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THIS MONTH – February 15, 2011
"Using the new version of Familysearch.org "
Presented by: Janet Broderick



You may have already noticed the major change in the look and feel of FamilySearch.org. Although it looks different, the same information is still available with much more added! This presentation will show you the various functions of the new version and how to access the same information from the previous version - and perhaps in a better or faster way.

Janet Broderick's claim to expertise is merely her love of family history work! She has been working on her English ancestry for about 9 years and has enjoyed the journey with some amazing discoveries - and a few microfilm-induced nausea bouts. One of her favorite destinations is the Salt Lake Genealogy Candy Store (aka Family History Library). She has been director of the Danville Family History Center for 2 years and worked as a volunteer for about 3 years before that. She is married to Dennis Broderick and they have 6 children and 4 grandchildren with the 5th coming soon. Family is the center of her life - past, present and looking forward to the future.

**HAPPY
NEW YEAR!**

January Meeting

"Genealogy and the Changing Map of Eastern Europe"
Speaker: Stephen Danko Reporter: Lee Schlenker



Our speaker this past month was truly interesting. Being of Polish descent Stephen Danko presented us with the unique overview of the Polish empire history starting in 966 continuing through 1945. He took us through the many changes in the borders of Poland and lead us to how it finally came into the existence we know today. He took us through the pitfalls of looking for ancestors within Poland and usually what you could expect in researching. He showed us records he had uncovered at the Family History Center in Salt Lake City, an important postcard, court records, birth and marriage documents and

recent photos of "found" relatives. It just takes a little time and knowledge to do your super-sleuthing!

He started off with the basics of doing your research within the U.S. - following the census back as far as you can to see exactly where your relatives claimed they came from. (Each time you encounter a U.S. Census for your ancestor, carefully check the "country of origin" or "birthplace" because often times they might change because of the Polish takeovers or invasions.) You more than likely would have searched family records, military records, vital ►



(Photo by Nancy Alexander)

Our January Speaker: Stephen Danko

records, church records, passenger manifests and Naturalization records for any information. These records can be found on Ancestry.com or Footnote.com at the Family History Library (Center), State Archives, National Archives (and its branches) as well as County Courthouses.

The timeline Stephen showed us (966 to 1945) gave us the idea how volatile this state of Poland was with its religious uprisings to political turmoil, each time portions of it being the “spoils of war” and causing boundary changes. In 966 the Slavic tribes of Poland converted from paganism to Christianity. By 1569 the Union of Lublin established the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth. In 1655 Sweden and Russia invaded and occupied this Commonwealth (aka The Deluge). By 1772 the First Partition of Poland occurred with Russia, Prussia and Austria claiming one third each. The Second Partition happened in 1793 with Russia and Prussia claiming another third; then in 1795 another Partition with Russia, Prussia and Austria invading to claim the rest of Poland. About every

twenty to thirty years this land went into turmoil with invasions. With World War I the result was the retreat of Russia from Poland and the Central Powers re-established Polish independence. 1939 brought the attack and occupation by Nazi Germany, the Soviet Union and Slovakia and 1945 the borders of Poland were redrawn at the Yalta Conference.

Stephen told us of his own heritage – his father was from Polish peasants and his mother was from Polish nobility (being hard to verify through a 10-page document written in Latin and then translated into Polish then into English). It seems that his peasant-side of the family were the ones who kept the records. He then took us through many of his own ancestral findings. He showed us a Polish postcard with pertinent information on the back all leading to clues to a parish where an ancestor was baptized. Only Polish churches seemed to keep the records of births, marriages and baptisms, so finding out which parish the records might be held in is important. These records will be written in Polish. Often they were written in columns with the child's name, date, father/mother (with maiden name), godparents, priest who baptized. These baptism records can provide good information. Marriage records also are in columns listing date, groom, bride, religion, ages and (with Stephen's luck) permission to marry written and signed by father-of-the-bride across the bottom of the record. Russian Partition records will be different: they will be written in Latin but kept in the same format for births, deaths, marriages. Lithuanian birth records are written in Polish. He found an ancestor's WWI draft card (which is available for a fee from NARA in Washington, D.C.) stating his birth location as Austria/Poland; just a little different than previous information he found and just another clue!

