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# Messages to our Members

## From the President

### [Kathy Stokes #125](#)

At the MGS Annual Meeting recently, I was elected President for a one year term. In the spirit of the times, I am a recycled president because I served in that capacity for two years during 1987-88. Although I am pleased to assist MGS in any way, I feel that acting as president of this organization for a second time is not a forward step for MGS. We have several hundred members, and among them we should be able to find a handful of people to serve on the executive and council. An organization which cannot renew itself by bringing new people in to assist in its operation is not a healthy organization.



This is the second year in a row that a former president has had to step forward to keep MGS functioning. I thank **Joan Whiston** for having completed her fourth year in a row as president which, by the constitution, is a position with a time limit of three consecutive one year terms. I am sure you will all join me in wishing her a happy retirement from the presidency, although she will remain as past president to advise the executive.

My concern is not just for the presidency. Many of us who joined MGS at the beginning or in the first few years after 1976 are becoming too old to carry on the running of the organization, being in our seventies and sometimes eighties by this time. We need to fill several positions which I am listing below:

- Vice President of Administration
- Special Projects Chair
- Office Coordinator
- Grants & Applications Chair
- Publications Chair

Executive meetings occur once a month and dates are flexible, with no meetings during July, August and December. There are three council

meetings each year, so the meetings schedule is not onerous. It is not necessary for committee chairs to do all the work themselves, but to coordinate the work being done by the volunteers on their committees. We have a number of people who are happy to work on the committees, but feel that they lack the experience or time commitment to act as committee chairs - surely, in this group of some 700 members, there are some who can step forward, someone recently retired who can bring many skills to a position, or perhaps someone new to Winnipeg or elsewhere in the province who would like to meet new friends by taking on a position. We need new ideas and procedures in every area of our organization and I know there is a lot of talent out there! A blend of experience and innovation will bring MGS up to the high standard expected by members of family history organizations.

We hope to have a column in each edition of *Generations*, detailing the decisions and activities of executive and council meetings. Please read the column to learn more about MGS. I am sure you can find a place for yourself somewhere within our many committees and the jobs that need filling. We welcome your comments.

Email me at [contact@mbgenealogy.com](mailto:contact@mbgenealogy.com) or call MGS at 204-783-9139 with any questions. We look forward to hearing from you.

## From the Editor

### [Debbie Degryse Clark #4626](#)

*Seasons Greetings!* Wow, I am back in the editor's chair again but it is temporary. I am sure I speak on behalf of all MGS members when I say congratulations and thank you to **Karin Clegg** on the wonderful job she has done over the past year as Editor of *Generations*. Karin has been working hard at getting your journal out to you packed full of important and interesting articles and photos. She has decided



to move on with other things in her life, but I am sure that Genealogy will always be a big part of that. Best wishes to you Karin and thank you again.

We have had interest in the Editor position from a number of people and should have a new Editor in place with the next issue.

And while I am at it, I would also like to thank the rest of the *Generations* Team for the outstanding job they do each issue. Many of them have other “jobs” with MGS. Their dedication is second to none and it shows. In alphabetical order they are: **Mary Bole, Enid Dorward, Joyce Elias, Bev Smith and Kathy Stokes.**

We have many others who have contributed one or many articles. I know our members appreciate your efforts.

If you would like to be part of the *Generations* Team or become a regular contributor, please let us know by phoning 204-783-9139 or sending an email to [generations@mbgenealogy.com](mailto:generations@mbgenealogy.com). You don't need to live in Winnipeg, in Manitoba or even in Canada.

### Our Condolences

To **Betty Borup** (#2241) on the death of her husband of 55 years, [Karl Borup](#) on October 3, 2010.

### MGS Hours

The Library & Resource Centre in Winnipeg will be closed for the holiday season at 3:30 pm on Thursday, December 09, 2010 and will reopen at 10:30 am on Tuesday, January 4, 2011. *Our volunteers need a much needed rest.* Unless otherwise noted, we are open on Mondays Tuesdays & Wednesday from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm, Wednesday evenings from 7 pm to 9 pm and Sunday afternoons, from 12 noon to 4 pm. MGS is closed on all Statutory Holidays.

## MGS Awards

### Continuous Membership

#### 25 Years

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## Continuous Membership – Institutions

### 20 Years

*Calgary Public Library*

### 10 Years

*Links Post Legal Adoption Support Group  
Regina Public Library*

## Flo Cox Award

**Debbie Degryse Clark** – While Debbie is fairly new to genealogy and MGS, she has been very active on the Executive as VP Public Relations for three years now and served as *Generations* Editor. Debbie also maintains our website.

We are pleased to present Debbie with this award. Congratulations Debbie!

### MGS Research Services

Having trouble with your research, or just don't know where to start? MGS offers [Research Services](#) (for a fee). Our talented researchers are available to help you break down those walls.

## Free Ancestry.com Podcasts

The archive of free on-line classes offered by Ancestry.com are now available in podcast format, allowing you to get your family history fix without being tethered to your computer. Download the podcasts from the iTunes Store here: <http://bit.ly/9hCOA1>.

## Clippings for Generations

To all those members who take the time and effort to cut out clippings from newsletters, newspapers and magazines, *we thank you*. However, please be sure to write down your name and contact information so we know who to give credit to if we use them in our journal. Also, if possible, please contact the original

source to get written permission for us to reuse the information. It does take quite a bit of time and effort for one person to get it all when there are numerous clippings for one issue and we cannot print any of them without getting that permission first. Thanks so much again.

## Happy Anniversary!

Kathy (MGS President) and Bob Stokes celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 17, 2010. Happy Anniversary from all of us at MGS.



## MGS Annual General Meeting

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday, October 16, 2010. For those unable to attend, a copy of the MGS Annual General Meeting report is now available on-line <http://www.mbgenealogy.com/index.php?page=annual-reports>. However, the financial reports are not. If you would like a copy for yourself, please contact MGS at 204-783-9139 or email [contact@mbgenealogy.com](mailto:contact@mbgenealogy.com)

## MGS Needs Your Help!

The following volunteer opportunities are currently available at the Manitoba Genealogical Society Inc.

**Publications Chair** – a council position for producing publications, review or editing current publications, creating new formats for redistribution of older publications involves coordination with Special Projects department and V.P. Public Relations.

**Office Coordinator Chair** – a council position that coordinates the day-to-day physical operations of the MGS Resource Centre and Library and Volunteer office. Acts as general office manager to coordinate with the various departments the training & monitoring of volunteers required to keep the Resource Centre open to the public. This requires a commitment

of one day a week or every second week on site to effectively maintain smooth operations. Most volunteers for this department are at the Resource Centre on Tuesdays.

Please email [contact@mbgenealogy.com](mailto:contact@mbgenealogy.com) or call 204-783-9139 if you are interested in these or other opportunities.

## A New Fundraising Opportunity

For our Canadian Members, or those who are visiting, MGS is now collecting Canadian Tire money. This “funny money” can be mailed in or dropped off at the Library and Resource Centre, Unit E – 1045 St James Street, Winnipeg, MB R3H 1B1.

## Lifetime Memberships

MGS no longer has a Lifetime Membership category for new members. However, MGS is pleased to honour the Lifetime Memberships of those members who have already chosen that type of membership.

### **The Manitoba Genealogical Society Inc. is a registered charity.**

Donations can be made to the Memorial Fund, the Library Fund or the General Fund. Tax receipts will be issued for donations over \$5.00 and are much appreciated.

## From The Past

### Rural Ramblings

*By Kathy Stokes #125*

*From the Winnipeg Free Press  
2 June 1913*

Mrs. Flora Shaw died in Brandon on 31 May 1913. She was 74 years old. Born in Skye, Scotland, she came to Canada with her husband in 1886 under the patronage of Lady Scott, settling at Craven, SK, near Regina. Four years later the family moved to Hilton, MB and later to Brandon. She is survived by six sons; John

M., J.V., N.A., and D. of Brandon, N. of Winnipeg and James of London, ON. Burial was in Hilton Cemetery.

