. And I don't mean jamming to music. Maybe you forgot to ask if there were any large groups expected that day and arrive to find that all the microfilm readers are taken. You have already paid to park in the lot for the full day. Your day doesn't have to be a total loss:

- Check for a new books section and do some reading.
- Check to see if there is a periodicals rack with the newer historical and genealogical publications. Do some more reading.
- Are there finding aids on open shelves? Browse through these to learn more about different collections. You may find some new things to check. Begin a new future research list. Maybe you will receive a better understanding of the variety of records available for research.
- What else is on open shelves? General reference books, local histories, a card index to some records—browse through these.
- Check for bulletin boards and freebie racks and read what is there.

You may not find the family details you were seeking but you will add to your genealogical and historical knowledge. Keep your ears open too. While you're reading you might overhear a conversation or two that also adds to your knowledge.

Paula Stuart Warren will be the speaker at the Root Cellar Spring Seminar 31 March 2007. For information check: www.rootcellar.org

FamilySearch(tm), in conjunction with the Genealogical Society of Utah and the Utah State Archives and Records Service, has announced that the state's free online index to death certificates is now linked to original images of the historic documents. The integration of the index with free digital pictures of the death certificates issued from 1905 to 1954 by the state will open doors to additional information for family historians and genealogists with Utah ties.

To search the index and view the certificates, go to <http://historyresearch.utah.gov/indexes/index.html>.

**ADDITIONS TO GAS LIBRARY
COLLECTIONS
2006**

The following titles were added in 2006 to the GAS library collection on the 4th floor at the Central Library.

GENERAL

GENE 529.4 C737 1983

Comprehensive genealogical feast day calendar.

GENE 929.3 A512 1998

American place names of long ago.

ENGLAND

GENE 929.341 L773 1968

List of wills, administrations, etc. in the Public Record Office, London, 12th-19th centuries.

GENE 929.342 C186 1998

My ancestors came with the conqueror: those who did, and some of those who probably did not.

GENE 929.341 B336 1978

Roll of Battle Abbey.

GENE 929.342 W969 1964

Magna Charta. (5 vols.)

GENE 974.02 T448 1989

Dorset pilgrims: the story of West Country pilgrims who went to New England in the 17th century.

NEW ENGLAND

GENE 929.20973 A936 1983

One hundred and sixty allied families (Rhode Island)

GENE 929.20973 F574 1973

Genealogical notes on the founding of New England: my ancestors part in that undertaking.

GENE 929.373 I33a 1965

Immigrants to American before 1750: an alphabetical list of immigrants to the colonies.

GENE 929.373 I332 1966

Immigrants to New England, 1700-1775.

GENE 929.3742 U58 1790a

Heads of families at the first census 1790: New Hampshire

GENE 929.3742 U582 1800a

Heads of families at the second census 1800: New Hampshire.

GENE 929.37443 M533 1978

Heads of families at the first census 1790: Vermont.

GENE 974.37437 W724 1869

History and map of Danby, Vermont.

GENE 929.37443 M533 1978

Genealogies of the families & descendants of the early settlers of Watertown, Mass.

GENE 929.374482 D265 1977

Genealogical register of Plymouth families.

GENE 974.45 F325 1991

History of Ipswich, Essex, and Hamilton, Mass.

GENE 929.3746 U58 1790a

Heads of families at the first census 1790: Connecticut.

NEW YORK

GENE 929.3747 I38 1800a

Index to the 1800 census of New York.

GENE 929.3747 S427 1981

Early New York naturalizations.

GENE 929.37471 R311 1997

Records of the Reformed Dutch Church in New Amsterdam & New York: marriages from 11 Dec 1636.

GENE 929.374721 J17 1997

Southold connections: historical & biographical sketches of northeastern Long Island.

MID-ATLANTIC STATES

GENE 929.3748 I38 1800b

Index to the 1800 index of Pennsylvania.

GENE 929.3748 U58 1790a

Heads of the families first census 1790: Pennsylvania.

GENE 929.374882 S497 1790a

1783 tax lists and the 1790 federal census for Washington Co., Pennsylvania.

GENE 929.3752 U58 1790a

Heads of families first census 1790: Maryland.

VIRGINIA and the CAROLINAS

GENE 929.3755 G994 1938

Historical register of Virginians in the Revolution: soldiers, sailors, Marines, 1775-83.

GENE 929.3756 U58 1790a

Heads of families first census 1790: North Carolina

GENE 929.375653 H725 1997

Marriages of Granville County, N.C., 1753-1868

GEORGIA

GENE 929.3758 S941 1790a

Reconstructed 1790 census of Georgia: substitutes for Georgia's lost 1790 census.

