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Committee Spotlights

Society Activities

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Editor

The following monthly updates have been received from or prepared for the various Society committees.

Extractions

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Extractions Chairperson

We still need a volunteer to help compile the Kansas City Star obituary books every other month. Please contact Stephen Hough or Bill Hanaway to volunteer.

The following obituary indices are now finished: June, October and November of 2006; March and June of 2007. I have been informed there are approximately ten indices still needing to be completed.

The Woodlawn Cemetery project is experiencing a delay due to a database file backup/restore problem, which we

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News from the President

Annual Luncheon Well Attended

Stephen Hough

Society President

The rains keep falling, the rivers keep rising, and the heat and mosquitoes are not far behind! I have been wondering what it was like to farm or migrate during times of adverse weather, even just a few decades ago. Fortunately, we can find some answers in journals and newspaper accounts.

I don't usually consider the impact of weather or natural disasters on my family's history. I can recall how a severe storm could destroy the year's crops for my grandparents, and then there were stories of folks that drown trying to ford a stream. My father-in-law told me about living through terrible heat waves during the early twentieth century, and my mother spoke of dust filled clouds and muddy rain about the same time.

What stories have you heard or what events have you experienced first hand? You should record these memories for the next generation. Your family history contest entry must be submitted by the end of the September general meeting, so if you haven't come up with a subject yet, why not share a story about nature's impact on your family history.

Anyway, I hope this newsletter finds you and your treasures safe and dry.

Sorry You Missed Us

We had a good gathering and great food at the annual luncheon. Thanks again to Debbie Mack and her family for their hard work and delicious dinner.

We honored our deceased members with memorial books and presented certificates of Life Membership

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hope to have resolved before too much longer.

We have several extraction projects, but a shortage of volunteers.

Contact this committee at extractions@jcg.org.

Library

Diana Hough

2nd Vice-President and Library Chairperson

This year, memorial books were purchased in honor of deceased members Georgia Fox, Julia “Judy” Johnson and Marilyn Plowman, and presented during our annual luncheon on June 7th.

The first book presented was “Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery Emma, Missouri” by Jane Bredehoeft Schroer. This fully indexed 434 page book details 143 years of history as taken from the funeral records of the church. Each record contains a genealogical history and includes a color photo if a stone is present.

The other books presented were “Branded As Rebels” Volumes Two and Three (parts one and two) by Donald R. Hale and are the latest in a series of biographical data on Missourians who were associated with the Confederacy during the Civil War.

These books are currently located on the “new books” shelf.

Contact the Library Committee at library@jcg.org.

Membership

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Membership Chairperson

The Society welcomes the following new member: Ron Hardy of Oklahoma. We would like to recognize fellow member Elaine Zion who renewed as a Life Member.

If you would be interested in becoming the Membership Chairman, please contact Stephen Hough to volunteer. The duties are not difficult.

Contact this committee at membership@jcg.org.

Programs

Debbie Mack

1st Vice-President and Program Chairperson

The process of developing a theme for our 2008-2009 general meetings and arranging for guest speakers has

begun. The July/August *Pioneer Trails* should have a summary of our meetings and speakers.

Contact this committee at programs@jcg.org.

Publications

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Publications Chairperson

Our next *Pioneer Trails* (#276) will be a July/August issue and should be mailed around August 20. We hope to have the next edition of the *Pioneer Wagon* in your hands by the end of July.

Please email newsletter submissions, by the 10th of each month, to the editor at pioneer@jcg.org or mail it to JCGS Editor, 1111 W. Pacific Ave., Independence, MO 64050-4399. Hint: email (being able to copy and paste) saves me time when I do not need to retype your submission!

Research Assistance

Elva Osiek

Historian and Research Assistance Chairperson

Some recent research assistance requests include:

- Bob and Christina Langham of The Colony, TX are looking for the burial place of Col. Asiah A. Tomlinson of the 5th WV Infantry.
- Donna (Boehmer) Pearce and her brother, Richard of Kearney NE are looking for a baby born to their mother, Almeda Boehmer, and put up for adoption in Kansas City, MO or KS, around 1945-47.
- Joyce B. Rodgers of Louisville, KY would appreciate a copy of an obituary for Lucy Christine Carter, who died in September 1987.
- Janet Carlson of Cowpens, SC would appreciate copies of the obituaries for John G. Eckart, April 1970, Julia Arvin, July 1971, and Bernard Eckart, August 1978.
- Stephen A. Moore of Vernon, VT requests the obituary for Forest Moore; date of death was July 1970 in Independence.
- Richard and Roberta Schultz of Wilmington, IL would appreciate someone taking pictures of Mt. Moriah Cemetery, where they have family burials. They would also like to make contact with families by the name of Tuttle.
- Alice Widner of the Trading Post Museum in

Pleasanton, KS would appreciate the burial site of Mary Edith Nordburg, also an obituary if we can locate the information.

Contact the Research Committee at research@jcgs.org.

