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THE FALMOUTH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

As your new editor, I hope to accomplish all the things you ask of me. I will do my best to give you interesting articles and bring up concerns that effect our Society. I do need your input and help so that can represent every member in these pages.

The past dedication and hard work that our founding ladies, Eleanor G. Baldic, past President and Marge Riley has given our Society must not go unnoticed, plus all the other wonderful members who helped hold our fragile beginning together and kept showing their support. A standing ovation should be displayed to these faithful members.

And to the new officers who have a continued challenge to guide us along the way to success in our hunt for our ancestors and by keeping this Society going strong into the future, we wish you the best of luck.

Paul J. Bunnell, F.A.C.G., U.E.,
Editor.

A SPECIAL MESSAGE

I want to thank all of you who have supported the Society since it was created in 1985. I especially want to thank Ceola Harris, Eleanor Mendoza, Marge Riley, Dorothy Sandlin and Paul Bunnell for all their help with organization, publicity and support that they have given to our Society to keep it going.

The Society was formed in 1985 by Marge Riley and myself to gather together others who were interested in "Searching Their Roots". Marge designed our "logo" and our brochure. The Society has grown from 10 members to about 70. Without each and every one of you there would not be a Society. Your support and enthusiasm is our "backbone". Thank you!

I have enjoyed serving you for the past five years and I will continue to work very hard to promote our Society in every way. My thanks also go out to Marge Gibson and Lorraine Fox for a great job.

Congratulations to our new President, Ted Karlson. Thanks Ted, we needed a man at the helm. Let us all support and help him so that we all can have a great year.

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MESSAGE FROM NEW PRESIDENT

On the following page of this newsletter there is a questionnaire asking you where you are in your research. Please take the time out to complete it so we can possibly help you during future meetings and workshops. Your answers will also provide us with possible similar lines that are being researched from other members.

I also plan to stay after each meeting if needed to help with or answer any questions you may have regarding your research. Maybe together we can all find a solution to our individual problems. Please be sure to mail the questionnaire or bring it in at our next meeting.

I have suggested that we might include in our monthly programs a brief period at the beginning of the meeting to allow a member to come before the group and describe what their research consists of. Plan to discuss this idea next time we meet.

Theodore J. Karlson - President

DONATION/SUPPORT TO OUR SOCIETY

Augat Inc., 106 Falmouth Rd., Mashpee, Ma. 02649 who makes interconnection devices for the computer industry has donated 3 Micro-Fiche readers to our Society. A word of thanks goes out to Mr. Donald Adams, Plant Manager who also has donated paper and the use of their copy machines to present this newsletter to you. So, I here by announce that Augat Inc. is a supporter and sponsor of our newsletter.

As you all know, Micro-Fiche readers are very expensive, so if anyone wishing to send a word of thanks to Don Adams, please feel free to do so at the above address.

This equipment will open up an entire new world to our members once we get down to business to discuss what type of records we would like to purchase for our Society. It also stresses the need more than ever, for a permanent location for our holdings, things that should be aired in the future.

DUES REMINDER !

Did you forget to pay your membership dues this year. If so, please send your check in to Lorraine Fox, our Secretary or pay her at the next meeting. Don't Forget ! We need you as a member !

COMING EVENTS

14 July 1990 (Saturday)

We will meet at the Falmouth Library at 9:30 AM and Harriet Quimby of the Falmouth Historical Society will take us on a tour of our neighbor Society. Anyone not interested in going can stay behind at the library for a research and study period.

11 August 1990 (Saturday)

Meeting will start at 9:30 AM. We will have a workshop at the Falmouth Public Library. Bring in your material and questions and hopefully, some of your problems will be addressed. Anyone wishing to bring in books or material to help others are encouraged to do so, but please mark them so they will not get lost.

8 September 1990 (Saturday)

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10 November 1990 (Saturday)

Meeting will start at 9:30 AM at the Falmouth Public Library. Agenda has not been determined yet.

7 December 1990 (Friday)

To be decided!

A possible guided tour of the Sturgis Library on 6A in Barnstable Village. This will be a Friday morning trip because the library is now closed on Saturdays due to budgetary problems in the town. This is the best genealogical library on the Cape and at our next meeting a vote will be taken as to who would be interested into making a Friday trip there. Marge Gibson will be the coordinator.

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OTHER ACTIVITIES MATTERS

Marge Gibson, our Program Chairperson is also looking for interests in a trip to the Military Museum in Natick, Mass.. They house many of the early military records of the state.

Also, a trip to the New Bedford Public Library which has a very large genealogy section.

How about a possible trip to the New England Historical & Genealogical Society (NEHGS) in Boston?

Any other ideas are always welcome. We need your input to make this a successful Society so please let us know about your interests.

See Marge at our next meeting and give her your thoughts on these ideas.

PROJECT COMMITTEE

Eleanor Baldic has been inventorying the genealogical material in the cabinets at the Falmouth public Library. This project when completed will help the researcher know what is available at the library regarding genealogies. Anyone wishing to help Eleanor in this project, please contact her. She can really use the assistance.

ANYONE FOR CLAMS ?

Cape Libraries Automated Materials Sharing (CLAMS) will be on line in the Fall. Containing 1.5 million books, periodicals and audio-visual resources through a cooperative system of inter-library loans will improve each locations ability to borrow more materials for the researcher.

A federal grant of \$936,000 including \$123,000 from Barnstable, \$50,000 from Falmouth and \$20,000 for other sources will buy computer hardware, software and telecommunications to kick off this program.

Libraries that will be included are; Brooks Free Library in Harwich, Cape Cod Community College, Centerville, Cotuit, Edgartown, Falmouth, Jonathan Bourne, The Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, Marstons Mills, Osterville, Sandwich, Snow in Orleans, Sturgis in Barnstable, Wheldon in West Barnstable, Hyannis Library, which houses the CLAMS clerical center, and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, the central computer informational processing center.

