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PERSONAL ANCESTRAL FILE

Searching for family records often starts as a simple search for a surname. As the searcher becomes more involved with the myriad of unanswered questions and also accumulates pages of sorted and unsorted material, the computer comes into the horizon. This is, ultimately, the efficient way to do a thorough and comprehensive search. There are many paths to follow, one discussed here, is the shareware program - Personal Ancestral File 2.2(PAF) published & distributed by the LDS Church in Salt Lake City. It is a detailed, user friendly, tutorial which guides the user through the steps of recording family records, and opens a path for obtaining information from outside sources.

To get a copy of the PAF program (\$35)

Order from:

The Family History Department
Ancestral File Operations Unit
50 East North Temple Street
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

Or order by Phone (\$37) using a credit card, by calling: 1-800-453-3860.

Another help is a Users Guide, an aid to understanding the above PAF program. This is available from the author for \$16.95 ppd.

Ask for "Personal Ancestral File 2.2

Users Guide from:

Joan Lowery Enterprises
7371 Rue Michael
La Jolla, CA 92037

Additionally, there is a workbook specifically designed for computers with PAF already installed on a hard drive with 2 floppy disk drives. The workbook enlarges on PAF Release 2.2 Reference Manual, by presenting

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MARY AND JOHN TAPISSERIE

Attending the MARY AND JOHN WEST COUNTRY CONFERENCE at Windsor Locks, CT is September was a new experience for me. About 300 people, all descendants of the 140 men and women who came to the New World on the ship MARY AND JOHN, gathered for three days for lectures and ancestor information swapping. It is estimated that there are some 18 million descendants at this time.

The conference was scheduled to coincide with the 360th anniversary of the founding of Windsor, CT, September 26, 1633. Several related events were planned by the city of Windsor, the oldest community in CT.

The speakers at the conference included several charming Britishers, authors, teachers and historians speaking on subjects such as 17th century England and various events which prompted the great migration to the new world between 1620 and 1650.

The MARY AND JOHN immigrants sailed from Plymouth, England and reached our shores in May, 1630. They first founded Dorchester (MA) and about 3 years later decided to go farther west. On the Connecticut River they came to a trading post that was established two years earlier and bought out the owner. They named the location Dorchester, but later changed the name to Windsor, which was the first community in CT.

The highlight of the conference for me was the presence of one of the 24 Panels of the NEW WORLD TAPESTRY, brought from England by Joy and Ted Street, both counselors in their home town of Lyme Regis, Dorset, for the conference and worked by embroiderers (TAPISSEIERS) at the Lyme Regis Guild Hall where the

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INTRODUCTION TO GENEALOGY

More than 40 people were in attendance at the Introduction to Genealogy Workshop sponsored by Roots and Branches on October 30 at the DeLand Library.

Robert Fox introduced the program and discussed the importance of knowing family roots and why research should be started in the early years.

Jeanne Reeser led a work session on charting pedigrees and family histories using charts and group sheets. Beginners packets were distributed to those participating.

Louise Caccamise concluded the workshop explaining the resources available locally in the library, community and surrounding area.

The Genealogy Room in the library has many resources including a sizable collection of books, a computer for the latest genealogy software programs and an accompanying printer. Available also are microfilm readers and a microfilm machine.

The Society encourages the use of all of the facilities and provides volunteers to aid in research.

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THE SUCCESS OF THE SEARCH

Several members were asked to share some of their findings on their summer search. Here-with are some of the interesting contributions. We thank them for sharing.

From MILLIE YOUNG:

After many years of searching, August, 1993 proved to be my most successful period.

Fred and I were in Wisconsin for the month and spent some time in the southwestern area where my Phorr ancestors lived. We checked the headstones in each cemetery and finally found the stones for my Great Grandparents in Norwalk. Their stones showed their birth and death dates - information that I had not been able to find previously.

