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From the Editor:

Don't forget to bring in your empty ink cartridges and old cell phones to the library for recycling. Also, remember to renew your e-scrip at Basha's and Safeway if necessary. For a complete list of merchants go to: www.escrip.com. or find a copy at our library.

During our annual yard sale on April 18 and 19 we signed up 30 plus new Safeway cards for the eScrip program.....good job, volunteers!

Sue Owen made a beautiful red, white, and blue quilt to be raffled on July 3rd picnic meeting. We gained \$31.00 in ticket sales during the yard sale.

Enjoy!



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We specialize in helping add branches to family trees!

MEETINGS: Meetings are held at **1:30 p.m.**, the first **Thursday** of the month (unless a holiday) at the Genealogy Library. Visitors are always welcome!

CORRESPONDENCE: Please address all correspondence to NGCGS Library and include a long self-addressed, stamped envelope for inquiries.

MEMBERSHIP:


Individual.....\$15. Family (related, same address).....\$25.
Individual Life.....\$150. Family Life (related, same address) \$200.
Associate/Library.....\$10.

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Nancy Hancock
MANAGER

Up-coming Events- Mark Your Calendar NOW:

June 5, Thursday- This starts one of three blackout months where there will be no business meeting. However we will have speakers for each month. This month Bill Windsor from the Payson Family History Center will speak on the efforts to digitize records.

July 3, Thursday - No business meeting. There will be a potluck at Rumsey Park organized by Paty Henderson. The program will be on American History.

August 7, Thursday- No business meeting. For the program, Grace Johns will be talking about her Taft line and "How I found my grandmother".

September 4, Thursday- Regular business meeting. For the program, Lois Sobatka will be taking us on a covered wagon trip from Kansas to Payson, Arizona along the Santa Fe Trail with the Haughts and the Clines.

"Beginning Genealogy" Classes

Peggy Gray's monthly basic genealogy class for beginners is a great success, AND we have received several new members as a result! Each class is held at the genealogy library on the third Friday of each month from 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

Each class will be the same, so if one date isn't good for you, pre-register for a different month. Pre-registration and payment of fee is required. If attendees are already members of the society, the class only costs \$5; if an attendee joins the society (\$15) the class will cost \$5; if an attendee does not join the society, the class will cost \$25. For more information, call Peggy Gray at (928) 474-5015

Thank You, Peggy for conducting these beginning classes! We have gained several new members because of your efforts.



TAKEN FROM ANCESTRY WEEKLY JOURNAL

THE YEAR WAS 1851

Author: Juliana Szucs Smith Published Date: 09 March 2008

The year was 1851 and Great Britain was an industrial powerhouse. To celebrate recent innovations, [an exhibition was held in London at the Crystal Palace](#). This international exhibition was made up of 13,000 exhibits from around the globe, housed in a huge iron frame covered with a million feet of glass.

It was a memorable year not only for the exhibition, but those with roots in the UK probably associate it with [the 1851 census](#) that was on the night of 30 March 1851. Forms were passed out on the days prior and then collected on 31 March, representative of everyone who spent the night in the dwelling. The information collected included:

- ~ Name of street, place, road, etc.
- ~ House number or name
- ~ Name of each person that had spent the night in that household
- ~ Relationship of person enumerated to the head of the family
- ~ Person's marital status
- ~ Age at last birthday (sex is indicated by which column the age is recorded in)
- ~ Person's rank, profession, or occupation
- ~ Person's place of birth (if outside of England or Wales, only the country may be given)
- ~ Whether blind, deaf, or an idiot

Likewise, in Canada [a census was taken in Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia](#), but it wasn't taken in one night like it was in the UK, and in some cases stretched into 1852. Questions asked varied among the provinces that were enumerated. (More information on what questions were asked can be found online in the Ancestry member database description of that enumeration.)

In Limerick, Ireland, a blustery and thundering Sunday took a turn for the worse as [a tornado cut a 150-foot swath through the city](#) with winds estimated at 115 mph. Because the city took a direct hit, the damage was significant particularly in the market areas that were thankfully not busy because it was Sunday and the weather was so inclement.

In the United States, [weather was taking a toll in Iowa](#). An unusually wet 1850 was followed in May by persistent rains that fell on saturated ground. The rains continued into July and rivers and streams swelled over their banks sweeping away buildings,

livestock and trees, and devastating farmland. Southeastern areas of the state, which were also the most populous, were hardest hit.

Settlers were streaming even further westward, and in November 1851 the Denny party landed at Alki Point in Washington. In a couple years, these settlers would be the first residents of Seattle, which was laid out in 1853.

On Christmas Eve, a fire began in the Library of Congress. More than two-thirds of the collection was destroyed, including the part of the personal library of Thomas Jefferson, which had been donated in 1815 following the burning of the Capitol in 1814 by the British during the War of 1812.


