



British Isles Family History Society-U.S.A.

Newsletter

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Editor: Jim McNamara

GENERAL MEETINGS:

This Month – Sunday, 27 July 2003, 1:00-3:00 PM
Bringing Your Research to Life
Beth Uyehara

IRISH STUDY GROUP, 3:30 PM - 6:00 PM
Topic: TBD, led by Nancy Bier

Next Month – Sunday, 24 August 2003, 1:00-3:00 PM
Dead Men Tell No Tales
Tom Underhill

Open Research Day

Notice:

All classes and monthly meetings are free. There is plenty of free parking. Everyone is welcome. You are welcome to do your own research at any time. Unless otherwise stated, all events are held at:

Los Angeles Family History Center (310) 474-9990
10741 Santa Monica Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90025

Please contact a board member if you have any other questions.

Visit BIFHS-USA Website at: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~bifhsusa>

Editor's Note:

I have done a few columns on (Celtic-Irish-Scottish) fairs, games, and music festivals. Even though this one is about another Irish fair, I need to say, this should have a different theme. I do like to get out, enjoy life and meet people. And with this June gloom, it is perfect weather for us fair skinned types, very comfortable, and with a good hat and long sleeves, and lots of shade, there are no sunburns. This is the time of the year to enjoy life, it can't all be about the library. Last weekend (June 14-15), I had the pleasure of attending a long running Irish fair in Encino at Woodley Park. It was so Irish, that even the Scottish pipers were playing Irish music, with apologies in advance no less, for missing so many of the notes. It seems that 'Danny Boy' needs two full octaves, and Scottish pipes only play nine notes. So forgiveness in advance, and only a half a stanza necessary before 'Danny Boy' is finally recognizable, and its amazing.

And something I've never seen before at any fair. A very complete collection of B & W historical images of Ireland, covering all the bases, sports, politics, landscapes, homes, people, famous and otherwise. A lone picture of a custom made bicycle powered by many men (more than six), each having a pinched look on their faces, as if they had pedaled the length and breadth of Ireland. Of course the obligatory pictures of Irish patriots, including Michael Collins. I talked a while with Kim Feely who brought these photographs all the way from Scottsdale Arizona. Kim and her husband Brendan have a very nice web site where their entire catalog can be seen www.imagesofireland.com. Some of these B & W photos were hand colored, very well done. The collection is also separated by County, but only two Co. Clare photos were found, maybe because that county is more popular in their circles.

I was somewhat disappointed that no bookstores were present. But, there were books, at the least likely of spots. Most were very simple ones, tourist type things, how to learn to play tin whistle, how to cook Irish food, how to speak Irish, Irish blessings, books of all sorts. And some of the various organizations have books, usually not for sale, mostly to entice people toward their organization, *Surnames of Ireland*, *Surnames of Scotland*, historic books, and the one I picked up was quite a bargain. It was being offered by the Irish Fair Foundation, written by Patrick J. Dowling, titled *Irish Californians, Historic, Benevolent, Romantic*. The cover price was \$28.00, but it was offered as a fund-raiser for only \$12.00. I will probably skim it and donate it to the library as my Irish came to California in 1947 and weren't very famous or even infamous.

I did see Kris Colt with her band. It was a smaller venue, volume levels were well under 80 decibels. Early in the second set she brought a friend up to let her share the stage, and later, another friend who played the harp, a rich sounding harp. She closed with a killer rendition of *She Moved Through The Faire*. Her father takes care of the equipment, setup, sound levels, he readily admits to being her 'Roadie'. He even did the artwork to promote the CD and one panel is used on the CD back, a painting of a young woman, out on a ledge, amongst the clouds, a mystical scene. I wonder if that is how he sees his daughter, quite a devoted father. This is her debut album *The Voyage*, and it is already number-one in its category. You can check out her website at www.kriscolt.com and see her CD and others featured at www.darerecords.com. They are talking about doing her first extensive road trip.