Staffers are presently putting data into the system. Falmouth has 80,000 books to bar-code and record says Anne M. Haddad, Director of the Falmouth Library. See the library nearest you for more details.

ARTICLES OF INTEREST TO FALMOUTH

I was planning to insert the Vital Records of Falmouth Before 1850 in each issue until the entire record was published in our newsletter. Finding a copywrite date of 1976 told me I would have to get permission to print it so I wrote to The Rhode Island Mayflower Descendants in Warwick, Rhode Island for the authority. They quickly responded within two days later and informed me that they were planning to reprint the volume. They did send me a flyer on their activities which are;

Plymouth Mass. Records Available in late 1990, over 900 pages, indexed, hardbound. This has three times as many pages of Plymouth Vital records as appeared in Mayflower Descendant. Price not announced yet.

This Society also has published records on Marshfield, Yarmouth and Falmouth. Their address is, 128 Massasoit Drive, Warwick, RI 02888.

EARLY FALMOUTH HISTORY

The Indian name for Falmouth was Succonesset. On 4 June 1661, Isaac Robinson and others were given permission from the court to settle Falmouth. They are reported as being the first white settlers. Isaac Robinson was the first to build a house in Falmouth which was located between Fresh and Salt ponds.

Other founding fathers were, Jonathan Hatch, John Chapman, John Jenkins, Jesse Hamlin, Anthony Annabel, William Nelson, Samuel Hinckley, Captain Nathaniel Thomas, Samuel Fuller, Thomas Lathrop, Peter Blossom, James Cobb and Thomas Ewer.

Needing protection, Suconesset (Falmouth) stayed part of Barnstable until it became strong enough to defend itself.

A few years later, more settlers came to Suconesset (Falmouth);
1668 - William Gifford, Thomas Lewis and John Jenkins.

1678 - William Gifford Jr., John and William Weeks

1679 - James Percival, Moses Ronley Sr., Joseph Hull, Thomas Griffin, John Robinson, Samuel Tilley, Nathaniel Skiff and Thomas Johnson.

East Falmouth area, 1685 - Robert Harper, James Percival, Joseph Hull, John Weeks, Joseph Hatch, Moses Rowley Sr., James Lewis and Thomas Creppan Sr..

On 4 June 1686 the residents of Suconesset (Falmouth) received full incorporation as a township. The first known reference to the town being called Falmouth was on 14 September 1694, found by Charles F. Swift during his examination of the provincial statutes.

More land grants were; 1688 - Thomas Bowerman.

1691 - John Weeks, William Weeks, Thomas Parker, Joseph Parker, Benjamin Hatch, Moses Hatch, William Gifford, John Gifford, Jonathan Hatch, Christopher Gifford.

Lands in North Falmouth were granted in February 1689 to - John and Ebenezer Nye, sons of Benjamin Nye of Sandwich. Daniel Butler became a neighbor of theirs.

1704 - Ebenezer Nye, Philip Dexter, Benjamin Nye Sr., Richard Landers, Stephen Harper, Benjamin Lewis, son of James, Jonathan Hatch Jr., Jonathan Nathan Rowley, Joseph Hatch Jr., Benjamin Nye Jr., Gideon Gifford and William Johnson.

Near Falmouth/Mashpee line granted 10 April 1713 - Lt. Jonathan Hatch, Thomas Parker, Nathan Fish, Nathan Ronley, John Jenkins, Joseph Bourne, Joshua Bourne, John Dimmick, Benjamin Burgess, John Gifford, Ezra Bourne, Thomas Crocker, Richard Landers, Judah Butler, John Nye, Benjamin Hatch and John Otis.

Here we have some of the founding fathers of Falmouth.

MOVING THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

It has been reported that the Federal Government is going to move the National Archives Branch in Waltham, Mass. to Pittsfield, Mass.. We are not sure if it is because of space requirements or cost to rent, but we sure feel the need to protest the move so far away from the main population areas of Boston in Massachusetts.

If you feel the same way, please write a letter of disagreement with this move to;

Senator, Edward M. Kennedy
2400 JFK Federal Bldg.
Boston, Ma. 02203

and

National Archives Director
National Archives & Records
Administration
Washington DC 20408



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THE FALMOUTH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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LAST MONTH

Harriet Quimby gave us an excellent tour of the Falmouth Historical Society Museum Library after our short meeting on Saturday, 14 July 1990.

The large collection of genealogical material was a shock to many of us. Many family histories are housed there so if you have any Cape, especially Falmouth roots you may want to look over their collection. Our society is a member, but if you want to join yourself, the cost is \$15.00 per year. "A bargain for being right next door!".

I found it most interesting when the exchange of family stories started. Everyone seemed to have a great story to say about their ancestors, the small gathering generated a lot of fascinating yarns.

We all thank Harriet for such a successful meeting last month.

DUES REMINDER !

There are still many of you who have forgot to update your membership. Cost is still \$10.00 per person, \$12.00 per family. Don't lose out on an exciting year!

MICRO-FICHE READERS

If anyone has film or would like to look at our present stock of film, you are welcome to view this material at the following three locations:

Paul Bunnell
31 Timber Lane, Marstons Mills, Ma.
02648. Phone - 508-428-3663

Theodore (Ted) Karlson
Mashpee, Ma. 02649
Phone - 508-477-9650
(call for directions)

Eleanor Baldic
Falmouth Ma. (summer residence)
Phone - 564-5551
(call for directions)

You are welcome to call and make arrangements with the above.

MOVING THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

We encourage you to write your concerns to the below addresses as we asked in our last newsletter about the relocation of the National Archives from Waltham, Mass. to Pittsfield, Mass. In last months meeting we all seemed to agree how inconvenient this location would be, not just for us in Southern Massachusetts, but to many other highly populated areas of Eastern Mass.