In 1808 the Napoleonic-style of record keeping was mandated by the state which used parish records as civil registration. Detailed paragraphs were written for birth/baptism, marriages or deaths (in Russian). These records contain such invaluable genealogical information as names, dates, occupations, names of parents, names of witnesses. This style of record keeping continued into the 1870s but was maintained in ►

Polish. These records were indexed annually and a cumulative index was prepared every decade.

Stephen says there are Gazetteers which can prove invaluable - but they're written in Polish, so be prepared. Military maps of Austria are available. In the Atlas of the Kingdom of Poland (1907) there is a small "cross" next to the city name meaning that there is a church (parish) in the town. The earliest church records were in Latin, Polish or German and there was no state mandated civil registration until 1874 so records in the Prussian partition are not as detailed as in the other partitions. Records in Roman Catholic parishes were usually in Latin or Polish. Lutheran churches were usually in German but are rarely indexed.

Stephen Danko was very interesting and well-rounded in his knowledge. I think we could have kept listening to him for another half hour or so. He gave time to a "question and answer" session after his talk.

There are so many websites he listed on his handout that I can't list each one of them, but here are a few:

- Gazetteers:

<http://www.wbc.poznan.pl/dlibra/docmetadata?id=12786> (Index of Place Names of the Republic of Poland)

<http://www.progenealogists.com/germany/prussia/> (Gazetteers of Prussia & Germany)

- Maps: FEEFS Map Room:

<http://www.feefhs.org/maps/indexmap.html>

- Military Maps of Austrian Empire:

<http://lazarus.elte.hu/hun/digkonyv/topo/3felmeres.htm>

- Illustrated Geographic Atlas of the Kingdom of Poland:

<http://www.pgsa.org/PolishAtlas.htm>

- If you need help on gazetteers use:

<http://stephendanko.com/blog/2007/08/03/online-gazetteers-of-poland/>

http://www.polishroots.org/slownik/slownik_geograficzny.htm ■



President's Message

By Sherri Hedman

In February we celebrate Valentines Day. Remember the excitement in grade school with the fun messages on the chalky pink candy hearts, along with making valentines for our Mom, friends and secret love? I guess Political Correctness ended the latter two, so children now give a valentine to everyone—nicer, but less exciting. This Valentines Day it would be fun to remind a loved one how much they mean to us with a little paper heart.

SRVGS needs a valentine from you! We have a wonderful genealogy group which offers our members many benefits, however, without **your help** the group cannot continue to be vital. Our members are wonderful, learned, and enthused—including our newest members. Therefore, we would appreciate it if each of you would step up to help with committees, or offices. The same "old" members cannot keep recycling—some even juggle three jobs. New blood means a healthy group with fresh ideas. We offer training, and shared offices; no one has to do it alone!

We need the Education Coordinator position filled now, as mentioned at the January Meeting. It is not difficult and you will receive help. More information is coming at our February General Meeting and March Newsletter. Meanwhile, Happy Valentine's Day, and enjoy our sunny days!





MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SRVGS CALENDAR

February 2011

- 1 Tuesday – 10:00 am.** A Board Meeting was held at the home of Janet Broderick in Danville.
- 15 Tuesday – 10:00 am.** The General Meeting will be held at the LDS Church on Stone Valley Road at Smith Road, in Alamo. From I-680 freeway, take Stone Valley Road east 2 & 1/2 miles

March 2011

- 1 Tuesday – 10:00 a.m.** A Board Meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held at the home of Tom Draeger in Walnut Creek.
- 15 Tuesday – 10:00 a.m.** The General Meeting will be held at the LDS Church on Stone Valley Road at Smith Road, in Alamo.

