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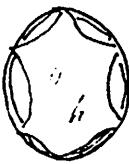
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In keeping with my original promise to bring you a variety of things in this column, this one is composed of three segments. The first segment, A, is Part 2 of my three-part article on Treaty Commutations of First Nations Women circa 1879-1913. The second segment, B, is a reprint of the editorial from the September, 1997 issue of the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* and has as its topic an author's responsibility regarding the publication of his research work; no doubt readers will find this editorial both interesting and informative. The third and final segment, C, of this quarter's column is information on membership fees and a list of Répertoires currently available from La Société Historique De Saint-Boniface/St. Boniface Historical Society located here in Winnipeg.

### A - Treaty Commutations: Part 2

Since the publication of Part 1 in the September issue of *Generations*, I have confirmed that the *Annual Reports of the Department of Indian Affairs* are also available at an additional research location here in Manitoba.

Winnipeg: T.A.R.R. (Treaty & Aboriginal Rights Research) Centre of Manitoba. While they do not have copies of *Canada. Sessional Papers* for 1879-1913, they do have both microfiche copies and photocopies of most of the *Annual Reports*. Their library holdings include:

Microfiche: All but 1879.

Paper: All.

### B - Editorial

Reprinted in its entirety from the Volume 85, No. 3, September 1997 issue of the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*. Permission was kindly granted by N.G.S.Q. Editor, Elizabeth Shown Mills.

### Responsible Publishing: Peer Review Is Not Just for Journals

The librarian-slash-genealogist minced no words. "I am outraged" he fumed. "Book X from Publisher Y is riddled with factual errors. I'm embarrassed for the author. Even if she didn't know that a book manuscript should be critiqued before it goes to press, by others who know the subject well, the publisher should have known better. For someone to market such a mass of misinformation is nothing short of criminal."

Whew!

The problem is one we can all identify with, whether we are professionals or hobbyists. We can all cite books and articles with information so misleading it causes us no end of grief. Yet, as individuals, we show a curious quirk: the wrong information is always in *somebody else's* book or article, not the ones we put to press ourselves. Confident

of our own diligence, we send off manuscripts to magazines and expect editors to print them without substantive questions or professional critique. As self-publishers of our family histories, we send books to printshops without editorial or content reviews by colleagues more experienced in the subject than we. Even major commercial presses, trusting their authors, too frequently forego critiques or - at best - solicit a quickie review from just one manuscript reader. The result is sadly evident after publication, when books are blasted by reviewers and articles earn a litany of complaints from readers.

Our forebears lived by the maxim *An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure*. So should we, when we prepare material for publication. Yet "excuses" are common. "I'm not a professional. I'm just doing this for my family." (Does that mean it's okay to mess up your own family and everyone interested in it?) Or, "I don't know any 'experts' personally. I'd have to pay someone to read the manuscript." (Well, how much have you shelled out for research? How much are you paying the printer and binder? The cost of editorial or content reviews by "experts" is wee compared to the other costs we accept as necessary.) Or, "I'm as professional working with a client. She expects professional service from me. I can't tell her that another professional needs to check over what I do!" (Oh yes you can! Even professional editors need manuscript readers - and an editor - when they don a writer's hat.)

Putting genealogical information into print is a responsibility. We owe it to ourselves to produce work that will not later embarrass us. We owe it to our family to chronicle its history as dependably as possible. We owe reliability to those who buy our instruction manuals. We owe it to all those millions of other genealogists in the present and the future who find our work on some library shelf. Quality should never fall victim to ego - that's why the best genealogists routinely ask colleagues to pick apart their work. And publishers should never crank out books that have not been appropriately critiqued. No work of a human is ever perfect, but careful "outside review" can prevent a lot of unnecessary grief.

NGSQ, September 1997

- The Millses

### C - La Société Historique De Saint-Boniface

Those of you who do genealogical research on Métis peoples here in Western Canada, as well as in the adjacent areas of the United States, may already be very much aware of La Société Historique De Saint-Boniface (S.H.S.B.) / the St. Boniface Historical Society which is located here in Winnipeg within the Collège Universitaire de Saint-Boniface. For those of you unfamiliar with S.H.S.B., aside from having an excellent research library (including amongst other things approximately 75 Montréal area parishes and the Selkirk Papers on

microfilm, copies of both Loiselle & Rivet, and copies of many church parish history books and répertoires from both sides of the International Border); offering fee-for-service research services in its own computerized database (which currently has approximately 100,000 entries on mostly Métis people but which also includes many First Nations and non-aboriginal peoples); and publishing a *Bulletin*, it also has published a number of marriage répertoires, or extracted listings of marriages performed at Manitoba Catholic parishes which give the names of the bride, groom, and date of the ceremony, amongst other things.

Membership in S.H.S.B. is currently \$15 for Students and Seniors, \$25 for Regular members, \$35 for Sustaining Members, \$40 for Institutions, and \$300 for Life Members and the Membership Year runs from September 1st to August 31st. The Society can be contacted at : La Société Historique De Saint-Boniface, P.O. Box 125, St. Boniface, Manitoba R2H 3B4 and telephone number is (204) 233-4888; correspondence and telephone calls can be done in either French or English. For those of you who wish to join the Society, the Executive Director of the Society Monsieur Alfred Fortier has informed me that if you live in Canada then please send your membership payment in Canadian dollars and if you live in the U.S. then please send your membership payment in U.S. dollars. If you live elsewhere then please contact them directly for membership rate information.

Monsieur Fortier has also informed me that, due to the move to their new building facilities here in Winnipeg slated for mid-to-late January of 1998, their library will be closed to the public until approximately mid-to-late March when they hope to have their new Reference Room open. Until that time they will still be able to assist people with their genealogies, but only by mail and telephone.

As for their published répertoires, these, along with their current prices and the dates they cover, are listed below. If you wish to purchase any of them from S.H.S.B., then again Monsieur Fortier has informed me that Canadian addresses must send payment in Canadian dollars and U.S. addresses must send payment in U.S. dollars. The prices include the G.S.T. but you must add an additional \$3.00 per book you want to buy in order to cover shipping costs. Be aware that along with Métis peoples that Fur Trade families and First Nations peoples also appear in these répertoires. These répertoires are currently for sale:

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Précieux-Sang ("Precious Blood") de Saint-Boniface	1946-1984	\$20.00
Sacré-Coeur ("Sacred Heart") de Winnipeg	1905-1970	\$30.00
Le Pas (The Pas) Cathédrale	1911-1983	\$12.00
Laurier	1898-1982	\$12.00
Fort-Alexandre (Fort Alexander)	1878-1955	\$12.00

Saint-Alphonse	1885-1969	\$12.00
Saint-Léon	1879-1982	\$12.00
Mariapolis	1903-1969	\$12.00
Saint-Georges	1904-1955	\$12.00
Notre-Dame-de-Lorette (Lorette)	1877-1988	\$16.00
Saint-Joseph	1877-1991	\$12.00

In addition, S.H.S.B. has also recently published a répertoire of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials for the Catholic parish of Saint-Adolphe (St. Adolphe, Manitoba) covering the dates of 1896-1992. The price of this latest répertoire is \$30.00. Again, if you wish to buy this répertoire, you will need to add an additional \$3.00 to cover shipping costs. They also have other publications for sale, including back issues of the *Bulletin*. Contact them directly for more information on these or for membership rates and shipping costs of the listed répertoires to addresses outside of Canada and the U.S..

You will recall that in Part 1 of this article I pointed out that although the treaty commutation listings included in this article cover the time period 1879-1913, the lists for 1879-1893 only began to appear with the 1894 Sessional Paper. Prior to that time they still appeared in the Sessional Papers, but they were buried in the various account records for the different numbered Treaties. For the purposes of this article I began with the 1894 listings and worked primarily from both it and the ensuing listings in the Sessional Papers, only going back into the account records as noted in the Footnotes of Parts 1 & 2 of this article. Please note that the *Annual Reports of the Department of Indian Affairs* followed not the calendar year of January - December but the Federal fiscal year which was different. An example of this comes from the first *Annual Report* listed in the following Bibliography which ran from 1 July 1892 - 30 June 1893.

**Editor:** The list of Treaty Status women who applied for and received commutations, Part II, will be in March Generations.

As well, please note that although the listings in the Bibliography, particularly from the 1890s, are seemingly comprehensive, they in reality are not and sometimes not only are names completely left off of the lists but names are misspelled between the listings from year to year. Thus when using the originals it is best that you compare the information on your ancestor with not only others of these lists but also with other sources of information, such as Treaty paylists and Scrip records.

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## THE PERIODICAL SOURCE INDEX (PERSI)

### A Guide to Genealogical Information

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**PERSI** - The PERiodical Source Index serves as a key for locating thousands of written genealogical articles in published journals. The index is organized and prepared by the staff of *The Historical Genealogical Department of the Allen County Public Library*, in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Indices are published annually both in hard copy and microfiche styles. The microfiche version is prepared by the *Family History Library*, Salt Lake City. Annual indexes have been prepared since 1986. The first sixteen volumes cover information from 1847-1985. Since 1986 information in the index has been subdivided into volumes related to *Places* and *Families*. Information for the index has been collected from genealogical and family history printed sources. This information can be accessed using **PERSI**. Articles from over 20,000 journals have been collected and indexed. Journal articles can be located from geographic location, together with topics on research methodology. Information has been extracted from English language/ French-Canadian world wide sources.

The index does not identify personal names which appear within the body of the article. Neither does it include a copy of the original reference. These copies must be obtained by the researcher once the reference has been located in the index. Certain topics, common in family history journals have been eliminated from the index; these include queries, book reviews, family group sheets and ancestral charts. Neither does the index identify officers associated with the family history society, for example, the president or editor. When a reference article is identified in the index, a guide is given to locating the specific journal, i.e. the title, year, and volume. The index does not reference specific page numbers within the publication.

From an historical perspective **PERSI** consists of two separate index periods. The first index, 1847-1985 (FHLC microfiche 6016963) holds journal articles covering this time period. The index covers information from almost two thousand journals. The second index (FHLC 6016864) is produced annually and it is a cumulative index of information published in genealogical journals since 1986. The index is updated annually and appears in hard copy and microfiche formats.

#### Organization of Information

All articles are categorized into sections:

- Places, and
- Families

Places has been further subdivided into:

- U.S. Places
- Canadian Places, and
- Other Foreign Places

Articles on United States places are organized by:

- zip code abbreviations, e.g. PA for Pennsylvania
- alphabetically by county, e.g. Adams
- alphabetically by type of record, e.g. Biography, Cemetery, Census

Information is categorized by the current geographic place name and not always by the term of an obsolete region. Similarly, Canadian articles are located by province and record type.

Place	Canada, Manitoba	Canada, Ontario
Topic	Cemetery	Military
Title	Transcription List/Loc'n	Hamilton/Veterans, 1812-1815
Journal	CNLB	CNHB
Vol./#	----	Vol. 27, No. 4
Date	June 1995	November 1996

The third section is by Foreign Place Names. Here the country is identified but no subdivisions are given for the various counties.

Place	Wales	Wales
Topic	Census	Church
Title	Glamorgan/Cornish in 1851 Census	Glam. Newton Nottage Baptisms 1802-12
Journal	ENCW	WLGF
Vol./#	Vol. 82	Vol. 42
Date	Dec. 1996	June 1996

There is some difficulty organizing material from counties which have undergone changes in political boundaries, for example, articles referring to the Ukraine, Latvia and Lithuania should be searched under U.S.S.R. together with the name of the new state.

'How to' articles relating to genealogical research are coded under *Research Methodology - Other* just before *Passenger Lists*.

Record Type	Other
Title	Writing/Tips for Writing Your Family History
Journal	GRGW
Volume/Number	Vol. 1, No. 2
Date	January 1994

A topic which many people may find helpful is *Passenger Lists*. There are many articles identified in the index which may assist a researcher locate key ancestral information for those people desiring to cross the Atlantic and find their European roots. A selection of a few journals from one index is listed below.

- *Born at sea, IGI as a Source*
- *Finding German Immigrants Using Passenger Lists*
- *Immigrant and Emigrant Indexes*
- *Newspapers as Sources for Passenger Lists*
- *Passenger Ship Pictures....*

Journal codes are used to identify a particular resource article. The four-letter code is based upon a geographic location and the type of journal which carried the information. The first two letters in the code identifies the geographic location and the last two letters the journal.

- WIRV Wisconsin Records & ReViews
- WLAM Welsh American Genealogical Society Newsletter
- WLDF (WaLes) DyFed Family History Society Journal
- WLGF (WaLes) Glamorgan Family History Society Journal

Information is then located within the journal by volume, number and date.

The next major subdivision of the index is devoted to *Families*. These articles are identified by surname or family name and Christian or given name.

Name/Title	<i>Jeffery/James Jeffery fam. 1730-1893. Eng.</i>
Journal	TXFC
Volume/#	Vol. 1
Date	April 1996

Family records include brief family histories, cemeteries where people were buried with a common surname, occupations, family relationships and letters between family members. The name is extracted from the title of the article in the journal. Names which appear in the body of the journal article are not referenced in the index.

Cross referencing occurs throughout the index. An entry may appear in more than one category, thus facilitating easy access to materials.

