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Dues & Membership

Annual Society dues are \$ 15.00 for both individuals and organizations. The Society dues year is September 1st to August 31st. Have you renewed yet?

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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

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Meetings

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 North Main Street, New City, Rockland County, New York. 845-634-4997.

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

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**Minutes of the Genealogical
Society of Rockland County Meeting**

Tuesday, March 22, 2005 - New City Library

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by President Michael Secora.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Protzmann reported a balance in our checking account of \$12,617.14.

Membership: Since 28 members still have not renewed, Bob will send them a note.

Indexing: Les stated that we have still been unable to obtain any of the missing books from the funeral homes. He's still working on the contracts from the White Funeral Home. Someone volunteered to transcribe records for us, so, following discussion, Les will provide her name to Marie Koestler and Florence Anderson, co-coordinators of projects. One project possibility would be to computerize Peter Krell's book on Clarkstown cemeteries.

Project Committee: Marie and Florence asked for volunteers to work on projects to be entered into our Society database. They will keep a record of who is working on what and the status of each project. A template will be provided so that all the information will be entered uniformly. A notice will be placed in the next newsletter.

Project: Nyack Sewer Book, transcribed by Jack Cullen. Maryann Smith will work through Jean Pardo to get permission to publish, etc.

Rockland Room Volunteers Program: Joan Brooks announced that the Board had voted to discontinue the Volunteer Program as it now stands, due to lack of patron use. However, in order to assist patrons with their genealogy, volunteers were requested to help people one-on-one in person or by e-mail. A list of volunteers will be prepared and will include address, telephone number, e-mail address, and areas of expertise. The list will be kept at the Library Reference Desk.

Fall Conference: Maryann Smith stated that representatives of the NYG&B, and Rockland, Orange, Bergen, and Passaic Counties' genealogical societies concerning the fall conference to be held the last Saturday in October met recently. The location of the conference was confirmed as the Salvation Army building, Suffern. She and Sally Pellegrini will shortly be checking on food & catering places. It's expected within the next few weeks to have definite information on the topics and speakers for the event so that the Societies can get the notice in their newsletters. Maryann did mention that parking might be a problem and they don't have details worked out yet. The next meeting of the representatives will be a visit to the facility. So far, at

least six vendors have been confirmed. Registration for the conference will be handled by the NYG&B. **Programs:** Maryann has been trying, for quite awhile, to get hold of Ree Hopper and Joe Boyle, to present a program about their books. Ree's book will be published shortly, and Joe's has been out. They both were finally reached and agreed to come.

Newsletter: Joanne Potanovic, our new newsletter editor, was thanked very much for the fine newsletter just published, and for taking on the position.

Cemeteries: Dick Peterson has been in contact with someone regarding the cemeteries located near Lowland Hill and Rt. 9W in Stony Point. The graves in the one cemetery, located where the Stony Point Diner is now on Route 9W (Liberty Drive), were removed in the early 1960's to Mt. Repose Cemetery, Haverstraw. However, evidently there is still a small one (known as Potter's Field) in that area, which still has to be located.

Mike welcomed a visitor, Jessie Traband, of Airmont who was researching Griffin and Shelley surnames in Rockland County in 1920.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. on motion by George Trigg, seconded by seconded by Karen Lamberton.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan C. Brooks, Secretary

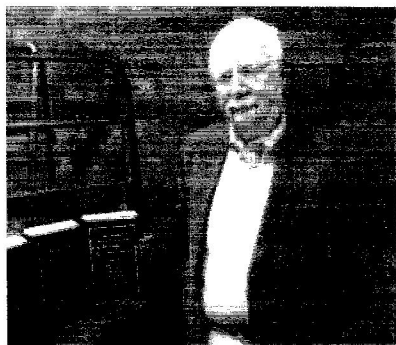
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**Meeting of the Genealogical
Society of Rockland County Meeting**

Tuesday, April 26, 2005 - New City Library
"How to Write & Publish a Genealogy"

by Maria (Ree) Hopper & Joseph Boyle
Joe Boyle spoke first on his published genealogy on the Mapes Family consisting of three volumes. The family has been in the country 400 years. He used Ancestral Quest which is a windows based program.

In 1998 there was the first Mapes family reunion. In 1996 the Mapes family historian retired (had accumulated 50 years of data) and Joe took over and started plans for publishing books. In November 1998 manuscripts were sent to a publisher. In February 1999 the books were delivered. They were 800-page books, and he had 500 copies made of each of the three volumes. Then he needed to determine a mailing list for potential buyers. He had 800 names on a mailing list and received 300 deposits. Problems he encountered are storage of books (1500 in total), postage, maintaining sales volumes, recovering his costs, and the books soon become outdated. Lessons he learned and passed on were to be patient, persistent, practical, and get published. He currently has 90,000 people in his database.