SRVGS SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS



THE MASTER GENEALOGIST INTEREST GROUP

This is a genealogy software users group for PC's with their focus on the use of The Master Genealogist. They will meet again on February 15 at the home of Peggy Dearman in Danville. This group typically meets about 12:30 pm at someone's home after a General meeting. **Plan to bring a sandwich for your lunch.** Barbara Johnson is the contact person for the group. For further information, contact Barbara by Phone 837-2153 or e-mail bcj616@earthlink.net



MacGen – MACINTOSH GENEALOGY GROUP

The MacGen group will meet Wednesday, February 16th, at ►

10:30 am in the Danville Family History Center on Stone Valley Road. Our SIG specializes in the uses of the Macintosh by genealogists. Our topic this month will be "Updating Source Entries in Reunion". As I'm sure you're aware, the credibility of your genealogy work rises and falls with your sources. You first have to HAVE sources for your genealogy facts, but then you have to document them adequately. The Reunion program allows this to be done very efficiently, and that's what we will be showing. If you have a Mac lap top, please bring it as you will be able to follow along with the examples. We also answer frequent questions about constructing charts, adding multimedia items, fixing mistakes in our database and how to learn more about Reunion. Bill George, Special Interest Group Coordinator, is the contact person for this group. E-mail williamcgeorge@gmail.com or phone: (510) 538-2449 You may also refer to the web site at <http://www.macgen.org>.



ENGLISH - We now have an English Research Group meeting at the Danville Family History Center on Thursday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It will be led by Suzanne Johnston, and interested members will work on research in England and Wales. If you are interested in getting some help with your English research, gather the materials you have about your line leading to your current research project, and bring it on a Thursday morning. It will be an open research time every Thursday morning. Please join them if you are interested in English research. Phone 552-5920 or e-mail Suzanne Johnston: gjohnston3@comcast.net



GERMAN – The German Group will meet Wednesday, February 23rd (The fourth Wednesday) at the home of Helen Odegard in Alamo. The contact person for this group is Helen Odegard. If you are interested in joining the group please contact her at 932-6796 or e-mail shodegard@att.net for more information.



IRISH – This special interest group will meet February 9th and March 9th (the second Wednesday) at 10:00 am. at the home of Russ and Patty Erickson in Pleasant Hill. Patty Erickson is ►

the contact person for the group. Phone (925) 229-0889 or e-mail russpat@comcast.net



LEGACY - A New Special Interest Group (SIG). We have many members using Legacy, genealogy software for Windows. Our users range from "I own it but haven't yet made an entry," to "I'm an experienced user and I love it."

Now Legacy will have it's own SIG. The first meeting is at the Danville Family History Center on Monday, February 7 at 10:00. All of the computers there are loaded with Legacy 7.5, the latest version.

The participants have an assignment to bring some data to input and to watch the first three segments of a free video (*Introduction, Getting Started & Basic Data Entry*). This can be found at: <http://www.legacyfamilytree.net/videos/beg7/LegacyForBeginners.html>

The attendees will decide when the follow-up sessions will be held and who will be their coordinator.



PUBLISHING - A few members that are sharing their interest in publishing their genealogy and family history data, will meet on February 17th (the third Thursday) at 10:00 am. at the home of Francie Lloyd in Danville. Members are welcome to attend. For further information, contact Frances Lloyd at 837-9382 or e-mail frances_lloyd@comcast.net



SOUTHERN - The Southern Interest Group will meet again at 10 am on February 10th and March 10th (the Second Thursday of the month) at the Family History Center on Stone Valley Road. Jo Ann Garlington and Nancy Alexander are the co-chairmen. If you have questions before the meeting call or e-mail either Jo Ann Garlington (925) 689-2458, Chiefjoret@gmail.com or Nancy Alexander at (925) 820-1593, lxnancy@aol.com



SCANDINAVIAN - Members with this special interest may set aside a Wednesday afternoon between 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, to be at the Family History Center on Stone Valley ►

Road. A few members are usually there to provide help to do research for Swedish, Norwegian and Danish genealogical information. It might be best to call to make sure they are there. For further information, please call (925) 552-5920 or e-mail Linda Bailey: baileylinda100@Gmail.com ■

