

Cleveland County Genealogical Society



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November 24, 1901
Downtown Norman
is a busy place as
cotton goes to
market!

Online Digital Documents

By MARY SUE SCHNELL AND MARY LEWIS

Remember the good old days in genealogy? The days when census records were only on microfilm, and you hoped the reel you were spinning through was the county where great-great-grandpa lived?

The days when you had to write to the courthouse in grandpa's county—or travel there—to find his will or deeds or court records?

The days when we relied on queries in *Genealogical Helper* and a variety of local publications to find distant cousins who were researching our line?

And then came the internet.

We thought we had died and gone to heaven when our computer screen began showing transcriptions of census, marriage records, cemetery lists and a myriad of other records. Distant cousins and their family trees became as near as our keyboard. It surely couldn't get any better than this.

And then genealogy research got even better. Digital images are changing our world again. Recently our library visitors have been telling us about their experiences finding, on the internet, digital images of important family documents.

Michigan's Million Record March

Searching for early 20th century death records in Michigan? You may be in luck. The "Million Record March" is happening now. The Library of Michigan is making approximately 1 million Michigan death certificates for the years between 1897 and 1920 freely available online.

As of the end of April nearly 660,000 death certificates have been uploaded to their website: <http://seekingmichigan.org>. This database is indexed and searchable. You can save and print copies of the original certificates for free. (This is a tremendous savings since the State of Michigan charges \$27 for each certified death record with no provision of copies for genealogical purposes only). According to the website, the years 1915 to 1920 are particularly significant because no readily available statewide index existed previously for that time period.

Earlier Michigan deaths (1867-1897) are indexed on the Michigan Department of Community Health Genealogical Death Indexing System (GENDIS): <http://www.mdch.state.mi.us/gendis/index.htm>. However, this is not a complete index and contains no digitized images. If you are looking for a Michigan death record between 1867 and 1897 you should search using the Family Search Pilot Project discussed below.

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More Free Digitized Records

Another website which features digitized vital records is the Latter Day Saints site <http://pilot.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html#start>. If you are one of the lucky searchers you may find a birth, marriage or death record for your ancestor. Although there are numerous records that have been uploaded to the site, many have not been indexed. But you can browse the images for your ancestors.

The site is divided by regions of the world, with most records being from the United States. In addition, there are limited numbers of records from Mexico, Canada, Europe and South America. Once again, if you have late 19th century or early 20th century ancestors who lived in Michigan in that time period, you can access digitized images of their vital records. Available records include Michigan births 1867-1902, Michigan deaths 1867-1897, and Michigan marriages 1868-1925. These databases are indexed and searchable. It is fairly simple to save and/or print the digitized images.

Some state and federal census images are also available on this site, both indexed and non-indexed. Family Search is always in need of volunteer indexers. You don't have to be an LDS member to help with the indexing project.

British Ancestors?

The British Archives website, <http://www.findmypast.com>, may be for you. Although it is a pay site, it has a great deal of information about individuals who lived in Britain or left a British port for the new world. It includes many digitized images of passenger lists, birth, marriage and death records, parish records and 1841-1911 British Censuses. An individual can pay for an annual subscription, a six-month subscription or utilize the "pay as you go" system.

Five Civilized Tribes on Footnote

Have you checked out Footnote.com lately? If you do research on the Five Civilized Tribes it may be worthwhile for you to subscribe to Footnote.com, the website sponsored by the National Archives.

Digital images of the Dawes Packets, Eastern Cherokee Applications 1906-1909, the Guion Miller Roll, and Indian Census Rolls 1885-1940 are online at <http://www.footnote.com>. The Eastern Cherokee Applications are not yet completely uploaded to the website.

Footnote.com has over 54 million images online to date. Anyone can access their searchable databases, but to view images takes either an annual or monthly subscription. A single image may also be purchased online for \$1.95. A free subscription for a limited number of databases is also available.

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Missouri Death Certificates

Death certificates contain valuable information for family historians and researchers. The *Missouri Death Certificate Database* contains death records created after 1910 and over 50 years old. The online searchable index links to a digitized image of the original death certificate.

The index can be searched by first name and last name, county, and by year and month. Once a name is selected, a digitized image of the original certificate can be retrieved.

This is an ongoing project. Additional records will be added as they are transcribed and imaged. If the image of the certificate is not yet available researchers can request a photocopy of the certificate by contacting the Archives Reference Desk.

Access Missouri Death Certificates at <http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates>

Virginia Chancery Records

Digitization of the Library of Virginia's *Chancery Records Index* has been a boon to Virginia researchers. Each of Virginia's circuit courts created chancery records that contain considerable historical and genealogical information. Because the records rely so heavily on testimony from witnesses, they offer a unique glimpse into the lives of Virginians from the early 18th century through the First World War.

The original court papers are flat-filed, indexed, and conserved using a set of standards developed by the LVA. Since the tri-folded records are often in poor condition, special attention is paid to preparing them for digital reformatting. This laborious process is undertaken so that the best quality images can be captured in one effort. The valuable original records are then retired to secure storage.

There are over 175,000 cases indexed in the database and a total of almost two million images of chancery cases available online.

Access Virginia's Chancery Records Index at <http://www.lva.virginia.gov/whatwehave/local/chancery/index.htm>

Early Volumes of Premier Genealogical Journal Now Available Online

Boston, MA – May 8, 2009 – NEHGS is pleased to announce a new collaboration with *The American Genealogist* (TAG), one of the premier scholarly genealogical publications in the country. The Society is digitizing back issues of the journal and making them available on its award-winning Web site, NewEnglandAncestors.org.

Founded in 1922 by Donald Lines Jacobus, TAG is edited by a trio of distinguished genealogists. Working with dozens of highly-regarded contributors, these leaders uphold and advance the standards for genealogical scholarship so carefully articulated by Jacobus and the Jacobus "School."

The addition of TAG to online searchable databases will provide unprecedented access to some of the most important scholarly work in the field.

The first eight volumes, covering the years 1923–1932, were published as "Families of Ancient New Haven." These are also available online at NewEnglandAncestors.org.

Volumes 9–13, published between 1933 and 1937, are now available online as a fully searchable database. These first five issues contain 34,537 name records, 847 title/author records, and 1,508 page images. The database may be searched by first and last name. It may also be searched by "article title keyword(s)." This option is an "any match" search that includes article titles and authors. Finally, entering a specific year or volume number, and page number, will provide access to that portion of the journal. When search results are displayed, links to the corresponding TAG pages are provided. Once viewing a TAG page, additional links allow users to see the previous or next search result, or the previous or next TAG page.

Additional volumes will be added regularly, until the database includes Volume 82. At that point new volumes will be added each year, five years after publication. The most recent five volumes will only be available in print.

About NEHGS

Founded in 1845, New England Historic Genealogical Society is the country's oldest and largest non-profit genealogical organization. Located in Boston, NEHGS collects, preserves, and interprets materials that make accessible the histories of families in America. The NEHGS research library is home to millions of books, journals, manuscripts, photographs, microfilms, documents, records, and other artifacts that date back more than four centuries. The award-winning web site www.NewEnglandAncestors.org offers access to more than 110 million names in 2,500 searchable databases.

