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### NEWS & NOTES

**Dues and Membership** Annual Society dues are now \$15.00 for both individuals and organizations. The Society dues year is September 1st to August 31st. Mailing address at top of page 2.

#### Meetings and Events

Regular meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of every month except July, August, and December, in the all purpose meeting room in the New City Public Library, 220 N. Main St., New City, Rockland Co., NY. (845) 634-4997

#### All meetings will start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted

For information regarding meeting cancellations due to bad weather, call

Joan Brooks, (845) 942-0577.

Marie Koestler, (845) 623-4046

Maryann Smith, (845) 358-2145

### NOTICE

Dues (\$15.00) for the Genealogical Society of Rockland County for the year 2003-2004 are now payable. Please help us save on mailing costs by mailing your dues renewals promptly. Checks payable to the GSRC may be mailed to the PO Box, or directly to the Treasurer: Robert Protzmann, 4 Ethel Drive, New City, NY 10956.

Thank you!

### Camera Donation:

As some of you know, last fall, the GSRC was given a donation of \$500 for the purchase of a digital camera for the club's use. Over the summer, the camera was selected and purchased. Bob Protzmann has been spending some time over the summer familiarizing himself with our new Olympus Stylus 300 Digital Camera, so that he can help other members as the need arises. Since we were able to acquire the camera at a very nice price, there was money left in the budget to buy Photoshop Elements 2.0 software and a tripod. Although the camera comes with the software necessary to download pictures from the camera to a computer, it did not come with photo editing software. Photoshop Elements does this and more. All of us at one time or another have taken tombstone pictures, then realized after they were developed, that the stone could not or not easily be read. The editing software can be used to "pull" images out of seemingly poor photos or to crop and otherwise improve (not change) images of book pages, tombstones, historic buildings, etc., that we may want to document with pictures.

### Volunteers

In June, we had 8 volunteers who put in a total of 200 hours for the society. That's just their recorded time!

	June	2003
F. Anderson	19	129
J. Brooks	33	158
M. Koestler	15	146
R. Peterson	32	163
H. Rennie	30	162
S. Schwinn	14	69
C. Shuart	29	142
M. Smith	29	146
Total	200	1115

sent by Joan Brooks

**PROGRAMS FUTURE & PAST**

*from Karen Lamberton*

**Tue 27 Jan 2004:** Beth Potter of House Tales will join us for our January meeting to show us how she documents historic properties.

**Tue 23 Sep 2003:** This meeting's program on the role of Civil War nurses had to be cancelled. Our speaker, Britta Arendt, has had to pack up her life for a while to return to Illinois and help with her ill father. We wish them well.

**14 Jun 2003: Fifth Annual Rockland Gathering**

In spite of weather, which threatened to storm all day and temperatures in the nineties, the Fifth Annual Rockland Gathering held onto a five out of five record for good weather until just one hour before closing when the skies finally gave way to torrential rain! This year the committee booked two rooms in the library.

One was used for our lecturers and by Jennifer, a representative of Life History Books, who had a continuous presentation running on her laptop as well as talking to all interested persons about how LHB interviews family members and then creates keepsake family history videos. The other meeting room, on the lower floor, was transformed into an all day heritage scrapping session led by Susannah Benson of Creative Memories. While this was going on, Sally Pellegrini, our intrepid local history librarian, aided "newbies" to Ancestry.com with the ins and outs of this internet based reference on the computer in the Rockland Room.

Meanwhile, outside, several groups, including the Palisades Interstate Historical Society, had tables of information available to one and all. There were books, CDs, farmable family tree charts, and subscriptions to genealogical magazines available for raffle prizes, and as last year, three speakers were planned. Susannah Benson opened the day with an informal discussion on using photos effectively in your heritage albums, and Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak, a nationally known author and speaker, rounded out the afternoon with a most enjoyable presentation on honoring our ancestors and how our ancestors *want* to be found (your writer must note that I personally still have doubts about this part!). Beth Potter, of House Tales, had to cancel at the last minute due to a family situation (rescheduled for January 2004).

Mucho thanks to our fearless committee members for shaking the trees for prizes, setting up and taking down tents, signs, tables and chairs, to everyone who set up a table or brought something for the pot luck lunch - yum! And last but not least the **Boy Scouts**, who again came to help get us going and help out on the sign in table.

**EXTRACTS OF**

**GSRC Meeting Minutes**

**Tue 27 May 2003, New City Library**

*[extracts by JDL]*

**Publications:** Dick Peterson reported that sales for May amounted to \$193.90 (gross).

**Indexing:** Les reported that Marital Status is still being added to the funeral home books, and proofreading is continuing. Evidently, the first Stevenson book is still not forthcoming from Keith Taylor, so we may have to publish without it.

Maryann stated that more books have been found at Oak Hill, and they are now being compared with the records she already has entered in the computer. She is also still checking the records of the Civil War soldiers buried there. Alan Conrad Aimone, Director of Special Collections at the United States Military Academy, West Point, had sent her an 18-page bibliography of Civil War information.

Joan Brooks noted that our Website has been updated and upcoming programs are listed.

Maryann reported that, when she was looking for information about the Genealogical Society of Utah, she discovered that it is the Society that the LDS in Utah works under, so they don't have holdings of their own. Also, we have received a letter of appreciation from the Family History Library in Salt Lake City for donations of our publications for microfilming and placing in their Library.

In addition, the Orange County Genealogical Society has thanked us by letter for the donations of the Holt and Dutcher Funeral Home Books in memory of Roger A. King.

**Trips:** We have a list of those interested in going to Pittsfield on October 18th, and others should let Maryann know as soon as possible if they want to go. Those planning to attend so far are: Joan Brooks, George & Ruth Fee, Marie Koestler, Karen Lamberton, Robert Protzmann, Doris Rose, Maryann Smith, Christine Szermer, and George Trigg.

Regina Haring reported that Bruce Hopper had been working on the Kakiat Church Records in order to put them up on Regina's "Dutch Door" website. There was discussion about the Monsey Reformed Church and the



fact that Rev. James D. Demarest had "seceded" from the Reformed Church to the Monsey True Reformed Church and had taken 68 people with him. Question as to whether the area where the Monsey Cemetery on West Maple Avenue and Saddle River Road is located was also where the original church was before it was moved. Suggestions were given for further research.

Bob Protzmann re-visited his recent program on researching his family through the history of photography. The gentleman in Connecticut he had spoken with had sent him more information, and Bob will probably visit him this summer to see his collection. Also, Bob had contributed additional information on the Lewis family to the University of California, Riverside, website, and, from that, received a communication from a descendant of Richard Lewis, who then sent Bob sixty pages of original family history information, taking him two generations back from the original immigrant in England and Wales. Bob also noted that he had searched high and low for George Thomas Jefferson Lewis, and finally found him on the Ancestry.com website; he had died of disease in the Civil War on July 16, 1862, on the James River in Virginia. Bob stated that the Civil War information on the website can be very helpful for finding soldiers, their regiments, and what battles they fought in.

We have received several communications asking for information. Maureen Ryan will handle the request regarding, if one knows a police badge number, can you find the person to whom it belonged. Karen Lamberton will follow up on the person requesting military information. Doug Renud will follow up on the question about Evergreen Cemetery in Tallman.

Maryann reported that, during her recent trip to the New York State Library in Albany, she discovered that they have gray boxes designated for each county. In the Rockland box was only one item, a copy of George Budke's article on the history of the Nyack Turnpike. She made copies.