Ways and Means

Vicki Reed

Ways and Means Chairperson

We are working on setting up a table on the Fourth of July to sell soda pop and water to all the folks who come to the festivities and the fireworks. It should be great. Come and see us.

Best Choice Save-a-Label Program

Please remember to save those Best Choice labels. More specifically, save the bar code including the words 'Best Choice' above the code and the numbers below it. JCGS receives \$30 for every 1,000 labels submitted and an annual certificate worth another \$30.

Used Ink Cartridge Program (except Epson)

A BIG thank you to all who have donated used ink cartridges to the Society. We are saving a significant amount of money through your generous donations. Please keep them coming.

When you donate your used printer ink cartridges to the Society, we turn them in at Office Depot and OfficeMax for a \$3 credit toward our purchases.

Contact this committee at sales@jcgs.org.

A Little Deed Filler by Connie Mogg

Deed #348 dated 12 May 1843 transfers land in Section 29 Township 47 Range 29 from John and Elizabeth HUNTER to the Trustees of the Lone Jack School District located in Montgomery Township of Jackson County. The trustees named are: John BEELER; John SNOW; and Edward CARTER. The HUNTERs asked in payment for this acre of land: _in consideration of the natural love and desire they have for the young and rising generation have given and granted... _ this land.



From the (e) Mailbag

Since at least 1995, Mrs. Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen has been sending obituaries she's clipped from the Los Angeles Times and the Orange County Register with a Jackson County connection. This month she sent obituaries for:

Adams, Virginia Hawes	Apr 2008
Amador, Elvira	Jan 2008
Andrews, Leo S "Andy"	Jul 2007
Brady, Leonard	Oct 2007
Cutting, Keith Richmond	Dec 2007
Holloway, Ernest "Red"	Jan 2008
Hurd, Roger Gene	Jan 2008
Johnson, Arthur Charles	Jul 2007
Johnson, Darlene	Nov 2007
Johnston, Mark James Dr	Jul 2007
Justus, Martha Alice	Jan 2008
Meek, Richard Leon	Jan 2008
Meredith, Josef Hoffman	Jul 2007
Murphy, Kathleen E	Nov 2007
Schoff, Ruth E Carmichael	Mar 2008
Schreiber, Arthur Geboth	Apr 2008
Towne, Robert E	Feb 2008
Troupe, Peggy Jane	Mar 2008
Werner, Mary Jane Cully	Apr 2008
Young, Blanche	Feb 2008

Our thanks go to Mrs. Borkenhagen for her time and efforts. They are much appreciated.

The Tri-State Genealogical Society sends a schedule of June 16-20 Midnight Madness events to be held at the Willard Library, 21 First Ave, Evansville, IN 47710-1294. Lots of interesting sessions!

From Randall Phillips, 1942 S Cedar brook, Springfield, MO 65804 (417-823-9786) is a schedule of fees he charges for transcribing, editing, etc. services.



ON THE WEB AT JCGS.ORG

At JCGS.org you will find a bulletin board of general information or announcements the Society receives; a general store where we list items for sale; and pages for the library, membership, publications (*Pioneer Trails & Pioneer Wagon*), programs, extractions (projects) and research assistance committees.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

GENERAL MEETINGS

06/07/08 - 1 p.m. Annual Luncheon
07/08 - No Meeting
08/08 - No Meeting
09/04/08 - 7 p.m.
10/02/08 - 7 p.m.
11/06/08 - 7 p.m.
12/06/08 - 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

06/26/08 - 7 p.m.
07/08 - No Meeting
08/28/08 - 7 p.m.
09/25/08 - 7 p.m.
10/23/08 - 7 p.m.
12/04/08 - 7 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

09/08 - Annual Book Sale

to several people, including one Honorary Life Membership to our good friend Victor P. Meador for all of his contributions to the Society and Jackson County genealogy in general.

I believe four of our members and a guest shared their thoughts and information from the recent NGS conference held in Kansas City.

JCGS and the Midwest Genealogy Center

The Mid-Continent Public Library Midwest Genealogy Center had the official ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday, June 21, 2008, at 10:00 am. Our society had a display table throughout the day for sharing information about the Society.

Preparations for Annual Book Sale

The book collection barrels are out in the libraries. We are searching for a storage/sale location. I have not had any luck to date and would imagine that a public storage building is in our near future. The real estate people will not even take an offer to the property owners; one (from Victor Ross) told me, "There's no money in it for me." Another was so proud of his building that he just knew it would be leased before September—this property has torn up sidewalks, several pellet gun holes in the windows and has been empty for, well almost ever.

Though they will probably never read this paragraph, I want to express my appreciation to all those generous people who donate books to JCGS to keep us going. God bless them.

Hopefully we will find a good sale location—easy to find and ample parking. But if worse comes to worse we will erect a circus tent next to the depot ;)

Executive Board to Decide Fate of Deed Book

As mentioned previously, deed book III has been completed. The bids for printing and binding have now been received and I will ask the board to approve the publication of this book at our June board meeting.

