

# *Cedar & Vernon County, MO Genealogical Society*

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## **Genealogical Society Monthly Meeting**

Tuesday, September 19, 2017, 10 a.m.

Nevada Library Meeting Room

218 W. Walnut Street, Nevada, MO 64771

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### *What Does the Genealogical Society Mean to You?*

Please, take time to consider what the genealogical society means to you, what things you want to learn in our monthly programs, and how the society can better serve its membership. Bring your answers to our September 19 meeting in Nevada! If you are unable to serve as an officer, are you willing to help in other ways? There are things that don't take a lot of time or effort with which we need your help:

--Do you know someone who would give a program?

--Would you be willing to write a summary of your research for the newsletter?

--Would you give a program?

--Is there a project with which you think the genealogy group could help?

--Do you think we need a business meeting every month, every other month, quarterly?

--Have you hit a brick wall in your research and would like help from the group?

--What do you want from the genealogy group?

This will be a very important discussion and idea-sharing session. If you will not be able to attend the September meeting, please forward your comments to Lynda B. (our Vice-President and Program Chairman).

There will be a **workday on Sep 19** following the meeting. We will prepare resources to be cataloged and placed on the shelves to be used by researchers. This will include tasks such as placing documents in protective sleeves and in binders; transferring documents from flimsy binders into heavy-duty binders; arranging pages in alphabetical order and putting in sleeves and binder; removing papers from two file cabinet drawers of file folders; preparing notebook front cover inserts; copying documents; punching holes in documents; etc. We are planning to have numerous tasks identified, labeled, and ready for your willing-worker hands—please plan to help your Society on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Bring a sack lunch or run out and grab a quick lunch and return. We have the meeting room reserved all afternoon to ensure the projects get completed, so plan to help as long as you can.

Due to the workday activities on Sep 19, there will not be a DNA mini-session. There are tentative plans to have a DNA session following the October meeting in El Do.

The Nevada Library Genealogy Department is open to researchers during all regular Library hours. Free wi-fi is available for those who bring a personal device. Two

computers in the Genealogy Dept. are available exclusively for genealogy research. A 12-month library card can be obtained at the circulation desk free of charge for those living within Nevada and for \$25 if you live outside of Nevada. Or, one free limited guest pass can be obtained each month to use the library computers.

The monthly genealogy society meetings are open to everyone interested in family history research; invite a friend. Meeting locations alternate between Nevada and El Dorado Springs on the third Tuesday of the month at the local library. If questions, please contact the society by email.

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### **Best Choice UPCs and Labels for Education**

Members are urged to save both Best Choice UPCs and also Labels for Education and bring to any meeting. Thank you to Maxine M. for collecting and submitting our labels.

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### **Heraldry Resources**

The following book on heraldry was recently donated to the Nevada Library Genealogy Department by member Betty Garton: ***A General and Heraldic Dictionary of the Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire***, Volume 2, by John Burke (a reproduction of the original book). Thank you, Betty!

These additional heraldry resources are available in the Genealogy Department:

***American and British Genealogy and Heraldry*** by P. William Filby

***American and British Genealogy and Heraldry: a selected list of books*** by P. William Filby.

***Heraldic Design: Its origins, ancient forms and modern usage*** by Hubert Allcock.

The New England Historic Genealogical Society is presenting a free webinar on Thursday, September 28, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. titled “**Introduction to Heraldry in America.**” The webinar description says: “Heraldic symbols are all around us, from state seals to institutional emblems to family heirlooms. Yet the significance behind these cultural and familial symbols is often misunderstood. Discover the history of heraldry in America from colonial times to present day. Join esteemed Vice Chairman of the NEHGS Committee on Heraldry Nathaniel Lane Taylor, PhD, FASG to learn how heraldry can enrich your family history research.

To register, go to <https://www.americanancestors.org/education/online-classes> and click on the “Register today!” link. You will receive an email confirmation of your registration with information and how to access the webinar on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Please note that you will want to go to the link that you will be provided in the email about 15-20 minutes prior to the start of the event to ensure access, speakers are set correctly, etc. If accessing the webinar at a public library,

please request 2-hour access due to signing in prior to the start of the event, and you will most likely want to listen to the questions and answers following it.

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### **Researching Jamestowne Ancestors**

For a small fee (\$4.95), you can purchase information on your Jamestowne ancestors at <http://historicjamestowne.org/history/genealogy-records> Check the alphabetical lists to see if your family has a report available. A sample report is available for you to download and read; there is no guarantee prior to purchase as to exactly what would be in any other report.

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### **Newspaper Articles of Interest**

--The *Kansas Conservative* of the 15<sup>th</sup> Inst., says a fight occurred between a band of guerrillas and the 3d Wisconsin cavalry, a short time since, near the junction of the Marmaton and Osage, in Missouri. The fight lasted an hour and a half, resulting in the rout of the guerillas. They lost five killed and three wounded, among the former, Pony Hill, a noted rebel. The third lost one man killed, J. H. Robinson of Co. E.

**Chicago Daily Tribune, Chicago, Illinois; 21 July 1863.**

[A later Nevada Daily Mail newspaper article notes that Pony Hill was killed sometime following the war in Arkansas. The Cpt. Charles W. Porter Civil War diary, *In the Devil's Dominions: A Union Soldier's Adventures in "Bushwhacker Country,"* edited and annotated by Patrick Brophy, reports that on July 12, 1863, Porter learned that Cpt. Pratt of Co F, 3<sup>rd</sup> Wisconsin had been scouting east of Balltown and had a skirmish resulting in one of his men killed and five enemy wounded and two more killed while trying to cross the Osage. This editor has not had access to sufficient Civil War records to confirm who "J. H. Robinson" was or where he was buried.]

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