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# Roots and Branches

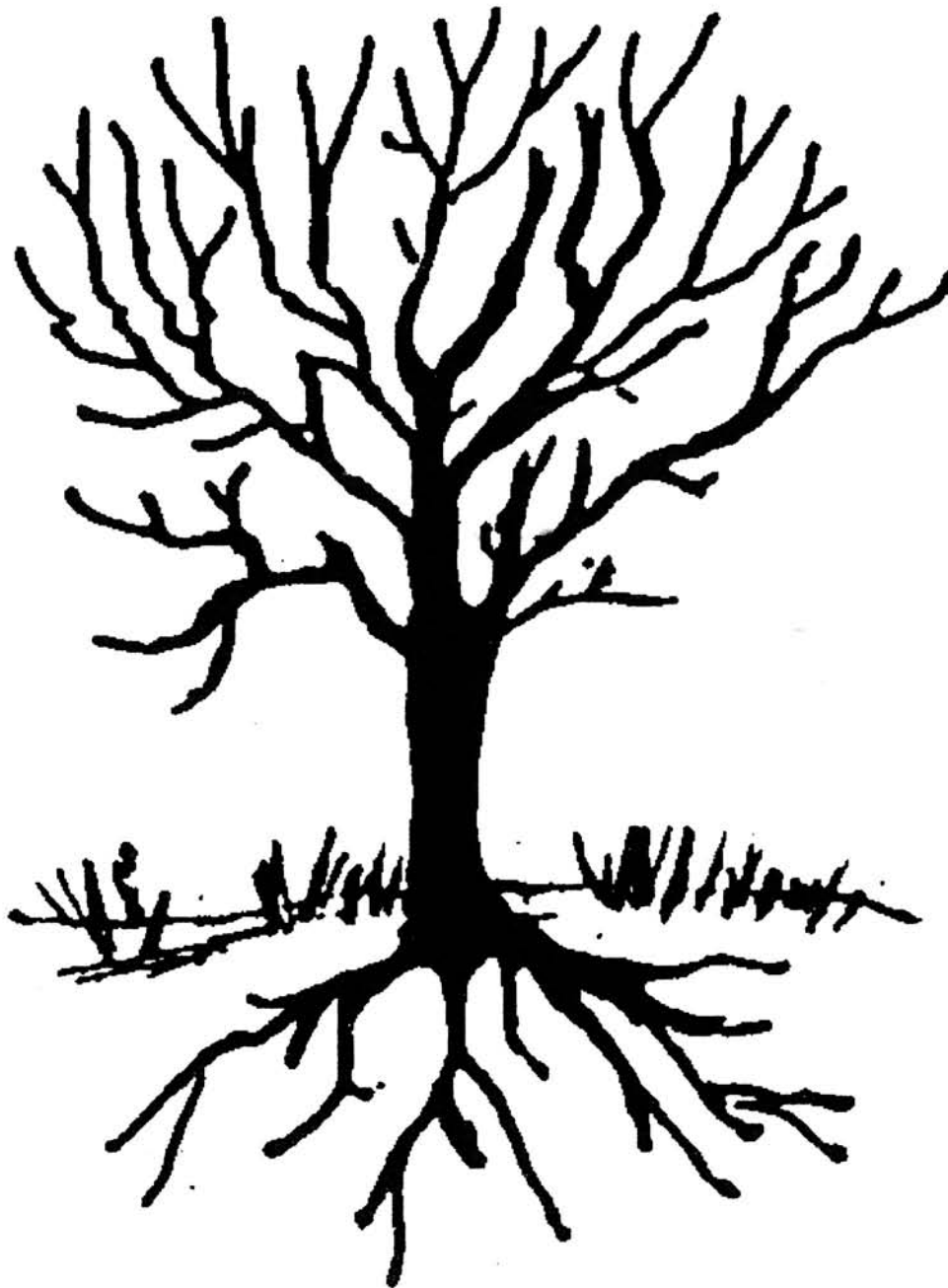
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## Meeting Schedules

The Roots and Branches Society meets at the DeLand Library at 6:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month, September through June.

The Board of Directors meets at the DeLand Library at 10:00 a.m. on the Friday preceding the regular meeting. Members are always welcome to attend these meetings.

## Seminars

Seminar 2001 \*\*\* 20 January 2001

Super-Genealogist Librarian Pam Hall Cooper will be the featured speaker at Seminar 2001, sponsored by the Council of Volusia Genealogy Societies! It's January 20, 2001. The host society will be the Genealogical Society of Southeast Volusia County.

