

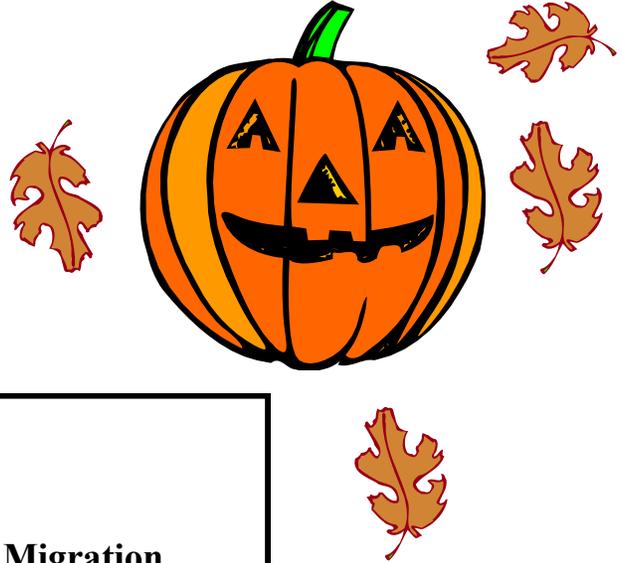
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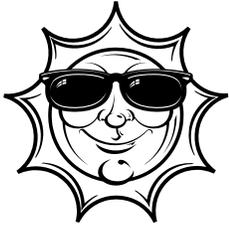
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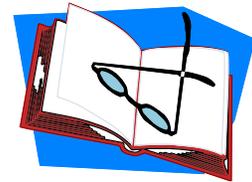
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

OUTGOING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The past two years of GFO administration have been challenging and interesting, and I'm satisfied that the organization has improved in a number of ways. The statistics on membership and volunteering show stability, both being about level over the two years. There were 103 volunteers this year, or about 11% of membership. Of those, 58 were involved in more than one activity and 23 of those were in more than three. Of the total, 34 were leaders or co-leaders of one or more activities, such as interest groups, extraction projects, committees and events, and five of those were leaders of more than one activity. Those seem like large numbers, but we have a wide range of activities and continuing needs for new people and new energy, both for unattended responsibilities such as marketing and as replacements for people who have earned a rest after 4 or 5 years of sustained effort. I thank all volunteers for their great efforts, and encourage the rest of you to step forward to keep us moving forward.

My work has mainly involved organizing and channeling the leadership, and I thank the board members for being a forward-looking and supportive group, and for being seriously committed to their individual roles. You might not be aware that a third of our board is made up of directors of the major areas of work, including the library, printing, education, publications and membership. I'm pleased to have been your president, and am also pleased that Lyleth Winther is taking up the gavel. My best wishes are for the success of the new officers and board.

We all must look forward to planning for and executing a transition to new facilities, now projected for the Fall of 2010. If we do it carefully and thoughtfully, it can be an opportunity for improving our future prospects, and it is a good time to become involved in our future. I'll be there, and hope to see each of you in the process.

Don Holznagel
Past President



DEAR FRIENDS

Thanks goes to the folks who returned the ballots supporting this year's new billet of officers, Directors-at-Large and additions to the Endowment Committee. We realize there weren't a lot of choices in the voting, but we have to trust that the nomination committee did a thorough job in finding the possible qualified candidates, people who have the best interests of the GFO on their minds. According to our by-laws, ballots must be distributed to the active members, and if no one voted, I guess we'd have to re-issue another ballot. But that wasn't the case.

We have two issues coming up which have concerned me and the rest of the board. First, the re-location of our library due to Tri-Met buying out and demolishing the current building we occupy. It seems the new Milwaukie Light Rail Extension project needs our space. Don Holznagel, the current past president, had set up a committee this past year to work on this project and to stay in communication with the re-location project leaders at Tri-Met. That committee will stay in force. Tri-Met will pay for the moving trucks to move our books, shelving and furniture to the new site, which was a concern of mine. The other concern was to make sure we had enough money to support another site, because it might cost more a month than the approximate 5000 sq. feet we are now leasing. The board thought a lot about cuts that could be made, thought long and hard about raising the yearly membership dues and what the effect would be, and can report that our members understand, and that after 12 years of no increase in dues, they are willing to work with us.

If you have ideas for a new site for our library—we can't make any commitments until next spring (2010)—or have suggestions of how things could be improved within our society and library, please let us know.