One thing about these folks putting their energies into marketing at the fairs, or entertaining, or cooking, they are all so approachable. They love to talk about almost anything. Not all booths were Celtic, one I liked was the knife-cut artwork of a Chinese woman. She had so many dragons, and as I am born in the year of the horse, I had to ask. Not her most popular work, but after ten minutes of rummaging, I am presented with a dozen horses to choose from, and how can I refuse, especially at \$7 dollars each or 3 for \$15.

There are musical instruments to buy, didjaredoos, drums, whistles, even a real animal skull you bang on to make the loose teeth rattle like beads. I see a drum off, it is obviously the result of a few too many beers, and there is a bet of sorts. The young woman destroys her challenger, and he finds out she drums with an African group three times a week. So much at these fairs, so many interesting people, how can you pass it up? Take a research break, enjoy it while you can. Best regards to all.

Jim McNamara

Any and all comments, information, URLs, event notices, are welcome.
Please send to: JPMTCC@aol.com

President's Message:

I hope you all will have a safe 4th of July. This year I think the holiday means more to me than ever. My father is a veteran of Pearl Harbor, and we go to the conventions and special services for Memorial Day. They are more special than ever as we reflect on what is happening with our Armed Services now.

Thank you to Ilene Miller and Glen Knoblock for their inspiration to get our genealogies in order. I'll be working right along with everyone else to get mine together so some day I can bring it in for the Family History Workshop table.

When you get your newsletter I will be with a group in Salt Lake City. Next year we hope to have our regular three-day seminar here in Southern California. The Board voted to make every other year's seminar a trip to Salt Lake with special arrangements for classes and research. So start making your plans to go in 2005.

After much soul-searching (and banging my head against the wall), I have decided to run again for president.

Nancy Ellen Carlberg, President, BIFHS-USA, n_carlberg@hotmail.com, (714) 772-2849

MEET THE BOARD:

In our last board meeting a motion was made and carried to open an ongoing article in each newsletter featuring some of board members. The editor thanks Joan Semper and Bruce Hamilton for participating in this first run feature, and apologizes for not including all entries, these will be printed in future newsletters.

Bruce Hamilton writes: "I'm about 1/4 German, 1/8 French-Canadian, 1/16 Scottish, and the rest heavily Dutch with some English. Both sides of my family lived many generations in Rockland Co. NY. My Germans (Bies and Schrott) came to Brooklyn NY in the 1850s from places TBD, probably Baden, Bavaria, and Prussia. My French-Canadian (Fortier) came to Manhattan in the 1880s from Prescott, Ontario, where they arrived from Quebec in the 1830s. I have not yet been able to trace that line (Fortier / Dufont / LaRose / Frasier) back to Quebec. My Scots (Hamilton and Gilchrist) arrived in New York on November 25, 1833, on the ship Francis, out of Greenock (port of Glasgow). They lived for many generations in and around Carluke, Lanarkshire. My many Dutch lines go back to the 1600s in NY and NJ. Major lines include Doremus, Forshee, Shuart, Banta, DeBaun, and Van Valkenburgh. My English Dunham line goes back to Plymouth Colony, and probably includes a Mayflower immigrant Peter Brown (but I need more proof)."

