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9:30 A.M. - 6 P.M.

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Register online at GFO.org by June 26. The class notes and link to a short, pre-Boot Camp assignment will be emailed on Wed., Jun. 27.

JOIN US!

boot camp: 'bōōt , kəmp/ *noun*: A training camp for new recruits, with strict discipline.

"...a marathon that was time well-spent."

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SATURDAY, JULY 7
9:30 a.m. to noon
FRITZ JUENGLING, PhD, AG



HALF-DAY SEMINAR GERMAN GENEALOGY

MEYER'S GAZETTEER CHURCH & CIVIL RECORDS

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MEYER'S GAZETTEER

Now online, indexed and fully searchable! In this lecture, you will learn the history of the project, and be taken through the site using one town as a case study. You will also learn how other, less well known features can help the researcher with research.

GERMAN CHURCH & CIVIL RECORDS

Learn how to read the old records. This class will detail the strategies that the experts use when reading old records. With a few tricks, some work and perseverance, a person can unlock these old records.

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Dr. Juengling received his Bachelor's degrees in German Studies and Secondary Education at Western Oregon University, his Master's and Doctorate in Germanic Philology with minors in both English and Linguistics at the University of Minnesota. Germanic Philology is highly specialized, combining languages, linguistics, paleography and history. His graduate degrees required competence in English, German, Medieval Latin and two other modern languages. He chose Dutch and Norwegian. He also took courses in Old and Middle High German. He is an Accredited Genealogist® for Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Sweden through the International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists, and certified by the *Verband deutschsprachiger Berufsgenealogen*. Dr. Juengling is a Research Consultant at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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HALF-DAY SEMINAR with Fritz Juengling 9:30 to noon - July 7 - GFO Library	EARLY REGISTRATION By June 17, 2018		REGISTRATION After June 17, 2018		AMOUNT
	Member Price	Non-Member Price	Member Price	Non-Member Price	
Meyer's Gazetteer German Church & Civil Records	\$20	\$25	\$25	\$30	
Add paper copy of Syllabus	\$3	\$3	\$3	\$3	
Questions? Contact education@gfo.org or 503-963-1932.					TOTAL



The Forum Insider

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Annual Membership Meeting

Saturday, June 16, 2–2:30 p.m.

GenTalk: Family Photo Collection

2:30–3:30 p.m.

Celebrate the past year and look forward to the next. We will install the new officers, the members in attendance will approve the annual budget, and the recipient of the Hall of Fame award will be announced.

Then stay for another of Harold Hinds' excellent talks: The Family Photo Collection and Its Uses in Visualizing Your Personal Family History.

Most of us hope to illustrate our personal family histories with family photographs. But what should be collected? Which deserve to be preserved and identified for posterity? What types of photos might you find in typical family albums or shoe boxes? What guidelines might you apply in selecting items from your collection for inclusion in a family memoir? This lecture tackles these important questions.

Harold Hinds, Ph.D., was Distinguished Research Professor of History at the University of Minnesota-Morris, and is the author of several books, including *Crafting a Personal Family History: A Guide Plus A Case Study*, and *A Basic Guide to Genealogical and Family History Resources for Essex County, New York*.

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Portland 97202 (*How to find us*)

First, a Heartfelt Thank You

At the April GFO board meeting, Marti Dell (*Bulletin* editor) and Jay Fraser (layout editor) gave notice that as soon as the June *Bulletin* goes to print (around May 15th) the two of them will retire from their volunteer positions on the *Bulletin*.

On behalf of the board of directors and a grateful GFO membership, I know I speak for all when saying, "Thank you" to Marti and Jay for jobs well done over the last several years. You've both contributed so much to make the *Bulletin* more attractive and readable.

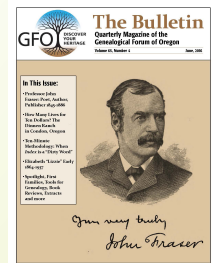
Next, a Call for Action

Do you love the *Bulletin*'s engaging and thoughtful articles, the book reviews, the Bible abstractions, the tech tips, and all the other features? Putting out a *Bulletin* every quarter is a big job, one that has fallen too often on a few individuals. This seems the perfect opportunity to move toward a larger team effort. If more people are willing to be involved, it won't be so much work for a few.