#### Types of Records Indexed in PERSI

Twenty-two subject headings are used by the staff of PERSI to categorize genealogical information from journals. These include:

Biography	Names, dates and places
Cemetery	Lists of cemeteries, cemetery inscriptions
Census	State/province, county information, statistical abstracts, e.g. mortality or literacy rates
Church	Christenings, marriages and burials, histories, diaries, vestry minutes, members lists
Court	Justice of the Peace records, lists of free-men, chancery records, divorce records, change of name, jury lists
Deeds	Abstracts of deeds, indexes to deeds
Directories	City, town, county, business and rural directories
History	Town, state, county, industrial & social histories
Institutions	Jails, orphanages, hospitals, retirement homes, mental facilities

Land Maps	Land transfers, excluding deeds Towns, cities and homestead
Military	Pension records, service, muster, bounty land, regimental histories, 1840 Census of Pensions, 1890 Union Army Veterans, Confederate States of America (CSA) Records and Grand Army of the Republic ( GAR) Records
Naturalization	Indexes and records to passports, declaration of intent, visas and oaths of allegiance
Obituaries	Death notices, obituaries from newspapers and magazines
Other	Records which do not fit into these categories which are deemed important to the family historian
Passenger Lists	Indexes and records to passengers, officers and crew, ships' histories, records accessed by location of port of entry
Probate	Estate records, inventories, Letters of Administration, guardianships, orphan court records
School	Class registers, school census, alumni lists, diaries, payrolls, minutes of school board meetings
Tax	Taxes, assessments at the municipal, city and provincial/state, and federal level
Vital Records	Births, marriages and death records, bastardy records, mortuary and funeral home records
Voters	Lists of voters, candidates, poll books and electoral registers
Wills	Wills, indexes to wills, abstracts of wills

#### How to Locate an Article from the Index

Once the article has been identified by PERSI the information may be located through one of the following resources:

- local genealogical library, e.g. MGS Resource Centre at 885 Notre Dame Ave., Winnipeg, which exchanges journals or purchases family history journals from other provinces and countries
- local libraries with a genealogical section or major genealogical resource libraries
- Family History Library, either the
  - local branch, e.g. LDS Church, 45 Dalhousie Drive, Winnipeg, or
  - Family History Library, North Temple St., Salt Lake City, Utah

Many journals are available through the FHLC (Family History Library Catalogue). They can be located by checking the Author/Title section. Some journals have been microfilmed. Microfilmed copies can be obtained from Salt Lake City and read at the local Family History Centre. Alternatively, a copy of the article may be obtained through a Photoduplication Order form. There is a cost involved for this service.

- By writing to the Allen County Public Library  
P.O. Box 2270  
Fort Wayne IN 46801

A photocopy of the journal article may be obtained from the library by providing the full citation given in PERSI. This must include the name of the journal article. Patrons will be billed for photocopies, postage and handling.

Finally, if information cannot be located in PERSI, two alternative indexes may be consulted.

- *Genealogical Periodical American Index*, 1962-present, (FHLC Reference Book 973 B 22gp). It contains approximately 200 published periodicals, book reviews and surname directories.
- *Donald Lines Jacobus' Index to Genealogical Periodicals*, 1870-1952, (FHLC 973 B22j 1983). This subject index identifies the most significant periodicals published within the cited period.

These references may offer the ardent genealogist further ideas for tracing ancestors who seemed to have prevented us from making the desired connection.



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See review of *The "Gentle" Johnston/Es in Generations*,  
Vol. 22, #3, September, 1997, page 24.

## **THE WELLMANS:**

### **A Pioneer Family of Winnipeg, Manitoba**

Recently MGS received, from Jack R. Morris, Sardis, B.C., this account of his maternal line.

#### **Father:**

Charles Wellman was born 18th June 1845, at Haverstock Hill, Hampstead, in the Parish of Islington, County of Middlesex, London, England. Died in Winnipeg, Manitoba, 18th January 1894. Aged 48 years, 7 months.

Interred: Cathedral of St. John church yard, Block C. N 1/2 Lot 58.

#### **Mother:**

Sarah Jane, (nee Stride) born November 3, 1848, at Crouch End Hill, in the Parish of Hornsey, County of Middlesex, London, England. Died in Winnipeg 10th December 1917, aged 69 years, 1 month. Buried, Cathedral of St. John church yard, Winnipeg. Block C N 1/2 Lot 58.

#### **Son:**

Charles William, born 1st September 1868, at #52 Cromwell Road, Upper Halloway, in the Parish of Islington, London, England. Died Dauphin, Manitoba, 24th September 1920. Aged 52 years. Buried: Cathedral of St. John church yard.

#### **Daughter:**

Jane Eliza, born 12th May 1872, at #32 Straun Street, Toronto, Ontario. Died 12th September 1873, aged 1 year, 4 months in Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A. Burial location unknown.

#### **Son:**

Thomas James, born January 31st..1874 at Wood Street, Blue Island Avenue, 7th Ward, City of Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A. Died: City of Vancouver, British Columbia, 13th July 1948, cremated, ashes scattered in the Silver Creek Mountain area near Hope, B.C.

#### **Daughter:**

Ada Jane, born 28th August 1875, at Wood Street, Blue Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A. Died: 11th February 1975, aged 99 years, 6 months, in Medicine Hat, Alberta. Buried Medicine Hat.

#### **Daughter:**

Nellie Deborah, born 10th June 1877, at Wood Street, Blue Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A. Died: 18th May 1955, aged 78 years, in Cranbrook, British Columbia, buried in Cranbrook Cemetery.

#### **Daughter:**

Alice May, born 19th May 1980, at Selkirk Street, City of Winnipeg, Parish of St. John, Manitoba. Died: 19th May 1939, aged 59 years, in the City of Toronto, Ontario.

Cremated, buried in the family plot, S 1/2 Lot 57 in the Cathedral of St. John church yard.

#### **Daughter:**

Jessie Sarah, born July 4th 1882 at Selkirk Street, Parish of St. John, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Died 15th January 1964, aged 81 years, 6 months, in Vancouver, B.C., buried in Vancouver, B.C.

#### **Daughter:**

Mable Maude, born 30th May 1884 at 399 Pritchard Street, Parish of St. John, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Died: 10th March 1959, aged 74 years, 9 months. Cremated, buried in Vancouver, B.C.

#### **Daughter:**

Annie Maude, born 21st October 1888 at 399 Pritchard Street, Parish of St. John, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Died: 30th June 1963, aged 74 years, 8 months, in Cranbrook, B.C. Buried in the church yard of St. Andrew's Church, north of Winnipeg, Manitoba, along side of husband Ralph.

#### **Son:**

Edward Stanley, born 18th September 1891, at 399 Pritchard Street, Parish of St. John, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Died: 29th January 1934, aged 42 years, 4 months. Buried in Russell, Manitoba.

The following is a résumé of some of the continuing events in the lives of this family.

The father, Charles, had been a brick layer in England and continued his work after arriving in Winnipeg, what he did for the few years upon arriving in Canada is not known to the writer, but in Winnipeg, he opened a brick making yard and probably plied his trade in brick laying. During the winter he developed pneumonia and died from this illness.

After the father passed away, Charles, the son, took over and obtained a contract to go to British Columbia and grade a bed for the laying (of) railway tracks in the area called the Cold Creek Section of the Kettle Valley Railroad; this track has since been rerouted to Sparwood. Charles eventually moved to Dauphin, Man. and was in the construction business there. He died in Dauphin from the effects of a car accident.

Tom had previously gone to Cranbrook and started a stage business, carrying chiefly ore from Kimberley, to be shipped to a refinery. It is presumed he also carried passengers. When he went to Vancouver is not known, there he became involved in horse racing. He ran his stable at many tracks from Hastings Park, Vancouver, to whatever track there was in California. He then became an official at Hastings Park. Putting events in his life in chronological order is rather difficult. He served in the Canadian Army overseas during the 1914-1918 conflict and became a Sergeant.

Three of the daughters had gone to Cranbrook around 1895 and never returned to Winnipeg. They were Ada, Nellie, and Jessie. Ada married Ean Small who was the Government Indian Agent. They had a family of three girls and one boy, all born in Cranbrook.

Nellie married George Hogarth. They bought a hotel somewhere just a few miles north of Cranbrook but only stayed a few months and moved to Cranbrook where they bought the Cranbrook Hotel and ran it for many years. They had a family of twin boys, Ean and Tom.

Jessie married Victor Rollins and soon moved to Vancouver where they lived most of their lives except for a short time in Victoria while Victor was with the government. They had a family of two boys and one girl.

Alice remained in Winnipeg at home until she married Frank Morris, who was born in Ontario near the Cookstown area. That family had moved to Winnipeg around 1880. This marriage issued five sons and one daughter.

Mable Maude remained in Winnipeg and became a music teacher of piano to children. She spent a few months in Europe on an advanced course in piano technic. Mable married rather late in life and was widowed soon after marriage.

Annie Maude remained in Winnipeg and became a business secretary. She married a Capt. Ralph Forrest who sailed on Lake Winnipeg. When WWI broke out he enlisted in the Army; he was discharged from the Army for medical reasons. He died in Winnipeg about 1921. Maude then moved to Cranbrook where she remained until she passed away. There was no family.

Edward was an outdoorsman, enjoying hunting and fishing. He had moved to Russell, Man. where he could enjoy his sports. While there he married a widow who had a son from her previous marriage. There was no further family.



The Wellman Women of Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
Back: Maude, b.1888; Nell, b.1877; Alice, b.1880

Nicknamed - The Big 6  
Front: Jessie, b.1882; Ada, b.1875; Mabel, b.1884

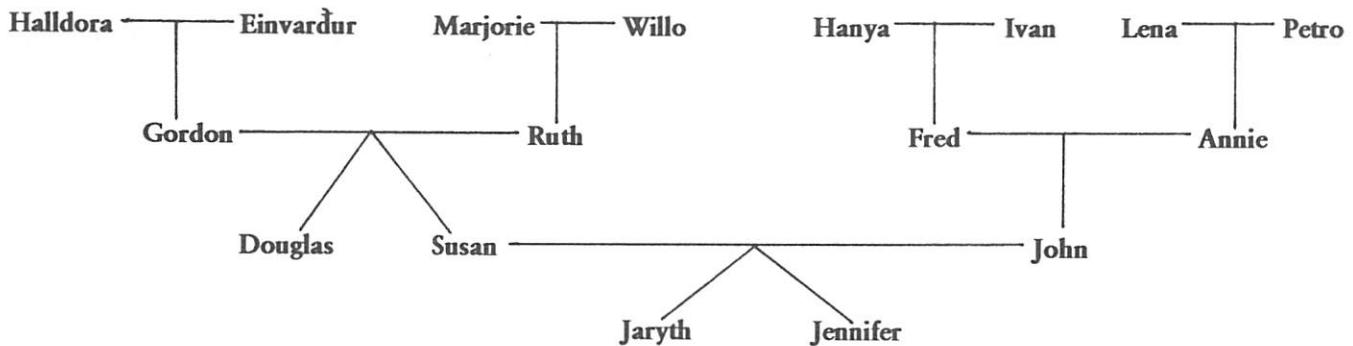
## CHRISTMAS CROSS STITCH

See cover photo.



Susan Kushniruk, daughter of MGS' Past President Ruth (Forrester) and the late Gordon Breckman, cross stitched this marvelous holiday piece for her family. It is approximately 12" x 18" and took well over 100 hours to complete. The names on the scroll are the ancestral names in the Breckman and Kushniruk families.

Names as they appear on the scroll: Petro, Willo, Jaryth, Gordon, Hanya, Halldora, Douglas, Einvardur, Marjorie, Jennifer, Ivan, Fred, John, Susan, Lena, Annie, Ruth, Lucy (nickname for Susan).



Halldora was born in New Jersey, USA, and Einvardur (Ed) was born in Winnipeg. Their parents were born in Iceland. Marjorie and Willo were born in Manitoba. Marjorie's mother was born in England and her father in Ontario, of English parents. Willo's parents were born in Ontario and his grandparents were born in Scotland and Ireland. Hanya, Ivan, Lena, Petro, and Fred were born in Ukraine. Annie was born in Manitoba of Ukrainian parents.

### GENEALOGY GEM

Editorial from the USA's National Genealogical Society Quarterly, June 1974, Vol. 62 #2 p.191, written by George Ely Russell, C.G. It was seen recently in Timberline, Upper Ottawa Valley Genealogical Group, Vol. VIII, #5, October 1997.

#### Don't Believe Everything You Read

There is an important message which is not being passed around the genealogical circuit. For every family researcher who gets the message, ten ancestor hunters new to the pursuit either don't get the word or choose to ignore it. The message is: *Don't believe everything you read.*

Misinformation is rampant in the genealogical literature. Unreliable books of poor repute are being reprinted without corrections or reader cautions. A plethora of genealogical periodicals is developing, periodicals edited by otherwise well-intentioned persons who are, however, unable to distinguish fact from fiction, proof from wishful thinking, objectivity from vanity, or substance from trivia. Source records are being transcribed from third-generation semi-legible copies (e.g. microfilm) by workers unfamiliar with the handwriting styles and standards of the period. Many of the resulting publications contain a shocking number of errors, but never a transcriber's interrogation mark to denote a doubtful reading. The duplicating machines and printing shops are grinding out

an ever-increasing number of genealogies replete with erroneous data copied from unreliable sources, with opinions and assumptions presented as irrefutable fact, and without sufficient documentation to support the alleged identifications, relationships, and origins.