*2<sup>nd</sup> January 1917*

Seventy one returned soldiers are due home tonight from the east. Among them from Manitoba and NW Ontario are the following: Sgt. H. Beck of 248 Burrows, Cpl. W. Hunt, Pte. G. Hughes of 726 Jefferson, Pte. D. Hyslop of 631 Atlantic, Pte. C. Harris, Pte. R. Moore of 125 Aberdeen, Pte. F. Matthews of 435 Magnus, Pte. F. Morgan of 7 Furby Court, W. Shephard of 376 Simcoe, R. Wreggett of 658 McMicken, Sgt. S. Symondson, Ptes. A. Gaunt, H. Purton, J. Wilson, and W. Wynn, all of Winnipeg as well as Pte. F. Keen of Transcona

From Brandon, Pte. C. Hattersley of 916 Pacific and Pte. B. Sproston of 148 - 11<sup>th</sup> St.

From Fort William: Pte. A. Bennett of 220 Finlayson and Pte. A. Rougges 729N Brodie.

*3 January 1917*

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Foster of Somerset celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary at Christmas. (anniversary photo in write up) Unfortunately, a few days later, Benjamin died at age 79 years. Besides his widow, he was survived by seven sons and three daughters, 51 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. Benjamin came to Canada from London, England where he and his wife had been married on December 25, 1856. They lived in Hamilton, Ontario for seven years before moving west to Somerset where there were at that time only two other settlers. Benjamin was buried from the Anglican Church in Somerset.

*1 November 1943*

This issue displays a set of six individual photos belonging to the children of Mrs. Ida Wilson of Alonsa. All are serving in the Canadian forces in either Canada or overseas. They are: Tpr. W. Jim Wilson who joined the Lord Strathcona Horse in Sept. 1939 and went overseas in the fall of 1941; L/Cpl. Dan Wilson who is in the same unit as his brother Jim; Gunner Matt G. Wilson who joined the RCA in July 1943; and is now in eastern Canada; Tpr. John G. Wilson,

also of the RCA in eastern Canada; Tpr. Reg Wilson who is now with the Strathconas in Camp Borden in Ontario; Leading Air Woman Mary Wilson who joined in June 1942 and is currently in Summerside PEI.

*2 November 1943*

In this issue of the *Free Press* is a photo of Elizabeth Anderson of Rosebank who was 100 years old on 30 October 1943. She was born in Hinchbrooke, Frontenac - Addington, ON and came to Manitoba in 1882, living first in Old Nelson and later in Rosebank. Her sister is Mrs. Samuel Stuart.

## **Are These Your Ancestors?**

*By Kathy Stokes #125*

Many, if not most, MGS members are old enough to remember at least some things about WWII and how it affected their lives in large ways or small. But the fact that there were prisoner-of-war camps in Canada was not spoken of too often, particularly to children, even though the camps were scattered around the country, especially in the more remote areas. This was done deliberately because it made possible escapes more difficult, certainly in winter, when freezing to death was a real possibility if shelter was not found very soon after an escape.

One camp opened in October 1943 in Riding Mountain National Park about 25 miles west of Clear Lake. There was no enclosure around the camp and the guards were unarmed. Prisoners had been selected for the camp because of their willingness to work in the woods, so they were not governed by the rigid discipline of the average prison camp. In fact, their care was turned over to the Federal Department of Labour who were pleased with their new experiment with the selected prisoners working at civilian jobs, so that the civilians could be freed up for other important duties.

The camp in Riding Mountain Park had only been recently completed, within the previous

four months. It held about 450 prisoners in four large dormitories. There was a dining hall, administration building, a large horse barn, quarters for guards, and a power house. Light and power were supplied from a diesel engine. There was hot and cold running water, inside toilets and showers, three stoves in each insulated dorm, and two tier bunks complete with mattresses, blankets and pillows.

The task before the prisoners was to cut 50,000 cords of wood which would be delivered to the main highway via a six mile road from the bush. On a Sunday evening in early November 1943, it was discovered that some 19 prisoners were missing. The Dauphin RCMP was notified, as were all police in northwest Manitoba, along with the air Training Schools at Rivers and Neepawa. All the prisoners were German soldiers and airmen. They were lightly dressed, some in pieces of old German uniforms. The weather had turned nasty, with a mixture of rain and snow, making tracking by dogs difficult and air reconnaissance impossible.

The *Free Press* sent out a reporter and a photographer to cover the story. The camp commander would not speak to them, so they set out into the bush in hopes of finding some of the prisoners and a good story. Alas, the pair themselves got lost and found great difficulty when asking for assistance from the local farm families. "Barred doors and frightened faces at the windows" greeted them at several farms until someone took the time to speak to them and realized that they were not Germans, but English speaking Canadians!

By the end of Monday morning, all of the prisoners had voluntarily returned to the camp, shivering with the cold. Official Ottawa released a statement which declared,

*"On Sunday, nineteen prisoners were having a day of rest which they spent in the woods within the prescribed boundaries. They were caught in sudden snow storms, became confused and lost their way. Later, all prisoners found their*



*way back to camp by themselves. No prison break was planned or carried out by any of the prisoners."*

Surnames of the prisoners were released. They were Keller, Stroll, Zoller, Trench, Zeller, Triebken, Liess, Rippte, Ebeinkofer, Klinje, Bruegenamm, Sell, Elow, Zudall, Schneider, Langman, Bernar, Steizel and Debrost.

Do the above surnames help in your family history search? Or perhaps you have heard stories of the great escape from your relatives who farmed in the area. Or you may have been to Wasagaming and seen the beautiful log buildings built by the prisoners.

From the *Winnipeg Free Press* 1 & 2 November 1943.

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## **Cemetery Stompin' and Remembering the Faith of Our Pioneers**

*Submitted by Marilyn Muller*

Recently several members and guests of the Dauphin Family History Group took to the back roads and spent the day wandering around the Parkland visiting well over a dozen cemeteries, church buildings and historic sites which mark the settlement of early pioneers to this area.

It was a day of reflection for many of us. It told of amazing faith demonstrated by so many immigrants who determined their initial need, after creating simple homesteads, was to build a place to worship... and of course, a place to bury their dead.

Meticulously organized by Shirle McGimpsey with the navigational help of her husband, Bob, and transported by Al Gray, we were welcomed for mid-morning coffee at the Trembowla Cross of Freedom site by gracious hosts who value history as much as we collectively do, and who were very hospitable in serving us coffee and snacks.

At one cemetery, Al Gray brought out his cemetery stone kit, which includes many practical items for cleaning and lifting historical details from aging tombstones without damaging them in any way... he demonstrated for us the steps to take, and challenged us to take care that information not be lost to the passage of time. (In fact, nearly all the known cemeteries of the Parkland have been 'scribed' by the long-standing members of the Dauphin Family History Group, and are available through the History Group's records.)

At the Negrych Homestead National Historic Site, we enjoyed our bag lunches in the warm noon hour sun and were treated to a tour complete with significant historic details.

At the Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Parish Church in the Zoria area, we were graciously treated when a parishioner was on hand to open

the church building so we could enjoy the inside, generously cared for by the surrounding residents.

In between these well known places we stopped and tromped, cameras in hand, through several church yards and cemeteries, some meticulously well cared for, and others overgrown and forgotten in time.

It was a wonderful day, beautiful weather, excellent company and a sobering and instructive look at the past.

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## Good Research & Luck

*Submitted by Kelly Southworth, MGS 4534*

You never know what you may find when you start looking. With the release of the National Probate Calendar for England and Wales on Ancestry this past summer, I located probate notices for several relatives, one leading to an exciting discovery!

The 1886 entry for my 2x Great Grandmother, Sarah Southworth, listed her son Joseph as an executor. His address was "of the Valentines, Ilford" and his occupation was butler. I had known he had been a butler and lived in Ilford, but had no idea where or for whom he worked as he and his family had their own house where they were recorded on census nights. The phrase "of the Valentines" was curious, so I Googled the term "Valentines + Ilford" and discovered it is a mansion and park in Essex, now part of London. It has been restored and opened to the public in the past year. There is a website dedicated to the estate and its history, [www.valentinesmansion.org.uk](http://www.valentinesmansion.org.uk) and an address for a local historian is provided.

I made contact and two days later she sent me a transcript of a brief memoir<sup>1</sup>, written in 1963 by the grandson of the last owner of the Valentines, Mrs. Sarah Ingleby, who died in 1906. It mentions Joseph 4 times!