GENE 929.375817 S497 1790a

1790 census for Wilkes County, Georgia.

TENNESSEE

GENE 929.3768 I38 1820a

Index to the 1820 census of Tennessee

GENE 929.37685 S497 1770a

1770-1790 census of the Cumberland settlements; Davidson, Sumner and Tennessee Counties.

GENE 929.376868 W613 1983

Overton County genealogical records.

GENE 929.376886 M359 1983

Marriages of McMinn County, 1821-1864.

KENTUCKY

GENE 929.3769 E21 1997

Genealogical collection of Kentucky birth & death records.

GENE 929.3769 S445 1800a

"Second census" of Kentucky 1800

GENE 929.3769 S966 1997

Early Kentucky householders, 1787-1811

GENE 929.376936 B724 1810a

Boone County, 1810-1840 censuses

GENE 929.376936 B724 1850a

Boone County, Kentucky, 1850 census

GENE 929.376955 B331 1820a

Bath County, Kentucky: 1820-1840 censuses.

GENE 929.376955 M787 1810a

Montgomery County: 1810-1840 censuses

OHIO

GENE 929.3771 H464 1993

Ohio families: a bibliography about Ohio families.

GENE 977.119 B368 1989

History of Hancock County from its earliest settlement to the present time.

INDIANA

GENE 929.3772 E34 1820a

1820 federal census for Indiana.

GENE 929.3772 I39 1820a

Indiana 1820 enumeration of males.

MISSOURI

GENE 929.3778 E21m 1994

Missouri genealogical gleanings: 1840 and beyond.

GENE 929.3778 S766 1983

Kentuckians in Missouri: including many who migrated by way of Ohio, Indiana, or Illinois

GENE 929.377879 T164 1850a

Taney County 1850 federal census.

GENE 929.377879 T164 1860a

Taney County 1860 federal census

GENE 929.377879 T164 1870a

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GENE 929.377879 T164 1880a

Taney County 1880 federal census

GENE 929.377879 T164 1900a

Taney County 1900 federal census

GENE 929.377879 T164 1910a

Taney County 1910 federal census

GENE 929.377879 T1642 1987

Taney County marriages 1900-1904

GENE 929.377879 T1642 1990

Taney County marriages, 1905-1908

GENE 929.377879 C555 1860a

Christian County 1860 federal census

GENE 929.377879 C555 1870a

Christian County 1870 federal census

GENE 929.377879 C555 1880a

Christian County 1880 federal census

GENE 929.377879 C555 1900a

Christian County 1900 federal census

GENE 929.377879 C555 1910a

Christian County 1910 federal census

GENE 929.377879 C555 1988

Christian County marriages (9 vols.)

GENE 977.8 H673 1998

History & families, Christian County.

GENE 929.377879 S877 1880a

Stone County 1880 federal census

GENE 929.377879 S877 1900a

Stone County 1900 federal census

CALIFORNIA

GENE 929.509794 C143 1985

Calaveras County cemeteries.

HERALDRY

GENE 929.72 B9592 1985

Burke's genealogical history of the dormant, abeyant, forfeited, and extinct peerages of the British Empire.

According to the RootsWeb Review: RootsWeb's Weekly E-zine of 7 February 2007, Vol. 10, No. 6 at <http://www.rootsweb.com/> a new list has started to assist with the challenges of genealogy record keeping. Go to: <http://lists.rootsweb.com/> and enter: [RECORD-KEEPING-METHODOLOGY](http://www.rootsweb.com/record-keeping-methodology)

The following announcement was written by the LostCousins web site operators:

LostCousins - a new approach to US genealogy

Who better to help you research your family tree than someone who shares the same ancestors?

The LostCousins website has a unique system that identifies living relatives who share the same ancestors automatically, confidentially, and with close to 100% accuracy.

Recognising that everyone has their own approach to research, and that the very flexibility of the GEDCOM format means that no two files are alike, LostCousins spotted the potential of census data as a way of simply and accurately linking together people who share the same ancestors.

And to ensure that as many people as possible have access to the census data, LostCousins focuses on censuses that are available at the free FamilySearch website.

It's a very simple system - but one that's amazingly powerful. LostCousins members enter brief details for their relatives taken from the census transcripts, then click the Search button. Matches with other members who share the same ancestors are identified within seconds, and - because the data is saved - to search again at any point in the future requires little more than a click of the Search button!

Although LostCousins is new to the US, the system is tried and tested - thousands of researchers with British ancestry have found living relatives through the site since it first opened. The accuracy has been amazing - only a handful of incorrect matches have been reported.

LostCousins was founded in 2004 by Peter Calver, a British researcher who has visited the US more than 40 times over the past quarter of a century. He stills runs the site, and is really excited about this latest expansion: "This is the moment I've been waiting for! With the addition of the US we now cover most of the English-speaking world - it's an amazing opportunity for our members to discover living relatives without having to work through hundreds of false leads".