The science of genealogy would benefit from the infusion of massive doses of scepticism and objectivity. There can be no retroactive surgery, no debridement to expunge the false or the misleading from our literature. We have inherited - along with our motley ancestry - a body of suspect literature.

Every record searcher can seek material of value in unpublished archives and make a positive contribution to our knowledge. A skilled genealogical craftsman may survey the literature, distinguish the dross from the pure, and provide a refined version for our edification. The genealogist engaged in original research and study may combine discoveries with the literary distillate to reveal previously obscured relationships and identities.

But spare us from those clumsy and undiscriminating name collectors who dredge up the dregs, scoop off the scum, and bag up the effluvia, finally producing another noxious mess, incongruously adorned with "our family coat of arms".



## THE NATIONAL HERITAGE: A PERILOUS JOURNEY?

Adele Manness-Smith, genealogist, family historian, and former member of the Manitoba Genealogical Society.

It was a disagreeable surprise to read in an edition of *Beaver Magazine*, July 1997, the news that our National Archives had been moved from the nation's capital, Ottawa, across the river into the unfriendly province of Quebec. "Why? How? and by Whom?" one asks, "was this perverse decision made": no one has come up with an answer - except one of cynicism. My federal representative made no response: if he knows, he's not talking! My avenue of information came through Reform Party's Deborah Grey, M.P. for Edmonton North (Deputy Parliamentary Leader - Official Opposition).

In October 1990, Canada's Treasury Board announced an \$89 million appropriation for a new 'state-of-the-art' Archives building. With no public awareness and no public input, the pressure group(s) closest to Ottawa used their influence for the move to Gatineau ("Archives going to Gatineau" - *Ottawa Citizen* - staff writers George Kalogerakis & Mark Richardson, Oct. 3, 1990). The decision was questioned by Deborah Grey, "The Treasury Board should wait to approve the money until Quebec sorts out its Constitutional future. ... it sort of looks like: Here, we'll give you the money, you stay in.... I don't think there should be any dispersal of funds until then..." (*Ottawa Citizen*). In her letter dated 11 September, 1997, Deborah Grey assures me she has not changed her mind regarding the move to Quebec.

Peter Stockland, of the *Ottawa Sun*'s Parliamentary Bureau, echoes the worried fear of the archivists themselves, "We're sending historical documents to a place where burning Canada's flags has been a pastime." "It's like the Americans moving the Library of Congress to Cuba." Said another, "We're talking about priceless documents, diaries of former Prime Ministers...items of the past concerning our history...things that just can't be replaced." "The public should be reminded what's at stake here." And what is at stake should have given the powers that be a long pause to consider putting the whole project on hold until the political uncertainties are decided, which now in 1997, are still unresolved. It should also be noted that, because of possible reprisal, the archivists were unable to show the worry they felt about the possible move!

Although this is written after the fact (the new Archives was officially opened in Gatineau in June 1997) I felt it was important to place the surrounding facts before Canadian historians and genealogists. I have concerns and some anger about the handling of our National Archives project and its move out of Ottawa, the nation's capital, into Quebec, executed by a minority of bureaucratic civil servants who have quite different political agendas from

us - the silent majority. We should be greatly concerned about the silence of our elected representatives, and the media which fails to pick up and inform the public on domestic matters being handled by Ottawa. My greatest concern is one shared by many, i.e. would our multi-million dollar building, with its historical treasures, become a bargaining chip in any future negotiations between Canada and Quebec?

I close by quoting *Ottawa Sun* journalist, Peter Stockland: "It's been said that those who forget the past are doomed to repeat it. What can be said about those who give the past away to those who would doom the future? Oh, Canada! How have you managed to go on this long?"

The author thanks the following:  
Deborah Grey, Reform Party, M.P. Edmonton North,  
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## ARE THESE YOUR ANCESTORS?

Kathy Stokes MGS #125

The last time this column appeared, the topic was weddings. Perhaps readers believed from that column that it was the ambition of everyone, male and female, to marry and, as they say, live happily ever after. Apparently such was not the case, at least in the Chesley / Oakland, Manitoba area in 1886. The *Brandon Weekly Sun* of 1 July, 1886 provided a list of young men who felt otherwise and who had sworn not to marry for at least sixty days. This list was for the edification and benefit of various Ladies Aid and Guild Societies in the community, and made no attempt to classify in order of age or beauty.

DUNCAN GRAY is the president of the Bachelors' Club, has resided in Oakland for several years, drives a good horse and is well fixed financially. He is regarded as a "catch" by the local women.

SAMUEL TOWNSEND was formerly quite a ladies' man and could often be seen dashing around the country with his fast horse, always accompanied by a lady teacher, generally the latest arrival. Of late he has reformed in this respect and we are afraid he is drifting into incorrigible bachelorhood.

SAMUEL MILLER is one of the slickest men in the club. He can talk quicker and give more taffy than any man in the business. He favours the brunette style of beauty and insists on it. It is hoped that he will come to the front soon and do his duty like a little man.

NEAL PETER GRAY is a good looker, a fine singer and a good all round musician. Neal is quite a society man. Formerly he was inclined to be a bit giddy in his attention to the ladies, but of late has settled down to his farming. He now likes to look on the bright side of life and before many months have passed, will probably be struck from the bachelor rolls.

M. F. MARTIN is a very sly young man, according to the ladies, as he dashes down to Pelican Lake at a 2.20 clip behind the fastest horse in the country. He is fond of horses, but does not waste all his affection on trotters. He is quite a traveller and it is rumoured that he will visit Pelican Lake this fall on an important mission.

NOBLE SMITH is one of the most happy-go-lucky, good hearted, daredevil young men on the plain. He is generally engaged in mischief or thinking up some reckless undertaking. Known as "Uncle", he is popular with the ladies, but he is not interested in the ladies of Chesley.

FRANK O. FOWLER is genial, lighthearted and a special favourite with the girls. He is a regular churchgoer and sings in the choir but one of his lungs is weak and he is obliged to go to Souris City every week or so to sniff the

sweet scented breezes from the Souris River which seems to agree with him, for he always returns looking happy.

JAMES TOWNSEND is a recent arrival and has so far kept a little quiet, but we have been given a pointer that he will tender his resignation from the Bachelors' Club before the end of 1886.

GUSSCORT is a nobby dresser and a reformed masher. The girls say, "Ah, there's Guss," as he passes by but Guss pays no attention as his mind is fixed on a more distant subject. It is whispered that Guss gave his lady love a set of rubies the other evening, but we are not prepared to vouch for this.

A.E. ROME is quite a favourite in society. It is said that he thinks the scenery around London the finest in the world, but we trust that some of our local belles will be able to remove this erroneous impression.

JOSEPH TOWNSEND prides himself on being the son of an Italian count, and gets himself up regardless of expense. He never has less than two girls on a string, and, at one time it was said that he had no less than six. Joe lacks concentration and in the future should confine himself to a single subject.

RICHARD CORY is a young man we wish to warn susceptible maidens against. He is a notorious flirt and has recently emerged from a little affair in which an engagement ring figured prominently. He is very fickle in his intentions and is hardly "off with the old love until he is on with the new." The report that he is to marry the daughter of an Irish peer is entirely without foundation.

JOHN MARTIN is the carpenter's son. It is reported that he is heir to a large fortune and it would be a good policy for the ladies to cultivate John's acquaintance.

WILLIAM NOBLE is only on this roll for a short time before he is likely to tender his resignation. William flies high and only steps on the high places. It is reported that he was to have married a daughter of the late William Vanderbilt, but owing to the recent death of that gentleman, the wedding has been postponed until the family go out of mourning.

ALEXANDER FOWLER "Sandy" is known by all from the smallest school girl to the venerable matron. He was disappointed in love and has never fully recovered from the shock. The lady who is fortunate enough to secure his second hand affection is sure of a good home and a loving husband, provided that she lets him have his own way.

MAXWELL MURRAY is the only baldheaded man in the party and as he doffs his hat to the ladies they admire his noble brow and toboggan slide. Maxwell used to be quite a

rustier, but now attends to business. He is waiting for an heiress and is not particular how long he lingers.

The author of this list, "Bachelor", notes that there could have been another dozen names on it, but considers that his duty to the ladies has been performed as promised with the publication of the above list. Let's hope that he managed to protect his anonymity.

## EDITOR'S COLUMN

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Thank you to MGS' Executive, who, on your behalf, awarded me this year's Certificate of Merit. I guess I must be older than I thought - many recipients before me received it at a later period in their lives! I've only been active since 1989 but those years have been most rewarding. (You can teach an old dog new tricks!) Thank you one and all for bearing with me as I learned.

Perhaps by the March issue I will have more to report on my Stevenson book project. Between the flood and two daughters moving, 1997 didn't make much of a dent in it! Next year it's "empty nest" and lots of time....

Happy holidays all and best genealogical greetings for the new year! Please fill my **Generations** mailbox in 1998.

## FURTHER TO

"'Occupations', .... on the Internet", *Generations*, Sept. 1997, Vol. 22 #3, p.12, N.J. Arnold, MGS #1965, wrote:

"I wonder if I might be allowed to make a few comments. CLICKER: According to my knowledge, the use of this word in the shoe trade refers to a man who cuts out the uppers of a boot or shoe, whether manually or with the aid of a press.

"MASON: A workman who builds houses, etc., with stone blocks, not a bricklayer, who works in bricks.

"PATTERN MAKER: A maker of patterns to help the workman, eg. in tailoring, shoe-making, in foundry work, etc. I suspect that the compiler of the list got mixed up with PATTEN MAKER.

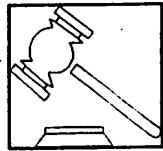
"PLUMBER: A term historically referring to working in lead, being derived from the Latin word for lead, but now usually referring to men skilled in work on pipes of any material.

"THATCHER: One who covers a roof with thatch, ie. straw, a method of roofing commonly used in the past in country districts, but less seen today.

"WAITER: (feminine WAITRESS) Also a person who waits at table, i.e., brings food to customers in a restaurant, etc.

"I could comment on a lot more definitions, but did not want to be thought a NITPICKER (there's another word for your list). I hope you will find these comments interesting."

Editor: I did Mr. Arnold, and thanks for writing!



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Chris Irwin MGS #2458

My term in office will be a term to initiate change. The Society must project itself into the next century and this must be started now. Computerization is now a very important part of many people's lives and the Society must start to think in this direction also. Not to be mistaken, we must let the public know who we are and what we have with stronger emphasis than ever before. We must expand to include the upcoming generation in the field of genealogy. They, in turn, will become our new heartbeat.

Branches within the Society are seeking change and I will listen to their wants and needs. I come with a different philosophy as President than my predecessors. I believe in a bottom-driven Society where the ideas come from the grass roots and travel up to Council and Executive for more study. At a recent meeting I attended, I was asked a question regarding Internet with our Northern members. I have asked the Computer Committee to look into this for the future and respond within a few months. This demonstrates "the grass roots idea". If the idea is not viable, we can say we did give it a "go". All ideas, however big or small, should be brought to the Committee Chairs, a Vice president, or write to me directly, and we will look into it for you. Someone will respond to your question.

I have stated before, in private and in public, that the volunteers in this Society are our heartbeat and our heartbeat is strong. But the heartbeat is getting tired. Members, the same people, are bringing you the services of the Society day in and day out. **They Need Help.** Please call the Society and see if you can volunteer a few hours a week to do an important job. To be perfectly honest, when the volunteers cannot continue, we will have to adjust the hours open to perhaps one afternoon. This is very serious. The Society has invested almost \$9,000 of your dollars to work out a system to gain volunteers through a Volunteer Co-ordinator over the past three years. The second program is being worked on now. **We must hear from you:** it is our / your Society and we all use it. Help keep it functioning by contributing some time. There is always a place for volunteers in our/your Society. **Please call today.**

## **SOUTH WEST BRANCH REPORT**

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The South West Branch continues to meet the first Wednesday of each month with excellent attendance at the meetings. Our business meeting in September featured a new item for beginning members. They had a session on their own during the business meeting in order to help them get started in the proper way. Beth Clark is conducting these sessions and they will occur during the business meeting each quarter.

At the end of the summer it is always nice to have the opportunity to find out what other people have been doing and to find out just how much they were able to accomplish over the summer. It is no different in the South West Branch and so in October we did just that.

In November, Harriet Eslinger and Gertrude Gross from the Family History Library of the LDS were speakers - Harriet gave us an update on what is available in the way of Ships' Records and Gertrude told us something about the Peter Robinson Settlers. It was a most interesting evening and well appreciated by the 40 members present.

The committee responsible for the indexing of the 1901 Census in the southwest area of Manitoba continues to work on the Census. It is interesting to note that some 20 members of the Branch are working on the project and to date have contributed some 3,000 hours of work to this project. This is most commendable.

The South West Branch takes this opportunity to wish the many readers of *Generations* sincere good wishes for the Holiday Season. May it be a Merry Christmas for you all and may the coming year bring many new discoveries of history and relatives for each of you.

### **VP COMMUNICATIONS**

Ruth Breckman MGS #243, Acting Chair

An informative meeting of the Branch Presidents was held in Portage la Prairie in early November. The report of the meeting was circulated later for further consultation with their respective branch members. Other meetings in March and June are planned.

