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EDITORS NOTES Kenneth E. Zimmerman, Editor

This Notebook has seven major articles:

1. Baltimore City and Baltimore County Marriage Records Guide by Kenneth Zimmerman. Source information from Maryland State Archives web site.
2. Article titled "PC Problems? Try These Quick Fixes - by Jim Edwards (c) Jim Edwards – http://www.thenetreporter.com
3. Article from Herb Frantz, Chairman PC Users Group discussion at the February 23, 2003 meeting "A Smattering of Electronic Resources Today."
4. Web site online obituaries named: http://www.regionalobits.com
5. An article on CD titled "Distinguished Men of Baltimore and of Maryland"
6. Our member Pat Czerniewski has submitted a list of several Bible Records that were submitted between 1987 and 1997. The Notebook will have Bible Records in the next issue.
7. Another major article is "Baltimore County Will Index "1879-1882", Liber J.B.M. No. 6 beginning 15 April 1875 ending 10 October 1882. The series is continued from Notebook Issue No. 18 No.4. Our member Carol Porter compiled the index. The Notebook will have succeeding indexes in the next issue.

The BCGS "The Notebook" 96 issues from 1977 to 2002 have been scanned and converted to a PDF format on a CD-ROM. The Notebook can be viewed through the software Adobe Acrobat Reader®. To find topics just enter a word into the text box to have the reader search the document. The CD-ROM will be produced and sold by the Society for $19.95 plus sales tax and shipping $4.00. Send a check to BCGS Inc to order.

Baltimore City and Baltimore County Marriage Records Guide

Marriage Licenses

The 1777 law applied only to the marriage of white citizens. Not until 1867 did the marriage laws apply to blacks. Licenses generally are listed chronologically in record books, and sometimes include a sequential number assigned by the clerk. The date of the license, names of the two parties, and sometimes the minister's name are recorded. No other information is given, and the license does not prove a marriage occurred. Often the record contains an accounting of the fees paid. The *Directory of Maryland Ministers* by Edna Agatha Kanely can be used to determine the church or parish associated with the minister's name on the license. Many of the license records have been abstracted and published. Refer to list of publications listed in this article. The Archives has marriage licenses in the original and/or on microfilm. The Maryland State Archives holds indices to some of these records.

Marriage Records

In 1865 Maryland required the recording of births, deaths, and marriages at the county level, with further reporting to the Secretary of the Senate. Persons officiating at marriages were required to return a copy of the license to the appropriate court clerk who would record the marriage date in the marriage record. The marriage records created under the 1865 law contain the date of the license; age, race, residence, occupation, and marital status of the bride and groom; date and place of marriage; and name, title, and residence of the minister. Records after 1886 exclude the minister's title and

residence of the minister. Records after 1886 exclude the minister's title and residence. Entries usually are arranged alphabetically by the first letter of the male's surname and then chronologically. The Archives has marriage records in the original and/or on microfilm. The Maryland State Archives holds indices to some of these records.

Marriage License Applications
An 1886 law required signed applications for marriage licenses. It also restricted marriage to males over age twenty-one and females over sixteen, later changed to twenty-one and eighteen and then eighteen and sixteen. After 1939 pregnant females, and after 1949 putative fathers over age sixteen, could obtain licenses without parental consent. In 1937 a waiting period of two days was added. The law specified that marriage application records contain name, residence, age, race, occupation, and marital status of each party; date of the application, sometimes date of the license and marriage; consent of the parents or guardians of minors; and signature of the applicant. For some unknown reason the law was not applied in Baltimore City where the records include only the names of the parties, date of application, and signature of the applicant, all of which is written in pencil. Entries in the county and city records are arranged chronologically by date of application. The Archives has marriage license applications in the original and/or on microfilm.

Marriages by Banns
From the time marriage licenses were first required in 1777, Maryland allowed individuals to marry without a license if public notice was given at a church on three Sundays prior to the wedding, a process known as publication of banns. An 1890 law provided for the recordation of these marriages by requiring the ministers to file a certificate with the court clerk who would record the information. The records include the date and place of marriage, names of the parties and minister, and name of the church. Entries are arranged alphabetically by the first letter of the male's surname and then chronologically. Marriages by banns prior to 1890 can be found only in church records.

The provisions for marriage by banns were repealed in 1941 and replaced with a requirement that all individuals obtain licenses. The Archives has marriages by banns in the original and/or on microfilm.

Marriage Certificates
In 1910 the General Assembly created the Bureau of Vital Statistics as an agency under the State Department of Health (Chapter 560, Laws of 1910). The Bureau of Vital Statistics was responsible for supervising the registration of births and deaths in Maryland. The Bureau became responsible for marriages in 1914 with the passage of a new law: "It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Court in Baltimore City and in the several Counties of the State of Maryland to transmit to the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Department of Health . . . a report of each marriage that has been reported to them." (Chapter 745, Laws of 1914). The purpose of the law was to ensure against the loss or destruction of the records filed at the circuit courts.

From 1914 to 1940 the Bureau of Vital Statistics maintained one series of marriage certificates for the counties and another series for Baltimore City. In 1941, the Bureau began filing the Baltimore City certificates with the county certificates, creating a single series of records. Unfortunately for researchers, the Bureau did not begin indexing the certificates until 1951 when the General Assembly authorized them to provide certified copies of marriages performed after June 1, 1951 (Chapter 76, Laws of 1951). Also in 1951, the Bureau was given its current name of the Division of Vital Records.

Baltimore City 1914-1940, series no. T317
During the years 1914 to 1940, the Bureau of Vital Statistics arranged the Baltimore City certificates chronologically by year and month. Within each month they are sometimes alphabetical by the groom's

name and sometimes in no particular order at all. Because **there is no index**, one must know the month, year, and groom's name to find a certificate. Each certificate provides the names, ages, birthplaces, races, occupations and residences of the couple, the date of the license, the date and location of the marriage, and the name of the minister. The certificates also indicate whether there was a prior marriage and the names of the consenting parents, or guardians, if one of the parties was a minor. If neither the bride nor the groom was a minor, the parents are not listed. This series is called Department Of Health And Mental Hygiene, Division Of Vital Records (Marriage Certificates, BC) MSA T317.

Counties 1914-1930, series no. SM184, Microfilm
There are two series of county marriage certificates for the years 1914 to 1930. The first is called Department Of Health, Bureau Of Vital Statistics (Marriage Certificate List) MSA S1498, Microfilm. This series is an **incomplete set of certificates arranged in soundex order by the groom's name**. The more complete series Is Department Of Health, Bureau Of Vital Statistics (Marriage Certificates, Counties, Female) MSA Microfilm. The certificates are **arranged in soundex order by the name of the bride**. The records list the names, ages, races, residences, occupations, and birthplaces of the couple, the date of the license, the date and place of the marriage, and the name of the minister. The certificates also indicate whether there were any prior marriages and list consenting parents or guardians, if one of the parties was a minor.

Counties 1931-1940, series no. T318
Between the years 1931 and 1940 the Bureau of Vital Statistics arranged the county marriage certificates in **soundex order by the name of the groom**. The certificates give the names, ages, races, birthplaces, occupations and residences of the couple, the date of the license, the date and place of the marriage, and the name of the minister. The certificates also indicate whether there were any prior marriages and list consenting parents or guardians, if one of the parties was a minor. This series is called Department Of Health And Mental Hygiene, Division Of Vital Records (Marriage Certificates, Counties) MSA T318.

Counties and Baltimore City 1941-1987, series no. T315
Beginning in 1941, the Bureau of Vital Statistics maintained both city and county marriages as a single series of records. The series is called Department Of Health and Mental Hygiene, Division Of Vital Records (Marriage Certificates) MSA T315.

1941-1951
For the years 1941 to June 1951, the certificates are arranged chronologically by year and month. Within each month they are arranged alphabetically by jurisdiction and then alphabetically by the groom's name. The certificates list the names, ages, races, birthplaces, and residences of the couple, the date of the license, the date and place of the marriage, and the name of the minister. They do not list the names of parents or guardians unless one of the parties was a minor. Unfortunately, there are **no indexes for these years**. One must know the year, month, county and groom's name to find a certificate.

1951-1972
In June 1951, when the General Assembly authorized the Division of Vital Records to provide certified copies of marriage records, the Division began to file the certificates numerically by certificate number. In order to access the certificates, the agency created two indexes, one by bride and one by groom. Since the groom index contains some missing or torn pages, the bride index is more complete. The Archives has copies of the indexes on microfilm.

The certificates contain the names, ages, races, birthplaces, residences and marital status of the couple, the date of the license, the date and place of the marriage, the name of the minister, and the church or office

where the marriage was performed. These certificates no longer include the names of consenting parents or guardians of minors.

1973-1987
In 1973, the Division of Vital Records began indexing the marriage certificates electronically, although the certificates continued to be arranged numerically by certificate number. **The State Archives does not have access to the marriage database, which covers 1973 to the present.** The Archives does hold the certificates through 1987. Certificates for the year 1979, however, remain at the Division. The certificates contain the same information as described for the years 1951 to 1972, except that they omit the information on race.

1987-present
For marriage certificates after 1987, please contact the circuit court in the county where the marriage occurred.

Baltimore City

1851-1885 Baltimore City Court Of Common Pleas [MSA C212,CM205] MSA CM205
Note: Marriage Index, Male
1851-1885 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas (Marriage Licenses) (MSA C213)
1851-1885 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas (Marriage Licenses) (Microfilm)

1865-1885 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas(Marriage Record) (MSA C214)
1865- 1919 Baltimore City Court Of Common Pleas (Marriage Record) [MSA Microfilm MSA CM206.
1885-1886 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas (Marriage Licenses) (MSA T989)
1885-1891 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas (Marriage Licenses) (MSA T990)

1886-1935 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas (MSA T499)
Note: Marriage License Applications
1886-1919 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas (MSA T2426)
Note: Marriage Index Male. The series appears to be very incomplete for period 1915-1919.
1886-1919 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas (Marriage Record)(MSA T991)
1890- 1941 Baltimore City Court of Common Pleas (Marriages by Banns) [MSA Microfilm] MSA CM207
1914-1940 Department Of Health and Mental Hygiene, Division of Vital Records (Marriage Certificates, BC) MSA T317
1940-1975 Marriage License Applications, Expired, Male Index (T2472)

Baltimore County

1777-1851 Baltimore County Court (Marriage Licenses) [MSA C376, Microfilm] MSA CM174
1777-1851 Male Index, Card files Indexes at 7-15 (MSA S1398)
1777-1851 Female Index, Card files Indexes at 16-26 (MSA S1399)
Note: Entries give names of bride and groom, date of license, license number, and minister's name.
1851-1886 Baltimore County Circuit Court [MSA C378,CM175]
Note: Marriage Licenses, Index
1851-1865 Baltimore City Court of Common Plea (Marriage Licenses) [MSA Microfilm] MSA CM204
1865-1915 Baltimore County Circuit Court (Marriage Record) [MSA C379]
1865-1945 and 1956-1987 Baltimore County Circuit Court (Marriage Record) [MSA Microfilm]

	MSA CM176
1873-1885	Baltimore County Circuit Court (Marriage Licenses) [MSA C377]
1885-1890	Baltimore County Circuit Court [MSA C380]
	Note: Marriage Record, Index
1886-1896	Baltimore County Circuit Court (Marriage License Applications) 1886-1896 [MSA C273]
1896-1956, 1973-1981	Baltimore County Circuit Court (Marriage Record) [MSA T1234]
1943-1954	Baltimore County Circuit Court (Marriage License Waivers) [MSA C375]

The following is a list of some publications that have marriage information for Baltimore City and County.

Barnes, Robert compiled.
Maryland Marriages 1634 – 1777, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1975

Barnes, Robert, compiled.
Baltimore County Marriage References 1659 – 1746, Family Line Publications, Westminster, MD, 1988

Barnes, Robert, compiled.
Marriages and Deaths form the Maryland Gazette, 1727 – 1839, Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD, 1973

Barnes, Robert compiled.
Maryland Marriages 1778 – 1800, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1978

Barnes, Robert
Marriages and Deaths from Baltimore Newspapers 1796 – 1816, Genealogical Publishing CO., Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1978

Barnes, Robert compiled
Maryland Marriages 1801-1820, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1993

Barnes, Robert
Index to Marriages and Deaths in the Baltimore County Advocate 1850 – 1864, Family Line Publications, Silver Spring, MD, 1985

Hollowak, Thomas ed.
Index to Marriages and Deaths in the Baltimore Sun 1837 – 1850, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1978

Hollowak, Thomas L. compiled.
Index to Marriages in the Baltimore Sun 1851 – 1860, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1978

Maguire, Joseph C., Jr.
Index of Obituaries and Marriages in the (Baltimore) Sun 1861 – 1865, Family Line Publications, Westminster, MD, 1991

Obert, Rowene T. compiled
Marriage Licenses, Baltimore, Maryland, City and County 1777 – 1799 The Genealogy Shoppe, Inc., Salt Lake City, UT, 1975

O'Neill, Francis P.
Index of Obituaries and Marriages in the [Baltimore] Sun, 1871-1875 2 vols., Family Line Publications, Westminster, MD, 1995

O'Neill, Francis P.
Addendum to Index of Obituaries and Marriages in the [Baltimore] Sun 1861-1865, Family Line Publications, Westminster, MD, 1996

O'Neill, Francis P.
Index of Obituaries and Marriages in the [Baltimore] Sun 1866-1870, vol. 1, Family Line Publications, Westminster, MD, 1996

O'Neill, Francis P.
Index of Obituaries and Marriages in the [Baltimore] Sun 1866-1870, vol. 2, Family Line Publications, Westminster, MD, 1996

Smith, Dawn Beitler
Baltimore County Marriage Licenses 1777 – 1798, Family Line Publications, Westminster, MD, 1989

The above publications can be found in the Baltimore County Genealogical Library or the Maryland State Archives Library. Some publications are still in print.

Source: Maryland State Archives Web page
http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/refserv/html/comarria.html

PC Problems? Try These Quick Fixes - by Jim Edwards

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Have you ever had your computer make you want to commit an act of violence, such as throwing it out the window? No, not you.

Computer problems only happen to other people -NOT! Nothing frustrates me more than having a deadline or important task interrupted by my computer losing its mind. The next time your computer acts up, try these tips and see if you can't solve the problem before you give in to temptation and heave a brick through your monitor.

Computer Locked-Up?
Computers usually lock-up because a program becomes unstable or performs an illegal function. Regardless of why your computer stopped responding, the following sequence should help you avoid damaging your software while trying to get going again. The first step after you lock up is to press the Ctrl+Alt+Delete keys at the same time. A dialog box should appear showing which programs are running. Look for a program that has 'Not Responding' or a similar message next to the program name. If your mouse still works, click on the program and then click 'End Task' or 'End Process'. If this unlocks the computer, exit Windows and shutdown properly. Restart in 15 seconds.

If your mouse doesn't work, but your keyboard still functions, press Alt+F4 to start closing down programs, including Windows.

If your mouse and keyboard don't respond at all, none of the above steps work, and you can't shut down properly, turn your computer off or hold in the power button for 4-6 seconds until the computer shuts down. Restart in 15 seconds.

Computer Won't Boot Up?
Make sure you don't have any floppy disks in the disk drive. A floppy in the drive will prevent the computer from starting properly and can cause no end of embarrassment if you've already called tech support for help.