THANK YOU

Thanks to everyone who donated time and strong backs for the yard sale this year.....

Kathy McKibben, Griff Brown, Bill and Chris Herzig, Sue Owen, Kay Keplinger, Paty Henderson, Clarice Christensen, Lora Hart, Grace Johns, Frances Van Buskirk, Barb Ebeling, and Judy Voran were among the hard working volunteers.

This year's yard sale was a great success and the club netted \$751.02 to help with the library's expenses.

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Abbreviations

Thanks to: JaSEn - jsend@hpcisp.com
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1C - first cousin (2c, second cousin, etc.)
1R - once removed (2r, twice removed, etc.)
ACW - American Civil War
AFRA - American Family Records Association
AGLL - American Genealogical Lending Library
AGRA - Association of Genealogists and Record Agents (Professional)
APG - Association of Professional Genealogists, headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah.
ASCII - American Standard Code for Information Interchange - type of file on a computer that is usually readable / writeable by most word processors
AIS - Accelerated Indexing System
b - born
bap or bapb - baptized
BBS - Bulletin Board System Phone dial up connection for PC's.
BK - Brother's Keeper, a genealogy program
BMD - Births, Marriages and Deaths
BMP - Bit Mapped Picture - file format of a computer disk file
Bp - Bishop
bur - buried
C18 - Eighteenth century (etc.)
ca - circa, about, (as in ca. 1840.)
CANINDEX - Index of emigrants from British Isles to Canada and Newfoundland
CC - County Court (USA)
CD - Compact Disk - An optical disk used with some PC's to store lots of data
CFI - Computer File Index (precursor of IGI)
chr - Christened
CW - Civil War
d - died
DAR - Daughters of the American Revolution
DC - District Court
DOCS - Documents / Documentations
div - divorced
d.s.p. - died without issue (from Latin: decessit sine prole)
FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions
FFV - First Families of Virginia
FGRA - Family Group Record Archives
FGS - ancestral charts or "Family Group Sheets"
FHC - Family History Center (LDS satellite centers)
FHL - Family History Library (LDS main library in Utah)
FHLC - Family History Library Catalog
FOIA - Freedom of Information Act
FTM - Family Tree Maker, a genealogy program from Banner Blue Software
FTP - File Transfer Protocol (networking, technical)

GEDCOM - GEnealogical Data COMMunications
GIF - A format to hold images on a computer disk file
GIM - Genealogical Information Manager
GOONS - Guild Of One Name Studies
IGI - International Genealogical Index
IOOF - Independent Order of Odd Fellows
ISO - In Search Of
LDS - Latter Day Saints (Mormons)
LOCIS - Library of Congress Information System
NARA - National Archives and Records Administration
NATF - National Archives Trust Fund
NEHGS - New England Historical Genealogy Society
NGC - National Genealogical Conference
NGS - National Geographical Society
PAF - Personal Ancestry File, genealogy program of the Mormon Church (LDS)
ROOTS-L - a mailing list of subscribers who are interested in genealogy
RW - Revolutionary War
SAR - Sons of the American Revolution
SASE - Self Addressed, Stamped Envelope
SOUNDEX - A method of translating a name to a one letter code followed by three numerical digits. The aim of the translation is to render all names which sound alike (or sufficiently similar) to the same code.
TMS - Tiny Tafels Software genealogy program also Tafel Matching System
WW1 - World War One
WW2 - World War Two

Here are a few websites that Val Sullivan would like to pass on to our members. She may be talked into a program dealing with city directories and local newspapers in the future.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS, WASHINGTON D.C. <http://www.loc.gov/index.html>

AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY, WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS
<http://www.americanantiquarian.org/>

DAR LIBRARY, WASHINGTON, D.C. <http://www.dar.org/library/default.cfm>

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH <http://www.familysearch.org/>

NEW ENGLAND HISTORICAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, BOSTON,
MASSACHUSETTS <http://www.newenglandancestors.org/default.htm>

ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, FORT WAYNE, INDIANA <http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/>

NEWBERRY LIBRARY, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS <http://www.newberry.org/>

NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY, NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK <http://www.nypl.org>
BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS <http://www.bpl.org>

