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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Autumn is here, and things are buzzing at the Forum. We hope your research is going well. A lot of folks come in to use the Ancestry.com program on our computers, which gives them clues to finding something among the books or microfilm in our library, and vice versa. When I started doing research some 30 years ago, researchers were having to go to courthouses to dig through the records, or driving up to the National Archives Branch in Seattle to read the census or pension records. Now, in the blink of an eye, you can find the original records online. Amazing times!

As you receive this latest issue of the Insider, the Fall Seminar will be just about to happen on October 31st. We want to thank all those who signed up for the seminar, volunteered to help on it, and continue your support of our events. Beverly Rice of Coos Bay, Oregon came well recommended by our Education committee, and we were privileged to book her.

During the past month, a new interest group was formed (Scrapbooking with a family history focus), we heard about the symbolism on tombstones at the Monthly Program (Carol Surrency), and our Library Director Sandi Whiteman re-started the quarterly training meeting potlucks to keep our current list of Research Assistants up to date and to discuss library policies or different resources.

We can thank our dedicated Education Committee who has worked hard to schedule more Mini-Classes following the winter break. Beginning in February, there will be classes on tap for such topics as Choosing a Genealogy Program, Dating Old Photographs Workshop, Vital Records on the Web, Scan with Sam, Y-DNA for the Non-Technical, Doing Onsite Research, Canadian Research, plus a few more.

One of our needs for GFO is a backup or additional support person when our computers act up. Are you that person? Our ongoing guy to call, Rex Bosse, has had some family problems to deal with as he and his wife move the in-laws here from Colorado to live with them, and isn't available at present time. Contact me if you are skilled and can help us from time to time.

Are there other areas where you might be interested in volunteering or do you have any concerns that the board should know about? Please contact me.

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COME TO THE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH PROGRAM "Add Life to Your Genealogy"

You've spent years gathering names, dates, and places, entering your data into the best genealogy program, and making them all connect in a multi-page chart. Yet when you share your work with family or friends, no one seems to mirror your enthusiasm. They're just names that don't elicit passion or, in some cases, can't even muster interest.

What's missing?

Life—the story between the dashes that makes those boxes transform into living beings.

You may think, "Well, that's fine for people who have trunk loads of family letters or a book written by a past relative." But it's not true. With a bit more research, fact-based snippets, a few words from an official document, and some creative writing, you can weave a story that makes distant relatives leap right out of their little boxes and into your life.

National award-winning designer, Paula Bartell Slavens started a personal historian business in 2000 and has completed projects for clients throughout the United States. Husband and GFO member, Rick Slavens, supports her with genealogical research and together they have recently completed a 625-page, 300-year family history project for a Pittsburgh client. Slavens will read excerpts from this book at the workshop, demonstrating how a few know facts and skillful writing can transform your genealogy into a work that family members will cherish for generations.

-Paula Slavens-

HAGGIS, BLOOD PUDDING AND BAGPIPES

I can't say I always had curiosity about Haggis and Blood Pudding, but I can now say, after a visit in September to Edinburgh, I'm most aware of these traditional foods of Scotland. Every morning at our Scottish breakfast, served buffet style in the Sheraton Grand Hotel, there was a platter of what looked like sausage patties. Haggis may be served in many forms and consist of the cooked organ meats of sheep, including the lungs; importation of which is not permitted into the U.S. The cooked meat is mixed with toasted oatmeal and spices then stuffed into casings. A sample taste isn't too bad.

Blood Pudding, on the other hand, while having an interesting back-story is not a taste or smell that is compelling, quite the opposite for me. It is said that during the dark days for the Highland Scots after the Jacobite defeat at Culloden in1746 people were starving, and they didn't want to kill their work animals for the needed protein, so they bled the animals a little at a time. The blood was mixed with oatmeal or other fillers and cooked until thick. Like the Haggis, it was served at our breakfast in the form of patties.

Fortunately for me and my daughter, Laural and granddaughter, Megan, who accompanied me on this trip. the tables were loaded with other dishes, including porridge, eggs, granola and fresh fruits and juices and pastries. All this was necessary before a day of researching at the *Scotland'sPeople Center* and the adjoining National Archives of Scotland. Tuesday through Friday I sat in front of a computer screen searching parish records of births and baptisms from 1538, marriages and banns in kirk records 1538 to1854, deaths and burials and Census records from 1841 to 1901. British law does not permit Census records to be made public for 100 years. We would truly resent such a policy here in the U.S; waiting 70 years is tough enough!