My email address has changed this past winter: my daughter didn't think "dial-up" was fast enough for me anymore. Contact me at 503-658-8018 or lylaw1@verizon.net

-Lyleth Winther-

THE MONTHLY PROGRAM FOR MAY FEATURED CLARENCE MERSHON

Our May Monthly Program speaker was Clarence Mershon who lives in the Corbett-Springdale area, His family settled there many years ago. Mershon Road is named for his family. Clarence has written three books on the area and its founding and of the first families. Copies are in the GFO library.

In his talk Clarence shared the history of Crown Point, the Vista House, the old Columbia Highway when it was being built, and the history of the early settlers who built mansions along the bluffs. Wealthy people like Julius Meier of Meier & Frank fame, who built his mansion of local woods, including support columns for the porch, which deteriorated over 11 years. He had wanted to have Douglas Fir logs for the support, complete with the bark. But without the bark they were open to the weather and insects which hastened the deterioration. The Presbyterian Church Conference presently owns the estate, called Menucha Retreat. A newer lodge replaced the old mansion.

Mershon told about the different homesteads that extended to the river and included boat landings, because in those early days, there were no highways. Steamboats plied the Columbia River bringing stock and merchandise upriver to those who were brave enough to farm or log in that area. The main road from the river up to Chanticleer Inn (now the site of the Women’s Forum with a view facing East toward Crown Point), was part of the Native Americans’ trail from Celilo Falls to Willamette Falls on the pre-Oregon City site. After the telegraph lines were strung along that route, the early settlers referred to the road as the Wire Trail.

Clarence has quite a collection of photos of the Old Columbia Highway under construction, Thors Point which was to become Crown Point, and the roadwork to and construction of Vista House (finished in 1916). Also, he presented old photos or postcards of two of the cafes that were located on the road to the Vista House in the early days. One showed a gift shop, which pre-dates the gift shop in the Vista House that we know today. I believe the Chanticleer Inn itself burned down. And the newer View Point Inn was made a star in the recent movie *Twilight*.

He spoke of the ferry that crossed the Sandy River from the Troutdale area, of the years of the smelt runs, and how Troutdale pioneer, John Harlow, stocked the Sandy with Carp. Troutdale could have been called Carpdale. Who knows?

-Lyleth Winther-

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SPRING SEMINAR WAS A SUCCESS!

The Spring seminar is now past, and a good time was had by all. Lots of information was imparted to the 142 gathered genealogists by our speaker Larry Jensen of Salt Lake City, author of the *Handbook for German Research*.

Larry advised the listeners to remember in their research that Germany is really a land of four cultures. And when you cross certain invisible lines, the family name might be spelled differently. He also shared some history about Germany's areas where the nobility lived, where they spoke "High German", and other areas where they spoke "Low German". He also mentioned that Germany lost land areas in the wake of World War I, and that some land areas might currently belong to neighboring countries. Larry mesmerized the group with his knowledge and humor, giving us a lot to think about with our search for ancestors in Germany.

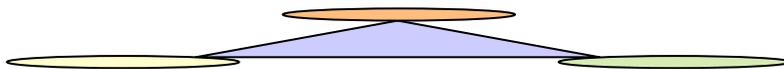
The Genealogical Treasures' drawing was a success. Those treasures included a 15-minute session during lunch with our Ask-the-Expert Connie Lenzen; the opportunity for 5 to eat lunch with speaker Larry; a GFO yearly membership; free admittance to the Fall Seminar and many genealogical articles and objects. Larry donated two books and a DVD of his lecture to the raffle. His DVDs, which included 4 presentations, sold like hotcakes at the membership table.

Five societies rented tables at the affair, with one representative in full Continental Army uniform at the Sons of the American Revolution table. In addition we had representatives from the D.A.R., the Scandinavian Genealogical Society and the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia. Also, we had Brina Bolanz from "Restored Stories," an enterprise which helps with scrapbooking, etc.

Remarking that his wife was going to wish she had made the trip after all, Larry Jensen enjoyed dinner later that evening at the Rheinlander with members of the seminar committee.

Our many thanks to all the volunteers who worked on the Seminar and made it such a successful event both monetarily and educationally.