Your support is needed here so please write in your own words how you protest this idea. Originally, we were going to put a form letter in this issue to make it easier to send in, but the impact of a personal protest is much greater, the society felt.

Please write too:

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and

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Please add to this list if you want.

PURCHASE OF GENEALOGICAL ITEMS

Our President, Ted Karlson is in the process of contacting the "Tree Tracer Genealogy Boutique in Agoura Hills, California about up to date pricing and their most recent list and discounts on their products. He will give us a report as soon as he hears from them

OUR NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 11 August 1990, 9:30 AM at the Falmouth Library, this time located across from our regular meeting room in the inclosed glass room. Eleanor Baldic will have a video from Heritage Quest on Missing Ladies in Our Pedigree. Be sure not to miss this one because it is a major problem for all of us.

There may be a audio tape on Finding Birth Dates/Deaths Before Vital Records there too.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULES

8 September meeting will have Gary Boyd Roberts from New England Historical & Genealogical Society (NEHGS) who will speak on "The Pilgrim" and genealogy of the Cape & Islands.

13 Oct. 1990, Hazel Oakley will speak on the Native American Genealogy. Born & raised in Mashpee, she is also the genealogist to the Wampanoag Indian Tribe in Mashpee.

The November meeting will have Ron Goodridge from the Military Archives of Massachusetts in Natick, Mass.

December's meeting will be our trip to Sturgis Library on that Friday before our the regular Saturday meeting. Please take note that there will be no Saturday meeting and that the tour of Sturgis will be in the AM hours. Marge Gibson will keep us updated on this event. This library contains the biggest collection of Cape Cod genealogy in Southern Massachusetts.

January meeting is still open.

**AMERICAN
FRENCH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

P.O. Box 2113
Pawtucket, R.I. 02861-0113

This fine society that is located so close to us has the following research policy.

With your self addressed, stamped envelope and no advanced payment requested until they submit a bill is as follows:

- Single Marriages. (only one marriage to seek) Marriages of parents will also be counted as additional single marriages and billed as such.

- Direct lineages. (A straight line of either a husband or wife back to the immigrant ancestor)

This will include each couple, their date and place of marriage, and their parents names, and location of immigrants in France. Price for direct lineages will be determined by the number of generations found times the rates for research, as applicable.

- Five Generation Ancestral Chart. (Standard 5 generation ancestor chart of 31 ancestors, with 8 marriages found. The last column of names will give parents names only, No marriages, as they will start a new 5 generation chart.

Prices:

\$2.00 per marriage (AFGS members)
\$4.00 per marriage (non-members)
\$16.00 for 5 generation chart (AFGS members)
\$25.00 for 5 generation chart (non-members)

Write for more details. This is a great price if you can't make it to Rhode Island.

ARTICLES OF INTERESTS TO FALMOUTH

Religion goes to the rescue in racial matters in Falmouth which even than was unheard of. The leaders of Falmouth in 1732 showed their sense of Justice in religious deliberations, illustrating the admission of "Cuffee", a negro servant of Deacon Parker into full communion, but Still, he was baptised as a white to be fellowshipped by the brethren.

Captain Joseph Robinson, Noah Davis and Nathaniel Shiverick were appointed to the Committee of Correspondence in October 1774 to support the cause of independence representing Falmouth, soon to order every man between the ages of sixteen and sixty, to be armed and ready to fight. Falmouth was among the first to respond to our independence with men and money.

(from the History of Barnstable County, Massachusetts, edited by Simeon L. Deyo, 1890.

The Native American name for Barnstable was, "Chautauquan".

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LAST MONTH

Presented at last months meeting was another fine film by Heritage Quest which is located in Orting, Washington state. Ariene Eakle, Ph.D was again their speaker. Intitiled, "New Immigration Sources".

Over 25 members attended and it was reported that the interest in the film ran high. Dr. Eakle covered the legality of coping with natrualization records at the federal level which is taboo unless you go through the "Freedom of Information Act" process.

It was interesting to find that many Emmigrants filed only a "declaration of intent" to naturalize and never went through the final process. Children did not have to naturalize and a sponsor was usually required before coming to America. These sponsors were usually family members. During the colonial period, settlers were told to take the oath of allegiance to the Crown.

Many other alike areas were talked about including statistics on the German's. Early colonial Germans were Farmers where latter day Germans were city dwellers. Homestead applications are another good source having peaked in 1913 with the most settling in places like the Dakota's.

Early incoming processing locations (before Ellis Island) was Wards Island, Angel Island, San Fransisco, Delaware etc.. Dr. Eakle explains that occupations gave away were many Emmigrants settled in the USA. Over 88,000 laborers came in 1852, most going to the cities and Mill towns of the North East.

The travel conditions were another area of interests as our forefathers came to this country. The Pilgrims on the Mayflower had only their sleeping quarters which was only the size of one double bed for an entire family to sleep, wash, cook etc..

Also covered was where the Dutch settled in the USA, first in New York, than Minnesota, Oregon and Washington state. After the Neopoleanic wars many Irish did not go back to Ireland, instead settling around Liverpool and Manchester, England. Many Swedes went to Worcester and Lowell Massachusetts, than to Canada.

Dr. Eakle says that the Passenger & Immigration List Index collection of over 6 volumes is the best source to look at first, containing over 2 million passengers. A very good piece of info. on our recent German ancestors is that they were required to list their last three generations during Hitler's rein to prove they were pure German stock.

We should congratulate Marge Gibson for finding this very informative film.

Please continue to write in to your representative of your choice in this matter. It will make a tremendous difference in our research travel time if they do move it to Pittsfield.

NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome new members to our society.

John Peri and Robert Tilden Esq.
William & Lucille Nausmann and
Robert C. Saunders
Welcome!

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13 October, Hazel Oakley will speak about the Native American and their genealogy. Deeply involved in the genealogy and records of the Wampanoag Indian Tribe, this lecture will very informative to many. Bring a Friend!

