

# THE PIONEER TRAILS

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## Committee Spotlights

*Society Activities*

### Help Wanted

*Editor*

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

### Extractions

#### Twylia Brand

*Extractions Chairperson*

Extraction Committee in need of people interested in furthering our society's ability to reach and aid others in their search for their ancestors. Would like ideas of things you would like to have published by our group. Please contact me in order that it may be determined the number of people who wish to be involved in a worthy endeavor.

Having been on this committee a long time I can testify that it is a very fulfilling feeling when a project finally is finished and we can offer something worthwhile.

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## News from the President

*Items of Interest*

### Stephen Hough

*Society President*

I am pleased to announce the Extraction Committee has a new chairperson, Twylia Brand. Twylia recently volunteered to take over the responsibility for this committee and her appointment was approved by the Executive Board at their September meeting.

The *Burial Records: Kansas City Municipal Cemeteries at Leeds 1934-1965* has been published and can be purchased for \$15 at the library.

The Blue Springs Cemetery book has almost sold out and will be reprinted. We found several unbound copies that are at the printer for binding.

During July, August and September we saved \$74 on library supplies using ink cartridges (\$27), coupons and rewards (\$47).

Each year the Society publishes a surname index in the 4th (January) issue of its quarterly, *The Pioneer Wagon*. Each member whose dues are paid as of Dec. 31 is entitled to submit ten surnames for the registry free of charge. Additional surnames may be submitted by paying 50 cents for each additional surname. You can download this from JCGS.org and mail it to: JCGS, Publications Committee, PO Box 1133, Independence, MO 64051-0633.

### *Family History Contest*

The Family History Contest entries deadline was September 4th. We received six entries which have been given to the contest sponsor, Jane Mallinson.

### *Independence Book and Postcards*

One of our members, Marietta Wilson Boenker, has

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We will meet—when I know who wishes to be included—and determine the next step toward a new publication.

Except for the August obituaries, and some proofing and printing, Elva, Twylia and Victor have finished indexing the backlog of Kansas City Star obituary books—congratulations! Soon Stephen, also our computer coordinator, will add all these to the master index.

Contact the committee at [webmaster@jcg.org](mailto:webmaster@jcg.org).

## **Library**

### **Diana Hough**

*2nd Vice-President and Library Chairperson*

September 16<sup>th</sup> was the first time we've "manned" the library on Tuesdays in over a month. Preparations for the annual book sale had kept us away. Fortunately Victor, Connie and Debbie were able to be there and, as usual, kept the library running smoothly.

More than a few books suitable for the library shelves were culled from the thousands of donated books. Thank you to all the volunteers who found these.

Nancy's been busy helping me sort, organize and put much of the remaining miscellaneous materials in binders—thank you! We're about finished with V. G. Johnson's papers. As I'm sure you are all aware, she was an expert genealogist and taught classes on a number of subjects. We're putting her various class materials in notebooks and I've titled the series V G's \_\_\_\_\_ Book; e.g., V G's Beginning Genealogy Book. Hopefully a complete listing will be ready for next month's *Pioneer Trails*.

Debbie's still well ahead of me on the project to computerize our inventory of periodicals. I'm still entering data for Ohio while she's finished filling out sheets for Tennessee. Currently there are 8,464 periodical issues entered in our database.

When Debbie was working on Ohio, she found quite a large number of duplicate issues of the Ohio Genealogical Society Newsletter and the Ohio Genealogical Society Report. As always, these duplicates are free to anyone who'd like to have them. Of course, donations are always welcome!

### ***Library Visitors***

Among the library visitors during August and September were: Ronald Talcott of Lee's Summit researching BLAIR; Bob Burton of Liberty researching BURTON; Sharon Snyder researching OWENS and McCOY; Linda Reckart of Kansas City researching MOORE, KEY and PEELE; Marietta Boenker of Lee's Summit researching WILSON, STRODE and ENSMINGER; Cindy Hill of Lee's Summit researching HILL and HINDS; Paul ?ah of St Louis researching HAMPTON. Other visitors didn't list surnames of interest and include: Tom Rafiner, Parkville; Becky Cox, Independence; Carol Spiwak, Marilyn Margrave; Kathryn Shumand; Kimberly Steppe, Independence; Rhonda McArthur, Independence; and Ted Miller, Independence.

Contact the committee at [jcgslibrary@yahoo.com](mailto:jcgslibrary@yahoo.com).

## **Membership**

### **James Houston**

*Membership Coordinator*

The Society welcomes the following new members: Carole A. Conard, Ogle L. Cunningham, Dale C. Luke, Nancy G. Milster, and Nancy S. Scott all of Independence, MO. There are no new Life Members.

Several cards were sent to members due to illness or death.

Contact coordinator at [jcgsmembership@yahoo.com](mailto:jcgsmembership@yahoo.com).

## **Programs**

### **Debbie Mack**

*1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President and Program Chairperson*

Our next meeting will be Thursday evening, October 2nd at 7pm. Our speaker will be local author Harriet Frazier. Harriet is the author of *Slavery and Crime In Missouri 1773-1865; Death Sentences in Missouri 1803-2003* and *Freed Missouri Slaves and Those Who Helped Them 1763-1865*. She is currently working on a book about Missouri hangings.

We will also have refreshments and door prizes.

Contact the committee at [jcgprograms@yahoo.com](mailto:jcgprograms@yahoo.com).