Here's big news! Pam has become just the second recipient - the first being Mr. Lloyd Bockstruck of the Dallas Public Library--- of the William Filby Prize for Genealogical Librarianship. This award was made at the NGS Conference in Providence, RI in June. Pam has done outstanding work for years to promote genealogy and assist genealogists wherever and whenever she can. This national attention for her efforts is very well deserved.

Here are Pam's topics!

1. Timing is Everything! Have you Timed Your Ancestors?
2. Under Used, Unheard Of and Not So New Resources or--- Where You Have Not Looked?

3. How Accurate are Your Senses? Getting Past the Errors in Census Records.

4. Stop the Ship! I Want to Get On!

Registration will be from 7:30-8:30 a.m. The Seminar hours will be from 8:30—4:30 p.m. The location will be the Country Harvest (formerly Stacey's Buffet) on US#1 in South Daytona, FL. A number of our seminars have been held here.

Source: On-Line 2K.10 - Neil Armstrong

## Locating Ship Passenger Lists

If your ancestors arrived between 1891 and 1954, Immigration Passenger Lists are valuable. Immigrants were asked to provide information such as: Marital status, Last residence, Final destination in the U.S. , If ever in the U.S. before, when, where and for how long. If going to join a relative, the relative's name, address and relationship

In 1906 and 1907 more questions were added to the above list, including: Personal description: height, complexion, color of hair and eyes, identifying marks Place of birth — the exact city, town or village, Name and address of closest living relative in native country.

However, if your ancestors landed between 1820 and 1890, you will need to search what's known as Customs Passenger Lists. These contain only the following data: Name of ship, Name of its master, Port of embarkation, Date and port of its arrival , Each passenger's name, age, sex, occupation and nationality.

Source: Genealogy.com, Myra Vanderpool Gormley, 11/13/96

## A Nurse's Duties in 1887

1. Daily sweep and mop the floors of your ward, dust the patient's furniture and window sills.
2. Maintain an even temperature in your ward by bringing in a scuttle of coal for the day's business.

(A Nurses Duties in 1887 Continued)

3. Light is important to observe the patient's condition. Therefore, each day fill kerosene lamps, clean chimneys, and trim wicks. Wash the windows once a week.
4. The nurse's notes are important in aiding the physician's work. Make your pens carefully, you may whittle nibs to your individual taste
5. Each nurse on duty will report every day at 7 a.m. and leave at 8 p.m., except on the Sabbath on which day you will be off from 12 noon to 2 p.m.
6. Graduate nurses in good standing with the director or nurses will be given an evening off each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if you go regularly to church.
7. Each nurse should lay aside from each pay a goodly sum of her earnings for her benefits during her declining years, so that she will not become a burden. For example, if you earn \$30 a month you should set aside \$15.
8. Any nurse who smokes, uses liquor in any form, gets her hair done in a beauty shop, or frequents dance halls will give the director of nurses good reason to suspect her worth, intentions and integrity.
9. The nurse who performs her labors, serves her patients and doctors faithfully and without fault for a period of five years will be given an increase by the hospital administration of five cents a day providing there are no hospital debts that are outstanding.

Submitted by James Nutall

Source: Unknown

### Immigration Passenger Records

Pre-1920 (1565-1819) — No federal laws requiring recording of passenger arrivals and no comprehensive catalog or index exists. Surviving lists are published in state, local and historical society records.

1820-1954 — Records consist of Customs Passenger Lists (1820-1891) and Immigration Passenger Lists (1891-1954). These lists were kept by port and are in the National Archives collection — many are indexed. Records were better after 1907 because more information was requested about immigrants and provided by steamship companies.

Immigration officers, from 1893 on, used the Passenger Lists when interviewing immigrants and they did (could) not arbitrarily change names of immigrants.

While the majority of immigrants who were processed through Ellis Island were European, many others came from the West Indies, Asia, and the Middle East.

Source: "Emigration and the Ellis Island Immigration Experience" by Dr. James M. and Barbara A. Ragusa

### Obituaries File In Genealogy Room

In December, 1996, I started saving the Obituary pages from the Daytona Beach News Journal and The Beacon Newspapers. I didn't know how I was going to save them for about 10 months. I told the Roots and Branches Board what I was doing and asked how I should go about it. Collectively, we decided we had a file drawer in the Genealogy Room, we could buy 4"x6" index cards and file them. In October, 1997, I started backwards doing the October 1997 first by writing the heading (name of the paper and date) and scotch taping the death notice and obituary to the card. I had gotten back to the last of June when "Roots and Branches" decided they would pay for a date stamp and a Beacon and a News Journal Stamp and it might be better to paste the obits rather than taping. That made it easier and neater. I was using stick glue for a while, then it was suggested that I use Aleene's tacky glue which comes in an 8 ounce bottle - it lasts longer and is less expensive.

