

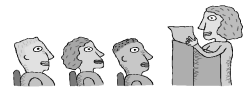


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President's Message.....



THANK YOU.....

- **EGSF members** for sharing research successes and asking research questions. Your successes, questions and answers give our members new ways to proceed with research.
- **D'Ann Still** for a great presentation about organizing using the 15 generation chart and Dollarhide Numbering System. It made a lot of sense.
- **Mary Ellen Lowe** for sharing information about the DAR.
- **Members** for suggesting programs for the coming year. Your ideas are always very important.

EGSF members traveling to Tampa to hear George Morgan discuss **25 Places Where Your Family's Facts May Hide** came home with some very good places/ways to search. The September newsletter will highlight some of the information.

Our SIG groups will have some additions and changes next year. An addition will be a Computer SIG. Some SIGS have very few members. Therefore, plans are to consolidate some of the SIGs due to size. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. Please call or email an Officer or Director with any suggestion. More information will be in the September newsletter.

A new website discovered after our meeting yesterday with many great additional links: <http://www.surnameweb.org/>. Just type in your surname and follow the links.

I am making progress with my New Year's Resolution to **seriously** get our Harris and Davis research organized. I have entered and completed the Family Group Sheets in my **FTM 16** program for our Harris and Davis families. I am currently adding the numerous sources found online. My next step will be to sort and file many loose papers. I am having FUN while discovering family facts.

Looking forward to seeing you at the April and May meeting.

Happy Researching,
Sue

PS - Have a wonderful summer and successful time researching. Keep in touch. We are an email away. **Sue Davis**

EGSF Website > <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flegsf/index.htm> > Kate Jones Webmaster

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Englewood Charlotte Library..... 474-1881
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Pt. Charlotte Public Library625-6470

Sarasota County Library System

Selby Library.....861-1100
Historical Resources316-1115
Gulf Gate Library.....861-1230
Venice Library861-1330
Fruitville Library.....861-2500
Frances T. Bourne
Jacaranda Library861-1260
Elsie Quirk Library861-1200
North Port Library.....861-1300
LDS Family History Center480-0764



SIG's Information

Meetings are at Elise Quirk Public Library

These are all subject to change

*** To belong to a SIG - group you must BE an EGSF MEMBER**



Europe SIG meets 4th Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.
in the large conference room
Contact: Jim Muhs, Sr. - 474-9602

***Southern States SIG Contact:** Sue Davis
GA, FL, VA, WVA

Midwest SIG meets 2nd Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.
in the small conference room
Contact: Gloria Weth - 697-4918

British Isles meets 1st Thursday at 1:00 p.m.
in the large conference room
Contact: Ron Thurston - 408-8483

Colonial SIG meets 1st Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. - in the small conference room

Canada and Tri - State all to combine in this group

Contact: Shannon Dandaneau - kanona12@verizon.net

FTM - SIG - First Wednesday of the Month - 10:00 - 11:30 AM -D'Ann Still ~ bocabrats1@verizon.net < [new]
In the Large Conference Room - BRING QUESTIONS.... > [Wednesday Apr 4]

Beginning Genealogy - SIG - *Third Wednesday of the Month - 10 : 00 - 11:30 AM , Sue Davis ~
suedavis101@comcast.net ~ In the Large Conference Room > [Wednesday Apr 18]

- Dot Hogan is now at EQL in the Reference/Genealogy Department to help you on Monday mornings from 9-12

Please Do Not call the Library - they do not have the resources to handle messages for us.
All members welcome to join in ~ Join in one group or more.... *Have Fun!*

February 24, 2007

A Better Way to Search for People?

Peter Wood wrote this week and offered a suggestion that I have not seen before. He described a better method of searching for people on RootsWeb, Ancestry.com, or even on Google and other search engines. Peter finds that adding one more letter onto the end of the name improves the number of correct "hits" and reduces the number of "false hits."

Peter writes:

Searching for people that cannot be found in the "usual" locations such as Roots or Ancestry?