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**EXTRACTS OF**  
**GSRC Meeting Minutes**  
**Tue 24 Jun 2003, New City Library**

*[extracts by JDL]*

**Treasurer's Report:** Bob Protzmann reported a balance of \$7,576.87 in our checking account.

**Membership:** Bob Protzmann reported a total paid membership to date of 221.

**Publications:** Dick Peterson reported gross sales for last month of \$554.80. Publishing budget balance is \$4,416.26.

**Indexing:** Les Baisley reported that the final check on the Martine Funeral Home Records has to be done. We need ideas on what to put on the cover when it is published, and also someone needs to write up a narrative about the funeral home. The Shankey records are still being copied, and others are being proofed.

**Website:** There was discussion about listing Rockland County cemeteries and their exact locations on the website. Les noted that Maude Conklin has taken digital photos of some of the cemeteries, which she has put on the Internet.

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**MEMBERSHIP**  
**GSRC Directory**  
**New members(♦), and changes**

Fisher, Robert - fishusmc@msn.com

Kopacz, Grace - gkopacz@hvc.rr.com

(Rockland County Surnames: Weiant/Weyant, Bulson, Jacquish/Jacques, Waldron, Smith, Wardell, Rider, O'Dell, Doyle)

Kopacz, Kathleen P. - shortstp@cfl.rr.com

(Rockland County Surnames: Weiant/Weyant, Bulson, Jacquish/Jacques, Waldron, Smith, Wardell, Rider, O'Dell, Doyle)

Larsen, Larry - Larry@flightline.com

(Gross, Miller, Schultz)

Logan, Eleanore Keenan - ellyklogan@earthlink.net

(DeRonde, Dolan, Keenen, Lent, Sliney, Van Tassell)

Masotto, Mrs. Carol Miller - ottosam@swbell.net (M-35)

497 Manorcrest Lane

Ballwin, MO 63011-3463

(Bates, Dobbs, Gesner, Onderdonk, Remsen, Snedecker, Sneden, Waldron)

Mayers, Bob - bobmayers@msn.com

(Allison, Ellison, Mayers)

♦ McCue, James K. - jkmindobbs@aol.com (M-51)

39 Walgrove Avenue

Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522

(Fahey, McCue, Muncker; Hudson River History)

Protzmann, Robert -

Robert.Protzman@akzonobel-chemicals.com

Springstead, Curt - csprings@optonline.net

(Springstead)

**Newsletter, Genealogical Society of Rockland County, PO Box 444, New City NY 10956**

**Stefan, Jim** (S-24)  
 3947 Prairie Dunes Drive  
 Sarasota, FL 34238.  
**Thomas, Normand - NETHomas12@aol.com**  
 (Tallman, Dederick, Hutchings, Hammond, Sloo)

**LIBRARY - ROCKLAND ROOM, etc.**

**LIST #1**

*sent by marie\_koestler@juno.com, 5/5/003*

**Gifts from Joan Brooks:**

CD ROM: "Interactive World Atlas for Windows 3.1 & 95.

CD ROM: "Vital Records Index, British Isles." (Family History Resources File, LDS)

CD ROM: "10,000 pages of Genealogical Expertise" (Heritage Quest)

*(All three of these CD ROMs are given to Maryann Smith for use at New City Library)*

**Book:**

**THAT MUCH GOOD MIGHT BE DONE:**  
St. John's-in-the-Wilderness: The Legacy  
of Ada Bessie Carey and Margaret Furniss  
Zimmerman

By: Odessa Southern Elliott (Priv. pub.)  
*(on Archives shelf)*

**Gifts from Cheryl Hahn**

Abraham Haring & Margaret Bogert  
 (Morris County, NJ)

The Hennion Family, Descendants of  
Nathaniel Pietersen de Hennion

Corrections to information in Straatmaker/  
Straut Genealogy *(re: Hennion family)*

Captain Cornelius Hennion: Soldier of the  
American Revolution

Abraham Haring - Montville Ref. Ch. Cem.,  
Morris Co., NJ

Unrecorded Deed: Cornelius Hennion  
*(m. Maria Blauvelt)*  
*(in GSRC file cabinet at New City Library)*

**LIST #2**

**"These and other works can be found on the top shelf of the  
 bookcase located on the dividing wall in the Rockland Room."**

*from Sally Pellegrini 5/27/03*  
 New City Library

New City, NY 10956  
 845-634-4997 ext 137 (Local History)  
 ext 139 (Community Relations)

027. Directory of North American Railroads,  
 573 Associations, Societies, Archives, Libraries,  
 Dir Museums and their Collections  
 (Compiled by Holly T Hansen, self-pub., 1999)

282. St. Augustine Parish New City, NY :  
 747 Our History 1896-2001  
 St 2001

285. A Brief History of the First Presbyterial  
 1 Church of Ramsey, NJ  
 Bri [The Church] 1999

285 165<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: First Presbyterial Church:  
 1 Ramsey, New Jersey  
 One 1989

309. How the Other Half Lives  
 174 Jacob A. Riis  
 Rii (Dover Publications, 1971)

317. The 1930 Census: A Reference and Research Guide  
 47 Edited by Thomas Jay Kemp  
 Nin (Heritage Quest, 2002)

728. Sears, Roebuck Home Builder's Catalog: The  
 097 Complete Illustrated 1910 Edition  
 Sea Dover Publications, 1990

770. Directory of the Photographers in the United  
 899 States: 1888 & 1889  
 Dir Compiled by Diane Vanskiver Gagel  
 (Heritage books, 2002)

911. A New Genealogical Atlas of Ireland  
 415 Brian Mitchell  
 Mit (Genealogical Publishing, 2002)

920. Biographical Directory of the State of  
 0747 New York 1900  
 Bio (Biographical Directory Company, 1900)

929. French-Canadian Sources: A Guide for  
 1 Genealogists  
 Fre Ancestry, 2002)

929. New York State Towns, Villages, and Cities:  
 1 A Guide to Genealogical Sources  
 Rem Gordon L Remington  
 (New England Historic Geneal. Soc., 2002)

929. New York State Probate Records: A Genealo-  
 1 gist's Guide to Testate and Intestate Records  
 Rem Gordon L. Remington  
 (New England Historic Geneal. Soc., 2002)

929. Index to Van Houten Collection  
 2 (arranged by Karen Lamberton)  
 Ind (2000)



929. Fast Sailing and Copper-Bottomed  
373 Lucille H. Campey  
Cam (Natural Heritage Books, 2002)
929. Spelling Variations in German Names  
4 Roger Minert  
Min (GRT Publications, 2000)
929. Dictionary of American Family Names, 3 vol.  
409 Edited by Patricia Hanks  
Dic (Oxford University Press, 2003)
929. Russian-Jewish Given Names  
4208 Boris Felblyum  
Fel (Avotaynu, 1998)
929. A Guide to Massachusetts Cemeteries  
5 David Allen Lambert  
Lam (New England Historic Geneal. Soc., 2002)
929. Written in Stone: Gravestone Inscriptions of  
5 Passaic County, N.J.  
Zal Annita Zalenski  
(Passaic County Historical Society, 2002)
943. The German Element in the United States,  
Fau vol. I & II  
Albert B. Faust (Arno Press, 1969)
973. Five Centuries of Italian American History  
0451 Richard A. Capozzola  
Cap (1992)
973. Washington's Headquarters  
33 Mabel Lorenz Ives  
For (Lucy Fortune, 1933)
973. Bergen County Historical Society Papers  
3449 BCHS (Steuben House, 1960)  
Ber
973. My Ancestor was a Merchant Seaman  
524 Christopher T Watts  
Wat Society of Genealogists Enterprises, 2002)
973. September 11: An Oral History  
931 Dean E. Murphy  
Mur (Doubleday, 2002)
974. The Passaic Valley, New Jersey  
92 John Whitehead  
Whi (New Jersey Genealogical Society, 1901)
974. Trail Sketches From Honey Ranch  
731 George W. Hansen  
Han (1963)