Joseph
Boyle

Ree Hopper spoke on the Hopper Family of Bergen-County, New Jersey. She said you should ask yourself the following questions if you are considering publishing a genealogy: (1) Has a genealogy ever been done? If so, do you have additional information, or do you have corrections? (2) Who is going to be included in the genealogy – male line only, or all possible individuals? (3) Are you going to start with the earliest known ancestor or the first immigrant ancestor? Ree decided to do the male line only and start with the first immigrant ancestor.

Also, consider what you want to include in your published work (cover, front material, context, appendixes, bibliography, etc). In the front material, do you want to include title page, publisher's page, front piece, dedication, forward, table of contents, list of illustrations, etc. You need to develop a template containing name, parent or parents, birth information, death and burial information, and other (residence, census, military, etc). In addition, do you want to include pictures?

Ree used POD (print on demand) to publish her genealogy. Advantages of POD are it is quick, inexpensive, maximum order is only 1 book, easy to revise, and never out of print. If you wish, they will do the selling and pay you a royalty. Disadvantages are that you have to prepare the manuscript, and you have to be able to save it to an Adobe PDF or doc file. There is little or no contact with a human being. Also, hard cover books are not available with POD

In conclusion, both stated that, if you plan to publish a family genealogy, be prepared, and have fun.

Notes taken by Mary Marino, in Joan Brooks absence.



Maria
(Ree)
Hopper

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 25, 2005 -

The Genealogy Society of Rockland County, in conjunction with the New City Library, will present Dorothy Meyers, a member of the Woodbury Historical Society. Dorothy will be speaking about some of the famous estates in the Town of Woodbury, NY during the late 1800's. The history had impact on the economics, history and culture of the area.

October 16, 2005 -

The Genealogy Society of Rockland County has accepted an invitation to participate once again in the New York History Fair. For further details, please contact Karen Lamberton at: karen.lamberton@spyrall.net or Bob Protzmann at: Protzy41@aol.com

October 29, 2005 -

Crossing the Boundaries - an all-day conference focusing on the people and history of lower New York and northern New Jersey to be held at the Salvation Army Center for Officer Training in Suffern, New York. Please see the insert for full details.

November 22, 2005 -

The Genealogy Society of Rockland County, in conjunction with the New City Library, will present a speaker who will discuss an ongoing and important project which seeks to translate Huguenot texts from French and German into English and the impact that language had on the culture in New Paltz, New York..

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In Memoriam

Charter member, Catherine Green Straka, passed away on Wednesday, May 4, 2005 in Greenwood, IN. In 1992, Catherine and her husband John retired to Palm Coast, FL. After John's death, Catherine moved to Indiana to be closer to her family. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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In Memoriam

We have received word that Robert Fisher died last summer.

(F-24) Robert J. Fisher

42 Wareham's Point

Williamsburg, VA 23185-8925

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Query

Samuel KIPP, Freelove TOTTEN, Samuel KIPP Jr., Tamar THORN - Seeking information of the above: birth, marriage and death places. Children's names and birth places. Any help would be appreciated!
Please reply to : Sandy Galeazz c/o the GSRC.

GSRC Membership Poll

The Web site Committee needs to know about any additions, deletions or corrections to our membership list, including:

1. Has there been a change to your e-mail address, phone number or to your mailing address?
2. Are your personal projects (which you listed with your membership) current and accurate?
If not, would you like to have them updated or removed and/or would you like any new ones added?
3. Is your surname list up-to-date?

Members, we want to be certain that each of you are aware that unless otherwise advised, your contact data is going to be put on the GSRC web site along with your interests and surname listing.

If this is **NOT** acceptable to you, please advise Bob Protzmann (Protzy41@aol.com) accordingly and your contact data will be shown as the GSRC address.

You may also send your mail to Bob's attention at the Genealogical Society of Rockland County.

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Project Coordinators

At an Executive Board Meeting, a committee was formed to coordinate all GSRC projects. The Co-Chairmen Florence Anderson and Marie Koestler will keep the membership informed as to their progress through the newsletter..
Current projects:

1. 1855 NYS Rockland County Census
2. 1925 NYS Rockland County Census
3. Clarkstown & Tappan baptisms in Cole's History.
4. Funeral Home books: White, Shankey and Wyman-Mock.
5. Cemeteries: Ramapo, Mt. Rest, Mt. Repose.
6. "So That All May Be Remembered" by Peter Krell is now being computerized.
7. Oak Hill Cemeteries Obituary Index

Proposed projects:

1. Travis Monument Records
2. City Directories at Nyack Library
3. Update abandoned cemetery locations

Florence may be reached at: fmjande@aol.com and Marie at: marie_koestler@juno.com or send your mail to their attention at the Genealogical Society of Rockland County.