Often users are not aware of, or know about the "Advanced Search" option in many search engines such as Google. The work-around for that is to use quotations in the search box, as an example "John doe". Of course, it is NOT case sensitive, so a poor typist like me does not have to worry about capitalization. What this does show, of course, are "hits" for every John Doe, whether living or dead, including articles on or about said person.

What I found from bitter experience - and I took the "Graduate Course" at the "School of Hard Knocks" after scrolling through sometimes thousands of articles to look for a genealogy site - was to add a space and a "b" in the search box. *Please notice there is NO period after the b, as in "John doe b".

Now I get a much greater response of just genealogy sites where people have decided to post their genealogies on their own web sites. I have found that using just the "b" gave the best result as it is both an abbreviation for birth or born and also finds all three versions. I have found many interesting genealogy sites this way.

The drawback, though - and it does warrant consideration - is that the search will not find John A. doe if only "john doe b" is used. My recommendation is to use as full a name as is known at first, such as "john Alexander doe b", then gradually reduce the middle name down to a more common format such as "john alex doe b", to "john a. doe b". The period is important to its basic format "john doe b" and as a last resort, "j. a. doe b". If you are still having difficulty, it also is wise where a middle name is known to reverse the first two names and repeat this process. If one is really desperate, use the very basic "doe b". Thanks for the suggestions, Peter!



The Family Genealogist - Author unknown - Submitted by Gloria Weth

Blessed are all the great-grandmothers who hoarded newspaper clippings and old letters, for they tell the story of their time.

Blessed are all the grandfathers who filed every legal document, for this provides proof.

Blessed are all the grandmothers who preserved family Bibles and diaries, for this is our heritage.

Blessed are all the fathers who elect officials who answer letters of enquiry, for - some - they are the only link to the past ..

Blessed are all the mothers who relate family traditions and legends to the family, because, one of her children will surely remember.

Blessed are all the relatives who fill in family sheets with extra data, for them we owe the family history.

Blessed is any family whose members strive for the preservation of records, for theirs is a labour of love.

Blessed are all the children who will never say, "Grandma, you have told that old story twice today"

I was sent this from another board - thought it would be of interest.

[please circulate intact, please note that the Civil War pension as > well as other military pension/ bounty records are not microfilmed > except for Revolutionary War, only the indexes were.
David Samuelsen]

***Warning to all U.S. genealogists!** *Two rules published in the Federal > Register on Monday, February 26, 2007, relate to fees for reproductions > of records at the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration > (NARA). In the case of Civil War pension applications, the proposal is for a 338% increase! > Page 8327 contains a proposed rule revising fees for reproductions to > cover NARA's costs for providing copies. On page 8279 is an interim > final rule removing fee schedule fees for the reproduction of records > of other Federal agencies stored in NARA records centers.

The proposals are written in the finest governmental "legalese" > language. However, it is obvious that the proposal is to *INCREASE* all > fees. No surprise there, right?

Here is the list: Type of record - > Order form - > Proposed Fee

Passenger arrival lists - > NATF Form 81 - > \$25.00

Federal Census requests - > NATF Form 82 - > \$25.00

Eastern Cherokee applications to the Court of Claims - NATF Form 83 - \$25.00

Land entry records - NATF Form 84 - \$40.00

Full pension file more than 75 years old (Civil War period). - NATF Form 85 - \$125.00 (a 338% increase from the present fee of \$37.00!)

Full pension file more than 75 years old (non-Civil War) & g t; NATF Form 85 - \$60.00

Pension documents packet (selected records). - NATF Form 85 - \$25.00

Bounty land warrant application files - NATF Form 85 - \$25.00

Military service files more than 75 years old - NATF Form 86 - \$25.00

Both rules are open for public comment until April 27, 2007. There's much more information available in the Federal Register. > The link to the proposed rule is:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-3160.htm>

The link to the interim final rule is:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-3162.htm>

This is only a proposal.