Joan Semper writes: "I was born in 1930 at San Diego, California, the only child of a father who was an only child, and a mother who was 'left on a doorstep'. At the age of three went to live with grandparents in a little town in Eastern Arkansas. It was a wonderful place to grow up in: lots of trees to climb, barnyard animals, catching fireflies, playing 'Kick the Can' and 'Capture the Flag' with neighbor kids. There were western movies every Saturday afternoon, the old swimming hole, fresh-baked bread with churned butter and homemade blackberry jam. I loved to listen in on grandma with her friends at their 'quilting bees'. At the age of 13 returned to California, attended Santa Monica High School, Santa Monica City College, and UCLA. I was married at 21, had 3 children, 1 daughter and 2 sons, and bought a house in Malibu, a great place to raise kids! Divorced in 1964, and then moved to Marina del Rey. I was employed 37 years as Manager of the Del Rey Yacht Club, a wonderful place to work. Travel included Hawaii, Alaska, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan, Fiji Islands, Australia, France, Italy, England, Ireland, Scotland, Caribbean Islands, Canada, British Columbia, Niagra Falls, Toronto, Mexico City, Puerto Vallarta, Cancun, Iztapa, Zihuatenejo, most of the National Parks and all but three of the United States (hope to do those this year). I retired last year and have been involved in genealogy for about 15 years. I have been a member of BIFHS for 6 years. Great-grandpa always said we were 'mongrels': English/Irish/ Scottish with maybe a little German thrown in. I have traced my ancestors back to 1720's when they arrived in Philadelphia from Northern Ireland, and am searching surnames: Hutchi(n)son, Moorhead, Barr, Larimer, Wick, primarily in PA. My most successful genealogy trips were in Pennsylvania, the research trips to Ireland, Scotland, and Utah with Nancy Bier & Nancy Carlberg."

Family History Table

A presentation of the Family History Table will be provided at all monthly meetings unless otherwise notified.

This table will define information about the family history of one of our members who has compiled records and pictures concerning their family. The presenter may be available for any additional information that might be requested.

The presentation will be available for viewing before the main speaker, (approx. 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM), and later after the main speaker and during the afternoon break for refreshments, (approx. 2:30 PM to 3:00 PM), and will end prior to the Study Group presentation.

Members who have provided a Family History Table presentation may wish to assist others in organizing their family history in preparation for a future Family History Table Presentation.

Please contact Glen E. Knoblock (Society Program Chairman) to schedule your Family History Table presentation.

Family History Library, SLC, UT Announcement

Thanks to Nancy Bier for forwarding the following announcement which became official 9 June 2003.

"The hours for Family History Library in Salt Lake City had been changed effective JULY FIRST.

Monday: 8 AM to 5 PM
Tuesday-Saturday: 8 AM to 9 PM

Personally I knew about the change over a week ago but I was asked not to announce until the Library has the chance to post the announcement themselves. Notice is posted on entrance doors to Library as well as by the elevators.

The reason given: Low patron use 7:30 AM to 8 AM and after 9 PM as well as energy costs, particularly electricity usage in proportion to low patron usage during those times.

Lately, from my personal observations, there appears to be less use of the Library in last 3 months. The

last time the Library was crowded was way back in February. Very unusual NOT to have crowds about every two weeks after several years of crowds.

Permission is granted to forward to many appropriate lists including but not limited to; county lists, society lists, and surname lists. Not restricted to Rootsweb lists.

W. David Samuelson, long-time patron of Family History Library"

Family Tree Maker - Announcement

MyFamily.com, Inc., has acquired Genealogy.com who produces Family Tree Maker software and operates online genealogical resources Ancestry.com and Rootsweb.com.

The Irish Wolfhound

From the Irish Culture and Customs Site:

<http://www.irishcultureandcustoms.com/AEmblem/Wolfhound.html>

"Another story involving the Irish Wolfhound took place in the 13th century. Llewelyn, Prince of North Wales, had a palace in Beddgelert. One day he went hunting without Gelert, his faithful hound, who was unaccountably absent. On Llewelyn's return, the hound was stained and smeared with blood; joyfully, he sprang to meet his master. Alarmed, the Prince, hastened to check on his infant son. The cradle was empty and the bedclothes and floor were splattered with blood."

"The frantic father plunged his sword into the hound's side, believing the hound had killed his beloved son. The Wolfhound's dying call was answered by the child's cry. Llewelyn searched and discovered his son, unharmed. But nearby the child, lay the bodies of several wolves, slain by Gelert. It's said that the Prince was so consumed by remorse and shame, he never smiled again."

Other Irish Wolfhound stories, legends, facts on this site. Also, the story of the Scotsman [Capt. George Augustus Graham, (1833-1909)], who saved the breed as well as its Scottish counterpart, the Scottish Deerhound.