**LIST #3**

*from Sally Pellegrini, 7/29/2003*

016. Fort Lee During the American Revolution  
974 Virginia T. Mosley  
Mos (self-published, 1977)
305. In the Shadow of Slavery: African Americans  
896 in New York City  
Har Leslie M Harris (Univ. of Chicago, 2003)
306. Brownsville, Brooklyn, Blacks, Jews, and the  
0974 Changing Face of the Ghetto  
Pri Wendell Pritchett (U. of Chicago, 2002)
355. The Spirit of West Point: Celebrating 200 Years  
007 Jon C. Malinowski  
MaL (Black Dome, 2001)
385. Rails Under the Mighty Hudson  
3 Brian J Cudahy  
Cud (Fordham University Press, 2002)
387. New York Shipping  
1 William H. Miller  
Mil (Carmania Press, 1994)
387. Merchant Ships of a Bygone Era: The  
243 Post-War Years  
Mil William H. Miller (Carmania Press, 1997)
387. Going Dutch: The Holland America Line Story  
243 William H. Miller  
Mil (Carmania Press, 1998)
287. Varick's Newburgh: History of the African  
8 Methodist Episcopal Zion Church  
Jan Rev. Dr. Janet Denise Jones (Dorrance Pub, n.d.)
388. West Through the Catskills: The Story of  
1 the Susquehanna Turnpike  
Kub Dorothy Kubik (Purple Mtn Press, 2001)
388. How We Got To Coney Island  
4 Brian J. Cudahy  
Cud (Fordham University Press, 2002)
624. Covered Bridges of New York State  
2 Rick L. Berfield  
Ber (Syracuse University, 2003)
628. Liquid Assets: A History of New York  
Gal City's Water System  
Diane Galusha (Purple Mtn Press, 1999)

628. Underneath New York  
Gra Harry Granick  
(Fordham University, 1991)
720. Kingston New York: The Architectural Guide  
97 William B. Rhoads  
Rho Black Dome Press, 2002)
720. The People's Choice: A History of Albany  
9747 County in Art and Architecture  
Ben Allison P. Bennett (Purple Mtn Press, 1980)
929. Goderich Township Families  
2 Alison Lobb  
Lob (1986)
917. Catskill Trails: A Ranger's Guide to the  
47 High Peaks  
Hen Edward G. Henry (Black Dome, 2000)
917. A Guide to Green New Jersey: Nature Walks  
49 in the Garden State  
Ros Lucy D. Rosenfeld (Rutgers U. Press, 2003)
929. Genealogical Writing in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
1 Henry Hoff, editor  
Gen (New Engl. Historic Geneal. Soc., 2002)
929. Finding Your French-Canadian Ancestors  
1 Louise St Denis  
St (Heritage Productions, 2001)
929. Schlegel's American Families of German  
2 Ancestry in the United States  
Sch (Genealogical Publishing, 2003)
929. Seward and Related Families, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition  
2 George C. Seward  
Sew (self-published, 2000)
929. DAR Patriot Index 3 volumes  
373  
Dar
929. Ancient Long Island Epitaphs  
5 Edward D. Harris  
Har (Clearfield Company, 1903)
940. World War II Military Records: A Family  
54 Historian's Guide  
Kno Debra Johnson Knox (MIE, 2003)
973. A History of Norwegian Immigration to  
04 the United States  
Flo George T. Flom (Heritage Books, 1992)
973. The Lost Pensions Settled Accounts of the  
3 Act of 6 April 1838  
Sco Craig R. Scott (Willow Bend Books, 1996)
973. Revolutionary War Soldiers: Rockland  
34 County, NY - Comp. by Frederick  
Dau Loescher (DAR, Shatemuc Chapter, 1976)
973. New York's Black Regiments During the  
708776 Civil War  
Ser William Seraile (Routledge, 2001)
974. Manhattan for Rent: 1785- 1850  
71 Elizabeth Blackmar  
Bla (Cornell University, 1989)
974. The De Forests and the Walloon Founding  
71 of New Amsterdam  
Gre Lucy Garrison Green (Heritage Books, 2003)
974. The Stamp of FDR: New Deal Post Offices  
73 in the Mid-Hudson Valley  
Tho Bernice L. Thomas (Purple Mtn Press, 2002)

### **QUERIES & REPLIES**

**#484 CONCKLIN/CONKLIN/CONKLING.** Are you looking for a CONKLIN connection? I have several thousand CONKLIN and allied names in Rockland Co from 18th century. Send pertinent names, dates, locations. No charge.

**#485 CONKLIN/ANDERSON.** JOHN NELSON CONKLIN (1788-1860) had a son J. (JACOB) MYERS ANDERSON CONKLIN (1849-1915). Were they related to JACOB MYERS CONKLIN of Johnstontown who had a daughter HANNAH ELIZABETH ANDERSON (1830-1911)? And who was Hannah's mother?

**#486 YOUNG/OSBORNE.** Looking for descendants of HENDRICK YOUNG (ca 1742-1812) and ANNATJE (Hannah) OSBORNE of Spook Rock Rd. for genealogy to be published.

Children (Rockland Co.):

ELIZABETH m. Nathaniel Osborne;  
PHEBE m. John Pulisfelt, Adolphus Shuart, John Tyson;  
TUNIS m. Mary Fredericks;  
JACOBUS m. Elizabeth Osborn;  
HENRY; and,  
Was PHILIP (a 'Greencoat', who m. Margrietje) a son?

M. Smeltzer-Stevenot  
150 Johnstontown Rd.  
Sloatsburg, NY 10974  
Ph. 845-753-2604



**#487 WARNER.** I am researching the Warner family from Rockland County. In a Surrogate's Record in Rockland County, dated 15 Dec 1830, Emeline and Sarah Ann Warner (both "above the age of 21") state that they are the children and only heirs of **Daniel Warner**, dec'd, "A SOLDIER IN THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE LATE WAR..." My question, to what war are they referring?

Additional information: I found a marriage record of Daniel Warner and **Emmy Snyder** on 30 July 1803 in the Ref. Prot. Dutch Church records in NYC. A legal paper filed 4 Feb 1812 by Daniel Warner and Emma his wife of NYC demands her share of a parcel of land lying in Clarkstown, County of Rockland, detained by Abraham Snyder.... Thanks a bunch.

Marguerite Holmes

6127 Windbrooke, San Antonio, TX 78249

**Holmes Family - pelican6127@sbcglobal.net**

**#488 NOYELL/NOLL/DENOYELLES.** Need any info on SARAH b.1750-55. She married JOHN ALLISON b.1754 in Haverstraw, a Revolutionary war soldier and son of Capt. Joseph Allison and Elizabeth Benson - all of Haverstraw. Family tradition and land record verify that she was John's wife. Their m. date abt 1778. She is NOT shown in DeNoyelles family history book of 1971 by Daniel DeNoyelles.