## **Publications**

### **VACANT**

*Publications Chairperson*

Please email newsletter submissions, by the 10th of each month, to the editor at [jcgstrails@yahoo.com](mailto:jcgstrails@yahoo.com) and

quarterly submissions to Debbie, a.s.a.p., at [jcgswagon@yahoo.com](mailto:jcgswagon@yahoo.com) or mail them to JCGS Editor, 1111 W. Pacific Ave., Independence, MO 64050-4399.

### Research Assistance

**Elva Osiek**

*Historian and Research Assistance Chairperson*

Some recent research assistance requests include:

- Nothing reported this month.

Contact the committee at [jcgsresearch@yahoo.com](mailto:jcgsresearch@yahoo.com).

### Ways and Means

**Vicki Reed**

*Ways and Means Chairperson*

We held our 28th Annual Used Booksale from 09/11-14/08. For Carole and me it was a learning experience and at times overwhelming. This was our first time doing this and we wouldn't have missed it. I would like to take this opportunity to say a BIG THANK YOU To all of you who helped with the sale. Especially Bill Hanaway, and Stephen and Diana without whose help we couldn't have done it. We sold \$179 in genealogy books at the sale as well. Several people were interested in becoming members and took membership forms with them. Also we have filled two orders for books and copies of the Pioneer Wagon. Carole and I are working on some new ideas for raising money for the Society, such as an Arts and Crafts Fair, bake sales, or a raffle. We welcome any and all suggestions from everyone as well. Please feel free to let us know.

### Best Choice Save-a-Label Program

Please remember to save those Best Choice labels, i.e., the bar code including the words 'Best Choice' above the code and the numbers below it. We can receive \$30 for every 1,000 labels plus an annual \$30 certificate.

We DO NOT accept Best Choice containers that we must clean; they will be thrown out.

### 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—we turn them in at Office Depot and OfficeMax for a \$3 credit toward our purchases.

Contact this committee at [vickireed@rocketmail.com](mailto:vickireed@rocketmail.com).



### From the Mailbag

I have received the following lists of names of volunteers who made this year's used book sale possible.

#### *Annual Used Book Sale Volunteers*

#### **Sorters:**

Twylia Brand	Gary Gabbard
Winnie Case	Elva Osiek
Teola Constance	Nancy Smith
Frances Gabbard	Joanne Weston

#### **Book Movers (before and/or after):**

Carole Anderson	Lisa Kurzweil
Gene Brown	Steve Mortz
Bill Hanaway	Vicki Reed
Diana Hough	Nancy Smith
Stephen Hough	Ashton Unger
James Houston	Earl Wehmhoener

#### **Book Sale Setup and Workers:**

Carole Anderson	Steve Mortz
Twylia Brand	Winnie Myler
Judy Carlson	Elva Osiek
Winnie Case	Gary Plowman
Teola Constance	Vicki Reed
Bill Hanaway	Desiree Rogers
Diana Hough	Barbara Scanlon
Stephen Hough	Nancy Smith
Julie Kurzweil	Jean Swihart
Lisa Kurzweil	Alice Wehmhoener
Victor Meador	Earl Wehmhoener
Connie Mogg	Angela Zaner

If any names have been omitted, please notify the editor at [jcgstrails@yahoo.com](mailto:jcgstrails@yahoo.com).



## 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

09/09 - Annual Book Sale

co-authored a book, *Independence*, with Richard N. Piland, *Images of America Series* (\$19.99, 128 pages, softcover) and *Independence, Postcards of America Series* (\$7.99, 15 postcards), Arcadia Publishing. Both the book and the postcards are available September 29, 2008 at local retailers, online, or through Arcadia Publishing at [www.arcadiapublishing.com](http://www.arcadiapublishing.com) or (888) 313-2665.

We will try to include a review in our library spotlight section in the near future.

### ***Library Spotlight***

A book review by Connie Mogg

“MY FOLKS CAME IN A COVERED WAGON:  
A TREASURY OF PIONEER STORIES”

Capper Publications: 1956

When the Capper Weekly Magazine requested "true pioneer stories" from its readers, many personal glimpses of the past were received from early settlers and their close relatives. A few were published in their magazine. Thankfully the editors had the foresight to see that these memories were precious and soon would not be available. These remembrances were preserved in this slim paperback volume of 100 pages.

The stories are grouped into four broad categories: Perils of Pioneering; Pleasures of Pioneering; How the Pioneers Lived; and Memories of Big Events. These short entries are easy to read and can be enjoyed by picking and choosing those which appear to be of interest. There are two indexes: story names and contributors' names.

The call number is 976.02/M99A. It can be checked out of the JCGS Research Library by its members.

This is one in a series of similar books by Capper Publications. The others that are available at the Mid-Continent Libraries include: *Immigration*; *Claiming the Plains*; *One-Room Schools*; *The Civil War*; *The Depression Days* and *World War II*.



# 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- OUT OF STOCK

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

## Misc.

4-15 Generation Charts, wide variety

Magnet with picture of depot including address, telephone number, web address - \$1.00

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, email [vickireed@rocketmail.com](mailto:vickireed@rocketmail.com), or write to:

JCGS Ways and Means Committee, P.O. Box 1133, Independence, MO 64051

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## ABOUT JCGS

### 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 visit us online at [JCGS.org](http://JCGS.org).*

**General Correspondence (including Extractions, Library, Membership, Programs, Research Requests, and Ways & Means purchases)**

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**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.

