

**TRI-COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER**  
(Vernon - Cedar - St. Clair Counties in Missouri)  
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*Happy New Year!*  
*Have a great year of genealogy research in 2006...*  
*And welcome to our new members!*

**February 11, 2006 Meeting ~ El Dorado Springs**  
**Uncovering Your Ancestry Through Family Photography**  
**Guest Speaker: Al Fenske**

The February 11, 2006 monthly Society meeting will be held in the Community of Christ Church Fellowship Hall, 600 South Grand in El Dorado Springs, MO, beginning at 10 a.m. Al Fenske, an expert in the field of antique photography and equipment, will explain different photography methods and show examples of photographs which can be dated to specific time periods, which can help in your family history research. Various antique cameras will be on display. If you have an old photograph which you would like to bring, please slip it in a plastic sleeve to protect it from handling.

To carpool from the Nevada Library parking lot, please contact Nancy.

This will be a very interesting program which you will not want to miss – invite a friend!

**Vernon County Circuit Court Records Project**  
**Moves to Nevada Library Meeting Room**

The weekly Friday Circuit Court Records Project workshops will move to the Nevada Library Meeting Room beginning this Friday, February 3, 2006. There will be more space and better lighting in the new location. If you would like to help prepare the Circuit Court Records for microfilming, please come to the Library Meeting Room on Friday mornings – this is the room where our Society meetings are held in Nevada. The Library opens at 10 a.m. each day, so that will be the workshop start time also. Richard Johnson will be in charge of moving the necessary supplies to the Library, and the items will be stored in the Library during the week. We appreciate the Library allowing us to use this space, and thanks to Richard for moving the items. **Please note that the workshop will NOT be held on February 24 due to previous scheduling of the meeting room.**

**2006 Membership Dues**

Following the February meeting, a dues reminder notices will be sent to anyone who was a member in 2005 and has not yet paid his/her 2006 membership fees. Your support of genealogy research in this region through membership fees is very much appreciated. If you would like to pay your 2006 dues at this time or make a contribution towards providing resources in our local libraries, please forward your check to our treasurer: Kathe Rader,

1703 S. Phillips St., El Dorado Springs, MO 64774. Yearly dues are \$10 individual (+\$5 for each additional member within the same household up to \$25 maximum), \$5 for a Student, or \$100 Lifetime, per person. Donations of any amount are always welcome! Please make checks payable to Tri-County Genealogical Society. A 2006 membership list will be published as part of the February newsletter (end of February). Please contact Kathe at the February meeting if you are unsure if your dues are paid.

### State Historical Society of Missouri Mini Conference

The State Historical Society is hosting a 1-day genealogy conference on March 11 at Columbia, MO. There will be workshops at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Registration is \$10 for each for \$15 for the two sessions. For more information, a copy of their letter will be on the Library bulletin board or visit [www.umsystem.edu/shs](http://www.umsystem.edu/shs)

### Grand Lake Ancestor Fair

An Ancestor Fair will be held in Grove, Oklahoma, on Saturday, April 22. Preregistration with lunch: \$25. For more information, email [dcgsinc@hotmail.com](mailto:dcgsinc@hotmail.com).

### Tri-County Genealogical Society Internet Site

Over 1,694 "hits" (visits) have been recorded as of January 31, 2006 on the new Tri-County Genealogical website. Remember, the Internet address for the site is: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~motcogs/> "motcogs" breaks down this way: **mo** (Missouri) **tri** **co**unty **g**enealogical **s**ociety. The tilde (~) is found on your keyboard as the shift of the key to the left of number 1. A printed copy of the website pages is available in the Nevada Library Genealogy Department.

### Websites of Interest for Researchers

The following internet sites have been recommended by members:

[www.glorerecords.blm.gov](http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov) General Land Office Records, Bureau of Land Management.

[www.lva.lib.va.us/whatwehave/](http://www.lva.lib.va.us/whatwehave/) The Library of Virginia – some great information on this site including Native American, land records, genealogy research information, etc.

Email to [NathJ@aol.com](mailto:NathJ@aol.com) (Norman Peters) if you are needing research assistance at NARA. He'll let you know the cost of what you are wanting and will obtain and send to you. He also notes that the largest number of soldiers in the Revolution and the War of 1812 fought for State units, not the national military – their records should be in the Archives of the various States.

Many transcribed county records are available from the county's RootsWeb site. Find the county site from the list of states at [www.rootsweb.com/~websites/usa/index.html](http://www.rootsweb.com/~websites/usa/index.html). Some specific Kentucky county sites which have transcribed birth, death, and/or marriage records include:

Carter Co [www.rootsweb.com/~kycarter/](http://www.rootsweb.com/~kycarter/)

Floyd Co [www.rootsweb.com/~kyfloyd/](http://www.rootsweb.com/~kyfloyd/)

Lawrence Co [www.rootsweb.comusgenweb/ky/lawrence/lawrence.htm](http://www.rootsweb.comusgenweb/ky/lawrence/lawrence.htm)

Morgan Co [www.rootsweb.com/~kymorgan/morgan2.htm](http://www.rootsweb.com/~kymorgan/morgan2.htm)

Johnson Co [www.rootsweb.com/~kyjohnso/johnson.htm](http://www.rootsweb.com/~kyjohnso/johnson.htm)

And most have links to adjoining counties.

For Kentucky deaths 1911-2000, births 1911-1912, marriages 1973-2000, go to [www.kygenweb.net/vitals/index.html](http://www.kygenweb.net/vitals/index.html)

A listing of State Libraries/Archives and their internet links is at <http://www.loc.gov/global/library/statelib.html> If a particular link does not work, Google the name to find the correct web address (i.e., Missouri State Archives). More and more records are being transcribed and made available on the internet every day!!