The process takes time, I spend from 1 to 2 hours every day as I have to go through the cards I've already done to see if they are repeats or corrections; See if a death notice is on a card with the obituary or the obituary card is with the death notice; Sometimes

(Obituaries File In Genealogy Room Continued)

there is a clarification one day but there is no death notice or obit. Now that The Beacon comes out twice a week it takes twice the amount of time as I have to go through all the cards to make sure the death notice or obituary was in the News Journal. I put the Beacon death notice on the back of The News-Journal Card. If the Death Notice or Obituary is too large for a card, I glue it to a sheet of paper and put it in a blue note book - alphabetically arranged. Usually once or twice a month I file them alphabetically in the file by year in the Genealogy Room at the DeLand Public Library.

In addition to the Obituaries, I have been saving the Births in the Beacon (unless they put the births on back of the Obituary's page). Usually I can find someone who also gets the Beacon who will let me have that page. These, I also put on sheets of paper and have another blue note book which I filed from back to front - the latest one in front.

While I was cutting up the newspaper, I decided to cut "News of Record" portion out too. Have not done anything with them except to put them in a file folder (loose) in a file drawer. This section has Court, Marriages, Divorces, and Births in Volusia County. They are all here if anyone wants to catalogue them in any way. Also, in a file folder next to the above, I have a "Death Elsewhere" folder.

Source: Mary Lois Kelley

### The Korean War Remembered - 1950 - 1953

This is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Korean War and many events are planned here in the U.S. and Korea over the next 3 years.

The United Nations voted to help fight the North Korean Communists who had invaded South Korea. It appeared at first it would be a simple matter until the Chinese entered the War in November of 1950.

At the Chosin Few Reunion, Army Branch in Lancaster, Pa. attended by our 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Beverly Outlaw and her husband Jim Outlaw, former member of the 31<sup>st</sup> Inf. Reg., the Secretary of Navy presented to the 31<sup>st</sup> Inf. Reg. The Navy

Presidential Union Citation for their defense at the Chosin Reservoir along side of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. The men not only battled overwhelming enemy troops but weather ranging from 30-40 degrees below 0. The Chosin Battle is considered one of the fieriest battles in military history. The Marines are the ones who pursued, for many years for this unusual honor.

On June 25, 2000 a monument was dedicated in DeBary for all Korean War Veterans by the Korean War Veterans Association. Later the same day a Memorial service was presented by the Korean Baptist Church in Daytona Beach, all Korean War Veterans were honored. The South Korean Government gave out medals to the men who served from 1950 until 1953. This medal was first offered in 1951 but the U.S. government didn't allow our service men to wear medals from foreign countries. It has since been voted by Congress to allow them.

Roots & Branches' Treasurer Mary Ann Cring's first husband was PFC Don Altmann of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division and was in the Invasions of Pusan, Inchon and at the Chosin Reservoir. Don passed away August 18, 1979. Mary Ann and her children were guests at the commissioning of the USS Chosin (CG 65) at Pascagoula, Mississippi on January 12, 1991. The Chosin is the first AEGIS Cruiser named for a Korean War battle.

**FREEDOM IS NOT FREE.**

Source: Beverly Reed Outlaw



### Sir Thomas Overberry 1614

The Man who has nothing to boast of but his illustrious ancestors is like a potato -- The only good belonging to him is underground.

Submitted by Dr. Thomas H. Calvin  
Source: "The Research Guide To American Genealogy", Val D. Greenwood, 1978, p. 9.

**Genealogy Web Sites****Ancestry.com -****<http://www.ancestry.com/main.htm>****Coats of Arms Page -****<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/Strawn/coatsofa.htm>****Cyndi's List -****<http://www.CyndisList.com>****Census Records -****<http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/census/main.htm>****Ellis Island -****<http://www.ellisland.org>****Family Search (Latter Day Saints Church) -****<http://www.familysearch.org>****Family Tree Maker -****<http://www.familytreemaker.com>****Military Records -****<http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/military/main.htm>****Periodicals & Newspapers -****<http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/periodicals/main.htm>****Rootsweb -****<http://www.rootsweb.com>****Social Security Death Index -****<http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/vital/ssdi/main.htm>****Top Genealogy Sites -****<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/Strawn/sites.htm>****U.S. GenWeb Project (Public Records)****<http://www.usgenweb.org>****U.S. Surname Distribution -****<http://www.hamrick.com/names/index.html>****Vital & Church Records -****<http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/vital/main.htm>**

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