- The proposed fee increases are being changed to reflect the current costs of providing the reproductions. By statute, the fees for reproduction of records are set by the Archivist's authority and requires that NARA recover the actual cost of making copies of records. NARA last raised their charges 7 years ago, and performed a cost study in 2006 resulting in the decision to raise the fees. Costs include staff salaries, equipment (paper, toner, etc) shipping costs and oversight & administration of making the requested copies.

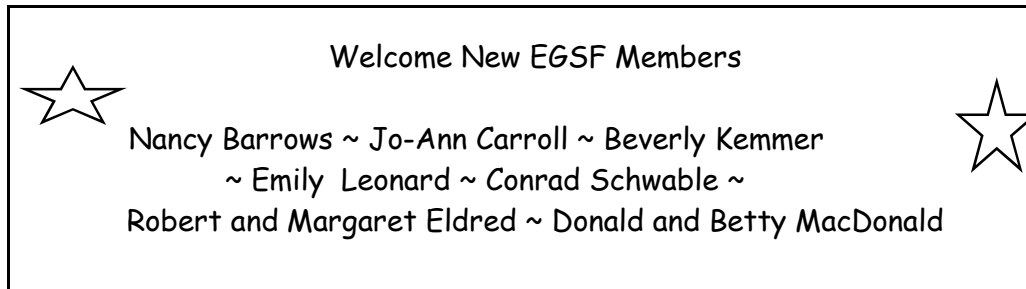
Comments on the proposed rule are due by April 27, 2007, by either faxing to 301-837-0319; snail mailing to: Regulations Comments Desk (NPOL) - Room 4100, Policy and Planning Staff, NARA, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001 or the federal eRulemaking portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Comments can be addressed to Allen Weinstein, Archivist of the United States.

DUES ~ DUES ~ DUES ~ 2007 RENEWALS!

We are collecting DUES for 2007~ **Please make checks payable to EGSF.** * Plan to be there early if paying due to programs starting; we will allocate 1:00 - 1:30 and/or 3:30 - 4:00 pm for paying members.

*Up-date: Badges will now be \$10.00 > Contact: Sally G. Thomas 5252thomas@comcast.net

- Please be sure to SIGN in at the door with Gloria Weth or other EGSF volunteers.
Reminder: Continue to send in your Surnames ~The new EGSF Directory will be out at the MARCH meeting > Please bring your ~ Surname List to the meeting. Give them to any Board Member.
- **Correct E-mails and phone numbers A MUST!****It is time to make the corrections NOW**
- **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** . If you have an article to share in the newsletter; > contact D'Ann Still > bo-cabrats1@verizon.net [new email address]
- If you need to mail your Dues in please send them to: EGSF; PO BOX 765; Englewood FL 34295-0795



Using your Sarasota or Charlotte County Library Card

- **Heritage Quest** - <http://suncat.co.sarasota.fl.us/>
- Scroll down and click on Heritage Quest Online
- You need a Sarasota County Library Card!
- Your Library bar code is required

Southwest Florida Genealogical Societies

***Charlotte County Genealogy Society** regular meeting held 3rd Wednesday at St. James Episcopal Church on Viscaya Dr. in Port Charlotte. Contact: Tom Ryder at 941-625-6443 **Time: 2 P.M.** > <http://www.rootsweb.com/flccgs>

***Englewood Genealogy Society** meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at Elsie Quirk Public Library - **Time: 1:30 - 3:30** *check EGSF website for changes due to holidays etc. [2 Saturday morning mtg. May/September]
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~flegsf/index.htm>

***Manasota Genealogy Society** meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at Manatee Co. Central Public Library, Bradenton, FL 34205 **Time: 10:00 A.M**

***Jewish Genealogical Society of Southwest Florida** meets the third Sunday of the month from 1:00 - 3:00, October through May, at the Flanzer Jewish Community Center, 582 So. McIntosh Road, Sarasota. **Contact:** Kim Sheintal (klapshin@aol.com); website - <http://www.jgsswf.org>

***Lakewood Ranch Genealogy Society** meets the first Monday of the month from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, October through May at the Lakewood Ranch Town Hall. **Contact:** JoAnn Froman (cjhfroman@verizon.net)

***Genealogical Society of Sarasota County** - <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flgss>

***The Southwest Florida German Genealogy Group** will meet on Saturday, May 5 from 10:30 A.M. to 2 P.M. at the Port Charlotte Library. Marilyn Wethington will help with basic German terms used on documents.

