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NEWSLETTER

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September 21, 2009 Research Trip

RESEARCH TRIP TO MIDWEST GENEALOGY CENTER IN INDEPENDENCE, MO

The September meeting of the Tri-County Genealogical Society will be a field trip to the Midwest Genealogy Center (formerly Mid-Continent Genealogy Library) in Independence, MO. Please note that the research trip will be on Monday, September 21, rather than the regular meeting day. The Midwest Genealogy Center is the largest genealogy and history library in this region, and staff will be available to answer questions regarding researching and resources at the Center.

Charter bus transportation (\$35.00 per person) has been arranged from Nevada, MO, in conjunction with the Joplin Genealogy Society. Those who would like to take advantage of the bus transportation must make their reservation prior to September 10 by mailing their \$35.00 bus fee to:

Joplin Genealogy Society
306 South Wall Street
Joplin, MO 64801

with a note that you will be at the Nevada pick-up location.

Persons using the travel coach transportation service will be picked up in Nevada at 6:30 a.m. at the truck stop service station located east of Burger King Restaurant on East Austin St. Restroom facilities are available on the bus. The bus will leave the Genealogy Center at 5:30 p.m. to return to Nevada. Upon arrival at the

Midwest Genealogy Center, an orientation and facility tour will be given by staff for those interested.

Researchers can check the [Midwest Genealogy Center website](#) for links to general information and advance research in the card catalogue. Wi-Fi service is available at the Center for those taking personal computers. Lockers are available; suggest a light jacket/sweater for personal comfort. All print copies are 10¢ each, and a print card can be purchased upon arrival (or take plenty of dimes). For those who will be using Center computers for research, a free computer use card can be obtained upon arrival. There are no lunch facilities in the Library; patrons may take a sack lunch and eat in the lounge area where there are soft drink vending machines and a microwave oven. There is a restaurant across the street, within walking distance.

A limited number of handouts from the Aug. 8 program given by Midwest Genealogy Center staff are available to members who were unable to attend that meeting; please contact the society to arrange to pick up one at the Library.

You do not have to be a Society member to take advantage of the bus transportation - the trip is open to any researcher who would like to go to the Midwest Genealogy Center for a day. You may provide your own personal transportation if desired. If questions, call Neoma at 417-465-2389 or email tricountygenealogy@centurytel.net

2009 Programs

The following programs are tentatively scheduled for 2009. Watch the newsletter and website for updated information or changes as programs are finalized.

Oct 10, El Do: Kendall Vickers, area attorney, will speak on properly and safely passing on assets, including information on handling family heirlooms and treasures, genealogy records, photos, etc.

Nov 14, Nevada: Computer Genealogy Research. Seminar presented by Helen Lodge. Meeting location: Cottey College Computer Lab.

Dec 12, El Do: Members are invited to bring 10-15 printed copies of a documented brick-wall research problem to be brainstormed by the group. Election and Installation of Officers and Christmas Luncheon.

New Resources in Genealogy Dept.

The following new resources have been added to the Nevada Library Genealogy Dept. by member Charles Foreman:

My Maternal Roots Vol. 1 (D'Ailli-Dally, Simon, Born 1590; Bearnese, George, Born 1782; Woollard, John Sr., born about 1751; Hayden, John G., Born 1808). Compiled by Charles E. Foreman.

My Maternal Roots Vol. II. (Henry Lane Born 1735; Thomas Scott Sr. Born 1774; Claypool/Cleypole Born about 1500; Andrew Baker Born 1774). Compiled by Charles E. Foreman.

The Dally Family in America. Compiled by Thomas Dally.

Paternal Roots (William John Foreman, Born 1579; Johannes Christian Glahn, Born 1772; Joseph Steffen (Stephens), Born 1559; Thomas Rookwood, bef. 1730; G. F. Blanchard, Born 1760; John Calvert, Born Bef 1560). Compiled by Charles Foreman.

The Nevada Library purchased a periodical rack for the Genealogy Dept. The most recent one or two issues of periodicals can now be located there.

Recommended Resources to Purchase

The Society continues to seek your suggestions on genealogy resources to add to the library collections in both Nevada and El Dorado Springs. Please give your written suggestions to Kathe Radar at any meeting or email to the society, and your email will be forwarded to Kathe.

The Society will be donating two books to both the El Dorado Springs and Nevada libraries in memory of deceased members Judy Vinzant and Virginia Breeding.