NEHGS has more than 23,000 members nationally. NEHGS staff includes experts specializing in early American, Irish, English, Scottish, Jewish, Atlantic and French Canadian, Italian, African American, and Native American genealogy.

Posted by Dick Eastman May 8, 2009



Copying funeral home records are Frank Appl, Mary Lewis, Marilyn Henry and Sherry Leafgreen

Copying Funeral Home Records

BY: MAE D. COX

The Guardian Mayes Funeral Home of Norman closed its doors and ceased operations in 2007. Several years before that, they provided CCGS with copies of funeral records dating from 1956 through 1992. When official word came of their intent to close, Jo Mustoe contacted the owners and inquired about borrowing the 1993-2007 files so we could complete our set of records. They graciously consented.

Mary Lewis has spearheaded the actual workforce bringing this project to fruition. She inherited the task when Jo Mustoe had to take a leave of absence. Mary coordinated volunteers into four-person crews and scheduled two-hour periods for twice a day. They have met twice a week for the past three months and still have several months to go.

A special acid-free, archival paper was ordered and the fun began! Mary picks up a box of records and takes them to our library. Each box contains about 178 records. Each individual file contains from just one page, the funeral home record, to as many as six or eight documents. Included in some files we've also found military records, birth certificates, photos, death certificates, and obituaries.

One volunteer pulls all pertinent genealogy records from an individual's file. Another makes copies. A third checks the copies and then replaces originals in its respective file. The fourth person enters the deceased's name and details into a database. The copies are then arranged in chronological order and placed in binders.

The project is now about half done with over 1,000 records already copied and bound. Many people have brought the project this far and are named in the *President's Report* on the next page. Crews will take a break starting in June and resume their mission in September.

If you would like to help with this project, starting in September, contact Mary Lewis at (405) 701-2100.

Connecting with Other Genealogists

Just Browsing

As I was browsing around online one evening, I found another genealogy chart done by someone in Kentucky, with my Smith ancestors on it. I made contact through email, and she turned out to be a cousin. She was the source of the Smith ancestry that I now have posted online. She did her research in Kentucky the old-fashioned, hard way—by hand, on site, in old record books.

One reason I was having such a problem finding anything was that I was looking for "Barney" Smith, which is the name my dad knew his grandfather by. In this woman's tree I found out that Barney Smith's real name was Gabriel Barney Smith.

As I have gained experience I have realized that many times the names our ancestors were known by were not their real, full names. She had a lot more information for me, and I was able to help her too. For instance, I shared a picture of Gabriel Barney Smith with her. As it turned out, he was her great-grandfather too.

This sort of networking helps grow our genealogy trees! Everything I have on our ancestors is posted, and my documentation sources are online at Ancestry.com. So I am very glad to be able to "pass on" the information I got by networking, and please pass it on when you run into another cousin along your genealogy path.

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President's Message

As we near the end of another CCGS program year, it is appropriate to salute the many volunteers who support our mission and advance our library and educational functions.

I personally appreciate the support of this year's Board members, Frank Appl, Jimmy Baker, Mae Cox, Jean McCracken, Jo Mustoe, Sarah Pool, Mary Sue Schnell and Crystal Toenjes. The Board provides oversight on the Society's varied activities and projects.

Working together, this year Board members studied and proposed revisions of the CCGS Bylaws and updated the job description for library manager. As a group, they have been committed to reverse the recent yearly drains on our budget. Individually, they have given of their time on the Guardian/Mayes Funeral Home Records Project. I appreciate the contribution of each member of the CCGS Board.

Our Library Volunteers are faithful individuals who regularly give of their time to help in the CCGS Library. Their duties are varied—from greeting visitors, assisting researchers, answering the phone, and making copies—to the technical aspects of a library, such as processing books and materials, shelving, and filing.

This past year our loyal library volunteers were Jo Mustoe (library manager), Taylor Dirck, Nova Hornback, Jean McCracken, Mary Sue Schnell, Pat Starzer, and Caylon Coleman. Our genealogical library could not function without their considerable effort. No one appreciates their contribution more than I.

From the beginning, a basic function of the Cleveland County Genealogical Society has been to preserve the records of local history. This year we had the opportunity to copy and index the records of the Guardian/Mayes Funeral Home, which closed in 2007.

A small army of volunteers within our group have supported this project with their time, including Frank Appl, Tricia Carleton, Caylon Coleman, Marilyn Henry,

Nova Hornback, Betty Kemp, Sherry Leafgreen, Elizabeth Loeffelholz, Jean McCracken, Jo Mustoe, Linda Oliver, Evelyn Parker, Sarah Pool, Mary Sue Schnell, and Mary Wheless. It takes dedication and determination to make time in busy lives and to commit to this lengthy project. I heartily salute this special group of volunteers.

Last, but certainly not least, are the committee chairs who take responsibility for specific aspects of the work and life of the Cleveland County Genealogical Society. Each individual job may be small, but each contributes in some way to the success of the programs and activities of our Society. I thank each chair (as well as members of their respective committees) for the important work that they do on behalf of our Society.

Calling Committee	Sherri Stansel
Education Committee	Sarah Pool
Hospitality Committee	Nova Hornback
Library Committee	Betty Kemp
Membership Committee	Jean McCracken
Newsletter Committee	Mae Cox
Program Committee	Crystal Toenjes
Publicity Committee	Mae Cox & Crystal Toenjes
Research Committee	Jean McCracken

I hope you also will thank our many volunteers for their commitment and service to CCGS.

And I invite you to join them in their efforts to promote the mission of the Cleveland County Genealogical Society:

- *To collect local, historical, and genealogical materials*
- *To preserve selected local public records*
- *To share our library and archival holdings with the public*
- *To promote the development of research skills.*

CCGS Bylaws Revisions

By the time members receive this newsletter, they should have received notification of the proposed Bylaws revisions. An e-mail, with *Bylaws* in an attachment, or a letter was sent to every paid-up member prior to May 20. These revisions will be voted on at the CCGS Annual Meeting Tuesday, June 16.

Please call the CCGS Library (405-701-2100) if you did not receive the notification or could not open the e-mail attachment

Monte D. Rouse
General Manager



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405-392-2077 (Home)

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405-660-3297 (Pager)

Cleveland County Pioneer

BY: MARY LEWIS

Lewis Jefferson Edwards did not arrive in Norman until more than a year after the Run into the Unassigned Lands, but he quickly became a Norman booster and supported the bid to locate the University of Oklahoma in Norman.

Born in Connersville, Indiana January 17, 1852, Edwards married Mary Hand about 1877 in Indiana. Their children were Bert Edwards, born August 31, 1881; Clair Edwards, born September 14, 1883; and Denver Edwards, who was born in 1887 and died less than a year later.