Allison and DeNoyelles lands are adjacent in a 1776 map of Haverstraw area. John and Sarah migrated to Monroe, Orange Co., in abt. 1800. Children were Anthony B., b. 1780, William, John, Sarah Brooks and Alexander, all b. Haverstraw.

Bob Mayers -

226 Ridge Road

Watchung NJ 07060-5420

**Bob Mayers - bobmayers@msn.com**

**#489 JACOX, COLEMAN, RYDER.**

*(Query is at the end- ed.)*

Some descendants of

**Bowers & Martha ( ) JACOX**

Posted 26 Nov 2002 by: Loyola Vuolo <vuab@aol.com>  
on the Jaycox Family Genealogy Forum,

<http://genforum.genealogy.com/jaycox/messages/141.html>

-- (copied by permission of Genealogy.com, 2/25/2003)

**Martha ( ),** b. 15 Aug 1749, d. 15 Feb 1822, bur. Snyder Cem., Valley Cottage, Clarkstown, NY, mar. **Bowers JACOX**, b. 13 Jul 1745 (bap. Westport, CT.) d. 20 May 1836 Mt. Pleasant, West. Co. NY (home of dau. Ann Onderdonk.)

Children (**Jacox**):

**Elias** mar. Sophia; 1 known son,

Timothy who mar. Eliz. Onderdonk 27 Dec 1802, Tappan DRC, Rockland Co., NY; large family, including Aaron, my gr. grfa., b. 1814, d. 6 Sep 1877, bur. Oak Hill Cem., Nyack, NY;

**Ann** mar. Henry Onderdonk, "had large family";

**William** mar. Catherine Wilkins 1807, Tappan DRC, "both of Tappan" (NY);

**Rebecca** mar. Henry Riker, Tappan DRC.

Martha & Bowers Jaycox lived in Warwick, Or. Co. NY, until abt. 1785 when they moved to Orangetown (Nyack, NY area) which is now in Rockland Co., NY.

Martha's tombstone is inches from two others of same design. Those three stones are only ones that style in cem. Next to Martha is John COLEMAN, b. 20 Dec 1746, d. 19 Feb 1806; next to John is wife Bethsheba (RYDER) b. 19 Oct 1751, d. 19 Jul 1839. In a Rev. War pension appln. Bowers stated he was without funds. **So, who paid for large tombstone? I think either John or Bethsheba was related to Martha. What was the connection?**

Loyola Vuolo <vuab@aol.com>

**#490 MORGAN; "S. Frances Church" Sloatsburg**

We just located Baptism Certificates for my husband's father, Charles Webster Morgan, b. 27 Jan 1905 in Sloatsburg NY (son of Charles Morgan and Carrie Morgan; Sponsor: The Parents), and grandfather, Charles Morgan, b. 5 Dec 1878 in Sterlington NY (son of Daniel or David Morgan [hard to read] & Hannah Morgan; Sponsor: Sidney Storms).

Both received "Holy Baptism" on Mon 19 Feb 1906 at the "**S. Frances Church**" in Sloatsburg, "Diocese of New York", the certificates signed by "William Fitz Simon, Rector". **Could you possibly tell us where "S Frances Church" is?** I tried looking it up and found no listing. We would appreciate any information about "S. Frances Church."

Thanks,

Claudia and Rich Morgan

Jeffersonville, New York

bugbuddi@warwick.net

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**#490r:** (Bob Protzmann responds to the above query: )

Our GSRC Web Site lists, under Churches:

St Francis Episcopal Church, Sloatsburg NY, 1904-1974, began as a chapel of St. Mary's, Tuxedo, NY. Last 20 years, was a mission church of Diocese of NY. Many members transferred to Suffern. [Source: American Revolution Bicentennial

Committee of Sloatsburg: Bicentennial  
History of Sloatsburg, NY 1776-1976]

[Note "Francis" vs. "Frances"??? - ed.]

From the above, it appears that the church no longer exists. There is a St. Elizabeth's Chapel in Sloatsburg (10974). The telephone book listing gives only a telephone number: 845-753-5338

Also cf.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church  
10 Fox Hill Road  
Tuxedo Park, Orange Co, NY 10987  
Tel: 845-351-5122.

<http://www.stmarysintuxedo.org/index.html>  
*this site says Rector Fitz-Simon served at St. Mary's  
from 1903-1911, and it allows email inquiries. - ed.*

The Episcopal Church in Suffern is:  
Christ Episcopal Church of the Ramapos  
65 Washington Avenue  
Suffern, NY 10901  
Tel: 845-357-1615

The Episcopal Diocese of New York is at:  
The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine  
1047 Amsterdam Avenue  
New York NY 10025 [addr. & ph. by ed.]  
Tel.: 212-316-7400

email: [info@diocesenyny.org](mailto:info@diocesenyny.org)

I hope this helps.

Bob Protzmann

## **OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS - Records**

### **Bergen Rev. War Pension files involving Rocklanders (concluded)**

*Contributed by Philip O'Leary*

#### **Garret and Vrouche/Vrouwte (Blauvelt) Oblenis: Garret Oblenis; Pvt, NY & NJ Militia, Revolutionary War Pension No. W24361**

♦ Rockland Co. NY Common Pleas Court, 15 Nov 1836, Garret Oblenis, age 76, a resident of Clarkstown, Rockland Co. NY, b. 27 Mar 1760 Clarkstown. Enlisted in 1776 under Capt'n. Hendrick Tenure, Col. A. Hawks Hay. Also served under Capt'n's John Gardner, Robert Johnson, Lt. Isaac Coe. Enlisted at Closter, Bergen Co. NJ under Capt'n. Abraham Haring's NJ troops. While serving as a scout and guard, I was shot by a musket from a British ship on the North River at Bergen Woods, Bergen Co. NJ. Musket ball went through my arm, a little above my elbow, and passed through to my ribs, two of my ribs were shattered. I was sent to my father's, Hendrick Oblenis, house in Clarkstown to recover. After being attended by Dr. John Ferren, of

Haverstraw, I returned to active duty after one year. I served as a substitute for my father. The record of my age is in our family Bible, in the possession of my brother's, Peter Oblenis, widow (no name). I know the following men who can testify as to my War service, Abraham Cornelison, John Hutton, and Judge Abraham B. Stevens.

♦ Rockland Co. NY Common Pleas Court, 03 Oct 1842, Vrouche Oblenis, age 80, formerly Blauvelt, a resident of Clarkstown, widow of Garret Oblenis, who d. 04 Mar 1839, m. Nov 1781 Tappan/ Clarkstown RDC, by Rev. Samuel Verbryck.

Others mentioned in pension: (no relationships stated) Rev. Isaac D. Cole, Minister of the Tappan RDC, "there are no marriage records from 1754-1784 at the United Congregation RDC of Tappan and Clarkstown, Rockland Co. NY."

♦ 01 Oct 1842, John Lydecker, age 78, of Clarkstown, was groomsman at wedding.

♦ 12 Mar 1851, Dowah T. Tallman, and Henry House, a kin at law of Garret Oblenis, were Executors of Garret Oblenis, who d. intestate. Dr's Garret A. and Fayette Cooper of NYC, physicians. Bernard Oblenis, Justice of the Peace, Rockland Co. NY. Richard Blauvelt, Judge of Common Pleas Court, Rockland Co. NY. Rev. Alexander H. Warner, John House, both of Clarkstown. Mentioned in court papers: the pension cases of Alletta Storms, widow of Abraham Storms, Leah Ackerson, widow of Derick Ackerson.

