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ARTHUR FISKE'S LEGACY

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Flag Day 2003 was the 7th anniversary of the death of Arthur D. Fiske, founder of our genealogical library. Many of today's patrons never knew Arthur, yet they benefit from his vision and his life-long love of genealogical research. I urge you to learn more about him and about his understanding of all the avenues for learning that a genealogical quest offers to a person.

Arthur began his own quest in 1944 and in the first 50 years of research he documented some 6,000 ancestral connections in his own lineages. In the fall of 1952, he joined the Seattle Genealogical Society as its 53rd member. That began a long, mutually beneficial relationship between Arthur and SGS. He actively jumped in to help the organization. From 1956 to 1965, he served as editor of the Seattle Genealogical Society Bulletin. During this period, he put a lot of effort into building up the genealogical collections at Seattle Public Library. In 1965, he assumed the presidency of SGS at a time when the Society was first establishing its formal "headquarters".

In 1969, Arthur began "teaching" genealogy. He held classes in his apartment on Madison Street in Seattle. Two years later, he created the Fiske Genealogical Center as his base for educational activities for genealogists and to house a library of resource materials that would not otherwise be available in the Seattle area.

In 1973, Arthur retired from his regular job so that he could devote his full energy to the Center. He began to work with a travel agency to organize research expeditions for genealogists, first to New England and the Middle Atlantic states, and eventually to the British Isles, with Arthur as the guiding light for the hands-on research done by

tour members. In 1980, he began a second three-year period as President of SGS. In 1983, the Society celebrated its 60th anniversary, with close to 1500 members, a 30-fold increase in 30 years.

By the mid 1980's, the Fiske Center had over 3,000 volumes in its own collection, a year-round schedule of six different classes on various aspects of research. It was located on Queen Anne hill in Seattle. In January 1990, the Fiske Genealogical Foundation was created as a non-profit library and educational institution. Arthur transferred title of his collections to the Foundation, including the books and the multiple card files and notebooks that he and his students had accumulated through the years.

In September 1992, the Fiske Library relocated to the present facility in the lower level of the Washington Pioneer Hall in the Madison Park neighborhood. The educational programs continued and volunteers helped Arthur expand the offerings and the collections. At the time of his death in 1996, the library had about 5,000 volumes on the shelves and a mailing list of about 400 persons.

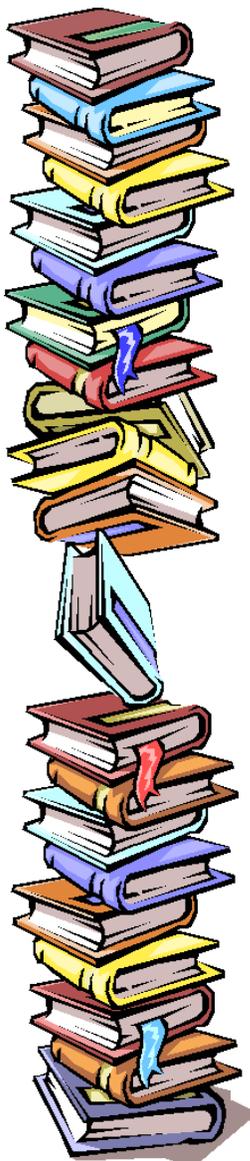
Seven years later, the Fiske Foundation still offers a regular schedule of instruction in genealogical research and history, guided research tours, special seminars and outside speakers, and a collection of over 10,000 volumes of research materials. While computers and technology have advanced during the intervening years, I think that Arthur would be proud of how his "center" has prospered. In a sense, Arthur Fiske is continuing to nurture and help genealogists in the northwest. Thank you, Arthur.

Gary A. Zimmerman

SPECIAL NEW ACQUISITIONS!