The Edwards family came to Norman in the latter months of 1890. In the early days they lived at the corner of East Acers (present-day East Main Street) and 12th Avenue Northeast. In the Edwards home, members of the faculty of the new University of Oklahoma met together for the first time.

Several years later, the Edwards family purchased a large home at 206 S. University, where they remained until death. This property was occupied by members of the Edwards family from 1906 to 1981.

Lewis Edwards was a dedicated civic leader. He was president of the Norman School Board from 1895 to 1900. He served as president of the Norman Chamber of Commerce in 1895-1896. Edwards was a stockholder in the First National Bank of Norman, and had other business interests.

Edwards was a man of action. He noticed a small plot immediately north of the Norman depot that was an unsightly mud hole in the early days. He persuaded the Santa Fe to bring in fill dirt, then planted and tended the spot until it became a small attractive park area. Edwards

was appointed head of the parks board in 1912 and remained in that position a dozen years, resigning only when his health declined.

In 1913, the park area Edwards had so faithfully tended north of the depot was named Edwards Park, in his honor. Edwards Park now features James Garner Plaza, with the statue honoring another famous former Norman resident.

Mr. Edwards was an early-day historian. He spent two years researching the story of Abner Norman, the leader of the survey crew that conducted the 1873 survey of the Cleveland County area. Edwards wrote the story of his search for Mr. Norman, preserving it for

posterity, and it was published in the *Norman Transcript* August 17, 1917.

Lewis Edwards must have been a forward-thinking person. It is said that he was among the first in Norman to use such innovations as electric lights, an automobile, motion pictures, radio, and natural gas. It was noted that he was the first citizen of Norman to fly over the town in an airplane.

Edwards' wife, Mary Edwards, died in October, 1917. She is buried in Norman's I.O.O.F. Cemetery. Mr. Edwards later married a widow, Minnie Atkins, August 17, 1921.

Lewis J. Edwards died in Norman August 28, 1926 and is buried beside Mary Edwards, his first wife. His probate file lists as heirs his widow, Minnie Edwards, and two sons, Burt and Claire Edwards.

Bits and Pieces

An Atlas of the German Empire, printed in 1883, features online maps showing Germany as it was when many of our ancestors lived there. An accompanying gazetteer makes it possible to locate even small villages.

www.library.wisc.edu/etext/ravenstein

Names in Stone is a unique online repository designed to help researchers find and document cemetery records and maps.

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

Life Magazine photo archive hosted by Google includes many images that have never been published.

<http://images.google.com/hosted/life>

A form for maintaining an individual's census history is among the many free charts and other research tools and tips found on this site.

www.amberskyline.com

Ghost towns can haunt the researcher whose ancestor lived in that former mining town, stagecoach stop or railroad boomtown gone bust. Perhaps your ancestor's ghost town appears on this state-by-state listing.

<http://freepages.history.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~gtusa/usa.htm>

You can learn to date old photographs if you are familiar with hairstyles throughout the 19th century. www.demodecouture.com/hair

In the Library

New Books

APG 1995-96 Directory of Professional Genealogists
Best of the PGA Newsletter, Volumes 1-2, 3, & 4
Bounty and Donation Land Grants in British Colonial America
Chester District Genealogical Society: 2000 Membership and Surname Book
City Beginnings in Oklahoma Territory
Civil War Battlefields: a Touring Guide
Cleveland County, Oklahoma Territory, Taxpayers: Tax Year 1895
Dating Old Photographs, 1840-1929
Directory of Professional Genealogists
Exploring a Nation of Immigrants—Houston Style, volumes 2, 3
Genealogical Research: Methods and Sources
History of the Huguenot Emigration to America
How to Climb Your Family Tree
Lynchings in Oklahoma: Vigilantism and Racism in the Twin Territories and Oklahoma, 1830-1930
McFarlin Memorial United Methodist Church: a Family of Faith
Memories of Marshall County, Oklahoma
Moody Family: from Ireland to You
More Dating Old Photographs, 1840-1929
My Coker Kin
Norman History
Notable Persons of Cleveland County, Oklahoma
Oklahoma Almanac 2007-2008
Old German Professions and Occupations
Pottawatomie County Marriages: Volume 1, A & B

Pottawatomie County Marriages:

Volume 3

Pottawatomie County Marriages:

Volume 4

Shell Atlas: Deutschland

Show Me the Nation's Records:

National Genealogical Society

Conference in the States, 2008

Washington County [Oklahoma]: A

Centennial History

New Journals

Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly
Buckeye Sword and Revolver
Bulletin: German Genealogical Society of America
Clinton Chronicle
Colorado Genealogist
Delaware (Ohio) Genealogist
Fairfield Trace
Genie's View (LaSalle County IN)
Illinois State Genealogical Society Quarterly
Loyal Legion Historical Journal
Newsletter: German Genealogical Society of America
Newton County (Arkansas) Homestead
Schooner Genealogy Magazine
Tracking in Crawford County, Ohio
Zellner Ancestors

New Microfilm

Cleveland County Cemeteries
Cleveland County Court Records [naturalization, coroner]
Cleveland County Court Records [probate, naturalization]
Cleveland County Tax Rolls: 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894
Cleveland County Tax Rolls: Book 5, 1895
First Territorial Census of Oklahoma, 1890
Meyer and Meyer Funeral Home Records, 1918-1928
Miscellaneous Cleveland County Genealogical Society Publications
Publications of the Cleveland County Genealogical Society
Surname Index to Cleveland County Cemeteries

New Videorecording

Oklahoma

Recent Journal Articles

The Merry Merry Oldsmobile— Review the specifications for the 1900-1904 Olds curved dash Roundabout. *Greer Frontier*. Greer County Genealogical and Historical Society. Vol. 1, No. 44, Spring 2009.

A postcard collector explores the history and research value of postcards. *GRIVA News & Notes*. Genealogical Research Institute of Virginia. Vol. 29, No. 3, March 2009.

What will the U.S. census tell you about a given ancestor? This handy chart provides a general overview of useful information found in census records 1790 to 1930. *GRIVA News & Notes*. Genealogical Research Institute of Virginia. Vol. 29, No. 3, March 2009.

What's an abstract, an arpent, or a patent? You'll find all of them in this list of land record terms. *Delaware County Family Trails*. Delaware County Genealogical Society. Vol. 23, No. 1, Jan-Feb-Mar 2009.

When did states begin keeping vital records? This handy chart tells the tale for each state. *The Western Plainsman*. Western Plains Genealogical Society. Vol. 24, No. 2, January 2009.

This GEDCOM primer will help you learn how to share your family tree and connect with fellow researchers. *Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly*. Vol. 54, No. 1, 2009.

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Meetings

February

Jan Skelton, deputy county clerk for Cleveland County, spoke to nineteen attendees at the February Society meeting.

Jan began working in the County Clerk's office, fresh out of St. Joseph High School, in 1960. She retired in 1996 to care for an aging parent, and was called back to the office in August, 2007.