If you need a Tazewell Co, WV (originally VA) obituary, write to Craft Memorial Library, Attn: Nancy Siggelkow, 600 Commerce Street, Bluefield, WV 24701. She will search the Bluefield Daily Telegraph within a reasonable timeframe, make copy of anything found, and send it with a bill including postage – the total is usually \$3-\$5.

### **FYI: The Relationship of Some Internet Genealogy Sites**

MyFamily.com, Ancestry.com, Genealogy.com, and RootsWeb.com are all part of the MyFamily network. MyFamily also publishes the Family Tree Maker software, Genealogical Computing Magazine, and many other books titles as well as numerous databases on CDs.

### **Notes for Newbies (& Oldies, too)**

“Junior” and “Senior” after a person’s name did not always mean what it does today. It was used to designate between two people having the same name and living in the same area. Junior was applied to the younger of the two. The junior and senior were also sometimes tacked on to a female’s name.

The words “consort” and “relict” can be confusing – just remember a “relict” is a woman who outlived her husband (no, I didn’t make this up), and a “consort” means he outlived her. Example: “Mary Jones, consort of William Jones,” tells us that William was alive when Mary died.

The term “my now present wife” does not necessarily mean the man was previously married. This was simply part of the legal terminology used at the time.

### **2006 Genealogy Programs**

Your 2006 officers have been very busy arranging a schedule of interesting, informative, and entertaining programs for the year. We have tried to include subjects of interest for both beginning as well as more experienced researchers. Additional program ideas are always welcome – please give them to Etta Webb [Webb@aicon.net](mailto:Webb@aicon.net) or Betty Hicks [bwhicks@worldnet.att.net](mailto:bwhicks@worldnet.att.net) at any meeting or via email. The following schedule is **tentative** at this time, and each month’s program will be announced the month prior, listed in the newsletter, posted in the Library Genealogy Department, and posted on the welcome page of our internet site. Additional details will be provided for each program prior to that month.

**Mar – Nevada** – How to Use Family Tree Maker Software (Beginners Level) OR field trip to Deepwood Cemetery to proof the new cemetery directory.

**Apr – El Dorado Springs** – Field Trip to Osceola Library and Courthouse.

**May – Nevada** – Tour of the Nevada Family History Center.

**Jun – El Dorado Springs** – Land Deeds in Genealogy by Betty Hicks.

**Jul – Nevada** – How to Conduct Genealogy Research by Helen Lodge.

**Aug – El Dorado Springs** – Field Trip to tour the “Hospital Home” of Dortha Swopes in Appleton City (Hospital building converted to private home). Will include a box lunch served at the home.

**Sep – Nevada** – Field Trip to Ft. Scott for Trolley Tour & Lunch/Tour at the Lyon's House.  
**Oct – El Dorado Springs** – Stockton Courthouse Tour.  
**Nov – Nevada** – Attend Bates County Genealogy Society meeting. Once we know what their programs are going to be, we can switch this program to another month as needed.  
**Dec – El Dorado Springs** – Installation of Officers, Video Program, & Christmas Luncheon.  
**Jan 2007 – Nevada** – Printing a Genealogy Book Using Family Tree Maker by Nancy Malcom.

*Again, this is a tentative list and some changes will be made as details are finalized.*

### Indexes for Sale

Tri-County now has the following indexes to history books for sale:

INDEX to My Kind of Town: Butler (Bates Co.) Missouri History Book \$10.

INDEX to History of Ballard (Bates Co.) Missouri History Book \$7.

INDEX to HUME...Coal, Corn and Cattle 1880-1980 (Bates Co.) Missouri History Book \$5.

INDEX to Family/Community History Liberal (Barton Co.) Missouri History Book \$7.

INDEX to The Town That Coal Built: Rich Hill (Bates Co.) Missouri History Book \$7.

SUPPLEMENTAL INDEX to 1911 History of Vernon County, Missouri History Book \$7.

INDEX to Missouri History in Cedar County \$10.

Also available are every-name indexes to Marriage Books A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H Vernon County Missouri \$12 ea.

All sale publications are listed at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~motcogs/pubs1-15.htm>

### Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings of the Tri-County Genealogical Society (Vernon-Cedar-St. Clair Counties of Missouri) are held the second Saturday of each month and begin at 10 a.m. They are alternately held at Nevada and El Dorado Springs at the following locations:

**Nevada** Public Library Meeting Room, 218 West Walnut, Nevada (enter at South side of building). On Saturdays, there is not a 2-hr parking limit on the streets.

**El Dorado Springs** Community of Christ Church, 600 South Grand, El Dorado Springs (enter from North side). Carpooling from the Nevada Library is usually available email to confirm.

*All meetings are open to the public and visitors are always welcome!*

### Tri-County Genealogical Society

Membership in the Society is currently at about 55, and we use nametags at monthly meetings to help everyone get acquainted. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in family history research. Annual dues are \$10 for an individual membership (+\$5 for each additional member within the same household up to \$25 maximum), \$5 for a Student, or \$100 Lifetime, per person. We would be pleased to have you join the local society if you are not already a member, and you can do so at our next meeting or by sending a check to Tri-County Genealogical Society, P. O. Box B, Nevada, MO 64772.

2006 Society officers are:

Interim President: Nancy T

Vice President: Etta W and Betty H

Secretary: Luella P and Lynda B

Treasurer: Kathe R

Corresponding Secretary: Darlene L and Richard J

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