MASSACHUSETTS VITAL RECORDS FROM NEHGS FOR:

Andover, Vol. 2
 Bedford
 Berlin
 Billerica
 Bolton
 Bradford
 Brocton
 Cambridge, Vol. 1&2
 Carver
 Charlton
 Chelsea
 Chilmark
 Cohasset
 Conway
 Danvers, Vol. 1&2
 Dartmouth, Vol. 3
 Deerfield
 Douglas
 Dover
 Dunstable
 Duxbury
 Edgartown
 Framingham
 Georgetown
 Gloucester, Vol. 3
 Grafton
 Hamilton
 Harwick
 Harvard
 Haverhill, Vol. 1&2
 Holliston
 Hull
 Ipswich, Vol. 1, 2, &3
 Kingston
 Leicester



Littleton
 Lynn, Vol. 1&2
 Malden
 Marblehead
 Medway
 Methuen
 Nantucket, Vol. 1-5
 Newton
 New Bedford, Vol. 1&2
 Northbridge
 Norton
 Palmer
 Pembroke
 Petersham
 Plympton
 Rochester
 Salem, Vol. 1-6
 Saugus
 Salisbury
 Scituate, Vol. 1&2
 Sharon
 Sherborn
 Sturbridge
 Sudbury
 Sutton
 Taunton, Vol. 3
 Tisbury
 Uxbridge
 Waltham
 Warren
 Weymouth, Vol. 1&2
 Williamstown
 Worthington
 Wrentham, Vol. 1&2



NATIONAL ARCHIVES - ACCESS TO ARCHIVAL DATABASES (AAD)

One Challenge many genealogists face is the lack of indices for New York passenger lists from 1847 to 16 June 1897. In that period over eight million people came through the port of New York. The U. S. national Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has an on-line data base that begins to close that gap. Last February, NARA opened a new web site called Access to Archival Databases (AAD). It contains some 350 data files. But first let's look at an example from my family.

Census records showed that John Nott and his family migrated from England to New York in 1852. Two of his younger brothers, Thomas and Michael had preceded him. The story of Michael Court Nott's migration is a cameo tragedy. Family records showed he and his wife Elizabeth had two children who died in the crossing in the winter of 1849-1850. It was easy to find the vessel's arrival early in January 1850, but sad to note the death of the two children on the passenger list. Michael Court Nott did not sail with his wife. What must the family reunion have been like on that dock in New York? But when did Michael Court Nott arrive in New York?

Since there is no index for 1849, a search of ten rolls of film could consume from forty to fifty hours. Search abandoned. Then comes AAD to the rescue!

What steps do you need to take to find your ancestor?

Step 1: Go to the AAD page on your computer. www.archives.gov/aad/

Step 2: Select the red **search** button next to the title AAD.

Step 3: On the Select a Series/File Unit select **people**.

Step 4: Select **Famine Irish Data Files, 1977? – 1989?**

Step 5: Select **Search**.

Step 6: Type in data you want searched. Select **Search** and your results will be displayed.

How did my search turn out? Typing in Nott for the last name and Michael for the first gave me two results. Since I knew that Michael Court Nott was a watch smith, the occupation code clockmaker quickly identified him. His ship the *Pioneer* had arrived from London in New York on the Tenth of August 1849.

There are few things you should understand about Famine Irish Passenger Record Data File (FIPAS). It covers the period from January 12th, 1846 to December 31st 1851. During this six year period over half a million passengers are indexed, some 604,596 to be more exact. Thirty per cent were not from Ireland. The 33 country codes span from Morocco, Russia, Sweden and Finland to Germany, Bavaria, Baden and Prussia. There are perhaps 150 codes for port of embarkation. In Ireland ships came from Sligo, Wexford and Donegal. Others departed from Chagras, Madeira and Penzance. A 33 page documentation package explains all those codes. We have the Blach Institute at Temple University to thank for this valuable index.

Among the 350 ADD data files are at least eleven others import to genealogists. Nine files cover military casualties after World War II. The World War II Prisoners of War Data File was made from 143,374 IBM punch cards. Of particular interest to us in the northwest is the file Japanese – American Internee Data File consisting of records on 109,384 individuals. Most of these data bases relate to events in the Twentieth Century.