-Lyleth Winther-



NOTABLE ANCESTORS

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Monday, Sept. 7, 2009, Labor Day
Thursday, Nov. 26, 2009, Thanksgiving
Friday, Dec. 25, 2009, Christmas

MORE RECOGNITION OF GFO AND ITS WEBSITE

Spotlight: Genealogical Forum of Oregon (GFO) www.gfo.org
by Valerie Beaudrault

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"The Genealogical Forum of Oregon is located in the city of Portland. In addition to its library resources, educational programs, and Interest Group activities, the GFO provides researchers with extensive resources for online historical and genealogical research. Click on the Indexes' tab to access the resources. You can search all indexes at one time, except for the WW1 draft registrations index from the database's main page.

"The newest addition to the website is the *Annotated 1850 Census of Nantucket* [Massachusetts]. This census is from the GFO's Willis Corbitt Collection. This transcription is described as 'a ledger book filled with what appears to be the 1850 Nantucket County census, in somewhat alphabetical order.' They go on to say that 'it was likely written by the court or town clerk because the ages are listed by years, months and days.'

'The data fields include census page number, name of resident, age at census, date of death and comments. While it is an important resource for genealogists with Massachusetts connections, the deaths listed were reported from throughout the world. You will need Adobe Reader to view the records.'

Connie's Corner

A SUMMER FIELD TRIP

Some of my fondest school memories are of the field trips. Genealogists are the luckiest people on earth because their hobby allows field trips. There are fun places to go like cemeteries and funeral homes and libraries and archives. Courthouses are a little scary, though. Some have security scanners at the door, and you have to take off your shoes and belt. Once inside, there's seldom someone to greet you and ask what you want.

There's an exception to this scariness, and that's the office that records deeds and mortgages. Those offices are well-used, and the staff generally knows what they have in their possession. This summer, treat yourself and go to a courthouse to look up deeds. You can begin with Multnomah County. Look up your deeds, your parent's deeds, or deeds for your relatives.

Oops, sorry, if you want to look up Multnomah County deeds, you don't go to the courthouse. Instead you go to the Multnomah Building, 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Portland. The deeds are on microfilm and are located in the Public Research Room on the first floor. The office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

You can begin your field trip at the GFO library where many of the deed indexes and a lot of the microfilmed deeds are located. The deed indexes use the words "Direct" and "Indirect." Direct deed indexes are arranged by the last name of the person who sold the property. Indirect deed indexes are arranged by the last name of the person who purchased the property. I usually make a chart as I read the indexes. My chart has the following column headings: Year; Grantor; Grantee; Location; Date; Volume and Page.

For instance, I found this in the 1935-27 Indirect Index at the GFO Library: Dorothy M. Mattern was the grantor, and Richard C. Stratford was the grantee. The property location was Lot 12, Block 103, Laurelhurst addition. The deed was filed 17 July 1937 in Volume 408, page 5.

The volume wasn't in the GFO collection; so I went to the Multnomah Building. The friendly receptionist helped me locate the microfilm and get the microfilm printer set up. After I printed out the deed and a whole lot more, I paid my quarter per page and went on my way. I'm going to find some other deeds that I want to track and schedule another field trip.

-By Connie Lenzen-

MEMBERS' Favorite Websites:

- www.gfo.org
- www.archives.gov/aad/
- www.usgenweb.com
- www.rootsweb.com
- www.cyndislist.com
- www.familysearch.org
- www.ancestry.com
- www.nara.gov
- www.sos.mo.gov/archives/
- www.multcolib.org
- www.ohs.org
- www.ccg-wa.org
(Clark Co Gen Soc)
- www.sos.state.il.us/departments/archives/archives.html
- www.genealogy.az.gov/index.htm
- www.DAR.org
- www.theshipslist.com
- <http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/westernStates/search.cfm>
(Western States Marriages to 1928)
- www.kshs.org (Kansas)
- www.ellisland.org
- heritagequestonline
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- www.findagrave.com
- www.footnote.com \$ (free for 1st week)
- www.genuki.org.uk
- www.genealogy.com \$
- www.GenealogyToday.com
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- Member #1..... Charles Bennett
- Member #2 & Chair..... Marty Krauter

*For Your Information.....***LIBRARY COLLECTION NEWS****What can be found in the Dewey number 300 [Social Science] section?**

Starting with 305 [Social Groups], first, find three standard works on locating your female ancestors. Next, a larger collection of African-American material primarily focused on History and How-to/Resources. One gem here is *Bibliographic Checklist of African-American Newspapers*, by Henritze. Dewey number 306(Culture and Institutions) gives us Adoption material, including a few volumes on the Orphan Train children.

A few books on Migration/Immigration/Emigration are found at Dewey number 325. Here you will find Colletta's book, *They Came in Ships*.