Prior to this discovery, I had no family stories or photos of Joseph. Now, I know that to the family he was employed by for over 20 years he was their "inestimable butler, the energetic and red-bearded Southworth (friend of my childhood)" who spoke with a "deep bass voice" and was one of the "three stalwarts" of the household staff who loved his mistress and who "gave [her] of their courage to shoulder [her] burden" after the death of her husband. I also know that one of his nightly tasks as "the ubiquitous Southworth" was to fit bells onto all the house shutters to sound the alarm if thieves tried to enter. He collected them all again each morning. There is also an anecdote about a particular interaction with his mistress.

I had imagined him much as the butlers in the films *Gosford Park* and *The Remains of the Day* and from the description of life at Valentines from the mid 1880s to 1906 and his role in the household, it sounds like I was close in my estimation. I can picture my red-bearded great grandfather for the first time, and almost hear his voice.

The moral of this tale - keep your eyes open for new sources of data, follow up on every clue and possible lead, and don't be afraid to contact strangers to ask for assistance. You never know who could be out there waiting for you to find!

*Now, I wonder... could there be a photo of the household staff in the family's collection... how might I find that...?*

<sup>1</sup>Extracts from memoir appear by kind permission of Henry Stevens and Georgina Green.

MGS offers many volunteer opportunities. If you are interested, call 204-783-9139 or email [contact@mbgenealogy.com](mailto:contact@mbgenealogy.com).

## Branch News

### News and Events from the Southeast & Winnipeg Branch, MGS

The following activities are on the SE & Wpg Branch calendar over the next while.

Mon Dec 13, 2010	Share your research treasures and the holiday spirit.	The membership.
Mon Jan 10, 2011	General Program	
Mon Jan 17, 2011	Computer SIG	
Mon Jan 24, 2011	SIGLET The Writers' Group - ** 7:00 pm start **	

### MGS Conference 2011... We Need Your Help

The Southeast & Winnipeg Branch has agreed to organize the MGS Seminar next fall, 2011.

Gordon McBean and Virginia Braid have agreed to co-chair the committee. We need volunteers who are willing to work on organizing and planning the conference. Are you willing to help?

We are looking for people willing to help on the planning committee or help in any way. Many hands make light work so please step forward and volunteer. Please contact Gordon McBean at [glmcbear@mts.net](mailto:glmcbear@mts.net) if you are interested.

We are also looking for ideas for presenters as well so if you have any ideas please let us know.



## Our Library

### Researching in the General Section of the MGS Library.

By Mary Bole # 884

As some of you are aware, our library is divided into sections – and as most people who come into the building are researching Manitoba families they seldom make it to the General Section. What is the General Section, you ask?

The books that are placed there do not fit into any other section of the library. I have proposed a few questions and refer to books in the General Section which address those queries. Please come and browse the shelves and see what else we have. Many books in the collection discuss doing research in the United States. I will list a few separately at the end.

**Professionalism** – How do I write and make it look professional?

*Professional Genealogy.* A manual for researchers, writers, editors, lecturers and librarians to ensure that their work is of a high quality.

**Names** – Do you have any idea in what country my surname originated?

Dunkling, L. *Guinness Book of Names.*

Platt, L. *Hispanic surnames and family histories.*

**Religious Groups** – What are Quakers?

Hinshaw, W. *Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy.* Volume 2, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

**Funeral Homes** – Where can they be buried?  
1994 Redbook. *National Directory of Morticians.*

**Heraldry** – What is my family crest?  
*A Complete Guide to Heraldry.*

**Biographies** – Was my ancestor as important as he said?  
Blue Book: *Leaders of the English-Speaking World*

**Lawyers** – How much money did my grandfather leave me?  
*Butterworths Law List: Commonwealth and International*

**Chronologies** – What happened in the world the day my mother was born?  
*The Timetables of History*

**Criminals** – Was my wife's grandfather really a criminal?  
Nash, J. *Bloodletters and Badmen*

**Ship Passenger Lists** – What ship did my grandparents sail on?  
*Ship Passenger Lists – National and New England (1600-1823)*

**Location** – Could my ancestors have come from the Caribbean or down under?  
*Genealogies of Barbados Families*  
*Relations in Records: Guide to Family History Australian Archives*  
*New Zealand Families.*

**Métis** – Were there any Métis in the United States?  
*Children of the Fur Trade: Forgotten Metis of the Pacific Northwest*

**Psychic** – Am I psychic? I get messages.  
*Psychic roots: Serendipity and Intuition in Genealogy.*

**United States** – How do I find out what MGS has?

Look on KOHA, our on-line catalogue. Enter the name of the state under Subject.

*The Vermont of Today* – 4 volumes.

*Wheaton Minnesota: Centennial History.*

*Mount Carmel, North Dakota Centennial*

*Early Massachusetts Marriages*

**United States** – Where can I find addresses of archives and libraries?

*The Source: a Guidebook of American Genealogy.*

## Library Lines

By Mary Bole #884 - MGS Librarian



### Manitoba

287 Win      Westminster  
Church      1892-  
1992, 1992.

371 Win      St. John's High School  
Yearbook: The Torch. Various  
years.

720.9 But      Butterfield, D. A Study of Public  
School Buildings in Manitoba.

912 Man      Moncur, W. Map of Pioneer  
Settlement, 1877-1881: SW  
Manitoba, 1956. Winchester,  
Morton municipalities.

917.127 Riv      River Rampant, 1950. Manitoba  
Flood Relief Fund.

920 Eco      EcoOdyssey, Voices of  
Experience: Oral Histories of  
Western Manitoba, 2006.

929 Man      Crossing Borders: Immigration  
and Migration, 2010. Syllabus.

971.27 Arg      Memories of Dry River, 1970.  
Argyle municipality.

971.27 Arm      Wilderness to Wildlife, 1981.  
Armstrong municipality.



- 971.27 Con *Memoirs of an Era: Chater, 1881-1981.* Cornwallis municipality.
- 971.27 Gle Edgerton, M. *Memories of Lily, 1885-1985.* Glenwood municipality.
- 971.27 Min Mummery, B. *Trails to Rails: the History of Railroading in Minnedosa,* 2006. Minto municipality.
- 971.27 Mon *Emerson, 1875-1975.* Montcalm municipality.
- 971.27 Mor Elias, J. *Morris and Area Obituary Collection,* 2010. Morris municipality. [Reference]
- 971.27 Nor *The Road Back: Memories of Bissett,* 2005.
- 971.27 Nor Fleming, M. *Churchill: Polar Bear Capital of the World,* 1988.
- 971.27 Nor --*Through the Years: Churchill, North of 58,* 2002.
- 971.27 Oak Storie, K. *False Starts: a History of the First Settlements in the Souris Mouth Area,* 2000. Oakland municipality.
- 971.27 Pip *Through the Eyes of Our Community: Reston High School,* 1968. Pipestone municipality.
- 971.27 Rob *Hazeldell in Review: Yesteryear 1890-1960,* 1960. Roblin municipality.
- 971.27 Ros *Meadows, Centennial* 1970, 1970. Rosser municipality.
- 971.27 Stc Irwin, C. *Municipality of Strathcona: a Snapshot in Time,* 2009. Strathcona and surrounding municipalities.
- 971.27 Stc *Ninette Sanatorium Memories: From the Reunion July 2003.* Strathcona and Riverside municipalities.
- 971.27 Sno Head, H. *Amid the Arbroath Hills: a Story of the Arbroath District,* 1971. South Norfolk municipality.
- 971.27 Swa Harris, S. *Harris,* 1986. Swan River municipality.
- 971.27 Tho *Miami and Municipality of Thompson Chronicles,* 1998.
- 971.27 Tur *Vantage Points: a Collection of Stories From Southwest Manitoba,* 2009. Includes the following municipalities: Turtle Mountain, Arthur, Brenda, Cameron, Winchester, Morton, and Whitewater.
- 971.27 Wes *Browsing Through the Years,* 1976. Plumas, Westbourne municipality.
- 971.27 Winc Morrison, D. *What Grandad Didn't Tell Me: An Early Pictorial History of Deloraine.* Winchester municipality.
- 971.27 Win Gurluck, R. *Picturing Manitoba: Legacies of the Winnipeg Tribune,* 2008.
- 971.271 Gar Garrioch, A. *The Correction Line,* 1933. *First Furrows: a History of the Early Settlement of the Red River Country, Including that of Portage la Prairie,* 1924. *The Far and Furry North: A Story of Life and Love and Travel in the Days of the Hudson's Bay Company,* 1925. *A Hatchet Mark in Duplicate,* 1929.