CALENDAR OF OTHER EVENTS

- 8 February Tuesday 7:30 pm** The Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society (L-AGS) will have their regular meeting at Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Court in Pleasanton. The topic will be *Driver and Crockerton Family History* as presented by Linda Driver and Walt Crawford. For further information go to www.L-AGS.org
- 9 February Wednesday 10 am** The East Bay Genealogy Society will have one of its regular meetings at the Oakland Regional Family History Center Conference Room, 4766 Lincoln Ave., Oakland, CA. The Speaker will be Janice Sellers. Her topic will be *Newspapers online*. Janice is a professional genealogist and has been on the staff of the Oakland FHC for 11 years. She will give an overview of what is available and how to find it.
- 26 February Saturday (4th Saturday) 1:30 pm** - Mac Genealogy enthusiasts from all over Alameda and Contra Costa Counties will get together for this meeting at the Oakland Regional Family History Center Conference Room, 4766 Lincoln Ave., Oakland, CA. The topic for this month's meeting is "*Reunion's Magical Lists*". One of the lesser publicized capabilities of Reunion is ad hoc reports of just about anything you've documented in the Reunion Database. Everything from birthdays, addresses, statistics, places, multimedia, surname and much more. Not only that, but you can create formatted reports or further refine the information by easily exporting data to Excel or Numbers. This is one of the things that made your purchase of a ►

Mac and Reunion so worthwhile. Bill George leads the MacGen group and can be contacted by e-mail william-cgeorge@gmail.com, phone 510-538-2449 or a web site at <http://www.macgen.org>

8 March Tuesday 7:30 pm The Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society (LAGS) will have their regular meeting at Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Court in Pleasanton. The topic will be "*Clues Leading to Ancestral Villages*" presented by Patrick Loft.

17 March Thursday 1:15 pm The Mount Diablo Genealogy Society is scheduled to have a meeting. Jim Rader will speak about DNA for Genealogical Research. **This date or location may have to change.** They can meet at the same location if they change their meeting day to Friday.

6 thru 10 April Wednesday through Sunday- The New England Regional Genealogical Conference will be held in Springfield, MA. For further information go to <http://nergc.org>

16 April Saturday 9 am to 4 pm A seminar will be sponsored by the Sonoma County Genealogical Society. This will be their 19th annual spring seminar. Christine Rose will be the featured speaker. It will be held at the Wells Fargo Center for the Arts, off Hwy 101 at River Road in Santa Rosa. For further details and registration information, go to www.SCGS.org/calendar.html. The registration fee for a non-member is \$30. Pre-registration prior to April 1 is recommended.

11 thru 14 May Wednesday through Saturday The National Genealogical Society Family History Conference will be held in Charleston, SC. For further information, go to www.ngsgenealogy.org. Early registration discount is available until March 11. ■

EDUCATION

 **10 February Thursday 10:15 - 11:45 am.** "*Searching with Heritage Quest Online*" will be the subject of a hands-on class given by Mary Hanel, Local History Librarian. The location is the Santa Clara Central Park Library technology center on the first floor, 2635 Homestead Road. Pre-registration is required and the class is limited to 16 persons. Phone the reference desk (408) 615-2900 or Mary Hanel at (408) 615-2909

 **9 February Wednesday 10 am - noon** The first of 5 **Starter Genealogy** classes to be held in Computer room A of the Rossmoor Computer Club at the Acalanes Adult Education Center, 1963 Tice Valley Boulevard in Walnut Creek. The Instructor will be Gail Roche van Wye. The cost is \$25.

 **9 February Wednesday 1 - 3 pm** The first of 5 *Genealogy Research* classes for more experienced genealogy researchers. They will be held in Computer room A of the Rossmoor Computer Club at the Acalanes Adult Education Center, 1963 Tice Valley Boulevard in Walnut Creek. The Instructor will be Gail Roche van Wye. The cost is \$25.

 **12 February Saturday 1 - 4 pm** A workshop will be held by the California Genealogical Society (CGS). The subject will be "*New York City Research, part II*" with Steve Harris. Their location is 201 Broadway in Oakland, lower lever suite LL2. **Pre-registration is required.** This workshop is free to members or \$20 to non-members, which may be applied to membership. For further information and the ability to register online, go to <http://californiaancestors.org>

 **19 February Saturday 1 - 3 pm** A workshop will be held by the California Genealogical Society (CGS). The subject will be "*Comparing Genealogy Software*." The presenters will be Kathy Watson, Gary Darnsteadt and Glen Koch. Their location is 201 Broadway in Oakland, lower lever suite LL2. **Pre-registration is required.** This workshop is free to members ►

or \$20 to non-members, which may be applied to membership. For further information and the ability to register online, go to <http://californiaancestors.org>

 **18 March Friday 9 am - 1 pm** Rose Mary Kennedy, Genealogy Specialist, at the National Archives, Pacific Region, in San Bruno, will present a workshop. The subject will be "*Census Records Research*." The fees are \$15 payable in advance. To register and reserve a space, contact her at (650) 238-3488. The address is 1000 Commodore Drive in San Bruno. She will also present a workshop about "*Passenger Arrival and Naturalization Records*" on Friday, April 15.