We welcome Beth Clark, MGS #2364, as Chair of the Publications Committee for MGS. Beth lives in the southwest area of the province. She and her husband are moving; look for her new address in the next *Generations*.

We sometimes take for granted the work done by Joyce Elias who is editor of *Generations*. This is an ongoing task as she gathers information for each issue. Joyce also

volunteers at the Resource Centre weekly. Joyce received the Certificate of Merit for her extraordinary efforts on behalf of the Society. Many thanks for all your good work.

The Outreach Chair is still vacant. This committee coordinates workshops, displays and presentations in parts of the province that are not within branch areas. There is the potential to coordinate the production of material that is common to all areas of the province. Outreach is also responsible for developing publicity for the Society. This is an ideal position for the creative person who likes to meet the public.

### **VP FINANCE**

Daryl Dumanski MGS #1031

I'm excited to join our small but capable group that makes up the Finance department of our organization. Joan Whiston is Treasurer and Walt McCaw is Chair of Grants and Applications but our Fundraising Chair position is still vacant. Care to join us? I guarantee lots of support!

Many thanks to the Prior Relations Branch, led by Brenda McConnell, for running the Grey Cup fundraiser this year.

See page for the main portions of MGS' financial statement for our year ending July 31, 1997. The complete statement was in the Annual Meeting Report Booklet.

### **VP HUMAN RESOURCES**

Durlene Germscheid MGS #944

The position we advertised in September *Generations* has been filled. The successful applicant was Rosie Sikora. In the six months that Rosie will be with us, she will design an ongoing program of volunteer recruitment and training. She will also set up the Volunteer Recruitment Committee and train them to deliver the program. We hope to recruit a Chairperson and several committee members as soon as possible so the Committee can participate in the development of the program. This could be an exciting and challenging opportunity for someone who has an interest in volunteer management. Whether you are interested in chairing the committee or prefer to be a member, you can learn about volunteer management from someone who has considerable experience, and at the same time, contribute to the overall management of the Society. For more information, telephone me at 204 / 284-9786; fax: 204 / 284-0691; or E-mail: [dvg@mbnet.mb.ca](mailto:dvg@mbnet.mb.ca).

Rosie prepared the following in order to introduce herself.

### **VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT COORDINATOR**

Rosie Sikora

As you may recall, the article entitled "Help Wanted", published in the September 1997 issue of *Generations*,

# •HELP!

AS YOU ARE AWARE, WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING A VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE. TO ASSIST IN THE PLANNING STAGES, WE NEED TO KNOW MEMBERS' EXPECTATIONS AND EXPERIENCES. PLEASE TAKE TIME TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY EVEN IF YOU HAVE NOT VOLUNTEERED IN THE PAST. INCLUDING YOUR NAME IS OPTIONAL. THANK-YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.

QUESTIONS 1 TO 10 ARE FOR CURRENT VOLUNTEERS. IF YOU ARE NOT CURRENTLY A VOLUNTEER PLEASE CONTINUE AT QUESTION 11.

1. What do you enjoy most about your volunteer activity? Why?
2. What do you enjoy least about your volunteer activity? Why?
3. On average, how many hours per week do you volunteer?
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5. Would you like to step down from your position but feel no one would take your place?
6. Do you feel you are recognized adequately for your efforts? If no how would you like to be recognized?
7. Do you have too much responsibility?
8. How long have you been a volunteer with MGS or branch?
9. Do you feel you were properly trained for this position?
10. How did you get involved as a volunteer?

IF YOU VOLUNTEERED IN THE PAST AND CURRENTLY ARE NOT A VOLUNTEER PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS 10 TO 18. IF NOT PLEASE GO TO QUESTION 19.

11. What did you enjoy the most about your volunteer activity? Why?
12. What did you enjoy the least about your volunteer activity? Why?
13. On average, how many hours did you volunteer?
14. Did you feel you volunteered enough? Explain.
15. Did you feel you were recognized adequately for your efforts? Explain.
16. Did you have too much responsibility?
17. How long did you volunteer?
18. Did you feel you were properly trained for this position?
19. How did you get involved as a volunteer?

IF YOU HAVE NEVER VOLUNTEERED WITH MGS OR A BRANCH, PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

19. Why have you not volunteered in the past?

20. Do you feel that as a member you are expected to volunteer?

21. What changes could be made that would allow you to volunteer with MGS or a branch?

MGS IS OPERATED AND GOVERNED COMPLETELY BY VOLUNTEERS AND NEEDS MORE HELP TO MEET DEMAND. PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING IF YOU DO NOT VOLUNTEER AND ARE INTERESTED IN DOING SO.

Would you be interested in helping out with:

- |  |                                   |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ( ) filing                                 | ( ) library shelving, cataloguing |
| ( ) research for inquiries to MGS          | ( ) clipping newspapers           |
| ( ) cemetery transcribing                  | ( ) computer entries/ indexing    |
| ( ) labelling sorting, stuffing envelopes  | ( ) organizing workshops          |
| ( ) publicity/promotional material mailing | ( ) brochures, posters            |
| ( ) public displays                        | ( ) speaking at presentations     |
| ( ) office cleaning/maintenance            | ( ) photographic copying          |
| ( ) other _____                            |                                   |

- ( ) I would like to join a committee  
( ) I would like to join the Volunteer Recruitment Committee

How often could you volunteer?

When could you volunteer?

- |                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| ( ) a few hours per month | ( ) Days     |
| ( ) a few hours per week  | ( ) Evenings |
| ( ) one night per week    | ( ) Weekends |
| ( ) a few days per month  |              |
| ( ) one day per week      |              |
| ( ) other _____           |              |

Comments or suggestions:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PH.#: \_\_\_\_\_

MGS#: \_\_\_\_\_

THANK-YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE. YOUR INPUT IS VALUABLE AND WILL ASSIST WITH THIS PROJECT

PLEASE RETURN TO:  
VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE  
MANITOBA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
885 NOTRE DAME AVE.  
R3E-0M4

OR FAX: (204) 783-0190

MANITOBA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY INC.  
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## REUNIONS

**Lèvèque Family Reunion**  
August 19-26, 1998, Winnipeg.  
For info: E-mail Robert Racine: *Racle2@juno.com*

## BID FOR SEMINAR' 99

Bids for Seminar '99 are now being accepted. Please send to MGS Executive, 885 Notre Dame Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3E 0M4.

## HOURS at MGS

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday: 10:30am. - 3:30pm.  
Wednesday evening: 7:00 - 10:00pm  
Sunday: 1:00 - 4:00pm.  
Last Saturday of month: 10:30 - 3:30 *Reopens Jan. 6*

## MEETING DATES

**Dauphin Branch:** Last Thursday of month. 7:00pm.  
Municipal Council Meeting Room.

**Prior Relations Branch:** Last Wednesday of the month. 7:00pm. Herman Prior Centre.

**South West Branch:** First Wednesday of the month. 7:00pm. Agricultural Centre.

**Swan Valley Branch:** Second Monday of the month. 7:00pm. Town Office.

**Winnipeg Branch:** Last Sunday of the month. 1:30pm. MGS, upstairs.

**Irish Interest Group**  
Plans to meet at MGS' Resource Centre  
Saturday, March 21, 1998, 1:30pm.  
Phone during office hours to confirm.

**Volunteer Patron Assistants'**  
**Orientation Upgrading**  
Sat. Jan. 17, 1998, at MGS. 10:00-3:00pm.  
For new and current volunteers.

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**Beautiful Plains Museum Incorporated 1976**

Neepawa, Manitoba, R0J 1H0

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August 1, 1997

Manitoba Genealogical Association,

Recently, a member of your Association visited our Museum. It was recommended that we submit to your Association a list of resources available here and pertaining to family histories of the area. Here, at the Beautiful Plains Museum, we have a wide variety of materials that would benefit anyone looking for their roots in our area. Following is an outline of what is available.

A number of published history books have been donated to our museum. The content of these books is family stories that have been contributed and histories of the area that the book pertains to. We have books from the following areas: Lansdowne, Langford, Rosedale (municipalities of Beautiful Plains), Neepawa, Eden-Birnie, Steele Bridge/ Palestine/ Golden Stream/ Woodside (districts east of Gladstone in the Municipality of Westbourne), Riding Mountain, Huns Valley, Rossburn and District.

Our collection of resources includes histories of most of the school districts that once existed in the 3 municipalities of Rosedale, Langford, and Lansdowne. These are books and records put together by members of the different school districts and contain such items as pictures, pupils' lists, teachers' lists, history, churches in the district etc. Material available for each school district varies. The museum has information relating to the following school districts: Union, Iroquois, Mountain View, Orange Ridge, Springhill, Clarksville, Tobarmore, Glendale, Brookdale; Eden, Arden, Oberon, Franklin, Osprey, Stoney Creek, Coldstream, Birnie.

The following specific family histories have been donated: Shuttleworth, Adamson, Murrays, Andrew Alexander of Kellwood, Hugh McGillvray, Robb, William John Doble, Drysdale, Baker & Porter, John Simpson, John Wemyss, William Howatt, Thomas Harrison, Hockin, Melvin Earl Murray.

We also have various miscellaneous articles which include: records from an assortment of clubs and organizations, histories of the different churches and hospital, obituaries from the late 1980s, scrapbooks of the Osborne Home, and a number of newspapers that date back 100 years ago to 1897 (we do not have complete years).

During May through August we can be reached at (204) 476-3896, or during the off season at 476-5395 or 476-2016.

Sincerely,

Beautiful Plains Museum Committee

*Sandi Thom*

## OUR 1997 THANK YOU LIST

We know your time and money is valuable; thanks for sharing with us.

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**Generation Gaps QUERY**

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Members are allowed one free query (printed once) per year. Additional queries \$2.50 each. Non-member queries are \$2.50 each.

**Surname researched** List first name, spouse, children, parents, dates known, location, year of event being searched. Maximum 50 words per query.

E-mail address may be included in query if desired: \_\_\_\_\_

written by Durlene Germscheid, Vice President, Human Resources, mentioned the increased need for volunteers. Plans were in place to hire a Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator to design and implement a program for a six-month term position. During this time period, volunteers will be recruited and trained to assume the ongoing responsibilities of volunteer recruitment for most volunteer activity with MGS.

I am quite excited to announce that I was the successful candidate. I bring to this position many years of experience in the field of volunteer management, including recruitment. I look forward to meeting and working with many members. I hope to be able to report to you on the progression of the project frequently and I will be counting on your assistance through a survey of questions to plan the program to best meet the needs of MGS and its members.

I feel this is an opportune time to mention to members that there is a **great need for volunteers** in many different capacities. MGS relies upon volunteers to exist. Without members' support, the services we rely upon cannot exist. A strong volunteer base will strengthen and preserve the organization and prove to be a rewarding experience. In the near future a volunteer may contact you to and ask you to become more involved. I hope that the time is right for you to accept an experience you will never regret.

## COMPUTER COMMITTEE

Jayne Paradis MGS #45, Chair



I have just taken over the Computer Committee Chair and thought I would write a few lines to introduce myself. I have been a member of MGS since it started in 1976. This past year I have been volunteering in the library on Sundays and have found it interesting and rewarding.

I do have a fair bit of working knowledge of computers and am very experienced with the Internet. (Lately, I have been trying my hand at creating a web page for myself.) Through my experiences with volunteering at the Resource Centre, I have come to realize that we, as a Society, need to be more computer-oriented. I would like to develop a **Computer Wish List** that would meet the Society's needs, now, and in the long run.

With that in mind, I ask you, the members, for input. If there is something that you would like to see in our library in terms of computers, or if you would like to be on the committee, give me a call or E-mail me. I am at home during the week. As well, I am at the Resource Centre most Sunday afternoons (783-9139) - come, use our library and share your ideas with me.

204 / 254-6926.

E-mail: [jparadis@MTS.net](mailto:jparadis@MTS.net)

Blessed are those  
who return their  
books  
on time!

## LIBRARY LINES

Louisa Shermerhorn, MGS #567L. Chair: Library

The following materials have been added to MGS' Library.