## East Canada

911 Ont	<i>Illustrated Atlas of Lanark County, 1880, 1972. [Reference]</i>	971.3 Gle	Campbell, R. <i>The Campbells and Other Glengarry-Stormont and Harrington Pioneers.</i> 1983.
917.13 Min	Minhinnick, J. <i>At Home in Upper Canada, 1970.</i>	971.3 Gle	Grant, R. <i>The Story of Martintown: a Pioneer Village, 1974. Glengarry County, Ontario.</i>
929.3 Ont	<i>Methodist Church Baptismal Records, 1843-1876, Madoc Township, Hastings County, Ontario, 1990.</i>	971.3 Gre	<i>Fourth Entrance to Huronia: the History of Owen Sound, 1980 Grey County, Ontario.</i>
929.3 Ont	<i>Middlesex County Marriages and Baptisms, 1848-1858, 2001. Middlesex County, Ontario.</i>	971.3 Gre	<i>History of the Schools of St. Vincent Township and Other Chronicles, 1847-1967, 1970. Grey County, Ontario</i>
971.024 Cru	Cruikshank, E. <i>The King's Royal Regiment of New York, 1984.</i>	971.3 Gre	<i>Owen Sound: The Port City, 2000. Grey County, Ontario</i>
971.024 Fry	Fryer, M. <i>King's Men: The Soldier Founders of Ontario, 1980.</i>	971.3 Gre	<i>Township of Proton: a Historical Sketch, 1982. Grey County, Ontario.</i>
971.024 Wal	Waller, R. <i>Adolphustown Loyalist Families: Including Index to Early Census Returns, 1989.</i>	971.3 Gre	Rutherford, A. <i>Grey County's 125 Year: 1852-1977: A Brief History of the Municipalities of Grey County, 1977.</i>
971.024 Wil	Wilson, B. <i>As She Began: An Illustrated Introduction of Loyalist Ontario, 1981.</i>	971.3 Gre	MacLeod, R. <i>Sarawak Saga, 1973. Grey County, Ontario.</i>
971.3 Bru	<i>Benchmarks: a History of Eastnor Township and Lion's Head, 1987. Bruce County, Ontario</i>	971.3 Gre	<i>History of Sydenham Township, 1967.</i>
971.3 Bru	<i>Living Stones: an Historical Sketch of Central United Church, Lion's Head. Bruce County, Ontario</i>	971.3 Ken	<i>Common Ground: Stories of Lake of the Woods, 2010. Kenora District, Ontario.</i>
971.3 Dur	Craick, W. <i>Port Hope Historical Sketches, 2006. Durham County, Ontario.</i>	971.3 Lam	<i>Western District, 1842-1849: Census, Assessments, Township Elections, Teachers, 1994. Lambton County, Ontario.</i>
971.3 Gle	<i>Story of Martintown: a Pioneer Village, 1974. Glengarry County, Ontario.</i>	971.3 Lan	<i>The Presbyterians of Lanark County, from Earliest Settlement to Confederation, 1867.</i>

- 971.3 Lan      Brown, J. *Historical Sketches of Appleton, a Lanark County Village*, 1973.

- ## Western Canada

333.3 Chr	Christensen, P. <i>Researching English Land Records</i> , 2005.	941.5 OGS	<i>Irish Palatine Pioneers in Upper Canada: Commemorating 300 Years, 1709-2009</i> , 2010.
610.92 Mar	Martin, E. <i>A Dictionary of Bookplates of Irish Medical Doctors with Short Biographies</i> , 2003.	942 Chr	Christensen, P. <i>Researching English Poor Law and Parish Chest Records</i> , 2002.
640 Hor	Horn, P. <i>My Ancestor Was in Service</i> , 2009.	942 Chr	Christensen, P. <i>Researching English Contemporary Documents</i> , 2004.
929.6 Lab	La Bere, I. <i>The Queen's Orders of Chivalry</i> , 1964.	942 Cri	<i>Criminal Register Indexes, 1805-1816.</i> Cumberland, Westmoreland, Northumberland and Durham. [Microfiche]
940.3 Pur	Purdy, M. <i>Trace Your First World War Ancestors</i> , 2008.	942.1 Web	Webb, C. <i>My Ancestors were Londoners</i> , 2009.
941.1 Lew	Lewis, B. <i>Tartans</i> , 2004.	942.5 Oxf	<i>Oxfordshire Ancestors</i> , 2010. [CD-ROM]
941.1 Noq	<i>No Quarter Given: the Muster Roll of Prince Charles Edward Stuart's Army</i> , 2009.	942.3 Pig	<i>Pigot's Directory 1830: Somerset.</i> [CD-ROM]
941.5 Bur	<i>Burke's Irish Family Records</i> , 1976.	942.8 Dur	We have a number of parish registers, poll books, wills, etc. for Durham County. [Microfiche]
941.5 Con	Connolly, S. <i>Divided Kingdom: Ireland 1630-1800I</i> , 2008.	942.8 Nor	We have a number of parish registers, newspaper index, poll books, wills, etc. for Northumberland County. [Microfiche]
941.5 Hut	Hutchison, B. <i>Researching Irish Land Administration Records</i> , 2004.	942.9 Wel	<i>Welsh Ancestors</i> , 2010. [CD-ROM]
941.5 Hut	Hutchison, B. <i>Researching Irish Court Records</i> , 2004.	<b>Europe</b>	
941.5 Ire	<i>A Topographical Dictionary of Ireland: Comprising the Several Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Corporate, Market and Post Towns, Parishes and Villages, with Historical and Statistical Descriptions</i> , 2009 [CD ROM]	296 Lev	Levine, A. <i>Fugitives of the Forest.</i> The heroic story of Jewish resistance and survival during the Second World War.
941.5 Mus	Musgrave, R. <i>Memoirs of the Different Rebellions in Ireland From the Arrival of the English: Also a Particular Detail of that which Broke Out 1798</i> , 1995.	949.1 Vet	<i>Veterans of Icelandic Descent, World War II, 1939-1945</i> , 1990 [Reference]



## General

- 070.5 Sto Stone, E. *Black Sheep and Kissing Cousins: How Our Family Stories Shape Us*, 1989.
- 325 Agu Agueros, J. *The Immigrant Experience*, 1971.
- 391 Lur Lurie, A. *The Language of Clothes*, 1981.
- 902 Gru Grun, B. *The Timetables of History*, 1991.
- 911 Gil Gilbert, M. *First World War Atlas*, 1970.
- 912 Kid Kidron, M. *The State of the World Atlas*, 1981.
- 912 Too Tooley, R. *Maps and Map-makers*, 1970.
- 929.4 Chr Christensen, P. *Names in Genealogy: Their Origin and Meaning*, 2002.
- 973.04 Han Hansen, J. *"Bury Me Not in a Land of Slaves": African-Americans in the Time of Reconstruction*, 2000.
- 974.7 Ham Hamilton, M. *Sir William Johnson and the Indians of New York*, 1975.

## Family History and Biography

- 929.2 And Andrusiak, N&F. *Andrusiak and Pohaichuk/Shepit Ancestors*, 2010.
- 929.2 Gal Galloway, S. *Bravely Into Battle: the Autobiography of a Canadian Soldier in World War Two*, 1988.
- 929.2 Mac Macnab, S. *The Diary of Sophia Macnab*, 1968.

929.2 Smi Smith, B. *Three Families of Halton-Peel: Smith, Cameron, Shain; a Family History*, 2010.

929.2 Tay Taylor, D. *Family History of William and John Taylor, Meadow Lea, Woodlands, Manitoba*. Includes a biography of Fawcett Taylor, son of William.

## MGS Library Wish List

We are always trying to complete our collection of local Manitoba histories. Some rural municipalities are well represented in our collection, while we have few or no local history books for others. After a review, we have identified the following books as the TOP 10 on our wish list. If anyone can donate or sell one or more of the books on the list, please contact the library.