Next is Dewey number 340 [Law]. You will find some real treasures here! Just look at this partial list of titles:

Black's Law Dictionary

Copyright

Marriage Laws in the U.S. 1887-1906

Inheritance in America

Do you know which church your ancestors attended?

If so, you may find extracted church records shelved by state, county and the subject "church". But, there is another place you should browse!

Visit the religion section (Dewey numbers 200+). Material shelved here cannot be assigned to a specific state or region, but are more general works or represent large geographic areas. These shelves hold a wide variety of materials on religions, including histories; resources for research; yearbooks or directories; genealogies; and extracted records.

Dewey numbers 271-289 refer to specific denominations: Catholic, Huguenot, Quaker, Amish, Baptist, Methodist, Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, Mennonite, Brethren, Lutheran, Jewish, and more.

Here are a few examples:

Marriage and Divorce Records from Freewill Baptist Publications 1819 - 1851 [286.1 V68].

Congregational Yearbook, 1888.

This volume may contain many pages of dry statistics, however, it also lists active ministers and current residence; Seminary students, school, and home town; and "Vital Statistic" of ministers who died in the previous year.

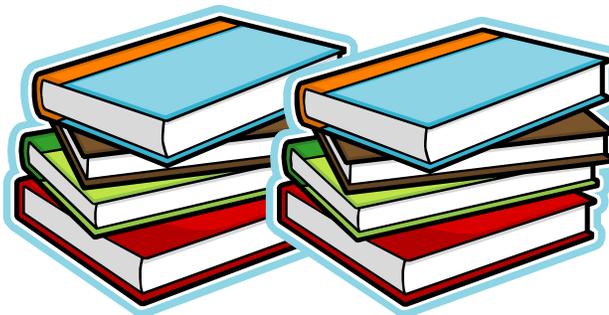
This last is not a simple list, but a long paragraph for each deceased minister giving birth date and place; parents names; schooling; list of all church assignments; spouse and children; death date and cause. [289.7 G492]

Amish and Amish Mennonite Genealogies:

About 850 pages of church members with birth, marriage, and death information, as well as details of spouse and children

Stop by and have a look the next time you visit the Forum.

Sandi Whiteman
Library Director



NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

- Boddie, John Bennett. *Fourth Census of the United States, 1820: Population Schedules, Virginia: Frederick, Hanover, Harrison, Mason. Shenandoah, Warwick and Wood Counties*. National Archives: Washington, D.C. 975.5 A000 Census
- Burgess, Louis A. *Virginia Soldiers of 1776, Volume 1*. Genealogical Publishing Company: Baltimore, Maryland (1973) 975.5 A000
- Virginia Soldiers of 1776, Volume 2*.
 —*Virginia Soldiers of 1776, Volume 3*.
- Weisiger, Benjamin B. III. *Albemarle County, Virginia Court Papers 1744-1783*. By the author: Richmond, Virginia (1987) 975.5 A329 Court
- Austin, J. William and Rebecca H.R. Austin. *Related Families of Botetourt County, Virginia*. Clearfield Company: Baltimore, Maryland (2000) 975.5 A129 Biography
- Hopkins, William Lindsay. *Caroline County Court Records and Marriages, 1787-1810*. By the author: Richmond, Virginia (1987) 975.5 C292 Court
- St. James Northham Parish Vestry Book, 1744-1850, Goodchland County, Virginia*. By the author: Richmond, Virginia (1987) 975.5 G645 Church
- Lee, Ida J. *Pioneer Settlers of Grayson County, Virginia*. Clearfield Company: Baltimore, Maryland (1994) 975.5 G7842 Biography
- Bodie, John Bennett. *Abstracts Lancaster County, Virginia Wills 1853-1800*. Clearfield Company: Baltimore, Maryland (1995) 975.5 L245 Court
- Births, Deaths and Sponsors, 1717-1778 From the Albemarle Parish Registry of Surry & Sussex Counties, Virginia*. Clearfield Company: Baltimore, Maryland (1989) 975.5 S962 Church
- Colonial Surry*. Genealogical Publishing: Baltimore, Maryland (1974) 975.5 S962 History
- Davis, Eliza Timberlake. *Surry County Records: Surry County, Virginia. 1652-1684*. Genealogical Publishing: Baltimore, Maryland (1980) 975.5 S962 Court
- Haga, Pauline. *Tazewell County, Virginia Marriage Book 3, 1854-1866*. Mountain Press: Signal Mountain, Tennessee (1991) 975.5 T248 Vital Records, Marriage
- Revill, Janie. *Some South Carolina Genealogical Records*. Southern Historical Press: Easley, South Carolina (1985) 975.6 A000 Court
- C.L. Hunter. *Sketches of Western North Carolina (Indexed Edition)*. Clearfield Company: Baltimore, Maryland (1990) 975.6 A000 History
- Hofmann, Margaret M. *North Carolina Abstracts of State Grants, Volume 1*. By the author: Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina (1998) 975.6 A000 Land
- Volume 2*, Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, 2003. 975.6 A000 Land
- Bennett, William Doub. *North Carolina State Archives: State Agency Finding Aids For Genealogists, Volume 2: Military Collection and Adjutant General's Papers*. By the author: Raleigh, North Carolina (1998) 975.6 A000 Military
- Kendall, Katharine Kerr. *Caswell County, North Carolina Deed Books: 1777-1817*. Southern Historical Press: Easley, North Carolina (1989) 975.6 C356 Land
- Caswell County, North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1778-1858*. Clearfield Company: Baltimore, Maryland (1999) 975.6 C356 Vital Records, Marriage
- Williams, Ruth Smith and Margaret Glenn Griffin. *Abstracts of Wills, Edgecombe, North Carolina, 1733-1856*. Southern Historical Press: Rocky Mountain, North Carolina (1980) 975.6 E352 Court