New Society Members

We are pleased to announce the following new Society member: Jan Dwyer; researching surnames Smith and Current.

Society members are reminded that they can submit some of their local research for publication in the genealogy newsletter, and members can receive free lookups in the new cemetery directory database.

Set of Encyclopedia Americana

When the Society obtained the Lathrop Genealogy Collection, Mrs. Lathrop asked us to also take an older 29-Vol. set of Encyclopedia Americana that she no longer wanted. As we boxed it up, we commented that if no one wanted it, we could always put it in the Library's book sale. If you would like to have this set of Encyclopedias, please let Kathe Rader know by our Oct. 10 meeting in El Dorado Springs. If more than one member is interested in the set, the names will be put in a hat and the winner drawn at the Oct. 10 meeting. If no member is interested, the books will be donated to the Library's Book Sale.

Member Survey for Meeting Day

It was voted at the July meeting of the Tri-County Genealogical Society that a survey be taken of members to ascertain if there is a more convenient day of the month for our regular meeting. The enclosed survey form was developed by your officers to enable all local members to have a voice in considering a possible different meeting day.

Please complete the form and mail or deliver to Kathe Rader, 1703 S. Philips, El Dorado Springs, MO 6474 by Sep. 12.

Items of Interest from Area Newspapers

[The below newspaper articles were transcribed by society members.]

Penitentiary Report.

We have received from Jefferson a printed copy of the report from the Inspectors of the Penitentiary. It bears testimony to the proper treatment of the prisoners--that they have been furnished with good and seasonable clothing, with comfortable bedding—an abundance of food—potatoes, beans or some vegetable for dinner all the season when they can be had—at breakfast and supper rye coffee. There are 190 convicts in the Penitentiary, who generally behave themselves with propriety very little punishment being required. There are ninety-three of the convicts engaged in manufacture of hemp, fourteen blacksmiths, fourteen wagon-makers and carpenters, and twenty-five coopers, making 146 engaged in the four branches of industry. The moral and religious instruction of the convicts has been well attended to—Rev. Jonathan Stamper, Rev. Thomas H. Capers and Rev. Thos. T. Ashby have acted as Chaplains of the Penitentiary within the last two years. A library of 282 volumes has been purchased, at a cost of \$144.35. All the officers are earnest in the recommendation that a hospital should be built. There have been 9 deaths since the past report—Richard Foy, Jacob Lareux, Will. Jones, John Harman, John Ackerman, John Johnson, William Rodgers, James Smith, and John Day. Number of Convicts received in 1849, 67; pardoned, 11; discharged by expiration of time, 30; escaped, 12; recaptured, 10; deaths, 4; in 1850, received 98; pardoned, 9; discharged by expiration of time, 23; escaped, 2; recaptured, 2; deaths, 6. Of the whole number of convicts, St. Louis sent a 133 Franklin 6, Cape Girardeau 4, Cooper 3,

Clay 3, Ray 3, Lewis 2, Marion 2, Mercer 2, Andrew 2, Perry, Bates, Stoddard, Hickory, Shannon, Daviess, Montgomery, New Madrad, Ozark, Platte, Madison, Dade, Shelby, Lincoln, Lafayette, Livingston, Ste. Genevieve, Howard Jackson, Schuyler, Wright, Moniteau, and Chariton, 1 each. Their place of nativity is thus stated: Ireland 39, Pennsylvania 19, Germany 18, Kentucky 15, New York 12, Virginia 12, Tennessee 11, Missouri 10, England 8, Ohio 8, Maryland 8, New Jersey 6, Indiana 4, Canada 4, North Carolina 3, Illinois 3, France 3, District of Columbia 3, Louisiana 2, Scotland 2, New Zealand 1, Rhode Island, Aalabama, Mississippi, Massachusetts, Poland, Holland New Hampshire, South America, 1 each. They are confined for the following offences: Grand larceny 113, burgalry and larceny 22, murder in the first and second degree 17, robbing 17, assult with intent to kill 7, steeling and decoying slaves 3, manslaughter 3, atmpnt to commit rape 3, passing counterfeit money 3, forgery 2, abduction 2, perjury, mayhem, arson, incest, receiving stolen goods, poisoning and embezzelment, 1 each.

*Liberty Weekly Tribune, Liberty, Missouri
February 21, 1851, page 2.*

[Ed.: Spelling and punctuation are as published.]