MUNICIPALITY	TITLE
Alexander	From the Beaches to the Falls: A Winnipeg river-lake Winnipeg Heritage (1989)
De Salaberry	Spencer Reflections (1986)
Ethelbert	The Ties that Bind: A History of Ethelbert & District (1985)
Grahamdale	North-West Interlake Heritage: Moosehorn-Gypsumville (1991)
Grand Rapids	Grand Rapids, Manitoba (1988)
Hamiota	Burlington Beach Memories: "The Narrows", the Oak River, the Ellice Trail, the South End (2000)
Leaf Rapids	Leaf Rapids: A Local History, 1979-1989 (1989)
Morris	Reflections of Lowe Farm, 1899-1999 (1999)

Russell	History of Millwood, 1886-1970 (1970)
Woodlands	Woodlands Echoes: A History of the Township of the RM of Woodlands (1970)

We constantly scour used bookstores and sales for titles missing from our collection. The cost of these wonderful books continues to rise as their publication dates recede further into the past. If you would like to support our efforts to purchase these resources, please make a donation to the MGS Library, earmarked for this cause.

Happy Holidays, All the Best in 2011, and may all of you have your wish lists fulfilled!!!

## Book Reviews

By Enid Dorward #4502

*Living on the Homestead with the Andrusiak & Pohaychuk/Shepit Ancestors* (vol. III) by Nick and



Frances Andrusiak. Published by Nick Andrusiak, 2010. 74 p. illus. index. (MGS library call number FH & BIO 929.2 AND)

Nick Andrusiak is a firm believer in the value of passing on family stories, and in this book he has done an admirable job of telling stories of his family. He learned many of the stories at his grandfather's knee, and now has recorded them for generations to come. The book tells of his grandparents' early lives in southeastern Manitoba after emigrating from the Ukraine in 1903, as well as the lives of his parents and siblings. It is well illustrated with an excellent selection of photographs, and the stories are told with a gentle humour that is quite engaging. A summary of ancestors from the Ukraine is included, and an index of family members who lived in Canada concludes the book.

*Three Families of Halton-Peel A Family History* by Bev Thompson Smith, 2010.

94 p. illus. index. (MGS library call number: FH & BIO 929.2 SMI)

Bev Smith has compiled a history of three families who lived in the Toronto area and who were related by six marriages. The family names are Shain, Cameron, and Smith. The book is divided into seven sections, one being an introduction, and each of the others about one of the six marriages. Each section begins with a family time line, detailing information gleaned from census records, vital statistics, etc. The second chapter of each section tells about the descendants of each couple. Appendix A contains a family tree for each of the six families. There is also a bibliography, a list of websites, and an index of names. The table of contents, the organization of the book, and the index make it quite easy to locate information about specific individuals.

*Family History of William and John Taylor, Meadow Lea (Woodlands) Manitoba* by David E. F. Taylor. Perth ON, 2010. various paging, illus. (MGS library call number: FH & BIO 929.2 TAY)

This is a revised version of Mr. Taylor's earlier family history which he published in 1995. It is divided into three sections, one each about William Taylor (1835-1898), his brother John Taylor 1833-1885, and his son Fawcett Gowler Taylor 1878-1940. The Taylor brothers emigrated about 1854 from Lincolnshire, England to Peel County, Ontario and then later to Meadow Lea, Manitoba. The author has recorded many interesting stories about their experiences, hardships, and a terrible tragedy, and has carefully documented his sources. Although there are no family trees, he has also provided information about the descendants of William and John Taylor (Fawcett did not have a family). Readers with a connection to Meadow Lea will be interested in reading this account of one of the pioneer families of the area.

*Morris, Manitoba, and Area Obituary Collection* compiled by Jane Christensen Stevenson, Jim Stevenson & Joyce Stevenson Elias, 2010. 4 vol. plus index volume. (MGS

library call number: REF 971.27 MORR MOR2)

This remarkable collection of more than 100 years of obituaries has drawn material from [www.newspaperarchive.com](http://www.newspaperarchive.com), the *Morris Cemetery Index* (MGS 2003), *Furrows in the Valley* (1980), Manitoba Vital Statistics (prior to 1940) and [www.passagesmb.com](http://www.passagesmb.com) (Winnipeg *Free Press* on-line obituaries). The obituaries are arranged alphabetically in four binders. The very useful index volume gives surname, given name, year of death, with name used underlined and maiden name in brackets. There is also a separate index of maiden names, with married names in brackets, and year of death. This collection is an absolute goldmine for anyone researching the Morris, Manitoba area.

***Battlefield Tour Guide: the History Behind the Major Theatres of World Wars I & II, and How You Can Visit Them.*** Future Publishing Ltd., 2009. 50 p. photos.

This small booklet gives a brief history of the major battlefields of both world wars, and shows how you can visit them, as well as nearby cemeteries. Areas covered for World War I: Ypres, Artois, the Somme, Arras, and the Middle East. World War II: Poland, France, Britain, the Mediterranean, Italy, the Low Countries, Germany, and the Far East. A very useful and informative source.

***Irish Palatine Pioneers in Upper Canada: Commemorating 300 Years 1709-2009.*** Toronto, OGS Irish Palatine Special Interest Group, 2010. 251 p. illus. index. (MGS library call number GB & IRE 941.5 OGS)

Early in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, the Palatines emigrated from Germany to England and Ireland. 800 families arrived in Ireland in 1709 alone. Many of them moved again, to North America, with the greatest emigration to Upper Canada between 1815 and 1840. This book begins with an account of the migration from Germany to Ireland, then tells the stories of 50 families who came to Canada. The stories are thoroughly documented, and are illustrated with maps, family trees and photographs. Each one begins with information about the original

immigrant from Ireland, followed by a listing of the children of the original couple, with birth, marriage and death information, as well as location. A very useful resource for those with Irish Palatine ancestors.

## **Book Review**

***By Bev Smith MGS#3265***



*Vantage Points - A Collection of Stories from Southwestern Manitoba*

A Project of the Turtle Mountain-Souris Plains Heritage Association

Volume 1 2009

(MGS library call number MAN 971.27 TURT VAN)

This new book is, as it says, a collection of stories. For anyone interested in the southwestern corner of Manitoba you will find brief one page articles on a variety of topics from geographic features to ancient trails to sites and activities in the area. Descriptions of the forts, bison hunts, celebrations, coal mining, and various schools are found. The accompanying photographs and maps are an invitation to visit the area.

As Gordon Goldsborough, Webmaster & Former President, Manitoba Historical Society, says in the "Guest Editorial":

*"It will no doubt whet your appetite to learn more about Manitoba's past, here and throughout our great province. And if it stimulates you to dig deeper and uncover new stories, all the better!"* page ii

## **Periodical Potpourri**

***By Enid Dorward #4502***

*All publications mentioned in this column are available for loan from the MGS library.*

## **MANITOBA**

***Buffalo Trails and Tales*** (Aug 2010) First settlers of Ste. Rose du Lac.

**Family Footsteps** (May 2010) An article entitled *A Kamloops Pioneer* gives excerpts from the diary of Edmund Grindrod, who was instrumental in building the first telegraph lines in Manitoba during the 1880s. He mentions Winnipeg, Oak Lake, Portage la Prairie, Brandon, Emerson, and others.

**Heritage** 2010 Vol. XIII, no. 2. A brief article about the warehouse district of Winnipeg succumbing to parking lots and megaprojects.

**The New Leaf** (Sep 2010) The story of a northern explorer Hubert Darrell, a resident of Birtle, Manitoba, who went to the Klondike in search of gold in the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

**Time Lines** (Jul/Aug 2010)

- A brief article describes the "Homes of Memorable Manitobans" program.
- Plans for the new Upper Fort Garry Park have been unveiled.

(Sep/Oct 2010) This issue has an article about six Manitobans who were recently inducted into the Manitoba Agricultural Hall of Fame.

- There is also an article about Nellie McClung, who championed the right of women to vote.

## CANADA

**Chinook** (Oct 2010) This issue contains several articles about censuses: why it is important to have the mandatory long form census, value in old census records, etc.

**Families** (Aug 2010) The best sites for First Nations research with a focus on Canada.

**Family Tree** (Sep 2010) This British publication has an article about tracing your Canadian roots.

**Footprints** (Feb 2010) Includes an article about English men who were lured to the Klondike by hopes of striking it rich.