In Ridgeville, we visited a very young Lutheran minister in hopes of finding a record of my Grandparents marriage. He took out the record books including a very old one in German and spent much time trying to be helpful. Our visit with him was one of the highlights of the trip.

We visited the Historical Society of Monroe County in Sparta. The Archivist there has a tiny room jammed with much information and she was extremely knowledgeable. She helped us find the registration of my Grandparents marriage and much more- especially a name for further research. She recommended "Germans to America" by Filby and Glazier. In the 1870 book, we found that my Great Grandparents had sailed from Bremen, Germany on the ARGONAUT and landed in New York City on June 27, 1870, and it listed the entire family.

We enjoyed this years searching so much that next year we are hoping to try the same in the easternmost area of Maine for more Youngs and Tabbuts and the Augusta area for the Cross family.

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panel has been located for the past year. The tapestry (TAPISSERIE) depicts the start of the Dorchester Company by the Rev. John White, vicar of Lyme Regis in 1624 to the ignominious landing of the MARY AND JOHN passengers at Natasket Point in 1630. They were dumped by the ship's captain to make their own way with cattle, goods and chattels in small craft across what is now Boston Harbor to Mattapan to found the town of Dorchester.

For a \$5 contribution one could place a stitch on the panel and receive a signed certificate of authentication which shows the location of the stitch. Conceived by Tom Mor of Plymouth, advertising man, artist and history buff, the 24 panels, each measuring 4 ft by 11 ft, will be displayed in the restored Coldharbour Woolen Mill Museum, Uffculme near Cullompton, Devon when completed in the mid 1990's

The tapestry, obtained from Germany, is really canvas work (needlepoint) worked on 16 count monocanvas - that is 256 stitches per square inch. I "bought" two stitches, but as the conference progressed and Joy Street realized I was a needlewoman (and since time was running out and the panel was to be completed by the end of the conference) she let me work on it at will. I finished about two square inches remaining on the THOMAS HOLCOMBE name, my immigrant ancestor, and then filled in as needed on other names. For my labors, I was given a pin which reads TAPISSIER-NEW WORLD TAPESTRY. Needless to say, I treasure it.

I hope some day to get back to the West Country to visit the Coldharbour Woolen Mill Museum, and see this magnificent work so lovingly conceived and executed as a tribute to our ancestors who braved the unknown to found the NEW WORLD in which we live.

Mary Reed Gaede



A note on a membership application: After searching Bradenton (Manatee Co.), Largo, FL, Orlando and Daytona Libraries, we are most impressed with your group's collection and involvement.

SMALL WORLD DEPARTMENT

This past spring, fellow Roots and Branches member, Betsy Hawkins, was driving through Devon and crossed over to Lyme Regis. Since it was raining, she decided to go to the local Guild Hall to find out what might be interesting to see inside. What did she find? The MARY AND JOHN panel of the NEW WORLD TAPESTRY being worked on by local volunteers. She, too, put in a stitch for posterity and was given a certificate. She also told me that, at that time, there remained lots of unfinished canvas yet to be worked. So the good TAPISSIERS of Dorset are to be commended for their industriousness.

Mary Reed Gaede



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step by step exercises and assignments, plus suggested reading assignments from the manual written by Joan Lowery.

The Basic Lesson Workbook, PAF File 2.2 is available for \$7.95 plus \$1.50 postage from:

Diane M. Anderson
10577 Dason Drive
Boise, ID 83704

Additionally, a maintenance update of PAF File 2.2 is now available. Some functions are now easier to perform, some "bugs" were fixed and printer support for Post Script and laser printers has been added. There is also a new feature that helps you use information downloaded from the Ancestor File.

This may be ordered from:

Family Search Support Unit
4WW
50 East North Temple Street
Salt Lake City, UY 84150

There is a vast field of information available in the PAF programs to help you on your search. Sources and resources continue to enter the marketplace. Sometimes it is a bit mind-boggling.

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NEW BOOKS

Louise Caccamise, Book Committee Chairman, has placed the following new books in the genealogy room.