### MANITOBA - yellow section

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*Century of horticulture in Manitoba.* 635 Cen

*Century of service...Wpg. Police Force.* REF 363.2 Hut  
*Curtain time. Walker Theatre Wpg.* 792.09 Har (recat'd)  
*Dakota fortified camps of the Portage Plain.* 970.1 Dak  
*Dauphin RM. Dauphin valley spans the years.*

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*Dauphin RM. Index to 'Dauphin Valley spans the years'.*  
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*From boys' and girls' clubs to 4-H in Portage agricultural district.* 630.7 Fro

*Gathered in His Name: Christ Church, Selkirk...* 283 Gat  
*Grey Nuns and the Red River settlement.* 255 Gre

*Index of birth, marriage and death notices from Manitoba newspapers.* 1885 REF 312 Ind. Vol. 3  
*Index to 'Generation Gaps' in Generations 1976-1992*

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*Library holdings of MGS 1976-1995.* REF 015.7127 Lib  
*Lions Manor, Lions Club Winnipeg.* REF 362.605 Lio

*Manitoba: past and present.* REF 971.27 Man

*Manitoba list of World War II fatal casualties.*  
REF 355 Man

*Master index to (Manitoba G.S.) cemetery transcriptions.*  
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*Special people in a special place.* (Hugh John McDonald School-Winnipeg) 371 Spe

*The Pas Moraine and the Mosey Portages.* (Fur Trade)  
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*Thompson RM. Hills of home.* 971.27 Tho/Hil

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(List of Manitoba cemeteries which have been transcribed/ indexed by Manitoba Genealogical Society)

*Winnipeg a social history of urban growth 1874-1914.*

307.7 Art

*Winnipeg City, Manitoba. St. Norbert (a history).*  
971.27 Win/StN

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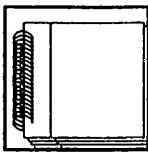
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- County marriage registers of Ontario, 1858-1869.** 929 Cou . New counties rec'd - Elgin, Grey, Lanark, Middlesex, Prescott & Russell, Renfrew, Waterloo.  
**Eleven exiles...Loyalists of American revolution.** 971.024 Ele
- Famous Nova Scotians.** 920 Bar  
**Huron County, Ontario, Cemeteries.** Wroxeter, Howick Twp. and Ball's, Hullett Twp. 929.5 Ont/Hur  
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- CANADA GENERAL** - red maple leaf section  
**Canadian who's who.** 1991 ed. 920.03 Can.  
 (We also have some other years.)  
**Canadians in Hong Kong in World War II.** 355 Hon  
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**History of Lake Nebagamon, Wisconsin 1894-1986.** 977.5 His  
**How to write and publish your church history.** 070.5 How  
 (Also a copy on Reference)  
**Mississippi queries. 1988** 976.2 Mis  
**Phillips' intermediate hist. atlas for schools.** 911 Phi  
**Publishing your own book.** 1992. REF 070.5 Pub  
**Roy Johnson's Red River Valley...hist'l articles.** 970 Roy  
**Surname directory, Arkansas GS.** 976.7 Ark
- FAMILY HISTORY AND BIOGRAPHY** - pink section  
**Beer. Dr. Beer, a pukka cockney.** 921 Bee  
**Bremner. Other side of rebellion by Stobie.** 921 Sto  
**Burnett. Blue Ridge heritage...** 929.2 Bur
- Croll. People's senator...** 921 Cro (recatalogued)  
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**Howse. Tell me, grandmother, Howse & Livingstone.** 929.2 How  
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**Johnston. 'Gentle' Johnston/es...** 929.2 Joh  
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**Kershaw. Your Kershaw roots.** 929.2 Ker  
**Linklater. Man from Cloverdale.** 929.2 Lin  
**McColl. Ebenezer McColl...** 921 McC (recatalogued)  
**McDaniel. McDaniel family newsletter.** 929.2 McD  
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**Murray. Family history of Walter Murray...** 929.2 Mur  
**Smith. Grandmother's clock.** 921 Smi  
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- MANITOBA CEMETERY TRANSCRIPTIONS**
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| <b>Armstrong LGD. Rembrandt St. Nicholas.</b>                 | #1134 |
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| <i>Tyndall community.</i>                                     | # 829 |
| <b>Hanover RM. New Barkfield.</b>                             | #1140 |
| <b>Lorne RN. Somerset St. Barnabas Anglican.</b>              | #1141 |
| <b>Minto RM. Clanwilliam All Saints Anglican.</b>             | #1136 |
| <i>Clanwilliam (community).</i>                               | #1137 |
| <b>Roland RM. Bloomfield Rosewell.</b>                        | #1142 |
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| <b>St. Clement's RM. Brokenhead Reserve Scantebury RC.</b>    | #1037 |
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| <i>Thalberg Old Trinity Lutheran.</i>                         | #1038 |
| <b>West St. Paul RM. Holy Family Ukrainian Cath.</b>          | # 857 |
- MANITOBA CHURCH RECORDS**
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| <b>Winnipeg City. Christchurch Anglican baptisms.</b> | B36 |
| <i>St. Alban's Anglican church baptisms.</i>          | B53 |
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| <i>St. Anne's Anglican Church baptisms.</i>           | B55 |
| <i>St. Cuthbert's Anglican baptisms.</i>              | B58 |
- MAPS**  
**Manitoba historic trails.** Map 912 Man/His
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| <b>Land records, Metis &amp; original white settlers applications of 1886-1901. 1906, Index A-Z.</b> | MF 325 Lan 1 reel  |
| <b>Metis application for script, 1870-1885, Manitoba, Index.</b>                                     | MF 325 Met 1 reel  |
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## PERIODICAL POTPOURRI

Lori Walker, MGS #1145, Editor



From MGS' Periodical Chair, Beth Audette, MGS #1129:  
- A complimentary copy of a British publication, *Family History*, has been received by the Resource Centre. The June 1997 issue has an article on the Boer War including a list of "Officers Who Lost Their Lives in the Boer War 1899-1902". The periodical is in the Vertical File under B.

A new exchange journal, *Galizien German Descendants*, Newsletter #12, Oct. 1997, has an article on "Research in Military Records of the Austrian Empire", and "Ship and Naturalization Records" taken from various sources on the www. This is in the East Europe section of the library.

### Ancestry, Vol. 15 #4

National Archives of New York City / Italian vital records / Bundesarchive of Germany / Medical terminology.

### Branches, Brant Co. OGS, Vol. 17 #3

Vital stats from newspapers.

### Chinook, Alberta FHS, Vol. 18 #1

Family stories, to publish or not to publish? / Colonial ancestors / 1871 Ontario Census.

### Cleveland FHS, Vol. 6 #10

Winston, Co. Durham.

### Connections, Quebec FHS, Vol. 20 #1

Abbott family / Quebec City Gazette death notices 'A' & marriages 'P' 1846-55.

### Cornwall FHS

#85: Missing FEOCK Register of baptisms 1813-42 / Rowe & Doncaster families.

21st Anniversary Issue: Bastardy / Cornish cousins / Emigration / Smugglers / Dialect.

### Derbyshire FHS, Issue #82

Stoneworkers / Colliers / Village of Melbourne / Parkin, Sacheverell & Keyes families.

### Devon Family Historian, #83

Tardrew family.

### Dumfries & Galloway FH Newsletter, #27

Penman family.

### East European Genealogist

Vol. 5 #3: Discovering the real Ukraine / Josephinian land survey maps.

Vol. 5 #4: Central State Historical Archive in L'viv, Ukraine / Personnel records of the Austrian War Archives.

### Family Chronicle

July/August 1997: DAR / United Empire Loyalists /

Scottish research / Old time occupations.

Sept/Oct 1997: Civil registration in Canada / Indentured servants / English vital records / Preserving family collections.

### Family Tree Magazine

Vol. 13 #10: Elementary teacher occupation / A China voyage 1806 / Irish genealogy / Ransley fam.

Vol. 13 #11: Honiton lacemakers / Wyndlow family / School registers, part 1.

### Genealogical Helper, July/August 1997

Elusive women.

### Genealogists' Magazine, Vol. 25 #11

Anthony Trollope family / Common surnames.

### Generations, New Brunswick GS, Vol. 19 #3

Acadian settlements 1763-1800 / York Co. marriages 1803-12 / Presbyterian churches of Botsford / Whalen families / Miramichi fire of 1825 / Burials of Gagetown Angl'n A-L.

### Glamorgan FHS, #47

Eleazer Pickwick / Louther family / Electoral registers.

### Hampshire Family Historian,

Vol. 23 #3: French surnames from the Channel Islands.

Vol. 24 #2: Charles Hinbest / Gawn family.

### The Irish at Home and Abroad Vol. 4 #2

Genealogy office records / Irish Palatines in Ireland & Ontario / Co. Armagh / Choctaw natives.

### Irish Roots #23

Great famine in S. Leitrim / Kings of Redonda, part 3 / Surnames of Co. Carlow / Ejection books / Heraldry in Ireland / Passenger lists / Anglo-Norman surnames / George Morris.

### Kindred Spirits, Whitby-Oshawa OGS., Vol. 16 #2

Research sources of Ontario.

### Lancashire

Vol. 18 #2: Savannah family / James Hornby descendants / William Bradshaw & his descendants. of Australia.

Vol. 18 #3: William Bradshaw, part 3 / Ashworth family.

### Leeds & Grenville Br. OGS, July/August 1997

John Moore descendants.

### Metropolitan, Vol. 19 #43

Probate records for beginners / Tottenham parish.

### National G.S. Quarterly, Vol. 85 #2

Change of names / Reconstructing the Walling family / 1840 Missouri Census / Loyalist refugee petitions 1776-77.

**New Zealand Family Tree**, Vol. 29 #2  
Barbados St. cemetery.

**Newfoundland Ancestor**, Vol. 13 #2  
Settlement of Burgeo / Newhook & Howlett families /  
Moravian church at Hebron.

**NGS Newsletter**, Vol. 23 #5  
Several computer program reviews.

**Nova Scotia Genealogist**, Vol. 15 #2  
Invisible ancestors due to name changes / Boutilier entries  
in the St. James Anglican records, Port Dufferin, N.S.

**Ottawa Branch OGS** Vol. 30 #3  
Land sales index of Goulbourn Twp., 1847-55.

**Oxfordshire Family Historian**, Vol. 11 #2  
Merry & Appletree families / Lords of the Manor.

**Palatine Immigrant**, Vol. 22 #4  
Jamestown Germans.

**P.E.I. Genealogical Society Inc.** Newsletter, Vol. 21 #3  
Death by unnatural causes, part 3.

**Saskatchewan GS Bulletin**, Vol. 28 #3  
Illegitimacy & adoption through the generations / The  
Quebec collection at SGS.

**Seattle GS Bulletin**, Vol. 46 #4  
Some early business / Maritime tragedies of the gold rush  
/ Seattle sourdoughs 1929 cont.

**Somerset & Dorset FHS**, Vol. 22 #3  
Bastable family / Pach family / Cheselbourne parish.

**Suffolk Roots**, Vol. 23 #2  
Goodwin family / 'Red Lion' at Little Thurlow / William  
Jaggard.

**Tree Tracer**, Vol. 18 #2  
Mayflower passenger list.

**Wandering Volhynians**, Vol. 10 #3  
Research in the Warsaw Archives / Braun & related  
families.

**Waterloo-Wellington Branch, OGS**, Vol. 25 #3  
Mennonite research.

**Wiltshire FHS**, Issue #66  
Colliery employees / Names / Village of Castle Eaton /  
Protestation returns & tax records.

## BOOK REVIEWS

Louisa Shermerhorn, MGS #567L, Chair: Library



We try to do a short report for each donation received, all are valuable additions to our Library and someone will benefit from each. However, we wish to reinforce that those which have Sources noted are additionally valuable. These sources are sometimes noted in the body of the work; sometimes listed as a 'Bibliography', and sometimes quoted as 'Notes' on each page. Some form of data acknowledgment should be included. Several books can help 'cite our sources'. One is actually *Cite your sources*, by Richard S. Lackey. In MGS' library: GENERAL 929.1 L.

**Morris, Manitoba. Cemetery and Census Information**  
compiled by Timothy James Lewis.  
Those searching for ancestors in Morris, Manitoba will welcome Timothy's compiled records. He has indexed names from the Morris Cemetery, compiled from headstone inscriptions, cemetery records, obituaries, family histories and All Saints (Morris) Anglican Church records and the old Methodist cemetery. Also indexed are the census records for the years 1881 Morris West, 1885 Town of Morris, 1891 Town and RM of Morris, 1901 Town and RM of Morris. Truly his work is a help to researchers and a challenge for others to do the same for their locality.  
MGS # REF 971.27 Mor/Mor MANITOBA - LJS

**Strays! An Index to the OGS Strays project.**  
Vol. 2. 1997. ISBN 0-779-0210-9(v.2). Ontario Genealogical Society, Suite 102, 40 Orchard View Boulevard, Toronto, ON, M4R 1B9. Order from OGS for \$10.00 plus \$3.00 postage in Canada, plus GST.

The second volume of *Strays from Ontario* will find a wide readership. Strays are entries of events (usually deaths) which took place outside the province of a person's birth. A blank 'Strays Submission Card' may be photocopied for further strays to be submitted to this project.  
MGS #929.3 Str. EASTERN CANADA - LJS

Several family histories have been donated to our Library. We thank each donor for their generous donation. The books range from over 400 pages to just a few pages but each represents another family in our Manitoba mosaic.

**Nostalgic Roots**  
by Iris Kozarchuk. 1997. Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
The surnames of the first generation families are: Kozarchuk, Horodelski, Merko, Tekla, Pariuk, and Frykas. Iris weaves a story of their lives from the time of their immigration from the Ukraine in the late 19thC to the Venlaw district of Manitoba. She says "This book isn't about prominent politicians or famous entertainers. It is about us. Just take delight in the memories of our families". That is what this book is all about - delight in a family. There are hundreds of photographs of the family plus maps, charts, and time lines to add interest and history.  
MGS #929.2 Koz FH & BIO - LJS

"Fingerprints of Life" 200 years on the "Tibble' Trail 1797-1997 and The Stanish Story 1791-1997.

by E. Joyce M. (Stanish) Page. 1997. Another wonderfully illustrated family history, some photographs in colour. Henry Montague Tibble, born in London, England in 1857 immigrated in 1874 to Ontario. He married there to Jane White and they moved west to Portage la Prairie in 1882. A daughter, Ethel May, married William David Stanish, whose family had emigrated from Ireland. This is the story of both families. Photographs are predominant in this book as well but news stories, Irish Blessings and maps all add extra interest.