 **February and March Tuesday 7 to 8:30 pm** This is the continuation of ten sessions of Winter Intermediate Genealogy classes that started in January. The Oakland Regional Family History Center (ORFHC) and the California Genealogical Society (CGS) are offering classes held each Tuesday through March. The cost is \$30 for all ten classes or \$4 per session for walk-ins if space is available. Easy Online Registration at the CGS Website: CaliforniaAncestors.org. The complete schedule is available online. For further details go to <http://www.oaklandfhc.org> or telephone (510) 531-3905.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP UPDATE

By: Bill George

I volunteered to coordinate the Special Interest Groups of the San Ramon Genealogical Society and was appointed to be SIG Coordinator at the January 2011 SRVGS Board meeting. My main job will be to act as cheer leader for the various SIGs and to tell you something about them in newsletter articles. Verne Segelke lists information about each scheduled SIG meeting for the month in the newsletter that's emailed or mailed to you. This newsletter is also available on our web site as a link on the top page. In addition, I will update a SIG page on the web site with more detailed information about the SIGs and any ►

last-minute changes that couldn't make the newsletter.

There is a new SIG starting up, for Legacy Users. Ed Mason overheard several members wanting to get help with the excellent genealogy program called Legacy. So he arranged a meeting for Monday, February 7, 2011, 10 am at the Danville Family History Center for interested Legacy users. There is even an assignment for the first meeting to watch three segments of a free video at: <http://www.legacyfamilytree.net/videos/beg7/LegacyForBeginners.html>

The Legacy SIG attendees are requested to select a person to handle the job of emailing participants about future meetings and other matters.

I wanted to tell you about one SIG this month, the Scandinavian SIG, that meets weekly on Wednesday afternoons at the Danville Family History Center. This SIG is headed up by Linda Bailey, who coincidentally volunteers at the Danville Family History Center on Wednesday afternoons. Linda has a lot of experience with Scandinavian research and is more than willing to meet with and advise people needing this kind of advice. I met with Linda on Jan. 19th and was interested to also find out she has a specialized Genealogy web site called <http://lindasgenealogy.org>. This was made possible by a very customizable program called "*The Next Generation of Genealogy Sitebuilding*" or TNG for short. Their web site is at <http://lythgoes.net/genealogy/software.php> and the product costs \$30. Now, Linda does have a daughter with a Computer Science PhD and a husband who's "in the computer business" to help her with the technical aspects of the web site. But Linda is able to upload Gedcom files, family photos and reports and change web site menus to customize the site just like she wants it. So, if anyone was interested in TNG, I'm sure Linda would give you advice on that too. Linda's email is baileylin-da100@gmail.com and phone number is (925) 552-5920. ■



MY BIGGEST BRICK WALL

By: Ed Mason

In part of my November presentation on *MISSING COUSINS*, I talked about Daniel Perry, my GrGrGrGrandfather, born in 1780 in Massachusetts, died in 1858 in Jackson County Michigan. My family has been looking for his origins for about 80 years, so far with no luck. The 1850 census and some Michigan history provided us with MA as his birthplace. He was married in Greene Co., New York to Mamre Hitchcock, whose origins are no mystery. Her parents were first cousins, something that seemed to happen quite frequently in my family (do you think that might explain something)? The first three children were born in Windham, Greene County, NY, the next two in "northern" Pennsylvania and the last four near Batavia, Genesee County, NY. The family moved to Concord, Jackson County, MI in 1832, Mamre died there in 1845, Daniel in 1858. I have researched in Greene Co., NY and Jackson Co., MI and communicated with historians in Genesee Co., NY. I have been at the Library of Michigan, its archives and the Bentley Library at the Univ. of MI. As described in my November talk, I have tracked down as many live descendants of Daniel and Mamre as I have been able to find. Once I had a live ancestor still named Perry we ordered up a DNA test. So far we have no positive matches. However, this third cousin, once removed, has been helpful with additional research in ways too numerous to mention.