Unlike the *Scotland's People.com that* we are familiar with here in the U.S. a visitor pays \$20 per day to research the records on site. Here in the U.S. we have access only to a "pay per view" system in which one buys credits to view the data, one entry at a time. In the past I have spent money only to discover the entry is not about my ancestor. The *Scotland's People* that we access on the Web is a separate, commercial contract of the *Scotland's People Center* in which we were researching. There is some talk about the commercial arm becoming a subscription service but it's all very indefinite.

Our group from the New England Historic Genealogical Society, NEHGS, was given a research area in the *Scotland'sPeople* Center for the four days with our own computer terminals. We went directly at about 9:15 a.m. to our terminals and worked until 4:30 p.m.. Part of the time we spent next door in the National Archives of Scotland Building, which houses, among many other records, the post-1886 parliamentary and Scottish office and government records, court and church records. In the NAS no computer cases or purses were allowed. We placed our papers in clear plastic bags. Neither cameras, scanners nor ink pens were allowed, and copies cost 50P, or about \$.75 each.

I found two bills of sale recorded in long-hand with full property descriptions for a property owned by my ggg-grandfather, William Kemp, in 1858. This was about the time he emigrated to North America. The street is still there in Edinburgh, but the building is gone. An oversized color copy of these records cost me \$12.00. I haven't mentioned the sticker shock caused by the weak U.S. dollar.

Now, what about the bagpipes? We had a concert one evening at the George Hotel prior to being piped into Dinner. The sound of bagpipes indoors is deafening, but I will say we felt like royalty being piped to the dining table. My Granddaughter, Megan, was even invited to a concert of a band named *The Red Hot Chile Pipers*. While I researched they explored Edinburgh and took a train for an overnight in Inverness where they spent four hours traipsing the Culloden Battlefield and looking for *Nessi*, the

Loch Ness monster. Laural enjoys researching when she has the time and Meg, A Gonzaga University History Major is a potential family historian.



-Janis Bailey -

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GFO INTEREST GROUP NEWS



HERITAGE SCRAPBOOKING INTEREST GROUP UP-AND RUNNING

Our first meeting on October 4 brought out 21 folks interested in learning about Heritage Scrapbooking. Bonnie LaDoe, Alene Reaugh and Pam Toth all participated in a two- hour program providing information on how to identify different types of old photos and how to keep them safe.

Completed heritage scrapbooks were on display to inspire the group to get started on their own albums. Besides heritage photos, many of these albums included genealogy charts and copies of documents gathered through genealogical searches. Family stories are also often included. Our goal is to help people complete an album that they will be proud to pass on to their descendants, and

have fun doing it!

On November 1st, people are planning to work on their albums, sort their old photos, or gather more information and inspiration. Also at the November meeting, GFO members Diana Renn and Sarah Holmes will give us a short demonstration of digital scrapbooking and on-line options.

We are meeting in the Higgins Room at the GFO library from 1 to 3 p.m. the first Sunday of the month. If you want to join the fun, please contact Bonnie LaDoe at <u>bladoe@aol.com</u> or 503-281-0266.

PS: We are about at our room's limit to accommodate scrappers. If there are many more who wish to participate, a 3 to 5 p.m. session could be arranged.

-Bonnie LaDoe-



SAMPLE PAGES OF HERITAGE SCRAPBOOKS

On the left are album pages done by Alene Reaugh

DNA INTEREST GROUP

GFO DNA Interest Group Meeting, Tuesday, November 10 from 1:00 to 2:30.

Topic: Genetics: Changing the World of Genealogy, Health, and History

The session will cover the general basics of Genetic Genealogy while focusing on how the world of genetics has and is

affecting our genealogy, our health, and our history.

There is always time for your quetions. Bring a guest.

-Emily Aulicino-

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BRITISH INTEREST GROUP NEWS

Traditionally, the British Group doesn't hold a meeting during the month of November because of the conflict of Thanksgiving weekends (before and after) and family get togethers or folks traveling to other gatherings. The first of meeting of the year (September) was a time for members to share their "at home" collection of books and souvenirs which focus on the country where their ancestors lived. The January meeting will feature Duane Funk speaking on how Americans and the British are separated by a common language...a short overview of the genealogy of the English language.