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- Warren, Mary B. *Register of Orange County, North Carolina Deeds, 1733-1856*. Heritage Press: Danielsville, Georgia (1984) 975.6 O63 Land
- Kendall, Katharine Kerr. *Person County, North Carolina Deed Books, 1792-1825*. Clearfield Company: Baltimore, Maryland (1993) 975.6 P467 Land
- ___ *Person County, North Carolina Compilations: Land Grants, 1794, 1805, 1823; Tax Lists, Record Books, Abstracts 1792-1820; Letters of Attorney*. Clearfield Company: Baltimore, Maryland (1978) 975.6 P467 Land
- ___ *Early Families of North Carolina Counties of Rockingham and Stokes With Revolutionary Service, Volume 2*, Southern Historical Press: Easley, South Carolina (1999) 975.6 R
- Absher, Mrs. W. O. *Stokes County North Carolina Wills, Volumes I-IV, 1790-1864*. Southern Historical Press: Easley, South Carolina (1985) 975.6 S874 Court
- ___ *Surry County, North Carolina Court Minutes, Volumes I & II, 1768-1789*. Southern Historical Press: Easley, South. Carolina (1985) 975.6 S962 Court
- ___ *Stokes County, North Carolina Deeds, Volumes I & II. 1787-1797*. Southern Historical Press: Easley, South Carolina (1985) 975.5 S874 Land
- ___ *Surry County, North Carolina Abstracts: Deed Books A, B, and C 1770-1788*. Southern Historical Press: Easley, South Carolina (1986) 975.6 S962 Land
- ___ *Surry County, North Carolina Deed Books D, E and F 1787*. Southern Historical Press: Easley, South Carolina (1986) 975.6 S962 Land
- Kellam, Lamuel Wallace. *Surry County Cemetery Survey Publication Number IV*. By the author; Mount Airy, North Carolina (1983) 975.6 S962 Cemetery
- ___ *Comprehensive Listing of Cemeteries In and Around Surry County, North Carolina Including All Border of Virginia Counties As Well*. By the author: MT. Airy, North Carolina (1986) 975.6 S962 Cemeteries
- ___ *Surry County Military 1869-1985*. by the author: Mt. Airy, North Carolina (1985) 975.6 S962 Military
- Wells, Agnes M, et al. *Abstracts of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Other Items of Interest From Mt. Airy Newspapers 1872-1895*. By the author: Mt. Airy, North Carolina (1987) 975.6 S962 Vital Records
- Wynne, Frances Holloway. *Abstracts of Records of Wills, Inventories, Settlements of Estates 1771-1802, Wake County, North Carolina*. By the author: Fairfax, Virginia (1985) 975.6 W146 Court
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A Reminder**

The *Left Coast Eisteddfod* will be held in Portland, Oregon on August 21 and 22, 2009 at the McMenamans Crystal Ballroom, 1332 W. Burnside. An Eisteddfod is a celebration of all things Welsh including an online talent competition. To view the various talent categories, such as poetry, short story, visual images, etc., or to purchase tickets, visit the event's web page at: <http://americymru.ning.com/Wpage/page/show?id=2111712%3APage%3A26602>. Just cut and paste this into your browser.