♦ Testifying as fellow soldiers in the Revolution: 23 Nov 1836, Jacob Van Orden, age 78, of NYC. 25 Oct 1836, Claus Van Houten, age 89, Garret Sarven, age 80, both of Ramapo, Rockland Co. NY. 12 Nov 1836, James Vanderbilt, age 79, of Clarkstown, assisted Garret Oblenis home, when he was wounded.  
(\* *Contributor's note: See the Blauvelt Genealogy "Revised Edition" by Dorothy A. Moos, 1987: #476, for information on Vrouwte Blauvelt, d/o Johannes Blauvelt and Margrietje Smith, who m. Garret Oblenis, s/o Hendrick Oblenis and Antje Lydecker.*

**His family album indicates that his ancestors went west in a covered wagon. And when I saw pictures of them, I realized why the wagon was covered.**

*Contributed by Curt Shuart*

## **OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS - Ancestors**



**ANCESTOR TABLE OF  
ALFRED L. BEASLEY (B-35)**

Contr. by Alfred L. Beasley  
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*Names in italics added by Robert L. Protzmann  
(rcvd by JDL 2/20/2003)*

1. Alfred L. BEASLEY
2. Revere BEASLEY, b. Apr 15, 1908, Brooklyn, NY; d. Feb 1982, Whitefield CC, NH; m. Sep 23, 1932.
3. Thelma Mae SHERMAN, b. Jan 6, 1906; d. Mar 4, 1960.
4. Leonard BEASLEY, b. Jun 15, 1882, Brooklyn, NY; d. Oct 2, 1930; m. Dec 27, 1905.
5. Edna Florence REVERE, b. Dec 23, 1880, Brooklyn, NY; d. May 1971, Chester, NJ.
6. Reuben SHERMAN, b. Dec 12, 1882; d. 1959.
7. Lottie Belle DONAGHY, b. Jul 9, 1886; d. 1946.
8. Leonard BEASLEY, b. Feb 21, 1850; d. Feb 6, 1917; m. Aug 6, 1874.
9. Rosellen WRIGHT, d. May 17, 1936. ♦
10. George W. REVERE, b. Jul 1839; d. Dec 9, 1885.
11. Mary C. WHEELER, b. 1844, NYC, NY; d. May 31, 1906. ♦
12. Benera SHERMAN, b. Aug 17, 1834; d. Jan 7, 1899.
13. Elizabeth H. SOUTHWORTH, b. Jun 16, 1844; d. Feb 12, 1926.
14. Robert DONAGHY, b. ca. 1845; d. Dec 18, 1907.
15. Maria FAY, b. ca. 1848; d. 1886-1900.

**Fifth Generation**

16. Leonard BEASLEY, b. Jun 23, 1823; d. Feb 22, 1887; m. May 27, 1849.
17. Ann Eliza ROE, b. Jul 1827; d. Aug 21, 1909.
20. Isaac REVERE, b. Jul 27, 1795, NYC, NY; d. Aug 14, 1885, Brooklyn, NY; m. Aug 19, 1818, Dutch RC. ♦
21. Rachel VANTINE, b. Mar 1, 1797; d. Jun 28, 1874, Brooklyn, NY. ♦
24. Reuben SHERMAN, b. Jul 23, 1763; d. May 3, 1843.
25. Ruth SMITH, b. Oct 1797; d. Aug 12, 1875. ♦
26. Artemus A. SOUTHWORTH, b. ca. 1811; d. Dec 27, 1851. ♦
27. Elvira Lucinda WOODBURY, b. May 23, 1820.
28. Michael DONAGHY. ♦
29. Elizabeth NUGENT. ♦
30. Michael FAY. ♦
31. Bridget M. \_\_\_\_\_. ♦

**Sixth Generation**

32. Leonard BEASLEY/BAISLEY, d. Jun 3, 1843, *bur Green Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY*; m. Dec 18, 1816, Tappan DRC. ♦
33. Elizabeth SNEDEN, b. Oct 13, 1798, *bp. Dec 23, Tappan DRC (# 3362)*. *She m2. Apr 28, 1863, Daniel Durie/Duryea.*
34. Samuel Rider ROE, b. May 9, 1803; m. 1825. ♦
35. Sarah MESSINGER, b. Jul 20, 1805.
48. Samuel SHERMAN, b. 1736; d. 1807.
49. Mary CORY, b. Jun 1, 1740. ♦
54. Isaac WOODBURY. ♦
55. Dolly \_\_\_\_\_. ♦

**Seventh Generation**

66. Samuel SNEDEN, *b. Apr 17, 1775; d. Oct 10 (or Nov 3), 1863, bur Palisades Cemetery. (Founder of the "Snedens of the Field")*
67. Elizabeth CONKLIN, *b. Jan 13, 1778, bp. May 16, 1778, Schraalenburgh DRC; d. < Nov 3, 1863, bur Palisades Cemetery.*
70. John MESSINGER. ♦
71. Ruth RHODES. ♦
96. Ebenezer SHERMAN, b. Oct 10, 1701; d. Sep 21, 1791.
97. Rebecca LAWTON, b. Oct 19, 1715. ♦

**Eighth Generation**

132. Samuel SNEDEN. ♦
133. Mary \_\_\_\_\_. ♦
134. Jacob CONKLIN, *b. May 21 (or 23), 1743, bp. Jun 28, 1743, Tarrytown, NY; d. Feb 21, 1827, bur Gesner Burying Ground.*
135. Elizabeth GESNER, *b. Dec 6, 1745, bp. Dec 29, 1745, Tappan DRC (# 1389); d. Aug 8 (or 19), 1825, bur Gesner Burying Ground.*
192. Samuel SHERMAN, b. 1648; d. 1717.
193. Martha TRIPP, b. 1658.

**Ninth Generation**

270. John Henry GESNER, Sr., *b. May 25, 1724, Tappan, NY; d. Jul 6, 1811, bur Gesner Burying Ground; m. (banns) 1744, NYC Lutheran Church and Tappan DRC.*
271. Famiche BROUWER, *b. Dec 17, (sic) bp. Dec 1, 1723, Hackensack DRC; d. Feb 10, 1788, bur Gesner Burying Ground.*
384. Philip SHERMAN, b. Feb 5, 1611; d. 1687.
385. Sarah ODDING. ♦
386. John TRIPP. ♦
387. Mary PAINE. ♦

### Tenth Generation

540. John Hendrick GESNER/GESSINGER. 1710, Immigrant from the Palatinate, Germany. Purchased part of the Lockhart Patent. ♦  
 541. Elizabeth Ann SCHMIDT/SMITH. Immigrant ♦  
 542. Adam/Adolph BROUWER, b. Oct 5, bp. Oct 15, 1693, Brooklyn, NY; d. Jul 6 (or 8), 1742; m. Sep 7, 1715.  
 543. Jannetie VERDON, b. Aug 25, 1690.  
 768. Samuel SHERMAN, b. Jan 11, 1573; d. 1615.  
 769. Phillipa WARD. ♦