There are already a few who have been assisting with editing and others who have contributed to the layout. But both positions need a ring leader – someone who has a vision of the whole picture – to bring everything together.

Marti reports that there have been enough feature articles submitted to keep the *Bulletin* going for the next two to three issues. She has also indicated that there are several volunteers who understand the current processes and have offered assistance; however, as of this writing, it is not known who will take the key lead positions of managing editor and layout editor.

If you value GFO's quarterly publication, now is the time to step up and lend a hand. Send a message to bulletin@gfo.org to let us know how you can help. Descriptions of the positions can be found on page 8.



There's still time to **VOTE**

Ballots are due May 7th at 5 p.m. We're electing President, Secretary, one Director-at-Large, and an Endowment Committee member.



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Free Gen Talk

Third Saturday of most months at
2 p.m. with an interesting speaker.

Library Hours

Monday, Tuesday, and
Thursday.....9:30 a.m.–5 p.m.
Wednesday.....9:30 a.m.–8 p.m.
Friday and Saturday...9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Sunday.....12 noon–5 p.m.

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Submissions to the *Insider*: Send comments, corrections, news, short success stories, and announcements to Jackie Olson, editor, at insider@gfo.org or leave messages at the GFO desk, 503-963-1932. Provide submissions by the 7th of the month for inclusion in the following month's issue.

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EVENTS & CLASSES

Oregon Historical Society Workshop

Locating Families in the US Censuses

Saturday, May 19, 10 a.m.–12p.m.

Presented by Hannah Z. Allan
You've heard that census records are one of the greatest places to start your family history research; then why is it sometimes so hard to find what you're looking for? Learn how to master search engines, analyze data, and find the real value in census records: vital snapshots of family history.

Oregon Historical Society
1200 SW Park Ave
Portland, Oregon 97205

Grant County Genealogical Society Spring Genealogy Seminar

May 5, Registration begins 8:30 a.m. and the first class begins 9 a.m.

Topics for this seminar are genealogical pits and how to avoid them; immigration details; how to discover more information in death records; and how to bring your ancestor's story to life.

Pam Vestal from West Linn will present the four classes of the seminar. Vestal is a professional genealogist and speaker and the owner of Generations Genealogy, LLC, and she has published articles in the *Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly*.

Participants will learn how to trace ancestors from place to place; details death records can offer; how to use context to tell a story beyond names, dates and places; and how to avoid pitfalls that cause errors.

Seminar is held at the John Day Fire Hall with a no-host lunch at the Outpost Restaurant, John Day, Oregon. Early registration costs \$35, registration at the door is \$40. For more information or to register, call 541-932-4718 or 541-575-1431.

Save the Date!

November 3–4, 2018: GFO's Fall Seminar with Cyndi Ingle of Cyndi's List.

<https://www.cyndislist.com/us/>



Membership Dues Change

In July, the annual rates for member dues will increase by \$1 for individuals and \$2 for joint memberships. So, May and June are a good time to make your renewal and save a buck. That's 0.87 Euros, 20 Argentinian pesos, 1.78 Dutch guilders, 20.40 Czech koruny, 107.27 Japanese yen, or maybe a cup of coffee. A smart deal in any language.

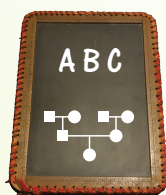
(Values as of April 16, <https://www.xe.com/currencyconverter/>)



Ein Schreiber am Pult, 19th c., Unknown



New to genealogy, or just need a refresher and maybe some inspiration? Check out the Beginner's Boot Camp – and tell a friend!



Beginners' Boot Camp

Saturday, June 30, 9:30 a.m.–6 p.m.

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Here's what attendees are saying: "Boot Camp was rocking, wow do I regret not having it before I started my work . . . such a good teacher . . . a marathon that was time well-spent . . . informative and motivational . . . with humor and positive energy . . . more than exceeded my expectations"

Member or not, please let us know if you plan to attend and [REGISTER ONLINE](#). A link to the class notes will be emailed on Wednesday, June 27.

