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Announcements



Logan FHC Hours:

Mon & Fri - 9:30-5:00
Tu/W/Th - 9:30-9:00
Saturday - 9:30-3:00

Upcoming Holiday Schedule

- The schedule for Logan Utah Regional Family History Center for the month of December will be as follows:

- Regular hours through Saturday Dec 11
- 9:30 - 5:00 - Monday Dec 13 through Saturday Dec 18
- Closed Monday Dec 20 through Saturday Jan 1
- Regular hours beginning Monday Jan 3

We wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

LFHC Monthly Staff Training Meeting - Logan Regional Family History Center will be holding their monthly staff training meeting, Dec 8, at 9:00 a.m. at the Logan Tabernacle. We **invite** any ward family history consultants or staff from other family history centers who may want to join us.

Family History Tips



Reexamine Previously Located Materials - One of the research techniques most overlooked by genealogists is reexamining materials they have previously obtained. As you uncover new facts, it is important to assess and compare the new information with what you already know, and assess the viability of the old and new facts. Do they agree? Do they complement one another? Is there a discrepancy? Is one source better or more reliable than another and, if so, why? Does one source make the information furnished by other, or both, questionable? It is very important to continually reassess the facts you have acquired. Sometimes they all fit together to form a great tapestry of your ancestor's life. Other times, however, the pieces don't fit together and new data may raise even more questions than the answers it provides.

SOURCE: "[Along Those Lines - Common Research Wrong Turns](#)", Ancestry.com Archive, 9/17/1999

Spice Up Your Family History - Insert Images into Shapes Using Microsoft Word. "Contrary to what some might think, working with Microsoft Word can be fun. For example, I often want inserted images and graphics to be more than just rectangles. While Microsoft Word is made primarily for text and is rather limited in its graphics capabilities, there are some simple things that can be done to tweak an

image."

"Graphics may be inserted into AutoShapes and WordArt. There are several AutoShapes to choose from: oval, octagon, star, banner, etc. These shapes can be found in the Drawing Toolbar, which I always have opened."

"To try out your first option, go to AutoShapes>Basic Shapes and choose the oval. As soon as you click on the oval symbol, a box appears that says "create your drawing here." I never use that box because I usually want my text to wrap around the shape. Tap the Escape key on your keyboard and that box disappears. Your cursor will be in the shape of a cross. Hold down the left click button on your mouse and drag your cursor until you have an oval shape in your document. There are several ways to insert an image into the oval: by right clicking and choosing "format AutoShape," by using "Format" on the main menu bar, or by using the paint bucket tool. The paint bucket tool is located on the Drawing Toolbar. Make sure the oval shape is selected. There should be white dots around it and one green dot at the top of the shape. Go to the paint bucket tool, click on the arrow, choose fill effects>picture tab>select picture. This opens up a dialog box that will allow you to select your image file. Find the folder with your image in it, click on it, then click on "insert." Your image will appear in the dialog box. Before you click on "OK," check the box that says "lock picture aspect ratio." This prevents the graphic from distorting when it is inserted into your selected shape. You cannot adjust the placement of the image in the shape, so you may have to do some tweaking of the image outside of Word."

"You can also have some fun inserting graphics inside of text by using the WordArt tool located on the WordArt toolbar. The WordArt tool is the large capital A on the far left of the tool bar - click on it. A WordArt Gallery opens providing a number of selections, all of which you may edit later. Choose any option and type a word, then click "ok." That word will now be in your Word document as an inline object. Change it to a floating object by picking a text wrap option. Now, go through the same steps that you did to insert a photograph into the shape object."

"Once the graphics are inserted into AutoShapes or WordArt, you can add shadows and lines or twist/warp and rotate them. All of these options are located on the Drawing and WordArt toolbars, which have dropdown arrows that allow access to even more tools. The green dot I mentioned earlier is your rotate tool. I suggest you experiment with these tools until you get the result you want. Let your imagination run wild and have some fun!"

Source: Kay Spears, "Genealogy Gems: News from the Fort Wayne Library", No. 81, November 30, 2010

Questions/Answers



Question: I am researching the Meyer Goffstein family. He was born in 1866 in Russia and married Lillie who was born abt 1870 in Russia. They had 6 children that I have found :

1. Joseph-born 1893 in Russia, with spouse, Sara
2. Isadore-born 3 Oct 1894 in Russia and died Jun 1970 in St Louis, Missouri, with spouse, Deborah
3. Samuel-born 15 Oct 1897 in St Louis, Missouri with spouse, Minnie
4. Mollie-born abt 1901 in St Louis, Missouri
5. Max Bonnie-born 27 Jan 1902 in St Louis, Missouri and died 21 Oct 1996, Santa Clara, Santa Clara, California, with spouse, Mollie Pollock who was born 5 Jul 1905 in Russia and died 19 Mar 1998 in Santa Clara, Santa Clara, California,
6. Harry-born 1904 in St Louis, Missouri.

They lived in St Louis, Missouri according to the 1910 and 1920 census. This is where

the line stops and I do not know what to do now. Could you advise me on this.

Answer: In order to go forward, you must first go back. Learn everything you can about each member of the family here in the U.S.

You need a place in Russia, before you can begin searching for the family there. The census records you mentioned should tell you when they arrived in this country so you can look for passenger lists. FamilySearch Wiki has a good section on [US Immigration Passenger Arrival Records](#), what's available and where to find them.

The census should also tell you if/when they were naturalized so you could look for Naturalization papers. Some of the more popular websites for naturalization records are:

- [Ancestry](#)
- [Footnote](#)
- Olive Tree Genealogy Naturalizations
- [Online Searchable Naturalization Indexes & Records](#)
- [US Citizenship and Immigration Services](#)

Question: My question is about how to handle a child's birth, when the mother & father were married to other people at the time the child was born.