November, Ron Goodridge from the Military Archives of Mass. in Natick will tell us all about his holdings. A must for military buffs!

December, a Friday morning day trip to the Sturgis Library, a great place for researching your Cape ancestors. Be there or be square!

January meeting is still open.

REUNIONS

Orphan Train Rider Reunion
Anyone interested in ancestors who were put on the orphan trains at the turn of the century can get in touch with OTHSA, 4453 S. 48th. St., Springdale, Ar. 72764. To get a newsletter, send .45 cent postage and a self addressed envelope. There were at least 150,000 of these orphans who were sent out west and placed into homes during hard times. OTHSA had their last reunion on 7 Oct. 1989 at Fayetteville, Arkansas. The organizer and executive director was Mary Ellen Johnson.

Harvard University Sit In-
Take Over Reunion!

Believe it or not, this alumni met last year to celebrate the protest of the government and the Vietnam War when in 1969 these students took control of Harvard University. Several hundred people participated in this event where 45 were hurt and 197 arrested. A 3 day boycott from class blew up into a 15 day strike with students taking over the school. This reunion brought out 200 people who did participate. They gathered at a Cambridge location still wearing anti-war buttons and worn out T-shirts and probably a lot less hair on their heads too.

NEW BEDFORD LIBRARY

The New Bedford Library has new hours for anyone interested in their genealogy room. Starting 1 July 1990, Monday & Wednesday, the research room will be open from 1 PM to 9 PM, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, Noon to 5 PM, Saturday from 9 AM to 5 PM. This library is very good, having a large microfilm collection, federal census and Canadian records.

DUES REMINDER !

There are still a few of you who have not paid your dues yet. If not, below is a coupon for your convenience. Don't hesitate! Mail it today. Thank You

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Leeticket, Ma. 02536
Attn. Eleanor Baldic, Membership

Enclosed is _____ for 1990 dues

For Individual \$10.00 _____

For Family \$12.00 _____

For Organizations \$12.00 _____

Name(s) _____

Address St. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

ARTICLES OF INTEREST TO FALMOUTH

On 25 March 1701 every housekeeper was ordered by the town of Falmouth to kill 6 old or 12 young blackbirds, or 4 jays by the 15th. of June. These poor birds had to be delivered to the selectmen and if not, each person would be fined 3 shillings for delinquency. This measure was adopted to save the crops in the field.

The first organized movement for a church in Falmouth was on 10 October 1708. Residents of Falmouth, but members of the Barnstable church requested that they be transferred over. They were; John Robinson, Elisa Robinson, his wife, John & Hannah Davis, Moses & Elisa Hatch, Thomas & Mary Parker, Joseph & Mercy Parker, Aaron & Mary Rowley, Anna Hatch, wife of Joseph Hatch, Alice Hatch, wife of Benjamin, Mary Johnson, wife of William, Hannah Lewis, wife of Benjamin, Lydia Hatch, wife of Samuel Hatch, Bethia Robinson, wife of Joseph. Others soon joined in to establish the church.

In 1716, a bounty of 20 pounds was on the head of every wolf in the Falmouth area. Two Sandwich men were killed from them and by 1790, only one wolf was reported in the wild. A 60 dollar reward was put out for him.

At the turn of 1800 salt became a lucrative business for Falmouth people. Land between Salt and Fresh ponds were covered with sheds with detachable roofs for evaporating the water. During that time this salt brought in one dollar per bushel from these works. Ephraim Sanford, a later manufacturer made many trips to New York during the war of 1812. Fearing the strong British navy he painted his sails red avoiding notice when he travelled at night. His trips would clear one hundred dollars each time. Others involved in the salt business were, Captain John Crocker, Captain Weston Jenkins, Captain Elijah Swift and Captain Silas Jones. They were succeeded by Ephraim Sanford, Captain John Butler, Knowles Butler, Davis & John Hatch, Silas & Thomas Lawrence, John Dimmick, Nymphus & Silas Davis. Edmund Davis was the last to carry on the salt business, finally selling out his nice place on the "Heights" to developers to build cottage lots for the tourists. The major decline in this business started just before the 1850's to 1865.

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AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GENEALOGISTS

Are you planning to do your research professionally?
Are you looking to add to your genealogical resume?
Do you want to be certified or accredited in this field?

Attached is an explanation letter to the American College of Genealogists.
Anyone interested please see this editor who is the North Eastern Regional
Membership Chairman for that society. I have the applications if you want
to apply. (contact Paul Bunnell)

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GENEALOGISTS

The American College of Genealogists was founded August 5, 1979, by ten persons at Inverness, Illinois. The organization was incorporated in the State of Illinois on December 24, 1979. Its purpose is to promote patriotic and scientific educational research in hereditary organizations. The College is a national organization designed to certify and accredit individuals who contribute to the recording of genealogies. Its members are practicing genealogists who are, or have been, active in chapter, state, and national hereditary societies.

The "Founding Fellows" reside in the states of Illinois, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Georgia, and Connecticut. The Founders were: Gordon P. Tierney, Richard E. Willson, Mrs. Donald Worley, Donald R. Weber, Mildred O. Eubank, Jewell Eubank, Robert V. Osborne, James T. McConnell, Rev. Robert G. Carroon, and Joseph Merrill, Jr. Other members reside in nearly every state, Canada, Australia, and England.

Anyone who is 21 years or older, and who has demonstrated proficiency through scientific research and study in the field of hereditary research, is eligible for one or two classes of membership. Provision is also made for qualifying persons to become Fellows.

Class A -- Accredited Genealogist. (A.G.) To be eligible, an applicant must submit genealogical articles, papers, and books of personal research that has been documented to prove ability in genealogical research.

Class B -- Certified Genealogist. (C.G.) An applicant must meet the Accredited Genealogist requirements, be a member of two or more hereditary societies, and hold or have held responsible offices in those societies.