Hard Drive Making Noises?
Now that's a cause for serious panic! If your hard drive starts making strange noises, you need to act quickly. Drastic changes in the usual 'beeps and burps' of your computer can represent anything from a loose screw to the imminent and catastrophic loss of all your data. Log on to http://support.wdc.com/dlg/ and you can test the health of your hard drive and spot problems before they get really bad. This free service offered by Western Digital, one of the world's largest hard drive manufacturers, gets a very high endorsement from Smart Computing magazine.

Blue Screen of Death
The ultimate cause for panic... at least for me. Who hasn't gotten that blue screen in Microsoft Windows telling you a fatal error has occurred and directing you to 'press any key to continue' or 'hold down the Ctrl+Alt+Delete keys to restart your computer?' Needless to say, most people either get scared or annoyed upon seeing the screen, but usually do as they're told. The same thing happens when error messages pop up telling them a program has performed an 'illegal operation.' Most people just click 'continue' without ever checking out the details. Everyone experiences computer errors occasionally, but those errors can also signal a deeper computer or software problem. To save time and money on technical support, users should do the following every time an error message appears: WRITE it down! Record the error message, time, date, and the circumstances under which the error occurred. With a blue screen message, write down the entire error message.

When an illegal operation occurs, click the 'details' button and write down everything that appears beginning with and ending with the words in CAPITAL letters. Write down any other error messages as well. Recording this information will aid your computer technician or software technical support in spotting any trends and it will definitely save you time when explaining what happened. The more quickly the tech understands the problem, the faster your computer gets fixed! The moral of the story: don't let small problems get big! If you repeatedly experience an error or a problem, get it fixed. You might pay a computer tech for an hour of their time now, but it sure beats spending several hundred dollars (or worse) later on down the road.

Jim Edwards is a syndicated newspaper columnist and the co-author of an amazing new ebook that will teach you how to use free articles to quickly drive thousands of targeted visitors to your website or affiliate links...

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Herb Frantz - February 23, 2003

Safety First
Use IE 6 or Netscape 7 with all applicable patches.
You can check you MS applications via IE > Tools > Windows Update
Use an Anti-Virus package that updates.
For a free online check: **http://housecall.antivirus.com/pc_housecall/**
Use a personal firewall, especially if you are a cable modem user. Try Zone Alarm
(**http://www.zonelabs.com/**

PDF
Acrobat pdf format files have become the lingua franca of text file formats today.
Get the current version of Acrobat Reader with a plug-in for your browser.
http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/main.html

The Browser
If you use Ms Internet Explorer install the Google Toolbar add-on to the browser.
Go to: **http://www.google.com/options/**
Scroll down and select from Google Tools – Google Toolbar. Select language and "Get The Toolbar".
Then install it.

Features:
Google Search: Access Google's search technology from any web page.
Search Site: Search only the pages of the site you're visiting.
PageRank: See Google's ranking of the current page.
Page Info: Access more information about a page including similar pages, links, as well as a cached snapshot.
Highlight: Highlight your search terms as they appear on the page; each word in its own color.
Word Find: Find your search terms wherever they appear on the page
Best Of all: The Language Tools page –translate German and French pages to English.
And - Search pages written in or located in almost any country.
Second Best: It is a better search engine than the Maryland Archives itself.
Non IE users can add Google Browser Buttons **www.google.com/options/buttons.html**

Cautions
The greatest recurring challenge is related to sources and veracity

Places to go on the Web
RootsWeb's Guide to Tracing Family Trees **http://rwguide.rootsweb.com/**
RootsWeb's Helpdesk for using RootsWeb **http://helpdesk.rootsweb.com/**

Search tools within Genealogical Application Software
Family Tree Maker, The Master Genealogist and others have imbedded search engines to query the web, or their own databases.
Other subscription services provide similar search capabilities at varying cost and effectiveness.

Web based Genealogy Bases
There are a number of on-line genealogical databases. Some of the best are:
Family Search (LDS) **http://www.familysearch.org/default.asp**
RootsWeb World Connect **http://worldconnect.genealogy.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi**

Baltimore County Public Library Legacy Web **http://www.bcplonline.org/lw/**
Over 10,000 digitized photographs of Baltimore County (updated daily)
Annotated 1917-1928 issues of "Baltimore" (Merchants & Manufacturers) magazine.
Access the AncestryPlus database, but only inside a branch of the library.

Maryland State Archives **http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/**
A wonderful collection, but tricky to navigate. Use Google to search it.

Maryland Genealogical Society **www.mdgensoc.org** queries and surname interest board

US GenWeb – State & County **http://www.usgenweb.com/**
Info by State and County. Many are mediocre, others are more than you hoped
World GenWeb **http://worldgenweb.org/** Similar to US GenWeb but not US.

Unforgettable sites
Family Search: 1880 US, British & Canadian 1881 Census
http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/frameset_search.asp?PAGE=census/search_census.asp
UK 1910 Census **http://www.pro.gov.uk/**
Findagrave **http://www.findagrave.com**
Cyndi's List **http://cyndislist.com/**

An Eastern Shore sampler
GHOTES - Ghost of the Eastern Shore of Virginia - **http://www.esva.net/ghotes/**
DelMarVa Roots - **http://www.delmarvaroots.com/**
Edward E. Nabb Research Center - **http://fulton.ssu.edu/~rcdhac/welcome.htm**
DelMarVa Surnames project - **http://bay.intercom.net/handley/rest.htm#717**
Eastern Shore Aerial Photos - **http://www.aerialtours.com/gallery/Accomac/accomac.html**

General Research
Genealogical resources on the Internet; an overview of genealogical resources
http://auto.search.msn.com/results.asp?cfg=SMCINITIAL&RS=CHECKED&v=1&srch=5&FORM=AS5&q=Genealogical+resources+on+the+Internet%3A

Message Boards
Post your genealogical queries on all relevant surname, locality, and topic:
GenForum: **http://genforum.genealogy.com/index.html**
RootsWeb: **http://boards.rootsweb.com/**
In all searches, keywords or phrases will be searched for the closest to the least exact match.
For a more specific search click on the ADVANCED SEARCH form:
--FIND MESSAGES CONTAINING: (list a keyword or phrase)
--WITH SUBJECT CONTAINING: (searches only message subjects)
--BY AUTHOR: (the posters' names will be searched)
--POSTED IN THE LAST ____: (select a time period from drop-down menu)
--WITH SURNAME: (searches only the Surname Box entries) also a Soundex search.
--WITH MESSAGE TYPE: (Select from the drop-down menu: All, Query, Bible, Biography, Birth, Cemetery, Census, Death, Deed, Immigration, Lookup, Marriage, Military, Obituary, Pension, or Will).

QUERIES(RootsWeb, but the ideas applies to other Boards) are an excellent way to find others who are researching the same or connecting families, and who may have information you seek.
To accomplish this make proper use of the SUBJECT line, SURNAME box, and CLASSIFICATION menu when you post.
SUBJECT LINE: Make the subject complete, concise, and specific in describing the content of your message. Do NOT use vague terms like "genealogy," "searching," or "looking for grandfather." ALWAYS include Name, Location and Date.

SURNAME BOX ENTRIES: Enter only the surnames that you have included in the message you have posted. Surnames with common spelling variants such as Wood and Woods should be listed separately and NOT as: Wood(s) or Wood/Woods.

The **SURNAME BOX** entry enables Message Board searchers to use the ADVANCED SEARCH option and search ONLY on names.

CLASSIFICATION: Proper classification of messages enables Message Board users to view and/or search messages by data type. If you are posting data, select the type that most closely matches the type of information you are posting: BIBLE, CEMETERY, WILL, DEED, PENSION, MARRIAGE, BIOGRAPHY, etc. (listed under MESSAGE TYPE).

Archives are a great way to do a lot quickly. Threaded Responses to an original message are displayed in an outline format. RootsWeb: **http://archiver.rootsweb.com/**

Interactive Search (searchable archives): **http://searches2.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/listsearch.pl** allows you to search a single Mailing List one year at a time. Select a keyword, name, or phrase to obtain results matching your search criteria.

Effective Posting
Stop and critique your query before you post. When writing the query, keep in mind what you already know and what you wish to learn. Include the name, the dates or timeframe involved, the location where the individual(s) resided, died, were born, or were married, and exactly what information you wish to learn.

Mailing Lists
Lists can be received either by message individually or in Digest mode, messages grouped together.
More than 25,500 lists available.
Lists can include:
Location: Country, county, city & regional, geographic area, Census districts, etc.
Ethnic & Nationality:
Surname & Surname-location combinations
Special Interest: Occupation, Military, Railroads, Freeman, Clubs, Timeframe (Gen-Medieval), Royalty Religion, Religion & Location, Churches
Science: DNA studies, etc.
Genealogical research techniques
Genealogical tools & software (FTM, PAF, FO, Legacy, TMG, etc)
And more.

The best list of Genealogy lists: **http://lists.rootsweb.com/**

Usenet Groups
Partial List **http://www.w3.org/hypertext/DataSources/News/** or **http://www.liszt.com/**

Where are they?
Most ISPs have at least one Usenet hosting service available. BCPL uses ABS.net as its hosting News Server (slightly censured version and audience oriented). They can also be subscribed to directly and you may or may not ISP as a connection.

How?
Access is by a News Reader. Software found either downloadable free or as part of products like Ms Outlook Express. There are MAC & Linux News Readers too. Find the best at TuCows **http://tucows.com/**. Search for "newsreaders", look for a 5 cow rating.

Think of it as a very large email program where messages and data are grouped together. You can subscribe to each group (your reader collects the messages for you) or just visit once in a while.
Don't subscribe immediately unless you are sure you want that group.

Learn more at – **http://northernwebs.com/bc/** & **http://www.faqs.org/**

The First Law of Newsgroup Posting- ***All messages are subject to a propagation delay.***
The Second Law of Newsgroup Posting- ***Before pressing the send button, THINK Twice!***
The Third Law of Newsgroup Posting- ***Go easy with the attachments.***
The Fourth Law of Newsgroup Posting– ***Remove unnecessary duplication in your replies.***

Why?
Genealogy! There are many groups spread over a wide range of Genealogy or related topics. Start with the "Soc.genealogy…", topics include Country specific, Language specific, Computing, Marketplace (products), Medieval (my favorite), Religious, methodologies and Surnames by language or country.

Places to go: a partial list
alt.binaries.cd.genealogy - explain, critique and share Genealogy data on CDs.
alt.genealogy
soc.genealogy.african
soc.genealogy.australia+nz – Oz is active place for genealogy
soc.genealogy.benelux – Belgium & Luxemburg
soc.genealogy.britain –
soc.genealogy.computing –
soc.genealogy.french –
soc.genealogy.german -
soc.genealogy.ireland –
soc.genealogy.jewish –
soc.genealogy.marketplace – buy stuff
soc.genealogy.medieval – a tough place; erroneous posters are frequently berated and there are Trolls.
soc.genealogy.methods - techniques
soc.genealogy.nordic –
soc.genealogy.slavic -
soc.genealogy.surnames.britain – very busy
soc.genealogy.surnames.canada -
soc.genealogy.surnames.german – very busy
soc.genealogy.surnames.global – very broad in scope
soc.genealogy.surnames.ireland -

soc.genealogy.surnames.usa – very busy
You can also find out about related topics; such as geographical data, plan a trip with points of interest or how to preserve paper and photographic documents.

Volume & Effort Level
The more groups you subscribe to the more messages you will see. An active group can easily be 20 or 30 messages per day. Add to your activity slowly so you don't get buried. Use your delete key freely and DO NOT try to read everything.

Their Nature & Civility
Moderated or Not? **http://www.swcp.com/~dmckeon/mod-faq.htm**

Un-moderated groups allow anyone to say anything, whether it is appropriate, on topic, civil or uncouth; **so the language in some of these groups can be adult oriented.**

Safe Newsgroup Behavior
If you disagree with someone, tell him or her privately via email or ignore it.
Never cross post a single message to multiple newsgroups.
It is considered to be rude to post commercial messages.
Don't post your message using ALL CAPITAL LETTERS, it is the same as shouting.
Respect the rights of others.
Censorship is strictly forbidden on the newsgroups. If someone posts something you don't like, asking them to remove it, or re-post a cleaner version is not allowed.

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FROMMER HAAGE
Seeking descendants of Martine **FROMMER**, b 30 Aug 1844 in Isingen, Wurttemburg.Immigrated to Baltimore area in 1872 and d 15 Sep 1882. Married Christina **HAAGE**, whose brother Jakob b 28 Feb 1846, came to USA in 1866.Photo of Martin's two daughters available in BCGS vertical file.

> Contact Glenn Stephens: 988 Kings Ways West, Hummelstown, PA 17036-8909 (email: gstephens@prodigy.net or Willi **Frommer**: Isingen, Geislinger Str. 37, 72348 Rosenfeld, Germany via son-in-law @ Albert@heuberghof.de.

CONAWAY CONNAWAY CONNOWAY CONWAY CADLE
Searching for information for Greenbury **CONAWAY**.War of 1812 (defender, could mean NorthPoint/Eastern Ave., Baltimore City?) d. unknown. April 1814 Admin Accounts owed officers due ref H/R. Wife #1 Sarah **CADLE** d. circa Nov 1810; possible 2nd marriage 1810. Any info appreciated. Will exchange.

> Contact: Mary Emma Holley Hargrave, 13701 Annandale Drive, Mutual #1, Apt 13D, Seal Beach, CA 90740-5535. Local library email: maryemmah@yahoo.com

DURANDETTI FRANK(S) ROSSI
Searching for information on Giuseppe (Joseph)and Catherina nee MARTIN **DURANDETI**. They had 9 dau, 7 of whom were born in PA, 2 dau Edith Margaret b 1902 m George CONNER and Mary Josephine b 1891 m Peter **FRANK**(S) settled in Baltimore. Joseph was living with Mary and Peter at the time of his death May 1918 on Eastern Ave. His death cert says he was buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery, but neither Sacred Heart of Jesus or Mary has any record of him. In addition Frances **DURANDETTI** (another dau) m. Gino **ROSSI** in St. Helena on May 25, 1918.

> Contact: Michele Doutrich, 18144 E. Dorado Dr., Centennial, Co 80015-5918 email: pipel1961@aol.com

CARROLL HARRIS
Searching for parent, etc of Sarah Marie **CARROLL**, b. ca 1815/16 MD m. Richard Henry **HARRIS** 1837 Baltimore Co., MD. They moved to Memphis, TN in the 1840's. Sarah died in 1874. They were married by a **DUNN**

> Contact Clarene P. Russell, 506 Peterson Lake Road, Collierville, TN 38017-1843

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Selected folders from the BCGS vertical file
Submitted by Pat Czerniewski

Inventories of our Bible records received prior to July 198? were published in the Inventory of Maryland Bible Records, Volume I. Since 1998, inventories of all new Bible records have been published yearly in the September issue of The Notebook, The following list of inventoried Bible records was compiled from some of the records donated to the BCGS library between 198? and 1997.

ALLEN Bible #1; pub, date; not given; res; Calvert Co., KD; Germantown, PA; Cecil & Harford Cos., MD; earliest birth: 1833; earliest marr: 1855; last date; 1953; other names: DEGERHOLM. Photocopies

ALLEN Bible #2; pub. date: I89O; res; none; earliest birth: 1865; earliest marr: page not given; last date: I96O; other names: DEGERHOLM. Photocopies.