All GFO members are invited to join this group who have ancestors from England, Wales & Scotland. (Ireland is covered by GFO's Irish Group) Contact: Lyleth Winther, 503-658-8018 or lylaw1@verizon.net

LIBRARY COLLECTION NEWS

Today, we explore Dewey Numbers 900 through 929. The 900s (Geography, History and Auxiliary Disciplines) hold a broad range of material helpful to us in our search for family.

Start your browsing with "Timetables of History" (900) for a great overview of historic events nicely laid out in an easy-to-read chart. Next, visit 911 and 912 for a good variety of atlases and geographic dictionaries (atlases that are too large for these shelves are on the oversized shelves near the Rare Book Room). Do take a look at "Atlas of Traffic Maps" (917). Predominantly rail route maps, this useful 1925 book also has world-wide steamship routes and some aviation information—all on wonderful fold-out maps.

Biography, Genealogy and Insignia material begins with Dewey Number 920. Try "Biography and Genealogy Master Index" to help locate genealogical material published between 1983 and 1995 (920). Find information on becoming an accredited genealogist at Dewey Number 929. Name origin dictionaries are at 929.4. Are you interested in Heraldry? Royal Descents? Take some time to browse 929.6-929.7. Here you will find "Armorial Families" and "Royal Descents of 500 Immigrants".

-Sandi Whiteman-Library Director



CEMETERIES: WHAT YOU CAN FIND THERE CAROL SURRENCY

The GFO Monthly Program on October 10th featured Carol Surrency and Sam Butler speaking about Cemeteries and the History of Greater Portland funeral homes

The speaker pointed out that her presentation was an introduction to her two-hour mini-class to be held on Saturday, October 17th: "Headstones and History."

She said that cemeteries are outdoor museums filled with clues for genealogists. The artwork on gravestones offers insight into attitudes of the period about death. For instance, the "flying death heads" seen on

puritan gravestones of New England indicated a belief that death for them marked the end of existence; nothing survived the individual but the skeleton. Round heads, on the other hand represented rising to heaven.

Symbolism on headstones can be interpreted: a weeping willow tree indicates grief; gates mean an opening to

heaven and sheaves of wheat represent the harvest or culmination of life. Sam Butler pointed out in the second half of the program that ownership of

funeral homes in the Portland area changed as partnerships broke-up and new ones formed. However, he said, the locations of funeral businesses with new owners often remained the same.. But where the records are now often is a mystery.

Flying Death Head in The Westerly Burial Ground on Centre Street in <u>West Roxbury</u> <i>Massachusetts



GFO Mini Classes Winter 2010

GFO min classes are held in the GFO Higgins Room. Registration is \$15.00 per class, and class size is limited to 30, unless otherwise stated.

#1 – Feb 6, Saturday...Choosing a Genealogy Program – By Marty Krauter - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We will review the top Genealogy Programs to record your Family Tree information. It will focus on program features and compare software titles. This course will help you choose the right software for your needs.

#2 – Feb 20, Saturday...Dating Old Photographs Workshop – By Karen Wallace Steely- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. #3 – Feb 20, Saturday... Vital Records on the Web – By Connie Lenzen, - 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Vital records are a record group that contains more direct evidence than any other source. Come to this class to learn how you can find them with your computer and what to do with them after you find them.

#4 – Feb 21, Sunday...Scan With Sam, by Sam Butler - 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

How to fix spots, tears and damage to original old photographs. Learn how to clone, save as, and the best ways to get digital images to other people. Some tricks and some suggestions.

#5 – Feb 27, Saturday...Beginning Genealogy, by Carole Gibson – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ARE YOU UNSURE OF WHERE TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OR DO YOU JUST WANT TO GET RE-STARTED? DO YOU NEED SOME GUIDANCE WHERE TO GO NEXT? WE CAN HELP YOU JUMP-START YOUR GENEALOGY!