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New GSRC Volunteer Program

As part of our agreement with the New City Library to sponsor our Genealogical Society, we need to provide some volunteer assistance for Library patrons who are working on their genealogy or family history.

We are looking for members who are willing to assist patrons with their genealogical and family history questions. This can be done by making appointments to meet with them one-on-one, or it can be handled by mail, telephone, or e-mail.

A list of volunteers with their addresses, phone numbers, and/or e-mail addresses, as well as "particular areas of expertise," is currently being prepared. This list will be placed at the Library's Reference Desk.

For further information, please contact Joan Brooks as soon as possible at (845) 942-0577 or by e-mail at: jcbrooks@spyral.net.

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Surnames: Forshay, Hunt, Mills, Paul, Robertson, Van Houten.

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Return of Former Member - Welcome Back!

- K-05 Mr. Kenneth Kral
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New Members - Welcome!

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D-23 Ms. Katharine H. de Vries
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Surnames: Allison, Babcock, Eckerson, March,
Parsells, Stout, Ten Eyck.

- B-46 Ms. Leeann Berry
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Surnames: Bacbcock, Dunn, Friscoe, Gallagher,
Keenan, Kirkman, Millen, Selesnak, Simpson.

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D-23 Ms. Katharine H. de Vries
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e-mail: KDzzzz@PeakPeak.com

Surnames: Barnes, Priestly, Pye

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Honoring Rockland County's History

While Rockland County is small in size, it is large in historic significance making preserving its history, historic buildings and open spaces is so very important.

The Rockland County Executive's Historic Preservation Merit Awards Committee was formed to encourage the preservation, restoration and, when necessary, the rescue of private homes and professional buildings by acknowledging these actions publicly, as well as supporting those individuals and agencies who demonstrate leadership in preservation and craftsmen who use traditional methods and materials in the preservation/restoration process.



The 15th Annual Awards and Country Dinner was held on May 14, 2005 at the Jabob Blauvelt site at the Historical Society of Rockland County. The keynote speaker was Arthur Gunther, Editorial Page Editor, The Journal News and a man who truly appreciates and celebrates the history of Rockland County.

The Kill von Beast Miller's Cottage, Valley Cottage (Christine & Ken Potter, owners; Jeffrie Lane, architect) the Stebbins House, Tappan (Clare & William Sheridan, owners; Jane Slavin, architect; Tom DiBenedetto, contractor), the Tappan Grammar School Condominiums, Tappan and the Antrim Playhouse, Suffern (The Antrim Players, Inc., owner; William Conroy, President; Tom France, Historian) were the historic properties honored.

The wonderful Armchair Walking Tours, Robert Goldberg, Coordinator, (Friends of the Nyacks & the Historical Society of the Nyacks, sponsors) received the Leadership Award for continuing contribution to the preservation of historic resources in Rockland.

Nancy Cacioppo received the Margaret H. and John B. Zehner Award for Historic Contribution for her 38 years of reporting on the history of the people, places, events and art in Rockland County. Congratulations!

Joanne Potanovic, Co-chairperson
2005 Preservation Merit Awards Committee
(photo: George Potanovic, Jr)

Ancestor Table of Alfred L. Beasley (B-35)
 RR2 Box 310D, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971
(Names in italics added by Robert L. Protzmann)

1. Alfred **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, Schraaalenburgh 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 Brooklun 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 _____. ♦

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Genealogy on the Half Shell

By Karen Lamberton

A few years ago my cousin, Lyda, and I were searching a cemetery for one elusive grave stone. It was hot and we were tired. After a long period of systematically covering the entire section, we were about to give up in favor of cool drinks and a place to sit down. As we turned toward the car, I began to relate the crux of an article I had read to Lyda. In the Philippines native fishermen lure clams out of the mud by jumping up and down. When this is done rhythmically at low tide, the clams interpret the vibrations in the wet sand as the sea returning and they pop up in anticipation of cool water. The fishermen then pounce and collect the delicacy without having to spend hours digging after clams one at a time.

Much to my amazement, Lyda's reaction was, "so, let's try it, nothing else is working". Although the cemetery seemed deserted, we looked around, lest two gray haired grannies be mistaken for escapees from the nut farm. As a precaution against either of us taking a tumble, we faced each other and held hands. One, Two, Three..... we jumped several times. No luck! But now we were both feeling very silly, so we decided to try again. This time we added the name of the family we were searching for.

"Bush, Bush, Bush". We were both out of breath and beginning to feel drops of sweat running down our necks and backs. Time to be grown ups again. Before leaving we decided to walk the row one more time. Three stones down from where we had jumped, was the stone we were looking for. Surely the stone had just "popped up" we had been over that spot several times as we walked a grid of the section and neither of us had seen it before.