Thanks to Jean Rice for granting permission to reprint her article on the PERSI resource:

If you have the PERSI CD-ROM, belong to Ancestry.com, or if your local genealogy library has a PERSI set of books that you can examine free, you have at your fingertips an index to previously published in-depth journal and periodical articles on thousands of subjects, locations, surnames, and prominent families. For example, you will find which journals have published articles on a particular county, or country, occupation, religion, a particular school, immigration, etc., etc. You may find information that is not on the Internet.

Some examples indexed in PERSI are:

- Ireland/Biography - a list of Irish who made their mark in Australia.
- Declarations of Intent of Irish in NY, 1827-32
- Cork residents of No 2 Devon Sq., Bandon 1812-1848.
- Famous Kinsale-Australians
- Irish Protestants immigrants to SC, 1753-1754.
- Ireland/History - Donegal/Women's lives and work in southwest Donegal.
- Donegal/Derryveagh-Australian connection.
- Belfast/Air Raid on Harland & Wolff Shipyard, 1941.
- Antrim/Carrickfergus Gasworks
- Antrim/Billie Brown and Brown's Blacks
- Tyrone/Third Presbyterian history, Cookstown
- Cavan/Persons licensed to keep forges, 1831
- Meath/Drogheda - Sandpit Church History
- Meath/Drogheda Folk History
- Mayo/Crossboyne & Tagheen Catholic marriages, 1791-1800.
- Meath/Drogheda auto registrations, 1903-16.
- Donegal/Ballyharry: study of the townland.

Others topics listed include:

- Donegal/Spanish Armada wrecks and storms of 1588.
- Leix (Laois) Mountrath in Lewis' topographical dictionary.
- Leitrim/Last lords of Leitrim: Sir T. O'Rourke sons.
- Irish settlers in Ontario & Quebec.
- Dublin/Huguenots and Dublin.
- Emigration from Ireland to Australia, 1831-80.
- Fermanagh/County gaol & past crimes & punishments.
- Whiteboys in 1762: a contemporary account..

- Queens/Leix (Laois): Potato rot eyewitness account, 1846.

Other examples:

- Royal corporation for linen manufacture.
- Tipperary, Toomevara evictions, 1849.
- Voices of Ireland, 1918-26: Richardson Evans.
- Ireland/Institutions with information on the Drogheda Union workhouse, (also Female orphan emigrants for Australia, 1849-50).
- Ireland/Other Return relating to charitable loan funds, 1896.
- The Ireland/Schools category includes Armagh/Lurgan high school register, 1922-25.
- Ireland/Voter - Louth/Drogheda registration
- 1852 Occupiers List, Meath/Drogheda Registration, and 1852 Occupiers List.
- Ireland/Directories: Antrim/Old Ballmoney, 1804-20. Donegal/Slater's directory, 1857 (excerpts). Tyrone/Strabane directory, 1839.
- Ireland/Deeds - Louth/Meath: Caldwell estate deeds, 1612-1801.

There is something on each county, for instance, under Great Britain/Court there is an article on British Mercantile claims, 1775-1803; under Great Britain/Other, you find an article on Adoption tracking problem: Gazeley infant, 1937. Under Isle of Man/Other there are Transportation records, also Schooner Crew Lists, 1878-83, and Abbeylands Methodist Sunday School scholars, 1857-58, 1883. Under Ireland/Vital Records: Finn's Leinster Jnl. b/m/d 1768. Under Ireland/Tx: Kerry/Griffith's valuation, 1853, Killaha parish., also Cavan/Hearth money roll, 1664, Castlerahan. Under Ireland/Other: Tyrone/From Drumquin to Staunton, VA. Under India/History you find Expansion of the infantry of Indian Army, WWI, also Jews of British India. Under India/Military: Field surgeon at Battle of Aliwal, letters, 1846.