#6 – March 6, Saturday...Y-DNA for the Non-Technical, by Judy Kellar Fox - 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Y-DNA (MALE-LINE) TESTING TO SUPPLEMENT AND CONFIRM TRADITIONAL GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH. THIS NON-TECHNICAL CLASS WILL DISCUSS HOW TO GET TESTED AND WHAT TO DO ONCE THE TEST NUMBERS COME BACK.

#7 - March 14, Sunday...Doing Onsite Research, by Leslie Lawson - 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Have you dreamed of going "there" and doing some on-site research? Many of us have had that dream, and then worked to make it come true! You can as well. There are several things you can do while still at home to make this a positive experience. Preparation is *everything*!

#8 – APRIL 11, SUNDAY...CANADIAN RESEARCH, BY MICHELE FRICKE - 1:00 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M. CANADIAN RESEARCH – REVIEW THE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE IN THE MAIN REPOSITO-RIES OF CANADA WITH TIPS FOR FINDING RESOURCES, ON LINE AND ON SITE, WITHIN YOUR PROVINCE OF INTEREST.

#9 – April 17, Saturday...Writing Your Family Narrative in Word, by Connie Lenzen – 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. GENEALOGISTS PULL TOGETHER THEIR DATA AND EVIDENCE EVALUATION AND CREATE A WRITTEN DOCUMENT, BUT HOW SHOULD THEY DO IT, AND WHAT TYPE OF DOCUMENT SHOULD THEY BE ASSEMBLING? HOW DO THEY MAKE IT INTERESTING? THIS SESSION IS AN INTRODUCTION TO THE VARIOUS KINDS OF COMPILATIONS AND THE STEPS TO WRITING THEM.

#10 - APRIL 18, SUNDAY... SPECIAL SCHEDULES, BY CONNIE LENZEN - 1:00 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M. In 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880, the census enumerator asked dozens of personal questions. The answers to most of them do not appear on the population schedules that we find on Internet databases. Come to this class to learn about agricultural and industrial schedules, and about the "delinquent and defective" classes.

#11 – May 22, Saturday...Military Records, by Gerald Lenzen - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. MILITARY SERVICE AND PENSION RECORDS FOR CONFLICTS FROM EARLY COLONIAL TIMES UP TO WWII WILL BE PRESENTED FOR RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN THE GFO LIBRARY AND IN SOME ON-LINE LOCALITIES AVAILABLE FROM THE GFO LIBRARY. THIS IS NOT AN ON-LINE COURSE.

#12 – June 19, Saturday...Family Reunions, by Leslie Lawson & April Ober - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Anyone can put together a reunion. There is software and Internet sites to help with this task. We will discuss how to start this project, track it with time lines and what to offer to those who come to the reunion. To include survey samples to guide you. #13 – June 26, Saturday...Beginning Genealogy, by Carole Gibson – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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The registration coupon is at the bottom of the following page

HELP!

Help is needed in order to keep our library's hours. Library assistants are needed; both regular volunteers and substitutes. If you can volunteer mornings or afternoons on a weekly basis or for once or twice a month, please contact Lyleth Winther at lylaw1@verizon.net

MEMBERS & FRIENDS GATHERED For THE MONTHLY PROGRAM OCTOBER 19TH



MARRIAGE RECORDS, OBITS LOOKUPS Check the GFO records index online Request a photocopy of the original record from: Multnomah County Marriage Records Years currently available online: 1855 - 1904. NW Oregon Obituary Index, of area clippings collected by the late Lottie Gurley

is now online! Find your ancestor and request a photocopy of the obit.

FEES— for a lookup request for each record is \$5. Mail your exact request, with your return address, to: Genealogical Forum of Oregon (Mult. Co. Marriage Record Lookup or Obituary) PO Box 42567 Portland OR 97242-0567

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Oregon Homestead Records By Connie Lenzen, CG*

In the early years of the United States, Congress declared it would sell or grant unclaimed lands for the common benefit of the United States. Many acts of Congress — sale, donation, homesteads, military warrants for military service, timber culture, mining, etc. – disposed of this land.

The Homestead Act of 1862 is the act that many people think about. The Act allowed native-born or naturalized citizens to settle up to 160 acres of public land. They were required to cultivate and to reside upon the land for five years. This requirement was later reduced to three years. Subsequent acts permitted cash purchase of homesteads.

The name index to homestead claims is on the Bureau of Land Management website, <u>http://www.glorecords.blm.gov/</u>.