DEATH OF JACOB SHATT. A Well Known Citizen Passes Away This Morning

Jacob M. E. Shatt died at his home on West Hunter street this morning at 8:30, after several months suffering from nervous prostration, which terminated in paralysis.

Mr. Shatt was born in Germany, but came to America in early life. He was 56 years of age at the time of his death. He came to Nevada in 1877, twenty-one years ago, and for all that time was actively identified with the business interests of this city. He was engaged in the restaurant and hotel business in this place for fifteen years and was, locally, as well and favorably known as any citizen who ever lived in Nevada.

He accepted a position as MAIL carrier when the carrier service was inaugurated here in 1892 and followed that avocation until taken sick.

He was an honest man, a good citizen and a true friend. His life was one of good deeds and he always had a kind word for every one whom he met. He leaves a wife and two sons, Ed Shatt of Rich Hill, and Willie Shatt of this place, besides a host of friends to mourn his loss.

He had been a member of the Episcopal church nearly all his life. He carried life insurance policies payable to his wife as follows: \$1,000 in Covenant Mutual of Galesburg, Ill., and \$1,500 in Provident Savings of New York.

He served his country as a Union soldier during the war, and was a member of Gen. Joe Bailey Post, G. A. R.

His funeral will be at the home tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. M. McBride of all Saints Episcopal church. The remains will then be taken in charge by Gen. Joe Bailey Post and laid to rest in Deepwood cemetery.

*Nevada Daily Mail, Nevada, Missouri.
Wednesday, February 16, 1898, page 4.*

**THE BROWNS WANT HIM.
Reese Hill Offered a Position
With That Team.**

B. S. Muckenfuss, president of the St. Louis Browns, writes Reese Hill, the Vernon county base ball pitcher, offering him a place with that club for the season of 1898. The letter is very complimentary to Mr. Hill and his work.

Mr. Hill was with the Brown's the early part of last season and went from there to the Houston, Texas base ball team. He is one of the best twirlers in the country, and will have no trouble in being placed with a crack ball team for the season.

*Nevada Daily Mail, Nevada, Missouri.
Wednesday, February 16, 1898, page 3.*

Panama is "Dry."

Panama has gone "dry." One-half of the town went that way last week and on Monday E. T. Davis' license expired and he shut down. Aside from Nevada there is now but one wet spot in Vernon county and that is a saloon at Sheldon. Its license will expire February 12, and then under the local option law Vernon will be "dry" outside of Nevada.

*The Metz Times, Metz, Missouri.
January 10, 1908, page 1.*

Obituary of A. J. Snider.

Andrew J. Snider died at his home near Carbon, this county, on the 18th day of April, 1894.

Bro. Snider was born in Edgar county, Ill., Oct. 24th, 1843. He enlisted in the Union army, Aug. 14th 1864, in Co. H, 59th Regiment, Illinois volunteers and received his discharge Jan. 15th, 1866. He was married to Miss M. C. Snider of Clark county, Ill., Jan. 3d, 1867. Six children were born to them, four of whom are living. Three are married, and one, a daughter, resides with her widowed mother.

Bro. Snider united with the Christian church at Hitesville, Ill, in 1870, during a meeting held by Eld. H. H. Strouse, and was at the time of his death an elder of the congregation at Carbon, Mo., loved and esteemed by all who knew him.

During his long illness of more than two years from cancerous affection, though suffering very much, he bore it all in Christian fortitude and was hopeful of recovery until some few weeks before his death. When assured that recovery was impossible, he expressed perfect resignation and willingness to go at the Master's call, and his only regret was the separation from his wife and family to whom he was very much devoted.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer and took place from the Christian church in Carbon, where he had so long and faithfully labored in the cause of Christ. A very large concourse of sincere mourners were in attendance and followed his remains

to Carbon Cemetery, where all that was mortal was laid to rest.

Rest, brother, sweetly rest,
Thy spirit now in God's own presence blest.
On that bright golden shore,
Be thy happy home forever more.

**Nevada Daily Mail, Nevada, Missouri.
April 21, 1894.**

**CAUGHT THEM IN NEVADA.
Nathan Goodman and Miss
Bougher Found Here.
Neighbors Intercepted Their
Elopement to Kansas.**

Squire Vanarsdall, George M. Jones and J. W. Welch, of Little Osage, came into this city this morning in search of Mollie Bougher, aged 14 years, who it is alleged eloped with Nathan Goodman, 60 years of age, several days ago. Goodman, it is further alleged, has a wife and four children in Kansas City.