For more information, contact Laurel Smith at info@gfo.org or 503-963-1932

Genealogical Problem Solvers ~ Adoption

Saturday, May 19, 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Until the mid-1900s, adoption in the United States, was informal and documentation can be very difficult to locate. More recently, states began to pass legislation formalizing the adoption process, but whether the records are sealed and require a court order to release depends on the laws of that state. The May 19th research challenge is to unravel a fascinating case to identify the birth mother of an adopted GFO member.

GPS is a monthly support group where we help each other find information about a family line. We will learn to do a reasonably exhaustive search and develop research plans. The focus will shift depending on the needs of the group. Several experienced researchers have volunteered to help. Beginners and intermediate researchers are encouraged to submit problems to work on. For more information contact Katie Daly at GPS@gfo.org.



New Special Interest Group!



Family Tree Maker Lab Session

Sunday, May 20, 1–3 p.m.

At this lab session for users of Family Tree Maker, join other users who want to work hands-on through the *2017 Companion Guide to Family Tree Maker*. Bring your laptop with 2017 version of FTM installed and an empty USB thumb drive.

We'll organize future sessions and work through Chapter 3 in the guide. A practice tree will be used so as not to damage your personal tree. This group will meet monthly (eight sessions per year) in alternation with the Beginners' FTM group (see SIG calendar on page 9.)

Facilitated by Joyce Grant-Worley. (FTM@gfo.org)

The Civil War (with its Effects) Comes to Southern Oregon

Wednesday, May 2, 12–1 p.m.

Medford Library, 205 S. Central Ave., Medford, OR
Also in Ashland Library the following Wednesday

After his only term in Congress ended in 1849, Abraham Lincoln looked to incoming President Zachary Taylor for a position in government—and was offered the governorship of the Oregon Territory. Though his wife vetoed that move, Lincoln kept Oregon on his mind and had a strong influence on our development in the years leading up to and during the Civil War. This presentation will illustrate Oregon's role, and explore the ways that Southern Oregon and its people and places played a part in that national conflict.

Paul Christy is a Medford resident and a retired executive with the federal government. He has volunteered with the Smithsonian Institution and the National Building Museum, where he led visitors on tours through Civil War and American Presidential collections. He has a Master's Degree in Economics and is currently completing a historical novel on Civil War clandestine operations.

Cost: free; Contact: Archivist 541-773-6536 ext. 201 or archivist@sohs.org



Mexican Genealogy Website

<https://mexicangenealogy.info/about>

This is one of the better resources for Mexican Genealogy research. Why? Because it is frequently updated! This website is administered by Moises Garza. If you click on the “blog” it has great articles on various aspects of research, such as how to read those Spanish documents from the 16th–19th centuries which can be quite a road block. On the right side in the blog section are articles listed in categories: archives, books, how-to’s, resources, etc., all related to Mexican genealogy. Enjoy!

Vince Ramirez

And don’t forget GFO’s Mexican Ancestry Group meetings, on the second Friday of each month from 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.



JustAJoy.com Available at the GFO Library



What is JustAJoy? A listing site for heirlooms, antiques, and artifacts that have a surname associated with the object. The site provides a selling and buying service for members.

What kind of items? Think of Ebay without the auction format: family Bibles, photos, documents, cards and letters, and so on. Items are tagged with the surnames that are associated with the object. One advantage of this search capability is to weed out items where the surname is also a general term: Strong, White, Baker, etc. You know what you’d get in another site if you searched using those names!

Without a membership, you can search, but won’t be able to see descriptions or buy the item. (Or sell either.) The GFO’s membership allows you to both search and purchase. This service is on one of the Library’s computers, ask the RA to point you to it.

GFO also hopes to use this site to re-home items we have received as donations. justajoy.com

Harvard To Digitize Cuba Library Collections

From their release: Over the next two years, Harvard aims to digitize monographs produced in Cuba before 1923 and make them freely accessible.