MGS #929.2 Tib FH & BIO

-LJS

#### Nisbet Family Tree

by Geoge Heaman.

A basic descending genealogy with a good Index. In the 18thC Thomas Nisbet married Janet Sinclair, both of Lanarkshire, Scotland. Their youngest son, William immigrated to Lanark County, Ontario. Children of another son, David, also immigrated to Canada. One was Rev. James Nisbet who came to Kildonan, Winnipeg, Manitoba as a Missionary. He married Mary Jane McBeth of Kildonan. There is also a descending genealogy for an Alexander Nisbet and Mary Lowden family, also indexed.

MGS #929.2 Nis FH & BIO

-LJS

#### William and Jeremiah Heaman Family Tree.

The family had come from Dolton, Devonshire, England, but William was born in Ashreigney, Devonshire in 1751. William married Elizabeth Fitwood. Ultimately several branches of their family immigrated to North America some of the settling in Manitoba. Included with this is also the George Heaman Family Tree who was also of Dolton, Devonshire, England. He married Sarah Hord. Both sections are Indexed.

MGS #929.2 Hea FH & BIO

-LJS

*Brief history of the family and descendants of Gudmundur Jonsson and Jonina Bjornsdottir*

Compiled by Dianne Johnson and Raelene Johnson for the Reunion Committee, August 1992.

Gudmundur and Jonina immigrated to Manitoba from Iceland in 1903. The first few pages are Gudmundur's own words from his book Ad Vestan and from his diary. Husey Lake in Manitoba is named after his birthplace in Iceland. Each of Gudmundur and Jonina's children and their descendants are dealt with in separate sections of the book. Illustrated with some photos and maps.

MGS #929.2 Jon FH & BIO

-LJS

*Family history album (James Wray) compiled descendants of John Wray and Matilda 'Tilly' Kerr.*

John was born c1843 in County Meath, Ireland. He immigrated to Canada and married Tilly, probably in Waterloo Co. Ontario. John was killed in a railroad accident in 1882 in St. Croix Co., Wisconsin, USA. His widow later married David Gill in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba in 1885. These pages are a brief outline of this family.

MGS #929.2 Wra FH & BIO

-LJS

#### Selkirk Settlers of Red River and their descendants 1812-1997

by Lord Selkirk Association of Rupert's Land. 1997.

Available from Allison Dixon, phone (204) 837 7753 Winnipeg, for \$25.00 plus \$5.00 p&h.

The second edition of this work includes the descending genealogies of 48 of the original Selkirk Settlers. The Appendices list the names of all the original settlers and the names of those still in the Red River in August 1818. Also included is the plan of the Kildonan lots in 1817 and brief biographies of John Bannerman, Martin Jordon, Donald McKay, George McKay and George Ross

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### GREEN

Fam. emig. from Ashington/Morpeth, Northumberland, Eng. c1911-13 (sailed from Liverpool): mother Emily Rachel Green (nee Bennett); dau. Frances (worked at Leyland Priory, Liverpool); Doris, a tailor; Jack, a landscape gardener. Fam lvd. in Winnipeg WW2. Any help apprec.

Contact: P.A. Hancocks  
309 Holyhead Rd.  
Coundon  
Coventry CV5 8JQ England

### LINCOLN / HASLIP

Seek ancs/descs of Sarah Eliza Lincoln, b.Jan. 23, 1848, Brentford, London, U.K., m. Aug. 1870, same place, to Henry William Haslip, b.May 8, 1842, Holborn, London, U.K. Sarah d. 1891, Oct/Dec?, Eng. Chn: William (emig. to Canada)\*; Adalaide m. Witherington; Jack m. Florence\*; Mabel m. Joseph Stairs (my gmother), emig. to Canada; Christine m. Jewry, emig. to Aus.\* Witheringtons had 11 chn: Mabel Lester, Joe, William, Henry, Julia Stothard, Ivy Cooper, Dick, Christine Chenny, Winnie Books, Edward, & Violet Biddle. All in U.K. \*EOL

Contact: Judith Wilson  
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### ROBINSON / BRAKEY

Nancy Brakey, b.c1797, Co. Monahan, Ire., town of Castle Blaney, parish of Glen Tubbert, m. Wm. Robinson, b.c1779, Monahan Co.- Armagh, Ire. Chn: James b.1834; Wm b.1836; Thomas b.1831; Agnes Nancy b.1841; Catharine unk. Emig. to Canada. Sett. in Mono Mills, near Orangeville, Ont.

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### RAMSAY

Grt-uncle, Robt. Jr., b.c1852, Upper Fort Garry, m. Sarah ?, M?ts?, R.C., b.c1857. Farmed Ste. Anne. At least 11 chn (1881-1901 Censuses): Marcellaine b.c1876; Robt. b.c1878; Solomon b.c1880; Sarah Anne b.c1882; Birthe/Bertha b.c1884; Jane b.c1886; William b.c1889; Mary Mabel b.1891; Joseph b.Nov. 12, 1894; Ida b.Feb.24, 1896; Stephen b.Oct. 21, 1898. Any info apprec. Will exch. stats/anecdotes with Ramsays/ Wrights/ Finnegans/McGavins.

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### REISENWEBER / RISENWEBER

German Baptists from (then) Nowograd Wolinski USSR. Karl, b.1864, arr'd with son Edward (Ausuph) in 1907. M. to Karoline Stebner, b.1871, arr'd March 1908 on S.S. Victoria with Samuel, Bert (Bertlt), Dick (Richard), Nata, Jenny, Alice (Alitza), Alma, & Arthur (Reuben), my gfather. Homesteaded Moosehorn area, then mvd. to Pacific St., Wpg. Last names changed to Reid, Webber, Weber or ? Wish info on descns. or update.

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### STAZIUK

Seek info on Edouard (Edward) Staziuk who lvd. for awhile with my gpars. Lucien & Exilda Lemoine on their homestead w. os Sandridge PO, Man. betw. 1905 & WW1 when he joined Cdn. Expeditionary Force in Wpg.

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### THICKSON

Seek info on Norman Thickson, m. Margaret St. Cyr. (Ducharme??), both dec. 3 daus: Norma b.1953; Barbara Anne b.Jan. 28, 1954; Sandra Mary b.Feb. 1955. Norman had bro. Vincent. Mother Cecelia Hamilton, d.Nov. 8, 1969, aged 70. Barbara raised by foster pars. in Neepawa, Man. until age 18.

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### CONGRATULATIONS to

Fran and Walt McCaw, MGS #1522, on the arrival of their granddaughter, Jenna Marie, daughter of Susan (McCaw) and Steven Nemeth, July 27, 1997, in Winnipeg.



### OUR SYMPATHY to

Pat Kelly, MGS #1673, and her family, on the death of her father, William (Bill) Kelly, September 11, 1997, in Winnipeg.

Doreen and John McCrindle, MGS #738, on the death of Doreen's brother, Richard Hoyle, November 1997, in Winnipeg.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL REPORTS 1996 - 1997**

### **MANITOBA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY INC.**

#### **PRESIDENTS' REPORTS**

##### **MGS**

President: Ruth Breckman MGS #243L

In 1996 we hired a consultant to help us get started on evaluation of our operations, future planning processes and the re-editing of our terms of reference descriptions. Five areas of concern were identified: branch working relationships, volunteer recruitment, future planning processes, resource centre relocation and job descriptions.

An ad hoc committee has been activated to further discuss branch working relationships. The committee will be chaired by the Vice President of Communications and will include representatives from each Branch.

We have agreed on the need to hire a professional to help us with the volunteer recruitment.

At the March 1997 Council meeting it was agreed that planning sessions would be included as part of each Executive and Council Meeting. The five areas of concern would be addressed initially, with other areas added as they were identified.

An ad hoc committee has been activated to find a suitable and affordable space for the Resource Centre.

Revisions to the terms of reference/job descriptions have almost all been completed and ratified by Council. Now we have an up-to-date Board Manual for our volunteers to work with.

As well as special projects, we have had some special events this past year. Jim Rutherford and Gayle Mann, of, and for the Society, organized a very successful tour of the Family History Centre in Salt Lake City last winter. We now have a home page on the world wide web; Jim Oke is our capable webmaster. We have added faxing capabilities to our operations, and our volunteers are happy that a microwave has been donated for their use.

These books were published by the Society this spring:

- *20 Years in the Making* - a list of cemeteries transcribed and/or submitted to MGS. Most have been transcribed by MGS members.
- *Births, Marriages and Deaths From Manitoba Newspapers - 1885*
- *Carved in Stone* - a revision of an earlier publication listing Manitoba cemeteries.
- *Library Holdings* - an index of the holdings of MGS' library.

There are details of these publications in other reports but I would like to acknowledge the work of Kathy Stokes, Lorne Harris, Flo Cox, and Louisa Shermerhorn, in doing the work to bring these books into being. The Society is also selling the excellent publications by Elizabeth Briggs (one co-authored by Anne Morton) and a publication by Cécile Alarie-Skene.

As well as their regular monthly meetings over the winter, Branches have held workshops, put up displays, transcribed cemeteries, and hosted special speakers. Some of our members have represented their Branch, and the Society, on radio or television programs. South West Branch hosted the June Council meeting in Brandon. Prior Relations Branch in Portage la Prairie is currently organizing the Grey Cup fund raiser for the Society. I thank the Branches for the fellowship that was extended to me when I visited in the past year. I wish everyone had the opportunity to see their resource centres and to hear about the work being done.

This past year, Past President Daryl Dumanski has been a speaker at a genealogical conference in Moorhead, Minnesota, organized Seminar 96, organized, with the Salvation Army, an Elder Hostel program at the Catherine Booth Bible College, and taken on an executive role with Winnipeg Branch. She has also helped with workshops and displays in Winnipeg, and in areas of the province where there are no branches. She is chairing the Nominating Committee at this Annual Meeting. I take this opportunity to give tribute to Daryl.

I have been pleased to represent the Society with the Canadian Federation of Genealogical & Family History Societies, the Westman SHARE group and at events sponsored by the Department of Culture, Heritage and Citizenship. The sharing of ideas and concerns with others gives us an understanding of the broader scope of heritage in this province. As a member of Heritage Canada we learn about heritage concerns on a national level.

It is estimated that there are at least 100 members working as volunteers in various capacities for the Society. Key volunteers work on a weekly or twice-weekly basis at the centres, as well as hours of work done at home. Over 2255 pieces of incoming mail were processed in the Resource Centre in the past year, not including the mail received by Branches. The present record book shows that between February 5 and September 7, there were 1,399 visits to the Society's Resource Centre (see annual number in Administration's report). This number includes MGS volunteers, as well as members/public using our resources. We are indebted to those volunteers who do their jobs and help the patrons with such professionalism and good cheer.

## PRIOR RELATIONS BRANCH

President: Brenda McConnell MGS #1344L

We have completed our first year as an official Branch of MGS. At our Open House, we were pleased to have Shirley Christianson from the Portage Heritage Society and Ruth Breckman, President of MGS, speak to our group. Throughout the year, several of our members have made presentations on various computer programs, and a visit to the Salt Lake City Family History complex, along with sharing helpful hints on their personal research. Several members were able to visit the MGS office in the fall; unfortunately our planned tour of the Provincial Archives was cancelled due to the effects of the spring flood.

The Branch has taken on the Grey Cup ticket fund raising lottery, and has posted information/tickets to some 520 members in Manitoba. We look forward to arranging a tour of both the Provincial Archives in Winnipeg and the Family History Centre in Brandon, as well as inviting guest speakers to join us on the 4th Wednesday of September-June (excluding December) at the Herman Prior Centre, 40 Royal Road N., Portage la Prairie.

The Branch received publicity at a display at Heritage Days, June 28-29, at the Fort la Reine Museum in Portage and Elaine Rutherford and Brenda McConnell were interviewed by Johnny Murphy for *Murphy's Review* which aired on local cable TV.

## SOUTH WEST BRANCH

President: Jim Wall MGS #1416

Excerpted, on request, from South West's 1996 "Year End Review", by Joyce Elias MGS #1519L

Our last year ... certainly has been a busy one. One large project taken on by the South West Branch members was to index and publish the 1901 Census for the south western part of Manitoba, all 54 municipalities. Three volumes have been processed and deliveries started in December.

Education, mini workshops and general meeting programs have been priority this last year and our Vice Presidents of Committees certainly have made a very favourable impression with the genealogical community. New interests have started in many locations around South West Manitoba and a growth in our hobby is expected.

All branch members added to the success of the Garage Sale in the spring ... to raise funds for the purchase of a computer for the Branch.

Branch resources are on a steady increase with many more holdings being catalogued and filed. Cemetery transcribers made a joint effort to update the new sections of the Brandon Cemetery.

Our Leaf Publications have received many praises from libraries and archives across the country.

All members should be congratulated on their excellent efforts and contributions to the success of the Branch in 1996.

VP Administration: Sheila Shearer MGS #2401

Activities included:

- Outreach/Education held two out-of-town workshops at Melita and Gladstone. They plan another in Gladstone.
- Two workshops held in Brandon, "Getting Started" and "Basic Tools for Genealogy".
- Annual Heritage Dinner, Feb. 7, 1996.