THE SEARCH FOR MISSING FRIENDS: IRISH IMMIGRANT ADVERTISEMENTS PLACED IN THE BOSTON PILOT

A GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL ATLAS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TRACING YOUR HISPANIC HERITAGE

THE CEMETERY RECORD COMPENDIUM: COMPRISING A DIRECTORY OF CEMETERY RECORDS AND WHERE THEY MAY BE LOCATED

HANDY GUIDE TO ITALIAN GENEALOGICAL RECORDS

YOUR ANCIENT CANADIAN FAMILY TIES

SUPPLEMENT TO TORREY'S NEW ENGLAND MARRIAGES PRIOR TO 1700

MAINE PROBATE ABSTRACTS (2 vol.)

VITAL RECORDS OF TOWNSEND, MASSACHUSETTS

FIRST BOSTON CITY DIRECTORY (1789)

GENEALOGIES OF WEST VIRGINIA FAMILIES

SOME INTERESTING AND NOTABLE PUBLIC FACTS ABOUT FRANCIS JOSEPH FATIO DURING THE TERRITORIAL PERIOD 1819-1829 IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

VERMONT FAMILIES IN 1791

PERSONAL NAME INDEX TO THE AUGUSTA (GA.) CHRONICLE

RHODE ISLAND VITAL RECORDS, VOL. 5, WASHINGTON COUNTY

RHODE ISLAND VITAL RECORDS, VOL. 7, FRIENDS AND MINISTERS

MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY: HEIRS TO ESTATES FROM PARTITIONS AND DIVISIONS FILED AT NEW BRUNSWICK, 1780-1870

A HISTORY OF NORWEGIAN IMMIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES (Paul Swanto memorial funds)

ARKANSAS 1820 CENSUS

CALIFORNIA 1850 CENSUS

DAKOTA TERRITORY 1860 CENSUS

DELAWARE 1800 CENSUS

KENTUCKY 1820 CENSUS

MICHIGAN 1820 CENSUS

PENNSYLVANIA 1810 CENSUS

RHODE ISLAND 1820 CENSUS

SOUTH CAROLINA 1830 CENSUS

WISCONSIN 1820, 1840, 1850 CENSUS (3 books)

The following gift books have been added.

DESCENDANTS AND FOREBEARS OF JAMES KUYKENDALL BYERS AND ARY ANN BURCH, A SOUTHERN FAMILY (Gift of Kathryn Rand Hoolihan)

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CONNECTICUT BIOGRAPHY (5 vol.) (Gift of Eloise Matheny)

WILL BOOK A - FRANKLIN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, 1785-1797 (Gift of Ouida Howell Davis)

THE DELAWARE AND SHAWNEE ADMITTED TO CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP AND THE RELATED WYANDOTTE AND MORAVIAN DELAWARE (Gift of and authored by Toni Jollay Prevost)

FENWICK COLONY (Gift of Ken Dyer)

THE TENMILE COUNTRY AND ITS PIONEER FAMILIES (Gift) (Donor please identify himself)

LAKE MARY LDS FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

Some additions to the Bookshelves submitted by Susie Slaydon.