**Internet Genealogy** (Aug/Sep 2010)

Census savvy - Canadian databases on-line.

**Relatively Speaking** (Aug 2010)

The British home children - a social historical background.

**SCAN** (Simcoe county) (Aug 2010) This issue focuses on person becoming Canadian citizens. An extract from the diary of Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King, written in January 1947, describes the events and his feelings upon becoming the very first person to be issued a certificate of Canadian citizenship (up to that time, Canadians were automatically considered to be British subjects). Also included in this issue is an article about Upper Canada Naturalization Records from 1828 to 1850, with lists of names.

**York Region Ancestors** (Sep 2010) Information about the *Canada Gazette*, the official newspaper of the Government of Canada, now available in its entirety on-line on the Collections Canada website.

## CARIBBEAN

**Your Family History** (Aug 2009) How to trace your ancestors in and around the Caribbean.

## AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

**Ancestor** (Sep 2009) (Genealogical Society of Victoria, Australia)

Numerous genealogical resources for Australia, including a number of websites.

(Dec 2009) Company genealogy – a look at records of businesses in Australia and how they can be useful to genealogists.

(Sep-Nov 2010) Chinese on the Victorian goldfields.

**Family Tree** (Apr 2010) – A good look at Australia's family history sources.

**The Genealogist**

(Sep 2009) Mines, railways and families in Australia

(Mar 2010) Parliamentary papers – a unique research tool; examples of the kinds of information that can be helpful to genealogists.



### ***New Zealand Family Tree***

(May-Aug 2010) This issue contains 3 short articles about transportation in New Zealand in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

***Porteous Associates Newsletter*** (Jul 2010) The Porteous family newsletter is issued twice a year. It comes from Australia, but gives news of Porteous family members from all over the world. You can find back copies in a binder in the family history section of the MGS library.

### ***Toronto Tree*** (Aug 2009)

Early Australian records (includes a list of Australian websites)

***The Genealogist*** (Sep 2010) The cover story is about the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, and others in their care, buried at Boroondara Cemetery. The article includes a list of names on a memorial plaque, with the year of death.

## **ENGLAND**

We have recently had a generous donation of many copies of several genealogical publications. Some of the titles are: ***Cumbria Family History Society, Family History Monthly, Practical Family History, Your Family History, Who Do You Think You Are?***

### ***Berkshire Family Historian***

(Dec 2009) A guide through the search process for death duty registers during various time periods (UK).

(Mar 2010) A chart gives name, parish, former occupation, age, ship, date of sailing, and name of army of Berkshire men of the East India Company army, mid 18<sup>th</sup> century.

(Jun 2010) Fascinating detail in land ownership records of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

***British Columbia Genealogist*** (Jun 2010) Westminster Abbey registers.

***Cleveland FHS*** (Apr 2010) An article entitled *Beer Bottles, Brewers and Bars in Old and West*

*Hartlepool 1850-1900* gives information about breweries and pubs, with the names of some of the people who worked in the industry.

***Cornwall FHS Journal*** (Jun 2010) FamilySearch records of Cornish miners in Brazil, Mexico, Canada and USA.

(Sep 2010) Coastguards in Cornwall 1822-1901. There is also a lengthy list of men from 1803 from the parishes of Mylor, St. Gluvias and the Borough of Penryn, the purpose of which was to organize reserves of men due to a possible invasion by France.

### ***Derbyshire Family History Society*** (Dec 2009)

This issue has an article about Basford and Mansfield Workhouses records, which are available in London. *(Please note that MGS is no longer receiving this publication, as DFHS has decided not to continue to exchange with us.)*

### ***The Devon Family Historian***

(May 2010) Lists of names from an 1850 directory, from the villages of Black Torrington and Shobrooke.

***Family History Monthly*** (Apr 2009) "Spotlight on Rutland" provides info on researching in England's smallest county.

(Nov 2008) Help with researching the Isle of Man

***Family Tree*** (Jan 2010) Tips to help you find family before 1700.

***Family Tree*** (Feb 2010) - How to trace British relatives in India.

- Tracing your ancestors on Jersey.

- Top 10 records for researching Devon.

(Apr 2010) On-line sources of parish and nonconformist registers.

(May 2010) "Life on the ocean wave" – an article about what ships' muster rolls and log books can tell you.

***Family Tree*** (Sep 2010) London marriage certificates from the 18<sup>th</sup> century and earlier.

**Footprints** (Aug 2010) An unusual source – war department civilian pension records.

**Genealogists' Magazine** (Mar 2010) A list of 50 wills from Nottinghamshire, with names, dates, abode, and other information. Mostly 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

**Hampshire Family Historian** (Dec 2009)  
“Gone for a soldier” – an article about men from Hampshire who served with the East India Company. Includes a list of names 1742-1754.

**Internet Genealogy** (Dec 2009/Jan 2010) Death in London: burial registers

**Lancashire FHS** (Aug 2009)  
The London Gazette: treasure trove of historical information  
(Aug 2010) Deed of resettlement of the Earl of Derby's Flyde Estate, June 1887. Gives names of tenants, buildings of land they used, and acreage.

**Leicestershire & Rutland FHS** (Dec 2009) A list of local men who jumped ship in N.S.W. Australia.

**The Norfolk Ancestor** (Sep 2009)  
The Surman index is now on-line – an index of about 32,000 Congregational ministers from mid-17<sup>th</sup> century to 1972. Includes some Presbyterians.  
(Dec 2009) This issue includes a brief list of Norfolk men who served in the East India Company army between 1740 and 1754. Also gives home parish, trade, age, name of ship, date of sailing, and name of army.

**Okanagan Researcher** (Oct 2009)  
Has a very helpful survey of English parish and non-conformist registers on-line.

**Oxfordshire Family Historian**  
(Apr 2010) Tracing marriages: legal requirements and actual practice in the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

**Relatively Speaking** (May 2010) Victorian lunatic asylums: records for family historians.

**Suffolk Roots** (Sep 2010) Haverhill WWI roll of honour project includes a list of the names of 144 men commemorated on the memorial.

**West Middlesex FHS Journal** (Sep 2009) List of wedding photographs from Middlesex newspapers 1929-1931 with names of bride & groom.

**Who Do You Think You Are?**  
(Feb 2009). Discover your workhouse ancestors.  
(Jan 2009) How to trace your Cornish ancestors.  
(Nov 2009) Focus on criminal ancestors – how you can now search for them on-line.  
(Dec 2009) An article about marriage settlements, how to locate them, and what they can tell you.  
- Also an article about the lives of those who worked on the London docks.

**Wiltshire Family History Society**  
(Apr 2010) Information about Greenwich Hospital outpatient books at the National Archives.

## List of Books for Sale

**Submitted by Judith Roe #4326**

*Oak Leaves, A History of the Oak Bluff District*, published by Oak Bluff Women's Institute, first printing 1984, Friesen Printers Altona, Manitoba R0G 0B0 leather cover, excellent condition.

*Prairie Profiles*, published by the Ears History Committee, 1979, printed by Derksen Printers, Steinbach, Manitoba large tome, 698 pages, in good condition.

*They Came For The Future, Village of Teulon*, first printing, 1983, published by Teulon and District History Book Committee, Friesen Printers, Altona, Manitoba R0G 0B0 book has some condition issues, well worn.

If you are interested in purchasing any of these publications, please contact me at 204-895-2266 or [jro@mts.net](mailto:jro@mts.net).

## **Genealogy Services at Library and Archives Canada**

Genealogy Services, previously known as the Canadian Genealogy Centre, include all on-site and on-line genealogical services of Library and Archives Canada. We partnered with the Department of Canadian Heritage to launch a website in 2003 to promote Canadian heritage through the discovery of family history. Genealogy Services make it easier to discover your roots and family history as a basic part of your Canadian heritage and to encourage the use of genealogy and the resources available in libraries and archives as tools for life-long learning.

Not that long ago, in order to trace their ancestors, genealogists and family historians had to spend a lot of time digging through old documents, travelling to various archives, without the opportunity to share their concerns or results with other colleagues. The Internet and the digitization of records offer the ability to reach people who are scattered across Canada who have no easy access to archives and libraries. Now tracing ancestors is not only easier for everyone but is turning into a popular pastime.