Karl Kumm

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Friends of Fiske Library, Meeting on Wednesday, October 1, 2003 at 12:15 pm



The Friends of the Fiske Library will meet Wednesday, October 1 at 12:15 PM following class.

There will be a discussion about "disbanding" the Friends of the Library since so few have showed up for the business meetings, though the Friends' events get a large turnout. Some of the officers have served for over ten years and are ready to pass the baton to new members!

Ireland Tour Planned for September 2004



Betty Kay Anderson is planning a Fiske Library Genealogy Research Tour for the latter three weeks of September and early October, 2004.

Further information will be published in a later Newsletter, but it's time to begin planning and doing the background research to make this a successful trip to the Green Isle.

Fiske Library Summer Picnic a Success



Fiske Library volunteers gathered on the deck overlooking Hood Canal at the home of Betty Kay and Roy Anderson on Saturday, July 26 for a seafood feast of barbecued oysters in the half shell, fresh crab and salmon, plus delectable potluck contributions.

This annual July event expresses appreciation to all the volunteers who make the Fiske Library a success. If you missed this summer's event, be sure to put it on next year's calendar.

The Fiske Library is missing book #13 from the Barbour Collection, one of the complete series of the Vital Records of Connecticut.



Books can be checked out by members for only \$1 per week, so it is assumed that the book may have been taken by accident.

Would users please check their own libraries, to see if this book, already out of print, could have accidentally been picked up. Neither questions nor fines on its return, we shall be so grateful!

NEW RESOURCE FOR SCOTTISH RESEARCH

In July 2003, the National Library of Scotland “published” over 1,900 Ordnance Survey plans for sixty-two of the larger populated Scottish towns and cities. The images were created between 1847 and 1895. Genealogists may view these digitized maps in close-up detail through their web browser at <http://www.nls.uk/maps/index.html>. For each town, there is extensive background material provided and there are links to guides describing the symbols and abbreviations used by the original map-makers.

The images start at double the normal scale for most maps of this sort, so you can bore down to the point of finding specific layouts of gardens, drying greens and in some cases, how the public buildings are placed relative to trees, water taps and manholes. The 19th Century cartographers took especial care when mapping industrial premises so that you can see individual weighing machines, boilers and chimneys.

Initially, in the 1840's, Ordnance maps of rural Scotland were done on a scale of 6 inches to the mile (1:10,600), but for town maps it was decided that a bigger scale would be more useful, so many of these images began at 1:1,056 or five feet on the map to 1 mile on the ground. In a few cities, the local Board of Health decided that for purposes of sanitary engineering, they needed surveys on a ten-foot scale (1:528). The map on this website from Berwick-upon-Tweed is to this scale. In 1855, a new Superintendent of the Ordnance Survey got the National Treasury to approve the nation-wide mapping of towns at the metric ten-foot scale (1:500), and it was used for all new town surveys from that time forward. A “town” was defined as any urban area with over 4,000 people.

The website has details for further research. For example, Aberdeen (in 1899-1900) and Dundee (in 1900-1901) paid for new surveys at their own expense and these are not part of the National Library collection. Those maps are available, however, in the local public libraries.

These new offerings are just part of what is available on line from the map room at the National Library of Scotland. There are more than 800 maps of Scotland in the collection covering the years from 1560 to 1928. There is a special area showing the maps prepared by Timothy Pont between 1583 and 1596. There is a collection of some 400 military maps prepared during the 18th Century, during the Jacobite period, for use by government troops when faced by the potential for civil insurrection in Scotland.

One final note: maps are a big focus of the National Library of Scotland. They claim to be one of the ten largest collections of maps in the world, with around two million sheet maps, 15000 atlases, and over 100,000 maps on microfilm. More than 3000 of these map images are now available at the NLS website and they are accompanied by extensive background and historical information to make the use of the maps more productive to the user. (British Isles researchers with no Scottish lines will still find the descriptive material on Ordnance maps very helpful to their understanding of resources to be found in the rest of the United Kingdom.)