You just never know what valuable, specialized information you might find for your research. Using the PERSI index to obtain the name of a magazine, issue and page numbers, you can request reprints of any article(s) you would like to have from the extensive collection of magazines at the Allen Co. Public Library, Ft. Wayne, IN for a small fee. They have a website so you can do this, but you need the PERSI index reference numbers.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

July – 2003

12 **The Tulsa Genealogical Society** presents its 15th Annual Workshop at the John Knox Presbyterian Church, 2929 East 31st Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Birdie Monk Holsclaw, FUGA is the featured speaker. Contact Phyllis Phelps, 1106 North Marion Ave., Tulsa, OK 74115-6150; e-mail: pnphelps@gbonline.com.

13-20 **BIFHS-USA Summer trip to Salt Lake City.** Contact Nancy Bier at nbierirish@aol.com. Please join us. Flyers at the meeting and next newsletter.

18-19 **The American Family Records Association (AFRA)** holds its 23rd Annual National Conference at the Holiday Inn Sports Complex in Kansas City Missouri. The theme for this year's conference is "A Grand Tour -- Researching in Great Britain and Europe." Each day national and area speakers will give presentations on various sources available to trace your ancestors using different types of records. Commercial, genealogical, and historical organizations will have displays in the exhibit area. For more information: phone: (816) 252-0950.

18-20 **The Brady Family Heritage Association** hosts "Mother Cumberland-A Harvest of Memories: Reunion 2003" at the Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. For anyone with an ancestor of any surname who lived in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, during the 1700s. Contact Donna Cuillard; e-mail: dcuillard@aol.com; website: <http://bradyheritage.org/reunion2003.htm>

19 Sixth Annual Arizona Highland Celtic Festival, at Thorpe Park in Flagstaff, AZ. Sponsored by: The Northern Arizona Celtic Heritage Society. Saturday July 19, 2003 from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

27 **BIFHS-USA general meeting, TBA**

August – 2003

2-3 Third Annual Long Beach Celtic Music Festival by the Sea, Sat. 11 AM - 8 PM, Sun. 10 AM - 7 PM, at the Queen Mary Events Park.

8 President Nancy Carlberg's birthday !!!

23 Irish day at the Los Angeles FHC, all day seminar

24 **BIFHS-USA, general meeting, TBA**

September - 2003

3-6 FGS 2003 Conference, **Orlando** FL Hosted by the Florida State Genealogical Society, Inc. Renaissance Orlando Resort, Seaworld, Orlando, Florida, USA For more information visit www.fgs.org, contact N. Carlberg if attending.

8-29 Ireland Genealogy Research Trip, contact Nancy Bier at nbierirish@aol.com or at www.timetraveltours.com

September – 2003 (cont'd.)

28 **BIFHS-USA, general meeting, TBA** BIFHS-USA **WELSH STUDY GROUP** led by Annie Lloyd, Mini Workshop on Welsh records (including censuses, wills and probates, deeds and other interesting materials) This workshop will be using records written in the English language. There will be a question and answer session as well.

29 UHF Tour of Ireland, contact Nancy Bier

October – 2003

4 Ulster Historical Foundation Tour of Scotland Contact Nancy Bier at nbierirish@aol.com

17 All Clan Picnic, Craig Regional Park, 10AM - ? 3300 N. State College Blvd., Fullerton CA, contact Ralph Day (760) 535-2407, Park Fee is \$4.00

26 **BIFHS-USA, general meeting, TBA**

November – 2003

15 English day at the Los Angeles FHC, all day seminar.

23 **BIFHS-USA, general meeting, TBA**

December – 2003

5 **BIFHS-USA, Holiday Party, 5:30PM**

September – 2004

8-11 The Federation of Genealogical Societies, Texas State Genealogical Society, and Austin Genealogical Society are inviting lecturers and researchers to submit lecture proposals for a combined conference to be held in Austin, Texas, Sept. 8-11, 2004. The deadline for submissions is June 15, 2003. The theme of the 2004 conference is, "Legends Live Forever: Researching the Past for Future Generations." Details at <http://www.fgs.org/fgs-speakerpolicy.htm>. **BIFHS-USA will have a booth here and volunteers are needed.**

Los Angeles Family History Center Requests Missing Issues

The Los Angeles Family History Center is filling in missing issues and needs your help.