### Eleventh Generation

1084. Nicholas BROUWER, b. Apr 16, Gowanus, Kings Co, NY, bp. Apr 16, 1672, NYDRC; m. Jan 29, 1682 (or Sep 15, 1692).  
 1085. Jannetje CALSEN/CALJERS/COLYERS, b. < 1676; d. > 1726.  
 1086. Jacob VERDON, bp. Mar 19, 1656, NADRC; d. 1740-43; m. (int Mar), Mar 17, 1678, NYDRC (at Flatbush).  
 1087. Femmetje Jans Willems WESTERVELT, b. Meppels, Drenthe, Netherlands, bp. Apr 29, 1658, Meppel; d. bur Mar 19, 1728, NYDRC. Immigrant.  
 1536. Henry SHERMAN, b. ca. 1547; d. Aug 28, 1610.  
 1537. Susan HILLS, d. Sep 13, 1610. ♦

### Twelfth Generation

2168. Adam BERKHOVEN/BROUWER, b. Jan 18, 1619/20, Hoorn, the Netherlands (or poss. Cologne); m. Mar 21, 1645, Flatlands (NYDRC). Immigrant.  
 2169. Magdalena Jacobs VERDON, b. 1625-1629, Amsterdam; d. 1717, bur Brooklyn Churchyard  
 2170. Jurian COLYER. ♦  
 2171. prob Lysbeth \_\_\_\_\_. ♦  
 2172. Thomas Jacobs VERDON, b. 1634-6, prob New Amsterdam; d. 1696-9; m1. Jun 1655; m2. (banns) Jun 1, 1659, Jannetje Claes Bonen.  
 2173. Barbara Van IMBROECK, d. < Dec 1858. ♦  
 2174. Willem LUBBERTSEN WESTERVELT. Immigrant on "De Hoop", "The Hope", 1662. ♦  
 2175. Dirckje ROELOFSE. Immigrant with husband and children. ♦  
 3072. Henry SHERMAN, b. ca. 1520; d. 1589.  
 3073. Agnes BUTLER. ♦

### Thirteenth Generation

4338. Jacob VERDON/FERDON, b. 1600-1605, France, Holland or Denmark; m. ca. 1623, Immigrant, ca. 1630. ♦  
 4339. Mary Thomas BADDIE. Immigrant. She m2. ca. 1636-7, New Amsterdam, William Arianse Bennet (de Cuyper); m3. Oct 9, 1644, New Amsterdam, Paulus Van der Beeck. Immigrant.  
 4344. \* Jacob VERDON/FERDON, (see # 4338). ♦  
 4345. \* Mary Thomas BADDIE, (see 4339).  
 6144. Thomas SHERMAN, b. ca. 1490; d. 1551.  
 6145. Jane WALLER. ♦

### Fourteenth Generation

8678. Thomas BADDIE/BADYE, b. ca. 1585-7, France; d. ca. 1610, the Netherlands; m. 1606. ♦  
 8679. Aeltje/Alten BRACKHOENGIE, b. 1588-9, the Netherlands; d. ca. 1684, Brooklyn, bur Brooklyn Churchyard. She m2. Cornelis Lambertsen Cool; m3. Willem Bredenbent.  
 8690. \* Thomas BADDIE/BADYE (see # 8676). ♦  
 8691. \* Aeltje/Alten BRACKHOENGIE (see # 8677)  
 12288. John SHERMAN, d. 1504.  
 12289. Agnes FULLER. ♦

### Fifteenth Generation

17354. Eli BRACONIE. ♦  
 17382. \* Eli BRACONIE (see # 17354). ♦  
 24576. Thomas SHERMAN, b. 1443; d. 1493. ♦  
 24577. Agnes \_\_\_\_\_. ♦

**ANCESTOR TABLE OF**  
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sent by Robert Protzmann, 5/6/03

1. Mary Elizabeth CONKLIN, b. Mar 12, 1949, Suffern, Rockland Co., NY; m. Sep 14, 1974, Grace Conservative Baptist Church, Nanuet, Rockland Co., NY.
2. Peter Sylvester CONKLIN, b. Oct 18, 1904, Pearl River, Rockland Co., NY; d. Jun 26, 1964, Suffern, Rockland Co. NY; m. Jun 16, 1928, Ramsey, NJ.
3. Helen Elizabeth ANDERSON, b. Jun 2, 1910, Ramsey, NJ; d. Sep 16, 1998, Nyack, Rockland Co., NY
4. William J. CONKLIN, b. 1874; d. ca. 1904; m. Jan 13, 1904, Pearl River, Rockland Co., NY.



5. Elizabeth (Martha Elizabeth) COOPER, b. Sep 3, 1886, Tappan, Rockland Co., NY.
  6. David ANDERSON, b. Mar 23, 1878, Scotland; d. May 27, 1939, Hackensack, NJ; m. Nov 10, 1895, Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ramsey, NJ.
  7. Mary Woodruff McCORD, b. Jun 7, 1878, Ramsey, NJ; d. Apr 22, 1950, Ridgewood, NJ.
  8. William CONKLIN, b. ca. 1841.
  9. Elizabeth EVERETT, b. ca. 1844.
  10. Jacob B. COOPER, b. 1843; d. 1891; m. Oct 15, 1870, New Hempstead Presbyterian Church, New Hempstead, Rockland Co., NY.
  11. Elizabeth A. POST, b. Mar 17, 1854, Mount Ivy, Rockland Co., NY; d. May 17, 1927, Pearl River, Rockland Co., NY.
  12. William ANDERSON, b. Scotland.
  13. Helen KIRK, b. Scotland.
  14. David H. McCORD, b. May 23, 1819, US; d. Sep 17, 1894.
  15. Elizabeth Ann GOETSCHUS, b. Nov 12, 1839; d. Aug 13, 1897.
- Fifth Generation
20. Isaac C. COOPER, b. Jun 27, 1806; m. Mar 8, 1830
  21. Nancy DeGROAT, b. Aug 15, 1810.
  22. Peter B. POST, b. Jun 15, 1816; d. Dec 13, 1880.
  23. Margaret M. ANDERSON, b. May 13, 1820; d. Feb 17, 1867.

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#### **OTHER SOCIETIES**

##### **Are you a Lewis & Clark descendant?**

*(Karen Lamberton, GSRC, 7/30/03):*

This is from OhioGenWeb.com :

To honor all the participants of the Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery, the Clatsop County, OR, and the Pacific County, WA, Genealogical Societies are

offering a "Corps of Discovery Descendant Certificate" to any person who can document they are a descendant of any member of the 1804 - 1806 Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery.

The confirmed genealogical data accepted will be stored permanently in the genealogy archives of The Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Inc. Library in Great Falls, Montana.

A book will be published by the Clatsop and Pacific County Genealogical Societies and will be available for purchase after May 22, 2004, the 200th anniversary of the official start of the Expedition. The book will include all of the accepted genealogical data, a copy of the certificate artwork, and other accepted items.

If you are interested in receiving your certificate, please visit either Society website for a complete description of this project, all pertinent details for documentation, all required forms for receiving your certificate, and the Official Roster List.

Your application forms and proof of descendancy must be received by 12/31/2003.

Clatsop County Genealogical Society -  
<http://www.pacifier.com/~karenl>

Pacific County Genealogical Society -  
<http://www.pacifier.com/~uniqhorn>

You may write for an application packet to:

The Lewis & Clark Descendant Project  
P.O. Box 372  
Warrenton, Oregon 97146

There is also a Project in the planning stages to have a Reunion of all confirmed descendants in 2004.

