

Newsletter

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COMPUTER/GENEALOGY COURSE

Starting September 23, the Daytona Beach Community College, DeLand Campus, will be offering a course in the use of computers with genealogy. There will be six classes, each of 3 hours duration. The class will meet once a week from 1 pm to 4 pm. The cost will be \$12.00 for Seniors over the age of 55.

The course will be an in-depth study of the Personal Ancestral File (PAF). It will continue with GEDCOM files, Research Data Filer (RFD), Tiny Tafels, Word Processors and Text Editors, IGI Data Downloads, Publishing your Family History, Electronic Data Transfer of Information, Uploading to Salt Lake City, Genealogy Bulletin Boards, File Compression, DOS Commands, Hints on getting others to do the hard work, Inexpensive Sources of Supplies, PAF Utilities and more. Each student will receive at least 30 shareware programs pertinent to PAF genealogy. Computer experience is not needed. It is best, but not necessary, that you obtain your own copy of the PAF program before attending the course.

There will be a maximum of 20 students per class, so early registration is essential. Registration will be accepted at the September 3 meeting of Roots and Branches and on September 23 at 1 p.m. at the school. This is a "First come, First Served basis." A maximum of 40 students in two classes of 20 each will be the definitive number. The Instructor for the course is Larry Keibel, 822-5500. He is also the contact man.

This is a unique opportunity to add know-how to your genealogy search and to improve your technical skills.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Recently Paula Tennant, the Librarian who was assigned to assist the Genealogy Room resigned from the Volusia County Library System. We will miss her both personally as well as the availability of her expertise. Roots and Branches wishes her well in her new locale.

There will not be a replacement librarian employed, at least for the foreseeable future, due to the hiring freeze by Volusia County. This creates a greater need for volunteer support in the Genealogy Room. Volunteers are needed, so the room can be covered at ALL times including evenings and Saturdays. If you can give some hours to your library, more specifically, to your own organization of Roots and Branches, please contact Helen Brindle (736-1379) or one of the Roots and Branches officers.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!



Space is still available for the Genealogy Tour to Washington October 18 through 25. The tour includes depository field trips to the Library of Congress, The National Archives and the Library of the National Society of the DAR. \$695.00 is due NOW for reserved space. Make checks payable to Bill Linder and give them to Jeanne Reeser.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Roots and Branches will sponsor another Basic Genealogy Workshop beginning in January. (Details in the next newsletter). The set up will be similar to the first workshop, but with a different instructor. If transportation is a problem, we can solve that for you, if you let us know.

This workshop will precede a two-day seminar on February 26/27, 1993. Marilyn Miller Morton, Executive Director of the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research from Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, will be the instructor.

The Florida State Genealogical Society will hold its annual conference at the Harley Hotel in Orlando on November 6 and 7, 1992. Information should be forthcoming. If you are interested, contact James D. Cline, 2602 Campus Hill Drive, Tampa, FL 33612-4723. Telephone: (813) 971-7324.

INTER-LIBRARY LOAN PROCEDURE

Requests for Inter-Library loan books should be submitted to the Reference Desk on the 2nd floor of the library, where the forms are located. The Reference Librarian will research the book in the Volusia County System. If it is not available, the request is transferred to the Library Operations Center, under the direction of Charlotte Lampe, to be ordered from the outside. Once the book is located, which can take two to six weeks, another week is necessary for the order to be completed.

RANDOM INFORMATION

NEW AGLL CATALOG ON MICROFICHE;
(Fourth Drawer, Rear of "Locality Fiche")

1920 Census
Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana
and Mississippi County Records
Confederate Soldiers of Florida
Ship's Passenger Lists, Boston (1891-'43)
Kansas State Census, 1865-1925
Foreign, Ethnic & Special Records

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services publishes a state-by-state guide, Where to Write for Vital Records. You can get a copy for \$1.50 (send check or money order) from Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington D. C. 20402.

Do you have a five-generation chart on file in the Genealogy Room? Please complete a chart. Bring it to the next meeting or leave it at the desk, in the Genealogy Room, for a volunteer to file. It will help complete the Societies' file, and it can be an asset for searchers.

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ATLANTA REGIONAL ARCHIVES

This branch of the National Archives is located in East Point, Georgia, a suburb of Atlanta. East Point is just north of the airport and is a residential community.

Records for this region are primarily for the states of Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

There are no books other than those pertaining to the use of the records, all of which are on microfilm. There are only twenty-seven microfilm readers available for use by the general public, and they should be reserved in advance by telephone (404-763-7477). When calling, also ask for instructions about how to reach the branch. There are no directional signs on the highway (US#129), and it is about six blocks off the main street.

The staff is minimal with some volunteer assistants, but they provide no help beyond directing you to the files and readers. You must make your own copies (25¢ per page) and there are only a very limited number of copy machines.

There is a wealth of information available from this resource, but plan well in advance for the visit. For more detailed information on the holdings and on possible restrictions, write to: Chief, Archives Branch, Federal Archives and Records Center, 1557 St. Joseph Avenue, East Point, Georgia 30344.

LADSON GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY

Several of our members have visited this library with good results. The library is one of the major genealogical research libraries in the United States with some 21,000 monographs (books and pamphlets) and 2,600 microfilm items, all of which are non-circulating. The collection is cataloged for easy access. There is also the International Genealogical Index on microfiche.

The collection is not regional, although among its holdings is a complete set of the North Carolina Colonial Records. The library has material on virtually every state in the U.S., but the major concentrations are in New England (New Hampshire and Massachusetts), Mid-Atlantic (New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia), and the Southeastern States (Alabama, North & South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee). Because of the specialized nature of the collection and value of material (many are rare irreplaceable titles), patrons under eighteen years of age must be accompanied by an adult. There is no access for the disabled.

Vidalia, Georgia is about a six-hour drive from DeLand. If you have any interest in participating in a group trip to this library this fall, please contact Field Trip Chairman, Jeanne Reeser.

ROOTS AND BRANCHES GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name

Single membership \$10.00

Address

Make check payable to: Roots and
Branches Genealogical
Society

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Mail to: Roots and Branches
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P.O.Box 612, DeLand,
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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Patricia Moore Barnard
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Herman and Dorothy Eggleston
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Dorothy Tussing
Mariam Withers

Membership is open to anyone interested in the quest for their ancestors and the general aims of the Society on payment of \$10.00. All meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at the DeLand Public Library on East Howry Avenue.



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130 East Howry Avenue
P.O. Box 612
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MEETING SCHEDULES

Regular membership meetings for Roots and Branches are scheduled for the following Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

September 3, October 1, November 5,
December 3, January 7, 1993,
February 4, March 4, April 1,
May 6, and June 3.

Meetings of the Roots and Branches Board of Directors will be held on the following Fridays from 10:00 until Noon.

September 25, October 30 Nov-
ember 20, December 18.

Starting in 1993, the Board meetings will be held on Saturday from 10:00 until Noon.

January 7, February 4, March 4,
April 1, May 6 and June 3.

You are cordially invited to attend any of these meetings, and your contribution to the meetings would be appreciated.