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## MENTORING MATTERS

Who got you started in genealogical research? Was there one person who gave you hints on how to trace a family history? Did someone encourage you to hunt up your ancestors? Was there some one you could go back to with a question on how to get around a “dead-end” or to whom you could get a ready ear when you had made a breakthrough?

I think every genealogical inquirer can name one or two persons who served as a mentor to them in their quest for family information. Everyone should have a mentor -- and if you find yourself struggling and without someone you trust who will listen to your frustrations and your triumphs -- then you need to seek out a mentor.

The flip side of having a mentor is being a mentor. Are you encouraging a younger person to get involved in family research? Do you listen to a friend express their frustrations and their triumphs in their research? Everyone should have one or more persons with whom they are sharing their mutual journey in research.

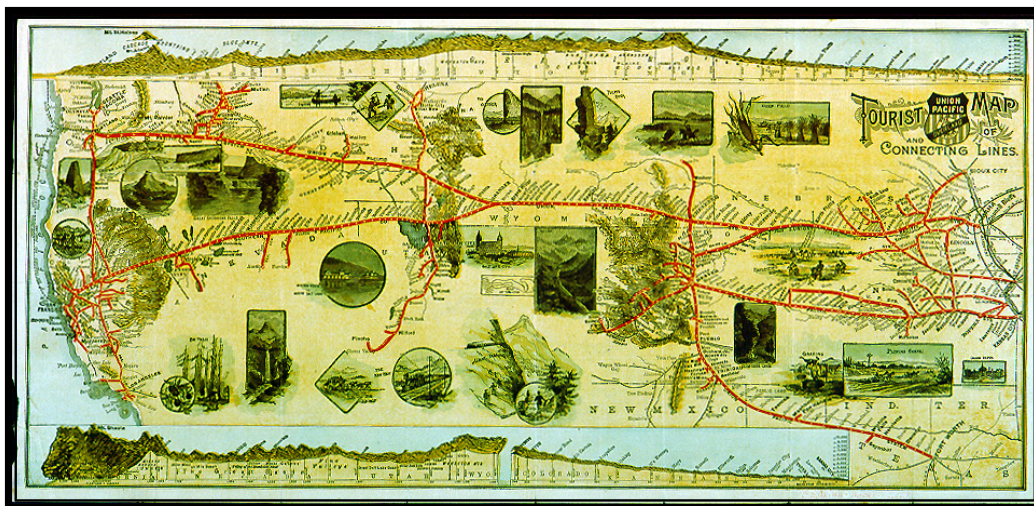
Mentoring is a two-way street. You need a mentor to assist you, but you should also have “mentees” who receive support and encouragement from you. It becomes a stimulating arrangement for both parties -- and both mentor and mentee gain from the exchange.

Try it! You’ll like it.

Gary A Zimmerman  
President, Fiske Genealogical  
Foundation



# RAILROAD RESOURCES FOR THE GENEALOGIST



1890 Union Pacific Tourist Map

Available at the UPRR web site at

<http://www.uprr.com/aboutup/history>

American families often have one or more persons who worked for a railroad as the transportation system was expanded across the continent in the 19th Century or as the economy boomed during the 20th Century. Finding the records to support your family history research among the archives of these railroads can be a very challenging task.

During the 1930's, as the Social Security System was being set up to assist aging Americans in their retirement, railroad workers received special attention. They were enrolled in the Social Security System, but from 1937 through 1963, they were given identification numbers that began with 700- and with 728- as the first three digits. (Beginning in 1964, new railway workers were assigned social security numbers that reflected the geographic location of where they were living at the time they registered with the system.)

Some railway employees received benefits from the Social Security System and some were placed in a different retirement plan. For the first group,

you will want to check the Social Security Death Index.

A separate U.S. Railroad Retirement Board was created in the 1930's and it provided retirement benefits to railway workers for some employers (but not all employers of railroad workers). Records of the USRRB date back to 1937.

The Railroad Retirement Board will provide information about deceased members of the system, upon application to the Board at 844 North Rush St, Chicago IL 60611-2092. There is a separate web-page at

<http://www.rrb.gov/geneal.html>

that identifies how they deal with genealogical research questions.

The Railroad Retirement Board does not officially have information about railway workers in the industry before 1936; however they have compiled a

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list of archival repositories that house some of the records of earlier workers. This is available on the RRB website at

<http://www.rrb.gov/geneal2.html>

and is a helpful resource.