Class C -- Fellow American College of Genealogists. (F.A.C.G.) Members of the College may be elevated to this class for his or her further outstanding contribution to the field of Genealogy or Heraldry. Election to Fellow is made by the council. A fellow must meet the requirements for Certified Genealogists, be a member of four or more hereditary societies, and hold or have held responsible offices in the societies.

The fee to join the American College of Genealogists as an Accredited Genealogist or a Certified Genealogist is \$25.00. The admission fee includes the annual dues of \$15.00. The standard determination of a recognized hereditary society shall be its listing in The Hereditary Register of the United States.

Inquiries and applications should be addressed to:

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MARSTONS MILLS, MA, U.S.A., 02648



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Last months speaker, Gary Boyd Roberts from NEHGS was a great success giving credit to his wit and knowledge on the subject of the Mayflower sources and Cape Cod & Island ancestry.

His geographical coverage of the Connecticut Valley, western Massachusetts, Boston, Stonington, Westerly, Rhode Island, Barnstable, Plymouth, Bristol Counties and ofcourse, the Cape & Islands histories were very interesting and informative.

His rapid fire of family names and where they settled kept many of us writing at high speed, trying to keep up with him. He also covered the northern cultures of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Maine and all other points north of Boston.

It was very interesting to hear that Princess Diana has 1/64th. New England blood in her veins and that over 100,000,000 Americans today have New England bloodlines. A very large crowd turned out, nearly 40 with 3 people who came from the Vineyard to hear Gary Boyd Roberts speak. If this editor were to give him a review, I would say that Gary's lecture was in-depth, informative, humorous and very enjoyable.

Later that week, Gary spoke at the Massachusetts Bay Chapter, of the Colonial Dames XVII Century at the home of Mrs. Lewis W. Francis Jr. on Sippewissett Road. The president of that chapter is Mrs. Henry F. Cate Jr. and chairman of hospitality is Mrs. Sterling Myrick.

Other events and subjects at our meeting was the display of one of our microfich readers. I hope everyone got a chance to view it.

Ted Karlson, our president asked to form a volunteer committee for various Falmouth projects that would add to the preservation of history or genealogy to the community.

Marg Gibson mentioned a couple of books that were worth reading. One is for those who have Irish lines. Searching For Missing Friends, this is on the newspaper, The Boston Pilot. It lists many names of Irish family and friends looking for each other. It is put out by NEHGS. Another book, was Mother May You Never See The Sights I Have Seen. This one is on the Civil War.

QUESTIONNAIRES/HELP FROM
TED KARLSON, OUR PRESIDENT

You can still get help or answers to some of your genealogical problems. Just see Ted before or after our meetings and he will arrange a time to help you. If he doesn't have an answer, he will try to get one through our pool of knowledgeable members.

MICROFICHE READERS FOR SALE

Eleanor Baldic has found a place that is selling microfiche readers for as low as \$75. You can place your order with Discount Equipment Sales, P.O. Box 222, Dept. 912, Linn, Texas 78563. This is a \$300 item and if purchased now, they will cover the cost of shipping. They look like our microfiche readers.

MICROFICHE AVAILABLE AT LOW PRICES

Eleanor has also found where we can buy our microfiche at very low prices.

From: The Family History Dept.
50 East North Temple St.
Salt Lake City, Ut. 84150

Phone: 801-240-2375

These are the Family History Library Catalogs (FHLC) to the Morman holdings. For example:

Locality Catalog for Canada

Alberta, 1 microfiche, cost .15(US)
Ontario, 5 " " .75(US)

Locality Catalog for Europe

France, 52 microfiche, cost 7.80(US)
Germany, 64 " " 9.60(US)

There are almost 2000 microfiche available in the FHILC listing the library holdings. Also, you can get their International Genealogical Index (IGI) order catalog from the same address. This lists over 9000 microfiche which contain 121 million names from all countries. See Eleanor or this editor for a copy of the order form or order it from the above address.

WORTHWHILE PROJECT FOR OUR LIBRARY

It has been discovered that the collection of the NEGHS Register that is housed at the Falmouth Library has 8 volumes missing to complete the set. These volumes are, #18 through #26. We will install a new poor box at our meetings to receive contributions which will go to purchase these missing volumes. This is a very good project because it will benefit us in our research along with helping our library and community achieve a higher standard of educational material dedicated towards genealogy.

volunteers FOR FALMOUTH COMMITTEE

We are still seeking volunteers to join a committee to create a project that will benefit the history and genealogy of the Falmouth area. This should prove to be a very interesting pursuit not to include a lot of fun working together on interesting historical materials involving Falmouth. To start the ball rolling, this editor will make himself available part time or as much as possible to be part of the committee. Who else will join me? See Ted Karlson at our next meeting.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

13 October, Hazel Oakley will speak on the Native American genealogy. Studying in this field for the past 12 years, Hazel receives inquiries from other tribes seeking out ways to reconstruct their family histories. The Mashpee tribe is very unique because there are census records for Indians dating as far back as 1640. She is the Mashpee tribe genealogist and I'm sure this lecture will be very interesting to all.

November, Ron Goodridge from the Military Archives of Massachusetts located in Natick will be our speaker covering those records.

December, a special Friday morning day trip to the Sturgis Library.

Jan. 1991, we will have a film, "Dusting Off The Family Skeltons". This will cover adoptions, criminals, deserters, insane and other closet family matters.

Feb. 1991, will be a work shop. Bring your genealogical problems.

March 1991, possibly Gary Boyd Roberts. Subject will be announced.

FILMS & TAPES AVAILABLE

We now have a couple of items that can be borrowed by members. They are:

Tape on, "Finding Birth Dates Before Vital Statistic Records".

Film on, "Finding Your Missing Ladies In Your Pedigree".