Templates from EGSF Program Feb 28 by D'Ann Still

*WORKS 8 Database FORMS - Headings

Go to Start - WORKS/WORD DATABASE it opens to a block - pick empty database - Type in FIELDS
Field 1: Deceased Name- Field 2: County Field 3: State - Field 4: Date - Field 5: Obit - Field 6: Parent
Click Done.. To continue: Title: or Header: *Descendants of Ancestors Death Records Work Sheet*

Fill in the names and dates - Go To Page Setup - Margins - make to fit your page... play.. Resize the headers and footers also... Source, Size and Orientation: Landscape if you like or Portrait - Other Option: Print Guidelines and Print Record and Field Labels > these need to be checked for the lines to show..

TIP: You will need to have something in the fields for anything to show; like an A. [Once you get on to this program it will be easy for you to make your own Fields to better fit your genealogy.

*Use this same format to make an Index for your note book with the Blank Forms in ... 1790 Census - 1940 Census - The only Field for this is the first one...INDEX then click Done: The numbers going down the left hand side will be your numbered dividers for each ITEM: 1790 Census - 1940 Census - Civil War Record - Family Group Sheets - Naturalization Work Sheets.. Just to name of few of mine.

*Military Work Sheet - Draft Registrations ~ CW - WW I - II -

Same format as above making the Fields as follows:

Field 1: Surname - Cash, Robert Willis Field 2: Age 28 Field 3: War WWII Field 4: Enlistment 25 Apr
Field 5: Year 1918 Field 6: County Carroll Field 7: State AR Field 8: Discharge 18 May 1919 Field 9:
Cemetery - Battle Ft. Snelling Nat. MN secWsite 4606> mine is in Landscape made to fit the page >
instructions above.

*DOCUMENTED DEATH CERTIFICATES [title for your header]

Deceased Name	CHART#	COUNTY	STATE	DATE	OBIT	RELATIONSHIP
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Hutton, John Ben	7.124.0	Polk	MO	26 Dec 1931	Y	Gr Grfather
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*deceased name should be in capitals and on one line, due to this page format it didn't work].

[Keep Maternal in alphabetical order and then do the same for PATERNAL below or start a new page]

*DESCENDANTS of Ancestors Death Records Work Sheet [title for header]

Deceased Name	Age	Cause of Death	Co	St.	Date	Obit	Parent
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Box, Catherine M	87y 8m	pneumonia	Taney	MO	26 Oct 1917	Y	Box/Bennett
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[this will sort alphabetical for you and it is best when looking for a certain individual] Format - sort A-Z

*Paternal Direct Line - [your name] [title for header]

NAME	yy-yy	Census	Nat-Imm	Documents	Chart #
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Bagby, Rose	1833-1902	1850-60-70		Marriage - Obit	6.53.0
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[do the same for Maternal side]

*ALL- Descendants Children's Marriage Work Sheet [title for header]

Bride's Name	Groom's Name	Co	St	Date	Yr	Notes [abre to fit]
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Cash, Angeline	Johnson, Samuel	Bourbon	KS	04 Nov 1871		twin dau of Wm Cash
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4x6 Card File > From the Feb 28, EGSA Organizing by D'Ann Still

<u>HUTTON, John Benjamin</u>	<u>Documents</u>	<u>Census - Timeline</u>
b. 01 Jan 1846 MO	Birth	1850 - age 4 MO
d. 26 Dec 1931 MO	Death - yes	1860 - age 14 MO
m. 08 Dec 1864 MO	Marriage - yes	1870 -
Father: Hutton, John Milton	Obituary - yes	1880 - age 34 MO
Mother: Walker, Delilah		1890 - Union Civil War
		1900 - age 54 MO
<u>Spouse:</u> Rains, Sarah Frances		1910 - age 64 MO
<u>Sources:</u>		1920 -
Humansville Public Library		1930 -
Bolivar Missouri Library		
Researchers: [their name, address, phone etc.]		
Wheatfield MO Library		