Much of this material is more “historical” than genealogical, but as you comb through the resources at given railroad archives, you will find useful material for given individuals. It is not like looking at the SSDI or a city directory, however.

The University of Connecticut has a special emphasis on railroad history in the United States and their webpage at

<http://railroads.uconn.edu/links.htm>

offers a great starting point for finding out about the “genealogy of the railway companies”. During the hundred years between 1850 and 1950, there were many mergers and dissolutions of railway companies. Often the records were moved from one company to another as the mergers became effective. The new company might merge again and the records might be moved again. One useful strategy is to follow the mergers during the time period that your ancestor was working in the industry.

The National Transportation Safety Board has material on railway accidents in the United States over the past 40 years or so, including investigatory reports that followed these accidents. Their finding aid is pretty good and you can get to specific reports in PDF format. It is easy to search for a given surname and get to testimony about individuals who had a role in the accident or who witnessed the accident.

The National Archives wrote about railroad records in their possession in their popular magazine, *Prologue*, in 1997 and the article is now available at their website at

[http://www.archives.gov/publications/prologue/spring\\_1997\\_railroad\\_records\\_1.html](http://www.archives.gov/publications/prologue/spring_1997_railroad_records_1.html)

and they have republished an earlier paper at

<http://www.rhhistorical-2.com/rlhs/research.htm>

which is entitled *Records Relating to North American Railroads: Reference Information Paper 91*

Syracuse University Library holds nearly 4,000 linear feet of railroad records, dating from the early 1800's through 1968. These include records of ;

- the New York Central Railway Company (1,770 linear feet),
- the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company (4,600 volumes),
- the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company (145 linear feet),
- the Delaware, Lackawanna, and Western Railroad Company (2,000 linear feet), and
- the Erie Railroad Company (550 cubic feet).

All of this material is available through the Special Collections department of the university library.

Contact the Fiske Library if you want to discuss further strategies for identifying railway archival resources.

Gary A. Zimmerman

# LOCAL DIRECTORIES FROM ENGLAND AND WALES

Research in urban areas of Victorian England and Wales is greatly facilitated by a collection of local and trade directories recently published on the internet as the Digital Library of Historical Directories. You will find this resource at the University of Leicester with the URL of

<http://www.historicaldirectories.org/>.

The directories in this collection list the name, address and occupation of the persons in the database and by reviewing the same directory over multiple years, the researcher gains some information about a person's career and physical location over a period of time. The directories presently mounted, in easy to download and read formats, cover the 19th and early 20th Centuries.

The goal of the project was to get national coverage across both England and Wales during three time periods: the 1850's, 1890's and the 1910-1920 decade, with at least one digitized directory for each county and each county town during each of the three time periods.

The project decided to cover the 1890's and then skip to the 1910-1920 time span, so that there would not be a duplication of effort with the published 1901 census data. A few directories from the late 1700's and early

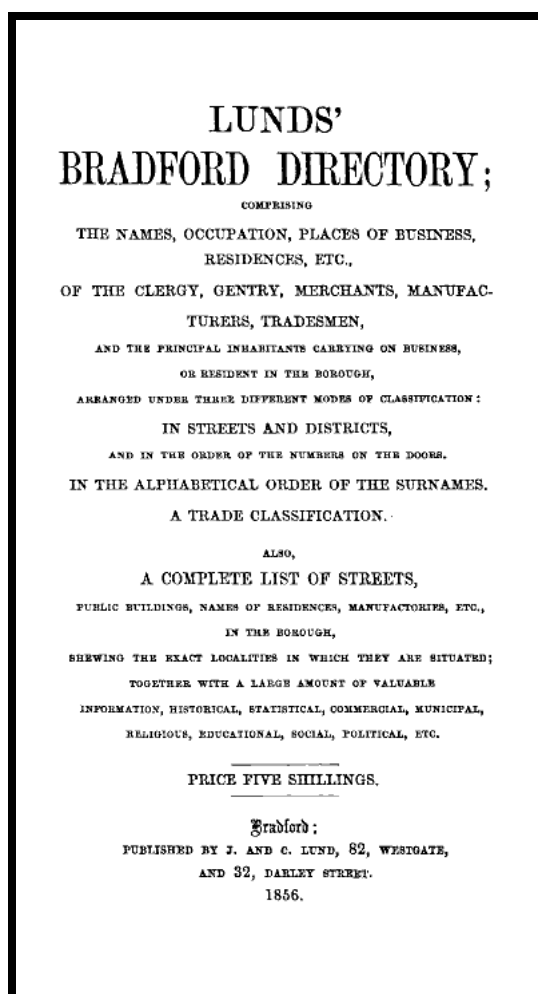
1800's were included in the presented database, but that earliest time period is not completely covered.