VP Operations: Margaret Goodman MGS #1413

- Indexing the 1901 Census for South West Manitoba ... reading and transcribing from the microfilm, inputting to the computer, proofreading, correcting. ... sorting and printing, binding, ... accepting and filling orders.
- A group updated the Brandon Cemetery.
- Newspaper extractions, clipping, pasting, gluing, indexing, filing, recording.
- Increase in research requests - E-mail.
- ...additions to library, exchanges with other societies.
- *Leaf of the Branch* 4x/yr.

Office Coordinator: Beth Wall MGS #1622

- Library: Over 300 volumes, some 75 family trees and histories deposited. Newspaper clipping continues.
- *Leaf of the Branch*: 4 issues, 165 copies of each. We exchange with 20 other societies. 1997 will be the 9th year of publication but the first full year of the publication under the *Leaf of the Branch Publications*.
- *Leaf of the Branch Publications*: With the 1901 Census for South Western Manitoba, new duties were added - obtaining/using ISBN numbers. ... new binding machine being used ... is available for members.
- *Index to 1901 Census for Manitoba* proceeding slowly. RMs of Arthur, Argyle, Boissevain (town) done.
- Membership: Growing ... Jeanne Turner attends to this.
- Volunteer hours (coordinator): Library - 124.5, Census Index - 166.5, Office - 99.5, The Leaf - 70, Membership - 33.5, Research - 12, Misc. - 26.5 = Total 532.5 hrs. Telephone calls answered 490+.

## SWAN VALLEY BRANCH

Secretary: Donna Fox MGS #1738

President: Eric Neufeld Secretary: Donna Fox

Vice President: Marian Wells Treasurer: Helen Ellingson

We started 1997 with our Open House in March and it was very well attended. We were very fortunate to have MGS President Ruth Breckman in attendance. She started the morning session with "Where to Begin". We also attended the afternoon session with Mel Skulmoski's story on how

he started his family history and it is now at the publication stage. Also, Glen McKenzie gave an up-to-date workshop on the IGI on CD ROM. To conclude, Ruth Breckman gave Internet advice, tips and addresses for "Ontario Sources".

We have recently completed and submitted to MGS our 1996 *Star & Times* Index. This index records the births, obituaries, and marriages for the previous year.

To improve membership, one of our more recent changes in our organization is the meeting format. Due to popular request, we were prompted to have Executive meetings followed by the library and genealogical *hands-on* sessions with the members.

We continue to work on the Swan River and Minitonas 1901 Census Index. Also we answer letters and queries from all over the country. Works in progress are the completion of Benito Cemetery and the initiation of the Minitonas Cemetery.

#### **Recommendations for Branch action in 1997-98:**

- a) Continue *Star & Times* indexing for the coming year.
- b) Continue cemetery transcriptions.
- c) Continue answering letters/queries on families in our area.

#### **WINNIPEG BRANCH**

President: Wayne Neily MGS #430

During the 1996-97 year, Winnipeg Branch has continued to gradually increase in membership and activity, and is back to the pre-1995 level, with about 140 members with meetings and excursions monthly except during the summer. A major step was that the Outreach function of the Society for the Winnipeg region was taken back by the Branch after having been carried on by the parent Society for a few years. Thanks to Leta Nardiello who has taken on Chair of the Branch Outreach Committee, and to Daryl Dumanski and many volunteers (see separate report). Also, the Newsletter has been given a firmer footing with Jim Oke having taken on the challenge of editing it, at least on an interim basis. Nine volunteers have kept MGS' Resource Centre open Wednesday evenings all year, thanks to Linda White, Bryan Queau, Len Perron, and Myra Mackey, as well as to the Branch Executive.

Other areas where activity has revived include research and publications, although the activity level remains low in both because of a shortage of volunteers. We have responded to 22 research requests during the past year, and have revised the Branch Research Policy to provide one hour per year of free research (non-cumulative) to Branch members living outside the southeast Manitoba region, or who, for reasons of health, are unable to attend Branch meetings or get to the Resource Centre. One publication has been produced, A *surname index to*

*Taming the Wilderness: a History of Ashern and District*, available from the Branch at \$4 per copy, plus \$1 postage.

On the negative side, we have not found anyone to replace George Glenn as Chair of the Special Projects Committee; that remains a major gap in Branch activities.

At the 1997 Annual Meeting of the Branch, May 25, the following were elected as the 1997-98 Executive:

President:	Wayne Neily
1st Vice Pres:	Bill Olmstead
2nd Vice Pres:	Leta Nardiello
Secretary:	Jim Oke
Treasurer:	George Glenn
Councillor:	Daryl Dumanski
Councillor:	Gordon McBean
Past President:	Gayle Mann

This is the first time in several years that we have elected a full executive. It encourages those who have laboured to provide continuity to the Branch. A special note of thanks to our Telephone Committee, chaired by Margaret Follett, which has maintained our contact with members.

Meetings are normally held in the Board Room of the MGS/Scouts building on the last Sunday afternoon of each month at 1:30pm except for special activities. Meetings and excursions held in 1996-97 were:

- Sept. 29: Sherryl Guétré, Creative Images - photo preservation and presentation
- Nov. 24: George Glenn - Using LDS Family History Centre resources
- Nov. 27: Gordon Mears - Tour of LDS Family History Centre
- Dec. 8: Christmas social
- Jan. 26: Gilles Lesage & Gaston Bohemier - Tour of resource centre of the Société Historique de Saint-Boniface and the Saint-Boniface Library's genealogical collection
- Feb. 23: Members' Day (Gayle Mann, Gordon McBean, Jim Oke)
- Mar. 23: Irish genealogy (Joyce Elias, George Glenn, Wayne Neily, et al.)
- Apr. 20: Don Steel - English Parish Records other than Registers/ Poor Law Records (2 sessions)
- May 25: Annual Meeting / Kathy Stokes, MGS' Special Projects, Cemetery Adventures

A highlight of the year was the visit of Don Steel, a leading British genealogist, whose presentations were attended by just over 50 members and guests. In the coming year we are going to try a second meeting per month, on the second Monday evening, at MGS' Resource Centre - a more informal session, especially for beginners.

## **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

### **VICE PRESIDENT**

Durlene Germscheid MGS #944 (October to May)

At the beginning of the year, the Council decided that a priority was to be the development of terms of reference for all departments and committees, and the drafting of job descriptions for the volunteers. All committee chairs in the Administration department have completed the terms of reference and job descriptions for their respective committees and the material for the entire department has been submitted to Council for final approval.

Len Perron stepped down as Chair of the Computer Committee but has continued to contribute his time and skills as a member of the Committee. In spite of the absence of a Committee Chair, the essential work of the Committee continues to be carried out by its members, and thanks to Jim Oke, the Manitoba Genealogical Society now has a web site on the Internet.

Reports from the Administration (Office Management), Special Projects, Research, and Library will be submitted by their respective Chairs.

As the work of the Administration department is being so capably carried out by the Chairs and members of its various committees, I decided, in May, to resign as Vice President and to volunteer to fill the vacant position of Vice President of Human Resources and Membership. Therefore, at the writing of this report, the Administration department has two vacant positions - Vice president of the department and Computer Committee Chair.

### **LIBRARY**

Chair: Louisa Shermerhorn MGS #567L

The Library is well used. Many people are involved in preparing the books and microforms for your use. Some of the volunteers and the tasks are listed - I know I have missed some tasks but I trust that I have mentioned all the specific Library volunteers. Patron Assistance is covered in the report for Administration/Office Management Committee.

- Pat Kelly records all donations and sends out Thank you letters. This year 226 items were donated by 88 people.
- Beth Audette is in charge of the Serials (Periodicals) section. We exchange journals/newsletters with 62 other Societies and have 9 subscriptions. During the year 313 members signed out 1150 journals or newsletters. Family Tree had the highest circulation rate.
- Mary Bole catalogued some 1482 items this year.
- Lynn Francis and Connie Dohan pasted pockets, spine labels, etc. on each item catalogued. Connie and Lynn also do other tasks such as filing cards, making labels.

- Rae McFarlane acted as 'Bookie' this past year mailing out books to our of town members. She also files cards and shelves book.

- Lorna Karman works on updating the card catalog and helps maintains the shelf list (Inventory cards)

- Flo Cox, Allan Pickard and Pat Moreau card the returned books

- Orma Sozansky does most of the reshelfing of books although others help. Over 2457 books were reshelfed, not counting the many microfiche, microfilm, cemetery transcripts and church record files.

- Daryl Dumanski has been working on the Vertical File - this underused source can be very valuable.

- Pat Allan finished computer entry for all books, etc. to the end of 1995 and a new Library Holdings may be purchased @ \$30.00 + postage. Pat is now entering data for a Supplement for 1996 and 1997.

- Joyce Elias is a backup for any tasks which need doing.

- Pat Moreau has been doing Overdue books but due to illness she is not coming in at present. Allan Pickard has taken over sending out notices for Overdue books. We would remind you to try to return your books on time.

- Lori Walker continues to excerpt all English language journals and newsletters for Generations, and Cécile Alarie-Skene has been doing some French language ones.

- Bill Birtles, Joyce Elias and Kathy Stokes have contributed reviews for some complimentary books.

- Walt McCaw has repaired many of our books.

- Len Perron has set up some Library computer files.

- I have been doing the ordering of materials again this year - if anyone thinks they might be interested in doing the purchasing of library books please call me at the office. In 1996-97 we spent \$3,627.87. This covers library supplies, subscriptions, books, microforms.

### **ADMINISTRATION / OFFICE MANAGEMENT**

Report compiled by Louisa Shermerhorn MGS #567L and Office Manager: Orma Sozansky MGS #575L

This committee is responsible for 'Maintenance of Premises/Housekeeping' 'Machine maintenance,' 'Mail Processing', 'Scheduling Resource Centre Volunteers', 'Purchasing/Supplies'. These tasks are aimed at ensuring our patrons will be well served in their family research. The daily duty volunteers who assist in those tasks and keep MGS open to the public are: Beth Audette, Mary Bole, Flo Cox, Connie Dohan, Jim Druce, Joyce Elias, Chris Irwin, Carol Jones, Walt McCaw, John McCrindle, Rae McFarlane, Connie McLeod, Pat Moreau, Anne Morton, Jayne Paradis, Allan Pickard, Hazel Runchey, Jim Rutherford, Orma Sozansky, Kathy Stokes, Winnipeg Branch members on Wednesday evenings. Each of these persons has other duties with other Committees and they are due our heartfelt thanks. Besides the daily duty volunteers we must thank members of Executive, Council and other Committees, who do the behind-the-scene tasks which translate into the resources MGS has for patrons.

During the approximate 1,000 hours the Resource Centre was open, 2,514 persons signed our Register. About 23% of those were the volunteers working in the Resource Centre, attending meetings, or doing Committee Work. Besides serving those 2,000 patrons we recorded 1,305 phone calls, recorded and distributed 2,255 pieces of incoming mail and prepared 2,398 pieces of outgoing mail

The Canon photocopier has made 35,336 copies since it was purchased.

Volunteers appreciated the secondhand microwave added to the Resource Centre.

Thanks to all the volunteers the Resource Centre was open three weekdays and Sundays, also Wednesday evenings from September 1996 through the summer of 1997, plus the last Saturday of each month from September to May. MGS' summer staff person, Raelene Johnson, was a great asset to the Society.

#### **RESEARCH**

Chair: Jim Rutherford MGS #2632

The Research Committee for the past year consisted of Hazel Runchey, Connie McLeod, Jim Druce and Jim Rutherford. As usual, there was a considerable drop in research work done during the summer with volunteers away. However, at no time was the Committee more than 3 months behind. MGS' policy covers a maximum of four months for processing paid research requests.

With MGS entering the world of computers, we are finding an increase in research requests due to our page on the Internet.

One of the problems noted this past year is the increased time spent helping patrons in the library, answering phones, etc., making it difficult to accomplish much research by the Committee during the normal working day. The obvious solution is more staff on duty in the library.

We estimate the money realized through this committee this past year at \$1623 including US exchange. This is up some 60% over last year.

Eleanor Corbett handles all letters requesting information not accompanied by payment. Many of her responses lead to paid research later. In the past year she answered 163 inquiries about the Society and requests for research. She "tries to encourage membership and applications for research by at least pinpointing members of their families in the area during the time period of their research by sending a little information on their family members if it can be found within a short period of time - say 20 minutes."

#### **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

Chair: Kathy Stokes MGS #125

This past year has been a full one, with the completion of several major projects. At the same time, it was decided not to embark on any new initiatives until we have made an evaluation of what we have and how our current records can be better integrated and computerized.

Our five year project to transcribe all known Ukrainian and Polish cemeteries in the province is now complete. Attention has turned to the cemeteries in Rhineland and Hanover, as well as to Elmwood, one of the largest cemeteries in Winnipeg. Work in these areas will take several summers. We currently have about 1150 cemeteries transcribed throughout the province.

Newspaper indexing continues, both in the Branches and through MGS. Current obit indexes are almost up to date and volunteers are working back in 1971 as well. Birth, marriage and death indexing from early newspapers also continues, with the *Winnipeg Free Press* and *Winnipeg Tribune* being completed to August 1891, and all rural newspapers having been read to the end of 1885.

Another indexing project continues on two fronts. Anglican and United Church records for baptisms, marriages and burials are being indexed to approximately 1920. We need members of other faiths to work on similar projects.