1863 - 01 Nov
 Co. D 15 Reg of MO
 Volunteer Cavalry Enlistment
 Aug 1861 - Jul 30, 1865 Humansville, Polk, MO
 CW papers on file. \$25.00 > 08/22/1997

Relationship:
 Maternal Gr-Gr-Grandfather to D'Ann Still
 Generation and Reference # - 6.56.0

*I do the b. [in blue] - the d. [in red] - the m. [in blue] - the rest in black.. You can also use the **bold** in the headings .
 Use the Census to write in with pencil when you find them or documents; then you will have this information handy
 for the next trip to the library, history center or quick phone call.

*Go to File - page set up - Paper - Index Card [4x6 in] Margins - Landscape and then do - Top; Bottom; Left and
 Right margins as small as the program will allow you.

*Sources: put as much information as you can ... you won't have to go back and re-type anything on this card it is to
 be used as a guide - or Quick reference when you don't have on the computer or are away from home at history center
 or library doing research.

*On the back side I do the Children on the Man's card... only. I use the plain side for the information above and the
 lined side as the back. It is easier on the eye for the above information to be on as the computer will not print on the
 lined card correctly... as for the children it really won't matter much it will still be neat!

28 March > Speaker EGSF Member Mary Ellen Lowe - We learned about DAR.....

Mary Ellen Lowe was born in Pittsburgh, PA. She attended Allegheny College in Meadville, PA where she met and married her husband and moved to Greenville, Illinois. When her daughter [the youngest of four children] was in 8th grade, Mary Ellen returned to school and received a Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, IL.

Mary Ellen became a member of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in 1992, when she joined the Benjamin Mills Chapter. She transferred into the Myakka Chapter in 1998 and served as Registrar from 1999 to 2001. Then in 2004 while serving as Regent she again assumed the Registrar's duties which she continues to do today.

Becoming a member of lineage societies keeps one busy. Other offices currently held are, Registrar Chapter XXX Colonial Dames of America, 1st Vice President William Bassett Chapter, National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century, and Chaplain Sarasota Society Southern Dames of America. She gave a brief summary of what the National Society DAR does and then explained what documentation is necessary to become a member.

*I apologize that this didn't get in the January Timelines... Editor of Timelines...

25 April > Speakers: Sandy Beach and George Siglin

Topic: Photo Restoration and Portraits on Canvas; Use your family photos, or digital prints to decorate your walls! — Website www.photos-to-canvas-prints.com

Sandy Beach is a business located 403 W. Dearborn St. in Englewood, FL. > 460-9228

Sandy and her partner George have taken their love of photos and art and turned it into a business, which specializes in Giclée Prints and Photo Restoration.

Sandy has been in the photo business for almost 40 years. In 1988 she opened a full service photo lab which specialized in photo & art reproduction as well as old photo restoration. After 15 years she sold the business and moved to Englewood, where she opened Sandy Beach.

The company of Sandy Beach focuses on a high end product with true color matching. Sandy Beach has years of experience to create the finest prints you will own.

12 May > Speaker: Violet April "Shaya" Ebersole > My Indian name is Shayaholta Monticoma.

Violet April "Shaya" Ebersole ~ Artist-Author-Speaker (1-941-475-7169)

Born in Cincinnati, Ohio in the 50's ~ Englewood Resident for nearly 30 years

Ancestral Spirits Awaken Me & Two Morning Stars and White Dove

This is a historical novel dating back to 1800 in central Virginia. She spent 5 years researching until she found a fascinating story about her ancestors. The next 7 months were spent writing.