From a list of the counties or by touching the outline of a county on a map available on the web site, the search engine will return a list of which directories cover a given county. County Somerset is covered in seventeen different

directories: five of them prior to 1850, five in the 1850's, one in the 1860's, two in the 1880's, one in the 1890's, and one each in 1902, 1914 and 1919. The table with the seventeen entries can be sorted by clicking on the column title to get an alphabetical listing of the directories, or a chronological listing of the dates covered, or a ranking by number of entries in the database for a given volume.

You can search for either a name of a person or for a specific town or village. This is a useful resource if you are trying to establish time periods when a person was in a given locality, although often the only member of the family to be listed is the head of household.

Gary A. Zimmerman





## NEW ENGLAND AND NEW YORK MAPS

The library at the University of New Hampshire has a great set of maps for each of the New England states and for New York. You will find them at <http://docs.unh.edu/nhtopos/nhtopos.htm> and you will have several choices of how to present the images.

These USGS maps have appeared in several editions over the past 100 years. Usually two or three different editions are available on line for each quadrant. To give you high resolution, each quad map is presented in four quarters as four separate images.

Each state has a “quad” index, (if you know the name of the quadrangle), and a Town Index.

For example, if you pick a town like Laconia, New Hampshire you will be offered two choices of map:

1. the Holderness 15 Minute topog, which was first printed in 1927 and then reissued in 1931, the 1927 map that was reprinted again in 1940 and a new map of the quad issued in 1950; and
2. the Winnepesaukee Quad which was first issued in 1909 (and reprinted in 1950) and a new edition done in 1956.

The actual surveys for the Holderness quad map were done in 1925 and then issued in 1927, 1931 and 1940. The 1950 map took the 1925 survey results and amended them with a new, partial survey to reflect modern developments.

In the Winnepesaukee Quadrangle, the 1909 map was based on surveys on the ground done in 1906 and 1907. The 1956 map for this quad supplemented the earlier mapwork with aerial photographs in 1954 and on-the-ground field checks in 1956.

Gary A. Zimmerman



Holderness, 1927, Northeast Corner

A sample of the maps available for viewing at UNH Diamond Library, Document Dept. and Data Center, USGS Maps of New England and New York.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Salt Lake 2005

At the unanimous request of all of last year's participants, the 2005 research trip to Salt Lake City has been increased to 10 nights; leaving on Wednesday, January 19 and returning on Saturday, January 29, 2005.

Betty Kay Anderson will coordinate the trip and hopes to have a flyer and prices available by early October. Check our web site in September/October for additional information go to our web site at:

<http://www.fiskelibrary.org>

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### Fiske Newsletter Subscriptions

The spring issue of the Fiske Newsletter was mailed to 1,257 recipients at a cost of nearly one dollar each.

On the mailing label of this issue, some of you may have a “#” pound sign printed right after your name. This will signify that you are not currently an annual patron, a regular class attendee or have not signed into the library during the past 21 months. If you enjoy reading the newsletter and wish to continue to subscribe to the free mailed version, please contact us by phone or note: (206) 328-2716 or Fiske Genealogical Library, 1644 43rd Avenue East, Seattle Washington 98112.



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Just click on the link near the bottom of our home page or go directly to:

<http://www.fiskelibrary.org>

If your name does have a # sign indicator, and we do not hear from you, this will be the last free copy of the Newsletter we will send to you by U.S. mail.

Annual and regular daily patrons and class attendees will continue to receive their mailed copies of the Fiske Newsletter.

Carolyn Blount

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## VOLUNTEERING AT THE FISKE LIBRARY

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Volunteering at the Fiske Library has many advantages. First off is the satisfaction of “giving back” for the family research discoveries made among the 10,000 books, half million index cards, or hundreds of alphabetized notebooks. In learning about the library as one helps other researchers, volunteers often discover resources they didn’t realize were available at the Fiske, such as the Territorial Census Records or the Washington State Death Index.