ANDERSON Bible; pub. date: 1881; res: Plum Point, Calvert Co., MD; earliest birth: 188?; earliest marr; 1886; last date; 1928; other names; DOWELL, SOPER, ECKENFELDER- Photocopies

ARTH, John W. - Bible; pubc date: none; res^ Washington, DC; New York City; earliest birth; 1883; earliest marr: 1882; last date: 1959; other names; MANSELL, BUSCHER, McKEE, BAGNAM, LEAHY, WAHLER. Transcript

AULD Bible; pub, date: I87O; res: Calvert Co, & Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth; 1788; earliest marr: 1805; last date; 1885; other names: GREVES, AYERS, BROWNLEY, MOORE, SPEAR, BRETONo Abstract

BALDWIN Bible; pub. date:not given; res: none; earliest birth: 1837; earliest raarr: 1862; last date; I876; other names: HARRYMAN, Photocopies,

BARLEY Bible; pub. date; none; res: none; earliest birth: 1818; earliest marr: 1883; last date: 1964; other names: GILLEN, ZWICKEL. Photocopies.

BARNES, James - Bible; pub. date: ca. 1962; res; none; earliest birth; I85O; earliest marr: 1880; last date: I98O; other names: BOWERS, PENN, JENKINS, TAWNEY, EMERSON, HOFFMAN, ALBERTS, DUVALL, PICKETT, WARNER, OWINGS, SUDDATH, PEARCE, PRIEFER, HENRY, BROWN, FRIEDMAN, NIGHTINGALE, RUSSELL, STONER, PATMAN, HOOD, SULLIVAN. Photocopies.

BOND, Eli S. - Bible; pub. date; none; res: Oakland, MD; earliest birth: 1846; earliest marr: 1866; last date: 1962; other names; WILLIAMS, WICKS, EVANS, BUSCHMAN, HUMBLE, KELLER. Photocopies.

DEPPERT Bible; pub. date: not given; res; Baltimore, MD; earliest birth; 1880; earliest marr; 1901; last date; 1915; other names: ZIMMERMAN, KLEIN, BURGAN, MUELLER. Photocopies„

DUNGAN Bible; pub. date: 1888; res: none; earliest birth: 183^; earliest marr: 1880: last date: 1910; other names: LIPSCOMB, HAMMER, HARMON. Photoeopies.

DWYER Bible; pub, date: none; res; Windsor, Bertie Co., NC; earliest birth; 1790; earliest marr; 1845; last date: 1845; other names: REISTER, CHAPMAN, MQALE. Photocopies.

EKGLAR, Joseph - Bible; pub. date: 1820; res: none; earliest birth: 1800; earliest marr: 1822; last date: 1872; other names: none. Transcript.

GALLOWAY Bible #2; pub. date: 1847; res: Baltimore, MD; Altoona, PA; earliest birth: 1829; earliest marr: 1828; last date; 1971; other names: FARRER, JEWELL, DECKER, PORTER, HOYDEN$_p$ McCLELLAN, HULSE, BOONE, SPARKS, BOWEN, GEORGE, LYNCH, MARTINI, HOOD, DAUGHERTY, WILKINSON. Transcript.

GAULT, William A. - Bible; pub. date; 1870; res: Washington, DC; Baltimore, MD; Chatsworth, IN; earliest birth: 1847; earliest marr: 1870; last date: I960; other names: PAINE, YOUNG, WEVER, PEARSON, OPITZ. Photocopies.

GINGRICH Bible; pub. date: 1868; res: Baltimore Co., MD; Dauphin & Franklin Cos., PA; earliest birth: 1826; earliest marr: i860; last date: 1970; other names: KENDIG, KING, NELSON, FRENCH, DeMOSS, Photocopies.

GREEN, Edwin - Bible; pub, date: 1809; res: Washington, DC; Bristol, England; earliest birth: 1812; earliest marr: 1839; last date: 1942; other names: SAUNDERS, GAWLER. Transcript.

HAINES Bible #1; pub, date: 1834; res: Carroll Co,, MD; earliest birth: 1796; earliest marr: none; last date: 1899; other names: DURBIN, STONER, WAESCHE• Photocopies.

HAJNES Bible #2; pub. date: 1872; res: Carroll Co., MD; OH; earliest birth: 1848; earliest raarr: 1918; last date: 1953; other names: BAKER. Photocopies.

HALL Bible; pub. date: 1848; res: none; earliest birth: 1791; earliest marr: 1846; last date: 1914; other names: MUSTARD, EVANS, GRIFFITH. Photocopies.

HANNA - HEARN Bible; pub. date: I856; res; Baltimore, MD; Howard Co., MD; earliest birth; 1854; earliest marr: 1852; last date: 1936; other names: HEANY. Transcript,

HARRELSON Bible; pub, date: 1877; res: Baltimore City, MD; Oxford, NC; earliest birth: I876; earliest marr: 1874; last date: 1972; other names: CARTER, HOPKINS, FLINKMAN, WRENN, CASSEDY, LUTZ, LYON, LURZ. Photocopies•

HARRISON Bible; pub. date: 1794; res; Frederick, Anne Arundel & Carroll Cos., MD; earliest birth: 1758; earliest marr: none; last date: 1799; other names: SAFFLE. Photocopies.

HEADINGTON - GORSUCH - ENSOR Bible; pub. date: 1789; res: Baltimore, MD; OH; earliest birth: 1745; earliest marr: 1769; last date: 1874; other names: WARE, NOLAND, HILL, HOOPER, BLAKE, STANSBURY, BOSLEY. Photocopies.

HEANY Bible; pub. dst£; nona; res; *none;* **earliest birth; 1B19; earliest marr;** 1817; last date: 1873; other names: GREENE, BURKE, SMITH, THOMAS, HANNA. Transcript.

HENZE Bible; pub. date: none; res? none; earliest birth* 1825; earliest marr: 1845; last date: 1891; other names: HARVEY, RULSE. Transcripts

HERRING, Henry - Bible; pub, date; 1812; res: Philadelphia, PA; Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 1815; earliest marr: 1814; last date: 184?; other names: PQE, LOWRY. Photocopies.

JOHNSON Bible; pub. date: 1801; res: Philadelphia, PA; earliest birth: 1780; earliest marr: none; last date: 1810; other names: none. Transcript.

JONES, Matthias - Bible; pub* date: none; res: Princess Anne, MD; Lexington & Paris, KY; Washington, DC; earliest birth: 1798; earliest marr: 1797; last date: 1895; other names: CHAILLE, SUDLER, STUART, HOLT, BAKER, DONE, STEWART* Transcript.

KEES Bible; pub. date: 1834; res: none; earliest birth: 1798; earliest marr: 1828; last date: I967; other names; BENN, PATTERSON, McGINLEY, HIGHLAND. Photocopies0

KELLEY Bible; pub. date: none; res: Baltimore Co., MD; earliest birth: 1715; earliest marr: 1740; last date: 1815; other names: GORSUCH, CROMWELL, OWINGS, BAGFORD, LOVEALL, BOND. Abstract.

KEMP Bible; pub* date: not given; res: none; earliest birth: 1847; earliest marr: none; last date: 1892; other names: ARMACOST, COLE. Photocopy of Births page only.

KENNEDY * THOMAS Bible; pub. date: none; res: Carbon & Schuylkill Cos., PA; earliest birth: I86l; earliest marr: 1883; last date: 1883; other names: GARVEY, BROGAK. Transcript.

KILBURN, Harry - Bible; pub. date: 1870; res: Harford Co., MD; earliest birth: 1883; earliest marr: none; last date: 1905; other names: none. Photocopies*

KIRK Bible #2; pub, date: not given; res: Cecil & Harford Cos., MD; earliest birth: 1809; earliest raarr: I838; last date: 1943; other names; WHITAKER, HUTTON, AIKEN, HOLLAND, ARCHER, WOLLISTON, ALLEN. Transcript

KIRK Bible #3; pub. date: not given; res; Cecil Co*, MD; earliest birth: 1839; earliest marr: 1869; last date: 1886; other names: AIKEN. Transcript*

KRAUSS Bible; pub. date: none; res; none; earliest birth; 1854; earliest marr: 1852; last date: 1875; other names: RUNDLE, KEESLER, HUGHES. Photocopies,

MIDDLETON, C. Wilmer - Bible; pub. date: 1879; res: Carbon Co. & Philadelphia, PA; earliest birth: 1880; earliest marr: 1879; last date: 1888; other names: POLK* Transcript,

MIDDLETON, Nathan - Bible; pub. date: 1846; res: Philadelphia, PA; Pemberton, NJ: earliest birth: 1819; earliest marr: 1842; last date: I89I; other names: WHITAKER, LEISUERING, POLK. Transcript

OLIVER Bible: pub. date: 1881; res: Baltimore City & Eramorton. Harford Co$_{M}$ MD; earliest birth: 1859; earliest marr: 1882; last date: 19^5; other names: STUMPTNER, Photocopies«,

QMENSETTER Bible; pub. date: 1827; res: Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: none; earliest marr; none; last date: 1845; other names: BALENGER, HARGROVES. Transcriptc

PEARCE/PIERCE, James - Bible; pub. date: none; res: Philadelphia, PA; New Berne, _?_; Baltimore, MD; earliest birth: 1855, earliest marr: 1854; last date: 1910; other names: CLENDANIEL, EARLEY, JENNINGS, LANK, ROSS, FENNER, LEYE, DILMORE. Photocopies,

PFOUTZ Bible; pub. date; 1889; res: Linwood, Carroll Co., MD; earliest birth; l??0; earliest marr; 1831; last date: 1971; other names: SLOTHOVER, SMITH, ROOP, GABY, SCKELDT, BALDNER, SUNBRIUN, REPP. Transcript.

PUSEY Bible; pub. date; 1816; res: none; earliest birth: 1799; earliest marr; none; last date; 1830; other names: none. Photocopies,

RICKSECKER Bible; pub. date: none; res: Warwick & E. Donegal Twnsps., Lancaster Co,, PA; earliest birth: 1874; earliest marr: 1900; last date: 1900; other names: BEATTY. Transcript$_e$

RUFF, Henry - Bible; pub. date: 1867; res: Harford Co., MD; earliest birth; 1847; earliest marr: 1844; last date: 1957; other names: PRESTON, AMOSS, GRYMES, STREETT, SYURGEON, DRIVER, DAVIS. Transcript.

SCHOLL Bible; pub. date: 1874; res: Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: I838; earliest marr: 1865; last date; 1915; other names; RODER. Photocopies,

SHEALEY Bible; pub$_o$ date: not given; res: Towsontown & Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 1813; earliest marr: I836; last date; 1906; other names; SCHMUCK. Photocopies*

SHEKELL Bible; pub. date: 1846; res; Montgomery Co., MD; Washington, DC; earliest birth: 1855; earliest marr: 1882; last date: 1882; other names; PUMPHREY. Transcript.

SMIT - SCHMIDT Bible; pub. date: 1900; res; Baltimore, MD; earliest birth: 1874; earliest marr; none; last date: 1930; other names: none. Transcript*

STORCH Bible; pub. date: 1924; res: Baltimore, MD; earliest birth: 1909; earliest marr: I908; last date; 1923; other names: MILKE. Photocopies*

WHITE Bible; pub. date: none; res: Winchester, VA; earliest birth: 1770, earliest marr; 1828; last date: 1841; other names: OLLVERT, LEONARD. Abstract*

WICKERSHAM Bible; pub. date: 1853; res: Chester Co., PA; earliest birth; 1820; earliest marr: 1854; last date; 1901; other names; GATCHELL, WORTH, DIXON. Photocopies,,

WILLIAMS Bible; pub. date: none; res: Baltimore Co., MD; earliest birth: 1848; earliest marr; 1871; last date; 1963; other names: LOVETTE, WILSON, BURKS. Photocopieso

WILSON, John S. - Bible; pub. date: 1874: res: PA; earliest birth: I874, earli- marr: 1673; last date; 1904; other names: HEMPHILL, SWIFT, SWAN, MIDDLETON, BRADBURY. Transcript.

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NOTE:

Wills included in this index can be found on microfilm at the Maryland State Archives in Annapolis, The original will books are at the Register of Wills Office Record Room, Towson Court House. Due to the fragile nature of the original bound volumes, photocopying is not permitted at Towson. You can, however, transcribe the information by hand. For a more detailed explanation of this series of will indexes see The Notebook Vol. 17, No. 4.

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EDITORS NOTES Kenneth E. Zimmerman, Editor

This Notebook has eleven articles:

1. Transcribed from Maryland Herald dated April 10, 1878 regarding the Methodist Episcopal Church in the North Baltimore Station Cemetery by Kenneth and Elaine O Zimmerman.

2. Handout "Equity And other Court Records in Genealogical Research" topic at the March 23, 2003 meeting by Jon Harlan Livezy.

3. Handout at the April 27, 2003 meeting ""Church Records - What we Have and What We Don't Have" by Suni Johnson, Director, United Methodist Historical Society.

4. Handout " What Can You Find On a Death Certificate?" topic at May 25, 2003 BCGS meeting by Elaine Obbink Zimmerman.

5. Article from David Goodman at PC Users Group discussion on March 23, 2003 meeting "All About Scrapbooks".

6. Article from Herb Frantz, Chairman PC Users Group discussion at the March 23, 2003 meeting "Big Charts & Trees."

7. Article from Herb Frantz, Chairman PC Users Group discussion at the May 25, 2003 meeting "Genealogical Software -Biased Evaluator - to Blame,"

8. New Book: "Getting the Most Out of Master Genealogist" Edited and Compiled by Lee H. Hoffman, Wholly Genes, Inc.

9. Article: "The Baltimore Archive for Family Photography" by Dr Nicole Herz from Special Collections at University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

10. Our member Pat Czerniewski has submitted a list of several Bible Records that were submitted between 1987 and 1997. This completes the inventory of the Bible Records.

11. Another major article is "Baltimore County Will index "1879-1882", Liber T.P. No. 7 beginning 10 October 1882 and ending 18 May 1886. The series is continued from last Notebook Issue. Carol Porter compiled the index. The Notebook will have succeeding indexes in the next issue.

The BCGS "The Notebook" 96 issues from 1977 to 2002 have been scanned and converted to a PDF format on a CD-ROM. The Notebook can be viewed through the software Adobe Acrobat Reader®. To find topics just enter a word into the text box to have the reader search the document. The CD-ROM can be purchased from the Society for $19.95 plus sales tax and shipping $4.00. Send a check to BCGS Inc to order. Then you can recycle your hard copies. David Goodman and Ken Zimmerman did this project with scanning of documents conversion by "d&d Imaging" and CD production by Heritage Books Inc.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE NORTH BALTIMORE STATION
- **Kenneth E. & Elaine O. Zimmerman**

The article was transcribed from the newspaper on microfilm at the Enoch Pratt Central Library. A copy of the article is in the vertical file at Baltimore County Genealogical Society, Inc.