Shaya and her husband attend book signings dressed in full Indian regalia, play native CD tapes of flute music, and set up a display of interesting trinkets. She has sold nearly 500 books while working on her next novel and a series of children's books. She is currently working on a comedy about Dearborn Street and waiting to return to Virginia to research for her next family novel that will go back further in time from *Ancestral Spirits Awaken Me*.

April's website: <http://aprilsweb.com/index.html>

My historical novel is based on ancestral tracks left behind.

An old Dakota tribal proverb says that we are known forever by our tracks.

SEE THE SITES



*Englewood Genealogy Society of FL - <http://rootsweb.com/~flegsf/index.htm>

Linkpendium - <http://www.linkpendium.com>

*Cyndi's List - <http://www.cyndislist.com>

Steve Morse One-Step - <http://stevemorse.org/>

*LDS (Mormon) - <http://familysearch.org/>

*National Archives (NARA) - <http://www.nara.gov/>

US State Research - <http://www.usgenweb.com/>

*Google - <http://www.google.com/>

Ships/ Passenger Lists - <http://theshipslist.com/>

*Arrival - <http://www.castlegarden.org>

Ancestry: <http://www.ancestry.com> (pay: home) <http://ancestryplus.com> (free: library)

Rootsweb - <http://www.rootsweb.com/> (many excellent links)

Vital Records: <http://vitalrec.com/index.html> (obtaining vital records in US)

<http://obitcentral.com> (free obits; great links)

*Maps: <http://feefhs.org> (old maps of Europe)

Obituaries: 800,000 OHIO at - <http://www.rbhayes.org/hayes/>

Magazines: Internet Genealogy: <http://www.internet-genealogy.com>

Family Tree Magazine: <http://familytreemagazine.com>

Digital Genealogist Magazine: <http://www.digitalgenealogist.com/>

*Archive news pages:

<http://news.google.com/archivesearch>

*NARA video collection:

<http://video.google.com/nara.html/>

*This is from SWF German Genealogy website. There is a terrific article on the SWFGGG site, which refers to the following website. If you are researching Germany, this is excellent.

www.germanculture.com.ua/library/history/bl_german_history.htm.

*SmallTownPapers gives everyone free access to hundreds of newspaper titles from small towns across the USA. Now you can read, search and browse newspapers which are displayed exactly as they were printed from our scanned newspaper archive...from 1865 to last Wednesday. Site for small town newspapers in USA

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

Farming in the 20s, 30s, 40s: <http://livinghistoryfarm.org/> - Ireland - <http://adminstaff.vassar.edu/sttaylor/FAMINE/>

*Click on the state, then on the county to see old postcards from that area.... pretty neat.

Click on a postcard for larger picture. <http://www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/special/ppcs/ppcs.html>

*14 July 2007 London Tour: <http://ahaseminars.livejournal.com/#asset-ahaseminars-13290>

*October 2007 Wholly Genes 3rd Annual Cruise: <http://www.whollygenes.com/Merchant2/merchant.mvc?screen=CRUISE>

*Seminar At Sea October 2007 (2nd) www.GenealogyCruiseses.com

2007 Speakers are: Paul Milner - Laura G. Prescott - George G. Morgan - John Philip Colletta - Paula Stuart-Warren - Donna M. Moughty - Michael J. Leclerc - Stephen J. Danko

*The Transatlantic Crossing, Norwegian Emigrants on the Atlantic <http://www.norwayheritage.com/ships/fastship.htm>

*August 13-16, 2007 > Federation of Genealogical Societies Annual Conference, Fort Wayne, IN

<http://www.fgsconference.org/program.php>

*FREEBIES= <http://www.censusdiggins.com/freebies.html>

Northeast Document Conservation Center <http://www.nedcc.org/home.php>

Minnesota Death Index for 1905 - 2001 <http://people.mnhs.org/dci/>

West Virginia Death Records <http://www.wvculture.org/vrr/>

Missouri Death Records <http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/>

www.freeonancestry.com AND www.freegenealogyserviceengine.com

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How I found my relatives in Alsace-Lorraine France. By Gene Gutknecht

I found a web site called NUMBERWAY . <http://www.numberway.com/phone-numbers/1/>

When this site opened up it listed all the European countries. I then clicked on France and it opened up to information on French phone books, Yellow pages and White pages and other information. I clicked on White pages and another screen came up.