CONTACTS FOR INTEREST GROUPS— MASTER LIST

British Interest Group—Lyleth Winther lylaw1@verizon.net 4th Saturday (Sept, Jan, Mar, May) Next meeting Sept.

Canadian Group—Michele Fricke <michele_fricke@juno.com> Via e-mail

Computer Interest Group—Marty Krauter <mkrauter@pacifier.com> Third Monday -7 p.m. Next meeting September

DNA—Emily Aulicino <aulicino@hevanet.com> 2nd Tues of odd months (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sept, Nov) 1-2:30. Next meeting September

Illinois Group—Kristy Gravlin <hannah@teleport.com> and Harlene Patterson Harlene5@yahoo.com 2nd Sat 9:30am

Irish Group—Tom O'Brien <tom.obrien4@comcast.net> 3rd Sat (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sept, Nov) Group meets in GFO's Higgins Room, but sometimes at FHC—105th Ave & Ne Thompson

Round Table Discussion Group—Julie Kidd <rathernut@cs.com> 4th Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

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Writers' Forum Group—Peggy Baldwin <peggy.baldwin@family-passages.com> 2nd Sat every month, but. no meetings in June, July & August. Next meeting September.

WRITER MEETS COUSIN

When the story of my Notable Ancestor, Walter De Gray Birch, appeared in the October, 2008 issue of *The Insider*, little did I know of its far-ranging impact.

Apparently *The Insider's* contents are placed on the internet. So when Julia in London logged on in search of more information about her great grandfather, my article showed up. She contacted Janis at GFO, who then e-mailed me! Since then, we have discovered that my great grandfather, Samuel Birch, had three wives, not the two I'd known about. Julia is a descendant of the son of his first marriage. We've e-mailed back and forth, exchanging family information and plan to meet in London in 2010. What fun!

-Georgie Birch Thurber-

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You'll find news and announcements as they are sent to the editor often between issues of *The Insider*.

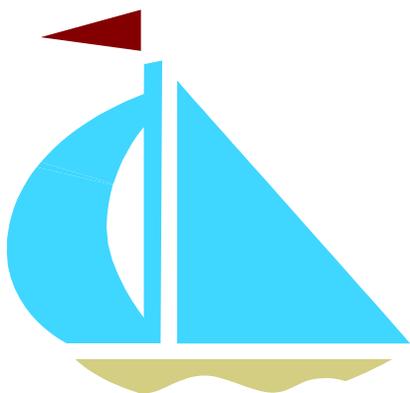
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GFO Calendar

July 2009	August 2009	September 2009
<p>4th Saturday: Library Closed Fourth of July</p> <p>6th Monday: Free to non-members</p> <p>14th Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p>19th Saturday: 9:30 TMG-SUG 1:00 p.m. Irish Group</p> <p>22nd Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. TMG-Forum</p> <p>27th Monday: 7 p.m. Roundtable Discussion</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOTICE</p> <p>The GFO really needs more Research Assistants to work a few hours a week at the library. If you can volunteer, whether experienced or in need of training, contact Shirley Wilkerson at Sswilkerson@comcast.net</p>	<p>3rd Monday: Library Free To Nonmembers</p> <p>11th Tuesday: 6:00 Board Meeting</p> <p>22nd Saturday: 10:00 a.m. Introduction to Genealogy</p> <p>24th Monday: 6:30 p.m. Round Table Discussion</p> <p>26th Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. TMG Forum</p>	<p>7th Monday –LABOR DAY-Library Closed</p> <p>8th Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. Board Meeting</p> <p>12th Saturday: 9:30 a.m. Illinois Interest Group 11:45 .m. Writers’ Forum 2:00 p.m. Monthly Program</p> <p>15th Tuesday: 1:00 –2:30 p.m. DNA Interest Group 6 p.m.-6:00 a.m. All-Nighter</p> <p>19th Saturday: 9:30 a.m. TMG SUG 1:00 p.m. Irish Interest Group</p> <p>21st Monday: 7:00 p.m. Computer Interest Group: “Googling Your Family Tree” Tips/Tricks</p> <p>23rd Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. TMG Forum</p> <p>26th Saturday: 1:00 p.m. British Interest Group</p> <p>28th Monday: 7:00 p.m. Round Table Discussion</p>