She truly enjoys her work in preservation of historic public documents and working with the public. She has seen the evolution from handwritten indexes and manual typewriters to computers and digitized records.

The County Clerk's office handles land records since 1889. Among other records to be found in that office are patents, final receipts, mortgage, and oil and gas documents, as well as a variety of miscellaneous documents.

Ms. Skelton fielded a variety of questions from the audience.

March

Our guest speaker in March was Kathryn Ramsay, who was recently hired by Pioneer Library System as a Local History and Genealogy Resources Librarian.

Ms. Ramsay graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a bachelor's degree in history and a masters in library science. She has worked at law libraries in Tulsa, was director of Hominy Public Library for 12 years, and most recently served as a substitute library assistant at the Noble Public Library. She also has experience in researching her own family history.

She outlined to our group her initial responsibilities in this new

post. She will research local history and genealogy services in other public libraries and develop collection development policies and procedures for local history and genealogy services. She also is tasked with establishing relationships with those in the Pioneer System communities who are interested in local history and genealogy.

Ms. Ramsay's office is in the Pioneer Library System facility on McGee Street in Norman.

April

John Lovett, Director of Special Collections, Western History Collection at the University of Oklahoma, presented a slide show of historic Oklahoma photographs. Each photograph provided a sample of the variety of subjects to be found in the University's collection.

The collection includes thousands of unidentified individuals in a variety of settings. Many items are on glass plate negatives. The library scans and prints these items for public viewing.

Many items in the collection show Guthrie and other Oklahoma town sites at and near the time of the opening of the Unassigned lands. Some feature the settlers in their home setting.

The collection includes many sports shots, including the 1896 OU football team in their flying wedge formation, the 1905 football team with coach Benny Owen, and the first photograph of the OU RufNeks.

There is a series of range cattle photographs and many photographs featuring the Wild West shows of Buffalo Bill and Pawnee Bill in Oklahoma. Another series features early governor Alfalfa Bill Murray.

American Indians comprise another photographic collection. Quanah Parker, Geronimo, a tribal election in Wewoka, and the Choctaw Light Horse are characteristic of the variety in this selection.

Other collections include photographs of the oil and mining industries, wedding photos, school pictures, church activities, and many more.

A hint to the wise from John Lovett: summer is the time to visit the Western History Collection. With the smaller summer enrolment, it is much easier to find parking on campus.

CCGS Field Trip to Oklahoma History Center Library

Have you visited the Oklahoma Historical Society Library since it was moved into the new Oklahoma History Center? Many of us have not.

A member suggested that we should have a field trip to the library to familiarize ourselves with the kinds of holdings that are available, and how to access the materials we want to research. That seemed like a good idea, so we began putting plans into motion.

The field trip will be Saturday, June 27, 2009, at the Oklahoma History Center, 2401 North Laird, Oklahoma City.

The tour will begin at 10:30 a.m., so plan to arrive by 10:15. If you want to carpool, meet at the CCGS Library at 9:30 a.m. In the meantime, check out the Oklahoma Historical Society website: <http://www.okhistory.org/research/index.html>.

Bring a sack lunch, or have lunch at the *Winnie Mae Cafe*. Plan to do some research after the tour. The Research Center closes at 4:45 p.m.

There is no charge for this Field Trip. It is open to CCGS members and non-members.

For more information, phone the CCGS Library, 701-2100.

Call for Volunteers to Staff Summer Seminar

CCGS has hosted annual Summer Seminars since 1987. These seminars have been a dependable fundraiser for our society. Many hands are required to present a successful event.

Below are some jobs we need to fill this year. To volunteer, please call the CCGS Library (701-2100).

Donations (can begin now)

- Donate door prize and goody-bag items
- Solicit door prize and goody-bag items from businesses, financial institutions, and others

Assembling (week before Seminar)

- Make copies for syllabus
- Assemble syllabus
- Assemble goody-bags

Registration (August 1)

- Work registration table on Seminar date

Food Service (ongoing & August 1)

- Coordinate donations of food, snacks, pop, etc. for the event
- Prepare and serve food on Seminar date
- Work in kitchen as needed

CCGS Product Sales

(ongoing, and August 1)

- Coordinate CCGS book sales
- Assist at CCGS vendor tables

Set Up and Clean Up

(July 31 and August 1)

- Help set up the room Friday before Seminar
- Help clean up after Seminar Saturday afternoon

Deaths

Lorene Joyce Dean, mother of CCGS member Leeanna Curren, died in Norman April 7, 2009.

Former member Clifton R. Brooks died May 8, 2009 in Norman.

CCGS Heritage Cook Book

Do you have Granny's recipe? It might be something Granny made when you were sick, or perhaps for special occasions. It could have been a favorite food. On the other hand, you may have wondered why so many people raved about this dish you couldn't stand to eat.

Whatever the recipe, we'd like to have the recipe and a few words about Granny and why you remember this dish. It is just what we need for the Heritage Cook Book which we are compiling for a CCGS fund raiser. We'd like to get the book published before time for Christmas shopping this fall.

Recycling Projects Pay Off

CCGS participates in two "green" projects to recycle used printer cartridges. The *Green Schools* project accepts large printer cartridges, and the Office Max *MaxPerks* project accepts smaller ink cartridges.

Our members' continuing donations of both size cartridges helps us purchase needed office supplies.

This past month we used \$69 in MaxPerks rewards to purchase legal size copy paper, hanging file folders, and a heavy-duty stapler. We also received a \$31 check from the Green Schools Project.

Thank you, members and friends, for your support in these recycling projects.

East Main Street Has Opened

The ongoing Main Street construction project is nearing an end. As of this writing, traffic is flowing between Carter Avenue and 12th Avenue Northeast, although some lanes remain blocked.

The Main Street entrance onto Veterans Drive has been moved several feet west of the previous entrance and has been open to traffic for a couple of weeks.

Calendar

Board Meetings

Second Monday 1:00 p.m. at CCGS Library

- June 8
- July 13
- August 10
- September 14

Society Meetings

Third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in CSBI Classroom near CCGS Library

- June 16 - CCGS Annual Business Meeting and Social Hour
- July & August - No Society Meetings

Family History

Writers Group

Second Wednesday each month 10:00 a.m. in CCGS Library

- June 10
- July 8
- August 12
- September 9

Genealogy

Computer Users Group

Norman Public Library Computer Room; 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- June 24
- July & August - to be announced

2009 CCGS

Summer Seminar

Saturday, August 1, 2009, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Norman Community Church of the Nazarene, 1804 N. Porter in Norman

Now that traffic is (almost) back to normal, we invite our members and friends to visit the Cleveland County Genealogical Society Library again.

You will find that we have made some changes, moved some materials, and found space to shelve many more genealogy resources. Our volunteers are ready to help you.

Years Ago

Newspaper Abstracts

Norman Democrat-Topic • Friday, June 4, 1909

(Editor's Note: All newspaper abstracts are typed as originally printed.)

Society News

Miss Lottie Boyle was an Oklahoma City visitor Sunday.