Scottish researchers should remember that the National Archives of Scotland also has a map collection that does not duplicate much of the collection described above. For example the National Library has only 4000 “estate plans” which were drawn by hand in preparation for agricultural improvements to large farms; the National Archives has a much larger collection of this particular kind of map.

Gary A. Zimmerman



Volunteer Dolores DiLascio, Retiring after 30 Years
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30 YEAR VOLUNTEER RETIRES

Dolores DiLascio began volunteering at the Fiske Library in 1973, right after her husband died. She has recently retired and moved to Marysville, Washington.

Dolores had been interested in genealogy for a long time, and knew that her friend, Katherine Gillys, also widowed, was taking classes from Arthur Fiske in the library space he rented on the main floor of a small house on the east side of Queen Anne Hill. One day she asked Katherine if she could go with her, and the filing began! Because neither woman had families, they would typically stay an hour after class to help Arthur file his index cards. She recalls how Arthur had surname cards stashed everywhere, in shoe boxes, and in coffee cans, in the kitchen, bathroom and bedroom where he also had his photocopy machine; every spare corner had its collection.

The index cards make up the collection of half a million reference cards alphabetically filed in the old oak University of

Washington cabinets in the Fiske Library.

Dolores has also, single handedly, sorted, discarded, and filed all of Arthur's stacks of loose papers, family group sheets, family records, baptisms, marriage records, and other treasures now all alphabetically arranged by family name in 221 blue 3-ring binders located at the back of the Library. Currently the Library needs a volunteer willing to maintain these binders and to eventually index them in a computer searchable file.

Dolores reported that after many years, she finally finished the project. There are 221 blue binders each with many hidden treasures now more accessible through Dolores many year of filing. "I always hated filing too she concluded". A big thank you to Dolores DiLascio for her 30 years of dedicated service to the Fiske Library.

Carolyn Blount

KLONDIKE GOLD RUSH RESOURCES

Quite a few patrons of the Fiske Library who use our northwest collection have grandparents or great-grandparents who went north during the gold rush to the Yukon in 1898. Thousands of people sought their fortunes in the northland. Now the government of the Yukon has presented a website with information documenting the presence of many of these people during the years between 1898 and 1905 in the vicinity of Dawson City. Go to <http://www.yukongenealogy.com> for access to the Gold Rush Database.

If you enter a family name or an individual's name into the search engine, a long list of potential resources is returned and entries with those specific names are listed under the individual database title. The name of the database links to a detailed description of what is included in the database and how it was developed.

In my grandmother's family, two of her brothers were in the Yukon about the turn of the century. I did a search on GOULETT. Two hits were returned. W. J. Goulett appears in Clary Craig's list of people dying or leaving Klondike. Craig was a post office worker in Dawson City who kept a record of people as they left the Klondike with a notation of the date they departed and a forwarding address for them. There are some 14,000 names in his records. William J. Goulett, my great uncle, departed from Whitehouse, Yukon Territory on June 5, 1905. He returned to the Seattle area and spent the rest of his life in King County.

The second hit was for a C. Goulette, who was Will Goulett's brother, Charlie. Charlie Goulett was recorded by the Northwest Mounted Police at Lake Bennett, where records were kept of persons entering and leaving the Yukon by boat. On 24 August 1899, he was outward bound from the Yukon on the *SS. Clifford Sifton*. There are over 4,600 records in this particular set of data!

The Goulett brothers were sons of John Trenton Goulett, my great-grandfather, who was a French Canadian ships carpenter working for the Moran Brothers shipyard in Seattle at the time of the gold rush. He went with a crew from the shipyard up to St. Michael's island in the Bering Sea near the mouth of the Yukon River, where the team from Seattle built shallow-draft, sternwheeler boats for ferrying potential miners and supplies up the length of the Yukon River to the Canadian gold fields.

By 1899 much of the "rush" was over and the miners headed to other finds in other parts of the world. Many just went down river to Nome where flakes of gold had been found in the gravel near the river's mouth.