The José Augusto Escoto Cuban History and Literature collection, ca. 1574–1920, comprises autograph manuscripts, correspondence, historical documents, printed items, and other materials relating to Cuban history and culture. It includes 63 boxes of clippings, drawings, lithographs, portraits, sketches, individual issues of journals and newspapers, decrees, orders, obituaries, pamphlets, and leaflets, among others. Some of the subjects covered in the materials are censorship, religion, commerce and industry, conspiracy and independence, laws and legislation, military, piracy, political parties and elections, printing and publishing, public finance and taxation, schools and education, slavery and slave trade, statistics, and theater.

<https://news.harvard.edu/gazette/story/newsplus/harvard-to-digitize-cuba-library-collections/>

Collection of Cuban Genealogy

The “Cuban equivalent” of Ancestry.com contains the digitized contents of the Enrique Hurtado de Mendoza Collections at Florida International University Special Collections and University Archives which includes thousands of books, handwritten and typed letters, photos, and other primary documents relating to Cuba and Cuban genealogy, collected over four decades. (From their site.)

<https://news.fiu.edu/2015/06/cuban-equivalent-of-ancestry-com-a-boon-to-family-historians/88594>

Search: <http://dloc.com/iFiuHurtado>

The Historians Versus the Genealogists

Opinion piece by John Sedgwick, historian, on the differences and value of each perspective.

“Obviously, history can’t depend on genealogy. But history shouldn’t scorn it, either. History can make use of the genealogical perspective and its transporting empathic power.” [Emphasis editor.]

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/12/opinion/sunday/historians-versus-genealogists.html>



Newspaper Search Tip

Nanci Remington

Newspaper research can solve many a genealogical puzzle, especially when records are scarce or non-existent. The growing number of online papers makes it easier to search for family events. One common search strategy is to limit the date range to a specific period. This helps determine if a paper was printed in the area at that time, if the database you are searching has that paper, and allows you to browse entire issues to find information that may have been missed by an optical character recognition (OCR) search. However, there are times when limiting those dates may cause you to miss the item you seek.

Many newspapers, especially smaller, community ones, offer retrospectives – columns or issues that look back to earlier times. Sometimes these are simply reprints from earlier issues or out-of-print papers. Sometimes a reporter interviews “old-timers” or pulls information from local history societies. Here are three examples pulled from my own research.

Fortman Immigration

Ancestry.com has issues of the *Lima News* (Allen County, Ohio) that is searchable. The issues are actually part of three separate databases spanning different time periods, but that is another lesson. While searching for a death notice in the 1930s, I came across an entry in the 23 April 1933 issue for Anton Fortman, titled Native of Germany. The article gave a place of origin, an immigration date of 1836, and details of Anton’s travels. Though not all have been verified, this article, written 59 years after his death, offered many clues to research.

Carter Family in West Virginia

My husband’s Carter ancestors moved from Appomattox County, Virginia, to Fayette County, Virginia (now West Virginia), shortly before the Civil War. Two brothers, Samuel and William, bought and cleared the land, raised their families, and died near the Carter Branch of Loup Creek. Many details of

their lives and that of their descendants are related in a series of articles written by Shirley Donnelly that appeared in the *Beckley Post-Herald* during the 1970s. This paper is also available on Ancestry.com. Mr. Donnelly wrote a column called “Yesterday and Today” that offered reminiscences collected from residents as well as first-person accounts of his visits to old cemeteries. A few of the details included who the brothers purchased their land from, their occupations, their participation in the Civil War, and even a description of the house one of the brothers built after the war. These are stories that bring a family to life.

Marriage Date

While researching the families associated with a Bible record from the GFO collection, I accidentally found a marriage date in a local newspaper. The research was focused on Lawrence B. Jennings, age 18, found on the 1900 census living with his mother, Sarah, a widow, in Coos County, Oregon. Curious about his father, I looked for the family in the 1880 census. Both Sarah (nee Fetter) and her soon-to-be husband, Edward T. Jennings, were single. I thought there might be a newspaper article about Edward’s death. That was not to be found, but I found a surprising entry in the 19 December 1913 issue of *The Coos Bay Times* (found on the site Historic Oregon Newspapers: <https://oregonnews.uoregon.edu/>). In a column titled “Some Pioneer News,” editors had pulled tidbits from the 8 December 1880 issue, including the following:

Married at the residence of L. B. Fetter, on Sandy, Middle Fork Coquille, Coos county [sic], Oregon, on Saturday, November 20, 1880, by E. Bender, J. P., Edward T. Jennings to Sarah Maude Fetter.