Miss Louise Rouzie Smith spent the week end at Ardmore.

Mrs. Homer Washburn entertained the Merry Makers Saturday afternoon. Special guests were Mesdames Gittinger and others.

Misses Fay Davis and Ruth Bumgarner gave a delightful party to the members of the Swastika club and their boy friends Monday evening at Davis' hall.

Mrs. W. S. Smith delightfully entertained the girls of the bible study committee Friday evening with six o'clock dinner. The afternoon was spent making summer calendars for the Y.W.C.A. girls. A lovely three course dinner was served to Misses Cassie Rose, Addie Maloy, Myrtle Ellenberger, Eva Clifton, Dot Bell, Elsie Wheeler, Faith Castile and Matilda Vanderhoven.

Local News

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bowen died Tuesday.

John A. Fox is at Chickasha this week looking after W.O.W. work.

Dr. R. D. Lowther reports the arrival of a daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sim Dorland yesterday morning. All parties are doing nicely.

A boy was born to Mrs. and Mrs. J. M. Deshazer of McClain County last Saturday.

Mrs. Alice Brittain-Jackson won the Independent piano contest with votes to burn.

E. H. Phinney, arrived last Saturday to visit his sister, Mrs. A. McDaniell. Mr. Phinney is selling town lots in western Texas.

George Morris and family and his mother from Purcell visited his cousin, G. M. Morris Friday night. Saturday they visited Mrs. Morris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Roberts near White Mound school house.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Newsom a baby girl Wednesday morning.

Miss Ollie Bryant from Norman spent Saturday night with Misses Claude and Marguerite Kennedy. They returned home with her Sunday.

Mrs. Mollie Woods from Norman visited her sister, Mrs. Cambron last Sunday.

It was a mistake about Mr. Johnson selling his grocery store to F. L. Casey.

B. F. Smith of Tuttle, visited his daughter Mrs. Joe Dufran the latter part of the week.

Misses Sallie Long, Hazel Prater, Mabel Morris, Letha Barnes, Minnie Scott, Irene Austin, and Mrs. Prater and Messrs. Silas McChristian, Leonard DeFratus and Frank Bradley are attending the county normal.

Stella

Cotton chopping is the order of the day now.

The social at C. W. Hendrickson's was enjoyed by all present.

Decoration exercises at Pleasant Ridge were attended by a large crowd. Quite a number from here were present.

Mr. Willie Henson and Miss Elva Gregory were married Sunday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Woodring. A. V. Hulse officiating. We wish them a long and prosperous life.

W. S. Puckett and family visited Mrs. Puckett's father, M. J. Dickinson Sunday.

Moore

The Moore Concert band is preparing for a celebration July 5, in the Dressen grove one-half mile west of Moore. The band is made up of good hustlers and we predict for the occasion a fair degree of success. The G.A.R.'s will have charge of the program.

J. W. Payne is preparing to build a postoffice building just west of the building now occupied by the postoffice.

J. W. Klingsmith, deputy county surveyor of Norman, was in this city Saturday and made a survey for purpose of establishing a sidewalk grade and building line on Main Street.

A tenant house occupied by Mr. Carpenter on the farm of Mrs. Edith Siler eight miles west of Moore, was burned Saturday morning. Mr. Carpenter and his family were away from home at the time. The fire is thought to have been the work of an incendiary.

J. W. Payne purchased a fine driving horse Wednesday.

Union Point

C. H. Taylor is on the sick list this week.

Charles May and Hazel Adair attended Decoration day exercises at Norman Sunday afternoon.

Miss May Clarke and Mr. Andrew Coffey visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gower Sunday.

Mr. Jas. Grimmitt is quite sick, the result of being bitten by a spider Saturday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hunley Outhouse on the 29th ult, a ten pound boy. Mother and babe doing nicely, and it is believed that Grandpa Taylor has a fighting chance to recover.

The Reds and Blues contest closed last Sunday. The score stood 190 to 183 in favor of the Reds. The ice cream supper was postponed from Wednesday until Saturday night on account of the school. A short program will be rendered, after which ice cream will be served. Everybody welcome.

June 25, 1909



LEXINGTON LEADER.



Corbett

A. G. Smith is on the sick list this week.

S. A. Ward was a Lexington visitor Monday.

Edward Corbett of Oklahoma is visiting homefolks this week.

Andrew Copeland was a Corbett visitor from Friday until Sunday.

A. E. Rodolph and W. B. Grogan attended singing at Corbett Sunday.

Union Hill

Miss Jesse Hammers visited Miss Zena Shinn Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Fairchild spent the first of the week in Lexington the guest of Mrs. D. N. Kelley.

Mrs. Anna Betts. of the Chickasaw came in Thursday for a few days visit at the home of her father, Mr. Herzog.

There wil be Children's Day exercises on the 4th Sunday in June, 7 1/4 miles east and 1 mile south of Lexington. Quite a nice program has been prepared. Every one is invited to come.

July 16, 1909

Buckhead

Mrs. Ellen Peltier is visiting her son, J. E. Myers.

Miss Flzy [sic] Brown has accepted the Buckhead school for the next year.

Mrs. B. Wilson and children, of the Creek country are visiting at the home of her brother, Ed Millsap, this week.

The present hot and dry weather makes us envy Mrs. Mary Mitchell her trip to Colorado.

A. Barber is attending the beside of his sister, Mrs. Jas. Caskey, of Box, who is very ill.

Those on the sick list this week are Roy and Lillie Turner, Jesse and Addie Moore, Melra Rose and Bernice Bateman.

Jas. Milligan, wife and daughter, Miss Addie, and Rufus Upchurch, were guests at the home of W. E. D. Dragoo Sunday.

Misses Lula Menasco, Effie Cossey and Elzy Brown and Messers. Claude Barker and Willis Rodolph returned from Edmond institute bearing certificates.

Walter Wooten and Mrs. J. J. Moore were called to the Cross Roads neighborhood on account of the serious illness of their little niece, Olene Estes.

Mrs. Ora Barns returned Saturday from a two month's visit with relatives near Shawnee. Her cousin, Mrs. Minnie Barnes, accompanied her home on a several days visit.

John Henry DeJarnette died of dropsy at the home of his mother near Buckhead, Monday morning suddenly, at the age of 25 years. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Hill. Interment was made in the cemtery at Hill's Chappel [sic] by the side of his wife.

Trousdale Route 1

J. J. May of McCloud is visiting old friends in this vicinity.

The exceedingly hot weather is fine to cure the newly mown hay.

The Davis School opened Monday with J. L. Shinn as principal.

Quite a number from this vicinity are attending the revival at Science Hill.

Large preparations are being made for the religious debate at Green Clark's arbor.

Several from this vicinity attended the Farmers Reunion at Tecumseh Wednesday and Thurday.

Too late for last week.

Mrs. Nancy Goodnight is on the sick list this week. F. G. Williams made a business trip to Chickasha Monday.