Articles written on one’s research at Fiske, published in the Newsletter, typically bring a response from distant cousins eager to share information on the same family. Sometimes a volunteer even has a quiet moment on a regular volunteer schedule to pursue his/her own research.

One way to begin is to select a 2 or 4 hour block of time when you could commit to volunteering on a regular schedule once a month or once a week. Many volunteers commit to keeping the library open on a regular weekly basis on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursday evenings and Saturdays. They would enjoy assistance once a month while you learn the ropes, and then you could help fill vacation schedules, or provide a break.

Some specific tasks lend themselves to volunteer effort:

- Mailing the Newsletter                      Once per quarter, 4-6 hours for two persons
- Indexing blue notebooks                      1-2 hours per notebook
- Re-shelving books                              ½ hour on Saturdays & Wednesdays
- Cleaning    1-2 hours weekly
- Staffing Library                                  2-4 hour shifts (see library hours for days)

Whatever your interest in volunteering, please speak with the librarian on duty, and we'll find a task that matches your interests to our needs as we work together to enhance the Fiske Library resources.

Carolyn Blount



## FISKE LIBRARY—NEW BOOK & PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

### Publications and Periodicals:

- Adams Addenda publication 1990 - 1995
- The Family Tree (a Scottish publication)
- Genealogical Societies & Historical Societies
- Family Associations, Societies and Reunions.
- Glamorgan Family History Society recent issues.
- Hoosier Genealogist
- Indiana Magazine of History, many issues
- Traces of Indiana History
- Journal of the Lancaster Co. Historical Society
- Letcher Heritage News publications
- Springfield, Mo. Land Office Abstracts 1830-1846
- Marriage Records, 1842-1880 - Washington Co., Oregon
- The Iron County Chronicle (Clarion Co., PA.)
- The Pennsylvania Magazine
- The Ferry Review (PA German birth & baptismal certificates)
- Rainey Times, Sulphur Springs, Texas
- Death Records, 1892-1907, Kitsap Co., WA

### Genealogies:

- A brief Family History of John Q. Brown and Elizabeth Caudill Brown –descs. of the Jenkins, Blair, and Branson families.
- The Dixon Story
- Genealogy of Gideon Ison I
- Descendants of Robert Seeley and Obadiah Seeley, Generations 1-5
- Robert Seeley Descendants - 6th generation
- Descendants of Robert Seeley and Obadiah Seeley, 7th generation

### C.D.'s:

- Documents and Commentaries from National Archives of Ireland
- 1831 Tithe Defaulters - Ireland

### New Acquisition Thanks

We have just a short list of summer acquisitions for this newsletter. However, we much appreciate the following donors who brought these to the library and gave them for the use of our members. Our thanks to:

Jackie Cedarholm,  
Mary Dancer,  
Diane Hettrick,  
Margaret Jenkins,  
Helen Lewis  
Karen Portzer,  
Anna Davis Rudd, and  
Jack Seeley.

If, by any chance, there is nothing on the short list that interests you, don't give up!

Our library recently received our annual list of duplicate publications from the LDS library in Salt Lake City. It consisted of over 100 pages of titles available, first come, first served. They have been most generous with us in previous years, and we feel very fortunate to be on the list of libraries to which they make this offer. So, according to the information we received, it is possible that we may have some of these things about the end of the year. So, be sure to check our winter acquisitions list.

Mary Stevenson



## CONNECTING THE DOTS WITH NARA

One hundred and forty-five years ago, my husband's great-grandmother, Mary Healy Connor wrote her sister, Margaret Ann Healy, a letter describing her new home in Winneshiek Co., Iowa. For whatever reason, the letter was never mailed and remains in the Connor family today. We know that Mary Healy Connor was a much-loved, hard working farm wife and mother of twelve, but what about her sister Margaret Ann?

In the 1859 letter, Mary asked Margaret if she "was living at the Doctor's yet", not much to go on, but the 1860 Federal Census provided a plausible explanation for the question; nineteen year-old Margaret Healy is working as a servant for Dr. Henry Knapp, in Adrian, Michigan. However, here our research trail ran cold.

Family legend suggested that Margaret Healy married a Mr. Flaherty and that she died in Lawrence, Massachusetts. That's it, that's all that was known! Not much considering how many Irish "Flaherty's" lived in the New England states in the mid-1800's. However, by doing a search of the Civil War Pension Index at <http://ancestry.com/> (available at Fiske Library), a match was found with a Patrick Flaherty and a Margaret A. Flaherty, could these people be our Mary and Patrick?