*Contributed by: Sandra L Hargrove,  
President, Clatsop Co Genealogy Society*

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#### **MISC. ITEMS**

##### **News from NARA**

*From the NEHGS web newsletter, seen 3/6/03 by JDL*

On February 12, the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) made available their "Access to Archival Databases (AAD) System" to the public via their website, [www.archives.gov/aad/](http://www.archives.gov/aad/). AAD provides researchers access to over 350 databases containing over fifty million historical electronic records created

by more than twenty federal agencies. Researchers may search these records by first choosing from subject, geographic area, organization, time span, and creator. Drop down menus are available for each of these search options, to help the user quickly find the information needed. Once a specific database is selected and submitted, a general database page appears, showing the creator of the record, a brief description, and a link to a more detailed page. From this page users may search for information contained in the file. A few databases follow, with descriptions taken from the website:

Korean War File of American Prisoners of War , ca. 1950 – ca. 1953.

World War II Prisoners of War File , ca. 1942 – ca. 1947.

Index to the Gorgas Hospital Mortuary Death Records (Contains "records of 26,213 U.S. military soldiers and officers, employees of the Panama Canal Commission and its predecessors, and Canal Zone civilians processed through the Gorgas Hospital Mortuary between 1906 and 1991.").

Famine Irish Data File (Identifies "604,596 persons who emigrated from Ireland to the United States during the era of the Irish Potato Famine [1846–1851], and the ships on which they arrived.").

Civil War Events File, 4/12/1861 – 5/13/1865: "Of 10,500 armed conflicts in the military history of the Civil War, the file contains information on 384 conflicts that the Commission identified as the principal battles. Each record identifies the following information: state and county or counties of the historic site, the type of battle or event that occurred there, the theater of operations and the campaign to which the engagement relates, the dates of the battle or event, the current ownership of the site, and the assessment of three subject area experts of the military significance, physical integrity, historic preservation status, and interpretive potential of the site or event, and whether it should be a priority for protection of cultural property."

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The first independence resolution on record, containing the essential principals of the Declaration of Independence, was passed at a meeting held in Orangetown on July 4, 1774.

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#### **Saving Graves Web Site**

##### **"How to Interpret Gravestone Abbreviations"**

<http://www.savinggraves.com/education/print/abbreviations.htm>

(William Spurlock, webmaster)

"Below are abbreviations that are commonly found on gravestones, indicating membership within an

organization. Next to the abbreviation is the full name of the organization and where possible a link to that organization's website" (links found on the Saving Graves web site, not on this reprint)

(collected 5/6/03; printout sent by Richard Peterson on 5/5/03, apparently suggested to him by Marie Koestler)

(Ed. Note: *Caveat emptor* - not documented....

Similar site: <http://www.obitcentral.com/cemsearch/initials.htm>)

AAONMS - Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

AASR - Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite

AF&AM - Ancient Free & Accepted Masons

ALOH - American Legion of Honor

AMD - Allied Masonic Degrees of USA

AMOS - Ancient Mystic Order of Samaritans

AMVETS - American Veterans

AOF - Ancient Order Of Foresters

AOFB - Angelic Order of Fairy Bells

AOH - Ancient Order Of Hibernians

AOKMC - Ancient Order Of Knights of Mystic Chain

AOM - Ancient Order of Mysteries

AOUW - Ancient Order Of United Workmen

BARE - Benefit Association of Railway Employees

BAY - Brotherhood of American Yeomen

B of LF&E - Brotherhood of Local Firemen and Engineers

BPOE - Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

BPOEW - Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World

CBKA - Commandery Benevolent Knights Association

CE - Christian Endeavor

CG - California Grays

CBKA - Commandery Benevolent Knights Association

CCTAS - Crusaders- Catholic Total Abstinence Society

CDA - Catholic Daughters of America

CFUA - Croatian Fraternal Union of America

CK of A - Catholic Knights of America

COOF - Catholic Order of Foresters

CSA - Czechoslovak Society of America

CTAS - Catholic Total Abstinence Society

CTAUOA - Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America

DAR - Daughters of The American Revolution

DOKK - Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan

DOP - Degree of Pocahontas

DUV - Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War

EBA - Emerald Beneficial Association

F&AM - Free and Accepted Masons

F of A - Foresters of America

FAA - Free and Accepted Americans



FHC - The Encampment  
FMC - Fraternal Mystic Circle  
FOAST - Fraternal order of Alaska State Troopers  
FOE - Fraternal Order of Eagles  
FOF - Fraternal Order of Firefighters  
FOO - Fraternal Order Orioles  
FOP - Fraternal Order of Police  
FRA - Fraternal Reserve Association  
GALSTPTR - German American Legion of St. Peter  
GAR - Grand Army of the Republic  
GUO of OF - Grand United Order of Odd Fellows  
IBBH - International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths &

Helpers

IFSC - International Firefighters Square Club  
IHSV - Order of the Red Cross of Constantine  
ILEOSC - International Law Enforcement Officers

Square Club

IOA - International order of Alhambra  
IOBA - Independent Order of Birth Abraham  
IODE - Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire  
IODE - Independent Order Daughters of the Empire  
IOF - Independent Order of Foresters  
IOGT - Independent Order of Good Templars  
IOHH - International Order of Hoo-Hoo  
IOI - Independent Order of Immaculates  
IOKP - Independent Order of Knights of Pythias  
IOOF - Independent Order of Odd Fellows  
IOSL - Independent Order of St. Luke  
IOR - Independent Order of Rebekahs  
IOR - Independent Order of Rechabites  
IORG - International Order of Rainbow Girls  
IORM - Improved Order of Redmen  
IOV - Independent Order of Vikings  
ISH - Independent Sons of Honor  
IUOM - Independent United Order of Mechanics  
JAOUW - Junior Order-Ancient Order of United

Workmen

JOUAM - Junior Order-Order of United American

Mechanics

KC, K of C - Knights of Columbus  
KFM, K of FM - Knights of Father Matthew  
KG, KSTG - Knights of St. George  
KGE - Knights of Golden Eagle  
KGL - Knight Grand Legion  
KHC - Knights of Holy Cross  
KM - Knights of Malta (Masonic) -OR- Knights

Militant

KMC - Knights of Mystic Chain  
KOTM - Knights of the Macabees of the World  
KPC - Knights of Peter Claver  
KP, K of P - Knights of Pythias  
KKK - Knights of Ku Klux Klan  
KSC - Knights of St. Columbkille  
KSF - Knights of Sherwood Forest

KSL - Knights of St. Lawrence  
KSTG - Knights of St. George  
KSTI - Knights of St. Ignatius  
KSTJ - Knights of St. Joseph  
KSTM - Knights of St. Martin  
KSTP - Knights of St. Paul -OR- Knights of St.

Peter

KSTT - Knights of St. Thomas  
KT - Knights of Tabor -OR- Knights Templar  
(Masonic)  
KWM - Knights of Wise Men  
K of L - Knights of Loyola  
K of H - Knights of Honor  
K of P - Knights of Pythias  
K of SJ - Knights of St. John  
K of STP - Knights of St. Patrick -OR- Knights of  
Richard Petty [??? - ed.]