- Canada: ONTARIO PEOPLE, 1796-1803 (by E. Keith Fitzgerald)
England: THE HANDY BOOK TO ENGLISH GENEALOGY
A GUIDE TO ANCESTRAL RESEARCH London
Germany: ALSACE EMIGRATION, 172 (by C. Schrader-Muggenthaler)
THE BADEN EMIGRATION BOOK (by C. Schrader-Muggenthaler)
Thode's GERMAN SET
WUERTTEMBERG EMIGRATION INDEX, Vol. 6
GERMAN IMMIGRANTS: BREMEN TO NY, 1868-1871 (Marion Wolfert)
THE FIRST GERMANS TO AMERICA by Tolzmann)
IF I CAN YOU CAN/Decipher German Records
Hispanic: TRACING YOUR HISPANIC HERITAGE
Ireland: PARISH MAPS OF IRELAND
TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS (by John Grenham)
Nova Scotia: YARMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA, GENEALOGIES by George S. Brown)
Russia: RUSSIAN LANGUAGE DOC. (Poland)
Scotland: SCOTTISH-AMERICAN HEIRS (by David Dodson)
SWISS: SWISS EMIGRANTS, 18th century
Illinois: CHICAGO & COOK COUNTY SOURCES
Kentucky: KENTUCKY ANCESTRY
New York: QUEEN'S CO. NY SENTINEL NEWSPAPER INDEX B/M/D 1858-78 (Hood)
Tenn: OLDEN TIMES IN GREEN COUNTY, TN
GUIDE TO MICROFILMED MANUSCRIPT LIBRARY
Penna: EMIGRANTS TO PA, 1641-1819 (by M. Tepper)
Misc: THE ADOPTION SEARCHBOOK TECHNIQUES
LEST WE FORGET
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NEWSPAPER RESEARCH - RESEARCH GUIDE
THE SOUNDEX REFERENCE GUIDE
SHIP'S DESERTERS, 1852-1900
RUNAWAY SERVANTS, CONVICTS & APPRENTICES adv. in PA Gazette
1728-1796 (by Farley Grubb)
IMMIGRANTS TO THE MIDDLE COLONIES (by M. Tepper)
WAR OF 1812 GENEALOGY RESEARCH GUIDE
CIVIL WAR GENEALOGY RESEARCH GUIDE
THE DELAWARE & SHAWNEE ADMITTED TO CHEROKEE CITIZENSHIP
& RELATED WYANDOTTE & MORAVIAN DELAWARE by Toni Prevost)

Misc. Outlines and Research Guides:

- Tracing Immigrant Origins
- The Hamburg Passenger Lists, 1850-1934
- U. S. Military Records
- A.I.S. (US Census Indexes on Microfiche)
- PERSI (Periodical Source Index on Microfiche)

Other research Outlines are available: (.25 .50. .75 each) This include all of the United States, most Canadian Provinces, Asian Micro-Card Catalog (China/Japan/Korea), Denmark, England, Latin America, Norway, Philippines, Sweden and Wales.

PERIODICAL ANNUAL INDEX

GPAI is a comprehensive surname, locality, topical and book review index to the genealogical periodical literature. It strives to encompass all English-language genealogical periodicals. It is a key to genealogical literature. The editions cover a large number of periodicals with 1000's of index citations.

In preparing the index entries each article is scanned to identify its true content which is often not revealed adequately by the title of the article. In this manner, the depth of coverage is made much greater than could be attained by merely combining tables of contents.

The GPAI index is based primarily on surname, locality and topical categories. Look for the desired references under these classifications bearing in mind variant spelling of surnames, and the various names by which a locality may have been known during successive historical periods.

Articles dealing with compiled genealogical data, family records, etc., are indexed under the name of the male head of the household or family in most cases. This is followed by his date of birth, marriage, or death when given, or by the approximate date when he lived. The names of his spouse(s) are also included in the citation followed by the geographic areas where he and/or his descendants are known to have lived.

There are about 2 dozen volumes (small) in the Genealogy Room which might be of some help.
(Genealogical Periodical Annual Index)
Heritage Books, Inc.



Computer Genealogy instructor, Doug Little noted that the Orlando Library has on microfiche, filmed from the old cards made before microfiche, the genealogy columns from a Boston newspaper covering 100 years, more or less. The books have indexes to each name up to the TA's. If you have New England ancestors or some ancestors from Pennsylvania, you might check with the Orlando Library.

JANUARY WORKSHOP

"Solve the Mystery in Your History" is a workshop sponsored by the Council of Volusia County Genealogical Societies (of which R & B is a member) featuring two topics: the first, Irish in the U.S. and Ireland and Find Your Immigrant Ancestor, the second is on Methodology and Genealogical Migration - Why?