The Genealogy Services website is filled with information, indexes and digitized images. In 2008–2009 the site received some 7.5 million visits. You will find an in-depth How to Begin section which contains detailed instructions for beginners and includes downloadable pedigree and family group charts. Included is a detailed guide called *Researching your Aboriginal Ancestry at Library and Archives Canada*.

Among the most popular topics consulted on our website are military, census and immigration records. Library and Archives Canada holds an extensive collection of military records for those who served our country. There

are records relating to Loyalists, the War of 1812, the militia, the First World War and the Second World War, many of which are featured in databases, research guides and virtual exhibitions. The records include muster rolls, military service files for the South African War, First and Second World Wars, unit war diaries, medal registries, as well as published sources to put events into context.

Passenger lists contain information such as name, age, country of origin and intended destination. Very few passenger lists compiled prior to 1865 exist. The Genealogy Services website includes indexes of some surviving passenger lists from 1865 to 1922, and other relevant indexes. Of particular interest is the Home Children database, an index of the names of juvenile migrants found in passenger lists and other records.

Census returns contain the official enumeration of the Canadian population. They are one of the most useful sources for genealogical research. They can help you discover when and where your ancestors were born, the names of their parents and siblings, what year an immigrant arrived in Canada and many other details. Census returns were enumerated geographically, not by name. Many genealogical societies and individuals transcribe and index census returns by name and make them accessible on the Internet or publish them as books or CD-ROMs. The handy Census Indexes section on Genealogy Services website provides a list of all the censuses which have been digitized from 1851 to 1916 and which websites have compiled an index to those records. By the summer of 2011, all digital images and indexes to those census returns should be available on the Genealogy Services website.

Genealogy promotes the interaction between generations. No one is too young or too old to begin to compile a family tree. The Youth Corner section of our website offers teachers and students a lesson plan and other activities. With the help of the mascot EuGENEus, students can discover their family history,

complete a genealogical chart and have fun with genealogical quizzes. An outline is also provided for those who are completing their Scout badge in Genealogy.

The Genealogy Services have many ongoing projects to index and digitize Library and Archives Canada records of interest to genealogists. We also develop partnerships nationally and internationally with many individuals, genealogical societies, archives, libraries, and government departments to index and digitize sources of genealogical value in the Library and Archives Canada collections. Our partners include Ancestry.com, FamilySearch, CBC, the British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa, Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec, the Jewish genealogical societies of Montreal and Ottawa, and the University of British Columbia.

If you happen to be in Ottawa, please visit the consultation room located on the third floor at 395 Wellington Street. You can discuss your research with a genealogy consultant and come up with a strategy to find relevant sources to further complete your family tree. You can access some subscription databases such as an institutional version of Ancestry.ca, BMS2000 and Mes Aïeux. There are also two terminals loaded with popular genealogy databases on CD-ROM, as well as some databases that will eventually be available on our website.

The consultation room also features a collection of books, such as indexes to parish registers, newspaper obituaries and cemeteries. You will also find a large collection of published family histories. Library and Archives Canada holds archival records and newspapers on microfilm. Through legal deposit, publishers are required to provide two copies of items published in Canada. You can search for book titles using AMICUS, the Canadian national catalogue. Many of Library and Archives Canada's books and microfilms are available for lending to institutions such as libraries, archives and resource centres both nationally and internationally. The borrowing institution, on

your behalf, will make the loan requests. Note that some libraries and archives, including the Family History Library, hold microfilm copies of Library and Archives Canada's archival records such as census and passenger lists.

For those who do not reside in the National Capital Region, you will find on our website an Ask a Question button, which leads to a Genealogy Inquiry Form. On average, we receive some 8,000 inquiries per year. Your question is assigned to a genealogy consultant who will usually answer within 30 days, depending on the complexity of your question.

We invite you to explore the Genealogy Services website of Library and Archives Canada to discover a wealth of Canadian genealogical sources  
[www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/genealogy](http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/genealogy).

## Volunteer Bio

*Mary Bole's* interest in Genealogy began around 1973, just after her daughter was born, when some relatives were visiting from England. And from that point on, she was hooked.

She took a particular interest in MGS over 25 years ago, when beginning research on her husband's lines – Henry and Hamilton; both Manitoba families. The main surnames she researches these days are Dibdin (England), Westrup and Marcolin.

As an MGS Volunteer, Mary began cataloguing items for the Library. Since then, she has gone on to become the Librarian with the Manitoba Genealogical Society on position she ten years efforts are to anyone Library and Resource Centre. In addition to ensuring that the MGS Library is well stocked, she also “shares the wealth” with our Branches, by passing on





some publications for their own libraries if they wish.

Mary has assisted countless members and daily visitors to MGS navigate their way around the massive library collection that she helped build. As well, many of our have benefited from the volunteer workshops that Mary has led at MGS.

In 2001, Mary received the Florence Cox Volunteer Service Award and in 2006, the Eric Jonasson award. Both awards richly deserved.

Recently Mary succeeded in getting our Library catalogue, KOHA, on line (with the help of her daughter, Amber). *What a benefit to our membership!*

And if all that wasn't enough, Mary also volunteers at the Library and Resource Centre on Sunday afternoons.

From all the MGS members, *thank you Mary!*

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## The Story of St. John's High School - Part 2

*Written by Chris Dewar #4408*

All photos are from the St. John's High School Centennial book: *Passing the Torch: 100 Years ... 100 Stories*.

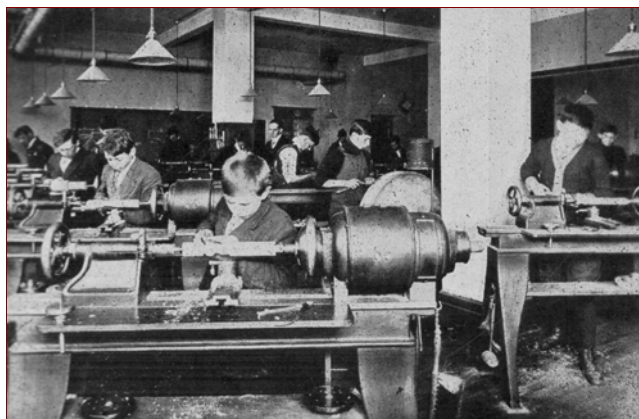


**PHOTO:** The Household Arts room where girls learned how to sew and how to manage a modern home.

The constant, even extreme, change which brought about the building of the school continued unabated for its first fifteen years. St. John's principal, A. C. Campbell, managed the chaos efficiently, and imbued both students and faculty with the determination and enthusiasm that have characterized St. Johnians through the decades to the present day. The school colours, orange and brown, were chosen by the students during his tenure, as was the school yell "Ki-Yi Yip", composed by Sam Helman, a member of the first class of graduates. Mr. Campbell was described as a "terror to evildoers", but one who appreciated and encouraged real effort. When he completed his term at St. John's in June 1925, Mr. Campbell left a faculty of 28. They were teaching three grade IX, fifteen grade X, nine grade XI and one grade XII classes of academic, commercial, industrial and practical arts students, a fabulous growth spurt from the four classes of 1910.

At this time, the primary aim of a high school education was to prepare one for normal school and teaching or for university and the professions. Classes were same-sex and very large by current standards. Thirty-five to fifty percent of a student's time was spent in

mastering two foreign languages, which included the classics, Latin and Greek. The technical and practical arts courses were intended as an extension of the skills introduced in the lower grades to prepare boys and girls for their roles as capable adults, as well as work training for particular jobs.



**PHOTO:** Boys learned the fine art of furniture making and repair in the woodturning room.

### World Conflict

No sooner had the move into the new building been achieved, than hostilities broke out in Europe. St. John's students and teachers enlisted for overseas service in defense of the mother country and her Empire. Two hundred nine graduates served in the armed forces; twenty-five gave their lives. Their names are inscribed on the Roll of Honour, now located in the Powers Street hallway. Nine teachers who had also enlisted resumed duties after the war on the faculty at St. John's. They were Fred Baragar, Sidney Gardner, A. W. Muldrew, T. O'Neill, David Patterson, John Ridd, Gordon Snider, H. E. Snyder, and J. C. Wherrett.