Newspaper: The Morning Herald
Wednesday, April 10, 1878

Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALTIMORE CITY
--THE TRUSTEES OF THE METHODIST EPIS-
COPAL CHURCH IN THE NORTH BALTIMORE
STATION IN THE CITY OF BALTIMORE VS.
JOSEPH FISHER AND OTHERS

The object of the bill filed in the above-named cause to procure authority to remove the dead from a burial ground belonging to the complainant, and for a sale of said ground. It alleges that the complainant is the owner of a lot of ground lying partly in Baltimore city and partly in Baltimore county, known as the North Burial Ground, as more fully described in exhibits filed with the bill and that diverse lots have been sold in said burial ground and certificates therefor issued in the purchasers that it has already has repurchased the interest of a majority of the lot-holders, therein. And that all the residue of the original lot-holders, or their assignees, or other persons interested, whose names are known to the complainant, or of whom it has any knowledge whatever are the following to wit:
(Note: The list of names (536) in the newspaper were not sorted by last name)

Jospeh Armeger	William Atkinson	Ann Beaty
Andrew Adgate	Sarah Ault	Mary Benson
Ann Eliza Allen	William Baker Jr.	Thope Bernie
Mary Allen	James Ball	Francis Bolton
Richard Allwine	Mary Bane	Benjamin Bond
Catherine Amworth	Mary Long Barnet	Mrs. Booth
B. Appleby	John Barry	Beal Bosley
Francis Armstrong	Nathaniel Basey	Jesse Boston
Henry Armstrong	John Bassett	Elizabeth Boyed
James Armstrong	George Baxley	Susan Bristov
Thomas Armstrong	Rebecca Bayne	John L. Bromley
Robert Ashcroft	Even Beale	Jacob L. Bromwell

John Bruscup
Charlotte Buck
Aquilla Bull
Sarah Burgan
Wm. Burton
Absalon Butter
William Camps
William Carman
John B. Carroll
Eliza Carter
Eliza Casey
John Chalmers
George W. Chatterton
____ Cla,ard
James Clark
James Clark
M. Coats
William Cole
R. Coleman
William Collings
___ Constable
Mary Cook
Colvin Cooper
N. Cornelons
Francis J. Costello
Lithia A. Cowine
Isabella Cox
Emile Crocker
William Cullmore
Lewis Curlett
William Daugherty
David Davis
Priscilla Davis
Jacob Day
Christian Dermot
James Dibb
Susanna Diven
Henrietta Dorsey
Lavin Dukes
John H. Durand
Federal Eareckson
Samuel Ebert
Benjamin Elliott
John Elliott
Alcie Erdman
Thomas Fakey
Elizabeth Finn
Joseph Fisher
Wm. Flannigan
Thomas Flint
Joseph Ford
James Fosbinder
Francis Gardner
Aquilla Garretson
John Giambral
D. Gilbert
Angelian Gill
John Goldsborough
James Graham
John Green Jr.
John Gregory Jr.
Matthew Griffith Jr.
F.H. Grupy Jr.
Catherine Hall Jr.
Nathaniel Hall Jr.
Charlotte Hammond Jr.
Frederick Hanawalt Jr.
Jesse Hare Jr.
William G. Harid Jr.
Samuel Harris Jr.
Volutin Hart Jr.
Hannah Havden Jr.
___ Hedrick Jr.
William Hendrick Jr.
Margaret Hewitt Jr.
Ann Hicks Jr.
F.G. Hill Jr.
Thomas Hill Jr.
Joseph Hindes Jr.
Jacob Hiss Jr.
Mary Hobby Jr.
_____ Holbrook Jr.
Sarah Holland Jr.
Amassa Hooper Jr.
William Hooper Jr.
___ Howard Jr.
Ely D. Howard Jr.
Emily M. Hunter Jr.
____ Hurst Jr.
Elijah Hutton Jr.
Mary Hynemarsh Jr.
George Isler Jr.
John Jamieson Jr.
Joseph Janaro Jr.
James Johnson Jr.
John Jones Jr.
Edward Jug Jr.
___ Kan Jr.
Edward Kelley Jr.
Ellen Kelso Jr.
Thomas Kelso Jr.
Lucretia Kent Jr.
James King Jr.
John Kirby Jr.
Elizabeth Kittler Jr.
Charlotte Knoblock Jr.
Cornetious Lamb Jr.
Gilbert Lassard Jr.
Thomas Lawrence Jr.
Elizabeth Leabo Jr.
Sarah C. Lee Jr.
Charles Lesage Jr.
William Lindsey Jr.
Jeremust Little Jr.
John Loane Jr.
Richard Loring Jr.
Mary Lowe Jr.
Margaret Lucas Jr.
Mary Lutts Jr.
Martha Magan Jr.
____ Marsh Jr.
Clar Marvin Jr.
Mary Matheat Jr.
Elizabeth Mathlote Jr.
Elizabeth McCafferty Jr.
Albert McComas Jr.
Daniel McConkers Jr.
Robert McElroy Jr.
Mahala McGinnis Jr.
Daniel McJilton Jr.
Jane McMasters Jr.
Martin Mettee Jr.
Thomas Milburn Jr.
George Miller Jr.
Margaret A Miller Jr.
William P. Mills Jr.
Margaret Mitchell Jr.
John P Moltz Jr.
Henry Morris Jr.
John Murphy Jr.
John Nefully Jr.
Jacob Norword Jr.
Elizabeth Onion Jr.
Joseph Owens Jr.
James Parkinson Jr.
Francis Pasters Jr.
John Patterson Jr.
Carston (Mrs) Payton Jr.
Henry Pennington Jr.
Joseph Pentz Jr.
James Perigo Jr.
James L. Perrigo Jr.
John Piercy Jr.

Junis Piper Jr.
John Pocock Jr.
Miss Points Jr.
Henry Powell Jr.
Ann Price Jr.
Eliza Read Jr.
Elizabeth Reams Jr.
J.S. Reese Jr.
Henry Renney Jr.
Ann Richard Jr.
Mary Richards Jr.
Mary Ann Richmond Jr.
___ Rigby Jr.
Basil Riston Jr.
William Robinson Jr.
William Ruckel Jr.
Michael Ryan Jr.
Rebecca Sanders Jr.
A. (Mrs) Sangston Jr.
John Saville Jr.
John Schnard Jr.
_____ Seldenastricker Jr.
Phillp Shepard Jr.
Sarah L. Sheppard Jr.
Jacob Sigler Jr.
Mary Simmons Jr.
Jacob Sinsney Jr.
Martin Sisson Jr.
A. (Mrs) Smith Jr.
George Smith Jr.
Job J. Smith Jr.
Moses Smith Jr.
William Smith Jr.
Absolon Sparks Jr.
Wiiliam C. Spindler Jr.
Beale Spurrier Jr.
Edward Starn Jr.
Elizabeth Stevens Jr.
Rachael Stokes Jr.
Hiseckea Storr Jr.
Andrew Stoutsburger Jr.
Jacobs Sumwalt Jr.
John H. Supple Jr.
Edward T. Sweeting Jr.
James Taylor Jr.
James P. Thomas Jr.
Elizabeth Thompson Jr.
John H Thompson Jr.
Deborah Thomspon Jr.
Ann Maria Towsend Jr.
Isaac Toy Jr.
William Traves Jr.
Joseph Tucker Jr.
Mary Turfield Jr.
Henry Turner Jr.
Hezekiah Vanosel Jr.
Francis Waddell Jr.
Basil Walter Jr.
John Walverton Jr.
Mary Ward Jr.
Winaple Warmingham Jr.
Lawrence Washington Jr.
Benjamin Waters Jr.
Margaret Weatherfield Jr.
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Harwick J. West Jr.
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Sarah J. White Jr.
Henry Wilcox Jr.
Abraham R. Williams Jr.
John Williams Jr.
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Tusser Williams Jr.
Mary Willing Jr.
Ann Winitandy Jr.
Robt. Woteby Jr.
Wm. Wright Jr.
Mary Yatu Jr.
Edward Yeorley Jr.

The bill further represents that said burial ground has been abandoned for a number of years, and that the city has condemned and run, or is about to run a street or street through the names, and that it would be for the interest and advantage of all concerned to have the dead removed and reinterred, the said property sold, and the proceeds of said sale distributed according to the law, and asks that a decree may be passed for the removal, sale and distribution of proceeds as aforesaid, after the defraying the costs and expenses of the removal and reinterring the remains of the dead therein, and other necessary costs and expenses.

It is thereupon by the Court this 1st day of April 1878, adjudged and ordered that the complainant, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some daily newspaper published in Baltimore once a week for four successive weeks, before the 2nd day of May, 1878, give notice to all lot holders or persons hereinbefore named, having an interest in said burial ground as aforesaid whether residents or non residents, adults or infants, of the substance and object of the bill, and warn them to appear in this Court, in person, or by solicitor on or before the 7th day of August, A.D. 1878, to answer the premiscs and show cause if any they have why a decree should not be passed as prayed.

Tue copy test:
A3-law4w ROBERT GILMOR
JAMES R. BREWER, Clerk

Reference:

- Baltimore City Circuit Court #1 1878 Docket 18-A Folio 46 (JRB-156, Folio 398)
- Article "Restless Sleep of Dead Here Will be Broken In Upon Again" The Sun – Baltimore Sunday Morning, December 9, 1934, page 26, continued on Page 22 column 2.
- Article:"… These Old Elms Were Landmards" Robert H. Burgess, The Sun – Baltimore Sunday Magazine, November 28, 1948 page 2.

Baltimore County Genealogical Society
April 27, 2003
Topic: Church Records –What We Have and Don't Have
Speaker: Suni Johnson
Director of United Methodist Historical Society

GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION IN PARTICULAR SOURCES

PREACHER CARDS:

Vital information Birth - notes date of birth if known, place and sometimes parents names
Death date and place of death and sometimes place of burial
Marriage: date and place of marriage, wife's name and occasionally her parents
Every now and then children's names are listed her
If the person has/had other clergy in the family, father/brother/sister/child
it if noted here with a reference to that person's card

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION:

Education: where, when, degree, attained
Ordination dates: Deacon or Elder
Appointments: Names of churches, charges, circuits, years spent

CITATIONS:

Generally for the Conference Minutes, ME, MP, MECS, Baltimore, Washington, General, Baltimore-Washington, we do have a few other journals for other locations but no complete runs
Memoirs for clergy and spouses, needs to be submitted by family no particular form
Widows/Widowers addresses
Addresses of current and retired clergy living within clergy boundaries
Monographs, church histories, church related encyclopedias and dictionaries, Asbury's Journals, manuscript collections, biography files

PICTURES:

We are currently updating the cards to reflect the presence and location of images. Images can be in several different locations as reflected in citation note

CHURCH HISTORY COLLECTIONS:

OPEN CHURCHES:
Congregational Histories (not uniform, dependent on church submissions, many are quite thorough, others have very little information)
Bulletins - prayer lists - participants
Special Programs
Church Directories – family pictures
Special Event Notices
Pictures
Newspaper Articles
Deeds

CLOSED CHURCHES: SAME AS ABOVE PLUS:
Church Records (can include)
Membership
Baptism
Marriage
Death
Trustee minutes
Women's Group Minutes
Class Lists
Cemetery information
Deeds
Cradle Rolls
Service person memorials
Sunday School Lists

NEWPAPERS/PERIODICALS/JOURNALS
Christian Advocate – regional, years vary
Baltimore 1859-61 (not all inclusive)
Daily: 1916 – 1984 (not inclusive)
Circuit Rider: 1975 to 1989
UMConnection: 1990 to current
E-Connection
Together: 1956 - 1976
Metropolitan Area insert: 1957 to 1964
District: Charge Newsletters
Methodist Quarterly: ME MECS
Gospel in All Lands: 1880-1903
Ladies Repository: 1841 – 1867 – 1879 (National Repository)
Heathen Missionary's, Friend , Woman's ,Missionary Friend began 1869 to 1939
Methodist Protestant 1831 – 1940 (not inclusive)
Baltimore Southern Methodist: 1920, 21 to 1923 to 1929 to 1933, 34- 1937, 38
General Minutes: earliest 1773
Methodist Quarterly Review (Southern): 1884-1930 (not inclusive)
Methodist Recorder, Pittsburgh: 1916 – 1920 (not inclusive)
Baltimore-Washington Conference: www.bwconf.org
General UM Archives, Drew University: www.gcah.org

Additional Information:
United Methodist Historical Society of the Baltimore-Washington Conference
Lovely Lane Museum Library
Address: 2200 St. Paul Street
Baltimore, MD 21218-5897 (410) 889-4458
Suni K. Johnson, Director of Archives and History
Rev. Edwin Schell, Executive Secretary United Methodist Historical Society
Wanda Barnes Hall, Librarian
http://lcweb.loc.gov/rr/main/religion/umhs.html#top

Topic: What Can You Find On A Death Certificate?
Speaker: Elaine O. Zimmerman
Baltimore County Genealogical Society, Inc.
May 25, 2003

- Name of Deceased
- Social Security Number
- Education
- Veteran
- Age at Death
- Birth date of Deceased
- Occupation of Deceased
- Date of Death
- Place of Death
- Cause of Death
- Length of Illness
- Name of Spouse
- Marital Status
- Name of Parents
- Date of Burial
- Place of Burial
- Method of Disposition
- Undertaker
- Address of Undertaker
- Last Address of Deceased
- Length of Residence
- Informant Name and relationship
- Name of Attending Physician at Time of Death

Death Certificates can lead you to other records:

- Death Notices
- Obituary
- Probate Record (wills and administrations)
- Newspaper Articles
- Coroner Inquest
- Cemetery Visit to Grave Site
- Cemetery Records & tombstone inscriptions
- Application of Social Security Number (SS-5)
- Birth Certificate
- Military Records
- Census Records (Mortality Schedules)
- Church Records
- Marriage Record

I came I know not w[h]ence.
I go I know not whither.
Grave marker of Charles A. Miller, Vineland, New Jersey
(Louis B. Schafer, *Tombstone of Your Ancestors,* Bowie, Md.: Heritage Books, Inc., 1991, 105).

Reference:
"How to Get the Most of Death Certificates", Carolyn Earle Billinsley and Desmond Walls Allen, Research Associates, 1991

All about Scrapbooks

Each individual and each marriage in your Family File has a Scrapbook — where you can store virtually any type of information about your family, including Kodak Photo CD Pictures; OLE objects such as sound files, video files, text files, and picture files; and non-OLE picture files such as bitmaps (.bmp), JPEG (jpgX and TIFF (.tif) files. Family Tree Maker also supports Windows Metafiles (.wmf), Photoshop 3.0 Opsd), and Flashpix (.fpx) graphics files. Once you insert one of these items, it is called a Picture/Object.

Note: If you arc planning to include large images and video clips in your Scrapbooks, keep the capabilities of your computer in mind. If you only have the minimum system requirements, your machine will run slowly when you work with large images and video/sound clips. In fact, if your machine does not have enough RAM, you may not be able to load particularly large files. In addition, you will need quite a bit of free space on your hard drive to store large images and video clips.

Scrapbook pages allow you to use your creativity — for example, you can display pictures at full size or play videos and sounds. You can even play a whole Scrapbook at once in a "slide show." You can also include scanned pictures, scanned school papers, and video files to create childhood pages in each of your children's Scrapbooks. Scanned, or Photo CDs of a couple's wedding and anniversary parties combined with special songs would make a beautiful record of a marriage.

After adding a Picture/Object to a Scrapbook — use the More About Picture/Object dialog box to add a caption and category. Categories are useful when it's time to print or search for a Picture/Object. For example, if you want to look at all the Pictures/Objects related to childhood birthdays and you give all those pictures the category "Childhood Birthday," you can locate and display them easily. Put some thought into the categories you create. You will find that it pays off when you print documents that include Pictures/Objects. Will you want family trees containing a portrait of each individual as an adult? How about special anniversary address labels that contain each couple's wedding picture? Thinking about the types of documents that you might want to print later will help you create clear, concise categories. Some that might be useful include Portrait, Portrait-Teen, Wedding, Wedding-Reception, Graduation, Bar Mitzvah, Thanksgiving, Vacation. Some time spent considering categories you will use will save you lots of time later.