A little piece of the puzzle solved.

In summary, though it is important to focus search parameters when using newspaper databases, it may be helpful to occasionally step back and broaden your search. Get to know the local papers and find out if they were likely to publish historical news. Many do.

NATIVE OF GERMANY

Anton Fortman, native of Hanover, Germany, was among the first settlers in Ft. Jennings. He came from Germany in 1836 on a sailing vessel and, owing to winds blowing the vessel off its course, it landed at New Orleans instead of New York as he intended. From there he sailed to Cairo, Ill. He also continued to the Ohio river and by canal boat to Dayton.

From there his party walked to Spencerville, carrying an infant daughter. Here they found the bank of the Auglaize river and tramped along its course to Ft. Jennings. They stopped overnight at Scott’s Crossing and there they were cared for by William Scott, who, at that time, had lived there several years.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Membership Volunteer Needed

The Membership Committee is recruiting volunteers to assist with processing membership applications on weekly basis. The time commitment is generally 3–4 hours a week but may be longer depending on number of memberships received. Volunteers should be computer savvy and able to enter data accurately. Training is provided. After training is completed, and trainees are comfortable working by themselves, they will be scheduled one or two times a month, alternating weeks with the chair. For further information, please send an email to membership@gfo.org or call the Library at 503-963-1932 to leave message for Jane McGarvin, Membership Chair.

Library Team ~ Labeling and Cataloging

#GivingTuesday was a massive effort to get the library caught up on book labeling – and we did! Unfortunately, in recent months, the library team has fallen behind again. The library needs more team members who can print labels and others to put the labels on the books. We also need more catalogers to help with recataloging the existing collection and with cataloging the many fabulous, newly-donated books from the estate of Julie Ann Kidd. Training is provided. All the jobs are easy but need people with good attention to detail and basic computer skills. The team will be ramping up for more labeling work parties on Sundays in May. Contact library@gfo.org.



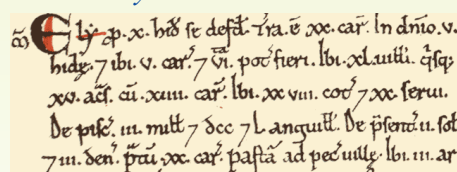
The Domesday Book

Let's say you've been incredibly successful in your English ancestor research and managed to trace back to medieval times. There is a research document that may be of interest: the Domesday book. King William (the Conqueror) in 1085 commissioned an inventory of his new kingdom. While it's not the equivalent of a modern census, the listings of village inhabitants, the land owners, land, animals, buildings, and other resources is a fascinating view into a distant time. The original documents are held in The National Archives at Kew. You have to be impressed with an official record of this size surviving nearly 1,000 years!

There are two online sources, one is free and has original images you can download. It also maps out the known or estimated location of the sites on a modern map base. One thing becomes clear: how a place name may be associated with one or many places on the map. Often the town location in 1086 is not the current one. <http://opendomesday.org/>.

The second, the official national site for the book, has comprehensive explanations of the history of the survey, the contents and their meaning (including why it doesn't work as a census.) You can search by name, but won't see any images. The site does describe the area and its current condition.

<http://www.domesdaybook.co.uk/index.html>



Domesday: Cambridgeshire, Page 7. Image Credit: Professor J.J.N. Palmer and George Slater

Clatsop County Historical Society's Archives Online

Did you know about the Clatsop County Historical Society's online resources? Their website has lists that might be of interest to anyone researching in Clatsop County.

One list in particular is of the members of the Oregon Pioneer Society that started in 1870 and includes not only Clatsop County people but many people from other places in Oregon.

Check out their website at:

<http://suzn14.wixsite.com/cumtux>



National Archives Passenger Manifests

Many genealogists know that locating passenger manifests for immigrants in the 19th century can be quite challenging. If you have been searching for a Russian, Irish, German, or Italian immigrant ancestor, you may want to check the National Archives website's "Access to Archival Databases" page for passenger lists at <https://aad.archives.gov/aad/series-list.jsp?cat=GP44>.