Three major publications were produced in June 1997 in cooperation with the Publications Committee; they have sold well. We find a greater interest from both public and school libraries in the purchase of our books now, and with a stronger public relations effort, we could probably increase our sales even further.

Cemetery transcription sales are at an all-time high, with 107 being purchased, mostly by members. We are noticing a trend for municipalities to purchase copies of all the cemeteries within their boundaries.

We are attempting to consolidate our various indexes into compatible formats which can be integrated in the future. This will require a massive effort, particularly with cemetery transcription indexes and will take several years. It will, however, free up space currently occupied by a number of cabinets containing file cards, and will thus have an impact on future space requirements.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS REPORTS**

##### **VICE PRESIDENT**

Chris Irwin MGS #2458

As some people may realize, I am not running for re-election for this position again. I feel it is time for new blood, so to speak, to work in this area with new ideas and

strengths. I have enjoyed my time in this position and I do thank all those who helped me during my two years. Being new to the Society Executive and with the Committee structures, I had a lot of learning to do in a short time to get online in the beginning. There were many people who put up with my many questions and I wish to thank all those who served under me on the committees personally, but especially Daryl Dumanski, Lorne Harris, Linda White and Joyce Elias, as well as the Branch Presidents of Dauphin, Prior Relations (Portage la Prairie), South West (Brandon area), Swan Valley (Swan River), Winnipeg, and the former East European Branch.

The goal of the Communications portfolio was to tear down the walls, lose the "ivory tower syndrome", move meetings out of Winnipeg and alternate them throughout the province, as well as to improve the communications between the Society and the Branches. During the last Presidency, we listened to the problems that people presented and we made an effort to have things changed.

I think we have improved the communications between the Branches and the Society immensely; however, there is still work to be done. Just recently, we have started to strike committees to interface with the different concerns indicated (now prioritized) at the different workshops. This portfolio is to chair the first in a round of meetings dealing with the problems of roles. This will probably occur in November and will include the President. We think this is a step in the right direction.

I have been pleased with the work of the many dedicated individuals who worked very hard to get the Society on the web. We are now being discovered by the world but this area must be expanded with more depth of information. We must pole vault ourselves into the next century.

This summer I had the opportunity to visit the Society on many occasions during the day. One does not truly realize the efforts and work that the member volunteers put in. Personally, I think many of them work harder now, being volunteers, than before retirement! We should put our hands together for applause as they do deserve it. They make it possible for all of us to come down and are there to guide us through our quests. They are the heartbeat of the Society.

Outreach has taken a different role as it pertains to the Society itself. Through discussions, Outreach is now the responsibility of the Winnipeg Branch; this is now the same responsibility as to any other Branch of the Society. Outreach activities and plans will be sent to the Outreach Chair at MGS regularly so the Society has full knowledge of what is happening throughout the province. In turn, this will allow the Outreach Chair to direct queries to the different Branches as to the expertise required. (See Outreach report.)

We lost our Publications Chair late in the year. I thank Lorne Harris for his dedicated service to this Committee for his many hours of consultation to me. He will be missed.

*Generations* has been produced again under the leadership of Joyce Elias and, as in the past number of years, has offered a good quality of reading material. It is hoped that in this upcoming year Joyce will take on an assistant.

So the Manitoba Genealogical Society does not look like a Swiss cheese, I challenge all future Executive members and Chairs to adopt a friend or assistant in the upcoming year. The purpose of this is twofold:

- 1) the volunteers currently in these positions are dedicated but tired
- 2) in this way people can be slowly trained for positions in which they wish to participate, lend their expertise, and provide a TEAM effort.

## GENERATIONS

Editor: Joyce Elias MGS #1519L

- 4 issues published 1996-1997 fiscal year.
- Stiff cover and bound-in inserts were continued.
- Expenses app. \$6,953.00. Ad revenue app. \$751.00.  
Net cost app. \$6202.00. Budget was \$7500.00.

## OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Winnipeg Branch Acting Chair: Leta Nardiello MGS #2839

Committee: Daryl Dumanski MGS #1031, Wayne Neily MGS #430, Linda White MGS #2129

### OUTREACH EVENTS ATTENDED by MGS / WINNIPEG BRANCH

- \* Event categories: 1) Display 2) Presentation  
3) Workshop 4) Interview 5) Resource Centre Tour

DATE	EVENT FOR WHOM / LOCATION	MEMBERS INCLUDE
Oct. 2	Ex-Wren's Association Chippawa Division, Wpg.	D. Dumanski
March 1*	Museum and Heritage Display Polo Park Sh. Ctr.	32 members/ Wpg. Branch/MGS
April 3	Getting Started Workshop Winnipeg Branch, MGS	D. Dumanski/ L. Nardiello
May 3	Pinawa Public Library Pinawa, MB	R. Breckman/F. Cox/ D. Dumanski/G. Glenn
June 1	United Empire Loyalist National Convention	Members of Wpg. Branch/MGS
June 1	Scottish Heritage Festival Red River Ex	R. Breckman/ G. Glenn
Aug. 1	Folklorama - Scottish Pavilion	27 members/ Wpg. Branch/MGS

### Recommendations and goals

- recruiting additional committee members
- development and distribution of Winnipeg Branch brochure/newsletter

- development of volunteer list according to area of interest
- continued development of display material/handouts

Thank you to all who contributed time and expertise. I encourage those of you who have not yet volunteered to do so, it's a lot of fun! (AGM amendment: "Report submitted is for Winnipeg Branch, not the Society as a whole. (Two presentations were completed by K. Stokes for Winnipeg Branch and are not listed in this report.)" \_\_\_\_\_

## HUMAN RESOURCES/MEMB'P REPORTS

### VICE PRESIDENT

Durlene Germscheid MGS #944 (beginning May 1997)

During a series of strategic planning sessions, the Council concluded that the shortage of volunteers to take on governance roles and to carry out other activities for the Society was a matter of very serious concern. To compound the problem, two of the existing vacancies were the very positions with responsibilities for addressing this issue - Vice president of Human Resources and the Chair of the Volunteer Recruitment Committee. A decision was made to hire a Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator for a six month term with the intention that this person would develop a formal program for volunteer recruitment and management. He/she would also recruit some members and a Chair of a Volunteer Recruitment Committee, and would train them to run the program at the end of the six month term. However, the absence of a Vice President in the department made it very difficult to implement this decision. I, therefore, volunteered to resign from my existing position and to assume the responsibilities of Vice president of this department. At the May meeting, Council voted to accept this proposal.

The process for hiring the Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator is now underway and it is expected that the position will be filled by the time of the annual meeting.

The other committee in this department is the Membership Committee; a separate report follows. \_\_\_\_\_

### MEMBERSHIP

Chair: Betty Atkinson MGS #2117

Current as of Aug. 20, 1997 (AGM:amended to July 31)	
Member Type 1: Individual	673
Member Type 2: Associate	48
Member Type 3: Institutional	19
Member Type 4: Life	39
Member Type 5: Exchange	66
Member Type 6: Deposit	15
Member Type 7: Administrative Memb.	2
Member Type 8: Administration	0
Member Type 9: No mailout	4
TOTAL (not incl. Type 7)	864 (1995: 830)

## NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Chair: Daryl Dumanski MGS #1031

The following have allowed their names to stand for the following positions:

President:	Chris Irwin
VP Human Resources:	Durlene Germscheid
VP Communications:	Ruth Breckman
VP Finance:	VACANT (at AGM)
VP Administration:	VACANT (at AGM) _____

## FINANCE REPORTS

### VICE PRESIDENT

Daryl Dumanski, MGS #1031, became VP after the AGM. See pages 28 and 29 for her report and the main portions of Manitoba Genealogical Society's Financial Statement for the year ending July 31, 1997. \_\_\_\_\_

## WAYS AND MEANS, GRANTS

Chair: Walt McCaw MGS #1522

The 1996-97 year has not been a very active one for me. We trust this will improve in the coming season. We urge all MGS Committees, as well as the Branch Committees, to explore all possibilities of obtaining grant monies for projects or equipment that could be very beneficial to furthering the goals of the Society.

Special thanks must go to President Ruth Breckman, and Special Projects Chair, Kathy Stokes, for their assistance this past year. Ruth coordinated the reply to the Director of Historic Resources, Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Citizenship regarding our budget and goals of the Society for 1997-98. Kathy completed the paperwork on existing grants in progress and also assisted me in the critique of the new application form from Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Citizenship re: Heritage Grants program. The new application draft was reviewed and the observations and suggestions were forwarded.

Wishing everyone



**VP FINANCE**

Daryl Dumanski MGS #1031

I'm excited to join (after the AGM) our small, but capable, group that makes up the Finance department of our organization. Joan Whiston is Treasurer. Walt McCaw is Chair of Grants and Applications but our Fundraising Chair position is vacant. Care to join us? I guarantee lots of support.

Many thanks to the Prior Relations Branch, led by Brenda McConnell, for running the Grey Cup Lottery this year!

The following are the main portions of the Financial Statement of the Manitoba Genealogical Society Inc. for our year ending July 31, 1997. These were in the Annual General Meeting Reports in October.

**THE MANITOBA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY INC.****STATEMENT 1****BALANCE SHEET**

(UNAUDITED)

**JULY 31**

	Operating Fund	Lifetime Memberships Fund	F.F.H.S. Fund	Publications Fund	Seminar Fund	COMBINED 1997	1996
<b>ASSETS</b>							
<b>CURRENT</b>							
Cash	\$ 16,381	\$ 1,100	\$ 400	\$ 2,000	\$ 500	\$ 20,381	\$ 8,031
Short term investments	48,000					48,000	48,000
Accounts receivable	2,920					2,920	9,655
Prepaid expenses	1,802	...	...	...	...	1,802	1,604
	<u>69,103</u>	<u>1,100</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>73,103</u>	<u>67,290</u>
<b>LONG TERM INVESTMENTS (Note 3)</b>							
	...	8,500	...	...	...	8,500	8,500
	<u>\$ 69,103</u>	<u>\$ 9,600</u>	<u>\$ 400</u>	<u>\$ 2,000</u>	<u>\$ 500</u>	<u>\$ 81,603</u>	<u>\$ 75,790</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>							
<b>CURRENT</b>							
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,093	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1,093	\$ 824
Deferred grant revenue (Note 4)	10,506					10,506	16,557
Unearned revenue (Note 5)	8,375	...	...	...	...	8,375	7,900
	<u>19,974</u>					<u>19,974</u>	<u>25,281</u>
<b>SURPLUS</b>							
FUNDS SURPLUS	<u>49,129</u>	<u>9,600</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>61,629</u>	<u>50,509</u>
	<u>\$ 69,103</u>	<u>\$ 9,600</u>	<u>\$ 400</u>	<u>\$ 2,000</u>	<u>\$ 500</u>	<u>\$ 81,603</u>	<u>\$ 75,790</u>

Approved by the Board

Director \_\_\_\_\_

Director \_\_\_\_\_

**THE MANITOBA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY INC.**

SCHEDULE 1

**OPERATING EXPENDITURES  
(UNAUDITED)**

	1997	1996	YEAR ENDED JULY 31
Annual general meeting	\$ 88	\$ 255	
Bank charges and interest	27	73	
Contract work	1,960	2,668	
Capital expenditures	986	4,448	
Coffee and drinks	74	14	
Committee - outreach	748	187	
- library	3,632	2,725	
- special projects	288	228	
- publications	2,613	10	
- computer		383	
Conventions and meetings	1,044	130	
Equipment maintenance	1,549	1,555	
Generations	6,779	6,833	
GST	2,057	2,061	
Insurance	843	798	
Lotteries	21	3,280	
Memberships	83	738	
Office and administration	4,185	2,898	
Photocopying	669	768	
President's fund	549	228	
Professional fees	700	700	
Projects	3,821	11,965	
Rent and common charges	10,200	10,200	
Telephone	634	577	
Utilities	481	405	
	<b>\$ 44,031</b>	<b>\$ 54,127</b>	

**THE MANITOBA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY INC.  
OPERATING FUND**

STATEMENT 2

**STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND SURPLUS  
(UNAUDITED)**

	1997	1996	YEAR ENDED JULY 31
<b>REVENUE</b>			
Coffee and drinks	\$ 147	\$ 141	
Donations	2,051	1,741	
Generations	1,115	962	
Grants			
Culture, Heritage and Citizenship	4,109	11,505	
- Capital and projects	10,800	10,800	
- Operating	1,025	1,031	
GST rebate	1,832	2,154	
Interest income	16,837	18,441	
Memberships	1,383	6,450	
Other	5,200	2,821	
Services	483	383	
U.S. exchange	600	590	
User fees	45,582	57,019	
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Schedule 1)</b>	<b><u>44,031</u></b>	<b><u>54,127</u></b>	
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b><u>1,551</u></b>	<b><u>2,892</u></b>	
<b>TRANSFERS FROM FUNDS</b>			
Lifetime memberships fund	250	517	
F.F.H.S. fund	21	79	
Publications fund	6,777	1,954	
Seminar fund	2,271	( 859 )	
<b>OPERATING FUND SURPLUS FOR YEAR</b>	<b><u>9,319</u></b>	<b><u>1,691</u></b>	
<b>SURPLUS, beginning of year</b>	<b><u>38,259</u></b>	<b><u>33,676</u></b>	
<b>SURPLUS, end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 49,129</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 38,259</u></b>	

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