Gary A. Zimmerman

FISKE LIBRARY—NEW BOOK & PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

Alabama

- From Early pioneer days to present -Hartselle, AL

Arkansas

- Lawrence Co., AR, Historical Quarterly

Florida

- Florida's Seminole Indians

Georgia

- A Rockaway in Talbot (Travels in Old GA County)
- History of Newton Co., GA
- Main Street, Covington (GA)
- There Was a Land -Talbot Co., GA

Iowa

- Antique Dubuque

Idaho

- Albion, Cassia Co., Idaho cemetery records
- Moore, Butler Co., Idaho ward records

Illinois

- Illinois research (seminar)

Kentucky

- Early Settlers, Poor Fork, Horton Co., KY
- History of Kansas and Kansans (5 volumes)

Massachusetts

- 1880 Barnstable Co., MA
- Articles of Faith-First Church of Christ, Bradford, MA
- Barnstable -3 centuries of a Cape Cod Town
- Barnstable -a brief historical sketch
- Beacon Hill: A Living Portrait
- Cape Cod and Plymouth Colony in the 17th century
- Cape Cod Library of Local History & Genealogy
- Cape Cod, its people and their history
- Capture a Cape Cod Memory: Falmouth by the Sea
- Colonial Architecture of Cape Cod, Nantucket & Martha's Vineyard
- History of Cape Cod -2 vol.
- My Own Cape Cod
- Old Cape Code: the Land, the Men, the Sea

- Sand in Their Shoes (Cape Cod)
- Yearbook 1 927, Cape Cod
- Comm. Booklet of the Town of Barnstable
- Falmouth, MA
- Famous Families of Massachusetts
- Guide to Old Burying Hill
- Hist. Memoir of the Colony of New Plymouth
- Historical Memoir of the Colony of New Plymouth
- History & Gen. Atlas & Guide to Barnstable Co.
- History of Barnstable Co., MA
- Index & guide to microfilm edition of the MA & Maine direct tax census of 1798
- Massachusetts Towns: An 1 840 Vies
- Records of the Colony of New Plymouth
- Report of the Proceedings Town of Barnstable, MA
- Souvenir program -200th anniversary of Wareham, MA
- Story of the Old Colony of New Plymouth 1620-1692
- Suckanesset (Falmouth)
- The 7 villages of Barnstable -200th birthday
- The Book of Falmouth
- The Commonwealth Guide: MA Bicentennial Of Plymouth Plantation 1620-1647
- The Public Garden, Boston
- This is Barnstable
- Three lectures on the Early History of the Town of Falmouth
- Town and City Seals of MA, 2 vols.
- Vital Records to 1850 of 100 Massachusetts towns (See Page 2)

Maryland

- The County courthouses and records of Maryland

Maine

- Inventory of Town and City archives in Maine

Minnesota

- Minnesota Gen. Soc. Newsletters
- Minnesota Genealogist

Miscellaneous

- Bible Records from the Pacific Northwest

 CONTINUED...NEW BOOK & PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

- Chatham -the Life of a House
- Confederate prisoners of war at Ft. Delaware
- Historic Homes of the Old South
- Home Life in Colonial Days
- King's Mountain and its heroes
- Mayflower Descendant (magazine) Oct. 1922
- New England -A select list of Nat. Arch. microfilm publications
- Ring Around the Punch Bowl
- Seven Trails West
- Six New England Villages
- Sketches of Historic Bennington
- Stories of Lake George -Fact and Fancy
- The American Genealogist (periodical) Jan. 2003
- The day the American Revolution Began
- The National Road
- The Puritan in Holland, England and America
- The Puritan Ordeal

North Carolina

- Abstracted Wills, Lincoln Co., NC
- Bulletin -old Tryon Co., NC
- Tryon and Lincoln Co., NC

New Hampshire

- A Gazetteer of New Hampshire
- History of the Town of Rye, NH
- Inscriptions from Gravestones, Acworth NH and Rev. Soldiers
- New Hampshire Gen. Research Guide
- Old Maps of Merrimack Co. NH in 1892
- State of NH list of documents in public record office in London
- State of NH, town charters, including grants of territory
- Vital Records of Pembroke, NH 1714-1829