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) provide an online order form for Federal Military Pension Applications <https://eservices.archives.gov/orderonline/>

After completing as much information as possible on the veteran's identification, service description and pension application information, a researcher can request a copy of related pension applications. The fee is \$37.00 and the request I made on June 23, 2004 produced a thick NARA envelope in my mailbox by August 1<sup>st</sup>. A much faster response than I had been anticipating!

So, did the pension files relate to "our" Patrick and Margaret? Absolutely, and they provided a wealth of previously unknown family information. Margaret married Patrick in Roxbury, Massachusetts in November of 1862. His first wife had died less than a month earlier and he had just enlisted in the Union Army. Patrick fought and was wounded, in the siege of Port Hudson, Louisiana in 1863. He was mustered out of service within the year and he returned to Margaret.

Patrick made a living playing the bagpipes and peddling jewelry and small wares. Margaret worked in the cotton mills of Lowell and Lawrence. Theirs was a stormy relationship and gradually Patrick stopped coming home. Margaret was left with at least one child, a daughter, to support.

Although Patrick made contact a few times over the ensuing years, he and Margaret did not live together after about 1872. In June of 1899, they met once more, just a few weeks before Patrick died from falling down a flight of stairs.

NAME OF SOLDIER: Flaherty, Patrick				
NAME OF DEPENDENT: Widow, Flaherty, Margaret A.				
SERVICE: No 48 Mass. Inf.				
DATE OF FILING: 1899/08/03	CLASS: Widow	APPLICATION NO.: 886 824	CERTIFICATE NO.: 887 310	MAIL FEE: \$1.00
	Widow	7.05.92.6	509497	1/10/01
ATTORNEY: J.S. Pearson				

After his death, on March 27, 1901 (retroactive to August 1899), Margaret won her petition for Patrick's disability pension. At the time Margaret was typically earning \$6.00 per week working at a Lawrence cotton mill, the \$8.00 per month widow pension would enable her a few more comforts.

Margaret died in Lawrence, Massachusetts on April 15, 1918. Both her children had predeceased her. We don't have any family record of Mary and Margaret seeing each other after 1858.

Now, when reading the copy of Mary's 1859 letter to Margaret Ann, we can better picture the intended recipient. She's become flesh and blood, a person who toiled at the cotton mills, lost two children when they were young, was left by her husband and lived all her life in rented rooms. We can just imagine the importance of the widow's pension to Margaret's daily life. Hopefully, it helped her enjoy her later years.

Moira E. Connor



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Annual Couple Membership \$60.

Annual Library Membership  
plus Full Year Seminar Series  
(30 sessions) \$75.

## DAN MANDEVILLE

Dan Mandeville has been organizing and indexing the Pennsylvania notebooks at the Fiske Library this past spring. He had contacted Clark County for some research, and someone mentioned the Fiske Library in Seattle, so he came, met Gary Zimmerman, and quickly volunteered to take on this project.

He began family research only last year and admits that it is now an “obsession”. He found that while his family had left him with some research, there was much overlooked information. He has found that using the census records available through HeritageQuest through the Seattle Public Library, and Ancestry.com available through the Fiske Library, gave him a good framework to begin research.

Dan’s most exciting recent find was that an ancestor, Abraham Somes was the first in 1762 to settle Mt. Desert Island, Maine, the island on which Bar Harbor is located.

Abraham’s wife, Hannah Herrick had an ancestor who was the ambassador to Turkey under Queen Elizabeth I, a Member of Parliament (1601-1630) according to Old Hancock County Families by William Macbeth Pierce.

Dan’s maternal grandmother’s parents were French immigrants, and she has a letter that she thought might have something to do with the death of her own grandfa-

ther. She gave Dan a copy to translate since he took French in high school. The letter was an account of his last days; he was a sailor, and he died in a port in Australia in 1903. The letter was so fascinating that Dan says, “I haven’t stopped my research since.” The most important thing he has learned is to be skeptical. He regards everything as only a clue, and tries not to think of it as fact until he can substantiate it satisfactorily. “Figuring out the truth behind conflicting information is part of the fun.”

Dan has been a Library Technician at Seattle University. He holds two Bachelor’s degrees, one in Linguistics, a second in Scandinavian Area Studies. The Fiske Library has benefited from his expertise and we will miss him.