Contact Marg Gibson at our next meeting if you are interested in borrowing the above.

INTERESTING HEALTH TIP

It has been reported that because of so many inter-marriages in the early history of the U.S. that the best bone marrow inplant donors are from the Anglo Saxon groups of that period. Those genetic pools are best suited. I'm sure the early French in Canada must fall into that same grouping if this is true.

A COMPUTER GROUP HERE ON CAPE COD

The Commodore Users Group of Cape Cod is a computer club for people who own Commodore computers. They have a monthly newsletter, "The Com-Chat" which is full of very interesting articles. They have a very active schedule and they always announce new programs explaining the pros and cons of their capabilities. Also, equipment and supplies can be purchased from the editor, Thomas Lynch. This same person also has a copy of the "Family Roots" program. An expert with many programs, they are looking for more members, especially with an interest in genealogy.

They also have a computerized bulletin board that you can connect into through your computer. Membership rates are, \$25.00 for first year which includes the family. Fees after the first year would then be \$20.00. Advertising can also be put into the newsletter for a low rate.

Their officers are:

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540-3690

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ARTICLES OF INTEREST TO FALMOUTH

In 1814 Captain Weston Jenkins and a few others from Falmouth decided to capture a British privateer that plundered the coastline. With thirty-two volunteers, one brass four pound cannon and a few muskets, they left for Woods Hole at night in a small sloop and rowed to Tarpaulin Cove, where the British ship, Retaliation was anchored. The British fired their long guns at the tiny sloop and their captain took five men in a boat and tried to take the sloop figuring it was an easy prize.

Captain Jenkins and his men kept out of sight until the boat was alongside. Suddenly, twenty men jumped up with their muskets and captured the entire crew. Twelve men went aboard the "Retaliation" and with their small sloop, they were under way. The incident went without any resistance.

The prize was brought in with its cargo and unloaded for all to plunder. The British ship had five guns, twelve men and two American prisoners.

As early as 15 June 1886, Falmouth's two-hundreth anniversary, the town officials recognized the growing importance of the summer tourism and started to promote Falmouth as the spot to come too.

BOOKS WORTH MENTIONING

The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy, by Val D. Greenwood (2nd. edition), published by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md. 21202.

This book has 623 pages of reference, methods, materials and record holdings in the U.S.. Cost is \$24.95 plus \$2.50 postage

Research Guide to Loyalist Ancestors: Archives, Manuscripts, and Published Sources, by Paul J. Bunnell, FACG, UE., published by Heritage Books Inc., 1540E Pointer Ridge Place, Suite 102, Bowie Md. 20716.

A research guide for the revolutionary war buff or American loyalist ancestor. Has 125 pages, listing nearly every known source for those people who sided with the British. The guide covers all the Atlantic states, Canada, Bahamas and England records. Cost is \$15.00

Genealogical Research Directory 1990, by Editors, Keith Johnson & Malcolm Sainty. Order from, Mrs. J. Jennings, 3324 Crail Way, Glendale, ca. 91206.

A list of thousands of names of people looking for ancestors in Europe and the Americas. 936 pages for \$27.00

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THE FALMOUTH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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LAST MONTH

The lecture on Native Americans was a very good one with Hazel Oakley telling our society about the unique and sometimes difficult challenge in researching Indian records. Beginning with word of mouth, these records are now recorded thanks to people like Hazel who want to preserve her native heritage.

After the meeting interested individuals stayed after to ask Hazel many questions. The interest was running high and we thank Hazel Oakley for taking the time out of her busy schedule to talk with us.

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR A COMMITTEE?

Folklore! Graveyards! Town History!
Probate Records! Maritime Stories!
Falmouth Mysteries!

You can all be a part of this if you sign up for a committee now. Interesting meetings and talks can come out of this kind of assignment while helping to preserve Falmouth history & records. See Ted Karlson at our next meeting.

"POLITICAL FOOTBALL" SAYS FORUM

The Federation of Genealogical Societies opened fire on the hot issue of U.S. Representative, Silvio Conte, a Republican representing Pittsfield, Mass. over his slick move to get the amendment passed to move the New England regional Archives moved to his district. So far, our representatives in our area are taking the fifth and not saying a word about this very unnecessary and expensive move this man has pulled off so he can stay in good standing with his voters.

He brags that he will create 10 new jobs in his area, but at a cost of millions to us taxpayers. Waltham can hand any expansion at their location and at a much lower price tag. Also, it makes a lot of sense to look at the practicality and the convenience of having the archives in Waltham, near all the libraries and societies, where all of us go to while up there doing our research.

Everyone should write their congressman right now to voice your protest in this matter. This country cannot afford a silly move like the one Representative Conte has quickly moved by us all. Others to contact on this issue who have influence are: Edward R. Roybal (D-Rep. Calif.) Rm. 2211 Rayburn Bldg., Washington DC 20515; Mark Hatfield (R-Sen. Oregon), Rm. SH711, Hart Bldg., Washington DC 20510; Robert C. Byrd (D-Sen. W.V.), Rm. SH311, Hart Bldg., Washington DC 20510; and Sydney Yates (D-Sen. Ill.), Rm. 2234, Rayburn Bldg., Washington DC 20515.

Do not forget to state your opposition to the move to Pittfield, Mass. of the Waltham Archives. We need your support, so please do it today. Thank you.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

November, Ron Goodrich will speak on the records of the Military Archives of Massachusetts. Located in Natick, this is close enough for a research trip if this lecture proves to be a valuable one, which I'm sure it will.

December, A Friday morning at the Sturgis Library in the village of Barnstable is still planned. Contact Marge Gibson for registration.

Jan. 1991, A film, "Dusting Off The Family Skeltons" will be a must for those wanting to research adoptions, criminals, deserters and the insane. This could prove to be a real closet issue.

Feb. 1991, will be a work shop so bring your projects and problems.

March 1991, Gary Boyd Roberts may address our society again. Details to follow.