The LA Family History Center is missing some issues of Family History News & Digest. If you can help fill in the blanks with donations, it would be appreciated: Vol. 1 #2; Vol. 5 # 3, 4; Vol. 9 # 1, 2, 4; Vol. 10 # 3, 4, Vol. 11 # 3, 4; Vol. 12 #2.

Other periodicals are needed, see Center for details.

Books, CDs, Fiche, Films, and other donations are always welcome !!!

URLs

British Isles:

- A Rootsweb.com British equivalent, from Annie Lloyd: <http://www.british-genealogy.com/lists/all-lists.html>
- Real facts about British Censuses, from Annie Lloyd: <http://www.british-genealogy.com/resources/census/index.htm>

Ireland:

- Estate Records: <http://scripts.ireland.com/ancestor/browse/records/land/estate.htm>
- Irish Heritage Council Genealogical Services Proposal: <http://www.heritagecouncil.ie/publications/genealogical/index.htm>
- Irish Heritage Council Reports & Proceedings: http://www.heritagecouncil.ie/publications/index_reports.html

- **From-Ireland** Website, thanks to Jane Lyons for her many recent updates, (mostly more Galway Co. information):

- Galway estate records: <http://www.from-ireland.net/estates/galway.htm>
- Galway Roman Catholic Parish records: <http://www.from-ireland.net/parishrecords/gal/galwayrcindex.htm>
- Galway census returns and census substitutes: <http://www.from-ireland.net/censussubs/galwayindex.htm>
- Galway Aran Islands ethnography: <http://www.from-ireland.net/jours/aranislands.htm>
- Bog bursts includes Galway: <http://www.from-ireland.net/history/bogbursts.htm>
- Galway City Freemen c.1794: <http://www.from-ireland.net/history/galw/cityfreemen.htm>
- Convert Rolls, some Galway abstracts: <http://www.from-ireland.net/gene/convertrolls.htm>
- Lewis Topographical Dictionary of Ireland, Galway index: <http://www.from-ireland.net/lewis/g/galwayindex.htm>
- Galway police reports (some) 1836: <http://www.from-ireland.net/gene/outragereports.htm>
- Roman Catholic Parishes in Ireland 1836: <http://www.from-ireland.net/gene/romancathdioc1836.htm>
- Archdiocese Tuam 1836: <http://www.from-ireland.net/diocs/archtuam.htm>
- Donoughmore & Kilclooney parish record extracts: <http://www.from-ireland.net/parishrecords/gal/donkilclonextracts.htm>
- Ardahan Baptismal Extracts: <http://www.from-ireland.net/parishrecords/gal/ardahanextracts.htm>
- Galway Diocese 1836: <http://www.from-ireland.net/diocs/diocesegalway.htm>
- Clonfert Diocese 1836: <http://www.from-ireland.net/diocs/dioceseclonfert.htm>
- Kilmacduagh & Kilfenora 1836: <http://www.from-ireland.net/diocs/dioceseclonfert.htm>
- Galway Table of Contents: <http://www.from-ireland.net/contents/galwayconts.htm>

Australia:

- National Library of Australia catalogue: <http://webpac.nla.gov.au/webclientmain.html> (from Annie Lloyd)
- The (Northamptonshire) 48th Regiment: <http://freepages.history.rootsweb.com/~garter1/48thfoot.htm>
- The (North Gloucestershire) 28th Regiment: <http://freepages.history.rootsweb.com/~garter1/28thfoot.htm>

New Jersey:

- From Annie Lloyd: The New Jersey Division of Archives & Records Management has launched a browse-able online catalog of its 27,000 cubic feet and 25,000 reels of historical and genealogical records at: <http://www.njarchives.org/links/catalog.html>
Now, you can see what the archive holds before planning a trip to Trenton. Plus, the catalog includes a New Jersey county map with information about when each county was formed, as well as a place-names search.