Printing Images from Scrapbooks

To print an image from a Scrapbook:

1. Display the Scrapbook that contains the image you want, and select (highlight) the image.
2. From the Picture/Object menu, select View,

Family Tree Maker displays the View Picture dialog box containing the image you selected.

3. Click Print.

Family Tree Maker displays the Print Picture dialog box.

4. Resize the image as you wish using the scrolling arrows, then click OK.

Family Tree Maker closes the Print Picture dialog box and displays the Print dialog box.

5. Make your selections and click OK to begin printing your image. Then click Close to close the View Picture dialog box and return to the Scrapbook view.

Picture size and your computer

Family Tree Maker cannot import a Kodak Photo CD picture file that is larger than the amount of physical RAM or hard disk space available on your machine. Physical RAM refers to the size of the memory chips that are in your computer. Keep in mind that once Windows is running, some of your computer's physical RAM is already in use and is not available for importing pictures.

The higher the resolution of a particular picture, the larger the picture file will be. If your machine is unable to handle a picture at a higher resolution, try importing it at a lower resolution. Please note that the compression that you choose for a picture does not affect whether or not Family Tree Maker can import it. This is because compression takes place after a picture has been imported.

The table below should give you an idea of approximate picture sizes before compression. For example, if you wanted to import a picture at the 1024 x 1536 resolution, you would need 4.7 MB of physical RAM available, no matter what compression you chose for the picture. Please keep this limitation of your computer hardware in mind when you work with Kodak Photo CD pictures.

Photo CD Picture Resolution	Approximate Required Physical RAM
64 x 96 (thumbnail)	36K
128x192	73K
256 x 384 (recommended)	295K
512x768	1.2 MB
1024x1536	4.7 MB
2048x3072	18.9 MB

Selecting the resolution and compression for a single picture

You can change the compression of a picture from several places;

- From the Insert Picture dialog box when you are placing a picture into a Scrapbook from a file.
- From the Insert from Photo CD dialog box when you are placing a new Photo CD Picture in a Scrapbook.
- From the Change Compression/Resolution dialog box whenever you are in a Scrapbook.

In addition, if you want to set a default compression or resolution for all pictures that you place in a Scrapbook in the future, see the topic Selecting defaults for picture resolution and compression.

To change compression or resolution:

1. Select the picture for which you want to change the compression or resolution.

2. Open the Compression/Resolution dialog box.

- Note; How you open this dialog box depends on your current location:

- If you are in the Import from Photo CD dialog box, click Resolution.

- If you are in the Import Picture dialog box, click Compression.

- If you are in a Scrapbook, from the Picture/Object menu, select Compression/Resolution.

- If Family Tree Maker displays a message telling you to get the original picture, click OK. Family Tree Maker displays the Insert Picture dialog box.

3. Select the picture for which you want to change the compression and click Compression. Family Tree Maker opens the Change Compression/Resolution dialog box.

4. Make the compression and/or resolution changes you wish.

5. Click OK when you've made your selections.

Family Tree Maker changes the compression and/or resolution of the picture and places it in the Scrapbook.

Selecting defaults for picture resolution and compression

To set default compressions and resolutions for pictures:

1. From the File menu, select Preferences (ALT, F, F).
2. From the Preferences sub-menu, select Picture/Objects (ALT, P).
3. Choose the compression and resolution that you prefer.

For a description of the options in the Picture/Objects dialog box and a selection of related topics, click here.

DEFINITIONS

JPG/JPEG

JPEGs, also called JPG, stands for Joint Photographic Experts Group. The compression scheme works by looking for redundant information in the file and eliminating it. This makes file sizes small. You'll lose some data every time you save an image as a JPEG.
Short for *Joint Photographic Experts Group,* and pronounced *jay-peg.* JPEG is a *lossy compression* technique for color images. Although it can reduce files sizes to about 5% of their normal size, some detail is lost in the compression.

GIF

GIF stands for Graphics Interchange Format. CompuServe developed the format for its online ventures. You'll often see *it* referred *to as* CompuServe or CompuServe GIF.
GIFs save space by restricting you to 256 colors or fewer (unlike JPEGs, which allow millions). If you look closely at a GIF image, you may see a bunch of dots in certain areas. This is due to "dithering." Since GIFs only work with a certain number of colors, they shift the dots around from the colors they have in order to create - to fake - the colors they don't have.

TIF/TIFF

Acronym for *tagged image file format,* one of the most widely supported file formats for storing bit-mapped images on persons! computers (both PCs and Macintosh computers. Other popular formats are BMP and *PCX.*
TIFF graphics can be any resolution, and they can be black and white, gray-scaled, or color. Files in TIFF format often end with a *.tif* extension,

EPS

Abbreviation of *Encapsulated PostScript.* Pronounced as separate letters, EPS is the graphics file format used by the PostScript language.
EPS files can be either binary or ASCI). The term *EPS* usually implies that the file contains a bi^ mapped representation of the graphics for display purposes. In contrast, *PostScript files* include only the PostScript commands for printing the graphic.

BMP

The standard bit-mapped graphics format used in the Windows environment. By convention, graphics files in the BMP format end with *a.BMP* extension.
BMP files store graphics in a format called *device-independent bitmap (DIB).*

PCX

Originally developed by ZSOFT for its PC Paintbrush program. PCX is a graphics file format for aiaphjcs programs running on PCs. It is supported by most optical scanners, fax programs, and desktop publishing systems. Files in the PCX format end with a ".pcx" (pronounced *dot -p-c-x)* extension. Two other common bit map formats are BMP and *TIFF.*

Big Charts & Trees biased reporting by Herb Frantz 23 Mar 2003

In the old days we talked the local butcher out of a swatch of brown paper off that big roll he had in the store. Or if in the construction trade we wrote of the back of old blue/white prints, nice 50% rag. Tried the backside of wrapping (Xmas) paper but if was sort of thin and worn poorly. With plastic templates and straight edges we laid out our ancestors. Sometimes we used blanks from the LDS that had multiple generations on nice 25% rag paper. Mine were always embarrassing because of all the blank spaces.

After the advent of the PC we tried to do charts in LOTUS 123; which was satisfying but torturous. Then came computer graphics; either 2D drafting or org chart packages like Visio and at last… genealogy software. In desperation we tried photocopying together family one page images on slippery photocopy paper with cellulose tape that changed to crumbs and rigid yellow strips respectively.

Today, almost all packages can generate very large charts. Ancestor, Descendant, Fan, Standard, All-in-One, Bow Tie and a host of variations. If you are graphically oriented they provide a simple but powerful presentation of information that can even include pictures. They are easy to understand and can contain almost as much information as you wish, including pictures. But it isn't necessarily easy or cheap to get it to paper (or even Mylar and laminated if you wish).

How

Each package has its peculiarities and so does each method of printing. We'll focus on Family Tree Maker since it is the most common. The are cautions along the way.

Are you running on a Windows 95 / 98 / ME operating system? If you are, then there is a Bill Gate's imposed GDI scaling limit of about 28ft 4in where charts do poorly. If your chart is larger than this then you will need to print this chart on a Win NT/ 2000/ XP box.

If you are already on a Win NT / 2000 / XP operating system then there is probably a problem with your printer driver. Make sure that you have the latest version of it. This problem can sometimes be alleviated if you are printing at high resolution under some special circumstances; try lowering the resolution to see whether that improves the situation. In simple terms if the chart is real big or detailed it may take extra work to get it out.

Therefore:
Caution #1 If it's real big it may not be quite so easy.
Caution #2 ALWAYS install and use the most current printer driver.
Caution #3 The amount of System Memory on your PC may limit the size of a BIG chart/tree.

We won't talk about 8 ½ by 11 paper and cutting and pasting.

FTM and Big Charts/Trees

Most important is to try on screen variations of what you want to capture. This takes but minutes, is comfortable and involves no particular effort. Once you have your image think about it's presentation; wide and long?, very wide and short?, long and skinny?.

Generally at Print shops 36" is the max width they handle. But remember in your planning you can put several 36" strips together side-by-side. There are some quirks too. A Kinko's nearby has a beautiful OCE 36" wide Black & White printer. Specs say it will print an image 109" long. But Nobody in Kinko's knew to do that as their LAN based system has it set to 48" long. So I print 48" long pieces and tape them together. If you don't know that kind of thing in advance your FTM output may print on only 48" of a 109" piece of paper @$1 sqft. Each Kinko's may have a different big printer and some also have color.

In FTM watch out for back ground color. If you have a background color the Black & White printer will change it to grayscale and print a grayish background one dot at a time and it will take a long time. It may not be very readable either.

Don't print smaller than 6 font, although you can go down to 4 font on some machines and printer drivers. Your eyes aren't that good.
Ask for help, they give good guidance, suggestions, but sometimes you need to talk with the Asst. Mgr or a techie, not the Greeter at the door.

One solution - Kinkos http://www.kinkos.com/
Kinkos File Prep Tool –download or get floppy at Kinkos store
It is a customized pdf format that they convert into their system. Trouble free.
Print to the Kinkos File Prep "printer" (*.kdf) to a floppy or ZIP (if big) or CDROM if really gigantic.

Better yet:
Find the printer you will use at Kinko's, get a encapsulated EPS printer drive for it and do printer setup for it the way you want. Print to that and take it in on removable media. OR
Print to *.pdf and take to Kinkos. They load it to their system (you can ask to see a preview) and send it to a printer. Viola! you have a really big chart (some cutting and pasting maybe required).

Other Places
There are many places to explore to create a chart.
Graphics - 60 inch wide and how long? http://www.genealogygraphics.com/

Ancestor Charts – a commercial service that prints (32"X60") of your 6 generation pedigree charts including photos. Just send your completed GEDCOM file.
http://www.smartnouveau.com/jbplace/Genealogy.html

TMG Users- send *.vcf file to Wholly Genes
Look here for more places to print charts from http://cyndislist.com/
Kinkos
http://www.kinkos.com/

Kinkos File Prep Tool –download or get floppy at Kinkos store
It is a customized pdf format that they convert into their system. Trouble free.
Print to the Kinkos File Prep "printer" to a floppy or ZIP

Better yet:
Find the printer you will use at Kinko's get a encapsulated EPS printer drive for it and do printer setup for it the way you want. Print to that and take it in.

Costs:
Costs vary widely and some judicious research on your part can save some bucks. If the service you chose has a fixed format (i.e. a 9 generation GedCom) it will be a flat rate based on Color or Black & White.
A print shop for Black & White can range around $1 per square foot. Color maybe $3 to $4 per square foot. You can also get it laminated, printed on Mylar or even clear film.

For posterity:
Don't leave it in sunlight or store on the radiator.
Store it rolled loosely if possible.

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Ancestra http://ancestra.virtualave.net/ French program, full package, requires adding other tools.
***Ancestral Quest** ver 2002 http://www.ancquest.com/ $39.95. Demo, a competent package with multimedia, Web, basic charting, good spell checker and hooks to word processors. It uses .aft files created by Ancestry Family Tree (AFT).
Ancestry Family Tree ver1 http://aft.ancestry.com/ free download, starter access $19.95. Multimedia capable program, linked to Ancestry.com. Similar to Ancestral Quest 3. The integration is well done; links to the Ancestry/RootsWeb WorldConnect. Extracts data, imports to your file and selectively merges it. You must subscribe to Ancestry for full power.
BirthWrite 2.4.3 http://www.interlog.com/~rmcd/BirthWrite/ shareware $30. Multiple languages, Visual Basic, Developer also wrote Ilanot, a Jewish program in English and Hebrew, easy interface, full function, web publishing, limited multimedia.
***Brothers Keeper** 6.0 http://www.bkwin.net/index.html shareware $49. Popular, good interface, no html but supports .rtf, web based tech support & users group, limited charts, requires Acrobat Reader (free), moderate strength sourcing.
Cumberland Family Tree 3.0 http://www.cf-software.com/ shareware $45. Easy interface, popular, good tech support, writes books, requires Acrobat Reader (free), multimedia capable, good sourcing, restrictive reporting
Dynas Tree 2.2 http://www.dynas-tree.de/ $50. Demo available, English & German, competent program
Family Explorer 2.0 http://www.kinware.com/software.html shareware $25. Demo, multimedia support, basic reporting, Web capable, fair interface, good sourcing, basic charting
***Family Historian** 2.1 http://www.family-historian.co.uk £49.95 approximately $82. Full-featured; claims 100% GEDCOM compatibility, database in GEDCOM format, nice charts and query capability; reports in HTML or rtf. Largest program in UK.
***Family Matters** 4.20f http://www.matterware.com/ shareware $25. Ms ACCESS db, Web capable, multimedia, good interface, good sourcing & reporting, well liked, fair tech support, fair charting
***Family Origins** (FO) 10.0 http://www.formalsoft.com/ $39. Last Release. FoxPro db kept current, excellent tech support, very good interface, very good sourcing, reporting and charting, Web, html & *.pdf output capable, full drag & drop, multimedia capability, used by semi and professional genealogist. Add-ons: Book 5th ed. Replaced by **RootsMagic**.
Family Ties Deluxe http://www.individualsoftware.com/consumer/conft6.htm $50. Basic complete package, good interface, Web capable, fair reporting & sourcing, no recent improvements
***Family Treasures** 4.0.124 http://www.famtech.com/FamilyTres.htm $50. Good interface, multimedia & Web capable, good reporting & charting, good support, improving to be a competitor. Recently purchased by a Norwegian company; a new version to be released in 2003.
***Family Tree Legends** by http://www.familytreelegends.com Pearl Street Software $49.95. Proprietary file system, interfaces with GenCircles at http://www.GenCircles.com, a free online service that matches GEDCOM files contributed by members. Backups up to a Web server interface to a timeline & gazetteer.
****Family Tree Maker** (FTW) 10.0 http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/ $29.95-$89.95. Upgrade $19.95+shp; 95 to XP, Win 2000 difficulties. Proprietary basic db, very good user interface, good reporting, good charting, Web limited to FTW site, books/videos available, multimedia capable, fair book writing, some RTF & PDF output, very poor tech support, a marketing driven company. Sold April '03 to MyFamily.com. Next release probably Summer '03.
GenBox Family History 3.0 http://www.genbox.com/ $59 UFT-like, absent pedigree view, lacks of a memo/note field that can be printed with citations, and the location files do odd things in the reports. Not bad, needs another revision.
GeneWeb 3.07 http://cristal.inria.fr/~ddr/GeneWeb/ free. Win, Mac & Linux. Very basic, Web capable, multiple languages.