Here you will find four sets of records that might prove helpful in your research:

- "Data Files Relating to the Immigration of Russians to the United States, created, ca. 1977–2002, documenting the period 1834–1897"
- "Records for Passengers Who Arrived at the Port of New York During the Irish Famine, created, 1977–1989, documenting the period 1/12/1846–12/31/1851"
- "Data Files Relating to the Immigration of Germans to the United States, created, ca. 1977–2002, documenting the period 1850–1897"
- "Data Files Relating to the Immigration of Italians to the United States, created, ca. 1977–2002, documenting the period 1855–1900"

Be sure to read the FAQ, which is a PDF file that will download to your computer.

Encyclopedia of Camps and Ghettos 1933–1945

I just wanted to let everyone know that the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum has made the first two volumes of their Encyclopedia of Camps and Ghettos 1933–1945 freely available on its website at <https://www.ushmm.org/research/publications/encyclopedia-camps-ghettos/volumes-i-and-ii-available-online>.

Volume I includes the major concentration camps, their sub-camps, SS construction brigades, and early camps set up by the police, SA and SS shortly after the Nazis seized power. Volume II includes ghettos in German-occupied territories. Each volume matches the physical format of the book, and each consists of two PDF files. The place name index is in the back of the second part of each volume. Each signed article includes citations and bibliographies for further research. Overview articles provide additional infor-

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report for the period ending
March 31, 2018. *Richard Crockett*

March income	\$12,636.63
Annual Appeal donations	200.00
General Fund donations	5,499.75
Dividends	243.26
Memberships	2147.00
Spring Seminar	1960.00
German half day seminar	20.00
Civil War workshop	165.00
Library income	258.20
Research	195.00
Surplus books sales	312.50
AbeBooks	633.45
Expenses	\$6,435.38
Administration	334.00
Facilities	3,913.04
Speaker fees	225.00
Facility deposit	500.00
Library	765.73
Copier lease	549.00
Supplies	25.00
Book sales	123.61
Net income for the month	\$6,201.25
Year to date net gain	\$15,727.34
Checking account balance (3/31)	\$49,290.33

mation, and are worth reading.

Future volumes will be made available online after the print volume has been available for a few years. Volume III – camps and ghettos in countries allied with the Nazis – is scheduled to be released in print this year.

Volume II will be helpful to any patrons researching their Jewish ancestors and Volume I will be helpful for the families of American soldiers who helped liberate the camps.

It is also just a very good general reference source. Megan Lewis, reference librarian, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum





Position Descriptions for *The Bulletin*

The journal is usually 52 pages, and is produced four times a year. All positions are filled by volunteers. To view the content and layout, you can access past issues at: <http://gfo.org/learn/our-publications/gfo-bulletin.html>

Managing Editor

The Managing Editor does as the name suggests – manages the work of the many people who assist with getting an issue of the *Bulletin* to print.

The Managing Editor may delegate any or all the tasks listed below to others. The *Bulletin* team currently includes line or copy editors, proofreaders, layout editors, a book review coordinator, GFO's printing and distribution departments, and the e-news editor (for distribution of the electronic version). Other positions could be added to fulfill any of the needs below, such as a research person or someone responsible for vetting images.

Responsibilities include:

- Correspond with the authors from article submission to printing (or rejection);
- Correspond with editors, proofreaders, layout people, and others as needed;
- Recruit people to write columns (and sometimes articles if needed);
- Keep track of the status of all articles, columns, book reviews, obits, etc.;
- Find images for articles if necessary;
- Verify that all images submitted are available under appropriate copyright law and make sure attribution is correct;
- Review articles for veracity as needed;
- Call Bulletin Editorial Group meetings as needed and chair the meetings;
- Participate in meetings and decisions regarding GFO's style guide;
- Write the Letter from the Editor;
- Attend board meetings;
- Prepare monthly board reports;
- Gather content for the calendar for back page of each issue;
- Verify workshop and seminar flyers (with the Education Department) to be used in each issue.

