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RESEARCH USING ENGLISH DATABASES

Our guest speaker tonight is **Sheila Winkelspecht** who has volunteered at Family History Centers for 25 years. She currently volunteers at the Family History Center in Rockledge.

A native of Wales, she has no Welsh ancestry as both her parents were born in England. Thanks to her husband's career in the U.S. Air Force she has lived in many places. In 2004, following his retirement they returned to Florida.

She has research experience in England, Ireland, Germany, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. If you have research "problems" in these areas, you are invited to consult with her on any Friday morning at the Family History Center.

NEW HATS & OLD SHOES

Speakers at the Tri-county Genealogy Conference to be held **14 April** in Vero Beach were recently announced. They and their topics are as follows:

Barbara Gathers - Underground Railroad Mary Mitchell - Family Interviews Doug W. Poulter - British Research

Nancy C. Sieck - Periodicals

Vera Zimmerman - Dating Old Photographs

Ada Forney is scheduled to share one of her delightful stories as entertainment during lunch.

Flyers for this event which is sponsored by the genealogical societies in Brevard, Indian River and Martin Counties are available online at Brevard Genealogical Society's website

http://rootsweb.com/~flgs/ or in the Genealogy Room at the Titusville Public Library.

GENEALOGY THIS MONTH IN BREVARD

The Brevard Genealogical Society meets the second Monday of each month at 9:30 am in the Meeting Room of the Central Brevard Library and Reference Center (308 Forrest Ave., Cocoa.) This month's meeting will be held on March 12th. BGS President, Dee Swink will present a program on "Tracing Your Roots Down the Great Philadelphia Wagon Road."

The Genealogical Society of South Brevard meets the second Wednesday of each month at the Melbourne Public Library (540 Fee Ave.) This month's meeting will be held on March 14th beginning at 9:30 am. Ann Osisek will be the speakerand her topic will be "The Paper Trail - The Ins and Outs of Courthouse Research." Ann is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists and the Florida State Genealogical Societies' Speakers Bureau.

The French and Canadian Heritage Society of Central Florida meets the third Monday of each month at the Melbourne Public Library (540 Fee Ave.) from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. This month's meeting will be held on March 19th.

STAPLES REWARDS

Thanks to purchases totally \$1,963.41 by GSNB members during the last quarter of 2006, Staples has rewarded us with a check in the amount of \$181.80!

This amount includes \$45 which was earned due to purchases of ink cartridges.

If you would like a card or key tag so that your purchases can benefit our treasury, contact **Nancy Sieck** <rsieck@cfl.rr.com> or 433-2070.

GSNB MAILING LIST TO BE UPDATED

If your name is highlighted on your address label, this will be the last newsletter which will be mailed to you until your 2007 dues have been paid. If you are not sure if you paid this year's dues, contact our Treasurer, **Chris Fairey** by e-mail <cgfairey@cfl.rr.com> or phone 269-1955.

Yearly dues are \$15 per individual or \$20 per family. If paying dues by mail, make check or money order payable GSNB, Inc.

THE COMPUTER SWALLOWED GRANDMA

The computer swallowed grandma. Yes, honestly it's true. She pressed "control" and "enter" And disappeared from view.

It devoured her completely,
The thought just makes me squirm.
She must have caught a virus
Or been eaten by a worm.

I've searched through the recycle bin And files of every kind; I've even used the Internet, But nothing did I find.

In desperation, I asked Jeeves My searches to refine. The reply from him was negative, Not a thing was found "online."

So, if inside your "Inbox,"
My Grandma you should see,
Please "copy" and "paste" or "scan" her
And send her back to me!

TITUSVILLE COMPUTER CLUB meets monthly

2nd & 4th Thursday, 7 pm St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church (414 Pine St., Titusville) Visitors always welcome!

INDEX TO GSSB GENEALOGY COLLECTION NOW AVAILABLE ON CD

Jim Sheldon recently donated to our society a CD which indexes the books and other genealogical materials held by Genealogical Society of South Brevard. The CD is available to members via GSNB's circulating CD collection.

This is very important research source due to the fact that although GSSB's collection is housed at the Melbourne Public Library ownership of the collection remains with the society. For this reason, the items in this collection are not included in the library's catalog.

NARA PRPOSE PRICE HIKE

The financially beleaguered National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) wants to raise its fees for providing copies from its microfilm. According to an article printed in the February 26th issue of the Federal Register:

Civil War pension files will increase from \$37 to \$125

Non-Civil War pension files older that 75 years would cost \$60 and

Military service files older than 75 years, passenger lists, census records and bounty land warrant application files would cost \$25.

Obviously, if you were thinking about ordering copies from NARA, you should do so earlier rather than later. The increases which are the first since 2000 are expected to be approved.

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BOARD MEETING Tuesday, 20 February 7 pm

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 6 March 7 - 9 pm

Speaker: Jack Schweikert **Topic: Research Experiences** in Europe

Jacob Hannemann Memorial Room Titusville Public Library (2121 South Hopkins Ave)

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