Generations Family Tree 8.5a http://www.broderbund.com Sold July '02 to Genealogical.Com (FTM) $70-$90. Full package, No LDS support, non-standard GEDCOM , poor indexing. Aug '01 development stopped. Win XP iffy.
***Heredis** http://www.myheredis.com -$39 Introductory to $69 normal. French & English, largest French speaking package, full Windows implementation, powerful, multimedia, very good reports and charts. Demo available.
Kindred Konnections 1.3 http://209.140.72.162/cgi-bin/genealogy/afilhome?176+0+English free. Basic package, no revisions in years
Kith & Kin 3.12 http://www.spansoft.org/ 33£. Complete package, Web capable, long distance (UK) tech support
Leaf's of the Family Tree 3.0 http://www.winloft.com/ $60, $80, $100. Client & server capable, full package, no Web capability, full db management & query capability
****Legacy Family Tree** Premium Edition (4.0+) http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/ $19.95. (basic free) Full package, good interface, Web capable, good sourcing & charting, improved backup, on-line tutorial, PDF output. Genelines charting added to full version. Links to Compaq iPAQ & The Pocket Genealogist 2.0 http://www.northernhillssoftware.com/pgenie.htm Progeny Software add-on charting tool, version 1.1 $19.95. http://www.progenysoftware.com
***Personal Ancestry File** (PAF) 5.2.18 http://www.familysearch.org/ free. Supports Palm Pilot PAF. Proprietary db, good user interface, fair reporting, good charting, moderate tech support, excellent LDS support, multimedia. One of the best for a beginner. Get the Add-on (Companion Disk 5.1) $13.50 for additional charts & forms, output to most Word Processors.
PAF Insight works in conjunction with Personal Ancestral File (or PAF). Adds capabilities not found in PAF, including database synchronization, extended merge capabilities, and multiple pedigree views, as well as database cleanup capabilities. $25 http://www.ohanasoftware.com
***RootsMagic** 1.0 from FormalSoft (Bruce Buzbee), http://www.rootsmagic.com $34.95. Successor to Family Origins 10.0. Full-featured, very good, nice reporting & query capability, powerful book making. GedCom import capability. Missing charts in current release.
****The Master Genealogist** (TMG) 5.07 http://www.whollygenes.com/ $69. Demo available, Win32 compliant, powerful sourcing and reporting, good charting, improved user interface, Web capable with add-on, good tech support, used by a number of semi & professional genealogist. Powerful importer-GenBridge. It is local in Columbia, MD. Almost final version.
Ultimate Family Tree 3.0 http://www.uftree.com/UFT/Nav/uftabout.htm Defunct- many converted to TMG.
Win-Family 6.02 http://winfamily.com/ shareware $50. Full powered & multi-language capable; no support when on vacation, user forums in English & Scandinavian

RECOMMENDATIONS
Very Good & Cheap
PAF 5.2.18 (Free) & PAF Companion 5.1 ($13.50)- Excellent for beginners & intermediate users.
Very Good & moderately priced
Family Tree Maker 10.0 - Good for beginners & intermediate (don't buy CD's) $29.99. Quality problems in new versions.
Legacy Family Tree 4.0 - Very good for beginners to advanced $19.95. Add-ons required for full power, add'l $20-25.
RootsMate 1.0 – Very good, but needs charts due in release 2 (no date given). $34.95. Wait for release 2.
Family Historian 2.1 - Good for beginners & intermediate users $82. UK oriented.
Powerful & slightly more expensive
The Master Genealogists (TMG) 5.07 $69. – Powerful, improved, easier to use than prior versions, a steep learning curve. Good for SERIOUS Genealogy. Still incomplete & a few quality problems.
Scholarly – Cambridge University: abt $10,300 (not including hardware or op system). – For SERIOUS Academic Genealogy.

OTHER SOURCES & Opinions
Genealogical Report Card- but not always current versions http://www.mumford.ca/reportcard/
Louis Kessler's Genealogical Program Links http://www.lkessler.com/gplinks.shtml#jg1
Computer Credible Genealogy Software Reviews http://www.credible.com/genealg2.html
CAUTIONS
Backup weekly at a minimum with at least a son, father & grandfather regimen.
Archive periodically your data in a GedCom on a reliable Media (avoid floppies). Always maintain GedCom capability.
When merging files or making broad & powerful changes, test first with a copy of your "Real" file(s)"
Before changing versions of software, backup and keep a copy of the file(s).
Avoid custom data fields, as software and standards change they may become unusable or unsupportable.
Always maintain GedCom capability, this is a long-term hobby.

OTHER SOFTWARE
Book Collector http://www.collectorz.com/book/ $25. Demo available. Inventory & track your library with both manual entry and an Internet download for newer commercial books. Multiple sorts, loan manager and exports to HTML and ASCII.
The Dynamic Family Tree 1.0 http://www.dftcom2.co.uk/ Free. Uses Java to create a GedCom into HTML and read by a browser, can be stored on a personal home page, on a hard drive or on a CD-ROM disk. 18 languages supported.
Family Tree SuperTools 1.1 http://www.whollygenes.com/ $19.95 Add-on Toolkit for reporting and charts, designed for TMG4, PAF, FTM, Family Origins, Legacy, Ultimate Family Tree, etc. Not needed if TMG 5.0 owned.
***NEW* GENContacts** FileMaker Pro $59.95 by the Family History Network http://www.everton.com contact management software, manage E-mails, faxes, letters and phone calls to and from societies, libraries, courthouses, relatives, etc.
GenDesigner 3.0 http://www.gendesigner.com/ a charting program allows the user to design box, multiple languages data input by hand or GedCom import. Primarily for those who do not presently have a full genealogy program.
GENViewer by MudCreek http://www.mudcreek.ca/cdrom_version.htm Lite version free & Full version $19.95. For creating family genealogy CDs and distribute those disks to others. GENViewer adds a free Windows "viewer program"
GeneWeaver 1.1 http://www.geneweaveronline.com/ $49.95 Creates a family health history and medical genogram. Generates charts/tables for: a medical genogram, medical pedigree chart, health questionnaire, bibliography & genetics publications, checklist of health resources. Web browser format.
GeneLines Time Line Software 2.0 Universal Edition CD $29.95, $19.95 download; 95 to XP. A timeline program for genealogists; use the included history files or create your own. It reads data directly from GEDCOM files or directly from PAF, FTM, Legacy, Ancestry Family Tree and Ancestral Quest. Edit charts on the screen for color, fonts, and some layout variations. Publish files in PDF format. http://www.progenysoftware.com
Progeny Charting Companion 2.0 Three versions: for users of Legacy, Ancestral Quest and Ancestry Family Tree. Creates genealogy charts and reports that expand native capabilities. Charts available include the traditional Ancestor, Descendant, and Hourglass charts, as well as Fan chart, and a new Bow Tie chart. http://www.progenysoftware.com
Recording Longitudes & Latitudes do it with a GPS unit.
http://www.misbach.org/gedbrowser/index.html
***NEW* Second Sight** by John Cardinal $29.95. http://store.whollygenes.com/Search.bok?keyword=a006 Add-on utility that creates web pages from **TMG**. User doesn't need to know HTML programming and Web page creation. Terrific with **TMG**.
***NEW* TimeLine Maker** 1.0, free. timeline program, a generic timeline. Limited reports and NOT aimed at genealogists, it does not read GEDCOM files. All data must be entered by hand.

Getting the Most Out of The Master Genealogist (NEW Book)
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Long requested by users of The Master Genealogist, this book is being made available to the users of The Master Genealogist (TMG) version 5.0. This book edited and compiled by Lee H. Hoffman will help you achieve the full capabilities of TMG and will help you learn how to advance the research of your family history with The Master Genealogist. This program has been long used by many people to aid in the research, recording and publishing of family histories. The versatility and flexibility of this very powerful program means that it may be used in a variety of ways from the simple to the complex. This book will help you take advantage of the many features of TMG.

This book is written for users of The Master Genealogist, a genealogical database computer program. The book is designed for those users who may be said to be somewhat experienced. This experience might be with computers, genealogy or even with other genealogical database programs. This almost fits every user of TMG from the person just buying it to the long time user. Since TMG is a highly flexible program designed to help genealogists further their research, many users have more experience in some areas than in others and this is taken into account.

The editor, Lee Hoffman, is joined by a list of authors widely recognized as experts in the use of TMG. They include:

Jim Byram
Richard Brogger
John Cardinal
Jeff Clenard
Robin Lamacraft
Allen Mellen
Terry Reigel
Dorothy Turner

Each chapter will cover certain areas of The Master Genealogist noting ways in which the reader can increase his use of the program through somewhat advanced methods. It will discuss: management of data (how it might best be entered and arranged, output of data (the different charts and reports), how data may be imported or exported for exchange with other researchers, research aids within the program and how they may help the reader. The book will also cover the chart options for the TMG companion program, Visual ChartForm (VCF), which will allow the user to produce wall charts of a genealogical nature.
The chapter layout of the book is as follows:
1 - Introduction.
2 - Project Management.
3 - Import of Data.
4 - Customizing the Program.
5 - Customizing the Data.
6 - Sentence Structures.
7 - Sources.
8 - Concepts.
9 - Controlling Narratives.
10 - Customizing Reports.
11 - Filtering and sorting.

12 - Multimedia.
13 - Generating Charts For Use in Visual ChartForm.
14 - Working With Charts in Visual ChartForm.
15 - Export of Data (via GEDCOM and other file formats)
Learn how to:
- Document where you found your information.
- Arrange and print your data, as you want it.
- Create wall charts as gifts or conversation pieces.
- Create and arrange slide shows of your pictures.
- Enter your data to take advantage of the program features.
- Create reports that allow you to write your family history.
- And many more things to aid in your research.

The Master Genealogist has been used for years by an ever-increasing number of users. Getting the Most Out of The Master Genealogist allows you to join them and take control of the research and analysis of your family history.

The authors help you understand how best to use those features to achieve the results you want. You will quickly take command of the program's power as Getting the Most Out of The Master Genealogist will help you understand how to select and use the features that can best record your research the way you want it recorded enabling you to produce the charts, reports, and even multimedia presentations that display your data as your prefer.

Getting the Most Out of The Master Genealogist is priced at $24.95 plus shipment and handling. It may be ordered online through the Wholly Genes web store at http://whollygenes.com. Questions may be directed to: Lee Hoffman at Lhoffman@acm.org.

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Census Extraction Form –FREE

Free (blank) Census Extraction Forms can be downloaded for the 1790-1930 U.S. census years and for the 191 U.K. census. Additional forms, including ancestral charts, research abstracts, correpsondence records, family group sheets and source summaries are available also. You must have Acrobat Reader installed on your computer to view these forms, but there's a link to this free application.
http://www.ancestry.com/save/charts/census.htm
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The Baltimore Archive for Family Photography

Author: Dr. Nicole Herz

Members of the Baltimore County Genealogical Society understand that family history, and in particular the proper documentation of family history, is of vital importance to individual and community identities. Local history should not be dictated by political campaigns or commercial interests, but ought to be constructed and celebrated by local residents who have lived through changing times and varied experiences.

Using a grant from the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, I have begun establishing a new Archive for Family Photography in the Special Collections Department at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. I am looking for volunteers of all backgrounds who would be willing to share their memories and experiences for the benefit of future students and scholars researching Baltimore's history and the history of local photography.

Volunteers and I meet one-on-one to discuss a personal photography collection, during which time I enter all available information about individual photographs into my notes. Upon completing the interview, each entry gets transferred to a formatted worksheet with all the information. Volunteers have the option of donating digital reproductions of their photographs to the Archive, and will be entitled to a personal copy of the documentation we created together.

Having just completed my Doctorate in History with a issertation on family photography, I continue to be fascinated by old photographs and the stories they commemorate. My hope is that in the process of participating in this project, Baltimore residents of all stamps will realize just how important they and their ancestors have been to the history and culture of the region.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions about the Archive, or to set up a meeting. The only criteria for volunteers is that they possess old photographs (dating approx. 1840-1980),and a personal history in the Baltimore area.
Tel: 410-455-6744 (MW afternoons) or 410-455-2353 (M-F 9am-5pm).
Email: nh1@umbc.edu Dr. Nicole Herz

I urge you not to dismiss your photographs or your memories, but instead to share them with those who are sincerely interested!

Poem - Family History

Many many years ago
when I was twenty three,
I got married to a widow
who was pretty as could be.
This widow had a grown-up
daughter who had hair of red.
My father fell in love with her,
And soon the two were wed.
This made my dad my son-in-law
And changed my very life.
My daughter was my mother,
For she was my father's wife.
To complicate the matters worse,
Although it brought me joy,
I soon became the father
Of a bouncing baby boy.
My little baby then became
A brother-in-law to dad.
And so became my uncle,
Though it made me very sad.
For if he was my uncle,
Then that also made him brother
To the widow's grown-up daughter
Who, of course, was my step-mother.
Father's wife then had a son,
Who kept them on the run.
And he became my grandson,
For he was my daughter's son.
My wife is now my mother's mother
And it makes me blue.
Because, although she is my wife,
She is my grandma too.
If my wife is my grandmother,
Then I am her grandchild.
And every time I think of it,
It simply drives me wild.
For now I have become
The strangest case you ever saw.
As the husband of my grandmother,
I am my own grandpa.

David in Ballarat

BIBLE RECORD INVENTORIES
Selected folders from the BCGS vertical file

Inventories of our Bible records received prior to July 1987 were published in the Inventory of Maryland Bible Records, Volume I. Since 1998, inventories of all new Bible records have been published yearly in the September issue of The Notebook. The following list of inventoried Bible records was compiled from some of the records donated to the BCGS library between I987 and 1997o

BAKER, William - Bible; pub. date: 1769; res: Philadelphia & Reading, PA; Fredericktown & Baltimore, MD; Canton, China; Charles City Co., VA; MS; earliest birth: 1752; earliest marr: 1780; last date: I89I; other names: BURNESTON, HOBART, STEYER, REED, GRAVES, JONES, GAILURD, NORRIS, WIGHT, THOMPSON, JONES, WTATT, SANFORD, LOWRY, HOLLINGSWORTH. Transcript,

BLUNT Bible; pub. date; 1881; res; Anne Arundel Co. & Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 1841; earliest marr: 1866; last date: 1913; other names: LINSTID, HEATH, SCOTT, ROBINSON, GRIMM, LIKENS. Photocopies.,

BOND-WILMER Bible; pub. date: 1733; res: Baltimore, MD; Frankfort, KY; earliest birth: 1735; earliest marr: 1733; last date: 1822; other names: HATTON, BLACKISTONE, OWINGS, WORTHINGTON, STANSBURY* Transcript.

BOONE Bible; pub. date: 1877; res: Baltimore City & Co., MD; earliest birth: 1835; earliest marr: I858; last date: 1971; other names: GALLOWAY, DEW, SPARKS, BOWEN, GEORGE, FRI2ZELL, MARTINI, LYNCH, HOOD, SAPP. Transcript.

BOSLEY Bible; pub. date: none given; res: none shown; earliest birth: 1768; earliest marr: page missing; last date: 1963; other names: THOMAS, WATERS• Photocopies„

BREITSCHWERDT Bible; pub. date: 1900; res: Perry Hall, Baltimore Co,, MD; earliest birth: 1872; earliest marr: 1893; last date: 1907; other names: SCHROEDER. Photocopies.

BRESSLER Bible; pub, date: 1866; res: Northumberland Co., PA; earliest birth: 1827; earliest marr: 1826; last date: 1880; other names: HENN, GEHRES, WARFIELD, WBRFEL* Transcript.

BUCK Bible #2; pub. date: 1790; res: none shown; earliest birth: 17**4; earliest marr: 1763; last date; 1906; other names: HOBBIE, STANSBURY, HOBBY, MERRYMAN, LYNCH. Photocopies*

BURGAN Bible; pub. date: not given; res: Baltimore, MD; OH; KY; earliest birth; 1808; earliest marr: I83I; last date: 1902; other names: RAMES, BRADY, BIDDISON, JAMES, BROWN, JONES, MOSHER, POOLE. Photocopies.

BURNESTON, Joseph - Bible; pub. date: 1752; res: Frederick Town, MD; earliest birth: 17^6; earliest marr; page missing; last date: 1841; other names: BARTON, MYERS, EICHELBERGER, HAGERTY, BAKER, REED. Transcript.

CAMPBELL, George Louis - Bible; pub. date: 1854; res: Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 1816; earliest marr: 1831; last date: 1914; other names: CARROLL, SROUD, SPRINKKEL, BOWEN. Photocopies0

CARVER Bible; pub* date: none shown; res: Fauquier Co0, VA; Washington, DC; earliest birth: 1904; earliest marr: 1902; last date: 1918; other names: LEGG, ARMSTEAD* Transcript.