Answer: Create a new family with those 3 individuals. this will show an extra spouse for both the husband and wife in their "real" families. Leave the marriage date blank and explain the situation in the family notes. (nFS Doc #110111, 1012393)

Question: Are there any genealogical societies in the Central Germany area.

Answer: To locate Genealogical Societies, I would try the [FEEFHS](#) (The Federation of East European Family History Societies) website.

Favorite Websites



Brooklyn Revealed - If you have ancestors from Brooklyn, you'll find this site very interesting. Click the interactive map on the left side of the page than move your mouse around the map to reveal brief histories of the towns. Click on a photo, then use the arrows to move through a whole collection of photos taken in that area. Double click any photo to see how the streets in the photo got it's name. <http://www.brooklynrevealed.com/>

AnceStories - Genealogist and teacher Miriam shares her personal research stories, including lots of helpful tips for adapting her experiences to your own genealogy research. <http://ancestories1.blogspot.com/>

Surname Queries



I am researching **Meyer Goffstein** (born 1866 in Russia) and his wife **Lillie** (born 1870 in Russia). They had 6 children - **Joseph** (b1893 in Russia), **Isadore** (3 Oct 1894, Russia - June 1970, St. Louis, MO), **Samuel** (b 15 Oct 1897, St. Louis, MO), **Mollie** (b1901, St. Louis MO), **Max Bonnie** (27 Jan 1902, St. Louis, MO- 21 Oct 1996, Santa Clara, CA) and **Harry** (b1904. St. Louis, MO).

If anyone shares this line, please contact Judy at judyatbearlake@yahoo.com

I am searching for information regarding Johan **Frederik Denhardt** (many other spellings but with same sound), who is believed born in the area of Central Germany about 1776-1786. He had a brother named **Guenther** born there also. **Johan Frederik** married **Zidse Hansdatter** in the Vejle, Norup, Denmark area in about 1811. Four children are known to have been born to them: **Ane Marie Lovise**,

Johan Conrad, Johan Henrik August and Hans Christian. Johan Frederik may have had a prior marriage and family in Germany (wife unknown) before he migrated to Denmark. Other spellings of this name seen in my research are **Daenharth, Deenhardt, Dehnhart, Daenhart, Denhart**. If you can help, please contact Marian at ggmack78@gmail.com

New Acquisitions



None this week

Suggested Weekly Bulletin Thought



"By now, in my own personal history, I have managed to fill seventy-eight large volumes, which are my personal journal. There have been times when I have been so tired at the end of a day that the effort could hardly be managed, but I am so grateful that I have not let slip away from me and my posterity those things which needed to be recorded."

Source: President Spencer W. Kimball, "News of the Church," Ensign, Oct. 1980, 72 (Report on "The World Conference on Records: Writing the History of the Heart")

Remember...



THE CHRISTMAS MISTAKE

Each December, I vowed to make Christmas a calm and peaceful experience. I had cut back on non-essential obligations, extensive card writing, endless baking, decorations, and even overspending. Yet still, I found myself exhausted, unable to appreciate the precious family moments, and of course, the true meaning of Christmas. My son, Nicholas, was in kindergarten that year. It was an exciting season for a six year old. For weeks, he'd been memorizing songs for his school's "Winter Pageant". I didn't have the heart to tell him I'd be working the night of the production. Unwilling to miss his shining moment, I spoke with his teacher. She assured me there would be a dress rehearsal the morning of the presentation. All parents unable to attend that evening were welcome to come then. Fortunately, Nicholas seemed happy with the compromise.

So, the morning of the dress rehearsal, I filed in ten minutes early, found a spot in the cafeteria and sat down. Around the room, I saw several other parents quietly scampering to their seats. As I waited, the students were led into the room. Each class, accompanied by their teacher, sat cross-legged on the floor. Then, each group, one by one, rose to perform their song.

Because the public school system had long stopped referring to the holiday as "Christmas", I didn't expect anything other than fun, commercial entertainment - songs of reindeer, Santa Claus, snowflakes and good cheer. So, when my son's class rose to sing, "Christmas Love", I was slightly taken aback by its bold title.

Nicholas was aglow, as were all of his classmates, adorned in fuzzy mittens, red sweaters and bright snow caps upon their heads. Those in the front row, center stage, held up large letters, one by one, to spell out the title of the song. As the class would sing "C is for Christmas", a child would hold up the letter C. Then "H is for Happy", and on and on, until each child holding up his portion had presented the complete message, "Christmas Love".

The performance was going smoothly, until suddenly, we noticed her; a small, quiet,

girl in the front row holding the letter M upside down, totally unaware her letter M appeared as a W. The audience of 1st through 6th graders snickered at this little one's mistake. But she had no idea they were laughing at her, so she stood tall, proudly holding her W. Although many teachers tried to shush the children, the laughter continued until the last letter was raised, and we all saw it together.

A hush came over the audience and eyes began to widen. In that instant, we understood the reason we were there, why we celebrated the holiday in the first place, and why even in the chaos, there was a purpose for our festivities. For when the last letter was held high, the message read loud and clear:

CHRISTWAS LOVE

And I believe, He still is.

2011 Class Schedule

Our 2011 class schedule is now available at the Center and [online](#). Please pre-register for the classes you wish to attend by calling the Center (755-5594), or by [email](#). Please include your phone number. A staff member will then call and remind you a day or two prior to the class. ALL classes will be FREE. Handouts for the classes will be available [online](#) for you to print before the class if you'd like them.

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