J. H. Norwood spent Saturday near Helsel the guest of Ed Couch.

Mrs. Martha Pierce spent Saturday and Sunday at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Nancy Goodnight.

J. B. Boeck attended the School Land Lessees meeting in Norman Saturday.

The three day old baby of John Slover and wife died Saturday morning. The remains were laid to rest in the Wilkerson cemetery.

July 23, 1909

Box

A. B. Black, of Lexington, is repairing the Box gin.

Ike Cummings and wife, of Corbett, have moved to Box.

There was a family reunion at the home of Dr. Webb last week.

Halkins, of Texas, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Richard Webb.

The majority of the people of this vicinity are on the sick list this week.

Born -To Mr. and Mrs. Burt a 10 pound boy, all parties doing nicely.

W. N. Myers and wife, of Corbett, spent Monday with the family of T. N. Curry.

John Bivens and family are attending the protracted meeting at Corbett this week.

Mrs. Rhoda Rose of Memphis, Texas, is visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Mary Bowers, of near Buckhead, passed away and was laid to rest in the Box cemetery with the honors of the Rebekah lodge of which she was a member. The deceased professed faith in Christ and joined the Christian church of which she was a consistant meember to the time of her death. She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn her loss. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. N. Myers.

Workshops

Colorado Family History Expo

June 12-13, 2009

Embassy Suites & Conference Center
Loveland, Colorado

http://www.fhexpos.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=48

Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies

34th Annual Conference

Megan Smolenyak

Saturday, June 20, 2009

<http://skyways.lib.ks.us/genweb/kcgs/conf.htm>

Homestead National Monument of America & Southeast Community College

Genealogy & Land Records Symposium

Kenneth Heger (National Archives)

Friday & Saturday, July 10-11, 2009

301 S. 86th Street Place, Lincoln NE

<http://www.nps.gov/mwr/customcf/apps/eventcalendar/events/homeevent46824647.html>

Wyoming Family History Expo

July 17-18, 2009

Holiday Inn Convention Center, Sheridan WY

http://fhexpos.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=51

Cleveland County Genealogical Society

2009 Summer Seminar - *Research in Virginia*

Dr. George K. Schweitzer

Saturday, August 1, 2009

Norman Community Church of the Nazarene

1804 N. Porter, Norman OK

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~okccogs/workshops-seminars/2009seminar-registration.pdf>

Missouri State Genealogical Association

2009 Annual Conference

Julie Miller and others

August 7-8, 2009

Capital Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City MO

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

Federation of Genealogical Societies

FGS / AGS Conference

September 2-5, 2009

Little Rock, Arkansas

<http://www.fgs.org/conferences/index.php>

On the Light Side

She Really Was

While searching through Ancestry.com's index of original death records for Kentucky (1852-1953), I found the parents for Elizabeth Penn listed as: father: Ben Sinclair — mother: "Shewasa Griffith".

Thinking "Shewasa" was rather odd for a first name, I brought up the original record and it really read "she was a" Griffith.

name withheld

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1940 Census

For many genealogists, the countdown to access the 1940 Census has already begun. There are less than three years remaining until Monday, April 2, 2012. The official date for the 1940 Census was April 1st. But since that day will fall on a Sunday in 2012, it is unclear whether researchers will have weekend access to film at the National Archives or will instead need to wait until Monday to satisfy their genealogical curiosity.

History in 1940

On April 7, 1940, just days after the official date for the 1940 Census enumeration, Booker T. Washington became the first African American to appear on a United States postage stamp. At the time, the domestic letter rate was just 3 cents per ounce.

History in 1940

Henry Fonda starred in *The Grapes of Wrath* (the novel by John Steinbeck).

The ship Queen Elizabeth quietly completed her maiden voyage, arriving in New York.

German troops marched through Paris, France.

The first military draft number was drawn initiating selective service in the U.S.

U.S. President Roosevelt was re-elected for a historic third term.

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Indentured Servants and the Headright System

BY MAE D. COX

Ever wonder just how your ancestors arrived in America? Most wishing to sail to this new-found land had one thing in common: they were poor and couldn't afford the trip! In the 1600s, there was a real push to colonize the American wilderness. Plus more people were needed to help work the rich fertile lands. Soon a variety of systems were designed and put in place to help poorer immigrants pay their passage to America.

Historical Highlights

The Headright System

A plan designed by England to encourage emigration to the colonies. Any person immigrating into Virginia was a potential headright. Any person who settled in Virginia or paid for the transportation expenses of another person who settled in Virginia was entitled to receive fifty acres of land for each immigrant. The person immigrating wasn't entitled to free land, only his or her sponsor. The right to receive fifty acres per person, or per head, was called a *headright*.

There were no restrictions on age or gender. Headrights could be, and often were, children. In fact, many imported were teenagers. Families frequently sold their children into indentured servitude — hopefully this was done not for the money, but instead to help that child find a better way of life.

Both large and small landowners imported slaves, or purchased them from ship captains who brought them to the colony for sale. The headright claims for the indentured servants listed the names of the individuals, but the claims for slaves rarely identified individuals.

The headright system encouraged wealthy individuals to pay to transport laborers to Virginia in return for free land. Virginia planters who brought in slaves were awarded fifty acres per slave, just as they were awarded fifty acres per indentured servant.

Patenting Process

There were several steps required to acquire the free land. First, the patentee petitioned the county court for a *certificate of importation*. The

certificate, usually recorded in county court minute books, was considered proof of the number of headrights claimed. Patentees took their certificates to the Secretary of the Colony, who issued a *right* of fifty acres per headright.

The *right* was taken to the county surveyor, who surveyed the chosen land and created a plat. The patentee then returned all these papers to the Secretary, who made two copies: a copy to be recorded, and a copy that was sent to the governor who signed it. It was then sealed and delivered to the patentee.

Once the patent was issued, the patentee had three years to seat and plant the land. *Seating* required payment of the quitrent — annual payment to the crown of one shilling for every fifty acres. *Planting* required either cultivating one acre or building a house and keeping livestock.

By early 1700, colonists wanted more land and the crown wanted to expand the colony, so the *treasury right* was created. Those wanting new land could, for five shillings, receive a *right* to fifty acres. Most land was patented by *treasury right* instead of by headright after about 1715.

Indentured Servants

These immigrants had their passage paid by a landowner. In theory, the servants would work five to seven years for the sponsor, and could not acquire title to land through their work during their term of service.

At the end of their term of indenture, they were given basic clothing and equipment, and were free to go their own way in the unsettled frontier.

Both Indentured Servant and Headright

Though frequently thought of as two different systems, many times a headright was also an indentured servant. The sponsor received fifty acres and the indentured servant promised four to seven years of service to the sponsor. Both parties benefitted from this setup.

Abuse of the System

As with most any system, there was abuse. Greedy landowners found it easy to buy names of farmers already in Virginia, and place those names on claims, receiving fifty acres for each name.