Again, many of these things can be assigned to others or shared with co-editors.

Layout Editor

The Layout Editor is responsible for graphic composition, layout, and assembly of *The Bulletin*, currently being laid out using Adobe InDesign®. Responsibilities include styling of text received from the Managing Editor, editing of photos or graphics, page layout, design of “filler” ads, and whatever else is needed to create the finished product.

The Layout Editor receives edited stories – in the form of MS Word documents – from the Managing Editor that need to be styled and laid out. Photos or graphics are often provided with the stories; these should be placed in appropriate locations within the story. Captions for the photos are usually provided. Often the photos need editing: adjusting brightness and contrast, cleaning up blemishes, etc. Occasionally stories show up without photos or graphics, and this is an opportunity for the Layout Editor to be creative. Currently, there are several volunteers who help with layout of the individual articles.

After the first layout, the stories are returned to the Managing Editor, who re-checks the content for errors. The Layout Editor makes all corrections, and – if there are enough corrections – re-routes the story again. Once final approval has been given, the journal is assembled using the “book” process in InDesign.

In addition to the stories, there are ads for upcoming events (usually provided), “filler” ads (designed by Layout Editor to be placed in white spaces at end of stories), monthly calendar, biographical extracts, table of contents, and front cover.

After assembly and a final review by the Managing Editor, two PDF versions of the journal are produced: one black-and-white version is sent for in-house printing, and a color version is produced for online viewing. The online version must be checked that hyperlinks are correct.





Special Interest Group Meetings

French Canada Group

The French Canada SIG held its first meeting on March 18 with ten in attendance! We shared some family names in our trees and, lo and behold, I discovered I am a distant cousin of two members (and maybe more as we learn more.) At the April meeting we discussed the Filles du Roi (Daughters of the King), the courageous young women commissioned by the king of France from 1663–1673 to travel from France to New France (Quebec) to provide spouses for the many male settlers and soldiers there. In many ways they are the mothers of French Canada. Our next meeting is Sunday, May 20, 3:30–5:00 p.m.

Bob LaMarche

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Special Interest Groups <http://gfo.org/learn/special-interest-groups>

Scheduled dates may change. Always check the GFO Calendar for meeting date and time.

African-American

4th Saturdays, 12:30–2:30 p.m.;

Julie Ramos

ameliawest11@gmail.com

British

4th Saturdays in Jan., Mar., May, Sept.,

1–3 p.m.; Duane Funk

duanefunk@comcast.net

DNA – Beginners

3rd or 4th Saturday in Feb., May, Aug., & Nov., 9 a.m.–noon; Emily Aulicino,

DNA_EA@gfo.org

DNA – Advanced

4th Saturday in Jan., Apr., July, and Oct., 9 a.m.–noon; Emily Aulicino

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DNA – Q & A

1st and 3rd Wednesdays monthly,

1–3 p.m.; Lisa McCullough

Family Tree Maker

Quarterly, please check calendar for days, 1–3 p.m.; Laurel Smith

FTM@gfo.org

Family Tree Maker: Lab Session

3rd Sundays, 1–3 p.m., Feb., Mar.,

May, June, Aug., Sept., Nov., Dec.;

alternates with Beginners FTM group.

Joyce Grant-Worley FTM@gfo.org

French Canada

3rd Sundays, 3:30–5 p.m.;

Bob LaMarche FrCan@gfo.org

Genealogy Problem Solvers

3rd Saturdays monthly, 9:30–11:30

a.m.; Katy Daly GPS@gfo.org

German

1st Saturdays monthly, 1–3 p.m.;

Mike Fernandez and Tia Cobb

German@gfo.org

Great Lakes Region

2nd Saturdays monthly (except Jul./

Aug./Dec.), 9:30–11:30 a.m.; Lynn

Rossing GreatLakes@gfo.org

Irish

3rd Wednesdays even months

(Feb./Apr./June/Aug./Oct.), 6–8 p.m.;