ADOPTION RECORDS

The Colorado legislature is the first government body that has lifted the restrictions on adoption records, making it possible for parents or children to locate their family members as long as they are of age.

The new state law passed just last week opening the door for other states to follow. Let's salute the state of Colorado.

THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE ARCHIVES

Columbia Point, 220 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, Ma. 02125. Phone, 617-727-2816.

Research hours: Monday thru Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM, and Saturday, 9 AM to 3 PM.

The staff will try to answer general questions over the phone.

NEW BRUNSWICK & CANADA

A price change in the vital statistic certificates has been reduced to \$15 from \$25 at the Fredericton Archives located at the University of New Brunswick at Fredericton.

The first newspaper in Canada was "The Halifax Gazette", issued on 23 March 1752. (This was in Nova Scotia) (From Kings County Historical & Archival Society)

The first game of golf played in Canada was after the siege of Quebec in 1759, by highland officers of General Wolfe's army. (From same as above)

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BOOKS WORTH MENTIONING

COUNTY COURTHOUSE BOOK, by Elizabeth Petty Bently, published by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md. 21202.

A listed of 3,351 county courthouse with addresses, phone numbers, who to contact, county information including when it formed and what other county it was part of.

Covers, land records, naturalization records, vital records and probate records, New England towns and Virginia cities.

This looks like this could be a very valuable tool for researching county records.

395 pages (paperback) Cost: \$29.95 plus \$2.95 postage.

ARTICALS OF INTEREST TO FALMOUTH

The first town house built separate from the meeting house was the "Old Shiverick Stand" which was before the 1880's.

From 1800 to 1850 many of Falmouth's middle-aged and young citizens worked in the south, mostly in South Carolina spending between seven to eight months there. They returned home during the summer months. They numbered over 600 before 1830. (The first snow birds ?)

By 1872, Marcus Starbuck started a coal yard which employed many. He was a real estate broker. Two years later he sold the business to George E. Clark who in April 1888 sold it again to Rowland R. Jones & Co..

In 1854, a law was passed in Falmouth to stock all the ponds with Pickerel which immediately thrived.

1865, they voted to protect the herring in all the rivers allowing them to pass up and down them unmolested from 12 noon Saturday to 12 noon Monday every week, except the herring in the Coonemossett river which was 10 PM to 5 AM of every day in the week.

On 11 April 1871, the town of Falmouth planted granite monuments between their town and Mashpee, accurately surveying the town lines.

Just before 1877, some enterprising ladies approached the town asking to establish a library. After granting their request and by popular demand, in 1878 those same ladies were given the use of a room in the old town building. When the new hall was built, a large room was assigned to them.

(You see! Someday, we may get our own research room for genealogy as long as we keep pursuing the issue.)

EDITOR'S NOTE

Last month I missed our monthly meeting because I had a loyalist lecture at The Genealogy Society of The West Fields in Westfield, New Jersey. On the way home, my wife and I stopped by and visited Ellis Island. Having my grandmother coming through there in 1912 coming from Italy, I found it very moving. Upon our departure, we purchased a video, "Island of Hope - Island of Tears" which is a Ellis Island Immigration Museum film.

I would not mind sharing it with the members during one of our meetings if we so choose.

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LAST MONTH

Ronald Goodrich's talk on the military archives in Natick turned out to be very informative because most of us did not realize that that location carried so many records. Being a member of many other societies and collector organizations, Mr. Goodrich's was able to give us a very in-depth picture of the importance of these military records for genealogical purposes.

Not realizing that Massachusetts is one of the leaders in preserving these records, Mr. Goodrich lectures on the importance of continued contributions in money, materials and records to this fine institution.

Some of the main items of interests that he mentioned was:

- Nearly all the Civil War records for blacks from Massachusetts are housed at Natick.
- Enlistment papers give physical descriptions of your ancestor.
- Descriptive Rolls, tells you where they lived.
- Pension Records, gives you names of the inheritors.

- World War I records are nearly complete and very informative.
- Has Maine records when it was part of Massachusetts.
- Hundreds of photos of Civil War members, many with names. Filed by unit served in.
- Medals, which was given to all Civil War Vets in 1904 and has the names of them written on the edge of the medal.

Still adding to the collection, we found out that all you have to do is call ahead and James Fahey, the research and museum caretaker will prepare for your visit, and in many cases get the information out that he thinks you will be needing.

Opened from 9 AM to 4 PM, five days a week and open on every third Saturday of the month from 9 AM to 2 PM. Phone is 508-651-1776. Located in the Massachusetts National Guard Building on the 2nd. floor at 143 Speen St., Natick, Ma. 01760-2599.

For added interests, Mr. Goodrich says that the Sons of The American Revolution, Natick branch is also located in the building, but an appointment must be made if you want to check their records out. And, the Shrewsbury Public Library has one of the best Revolutionary War record holdings in the state.

NEW COMMITTEE

A new committee has been formed for our Falmouth project. So far, those names reported are, Ted Karlson, Eleanor Baldic, Jane Walker, Eleanor Mendoza.

We thank all those members who took that first step forward and volunteered for this committee. The results will be very rewarding to you and too Falmouth.

DONATIONS !

Ted Karlson is asking for donations for a fund to help complete the set of the N.E.H.G.S. Register in the Falmouth Library. Each book will cost about \$50. A \$2 to \$3 donation from everyone will start us off in the right direction.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

December - A Friday morning trip to the Sturgis Library in Barnstable Village will prove to be a great find to many of us members. There is much there to see and do so give Marg Gibson a call and tell her that you are going too. The time will be 10 AM December 7. The library can accommodate 8 to 9 of us. Don't miss this one.

January 1991 - A film, "Dusting Off The Family Skeltons" will be most interesting to those of us who have always suspected the insane, criminal, adopted or deserting kind in our family lines. You can't miss this one !