Fraudulent claims were made for persons who had no intent to inhabit, such as sailors and traveling merchants. Shipmasters augmented their profits from a voyage by selling entire manifests listing passengers and sailors, even though the sailors would leave on the next sailing. The passengers were also claimable by whoever paid their passage. Again the greedy landowner profited by receiving more land.

Perhaps more importantly, it appears that use of fictitious or irrelevant names was common by the late seventeenth century. Eventually the corruption of the system led to its demise.

For more about these systems, just search the Internet for *Headright* or *Indentured Servant*. You'll be surprised at the amazing amount of material available!

Report of Examination of Successful Candidates for Common School Diploma

Eighth Grade Exams • 1918 and 1919 • Cleveland County, Oklahoma

Cleveland County students who successfully passed the Eighth-Grade Exams and received a diploma.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Year</u>
Ackridge, Bessie	16	Lexington	1918	Edwards, Zella	-13	Newalla	1918
Ackridge, Carrie	16	Lexington	1918	Ellinger, Ralph	11	Noble	1918
Allen, Lena	13	Noble	1918	Elliot, Albert	16	Lexington	1918
Amrein, Lena	14	Noble	1919	Erickson, Minnie	15	Norman	1919
Amriene, Josie	13	Noble	1918	Essary, Alvan	18	Norman	1919
Anderson, Perry	17	Lexington	1919	Estes, Mollie	17	Moore	1919
Anderson, Vernon	14	Lexington	1919	Estes, Raymond	15	Norman	1919
Balch, Emily	15	Moore	1919	Ezell, Annie Mae	15	Norman	1919
Barto, Gladys	17	Noble	1919	Farris, Teddy		Lexington	1918
Bates, William	15	Norman	1919	Fishburn, Lenard	17	Norman	1918
Baxter, Willie	15	Trousdale	1919	Frost, Celesta	14	Norman	1919
Beckham, Mary	13	Noble	1918	Gabriel, Author	15	Lexington	1918
Belknap, Alice	13	Norman	1919	Garee, Elizabeth	12	Noble	1918
Black, Alimoth	16	Lexington	1919	Garee, Elizabeth	12	Noble	1918
Black, Clyde	15	Noble	1918	Garrett, Robert	15	Lexington	1918
Blackwell, Cleo	16	Lexington	1919	Giles, Margaret	14	Norman	1919
Blanton, Thelma	16	Norman	1919	Gillihan, Roy	15	Lexington	1919
Blecha, Stella	15	Moore	1918	Glenn, Ethel	15	Norman	1919
Boatwright, Rubie	14	Lexington	1919	Graham, Robbie	15	Noble	1918
Booker, Bernice	14	Lexington	1918	Grant, Ruby	15	Moore	1918
Boston, Robbie	14	Lexington	1919	Gray, Dessa	16	Lexington	1918
Boyd, Alta	14	Norman	1919	Greeson, Florence	16	Norman	1919
Brown, Marcus	16	Noble	1918	Grimwood, Gladys	14	Norman	1919
Burke, Hacel	14	Norman	1918	Grisson, Margie	14	Noble	1919
Burkett, Chelsea	13	Noble	1919	Grove, Lindley	15	Norman	1919
Burkett, Orion	14	Noble	1919	Hackler, Pearl	13	Lexington	1919
Butler, Ella Mae	15	Moore	1919	Hager, Edna	14	Norman	1919
Butler, Forest	16	Lexington	1919	Hairington, John	12	Norman	1918
Button, Eva	14	Norman	1918	Hamilton, Clarence	14	Norman	1919
Campbell, Gladys	16	Wheatland	1918	Hardwick, Edgar	15	Lexington	1918
Caskey, Winnie	16	Lexington	1918	Hardwick, Kermit	13	Lexington	1919
Cheatwood, Lecile	14	Trousdale	1918	Harmon, John	16	Norman	1918
Cheatwood, Lillie	16	Trousdale	1918	Harmon, Julia	17	Stella	1918
Clanton, Dessie R.	17	Noble	1919	Harrington, Hugh	12	Lexington	1919
Clanton, Edna	16	Noble	1919	Harris, Roy	13	Moore	1919
Clark, Paul	16	Lexington	1918	Haxel, Mary	13	Noble	1918
Clifton, Harold	14	Norman	1919	Hays, Ronnie	13	Moore	1918
Coffee, John	16	Norman	1919	Henson, John Lewis	16	Newalla	1919
Coker, Irma	15	Noble	1918	Herrington, Lucy	16	Norman	1919
Corbin Ouida	13	Norman	1919	Hickman, Otis	15	Lexington	1919
Craddock, Lloyd	14	Noble	1918	Hill, Lorenze	15	Lexington	1919
Crutcher, Lawton	17	Lexington	1919	Hodges, Bessie	16	Noble	1918
Curren, Arena	16	Noble	1919	Hodges, Bessie	18	Noble	1918
Dailey, Bill	17	Moore	1918	Hoffman, Carl	14	Noble	1918
Dailey, Bob	18	Moore	1918	Holloway, Daniel	15	Lexington	1919
Dalley, Cecil	17	Norman	1919	Holman, Ethel	14	Moore	1919
Dare, Iva	18	Trousdale	1919	Holmbery, Linne	14	Norman	1919
Davidson, Mary	14	Lexington	1918	Hoover, John	15	Noble	1919
Davis, Lela	15	Noble	1919	Houchin, Basil	16	Moore	1919
Davusdu, William	16	Lexington	1918	James, Roy	14	Moore	1919
Dean, Sammy	14	Noble	1918	Johnson, Pearl	16	Noble	1918
Decker, Irma	16	Moore	1919	Jones, Gladys	14	Moore	1919
Decker, Lois	14	Moore	1919	Jones, Grace	14	Moore	1919
Delbeck, Andy	16	Noble	1919	Keck, Fetna	15	Norman	1918
Denton, Earl	15	Noble	1919	Keifer, Georgia	14	Moore	1919
Derrick, Myrtle	19	Newalla	1919	Keller, Mildred	13	Lexington	1918
Dodson, Helen	13	Noble	1918	Kelly, Hazel	14	Moore	1919
Drabek, Ernest	15	Moore	1918	Kennedy, Ruby	16	Noble	1919
Duncan, Dessie	20	Moore	1918	Kessler, Edith	15	Norman	1918
Dyer, Donnie	14	Moore	1919	Kirbie, Gradie	14	Noble	1919