Kate Eakman irish@gfo.org, and Tom O'Brien

Italian

Quarterly, please check calendar for times; Keith Pyeatt

k_pyeatt@yahoo.com

Learn & Chat

1st and 3rd Wednesdays monthly,

10 a.m.–12 p.m.; Jeanne Quan

jeannequan3@gmail.com

Mexican Ancestry

2nd Fridays monthly, 11:30 a.m.–

1:30 p.m.; Vincent Ramirez

sw@gfo.org

Virginia

1st Saturdays monthly, Sept.–June,

10 a.m.–noon; Judi Scott

judiscot@gmail.com and

Carol Surrency lcsurr@gmail.com

Writers' Forum

2nd Saturdays monthly, Sept.–May,

1–3 p.m.; Peggy Baldwin

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GFO Calendar		Library Work Parties ~ every month, all welcome	
http://gfo.org/calendar.htm		Sundays 9 a–12 p: Map project on 2nd Sunday, other projects on remaining Sundays	
~~~~~ <b>May</b> ~~~~~		Wed 5/30	Open until 8 p.m.
Wed 5/2	Open until 8 p.m.		~~~~~ <b>June</b> ~~~~~
10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Learn & Chat	Sat 6/2	10 a.m.–12 p.m. Virginia Group
1–3 p.m.	DNA Q&A	1–3 p.m.	German Group
Sat 5/5	Virginia Group	Sun 6/3	9 a.m.–12 p.m. Library Work Party—Manuscripts
10 a.m.–12 p.m.	German Group	Mon 6/4	Free to Non-members
1–3 p.m.	Library Work Party—Manuscripts	Wed 6/6	Open until 8 p.m.
Sun 5/6	9 a.m.–12 p.m.		10 a.m.–12 p.m. Learn & Chat
Mon 5/7	Free to Non-members		1–3 p.m. DNA Q&A
Tue 5/8	6:10–8:10 p.m. Board Meeting	Fri 6/8	11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Mexican Ancestry Group
Wed 5/9	Open until 8 p.m.	Sat 6/9	9:30–11:30 a.m. Great Lakes Region Group
Fri 5/11	11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Mexican Ancestry Group	Sun 6/10	9 a.m.–12 p.m. Library work party—Maps
Sat 5/12	9:30–11:30 a.m. Great Lakes Region Group	Tue 6/12	6:10–8:10 p.m. Board Meeting
1–3 p.m.	Writers' Forum	Wed 6/13	Open until 8 p.m.
Sun 5/13	9 a.m.–12 p.m. Library work party—Maps	Sat 6/16	9:30–11:30 a.m. Genealogy Problem Solvers
Wed 5/16	Open until 8 p.m.		12–2 p.m. Italian Interest Group
10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Learn & Chat		2–2:30 p.m. Annual Meeting
1–3 p.m.	DNA Q&A	Sun 6/17	2:30–3:30 p.m. GenTalk—Family Photos
Sat 5/19	9:30–11:30 a.m. Genealogy Problem Solvers	9 a.m.–12 p.m. Library work party	Family Tree Maker Users' Group
12–2 p.m.	Italian Interest Group	1–3 p.m.	French Canada Group
2–3 p.m.	GenTalk—My Cuban Cousins	Wed 6/20	Open until 8 p.m.
Sun 5/20	9 a.m.–12 p.m. Library work party		10 a.m.–12 p.m. Learn & Chat
1–3 p.m.	Family Tree Maker Users Group		1–3 p.m. DNA Q&A
3:30–5 p.m.	French Canada Group		6–8 p.m. Irish Group
Wed 5/23	Open until 8 p.m.	Sat 6/23	12:30–2:30 p.m. African American Ancestry Group
<b>Sat 5/26</b>	<b>12:45 LIBRARY CLOSED FOR CLASSES ONLY</b>	Sun 6/24	9 a.m.–12 p.m. Library work party
9 a.m.–12 p.m.	DNA Beginners	Wed 6/27	Open until 8 p.m.
12:30–2:30 p.m.	African American Anc. Group	Sat 6/30	9:30 a.m.–6 p.m. Beginners' Boot Camp
1–3 p.m.	British Group		
Sun 5/27	9 a.m.–12 p.m. Library work party		
<b>Mon 5/28</b>	<b>LIBRARY CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY</b>		