The land claim files created under the Act of 1862 are a gold mine of information. The claimant (called entryman) had to answer forty-four questions. Included were: age, post office address, description of the tract and house, date of first residence, number and relationship of family members, citizenship, crops, and acres under cultivation. A copy of the naturalization papers is included if the entryman was foreign born. Two witnesses, usually neighbors, answered twenty-eight questions about the applicant.

The National Archives is the custodian of the claim files and will make copies of the original papers. A request must be made on a form called "National Archives Order for Copies of Land Entry Files" and is number NATF Form 84. Ordering instructions is found on the National Archives site, http://www.archives.gov/genealogy/land/.

Forum resources to supplement the claim file in the National Archives:

1. Bureau of Land Management Tract Books

The Bureau of Land Management Tract Books (on microfilm) list the original purchasers of land. The lists are arranged by township, range, and section. You can see the names of the neighbors and when they took out their land claim. Some of these neighbors may be relatives.

Tract Books films are located in the Oregon section of the microfilm cabinet. In order to determine the correct film reel, look at the map key, "Oregon Tract Books on Roll Film" on the wall in the microfilm room.

2. Bureau of Land Management Plat Books

Plat Books contain maps that were made after surveys were conducted. The maps include landforms, watercourses, and trails. They show the location of claim. Plat Books are navigated the same way as the Tract Books. There is a map index in the microfilm room that shows which set of microfilm contains the particular township and section that you are researching.

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Connie's webpage: http://www.LenzenResearch.com

MEMBERS' Favorite Websites:

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Church of God 1967 Yearbook. Executive Council Church of God: Anderson, Indiana, No date. 286.73 C561 Book Shelf

Church of God 1969 Yearbook. Executive Council Church of God: Anderson, Indiana, No date. 286 C561 Book Shelf

Davis, Rudelle Mills and Peggy Davidson Dick..*Allens: Quakers of Shenandoah, Their Ancestors and Descendants.* Published by the author: El Paso, Texas, 1984/ 929.2A424 Book Shelf

Allen, Wilbur. *Our Allen Relatives*. Published by the Author: Mission Viejo, California, 195. 929.2 A424 Book Shelf

Merrifield, Dorothy. *Genealogical Record of the Moses Baker Family*. Published by the author: Carmichael, California, 1929. 929.2 B168

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Yoder, M. Marie and Paul H. *Daniel Beachy Family of Aurora, West Virginia*. Published by the author: Grants-ville, Maryland, 1995.

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Diller, Barbara C.. *Memoirs of Elizabeth W. Dyer*. Published by the Author: Kenilworth, Illinois,, 1979. 929.2 D996 Book Shelf

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Perro, Walter D., Jr.. Ancient, Royal, and Colonial American Ancestry of Walter D. Perro, Jr. [Draft A]. Published by the author: Richland, Washington, 1995 020.2 P459 Book Shelf

Swafford, Aurelia May Tanner and Bonnie Lynne Swafford Knauss. *Rollin' down the Roland Line: Descendants of Dowdel Rowland*. Published by the author: Liberty, Missouri, 2004. 929.2 R883 Book Shelf

Trigg, James Knox. *Trigg History*. Tennessee Valley Publishing: Knoxville, Tennessee, 1994. 929.2 T828 Book Shelf

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Lawler, Leo and Hazel. *Nehemiah Wood of Shenandoah County, Virginia*. Hazeleo Publisher: Fredericksburg,, Virginia, 1980. 929.2 W877

Worden, O. N Some Records of Persons by the Name of Worden....John and Elizabeth Worden of Washington County, Rhode Island. Published by the Author: Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, 1888. 292.2 W924 Book Shelf

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"Movin' On" with the GFO Writing Contest

It's coming sooner than you think! The writing contest due date is 2 months sooner this year. We want an award presentation that offers proper respect for the work our writers, and the April monthly meeting offers us more time to do that. The new due date for entries is February 1, 2010. The presentation of awards will be at the GFO monthly meeting on April 10th.

The theme this year is "Movin' On." All of our ancestors have moved – across the ocean, across the country, from the city to the country to the city, away from family, closer to family. Their move may have been very dramatic – a 2000 trek on the Oregon Trail – or less dramatic. Why did they move? What was happening where they lived that made them need to get away. What was so much better about the place they moved to that they would go through the discomfort of uprooting themselves. This theme is rich in social context! How did you family member participate in history and the shifting of a culture?

