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President's Message

I discovered a new method to get chairpersons for our genealogy association. This is how it worked--I asked Muriel Camozzi to be our car-pool coordinator. She had a legitimate right to say no. But the Tracer came out, stating that Muriel is our car-pool coordinator. Instead of being angry, she now agreed to be in charge of our car-pool activities.

Incidentally, at our next meeting, Muriel will make a report about the new Dublin Library. Anyway, Muriel, we are glad that you had an enjoyable European trip and that you are our car-pool coordinator.

Also our club is fortunate in having such a well-qualified book selection committee--namely, Chairperson Frances Samans, members Pat Saltgaver and Lucile White, and consultant Gayle Pipes.

I hope, during the term of my office, to appoint each member of our organization to serve on at least one committee, and I hope it will be with your ready consent.

Editorial

One of the questions that has arisen is why do we need an editorial board. The purpose of the board is to guide the editors, independent of the board, in what policies the membership wishes their newsletter to follow. Should the newsletter be a cold, formal, brief series of announcements or should it be a friendly chattergram such as it is now? Should new sections be added or old sections dropped? Let your editorial board know and we will follow your wishes.

Another question we should be considering is what shall we do for our next fund raiser? Shall it be a profitable contribution to genealogy or shall we have another art auction, or shall we do both? Let's have your ideas!!

Upcoming Events

Our next speaker will be Maxia Coppage, well-known author and southern genealogist. Mr. Coppage is past president and prime mover of the Contra Costa County Genealogical Society. Bring your questions on southern genealogy to our regular meeting on August 27 at the Livermore Library, 7:30 sharp. We have one of the best.

We plan a workshop for the September meeting. Let's all bring our own books with our names in them. We will arrange to have the entire genealogy library at the meeting. We would also like to have a few volunteer reports on what you are doing in genealogy and what you plan to do. We thought we would announce the September meeting in advance so we can all plan for a good time. Refreshments will be served. We can move about and even use the Livermore Library's books and the Xerox machine until 9:00.

ROOTS & SHOOTS SEMINAR--Napa Valley Genealogical and Biographical Society will hold its "Roots & Shoots II" genealogical seminar at Napa on Sat. Sept. 15 and Hayward Area plans to have a display table and representatives at the event.

The seminar will run all day with speakers from all over the U. S.--much as a college course--with many classes running simultaneously. Registration fee is \$15 per person.

Speakers will include Willard Heiss, Indianapolis, Ind., who will speak on The Old Northwest: Ohio, Illinois, and Indiana, and Quaker Records. Mrs. Jo White Linn, Salisbury, N. C., subjects including publishing and North Carolina and Tennessee. Richard S. Lackey of Mississippi on Federal Land Records, sources for the

deep South, Migration and settlement of the deep South. Clifford Neal Smith, Arizona, German Records, Religious migrations and obscure land records as sources. Norman Wright on New England. Kip Sperry, Salt Lake City, on Immigration, Middle Atlantic and other topics.

Brigham Young University held its second Family History and Genealogical Research Seminar July 30 to August 3. If any of you attended, why not tell us about it at our next meeting?

The World Conference on Records (Preserving Our Heritage) was held August 12 to August 15 at Salt Lake City. Shall we obtain a speaker to tell us about this conference?

The book selection committee will meet September 12 at 764 Jensen. Let us know what books and materials you want.

We are pleased to announce that Fran Samans will be writing a column for the Tracer on Genealogical Aids.

Meet Our Members

Meet Jerree Young who has served on many committees for AGA as well as on the Tracer.

I was born in the state of Kansas and have never "lived" there. My parents lived in Kansas City, Missouri, but their doctor was across the bridge in Kansas so my mother went where the doctor was for my arrival.

I grew up at an English riding academy where my parents boarded and trained horses. All of my time was spent in riding lessons and local traveling to horse shows.

World War II began and "the horsey brat" became the "army brat" for better or for worse.

After high school and a degree in Engineering drafting I found the wages paid to women were such that if one wanted to eat one had to get married.

I have five sons and one foster son. Steven is 30 and has a year old son named Brock. Prost is 24 and is Cambodian and is in college in Seattle. Dennis is 23 and just graduated from pre-med school with a degree in genetics. Monte is 19, taking criminal law in college, and is an A. A. U. diver. Rocke is 18, just graduated from high school, and will take Automotive Technology in college. Troy, the foster son, is from Norfolk, Nebraska, is 14 and will be a freshman in high school next year.

The rest of the family consists of an apricot and a chocolate poodle, a half doberman and half pit bull, a grey and white cockatiel, a chinchilla and sixteen rats.

Library Notes

by Pat Saltgaver

All library books and periodicals have been transferred to Lucile White's home. Someone is there at all times so it should be easy to visit our library often. New books and periodicals will come to me to be checked in. Either Lucile or I should be able to answer questions on what is available in the library. Suggestions for new materials can be made to either of us or Fran Samans or Gayle Pipes. We could really use your input on what specific books you would like, and in what geographical areas you need more material.

New acquisitions since the last newsletter include:

Genealogical & Local History Books in Print, Vol.2.

Tracing Your Civil War Ancestor by Bertram Groene.

Is that Lineage Right? DAR, located by Lucile White.

Living World History by Wallbank Fletcher, donated by Bill Wolcott.

Gleanings of Virginia History by William Fletcher Boogher.

According to the Preface the book contains:

Poll Lists for the election of members to the House of Burgesses from Prince William County in 1741 and from Fairfax County in 1744.

The Rosters of Troops in the French and Indian Wars.

The Muster and Pay Rolls of officers and men of the Revolution.

Genealogies of Virginia families.

The second issue of the periodical Family Heritage has also arrived. This publication contains general information on many different areas of genealogy. I read the first issue from cover to cover and found it very interesting.

Genealogical Aids and Notes

Since genealogy is on the upswing again, so are the rip-offs. Consult your book committee before buying any so-called genealogical material, particularly coats of arms and heritage books.

Those of us from Nebraska will be interested to know that the April Journal of Genealogy is devoted to Nebraska sources.

Were your ancestors inventors? If so, consult the Official Gazette (Patents) and the Index of Patents Issued from the U. S. Patent Office. The Index is issued each year. Locate your ancestor's name in the Index and note down all the patent numbers indicated next to his name. Then find a description and possibly a sketch of the patent in the Official Gazette, which lists patents in numerical order. Most libraries owning the Official Gazette probably have it on microfilm. Try the S. F. Public Library; if they don't have the time period you need, you may have to go to the Sunnyvale Public Library, which has the largest Patent library in this area.

The firm or company that employed your ancestor may be the actual patent holder, but your ancestor's name should appear in the Index anyway, as the inventor or co-inventor.

For good background information, see the article on Patents in any good encyclopedia.

Board Announcement

Your board has decided to give a one year trial subscription to The Genealogical Helper to the Livermore Library. It will carry our imprint and address. We hope it will help us in getting new members as well as rendering a community service.