I put in the name I was searching for and the village in France and the department or district they lived in. If you do not know this it can be gotten through a Guide Button on the page. The next screen that opened up, gave two people with the last name I was looking up. It gave their first and last names, their address and their phone number.

On that same screen, it gave three map views; one overall map, a satellite map that could be brought down to street level, another map showing a close up with a X showing where the actual house location was in town.

I did this for another town a short distance away and got four more names and addresses. With this information I wrote letters to the six different people, telling them who I was and what I was researching and who my ancestor's were.

I got replies from four of the six people. Two just had the same names and two were related. From the related ones I have gotten very much information about the family. They gave me the address of another family member from the Southern part of France. I contacted him and have been given many photos and family information. From him I found more family members in his area.

The ones that are not related I still write to and they have given me additional information about the area. I wrote to the local Chamber of Commerce and sent photos and asked if the buildings and locations are still in existence. And received replies and new photos of what the building looks like today. Everyone, except one person has E-mail. The person that did not have it, wrote a letter back. I have planned a trip to France and I am going to visit the relatives. This site opened a lot of doors and has gained me a wealth of information. Take a look at it and start writing letters. *Gene*

Raffle Winners: January 24, 2007 ~ *Sally Shaffer* ~ *Family Tree Poster*
Barbara Keller ~ *Large frame*
Bill Cravata ~



Raffle Winners: February 28, 2007 ~ *Ron Thurston* - *Notebook* ~ *Helen Skipper* - *Personal History*
~ *Maxine Springer* - *Dividers and Pens* ~ *Gary Weeter* - *Paper and Pens*

Raffle Winners: March 28, 2007 ~ *Dan Donovan* - *Family Pedigree Chart*
Virginia Stultz - *Planner Case and paper and pens* ~ *Catherine Varney* - *paper and pens*



We had 30 Guests and 17 New Members



EGSF CALENDAR 2007

Fill in your calendars now....

1:30 - 3:30 REGULAR MEETING

April 25 ~ Speakers: Sandy Beach and George Siglin will be speaking about Photo Care and Restoration of old photos, tin types....

May 12* ~ Speaker: April Violet Ebersole, Artist and Writer, will speak on Native American and "Ancestral Spirits Awaken Me" It is the title of her book based on 9 Generations of women.

Happy Researching this summer!

Sept 22* Saturday - Open Forum

Oct 24 ~

Nov 14* - Nominating

Dec 12* Christmas Party

*Denotes different day

Here's another site that may be of interest: It's for all the different papers in the US where you can check for current obituaries. <http://www.usnpl.com/>

Another site that I like is for the obituary daily times. People post an obituary index from their local papers. Then if you find a name you want, you can either go to that state and city and paper or you can write to that person to send it to you.

I try and find the obit myself from the newspaper site above. You can sign up to get this ODT and the listing will come almost everyday then. Visit the ODT web site at <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~obituary>>

Here's some other sites you can check out: Some of these are FREEBIES too!

Arizona birth and death records: <http://genealogy.az.gov/>

Illinois death records: <http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/GenealogyMWeb/idphdeathsrch.html>

Illinois Vital records: <http://www.idph.state.il.us/vitalrecords/index.htm>

Texas death records: <http://vitals.rootsweb.com/tx/death/search.cgi>

Ohio Death records: <http://www.ohiohistory.org/dindex/>

Oregon death records: <http://www.deathindexes.com/oregon/index.html>

Washington Death records: <http://www.deathindexes.com/washington/index.html>

Currency converter:

<http://www.translatum.gr/converter/currency.htm>



<http://www.rootsweb.com/~flegsfi/index.htm> Kate Jones ~ Webmaster

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