CASE Bible; pub* date; 1847; res: Boston, MA; Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 1813; earliest marr: 1839; last date: 1892; other names: NOYES, ROUNDo Transcript,

CHRISMER Bible; pub* date: 1854; res: Baltimore City, MD; St. Louis & St0 Charles, MO; earliest birth: 1832; earliest marr: I858; last date: 1941; other names: ROMOSER, BEZZENBERGER. Photocopies0

COURTNEY Bible; pub. date: none shown; res: Harford Co*, MD; earliest birth: 1833; earliest marr; 1866; last date: I898; other names: MAXWELL, MITCHELL. Transcript,

CRAGGS-BURGESS Durham"; Hammond Ferry, (blank); London Town, Anne Arundel Co, MD; Sunderland Bridge, (blank); Baltimore, MD; earliest birth: 177?; earliest marr: 1775; last date: 1822; other names: OGLE, Transcript.

DONE Bible #1; pub* date: 1769; res* Worcester Co. & Somerset Co*, MD; earliest birth: 1?48; earliest marr: 1773; last date: 1831; other names: RIGBT, MARTIN, DOWNES, DENWOOD, WATERS, HARMANSON, BAYLY, POLK* Transcript,

DONE Bible #2; pub. date: 1815; res: Princess Anne, MD; Baltimore, Annapolis & Cecil Co/, MD; Philadelphia, PA; Norfolk, VA; LA; OH; NC; CA; KY; IL; Japan; earliest birth; 1815; earliest marr: 1814; last date: 1930; other names: WATERS, HAYNIE, BAYLY, MORTON, GALE, BISCOE, JONES, KERR, SHIELDS, JENKINS, STEWART, MASLIN, TABB, PADDACK, FITZGERALD, ONDERDONK, COHN, DOANE, LEEDS, ATWOOD, RASH, WYATT. Transcripto

DONNOLY Bible; pub* date: 1855; res: Baltimore City & Co., MD; earliest birth: 1870; earliest marr: 1869; last date; I898; other names: WALSHE* Transcripto

DUNCAN Bible; pub. date: none shown; res: Norrisville & Pylesville, Harford Co., MD; Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 1868; earliest marr: 1895; last date: 1969; other names: BELL* Photocopies.

EICHELEY Bible; pub. date: none; res: Lancaster Co., PA; earliest birth: 1829; earliest marr: I856; last date: 1872; other names: BILLET* Transcript.

ENSOR-OLDHAM Bible; pub. date: none shown; res: Cecil Co. & Baltimore Co0, MD; earliest birth; 1756; earliest marr: 1757; last date; 1843; other names: BOUCHELLE. Abstract0

FISHER Bible; pub0 date: 1811; res: Ann© Arundel Co., Charles Co* & Baltimore

City, MD; earliest birth; 1763; earliest marr: 1783; last date: 1906; other names: DALEY, FORREST, ROD, ANDERSON, SIMKIN, HARMAN, BARNSLEY, HOFFMAN * Photocopies.

FITCH Bible; pub. date: none shown; res: Baltimore Coo, MD; earliest birth: 1888; earliest marr: 1892; last date: 1985; other names: HOERNER, TAGG, BABIKOW, WILSON, STEVENS, BLACKMON, BUTT, FINNEY, FOARD, BOLANDER. Photocopiesc

GARRISON Bible; pub, date: 1791; res: Harford Co$_{0f}$ MD; earliest birth: 1737; earliest marr: none shown; last date: 1901; other names: MILES, POCOCK, MEREDITH. Photocopies$_0$

GILBERT, Howard L* - Bible; pub. date: 1900; res: Harford Co., MD; earliest birth: 1872; earliest marr: I898; last date: 1951; other names: SCHANZ, LIESKEo Transcript.

GRAY Bible; pub. date: none given; res: Baltimore Co<>, MD; earliest birth: 182*+; earliest marr: I878; last date: 189^; other names: SHEPPERD, RICHARDSON, BURNHAM, BROWNING, DEBAUGH. PhotocopieSc

HAMILTON-TREW Bible; pub$_0$ date: none shown; res: none; earliest birth: 1756; earliest marr: 1778; last date: 1918; other names: BUCK, BROWN, CROOK, COLLINS, GORSUCH, STANSBURY, PARKER. Abstract.

HARRISON, Wesley - Bible; pub. date: 1872; res: none; earliest birth: 1833; earliest marr: I856; last date: 1971; other names: LINDSAY, CONAWAY, ARMFIELD, KLEIN, BAKER, RAMSOUR, NORWOOD, GOSNELL, BURALL, CUNNING, LEATHERWOOD, NAILL. Photocopies.

HILDEBRANDT Bible; pub. date: none given; *res:* Biettstadt(?), Saxony; Baltimore, MD; earliest birth: 1828, earliest marr: 1853; last date: 1982; other names: WEHN, KUHN, MAY, SELLORS. Photocopies-

HILTZ-HERZOG Bible; pub. date: 1880; res: Baltimore, MD; earliest birth: 185^; earliest marr: 1888; last date: 19^9; other names: SCHMIDT, BACHMANN, HERSH, HOLDEFER. Transcript*

JONES, James Louis - Bible; pub. date: none shown; res: Frostburg, Allegany Co., MD; Elkton, Cecil Co., MD; Federalsburg, Caroline Co., MD; Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 19^3; earliest marr: 1922; last date: 19&f; other names: GLIME, MATTHEWS, SALLIDAY, MULLINIX, HONEYWELL, BRANTEL, WOLFF, JOHNSON, BUCKINGHAM, L0HR$_f$ BITZER, HUSTED, SUIT, CARDEL, WILE, PRINE, RANK, BUCKLER, WILSON, GRIBBLE, Photocopies,

KIDD Bible; pub. date: none given; res: Baltimore Co. & Harford Co$_0$, MD; Codorus Twnsp., York Co., PA; earliest birth: 17^7; earliest marr: none; last date: 1875; other names: ROYSTON. Abstract.

KING Bible #2; pub. date: 1852; res: Ann© Arundel Co*, MD; earliest birth: 1829; earliest marr: 1852; last date; 19^2; other names: BASSFORD, HOPKINS, BASIL, DRURY, TANNER, BAUM. Photocopies.

LUBBEHUSEN Bible; pub, date: none shown; res: Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 1861; earliest marr: 1884; last date: 1917; other names: COOPER, DEBRICK. Transcript*

LUSBT Bible; pub. date: none given; res: Calvert Co», MD; earliest birth: 1829; earliest marr: 1853; last date: 19^2; other names: CHANY, NORWOOD, EASTON, MARSDEN, HOUSEHOLDER, DUNKER. Photocopies.

MARSH Bible #1; pub$_0$ date: i860; res: Maryland; VA; NY; OH; DC; earliest birth: 1832; earliest raarr: 1859; last date: 1991; other names. TTGNOR, HAYNIE, EDWARDS, HAYES, MITCHELL, FITCHETT, DEY, BRADSHAW, DAVIS, ECKLES, PATE, HASTINGS, ROBERTS, FRENCH, GRIFFITH, GALLAGHER, BROOKS, CRIZER, PALMER, KUHN, DUNCAN, YOD2IS, MOYER, GOOD, JONES, DIXON, GRIZZARD. Transcripts

MAY-PETERSON-MARR Bible; pubo date: none given; res: Baltimore, MD; Altoona, PA; earliest birth: 1841; earliest marr: 1845; last date: 1924; other names: BUCKLEY, MEYERS, MILLER, BUSCHMAN, HILDBBRANDT, GUNDLACH. Photocopies$_6$

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NORRIS Bible; pub$_0$ date: none shovm; res; Charlestown, Jefferson Co., WV; Weston, Lewis Co$_o$, WV; Anne Arundel Co*, MD; Laurel, MD; Baltimore & Baltimore Co.$_t$ MD; earliest birth: 1855; earliest marr: 1891; last date: 1948; other names: HARRISON, MOORE, SMOOT, LYNCH, GROSS, WORMELEY. Photocopies6

PEARCE Bible #2; pub* date: 1826; res: Baltimore, MD; Harford Coo, MD; earliest birth: l?80; earliest marr: 1814; last date: 1947; other names: BILSON, TRSMAINS, CLAYTON, BOND, GUYTON, GORDEN, WATKINS, PROCTOR, MAGNESS, DURHAM, HENRY, FRANCE, TRAVEIS, FOARD, FRANCIS, PINE, MOORE, WIKER, KING, RAYNS, WRIGHT, SCARFF, TREDWAL, MYERS, BOND, RUFF, WARE ALLENDER, JOHNSON, MCKINSTRY, KINGo Photocopies,

SANDS Bible #1; pubo date; page lost; res: Annapolis, MD; Baltimore, MD; earliest birth: 1?9^; earliest marr: none; last date: 1857; other names: MILLS, FORT. Photocopies$_o$

SANDS Bible #2; pubo date: page lost; res; Baltimore City & Cc, MD; earliest birth: 1867; earliest marr.: 1865; last date: 1880; other names: JESSOP. Photocopies$_o$

STEWART Bible #1; pubo date: 1874; res: Princess Anne, MD; Washington, DC; Jersey City, NJ; New York City, NY: earliest birth: 1827; earliest marr: 1852; last date: 1941; other names: HANDY, JONES, FITZGERALD, TODD, TRACY, OSTERHAUS, SHIELDS, CLOGG, BLOOBSWORTH, FORGUS(?), BOUNDS, Transcript.

STEWART Bible #2; pub. date: 1802; res: Scotland; earliest birth: 1733; earliest marr; 1770; last date: 1855; other names: DASHIEL, GALE, ROBERTSON, KER* Transcripto

STEWART Bible #3; pub. date: none given; res: Princess Anne, Somerset Co., MD; Snow Hill, Worcester Co., MD; Baltimore, MD; earliest birth; 1740; earliest marr: I76I; last date: 1859; other names: POLK, BAYLY, HAYNIE, DONE, JONES, GALE. Transcript.

STUP Bible; pub. date: 1905; res: Frederick Co., MD; Baltimore City & Coo, MD; earliest birth: 1865; earliest marr: I89I; last date: 1920; other names; ROE, YETTSR, BOURNE, THOMPSON, MYERS. Transcript.

TAGG Bible; pubo date: none given; res: Loch Raven, Baltimore Co., MD; earliest birth: 1847; earliest marr: 18^6; last date: I98I; other names: STILLINGS, MELLOR, WESLEY, PERINE, SMITH, WEIKEISTER, SIMMS, GILLAND. Transcript.

WILSON, William G. - Bible; pubo date: 1865; res: Harford Coo, MD; earliest birth: 1822; earliest marr: 1867; last date: 1915; other names: LEE, HA.LL. Photocopies.

WINTERODE Bible; pub. date: none given; res: Havre de Grace, MD; earliest birth: none; earliest marr: 1912; last date: 1947; other names: FRICK, CROSS, JDUI\IV, WATTS, CLARK, GORDON. Photocopies.

WOOD Bible; pub. date: 1897; res: Baltimore City, MD; earliest birth: 1872; earliest marr: 1922; last date: 1928; other names: BARWICK, FLETCHER, BROWNo Transcripto

WOODBURJJ-VASMER Bible; pub. date: 1852; res: Baltimore, MD; earliest birth: 1?84; earliest marr; 1818; last date: 1847; other names: THOMPSON, Photocopies.

XOUNG, William, Jr. - Bible; pubo date: I8l6; res: Baltimore, MD; NJ; Philadelphia, PA; earliest birth: 1763; earliest marr: 1791; last date: 1900; other names: MOSER, WHEELER, MERRITT, FARSON, WOOLFORD* Transcriptp

YOUNG-KTTT Bible; pub. date: 1791; res: Virginia; KY; earliest birth: 17^4; earliest marr: 1765; last date: 1910; other names: SHELTON, TULLEY, POWELL, KALFUS, BUTTON, LOW, SWANN. Transcripto

ZINKHAN Bibl©; pub. date: 1894; res: Germany; Baltimore Co. & Harford Co., MD: earliest birth: 1861; earliest marr: 1885; last date: 1922; other names: SCHRIVER. Transcript.

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THE NOTEBOOK

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1. "Roads In Baltimore County, 1693-1765" by Pat Melville that was in The Bulldog of Maryland State Archives.
2. "Hundreds of Baltimore County" by Pat Melville that was in The Bulldog of Maryland State Archives.
3. "United States Census Verification Project Federal Census 1900-1930" sponsored by Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS). BCGS Inc. is a member of FGS.
4. "Maryland Census Indexes Online" which is an article from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter.
5. "Invasion of Privacy by a Web Site" which is another article from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter.
6. Book Review by Ken Zimmerman: Edward C. Papenfuse and Joseph M. Coale III. "*The Maryland State Archives Atlas of Historical Maps of Maryland 1608-1908"*. Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 2003.
7. Another major article is "Baltimore County Will Index 1886-1889", Liber T.P. No. 8 beginning 19 May 1886 ending 17 February 1889. The series is continued from Notebook Issue No. 19 No.2. Our member Carol Porter compiled the index. The Notebook will have succeeding indexes in the next issue.

ROADS IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, 1693-1765 by Pat Melville

As usual for the colonial period, information about roads in Baltimore County appears as short entries in the court minutes, as recorded through 1756 in (Proceedings) in series C400. The books contain the administrative and judicial minutes and the recorded criminal and civil proceedings of the county court.
Normally the clerks placed the minutes at the beginning of the record for each court term, followed by proceedings of the cases being heard. Beginning in 1755, the clerks recorded the minutes separately in (Minutes) in series C386. Both series were sampled for the availability of notations about roads. Records for 1726-1727, 1748-1749, 1752-1753, and 1764 are not extant.

Also consulted was Henry C. Peden, Jr., *Baltimore County Overseers of Roads, 1693-1793* (Westminster: Family Line Publications, 1992). The author transcribed from the minutes the names of overseers appointed by the court along with associated descriptions of the roads.

The first entry concerning roads involved the appointment of Thomas Hooker as an overseer in place of George Norman in November 1693. At the same session, Edward Boothby was presented for failure to work on the roads.

Initially, the appointment of overseers was based on a hundred or part of a hundred, such as the upper or lower portion. Gradually, the geographical descriptions became more specific. In November 1709, the justices appointed Henry Butler, a carpenter, as overseer for the area from Gwins Falls to Jones Falls and the back roads between the falls. By 1728, when the first full list of roads was recorded, the court assigned a specific group of roads to each official. The number

of overseers and, by extension, groups of roads grew from fifteen in 1728 to fifty-eight in 1754 and then to seventy nine in 1763.

These road lists appear regularly throughout the court minutes and thus provide a fairly comprehensive list of public roads over time. Descriptive examples include:

- From the end of Edward Hall's plantation to the Red Lyon Bridge where the old church stood, then over the long bridge to St. George's Church, and then to Rev. Stephen Wilkinson's at the glebe
- Long Calm of Gunpowder Falls to Edward Riston's plantation at Garrisons Ridge
- From Jones Quarter to the Iron Worksand the Indian Road out of that road to Gwins Falls, from Jones Road to Gists Mill, from the Lower Wading Place of the Main Falls of Patapsco to the Second Wading Place of Gwins Falls, from the Fording Place of Davis Run to Moales Point, from the Iron Works to William Hammond's, from the Lower Fording Place of Gwins Falls to Moales Point, and the Ragland Roads to Moales Point.