New York

- Athens (NY) -Its People and Industry
- Chronological List of churches in Brooklyn, Queens, NY
- Directory of New York State county and municipal
- Eight patriots of Richmond, NY and certain of their

descendants

- Extract & Index of New York State census 1845, Kent, NY
- Heroes of the American Revolution -Battle of Long Island
- Long Island Genealogies
- New York Gen. & Biog. Record -Apr 2003
- The Old Burying Ground -Sag Harbor, NY
- Union College -175 years of the Erie Canal

Ohio

- A History of Ohio
- Atlas and Plat Book, Licking Co., OH
- Cemetery inscriptions southern section of Licking Co., OH
- Guide to Williams Co. History (OH)
- Tree Climber (periodical from Stark Co., OH)

Oregon

- A road, a railroad and a country store -Boyd, OR
- Go to the Cowlitz
- Josephine Co., OR
- SDOP news (Sons & Daughters of Oregon Pioneers) -periodical issue

Pennsylvania

- 1880 Census, Armstrong, Westmoreland Co., PA
- Atlas of Somerset Co., PA
- Burials in Coventry Mennonite cemetery, Chester Co., PA
- Early Lutheran baptisms & marriages in PA
- Gen. of Selected Northumberland Co., PA pioneer families
- History of St. Matthews church, Francisville, Phila.
- Military services & gen. records of soldiers of Blair Co., PA
- Pennsylvania Land Records
- St. Peters Evangelical church, Lewis, Union Co., PA

Rhode Island

- Manual of the 4th Baptist Church, Providence, RI
- Rhode Island Genealogical Register

FISKE LIBRARY—NEW BOOK & PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

Tennessee

- Blount Co., TN marriages 1795-1865
- Chickamauga Reservoir Cemeteries, TN

Virginia

- A Place in Time -Middlesex Co., VA
- Historical Register of Virginia in the revolution
- History of Christ church, Alexandria, VA
- Marriage Bonds of Franklin Co., VA 1786-1858
- Marriages of Some Virginia Residents, 1607-1800
- Master index, Virginia surveys & grants, 1774-1791
- Princess Anne Co., VA, Land & Probate records
- The annals and history of Henrico Parish, VA
- The James (Where a Nation Began)
- Virginia Homes of the Lees
- Virginia: A History

Vermont

- Windham, Vermont

Washington

- Italians in Washington State
- The Path we came by -Plymouth Con. Church, Seattle
- Treasures of Oregon County, Vol 4 & 5
- Washington State, vital statistics 2001
- Waterman, my Home (Kitsap Co., WA)

Wisconsin

- Columns -WI, Hist. Soc. Newsletter
- Wisconsin Magazine of History

Wyoming

- Casper (Wyo.) -a pictorial history

Research Aids

- Amish Society
- Armchair Research
- Bridging the Atlantic (seminar)
- Census Research Kit
- Clues to Our Family Names
- Exploring New Frontiers (seminar)
- Genealogy on Line

- Introduction to Mennonite History
- The People Called Shakers
- Writing Aids
- Never Been Here Before? (Family Records Center)

Foreign

Acadia

- Histore des Acadiens

Austria

- Ortsvuch fur die Ostmarck -Gazetteer of Austria

England, Scotland and Ireland

- Annals of Ipswich (England)
- Bambough, England
- Blair Castle (England)
- British Research Syllabus
- Bury St. Edmunds, historic town
- Chapstowcastle, England
- English Genealogy Research seminar
- Farnham Castle & Keep (England)
- Haddon Hall, England
- Heritage-Your House and its History (England)
- Kenwood, England
- Kidwelly Castle, England
- Lost Gardens of Heligan (England)
- Manchester Historic Assn. Collections
- New to Key (England)
- Petworth House, England
- Stirling Castle, England
- A Short History of Ireland
- Ireland Register of Deeds with surname & county indexes 1704-1929
- Irish Family History Library Catalog
- Irish Family publications
- Irish Family Research Made Simple
- Map Catalogue (Ordnance Survey) Ireland
- Surnames in Ireland
- Scottish Family Research
- Tartan for Me
- The Scotch-Irish, Vol. I & 2