The workshop will be from 9:00 am - 2:45 pm on Saturday, January 8, 1994 at the River-view Methodist Church, Ormond By The Sea, FL. Cost including lunch is \$15.00 - after December 24 - \$18.00. See Bob Fox for further details.

COMPUTER IN GENEALOGY ROOM

The computer has been installed in the Genealogy Room with an accompanying printer. There are 3 shareware programs available. The Personal Ancestral File, Brothers Keeper and Social Security Records. The PAF is explained in another area in the Newsletter. Brothers Keeper is a similar program. If you need help, contact John Steed, 6907 Childs-dale Road, Rockford, MI 49341. The Social Security software will afford information from 1937-1992. This has recently become available to researchers. Records concern- in deceased persons are now in the public domain.

1891 BRITISH CENSUS

To help researchers find the correct microfiche number (s) for a specific parish or town, the British Census register has been updated to include the 1891 census. The register, Index of Place Names Showing the Library Microform Numbers for the 1841-1891 Census of England, Wales, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man, also indicates whether or not a street or surname index is available for the locality for each census year. Film numbers are also listed in the Family History Library Catalog under the name of the parish. The new register, available at family history centers, is on five microfiche number (602 4509) as the previous edition. The title bar of the fiche is marked 1841-1891 Census to distinguish it from the previous edition.

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From: BOB BLAND

Bob and Ethel Bland celebrated their Thanksgiving at one of Bob's ancestral homes, Berkeley Plantation in Virginia. It was here that "Capt. John Woodcliffe and 38 settlers on the ship, "MARGARET" landed on December 4, 1619. The first official Thanksgiving Day service in America was held here by Capt. Woodcliffe and these settlers."

"Proclamation: Impr wee ordaine that the day of our ships arrival at the place assigned for plantacion in the land of Virginia shall be yearly and perpetually kept holy as a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God." The foregoing is on a plaque on the James River water's edge behind Bereley House.

Circa 1666, Theodorick Bland, Bob's 9th Great Grandfather bought Berkeley and Westover plantations. In 1688, he sold Westover to William Byrd I and later sold Berkeley to Benjamin Harrison, Great Grandfather of President Benjamin Harrison. The elder Benjamin Harrison and Theoderick Bland are buried side by side at Westover. The graves were originally in the narthex of a church built on land donated by Theoderick Bland. The church no longer stands on this land.

From: BOB FOX

My search into family roots at Salt Lake City dealt mainly with two areas: the Fergusons of Dumfriesshire, Scotland, who intermarried with the Fox family of New Brunswick, Canada before the American Revolution, and the Cone family of Norwich, CT, who migrated with James Fox and other Pre-Loyalists from Norwich to Nova Scotia in 1764.

The Fergus family dates back to 300 years before the advent of Christ. Alexander Ferguson's wife was the famed Annie Laurie of Maxwellton House, located in the most pastorally lovely of the Scottish shires, with its "braes" of the song.

The Cone family lived around the corner from the Fox family in Connecticut and, after they moved to Nova Scotia, again lived around the corner from the Foxes in the little town of Cornwallis, N.S. This may account for why James's son, George, my Great Great Grandfather, married Mahetable Cone and settled in the western part of Nova Scotia, later to be known as New Brunswick, and founded what was called locally "Foxtown." Two DeLand families are related to the Cones.

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Please consider giving some of your time to serve as a volunteer in the Genealogy Room. Just 3½ hours. It is crucial to the operation to continue as we have been doing with our own personnel.



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GERMAN RESOURCE MATERIAL

Resources For Researching German and German-speaking Ancestors - a compilation compiled by our November guest speaker, Claire Miller, has been placed in the Vertical File for reference. You are welcome to make a copy of it for your own use. This is an excellent resource. The call numbers of the Bibliography are included and are for the Genealogy Department at the Orlando Public Library. This is a must reference for those researching Germany.