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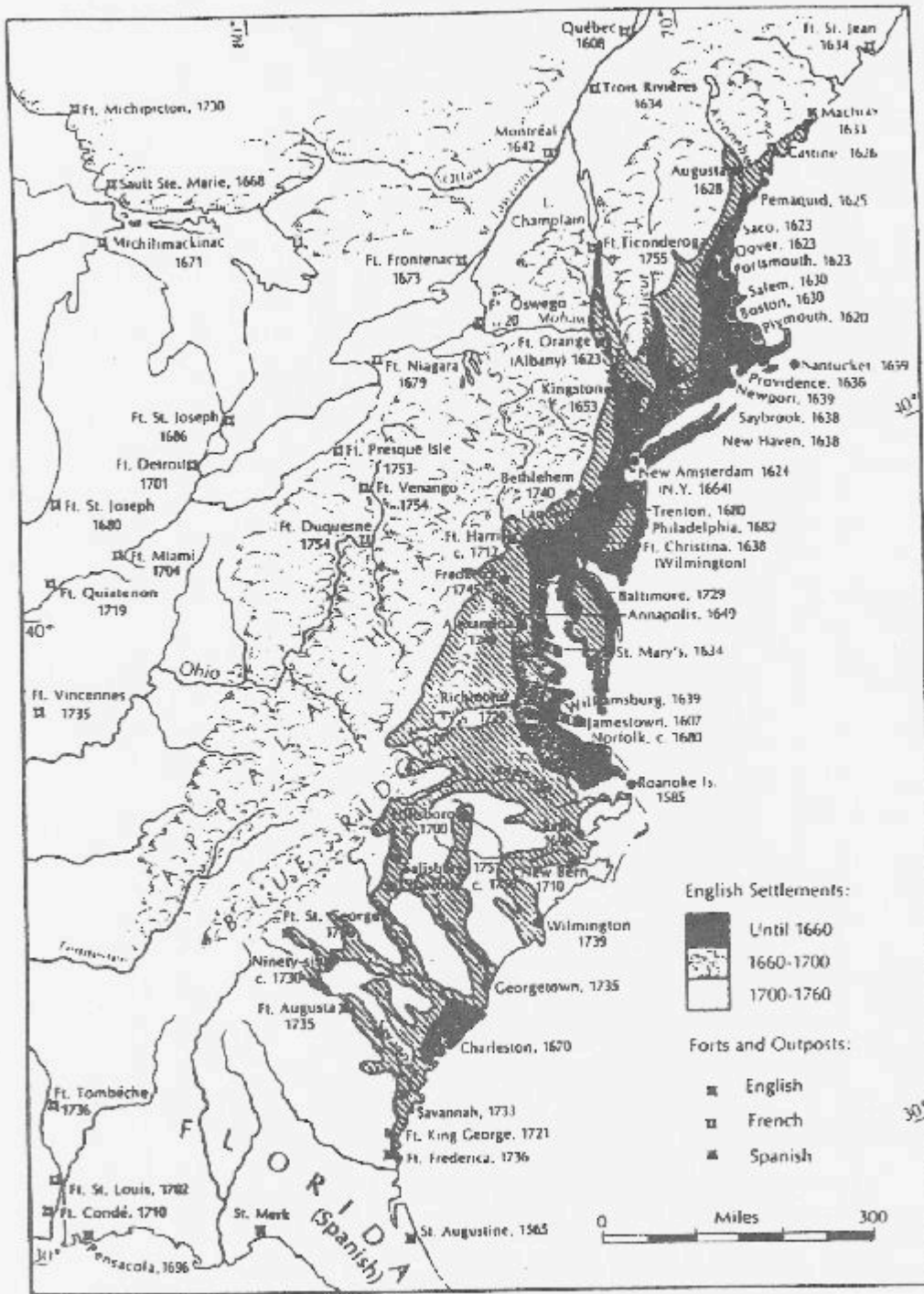
Val Sullivan for doing a seminar on Women's Maiden Names.

Sue Owen for the handmade wolf print quilt won by member Jayne Peace.

Griff Brown for landfill hauling and fees.

Griff Brown and Sue Owen for doing double duty as library attendants.

Kathy McKibben for scanning the obits from local papers.



English settlements, 1607-1760
English, French, and Spanish Outposts

Before I close.....

YOU KNOW YOU'RE AN ADDICTED GENEALOGIST

-when you brake for libraries.
-if you get locked in a library overnight and you never even notice.
-when you hyperventilate at the sight of and old cemetery.
-if you'd rather browse in a cemetery than a shopping mall.
-when you think every home should have a microfilm reader.
-if you'd rather read census schedules than a good book.
-when you know every town clerk in your state by name.
-if town clerks lock the doors when they see you coming.
-when you are more interested in what happened in 1697 than 1997.
-if you store your clothes under the bed and your closet is carefully stacked with notebooks and journals.
-if you can pinpoint Harietsham, Hawkhurst, and Kent on a map of England but can't locate Topeka, Kansas.
-when all your correspondence begins, "Dear Cousin"
-if you've traced every one of your ancestral lines back to Adam and Eve, have it fully documented, and still don't want to quit.

Happy Hunting,
Nancy Hancock

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