CONTINUED...NEW BOOK & PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

Scandinavia

- Tracing your Norwegian Roots
- Sources Relating to Scandinavian research

Genealogies

- Aghadowey
- Some Descendants of John Charles Blair
- The Clark family genealogy
- History of the Cobb family
- The Cocke-Catesby Family History
- Isaac Dungan and 200 years of his descendants
- Descendants of Jacob Farrar Jr. & Hannah Hayward of Lancaster, MA
- The Folkins Family
- Gorsuch, a family history
- Goss family history Huling genealogy
- History & Gen. of Descendants of William Hammond
- Holbrook
- A Huff Genealogy -descendants of Engelbert Huff of Dutchess Co., NY
- Rev. Joseph Hull
- The Thread Runs Not so Truly -Jenkins family
- Lee family of Virginia & Maryland
- John Martindell, Cordwainer of Philadelphia
- The five George Masons, patriots & planters of VA
- The Meriwethers and their connections
- The Otis family
- Reed Family History
- Remick genealogy
- Biographical sketch of Samuel Rowell
- Descendants of John Russell of Dartmouth
- The Sickles family in the capital district of NY state
- Streeter Centennial Hike
- The Vedder family in America 1657-1973
- Gen. notes of the Webb Family
- Genealogy of family of George Weekes of Dorchester
- Descendants of John Woolard of NC
- The Wood family, Sackville, NB

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 entire collection.

Mary Stevenson



Vital Records of Massachusetts now at Fiske

Have you noticed the long row of about 100 volumes of the Vital Records of Massachusetts on the south wall?

Mary Stevenson arranged with the New England Historic and Genealogical Society Library to purchase their copies after they had been microfilmed.

Unfortunately, it is necessary to cut the pages from the binding to complete the microfilming process, so the books all arrived with the pages loose from their covers.

Mary, who is rarely deterred from a project enhancing the Fiske Library, has been carefully rebinding all of the books and placing them there for the use of Library patrons.

This is a marvelous collection, with the records of 69 towns, perhaps not readily available anywhere else but at Fiske and the NEHGS.

See Page 2 for the Listing of Books received from NEHGS.

Carolyn Blount



FISKE GENEALOGICAL FOUNDATION FALL EDUCATIONS SESSIONS 2003

All classes will be held from 10:00 am to 12 Noon in the Library at 1644 43rd 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.

- 17 September Producing Your Family History– Design and Page Lay Out– Part I:
Moirra E. Connor
- 24 September Producing Your Family History– Design and Page Lay Out– Part II:
Moirra E. Connor
- 1 October Migration to Western New York – 1790 to 1850
- 8 October Migration Patterns – Atlantic Coast to the Mississippi Valley
- 15 October Migration Patterns – Mississippi Valley to the Pacific Coast
- 22 October What’s New at the Fiske?
- 29 October Review of Virginia Resources for the Genealogist
- 5 November Washington Territorial Census and Naturalization Project: Marlys Rudeen from the Office of the Secretary of State of Washington
- 12 November Colonial Census Alternatives: Karl Kumm
- 19 November Nutmeg Genealogy– History of Connecticut and an overview of its repositories, sources, and useful web sites.
- 26 November THANKSGIVING – NO CLASS
- 3 December Creative techniques for Writing Family History - Dec. 7, 1941
Karl Kumm

BEGINNING GENEALOGY SESSIONS

Drop-in sessions for beginners on the basics of getting started in family history research will be offered on the fourth Wednesday evening of each month, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, in the Library. There is no tuition, but participants will be asked to pay for their handouts at cost. To ensure that sufficient handouts are printed in advance, please call the library and let them know the dates of the sessions you wish to attend. The instructor is Mary Peters.