Iowa:

- Orphan Trains to IA: <http://iagenweb.org/iaorphans/history.htm>

"From 1853-1929 a mass migration of approximately 300,000 orphan children was in progress all across America. It is estimated that 8-10,000 babies, young children and young adults were brought to Iowa from many orphanages in Boston, New York and other northeastern coastal cities....."

People – Surnames:

- Father Willie Doyle, a chaplain from Ireland during WWI: <http://www.ant.123ts.com/Home.html>
- Mary Cusack ('Nun of Kenmare'): www.pgil-eirdata.org/html/pgil_datasets/authors/c/Cusack_Mary/life.htm
- Thanks to Wayne Hannay for posting my HANNA(H)s: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~wghannay/hannayfamily4.html>

Please contribute sites & info to: JPMTCC@aol.com

Kentucky's Militia-Men of the War of 1812

Arranged by Captain's name and Regiment number. The database also includes the soldiers' rank, date of enlistment, or date and place of muster, and when engaged. <http://www.ancestralfindings.com/6341.htm>

America's First Families

Colonial Ancestors, Genealogy Society, Roll of Honor, and more: <http://www.linkline.com/personal/xymox/>

Pre-1700 Arrivals to America from Europe

<http://www.earlyfamilies.com/>

Louisiana Marriage Records:

<http://www.idreamof.com/marriage/la.html>

NaturalizationRecords.com

<http://naturalizationrecords.com/>
http://naturalizationrecords.com/usa/passports1834_a.shtml

Passport applications index and Naturalization records by The Olive Tree Genealogy. A work in progress, watch out for those search windows that will jump to Ancestry.com and offer you a 14-day free trial membership.

Katherine Hepburn dies, June 29, 2003, 6:40 PM, in Connecticut, her birth state. Katherine who was 96 years old, was considered by many to be among the greatest of film icons ever. Hepburn was nominated for Oscar awards twelve times and won four:
(*Morning Glory* – 1933, *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* - 1967, *The Lion in Winter* - 1998, and *On Golden Pond* - 1981)

Guardian news story:
<http://www.guardian.co.uk/Print/0,3858,4701845,00.html>

CNN news story:
<http://www.cnn.com/virtual/editions/europe/2000/roof/change.pop/frameset.exclude.html>

An obituary for Katherine Hepburn
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/indepth/featureitems/s891127.htm>

'DO NOT CALL' Registry

National registry to stop all telemarketer's calls:
<http://www.donotcall.gov>

Surname Index

Lewis and Clark Journal, May 1804 through September 1806; 57 records; Robert Bellamy
<http://userdb.rootsweb.com/bookindexes/>

Virginia Records

Mary Washington College Alumni, 1954, Fredericksburg, 171 records; Paula L Delosh:
<http://userdb.rootsweb.com/alumni/>

Stafford County, Antioch United Methodist Church Cemetery Records; 46 records; Paula L Delosh:
<http://userdb.rootsweb.com/cemeteries/>

CA Conference, Foster City, October 17-19

The San Francisco Bay Region of the California State Genealogical Alliance hosts a "California Conference" at the Crowne Plaza, 1221 Chess Drive, Foster City CA 94404. The main conference will be held on Saturday with tracks in California records, record preservation and research methodology. On Friday and Sunday there will be guided field trips and indoor workshops on photo preservation, cemetery research (includes and afternoon field trip), organizing a research project and hands on preservation techniques. NARA will be opened on Sunday for Conference attendees. To obtain a brochure contact Cath Trindle at CA Conference@aol.com or 56 Orchard Ave, Redwood City CA 94061-3720. The conference website will be up shortly at: http://users.lmi.net/cactn/ca_conf. A small block of hotel rooms has been set aside for Thursday thru Sunday nights at the special conference rate of \$85. Contact the Crowne Plaza at 1-800-2-crowne to reserve before they are gone. The booking code is CGA. This conference is sponsored by: California State Genealogical Alliance, Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society, San Mateo County Genealogical Society, Contra Costa County Genealogical Society, Marin County Genealogical Society, Stanislaus County Genealogical Society, California Genealogical Society, Sacramento German Genealogical Society, Roots Cellar-Sacramento and NARA-Pacific Region.