K of STW - Knights of St. Wencelas

K of T - Knights of Tabor

LAOH - Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians

LAPM - Ladies Auxiliary Patriarchs Militant

LAW - League of American Wheelmen

LEA - Ladies Encampment Auxiliary

LK of A - Loyal Knights of America

LMLOA - The Loyal Mystic Legion of America

LOBB - Loyal Order Beer Buffalo

LOL or LOOL - Loyal Order Orange Lodge

LOM - Legion of the Moose

LOOM - Loyal Order of Moose

MM - Modern Maccabees

MOLLUS - Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the  
United States

MOPH - Military Order of the Purple Heart

MOS&B - Military Order of the Stars and Bars

MOVPER - Mystic Order Veiled Prophets of the

Enchanter Realm

MRA - Royal Arcanum

MWA - Modern Woodsmen of America

NEOP - New England Order of Protection

NIWA - National Indian War Veterans

NOK - New Order of knights

NS - National Sojourner

NSCDA - National Society of the Colonial Dames of  
America

NSGW - Native Sons of the Golden West

NW - Neighbors of Woodcraft

O of A - Order of Amaranth

O of L - Order of Leibowitz

OC - Order of Calanthe

OD - Order of DeMolay

ODHS - Order der Hermann's Sohns, Sisters of the  
Federation

OES - Order of Eastern Star

OGC - Order of the Golden Chain

OGC - Order of the Golden Circle  
OGT - Order of Good Times  
OO - Order of Owls  
ORC - Order of the Red Cross  
ORM - Order of Red Men  
OS - Order of Sparta  
OSC - Order of Scottish Clans  
OSH - Order of the Sons of Herman (Texas)  
OSIA - Order of the Sons of Italy in America  
OSM - Order of the Secret Monitor  
OTK - Order of the True Kindred  
OUAM - Order of United American Mechanics  
OWSJ - Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem  
PH - Found on military graves, it means that this person received a Purple heart in Combat.  
PM - Patriarchs Militant (Independent Order of Odd Fellows)  
POSA - Patriotic Order of the Sons of America  
RIP - requiescat in pace, Latin for REST IN PEACE  
RK - Roman Knights  
RMBI - Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution  
RMIB - Royal Masonic Institution for Boys  
RNA - Royal Neighbors of America  
ROJ - Royal Order of Jesters  
ROS - Royal Order of Scotland  
RSM - Royal and Select Masters  
RSTV - Rite of St. Vaclara -OR - Rite of St. Vita  
MRA - Royal Arcanum  
RAM - Royal Arch Masons  
RO-AUM - Rosicrucian Order (Masonic)  
SBCL - Saint Bonifazius Catholic Union  
SBL - Society B. Lafayette  
SCV - Sons of the Confederate Veterans  
SAR - Sisters of the American Revolution  
SAR - Sons of the American Revolution  
SNA-AUM - Shrine of North America (Masonic)  
SRIA - Societas Rosicruciani in Anglia  
SV - Sons of Veterans  
TCL - Tall Cedars of Lebanon  
TH - Temple of Honor-Independent Order of Odd Fellows  
UCV - United Confederate Veterans  
UDC - United Daughters of The Confederacy  
UFL - Union Fraternal League  
UORM - United Order of Red Men  
UR - The Uniform Ranks designation.  
USWV - United Spanish War Veterans  
VFW - Veterans of Foreign Wars  
VMC - Royal Arcanum  
WOTM - Women of the Moose  
WOW - Woodmen of the World

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## **Poetry Corner**

### **The House With Nobody In It** *By Joyce Kilmer*

Whenever I walk to Suffern  
along the Erie track,  
I go by a poor old farm house  
with its shingles broken and black.  
I suppose I've passed it a hundred times,  
but I always stop for a minute,  
And look at the house, the tragic house,  
the house with nobody in it.

I have never seen a haunted house,  
but I hear there are such things;  
That they hold the talk of spirits,  
their mirth and sorrowings.  
I know this house isn't haunted,  
and I wish it were, I do;  
For it wouldn't be so lonely  
if it had a ghost or two.

This house on the road to Suffern  
needs a dozen panes of glass,  
And somebody ought to weed the walk  
and take a scythe to the grass.  
It needs new paint and shingles,  
and the vines should be trimmed and tied;  
But what it needs most of all  
is some people living inside.

If I had a lot of money  
and all my debts were paid,  
I'd put a gang of men to work  
with brush and saw and blade.  
I'd buy that place and fix it up  
the way it used to be,  
And I'd find some people who wanted a home  
and give it to them free.

Now, a new house standing empty,  
with staring window and door,  
Looks idle, perhaps, and foolish,  
like a hat on it's block in the store,  
But there's nothing mournful about it;  
it cannot be sad and lone,  
For the lack of something within it  
that it has never known.

But a house that has done what a house should do,  
a house that has sheltered life,  
That has put its loving wooden arms  
around a man and his wife,



A house that has echoed a baby's laugh  
and held up his stumbling feet,  
Is the saddest sight, when it's left alone,  
that ever your eyes could meet.

So whenever I go to Suffern  
along the Erie track,  
I never go by the empty house  
without stopping and looking back.  
Yet it hurts me to look at the crumbling roof  
and the shutters falling apart,  
For I can't help thinking the poor old house  
is a house with a broken heart.

As found in the October, 1924, issue of  
"The Property Owners Magazine"

*Contributed by Richard Peterson*

### **1930 Census - a locator aid**

*Ed. note:* The Winter issue of the *FGS Forum*, 14(4):7, has an interesting article on "The One-Step 1930 Census Website: Subtleties in Its Use," by Stephen P. Morse, who hosts the site. The site is:

**<http://home.pacbell.net/spmorse/census>**

This site lets you find the Enumeration District for a known street address. It currently covers over 200 cities with 1930 populations over 45,000.

By a fairly simple set of steps (more than one!), you "outline" the block where the house is, and that gives you the ED for that block. You must get your street address from other sources, such as old letters or city directories. The site lets you detour to MapQuest to identify the streets forming the block, needed to uniquely identify the ED. This leaves you with just a single ED to scroll through instead of several. I tried it on a family of current interest, and it worked like a charm, allowing me to find them in the 1930 census even though for some reason the available census index didn't list them.

Mentioned in the article are some name indexes in print, and some exact-address indexes for some cities - including NYC's five boros. The "One-Step" site has about a dozen other NY cities, but the only other Hudson River city is Troy. Also, Ancestry.com now offers a 'complete' every-name index to the 1930 census, but if the name is seriously misspelled or has been missed, then the address can be pursued via this ingenious site.

The first independence resolution on record, containing the essential principals of the Declaration of Independence, was passed at a meeting held in Orangetown on July 4, 1774.

### ***Ed.'s After word***

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**Email addresses** are gladly published also - especially if you include your Rockland County names of interest! Your postal address is in the Surname Index (Dec 2002). New members are published in lists that I get from Robert Protzmann, <Robert.Protzman@Akzo-Nobel.com>.

**Queries:** Should relate to Rockland County, and include specific names, dates, places, and events so that the question can be properly studied by others. Both postal and email addresses are helpful, since some readers are not members and may wish to respond. Postal addresses change less often, too.

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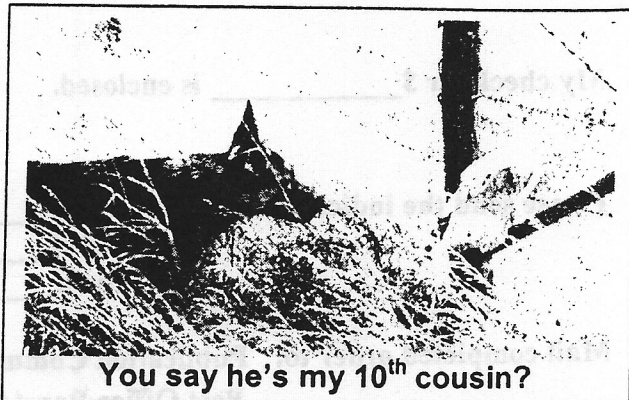
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