It has been suggested that I ask our members if they would like to purchase a copy of this book. Knowing this will help us decide on a reasonable number to have printed.

If you plan on purchasing this book please send a quick email to president@jcs.org or call Twylia at the library on Thursday—252-8128. ❖

Items for Sale

Cemetery Records

Blue Springs Cemetery - \$10.00

Buckner Hill Cemetery - \$10.00

Jackson County Cemeteries - A 2002 Report (cemetery names, locations and condition) - \$10.00

Mound Grove Cemetery, 1902-1996 (1997) - \$50.00

Recent Readings of Jackson County Cemeteries (45 small cemeteries) with Jackson Co. Death Records 1883-1895 - \$15.00

Salem Cemetery - \$8.00

Woodlawn Cemetery - Coming Soon!

Deeds

Jackson County Missouri Deeds 1827 – 1845 – Volume I - \$22.00

Jackson County Missouri Deeds 1845 – 1851 – Volume II - \$25.00

Jackson County Missouri Deeds 1851 – 1857 – Volume III - Coming Soon!

Marriage Records

Marriage Records of Jackson Co. MO 1827-1881 (1995) - \$20.00

Marriage Records of Jackson Co. MO 1881-1917 (Soft back - 2007) - \$26.00

Marriage Records of Jackson Co. MO 1881-1917 (Hard back – 2007) - \$46.00

Cumulative Brides Index to Marriage Records of Jackson Co. MO 1827-1881 - \$5.00

Probate/Will Records

Jackson County Wills and Administrations [Independence Court House] 1828-1862 - \$15.00

Jackson County Wills and Administrations [Independence Court House] 1862-1910 - \$34.00

Jackson County Wills and Administrations, Kansas City, MO 1869-1910 (Two Volume Set) - \$59.00

Jackson County Wills and Administrations [Kansas City, MO] 1899, 1910-1918 - \$29.00

Back Issues of *The Pioneer Wagon* (Quarterly)

Volume I-VI \$1.50 per issue or \$5.00 per volume (4 issues)

Volume VII, VIII 2.00 per issue or \$7.50 per volume (4 issues)

Volume IX, X 3.00 per issue or \$10.00 per volume (4 issues)

Volume XI-XVIII 4.00 per issue or \$15.00 per volume (4 issues)

Some issues may no longer be available.

Apparel

Baseball Cap – Royal or light blue with white JCGS logo, with or without mesh- \$5.00

Polo Shirt – Royal or light blue with white JCGS logo, 50/50 Poly/Cotton, WITH pocket, S-M-L-XL - \$15.00

Polo Shirt – Royal or light blue with white JCGS logo, 50/50 Poly/Cotton, WITH pocket, 2 XL - \$17.00

Polo Shirt – Royal or light blue with white JCGS logo, 50/50 Poly/Cotton, WITHOUT pocket, S-M-L-XL - \$14.00

Polo Shirt – Royal or light blue with white JCGS logo, 50/50 Poly/Cotton, WITHOUT pocket, 2 XL - \$16.00

T-Shirt – Royal or light blue with white JCGS logo, S-M-L-XL - \$8.00

T-Shirt – Royal or light blue with white JCGS logo, 2 XL - \$9.00

Charts

4-15 Generation Charts, wide variety

Misc.

Tote bag – tan w/black JCGS logo - \$7.50

Prices are subject to change without notice. Postage for the first item is \$4.00 then \$2.00 for each additional item. To purchase items or for additional information, visit the JCGS library, send an email to sales@jcg.org, or write to:

JCGS Ways and Means Committee, P.O. Box 2145, Independence, MO 64055

Jackson County Genealogical Society
P.O. Box 1133
Independence, MO 64051

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OFFICERS (2008-2009)

President	Stephen Hough
1st Vice-President	Debbie Mack
2nd Vice-President	Diana Hough
Secretary	Teola Constance
Treasurer	Alice Wehmhoener

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Individual	15.00
Couple	17.50
Contributing Member	25.00
Life Member	150.00
Student	5.00

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Your expiration date is noted on your newsletter address label. Please include a SASE with your renewal check so we can send your receipt and membership card.

WEBSITE

JCGS.org

Important Addresses and Telephone Numbers

Please send correspondence to the appropriate address.

Membership Dues and Renewals

JCGS Treasurer, P.O. Box 2145, Independence, MO 64055

General Correspondence (including Research Requests, and Ways & Means purchases)

JCGS, P.O. Box 2145, Independence, MO 64055

Pioneer Trails/Wagon and Exchange Publications

JCGS, P.O. Box 1133, Independence, MO 64051

JCGS Library

1111 W Pacific, Independence, MO 64050, Phone: 252-8128
Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Illness or Death

Please report the illness of a member or the death of a member/family member to the Corresponding Secretary, Teola Constance, 1023 S. Forest, Independence MO 64050, or call (816) 252-4566 so we can send a card from the Society. ❖