In August, Dan will join his girlfriend, a student at the University of Toronto, as he starts his new position in that fair city. Our best wishes to you both!

Carolyn Blount



## OBITUARIES 101

If you are looking for recent obituaries, there is a useful resource at

<http://www.obituaries101.com/>.

It will connect you to newspapers in communities all across the United States with regular obituary notices and it flags those that have archival searching. In some cases, obituaries older than 30 days will require a modest payment to download the entire text.

The listing is alphabetical by name of newspaper for each state, but if the title of the newspaper doesn't indicate a specific city or community, the website adds that in blue type to the right of the name so the newspaper.

At the beginning of each state's listing, there is a hot link to "All Newspapers" which transfers you to a Kidon Media Link page for each state. This second website lists all newspapers in a state, even if they don't have a regular on-line obituary resource. It also connects you with each radio station in the state with a web-site. If you go to the Kidon homepage at

<http://www.kidon.com/media-link/>

you will find similar links to news outlets on other continents and in other languages -- especially Spanish, French, German, Dutch, Arabic, Chinese and Russian.

Both of these websites are of great help in searching for contemporary death notices or for finding current local news resources.

Gary A. Zimmerman

## SPELLING TIPS FOR THE WRITER

<b>accommodate</b>	large enough to accommodate both a double "c" <i>and</i> a double "m".
<b>a lot</b>	two words!
<b>bellwether</b>	often misspelled "bellweather." A wether is a gelded ram, chosen to lead the herd (thus his bell).
<b>liaison</b>	French word throwing us an orthographical curve: a spare "i", just in case.
<b>maintenance</b>	the main tenants of this word are "main" and "tenance" even though it comes from the verb "maintain."
<b>occurrence</b>	suffix is -ence, not -ance.
<b>possession</b>	possesses more "s's" than a snake.
<b>principal/principle</b>	school principal is a prince and a pal--and the same applies to anything of foremost importance, such as a principal principle. A "principle" is a rule.
<b>their/they're/there</b>	possessive is "their" and the contraction of "they are" is "they're." Everywhere else, it is "there."
<b>twelfth</b>	the "f" in your pronunciation of this word is retained in the spelling.

Moira E. Connor

From the web site:

<http://www.yourdictionary.com/library/misspelled.html>



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## LEARNING ABOUT MANUSCRIPTS AND ARCHIVES

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There comes a point in every genealogical search where the desired information will not be found in a published book or in an on-line database. The researcher must deal with original documents, often handwritten and contemporary with the ancestor under investigation.

Such documents are often found in the "special collections" or the "manuscripts" division of a library. Tracking down the location of relevant manuscripts is often more difficult than the relatively easier route used in finding a published book in a library collection. Manuscript collections are stored and cataloged in more intricate ways than books, both for the protection of the documents and for coping with the wide variety of subject matter found on individual pages in large collections.

Yale University Library has a very useful introduction to the use of manuscripts and finding aids, with examples from the Yale collection, but with application to fine library collections everywhere. The starting point is found at

<http://www.library.yale.edu/mssa/tutorial/tutorial.htm>

and is worth serious consideration if you are planning to use historical manuscripts in your work.

Primary materials in collections of this sort may involve any sort of medium that records information, so you will find these resources include letters, diaries, photographs, maps, audio tapes, blueprints, video cassettes, and other media.

The Yale tutorial shows you how these different materials are handled and classified in a library setting and introduces the necessary terminology used in special collections work. Then the mini-

course goes on to teach you how to use the bibliographic tools for finding a document that will respond to your research objective. The course concludes with showing you how to create research strategies for different kinds of manuscript tasks. All the way through the website, you will see illustrations taken from specific holdings in the Yale collection -- but the same process can be used at special libraries anywhere.

The Yale tutorial also links to the Special Collections web site at the Yale Library, where some 1700 separate collections are held. The "catalogs and finding tools" section is very helpful in expanding upon the tutorial outline. It is important to emphasize that the finding aids shown on-line in the tutorial represent only a fraction of the finding aids available at Yale -- you will find information about the existence of a finding aid in the catalog, but you may have to physically visit the library or correspond with a librarian to get details of what is in the finding aid. Many libraries are now moving to put their finding aids on line, but this is by no means a universal practice yet.

Explore and enjoy this resource and begin to consider when and where you will look for primary source material to enhance your current genealogical research.