You will want to include particulars about your ancestors, building your story's characters, so we can see them as we read. You will also want to build the environment, what it was like in your ancestor's place and time. You will want to build a plot with suspense, that includes the adversity propelling your ancestors to leave their homes, the difficulties of adjusting to the new life, and the resolution at the end.

If you have any questions, email Peggy Baldwin at peggy.baldwin@family-passages.com. Also check out our web page -- http://www.gfo.org/writing_contest.htm for some articles about how to write for the contest and to see past winning stories.

Please carefully read the contest requirements below, so you don't have any last minute surprises!

Contest Requirements:

Piece must be written to the theme: "Movin' On" – a factual story about ancestors who moved from one place to another.

Length — 750 to 5000 words

Documentation in the form of endnotes or footnotes is required.

Story must be submitted in electronic from—Word or RTF file, submitted as an email attachment or burned to a CD or floppy disk

Submitted between January 1 and February 1, 2010.

Plan ahead and make a concerted effort to attend the award presentation at the GFO Monthly meeting on Saturday, April 10, 2010.

-Peggy Baldwin-

NEXT ALL-NIGHTER NOVEMBER 21ST

6:30 p.m.Saturday—6:60 a.m. Sunday

COME JOIN THE FUN1

SNACKS PROFIDED AND PIZZA AT MID-NIGHT

> COST \$15 FOR QUESTION- EMAIL JULIE AT rathernut@cs.com

BOSTON GLOBE STORY TELLS OF CEMETERY SPACE SHORTAGE

Reporter Peter Schworm wrote in the October 1, 2009 issue of the Boston Globe that cemetery space in Eastern Massachusetts is growing scarce. He highlights the cemetery in popular tourist area, Provincetown on Cape Cod,, where many summer visitors wish to be buried. The seaside town's only cemetery is almost full.

In response to the demand, the town passed an ordinance to restrict reservations for burial space to those who have maintained a permanent residence for at least two years.

Families are forced to look for space further and further from their home towns, and this may account for the cremation rate rising to 30 percent. A spokesman for the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association said that more and more Catholics are opting for cremation even though the Church prefers casket burials.. VOLUME 21, ISSUE 4

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GFO Calendar and Hours

NOVEMBER, 2009

2nd Free Monday for non-	7th
members	
10th Tuesday: 1-2:30 DNA,	8th
Interest Group	
6:00 p.m. Board Meeting	12tł
14th Saturday: 9:30 a.m.	
Illinois Group]
11:45 Writers' Forum	
2:00 p.m. Monthly	21st
Program: "Informal Family	
Interviews" with Paula Slavens	23r
16th Monday: 7 p.m. Computer	
Group	25tł
21st Saturday: 9:30 a.m. TMG-	
SUG	
1: p.m. Irish Group	
6:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. All-Nighter	28tł
25th Wednesday: 6:30 TMG	
Forum	
26th Thanksgiving Library Closed	

DECEMBER, 2009 Free Monday for Non-members Tuesday 6 p.m. Board Meeting

- 12th Saturday: 11:45 Writers' Forum No Monthly Meeting
- 21st Monday: 7 p.m. Computer Group
 23rd Wednesday: 6:30 TMG Forum
- 25th Friday: Christmas Day
 - Library Closed Merry Christmas
- 28th Monday: 7 p.m. Round Table Discussion

JANUARY, 2010

S	4th Free-Monday For Non-
	members
	9th Saturday: 9:30 a.m. Illinois
	Group
	11:45 Writers' Forum
	2p.m. Monthly Program
	Getting the Most from Your FHC"
	With Tom O'Brien
	11th Monday: 1 p.m. DNA
	Interest Group
	12th Tuesday: 6 p.m. Board Mtg
	16th Saturday: 9:30 a.m. TMG-
	SUG
	1 p.m. Irish Group
	18th Monday: 7 p.m. Computer
	Group
	23rd Saturday: 1 p.m. British
	25th Monday: 7 p.m. Round
	Table Discussion
	27th Monday: 6:30 p.m.
	TMG Forum