February - A workshop on your projects and problems. Bring your material!

March - possibly, Gary Boyd Roberts will speak again. We will update you on this later.

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N.E.H.G.S. COME HOME TO NEW ENGLAND 1991 PROGRAM

This yearly program will begin 6 May thru 12 May and then again on 8 July thru 14 July 1991. Some of the subjects that they will cover will be:

- How to use the NEHGS library
- Searching for your 18th. century NE ancestor.
- Researching Periodicals.
- The NE Family.
- Crossing the Atlantic.
- Writing up Your Research.
- Evidence & Proof for Genealogists.
- Individual help by consultants.

The seminar cost if staying in Boston at a Hotel - \$875.00
Commuting only - \$595.00
A \$300 deposit is required.
For more details call or write to
NEHGS
99 - 101 Newbury St.
Boston, Ma. 02116

The NEHGS is also sponsoring a research trip to Yorkshire, England, called "A Tour To George Redmonds Yorkshire". This will be from 15 May to 26 May 1991.

BOOKS OF INTEREST

Pioneer Irish in New England

by Michael J. O'Brien
1937 reprint by Heritage Books Inc.
1540E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie,
Md. 20716, 1988.
Cost is \$18.00 plus \$3 shipping.

This is about 17th. century Irish who settled New England. The author proves that the colonies were populated not just by the English, but also the Irish, Africans, Scottish, and French along with other European's. Essex county appears to be a hot spot for these Irish settlers. The author appears to have researched nearly all the sources available in Essex county to present his case.

In Search Of Your German Roots

by Angus Baxter
Pub. by Genealogical Publishers
Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St.,
Baltimore, Md. 21202-3897.
122 pages, indexed. 1987 #396
Cost \$9.95, plus \$2.50 postage.

This book is designed to help you trace your German roots, not just Germany, but in all German speaking countries in Europe.

A Genealogical Dictionary Of The First Settlers Of New England

by James Savage
Pub. by Genealogical Publisher
(see above for address)
4 vols. 2541 pages, indexed. 1990
#5170 Cost of set \$125.00, plus
\$2.50 postage.

A listing of every settler who arrived in New England before 1692, regardless of his station, rank or fortune.

NEHGS BOOK LOAN FEE INCREASE

Everything is going up!!
If you are a member of NEHGS and use their book loan services, and you thought the \$8.00 fee was too high, well hold on to your hats! It's going up to \$10.00 effective 1 Jan. 1991.

YOUR LETTERS COUNTED! CONGRADULATIONS !!!

After hundreds of letters coming from Genealogists around New England to our representatives in regards to the useless move of our National Archives from Waltham to Pittsfield paid off big time.

US Rep., Silvio O. Conte, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee has backed down from his proposed move of these archives. US Senator, Edward M. Kennedy's office notified several organizations of their victory in stopping the move. Nearly all New England's Senators were inundated with letters.

Conte was pacified with getting the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service moved to his area instead. Let's hope that didn't cost us taxpayers very much!

Good Job Everyone. You see, you did make a difference!

SOVIET RUSSIA MAKES RECORDS AVAILABLE

After 45 years of closed archives, Russia has released important records dealing with the holocaust victims. Presented by the red Cross and now housed at Arolsen, Germany, at the International Tracing Service (ITS) there is 46 million documents with 13 million persons on file.

Some examples of the records are, 46 Death Books (Sterbebiicher) containing 70,000 death certificates from Auschwitz (natural causes of death. Not by gas), 130,000 prisoners who worked the force labor camps for German companies and 200,000 who served in other camps like Sachsenhausen, Gross Rosen and Bachenwald.

The opening of these records came on 24 Sept. 1990. Anyone interested can contact their local chapter of the Red Cross and they can get you forms. Your request will be sent to the Baltimore Center for translation into German and then forwarded to ITS in Germany. There is no charge for this search.

NEWS & TIDBITS ABOUT CANADA

- Did you know that when King William died in 1837 that Canada did not hear of his death for over a month. And did not know until then that Victoria was their new Queen!
- In 1847, over 17,000 Irish immigrants came to Saint John City, New Brunswick. They soon spread throughout Canada and New England.

- Apple Cider was used for many recipes in cooking. Here are a few:

Baked Beans - soaking them in cider overnight.

Corn Meal Mush - use 3 cups of cider.

Basting A Roast - use cider.

Baked Squash - cover the bottom of your pan with cider.

Mincemeat - use hard cider, but don't forget the rum or brandy too!

Fish - instead of vinegar, use hard cider, especially when eating mackerel.

Boiled Cider - used as syrup. After boiling sweet cider you get the same results as maple syrup.

ARTICLES OF INTEREST TO FALMOUTH

Possible, the first tourist to visit Falmouth Heights was Awashonks, Queen of the Narragansett Indians. She came on a regular bases in the 1600's.

Her main purpose of her visit was because of the Heights position. She could command a view of the islands where some of her subjects lived, plus it was also the half way point between the other villages during her travel here from Rhode Island.

This grand Chief has been given credit with signing the peace treaty with the Plymouth colonists in 1671. She is also credited with keeping her braves out of the King Philip War.

Later years, Elijah Swift, a whaling captain named one of his ships after this great Queen. This ship became very famous when attacked in the South Sea near a small group of islands in 1835. Six crewmen were massacred by some natives there.

Another historical native encounter was between a restless band of Martha's Vineyard Indians who attacked their neighbors on occasion. They came across the sound looking to scale the Heights to vandalize the area.

The Whites and some other Indians were waiting at the top of the cliffs for them as they climbed up. Shocked and surprised by them, every Indian that showed his face at the top of the cliffs were knocked back down to the rocks below, killing them instantly.

(This sounds like the first recorded account of land developers trying to move in on the Heights)

(Above story rewritten from "The History of Falmouth Heights, by Kevin F. Smith, 1982)

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