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Year</u>
Kitchen, Edgar	13	Moore	1918	Rushing, Iren	15	Lexington	1918
Knight, Frank	14	Moore	1918	Sasser, Willie	14	Lexington	1919
Knight, Ralph	13	Noble	1918	Sasser, Willie	14	Lexington	1919
Knight, Ralph	14	Noble	1918	Schuetz,	17	Lexington	1918
Lambeth, Blanch	14	Newalla	1918	Scott, Cluna	13	Noble	1918
Lessauer, Maraget	14	Lexington	1918	Sherman, Bryan	15	Moore	1918
Lessly, Winnie	14	Norman	1918	Sherman, Jay	14	Lexington	1919
Leverich, Mae	15	Moore	1919	Shroyer, Kester	18	Moore	1919
Lissauer, Ester			1918	Skinner, Myrtle	14	Lexington	1918
Lissauer, Ester	13	Lexington	1919	Smalley, Sadie	14	Norman	1919
Low, Daisy	15	Lexington	1919	Smith, Clara	14	Lexington	1918
Low, Van Hester	18	Lexington	1919	Smith, Dollie	13	Noble	1919
Manley, Ruby	15	Noble	1919	Smith, Earl	20	Noble	1918
Marble, Grace	17	Norman	1919	Smith, Edith	17	Norman	1918
Marti, George	16	Norman	1919	Smith, Finis	14	Noble	1918
Martin, Carrie	17	Trousdale	1919	Smith, Mae	17	Lexington	1918
Mason, Lenard	14	Lexington	1918	Smith, R. O.	13	Lexington	1919
Mattox, Vivian	15	Norman	1919	Smyers, Mary	15	Wheatland	1919
Mayes, Edgar	17	Norman	1919	Stevenson, Ernest	14	Norman	1918
Mayes, Vernon	14	Newalla	1919	Stogner, Edna	14	Norman	1919
Mayfield, Bland	15	Noble	1919	Stogner, Leona	15	Norman	1919
Maynard, Lindsay	15	Lexington	1918	Stone, Flossie	16	Lexington	1919
McCrary, Edna	13	Noble	1919	Stone, Leaona	14	Norman	1919
McLennan, Willard	15	Moore	1919	Stone, Lerghetta	16	Norman	1919
Melless, John	14	Moore	1918	Straka, Agnes	15	Moore	1918
Milam, Alma	17	Lexington	1919	Strong, Buren		Lexington	1918
Milam, Ollie	15	Lexington	1919	Strong, Buren	14	Lexington	1919
Mitchell, Vance	14	Moore	1918	Stufflebean, Kenneth	16	Noble	1918
Moak, Katie	16	Moore	1919	Suddeth, Dave	15	Lexington	1918
Moore, Clara	12	Norman	1918	Sudik, Otto	15	Oklahoma City	1919
Morren, Thomas	18	Norman	1919	Teague, Ray	14	Lexington	1919
Morris, Charles	13	Noble	1919	Teel, Iva	18	Noble	1918
Morris, Mildred	13	Norman	1919	Thornhill, Mary	17	Norman	1919
Morrison, Buena	13	Norman	1918	Todd, Josie	18	Norman	1919
Morrison, Robert	14	Lexington	1919	Toumbs, Dora		Trousdale	1918
Moses, Aubrey	14	Lexington	1918	Toumbs, Martha	17	Trousdale	1918
Muldrow, Henry L. Jr.	14	Norman	1919	Turnpugh, Winnie	15	Lexington	1919
Murphy, Edith	12	Moore	1919	Van Dyke, Marguerite	13	Norman	1919
Murphy, Edwin	13	Moore	1919	Varney, Jay R.	16	Norman	1919
Nemecek, Georgia	15	Noble	1918	Varney, Marie	14	Norman	1919
Nemecek, Irma	16	Noble	1918	Vaughan, Ila	16	Norman	1919
Nemeck, Anna	15	Lexington	1919	Vejiaska, Olga	13	Noble	1919
Oliver, Johnnie	14	Lexington	1918	Waggoner, Anna	16	Noble	1918
Parr, Etta	14	Norman	1919	Waggoner, Selma	17	Lexington	1918
Petty, Ida	15	Moore	1919	Walker, Nola	15	Lexington	1919
Phillips, Bessie	15	McComb	1919	Wallace, Arta A.	15	Oklahoma City	1919
Phillips, Lynn	14	Lexington	1918	Ward, Bessie	15	Lexington	1919
Pickett, Jessie	14	Moore	1918	Ward, Carrie	16	Lexington	1919
Pickett, Robert	16	Moore	1918	Ward, Irma	16	Lexington	1919
Platt, Curtis	14	Moore	1919	Ward, Iva	15	Stella	1918
Puryear, Furman	15	Lexington	1918	Ward, Morris	16	Stella	1918
Rath, Walter	17	Noble	1919	Ward, Wm. Fletcher	18	Lexington	1919
Reed, Elizabeth	12	Norman	1918	Washburn, Ruby	15	Lexington	1919
Reeves, Earnest	16	Lexington	1919	Weber, Adella	15	Lexington	1919
Reeves, Ester	13	Lexington	1919	Westermeier, Anna	15	Norman	1919
Reeves, Oleta	13	Noble	1918	Wheeler, Herbert	13	Newalla	1918
Rhoades, Wyona	13	Oklahoma City	1919	Wilcox, Elisha	16	Noble	1919
Richards, Walter	14	Norman	1918	Will, Grace	15	Norman	1918
Rippey, Carl		Moore	1918	Wilson, Charlie	11	Newalla	1918
Rippy, Carl	19	Moore	1918	Wilson, George	18	Newalla	1919
Rippy, Edward	16	Moore	1919	Wilson, Pearl	16	Newalla	1919
Roberts, Jennie	18	Noble	1919	Wolf, Clyde Jr.	18	Noble	1919
Rose, Thelma	14	Trousdale	1918	Wolf, Martha	15	Moore	1919
Ross, Herschal		Lexington	1919	Woodring, Victor	15	Noble	1918
Routon, James	14	Moore	1919	Wynd, Beulah	16	Moore	1918
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Annual CCGS Summer Seminar

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Almost everyone residing in present-day Oklahoma has at least one ancestor whose migrations led him through Virginia.

The focus of the CCGS 2009 Summer Seminar is *Research in Virginia*. Speaker is Dr. George W. Schweitzer who will also cover *Research in Burned Counties*. In a final session, he will field research questions from participants.

Dr. Schweitzer will outline a concise story of Virginia's importance in the American experience — the state's history and culture, patterns of immigration into and emigration out of Virginia, and the development of its government structure. He will also discuss the

processes of record-keeping in Virginia and the survival of the state's records.

Dr. Schweitzer's theory is that a burned courthouse does not mean there are no records for the ancestor who lived in that county. It just means the researcher must think creatively. His talk will open up some new possibilities for finding traces of that ancestor.

George K. Schweitzer is Alumni Distinguished Professor at the University of TN and holds BA, MS, and PhD degrees in Chemistry, an MA in the History of Religion, a PhD in History of Science, and an ScD (Doctor of Science) in Philosophy of Science. He is Phi Beta Kappa and is listed in Who's Who in America. He has authored 220 publications including 19 genealogical guidebooks.

Professor Schweitzer uses historical reenactment to teach genealogy and has traced many of his ancestral lines back to the early 1500s. He has lectured to over 200 genealogical and historical societies in the US, Canada, England, and Germany.

Registration is now being accepted. The registration fee includes the syllabus, lunch, snacks and drinks throughout the day, and more. A registration form is included with this newsletter.