Scottish Films-Fiche Collection

Thanks to our Scottish consultant from Glasgow, Sam Gibson, for his hard work in re-labeling the Scottish film boxes and obtaining donations, and thanks to BIFHS members for donating funds towards Sam's work of improving the Los Angeles FHC's Scottish film-fiche collection. Thanks to this effort and our member's donations, 166 sets of micro-fiche of the Scottish Parish Register Index has been acquired for the library. These records are mostly from the late 1600s to 1855, but some earlier ones, as well as the missing Scottish Vital Record Index films.

Attention members, please bring money to our next meeting to donate towards the acquisition of Irish films-fiches. Thanks, - Editor

Research Outlines

FHL has raised the prices of research outlines, State Research Outlines will be \$2.50, Country Research Outlines will be \$3.25. All remaining outlines will continue to be sold at \$1.00 each until Los Angeles FHC supply is exhausted.

BIFHS-USA Delegates to Attend SGS Co-operative Meeting

BIFHS-USA is sending Dorothy Losee and Patricia Sorteberg as delegates to SGS' meeting of societies (July 27th). The purpose is to determine ways that genealogical societies can work together towards a common goal, to set goals and to eliminate redundant efforts.

New Resources at Ancestry.com

English and Welsh Civil Registration (1837-1900), BDM Indices, searchable by surname and parish, is now available on Ancestry.com. The 1891 England Census Index as well as actual census records are also now available on Ancestry.com, which is available at Los Angeles FHC.

References, Maps, Geography, Museums, Historical Texts, & Photos

Welcome to the Era of the Clipper Ships:
<http://www.eraoftheclipperships.com/>

Map Collections Home Page

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/gmdhtml/gmdhome.html>

More Genealogical Conferences:

Brigham Young University holds its 35th Annual Genealogy and Family History Conference, July 29th through August 1st, "Strengthening Ties that Bind Families Together Forever," at the BYU Conference Center in Provo Utah. Keynote Speakers include Elder Spencer J. Condie, Curt B. Witcher, Don R. Anderson, and Susan Easton Black.

<http://genealogyconferences.byu.edu>.

The Maine Genealogical Society holds a genealogy conference, September 6th, "Telling Their Stories," at the Williamson Center in Fairfield Maine. The conference will feature genealogical lecturer, author, and editor Patricia Law Hatcher, CG, FASG. For conference information and registration forms, see www.rootsweb.com/~megs/MaineGS.htm.

Owsley Family Historical Society English

Heritage Tour - Plans are now complete for the 2003 tour (Sept 15-24) to England and North Wales. We are going to a more northerly part of the country to see an entirely different group of sites than the 2001 tour, with three exceptions. We will once again visit Glooston church and village and Acton Court and church. One other difference this time is the visit to North Wales historic Caernarvon Castle built by Edward I. You do not have to be a Society member to attend. Contact Bill Gann at: wgann6@comcast.net; website: www.owsleyfamily.com/heritagetour2003.html.

The American Association for State and Local History holds its Annual Meeting (Sept. 17-20) in Providence, Rhode Island. Contact the AASLH website, www.aaslh.org; phone: (615) 320-3 203; e-mail: history@aaslh.org

The Ulster Historical Foundation holds its 13th Annual Family History Conference, (Sept. 29 - Oct. 4) "History from Headstones," at the Malone Lodge Hotel, Belfast, Ireland. Delegates get the opportunity to visit archives such as the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI), the National Archives, and the National Library of Ireland. For more information, contact Kathryn McKelvey: phone: +44 (0) 28 9033 2288; e-mail: enquiry@uhf.org.uk; or visit www.ancestryireland.com

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