Gary A. Zimmerman



## FISKE GENEALOGICAL FOUNDATION—FALL EDUCATION SERIES

All classes will be held from 10:00 am to 12 Noon in the Library at 1644 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue E. in Seattle (in the Madison Park neighborhood). Tuition is \$5 per class or \$30 per quarter. An annual library membership with educational privileges is \$75. All sessions are led by Gary A. Zimmerman, unless otherwise indicated.

No.	Date	Class Title
1	22 September	Genealogy from Old Photographs, by Carolyn Blount.
2	29 September	What to do when your computer talks back to you, by David Brazier.
3	6 October	Using Excel in Genealogy, by Barbara Raemer.
4	13 October <b>11 a.m.</b> Seattle Public Library, ninth floor	Touring the New Seattle Public Library  Coordinator, Carolyn Blount. Senior Librarian SPL, Genealogy, Darlene Hamilton.  Pre-registration required, class will be limited to 15.
5	20 October	Unearthing Your Quaker Roots
6	27 October	Ohio Repositories
7	3 November	Using European Search Engines
8	10 November	Family History Research in Alabama and Mississippi
9	17 November	Using and Finding Documents in Genealogy, by Karl Kumm
10	1 December	Norwegian Research in North America and Europe

## FALL CLASSES

Three of the fall classes will specifically focus on computers and genealogy. David Brazier will instruct us in what to do when our computer talks back to us. In the first hour, he will discuss saving files and security. In the second, he will introduce us to publishing on the Web. Barbara Raemer, a member of Fiske, the Seattle Genealogy Society and a most active member of its Computer User Group will show us how she uses spreadsheets and Excel in her genealogy. Gary Zimmerman will introduce us to the use of European search engines to seek out family roots abroad.

On October 13 at eleven a.m. (note the time change), we will meet in the new, down-town branch of the Seattle Public Library (SPL) at the ninth floor Genealogy Desk. Darlene Hamilton will introduce us to this exciting new space. All of us who have ever used SPL know how knowledgeable, energetic and helpful Darlene is. She recommends that you prepare by going to the library web page,

<http://www.spl.org/>

and check the books you will need to advance your research. Since this class will be limited to 15 par-

ticipants, please pre-register by calling the Fiske, if you are interested in attending this session, Carolyn Blount will coordinate the SPL session for Fiske.

Carolyn will also be teaching the first class of the quarter, *Genealogy from Old Photographs*". Most of us have at least one family photo that is a mystery!

We will also have classes on Quaker records, Ohio Repositories, Alabama and Mississippi, Norwegian Research and the use of documents in genealogy. All these classes will stress how the computer can help in your research. Come join us on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. to attend some, or all, of the sessions of specific interest to you.

Karl Kumm,  
Education Coordinator

## FISKE LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Wednesday	Noon to 8:00 pm
Thursday	3:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Friday	Reserved for research groups (greater than 8 persons) from outside the greater Seattle Area. Contact the Library to make reservations.
Saturday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm
2nd Sunday of Each Month	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

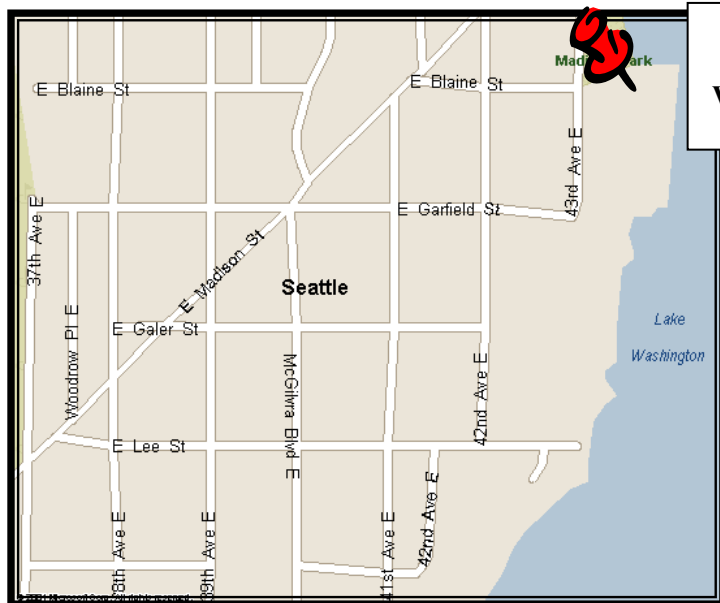


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