Messrs. Jones, Vanarsdall and Welch succeeded in finding the girl at 1015 South Cedar street, where Goodman had arranged to board her. He had arranged, it is said, to elope today with the girl for Chanute, Kan. The girl's mother was with these gentlemen at the time. The girl willingly returned to her mother, and the entire party left today for Little Osage. It is alleged that Goodman left with the girl with her consent. He was to send for the girl's parents, but our informants state that they failed to send for them.

**Nevada Daily Mail, Nevada, Missouri.
Wednesday, February 15, 1898, page 1.**

Last Friday Prosecuting Attorney J. N. Coil upon the information of the American Express Company, issued papers for the arrest of F. L. Smith, charging him with stealing \$30 worth of mink hides alleged to have been shipped on the Eldorado train the last of January to St. Louis. It is said that the hides were sold to a hide house in Nevada. The officers here were notified that Smith had been arrested at Sedalia and Sheriff Moore will leave tonight for that city to get his prisoner. Smith is out on bond, having been arrested on the [charge] of robbing the

express safe on the Eldorado train of 3,005 last month.—Nevada Post.

Lester, the nine year old son of Mrs. Minnie Morris, residing northwest of town, was accidentally shot with a target rifle last Saturday morning. He was trying to get a shot at a crow and while lying on the ground the gun was accidentally discharged. The bullet struck him on the right side and coming in contact with a rib did not reach vital parts. He was able to be up yesterday.

D. P. Maddox celebrated his sixty-fourth birthday Wednesday night in a very pleasant manner. About thirty of his friends were present and a grand time was had.

**The Metz Times, Metz, Missouri.
March 20, 1908, page 1.**

**Summer Fresh Grocery Cash Register
Receipts and Best Choice UPC Labels**

The Tri-County Genealogical Society continues to collect Best Choice brand UPC product labels and Summer Fresh Grocery Store receipts. Please note that the Summer Fresh receipts are void if the bottom portion of the receipt is removed. Bring these items to any monthly meeting. They are redeemed for cash used to purchase genealogy resources for our public libraries.

**Annual Genealogical Conference to be
held September 25-26 in Springfield**

The Ozarks Genealogical Society will hold its [29th Annual Conference](#) – *Your Family History...Just a Click Away* – Sep. 25-26 at University Plaza Hotel in Springfield, Mo. Thomas Jones, Ph.D., nationally-known genealogical researcher, author, editor, and educator, is the featured speaker. His lectures will focus on Internet research, deducing ancestors' identities, tracing common surnames, and solving problems with original sources. His lectures are known to benefit genealogists of all levels of experience. The conference begins Fri. evening and continues throughout the day on Sat.. The following mini-sessions will be presented on Sat. morning: "Strategies for Success," "FamilySearch Online," "Dressed

for the Photographer,” and “Searching with GenSmarts.” A vendor showcase will be available, and door prizes – totaling over \$900 – will be given away. Registration information is available at the link above or see the flyer in the Genealogy Dept.

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings of the Tri-County Genealogical Society (Vernon-Cedar-St. Clair Counties of Missouri) are held the second Saturday of each month and begin at 10 a.m. They are alternately held at Nevada and El Dorado Springs at the following locations:

Nevada Public Library Meeting Room, 212 W. Walnut, Nevada (enter at South side of building). On Saturdays, there is not a 2-hr parking limit on the streets.

El Dorado Springs Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, 302 East Hospital Road, El Dorado Springs.

Tri-County Genealogical Society

Membership in the Society is currently at about 75, and we use nametags at monthly meetings to help everyone get acquainted. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in family history research. Annual dues are \$10 for an individual membership (+\$5 for each additional member within the same household up to \$25 maximum), \$5 for a Student, and \$100 Lifetime, per person. We would be pleased to have you join the local society if you are not already a member, and you can do so at our next meeting or by sending a check to Tri-County Genealogical Society, 218 West Walnut Street, Nevada, MO 64772. 2009 Society officers are:

President: Kathe Rader

V. Pres: Gayle Teague & Neoma Foreman

Recording Secy: Janet Jones

Treasurer: Ray Lukenbill

Corresponding Secy: Darlene Lukenbill

Annual membership is only \$10 -- join today and support the work of the Society!

Sep 10 – Deadline for research trip bus reservations to Joplin Genealogy Society.

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