Using data from just one census is like taking a snapshot of a family tree. And because everyone takes the snapshot at the same time - 1880 in the case of the US census, or 1881 for Britain and Canada - the sophisticated software behind the LostCousins site can quickly identify people who share the same ancestors, even if those ancestors died long before 1880.

Registration and basic membership of LostCousins are completely free. However there are advantages to becoming a paying subscriber, and to celebrate the addition of the US census members who enter the code 1776 when registering will receive a free upgrade to subscriber status that lasts until April 30, 2007.

The LostCousins website can be found at: <http://www.LostCousins.com>

Family History Library Goes Wireless - *The following article is abstracted from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 1996 - 2007 by Richard W. Eastman. It is re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>*

The technical staff is now installing a Wi-Fi wireless network in the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. The installation reportedly started a short time ago and the entire network is expected to be fully operational and available for patron use by now.

The LDS Church has long had wireless networks available in other church buildings in Salt Lake City. However, all networks in the past have been fully encrypted and cannot be accessed without an encryption key. The encryption information is never given to visitors.

Unlike the previous installations, the new network in the Family History Library will be open and available for patron use.

Wireless access has long been available from inside the library. It seems that library patrons can receive the open-access wireless network at the Plaza Hotel next door with strong signals in several areas inside the library.

It should be a great service to have reliable wireless Internet connectivity throughout the entire building, even from the basement areas.

An Interesting Web Site

<http://howmanyofme.com/> There are 299,968,595 people in the U.S. If everyone in the U.S. lined up single file, the line would stretch around the Earth almost 7 times. That's a lot of people.

The U.S. Census Bureau statistics tell us that there are at least 88,799 different last names and 5,163 different first names in common use in the United States. Some names are more common than others. How many have your name?

Calendar of Events

- February 20, TUESDAY, 9:30 am -- GAS Meeting - at LDS Library, 2745 Eastern Ave, Sacramento
"Using the Family History Library" by Thatcher Johnson
- March 10 -- African American Family History Seminar at the Family History Library, call (916) 487-2090 for information
- March 21 -- GAS Meeting - Colonial Heights Library - Program to be announced
- March 28 -- Bus trip to Sutro Library - Contact Melanie Howard at melnesia@comcast.net or (916) 383-1221. \$25.00 for members. \$30.00 for non-members.
- April 22 to 29 -- Salt Lake Genealogy Trip - Contact: Dona VanLone at donnavl@acsalaska.net or Ralpa Crouse at (916) 689-4524 -- See reservation form in this Lamplighter below

Salt Lake City Week ~ April 22 to April 29, 2007

Come spend a week with us in Salt Lake City at the BEST WESTERN Plaza Square Motel. You will have one GREAT week looking for that "lost" ancestor. Free classes on genealogical research are held DAILY. Check bulletin boards in the copy rooms. Be sure to attend an orientation tour of the Library.

To register complete this form and mail to Donna VAN LONE, P.O. Box 467, Soldotna, AK 999669. For additional information call Donna at (907) 260-9330. E-mail me at donnavl@acsalaska.net or call Ralpa Crouse at (916) 689-4524. Payment in full due before March 21, 2007 or pay to Ralpa at the GAS regular meeting at the Colonial Heights Library on March 21st.

ROOMS: 7 Nights; SINGLE - \$652.00; DOUBLE QUEENS - \$326.00 each person; TRIPLE OCCUP.- \$707/236

ADD: \$15 for airport shuttle service (does not include tips) and Monday night speaker.

GUEST SPEAKER: Monday in the BEST WESTERN meeting room. Check at desk for time and room assignment. Best Western Salt Lake Plaza phone number (801) 521-0130. For airline fare to Salt Lake City call Delta or Southwest Airlines.

NOTE: If a cancellation is necessary within two weeks prior to a trip and you are rooming with someone, you are responsible for finding a replacement for yourself or paying for your share of the room. Please, discuss this with your roommate.

Circle as needed

Transportation: FLY DRIVE **Room:** SINGLE DOUBLE TRIPLE (Room with?) _____

ARRIVAL: _____ **DEPART:** _____
Date Airlines & Flight No. Arrival Time Date Airlines & Flight No. Depart Time

NAME: _____ **ADDRESS:** _____
Street City State

PHONE No: _____ **E-MAIL:** _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION: Person to Notify: _____
Name Phone No. Day/Night

Any **health problems** the group leader should be aware of? _____

PLEASE DO NOT START any new medications within two weeks of the trip as the altitude may affect you!!!

Comments/questions: _____