Since then, we have used this technique several times and each time we have had equal success. We can't explain why gravestones act like clams, but the growing stack of transcriptions and pictures which we have collected as a result of doing the "Bush Dance" keeps on growing.

**Ancestor table of
Mary Elizabeth (CONKLIN) Marino**

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1. Mary Elizabeth CONKLIN, b. 1949, Suffern, Rockland Co., NY; m. Sep 14, 1974, Grace Conservative Baptist Church, Nanuet, Rockland Co., NY.
2. Peter Sylvester CONKLIN, b. 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 GOETSCHUIS, b. Nov 12, 1839; d. Aug 13, 1897. _

Fifth Generation

20. Isaac C. COOPER, b. Jun 27, 1806; d. ?; 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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If you have any questions regarding our web site, please contact Karen Lamberton, web site Committee Chairperson at: karen.lamberton@spyrall.net.

Excerpted from The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, Vol. 136, No. 1, January 2005.

"Revolutionary War Service Records Hidden in the Pension Files" by William J. Parry, Ph.D.

The Revolutionary War Pension applications contain genealogical and biographical information – not so well known is that the pension files also include information on the military service records of men who did NOT apply for pensions.

There are approximately 80,000 separate files; 2,670 rolls of microfilm. The National Archives decided that any file containing more than ten pages of records would be divided into two groups: the significant genealogical documents were selected and placed at the front of the file, the remaining documents were designated "nonselected records" and placed in the back of the file.

Two versions of the files were then microfilmed. The first, Publication M804, represents the complete files. Publication M805 includes only the portion of the "selected records." In M805, supporting documents are almost never filmed. Whenever possible, one should read Publication M804 for possible additional information.

The complete files (M804) are available at Regional Centers of the National Archives, the New York Public Library and the Family History Library. Some researchers have opted to use the shorter "selected files in M805.

As of December 2004, Heritage Quest Online has M805, the "selected files," on the Internet, and ProQuest Company has the digitized files in electronic format on CD.

Thank you Marie Koestler for this submission.

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Research Assistance Requested

I am looking for someone who can do a genealogical search for my mother. She is 91 years of age, lives in Nyack, and she would like someone to do a search for her father's family in Kharkov, Ukraine. Her father left Kharkov in the late 1800's. This is a Jewish family and might need someone familiar with this type of search. Do you have any suggestions? I would be most appreciative. Thank you, Lynne P. Iser

If you are able to be of assistance, please contact:

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Historians by Kip Sperry, 2002. 2nd Rev., 2003.

A Century of Grace. Grace Episcopal Church,
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Also, please do not hesitate to let me know if I need
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NOTEWORTHY

From the Genealogical Society of Bergen County, New
Jersey web site - **UPDATE:** Access to vital records
in New Jersey threatened.

"We announced last month (April 2005) that vital re-
cords access is once again coming under attack in
New Jersey from proposed legislation. Assembly Bill
3806 was to come up for a vote in May, 2005. We
have recently been advised that the proposed bill is to
be modified to permit copies of vital records to any-
one after 80 years have elapsed in the case of birth
records and 50 years have elapsed in the case of mar-
riage records and 40 years in the case of death records."

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Good News for Canadian Researchers

Post-1901 Census News from Canada - June 28, 2005

Written By: Gordon A. Watts, Co-chair, Canada Census
Committee - gordon_watts@telus.net

"Bill S-18 has now passed all necessary stages in both
the Senate and the House of Commons and all that
remains to be done to make it law is for it to receive
Royal Assent. It is expected that assent will be received
shortly."

"We should now be able to spend our Summer research-
ing the 1911 records instead of continuing the fight to
see them released."

To read the full story, please see the Post 1901 Census
Project Web Site: <http://globalgenealogy.com/Census>

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Web Site of Interest

10,000 Year Calendar

<http://www.calendarhome.com/tyc>

With this calendar you can view a month or a year cal-
endar for any year 1 to 10,000 A.D. All leap years and
calendar changes are accounted for. (You also have the
choice of when the calendar changed from Julian to Gre-
gorian, October of 1582 or September of 1752.)

There is almost everything you ever wanted to know about
calendars. For instance, convert dates among Gregorian,
Julian, Mayan, Persian, Indian Civil, Bahá'i, French Re-
publican, Hebrew, and Islamic, calculate the number of
days between dates and more. Print your own calendars
- you can even print a 100-year perpetual calendar.

Thank you for this contribution, Marie, which was
originally submitted by Geri Mola and was pub-
lished in the Genealogical Society of Bergen
County (NJ) January 2005 e-mail newsletter .

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