Within the last month I have, for the first time, become a paid subscriber to the US edition of Ancestry.com. For many years I was using the free online Library Edition through the Livermore Library. One of my reasons to subscribe was to access the submitted family trees. Very quickly a tree popped up with the parents of Daniel being an Isaac Perry and Phebe Lincoln of Attleborough, MA. The source cited was another tree, no further details. I sent an email to the contributor asking if he had any reliable citations. I received no response, so I started taking a more in-depth look at his tree. In his line he had one of Daniel Perry's grandsons who had been killed in the Civil War. But this submitter showed the grandson getting

married after the war, producing children and living until 1890. It quickly became obvious that the owner of this tree was not a careful researcher. This is not to say that all of the Ancestry trees are useless. A couple of others have been helpful on different branches of my family.

Shortly before signing up for Ancestry, I had, for the first time, become a subscriber to Footnote. (You can tell that I am optimistic about having more time for my genealogy). I think it was Barbara Dittig who suggested some time ago that we should have a session on how to use Footnote. I don't think this is the problem. There is a lot of "gold" in their collections. The problem is that they are almost entirely un-indexed and with data as hard to extract as the gold in the Sierras. For example, there are thousands of pages on Massachusetts Vital Records, but going through them could very easily take hundreds of hours and I resent having to spend that kind of time. Perhaps Footnote's purchase by Ancestry will end up improving the product. Meantime the search for Daniel Perry goes on. Patience may be my best strategy. ■

WELCOME — NEW MEMBERS

Please extend a *Warm Welcome* to our newest member!

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Lost: Research Binder

My original Norwegian genealogy records. They are in a grey 3-ring binder with St. Mary's College and Torrison printed on the spine. I think I lost it at the FHC before the Christmas break. You can't believe how much I would appreciate getting it back. Marilyn Tanner 925-376-6733.

News from the Danville Stake Family History Center

By Janet Broderick

February 2011

The wave of the future for genealogy is certainly the computer and internet. The Family History department of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is committed to making record information freely accessible on line. They are busy digitizing the 2.4 million films (+ or -) they have in storage - and are still acquiring more and more records.

However, even with the millions of records released, the indexing is lagging as more records are digitized than are indexed. Even with the millions of records indexed, it is a very small part of what needs to be done. I would encourage all to give some small amount of time to indexing. It is easy and fun and a wonderful payback for the wealth of information you can find on line.

FamilySearch.org update: The only thing constant in family history work is change. The familysearch.org site has changed significantly, at least in looks. Most of the information is - or will be - available. Even better - more information is added, like the 1841 and 1881 England Census!

Some changes that will impact what you can find:

1. In the new version of FamilySearch.org, the IGI will be searchable only for extracted records. This is source-based information that you can rely on.
2. The Ancestral File is no longer lineage-linked files. You can only view one person at a time, though you can move to individual parents and children relatively easily. How to access this will be demonstrated at the next SRVGS meeting on Feb 15!!
3. You cannot download GEDCOM files from the Ancestral File. While the previous version of FamilySearch.org is still available, you can access these files. Eventually, however, the version we have known for many years will ►

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Deadline to put information in the Newsletter is the Last Thursday of the month.

Members are encourage to submit articles for the Newsletter by mail or email to the Coordinator.

INDIVIDUAL HELP

Do you need individual help in overcoming a "brick wall" in your research? Go to the SRVGS web site at: <http://srvgensoc.org/>, click on RESOURCES, then click on INDIVIDUAL HELP FOR SRVGS MEMBERS.

Want to help someone who is having research problems in your area of knowledge? Call Harry Baggett at 925-837-7960 to have your name added to the SRVGS Individual Help list.

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disappear!

4. The Pedigree Resource File will eventually be added to the new version - but only the original submissions.

If you have questions about how the site works, please come to the Family History Center and our staff can help.

And, some time this year, online ordering of microfilms will happen!! When you want to order a microfilm to view, you will order and pay online and specify which family history center you would like the film sent. You will receive notification by email of when the film is shipped and delivered! You will have to have an FamilySearch account to order. The accounts are free. We will let you know when this happens!



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