Call (206) 328-2716

FALL CLASSES - FOCUS ON MIGRATION

A challenge all genealogists face is to find naturalization records for your ancestors. Only a few regions have indexes. The Washington Secretary of State has taken on that challenge. An electronically searchable data base will provide an index for both the Washington Territorial Censuses and the County Naturalization records. Early in November, Marlys Rudeen will make a presentation of that project at the Fiske. Join us for this very important lecture.

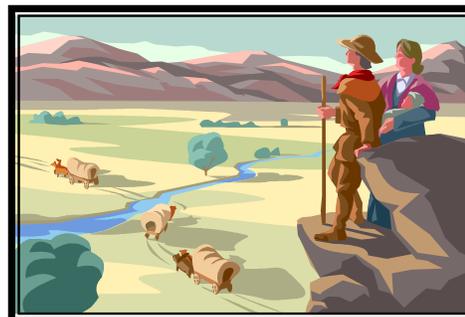
Three lectures in the fall semester will trace the migration patterns from the East Coast to the west. Gary Zimmerman will share his knowledge of history, his years of experience searching genealogy records and his skills in using web sites for research. Many of us have ancestors who moved west from New England and the Mid-Atlantic States and tarried in Western New York before the moved further west. The class "Migration to Western New York – 1790 to 1850" should help you overcome some blocks to your research. Two more classes will complete the study, one covering migration into the Mississippi Valley and the second from there to the Pacific Coast.

We will start the semester with two more classes by Moira Connor about writing your family history. She will spend two weeks on Design and Layout. Some who attended her earlier classes have requested that she go in greater depth into these two topics. I am sure you

will all gain much useful knowledge out of these classes.

Other classes will take a new look at familiar topics. Classes on Connecticut and Virginia should help the many genealogists who are new to the Fiske classes. Gary Zimmerman will also introduce us to what new resources Fiske has acquired. Karl Kumm will give a class on colonial Census Alternatives. We all know how a census can give a snap shoot of your family in a moment in time. Professional genealogist have developed aids that substitute for those censuses that were never or rarely taken in the colonial period. You will also learn about why the few colonial censuses were taken. We will finish up with a class on writing.

Karl Kumm
Education Coordinator



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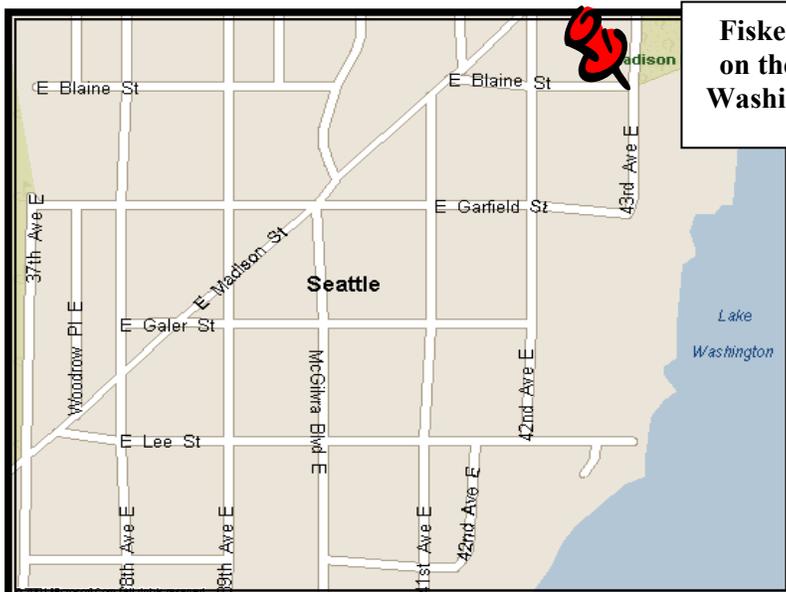


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- The Washington Pioneer Hall faces onto 43rd Ave. East. The Fiske Genealogical Library is located on the lower level of the building.