The students' usual preoccupation with scholastic, social and athletic concerns became leavened with patriotic projects during the war years. After hours the school was used for drill and recruiting purposes, as well as for public meetings and for night school classes. In 1918, the Spanish Flu pandemic killed 50,000 in Canada and more than 20 million world-wide. It closed all the Winnipeg schools from October 11 to December 2. When they opened again the

attendance stood at 50% of the previous enrolment.

### Diversity in School Population

The St. John's student body, a mix of native born and immigrant youth from its beginnings to the present day, has been characterized by diversity and a firm belief that education is the road to a better life. High academic achievement has been its by-word. The pursuit of excellence in all endeavours became the collective goal. For many, the school proved a first contact with the culture and fine arts of the dominant British community. For some it provided the only opportunity for informal contact outside the parental religious and cultural group. It allowed peer group interaction at work in the classroom and at play in clubs, sports and social events, and thus discouraged a narrow, parochial outlook in all.



**PHOTO:** Maxwell Wintrobe, at left, with friends c1916.

Among its early grads was one whose story was typical of thousands of St. John's students but whose life achievements were unique. Maxwell Wintrobe was an immigrant from Austria-Hungary, the son of Hermann Weintraub and his wife Ethel nee Zwerling. The family had immigrated to Canada in 1906, moving to Winnipeg in 1912, and lived on Austin Street when Max graduated from St. John's in 1916 at

age 15. He delivered newspapers, collected bills, and worked in a vinegar factory to earn the money for his tuition at the University of Manitoba. He loved languages and literature, and won the gold medals in French and in Political Economy in his graduating year. In 1921, at not quite 20 years of age, Max entered the School of Medicine at the University of Manitoba, graduating first in his class in 1925. As a physician Maxwell worked in New Orleans, 1927-1930, at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, 1930-1943, and as the first Chair of Medicine at the newly created medical school at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, from 1943-1986. From all accounts he was an excellent clinical investigator, teacher and hematologist. His fame in the United States and throughout the world rests on his invention of the Wintrobe hematocrit, a device for accurate measurement of packed red cells in the blood, and his text book *Clinical Hematology* now in its 11th edition. He was the embodiment of the ideal physician: curious, empathetic, and energetic. He was a mentor to many, including another St. John's alumnus, Dr. Maurice Victor (1936) who distinguished himself in neurology.

## **Hillcrest Mine Explosion, Canada's Worst Mining Disaster: Do you have a family connection?**

*Written by Belle Kovach*

Canada's worst mining disaster occurred at 9:30 a.m. June 19, 1914 at Hillcrest Mines, Alberta, a small hamlet located in the Crowsnest Pass, in the Canadian Rockies. Of the 228 miners on shift at the time, 189 were killed. This statistic makes it Canada's largest mine disaster.

A special section of the Hillcrest cemetery was dedicated to 150 of the victims, buried in two mass graves. Others were interred in private plots in Hillcrest, small towns throughout the Crowsnest Pass and region, and some were returned to Nova Scotia courtesy of the CPR.

The men, who were victims of this explosion, had come to work in Hillcrest Mines from many

areas. Very few of them arrived before 1900 when the Crowsnest mines were opening. Many had just immigrated to Canada. This makes it difficult for us to find information about the men – the majority arrived after the 1911 census. Some locations they arrived from were Nova Scotia, England (northern), Scotland, Wales, Italy, Germany, France and countries in Eastern Europe, Poland, Ukraine, Russia etc. They were escaping depression in their own countries. The onset of the First World War two weeks later consumed public interest and victims of the disaster were never properly documented.

For more information about the disaster see: <http://coalminersmemorial.tripod.com/hillcrestminedisaster.html>.

As the Hillcrest Mine's Disaster Committee prepares for the approaching 2014 Centennial Commemoration, a short biography of each of the 189 victims is being prepared. In order to facilitate this task we are searching for the descendants of these men to help with our research. We are finding that only a very few of the families remained in the area. Some returned to their home countries, others moved into mining communities in British Columbia, and still others got as far away from mining as possible. As there was no social support available in those days, most of the widows, who were young women with children, soon remarried.

If you have any information about and of these early miners or their descendants please contact Belle Kovach at [bellekov@jrtwave.com](mailto:bellekov@jrtwave.com).

The next council meetings are Apr 30 and Sept 17, 2011 at 10:00 am at MGS.



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**Joint Seminar – SGS and MGS***Written by Sheila Woods #4629*

From September 17 to 19, 2010, genealogy buffs from across Saskatchewan and Manitoba were gathered in Yorkton for “Crossing Borders”, the joint SGS/MGS conference with the theme of immigration and migration. The keynote speaker was internationally acclaimed forensic genealogist Colleen Fitzpatrick and other featured speakers were well-known Canadian genealogist Dave Obee and Marthe Séguin-Muntz of Library and Archives Canada (LAC).

The program began Friday evening with Dave Obee’s insights into finding ancestors in immigration records, primarily passenger lists but also quarantine stations, naturalization records and others. Then Colleen Fitzpatrick had us spellbound with the story of the Hand in the Snow. The hand and forearm were the only human remains found from a 50-year-old plane crash in Alaska with 30 men on board. Ten years of genealogical sleuthing finally unearthed a distant cousin in Ireland, and a mitochondrial DNA match confirmed the hand’s identity. Techniques developed in the case may be applied to identifying unknown soldiers from the Korean War.

Saturday was a full day with plenary talks by Colleen Fitzpatrick and Marthe Séguin-Muntz, and workshops by several speakers. Marthe Séguin-Muntz outlined the resources available on the LAC web site and recent improvements. The Canadian Genealogy Centre web site is easy to use, with targeted links to LAC, provincial archives and other resources. World War I service files are now “scan on demand”, which means that when someone orders a file it is scanned and put on the LAC web site. Images of border entry and ocean arrival cards 1919-1924 (Forms 30 and 30A) and an index of Upper Canada land petitions are recent additions. The 1916 census is coming soon. Colleen Fitzpatrick gave two more enjoyable talks on looking for clues in photographs and extracting information from databases, such as

what gaps in vital records can tell us. At lunch we learned about Saskatchewan Youth Heritage Fairs from Wally Dyck. Colleen Fitzpatrick entertained us at dinner with the Dead Horse Investigation.

There was a wide choice of workshops to attend:

- Brian Brodie <sup>1</sup> on “Immigration to Canada and the Prairies - the British Contribution”
- Laura Hanowski on “The Mobile Métis”
- Marthe Séguin-Muntz on “Canada, the Promised Land”
- Dave Obee on “The Geography of Genealogy”
- Holly Schick on “Home Children”
- Elizabeth Briggs on “Eastern European Migration – Case Study”
- Sally Cleland on “Preserving Family Stories and Storybooking”
- Marthe Séguin-Muntz on “Discovering Family Treasures in Quebec”
- Elizabeth Briggs on “Hudson Bay Company Archives and Fur Trade”

The workshops continued into Sunday followed by plenary talks by Dave Obee on Canadian migration patterns and Colleen Fitzpatrick explaining that through modern communications we are now much closer than six degrees of separation. Finally were all invited to attend the SGS Symposium “Beyond the Basics” from April 29 to May 1, 2011 in Saskatoon.

All plenary sessions and some workshops were held in one large hall at St. Gerard’s Parish complex, with vendors and refreshments in the same room, and the other workshops were in nearby rooms. This arrangement worked very well. A few technical glitches were overcome by **Gord McBean**’s expertise. There was ample opportunity to network with other participants. I think we all came away well informed and entertained, with new ideas for continuing our own research.

<sup>1</sup> Brian Brodie passed away on November 14, 2010. You can view his presentation from the Joint Seminar at <http://www.saskgenealogy.ca/>.

## Generations On-line

Our volunteers have been hard at work, yet again. We have almost completed the scanning all our past issues of *Generations*. Shortly we will be placing many of the oldest issues on-line for all to see.

Soon after, we will also be creating a new password-protected section on our website for the benefit of our members. The first items that will be available in that section are *all* the issues.

Please enjoy this look at page 20 of the very first issue of *Generations*.

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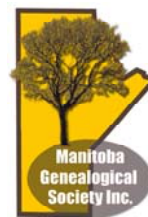


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