The overseer system of road maintenance sometimes failed to function properly. Overseers might neglect their duties, or taxpayers might forget to provide labor. In 1745, David Thomas complained about the lack of an overseer for almost two years for the roads from Ignatius Wheeler's to Thomas Bond, Sr.'s and from William Grafton's to the quarter of Thomas Bond, Jr. to Jacob Bull's mill. Thomas nominated William Grafton, Sr., Daniel Preston, and Benjamin Colegate. The court selected Preston and added two more roads to his jurisdiction - from Thomas' quarter along the north side of Deer Creek to William Grafton's and from the head of the race ground between Rigdon's and Robert Clark's old place to Isaac Butterworth's.

Other petitions pertained to the establishment of new roads, alteration of routes, and obstructions. In 1717, Thomas Hughs requested a road to his house from Patapsco Ferry Landing through the plantation of Nicholas Fitsimonds, and the court agreed. In August 1717 the justices again ordered that this road be cleared, but not until the last day of November. The reason for the postponement of work was not given. The inhabitants of My Ladys Manor in 1742 asked for and received a road through the manor to connect with the main road to Joppa.

Through a grant from Lord Baltimore, Thomas Cresap operated a ferry over the Susquehanna River between Conjaulagh and Blew Rock. In 1733 he petitioned for a road from his house to Peter Hance's. The justices granted the request, and made Cresap the overseer to clear it along the "connestage" road with alterations as needed.

For several years, county residents on the north side of Deer Creek tried to obtain a road from the late Col. Rigbie's to the Susquehannah Ford, commonly called the Bald Frier Landing. The court had approved the road, but the route remained uncleared. In August 1756, the inhabitants filed a new petition, stressing additional urgency, especially with a ferry being kept across from the landing where a store has been built. The road was needed for taking crops to market and for travel to Lancaster. The petitioners suggested a different route - from the Chapel adjoining John Dunn's land and continuing to near the house of John West and then down the river. The justices designated three persons to lay out the road and file a report, and approved their plan in November.

Citizens could clear their own roads, sometimes with permission in advance or approval after the fact. Samuel Howell had cleared a road through his plantation from the main road leading to Susquehannah Lower Ferry and wanted the court to accept it as being more convenient and dryer than the existing low and swampy road. Dr. Charles Carroll had promised to clear, at his own expense, a new road from his mill race on Gwinns Falls to the main road leading from Baltimore Town to the falls at a small run near Charles Ridgeley's. The court appointed two men to view the road upon its completion and accept it as a public road if meeting specifications.

When roads interfered with farm operations, the land owners usually petitioned for realignment of the routes. George Ogg, in 1710, requested a route change before a road was cleared because it was marked to go through his corn and wheat fields without his input. The justices had ordered Henry Butler to realign the Garrison Road to Patapsco. The court agreed to reconsider the route and appointed three men to consult with the inhabitants of the area.

Through disuse or neglect roads became overgrown and obstacles to travel. With enough demand the court would order such roads reopened. In June 1755 Richard Johns was appointed overseer to open the old Quaker Road from William Perkin's ferry to the road leading from Durbin's old plantation to the Susquehanna lower ferry. Isaac Wood was assigned the part from where it intersected the road from Durbin's old plantation to the Susquehanna lower ferry along Thomas Horner's land to the main road at John Critchet's.

Petitions, court orders, lists of roads, and appointments of overseers taken together provide a firm basis for an analysis of surface transportation in colonial Baltimore County which then included the present counties of Carroll and Harford.

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HUNDREDS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY by Pat Melville

Encountered during the review of the minutes of the Baltimore County Court for entries about roads were court orders for the division of hundreds, the administrative units within the county, predecessors of election districts. The entries are being offered as examples of unexpected treasures to be found in the records of routine business of government. The boundaries of most hundreds in Maryland seldom were described in state or county records. In November 1755 the Baltimore County justices divided Soldiers Delight Hundred into three hundreds, now part of Carroll County:

- Lower Soldiers Delight Hundred. The division line to run along the Indian Road, which comes across from Back River Upper Hundred near Dutton Lane, Sr., to the residence of James Dawkins on the main falls of Patapsco, then down the falls to Patapsco Upper Hundred.

- Delaware Hundred. The north division line to begin where the old Indian Road crossed the main falls of Patapsco at the residence of James Dawkins and to follow the Indian Road to the Frederick County line.

- Pipe Creek Hundred. To include all of the county (not included in Middle River or Back River Upper Hundreds) north of the old Indian Road.

At the same court session Middle River Upper Hundred was divided into two parts by a line from the mouth of Black Run to the upper fork of Gunpowder Falls at Nehemiah Hick's land. The area northwest of that line was named North Hundred.

In November 1761, the court split Baltimore Town Hundred into two parts, with Jones Falls as the division line. The area west of the line was called Baltimore Town West Hundred, and to the east Baltimore Town East Hundred.

An examination of the minutes not sampled for road information could reveal additional descriptions of the boundaries of hundreds.

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United States Census Verification Project Federal Census 1900-1930

Sponsored by Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS)

The Federation of Genealogical Societies initiated the United States Census Verification Project to correctly identify the Enumeration Districts on each roll of microfilm provided by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). The goal is to review every roll of microfilm from the 1900, 1910, 1920, and 1930 census. This project was originally started by the St. Louis County Library and the St. Louis Genealogical Society.

Census Verification Project

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Sometimes, locating an Enumeration District (ED) in the 1880, or 1900-1920 U.S. Federal Census is easy. But then, there are other times when, for no apparent reason, it can be an exercise in frustration – even for the experienced researcher. The film box label tells where an ED should be on the film, but sometimes, the ED isn't there.

Why We Started The Project

The Census Verification Project at St. Louis County Library (SLCL) was started because librarians in our department noted an excessively high failure rate among researchers working with the St. Louis 1910 census films – even with a clearly readable soundex or miracode reference. Staff and patrons gathered cryptic notes about various rolls of film, and these notes showed what the problem was. The order in which the EDs were listed on the film box labels was not always the order in which they appeared on the microfilm. While this was a problem for any researcher, it was devastating for beginners. When a researcher did ask for help, it could easily take a staff member thirty minutes or more to locate the desired census record.

Trying to navigate a census roll by the incorrect label was like trying to follow a road map that was not drawn correctly. The result was a disoriented researcher "chasing themselves in the circles."

What We Did

In January 2000, the Special Collections Department of SLCL, with the help of the St. Louis Genealogical Society (StLGS) Library Volunteers, began a Census Verification Project to produce corrected film box labels for the St. Louis census films.

Initially, the problem was thought to be another side effect of the "St. Louis divorce." The divorce occurred in 1876 when the city of St. Louis voted to become an independent city, thus separating itself from St. Louis County. This city/county split, with both sharing the same name, has caused confusion ever since.

The project began with the 1910 census rolls because that year had the most obvious and serious problems. The volunteers checked each page of the 15 microfilm rolls for both St. Louis City and County.

Two people checked each roll, independent of each other, and completed standard forms recording what they found.

A third person compared the results and resolved any discrepancies.

New labels were produced based on the results.

The corrected labels for 1880 and 1900 – 1920 were submitted to NARA (National Archives and Records Administration) and tables showing before and after label information were posted on the Special Collections Web site at www.slcl.lib.mo.us/slcl/sc/sc-stlcensus.htm.

After the 1910 phase of the project was completed, we studied the results. There was a repetitive pattern in the listing of EDs for most of the rolls with problems. This pattern also appeared in roll-by-roll information for other rolls in other states in the 1910 NARA census microfilm catalog. The out-of-order problem went beyond St. Louis. Spot checks were made and similar problems were found with rolls from the following areas:

Los Angeles County, California
Litchfield County, Connecticut
Cook County, Illinois
Middlesex County, Massachusetts
Baltimore (city), Maryland
New York County, New York
Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania
Davidson County, Tennessee
Dallas County, Texas

It was now apparent that the problem was not limited to St. Louis census films.

What We Found

Thirteen of the fifteen 1910 St. Louis rolls needed significant changes to their labels. The content of which EDs were on each film was always correct. The changes were needed to show the EDs on the labels in the same order as they appeared on the films. Changes to the 1880, 1900, and 1920 labels were also needed but were less extensive.

The project further showed that in the 1910 census, thirty five ED numbers were duplicated in *BOTH* the city and the county. This was permissible because, due to the city/county split, there were separate political entities. The city/county duplication of ED numbers was also found in the 1880, 1900, and 1920 rolls. For researchers, many of whom have never heard of the city/county split, this duplication was a major obstacle.

Probably the most decisive finding of the project was the importance of adding the volume numbers to the labels. Even with the duplicated ED numbers, the addition of the volume numbers to the labels enable researchers to select the correct St. Louis film, easily and quickly – on the first try.

We also learned that stamped page numbers are relative to the bound volume of census sheets. A single roll of film may contain

Part of a census volume
All of a census volume
As many as three complete volumes

Like a published book, the first page of each volume is numbered page one. If a researcher knows the roll and page number for a census entry – and the roll contains three volumes – does the page refer to the first volume, the second one, or the third one? How many genealogists, unaware of the existence of more than one volume on that roll, locate the designated page number in the first volume, do not find their ancestor, and walk away muttering about a typo?

Before and After Examples

Two examples of out-of-order EDs are shown below. The problem illustrated in the first before and after example, is fairly easy to notice and predict. The second example becomes apparent only when someone has difficulty with the film or the problem is found in a verification project.

Roll 820 previously listed ED 476, higher numbered and by itself, at the end of the listing. The second box below shows that ED 476 is really located in the front part of the film, between EDs 293 and 294.

Previous NARA Label Information
T624 – Roll 820
1910 Missouri Federal Census
St. Louis (city) (EDs 280-325, 476)

Revised SLCL Label Information
T624 – Roll 820
1910 Missouri Federal Census
Vol. 110: City of St. Louis (EDs 280-293, 476, 294)
Vol. 111: City of St. Louis (EDs 295-310)
Vol. 112: City of St. Louis (EDs 311-325)
[Revised Apr 2000]

Roll 809 includes EDs 122-132, which the old label showed as being at the very end of the film. As indicated by the second box below, those EDs are actually situated early in the film and are the very first range of St. Louis EDs, rather than the second range.

Previous NARA Label Information
T624 – Roll 809
1910 Missouri Federal Census
St. Francois (EDs 83-88) and
St. Louis (EDs 97-111, 122-132) Counties

Revised SLCL Label Information
T624 – Roll 809
1910 Missouri Federal Census
Vol. 87: St. Francois (EDs 83-88) and
Vol. 88: St. Louis (EDs 122-132, 97-111) Counties
[Revised Apr 2000]

What We Gained

The corrections have benefited patrons, volunteers, and staff. Staff members constantly stress to researchers the importance of selecting the correct roll of film based on the volume number listed on their soundex or miracode listing. To further help patrons, our revised labels have the volume numbers printed in bright red. Between directions from staff, and the bright red volume numbers, patrons no longer have problems selecting the correct film nor do they have problems locating that ED on the film.

The saved time this represents is especially important for the genealogists, often from a distance, who has a set time to spend at a specific research facility. If the time needed to find a census entry exceeds their available time frame, they leave empty handed and frustrated.

The volunteers especially benefited as the page by page checking expended their knowledge of the census. It was amazing to find out how often and in what ways census takers failed to follow instructions. Several volunteers decided to try one more time to locate ancestors they previously thought were skipped by the census taker.

With many research facilities having shorter hours and reduced staff, it becomes even more important to help genealogists be an independent as possible.

Conclusion

The Bureau of the Census microfilmed the 1880 and 1900-1920 census prior to the National Archives receiving custody of the records. NARA inherited the out-of-order problem and includes a cautionary note in the introduction of the each microfilm catalog covering these years. Revised editions of the catalogs have included corrections submitted by patrons, but the task of correcting the labels was far beyond what NARA's staff could handle.

This project's goal was to produce more user-friendly labels. Based on what we learned form the project, that meant adding volume numbers as well as correcting out-of-order and other minor problems. We feel the result helps genealogist become more independent and more successful.

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Http://www.fgs.org/census/cenhome.htm
NOTE: If interested in working on this project please contact Ken Zimmerman bcgsinc@juno.com or at (410)750-9315. It would be great if Baltimore City and Baltimore County could be completed. BCGS is a member of FGG.

Maryland Census Indexes Online

Two weeks ago I wrote about Nevada 1860-1920 census records that just became available online. Newsletter reader Michael John Neill sent a message:

> I saw the Nevada listing you recently had. The Maryland State Archives has several census indexes online at their site:
> http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/refserv/html/censussearch.html

Thank you, Michael. I took a look at the site provided by the Maryland State Archives. It does look good. The following Maryland census indexes are available online:

- 1776 (Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Caroline, Dorchester, Frederick, Harford, Prince George's, Queen Anne, and Talbot Counties)
- 1778 (Caroline, Charles, and Queen Anne's Counties)
- 1870 (Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Kent, Montgomery, Prince George's, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties and Baltimore City)
- 1880 (Anne Arundel County only)

These are indexes only. If you find an ancestor in this online database index, you will then want to see the full original record, either at the State Archives in Maryland or on microfilm available elsewhere.

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Invasion of Privacy by a Web Site

AnyBirthday.com allows you to search a free database of well over 135 million records for the birth date of almost anyone in the United States. I went to that site and started testing it. Not only did I find my own date of birth, but I also found the birth dates of almost everyone else that I tried. Of course, I had to try to find the exact birth date of my great-great-grandfather who was born around 1810. Unfortunately, this site doesn't have records back that far. Most of the records contained in their database are for living individuals.

I find it a bit disturbing that my own birth date, along with about ten others that I checked on, are available to anyone who wants to know this information and has access to the Internet. Does this seem a bit scary and invasive to anyone else?

Many people will be horrified at the thought that their dates of birth are available online. However, let's look at this privacy "issue" for a minute. There is really nothing new here. Birth records have always been public domain data in the United States, and I believe the same is true for Canada. I am not sure about other countries, so I will focus only on the U.S. Not only have birth records always been freely available, but so have property records and (in some states) driver's license databases. Did you ever buy or sell a house? Your name and address are available to anyone who cares to look at real estate transaction data.

Of course, these are not the only sources of public domain information. You may also be listed in any of a number of professional and personal databases. For instance, I have a pilot's license; my name, age, and address are available on several Internet databases that publish data released by the Federal Aviation Administration. This information even says that I possess a third-class medical certificate, which gives some indication of my state of health. My ham radio license information is also listed publicly, along with my home address and my age, at a number of ham radio sites. The sites listing my ham radio information obviously got their information from the Federal Communications Commission.

The list grows and grows. Again, there is nothing new here. Many sources of data have been available for more than one hundred years. The local town clerk certainly will give out my name and birth date to anyone who asks and pays the fee. My name and home address was published in the printed directory called the Radio Amateurs' Callbook back in 1960, when I obtained my first ham radio license. The same was true a few years later, when I earned my pilot's license; my name, age and home address were soon freely distributed, available to anyone who cared to look. I know that this information was published because I soon received lots of junk mail from companies that sold pilots' supplies.

The amount of personal information being made available today is merely a continuation of longstanding practices. The only difference is the convenience afforded by new technology. Now anyone can find this information with very little effort, while in years past they had to work a bit harder to find this data.

As I think more and more about this concern, I am starting to change my mind. The high tech world in which we live has brought us many convenience s. As genealogists, we all appreciate the many, very convenient sources of data that we have. The public domain data that we look at on the Internet is the same data that was always available by other means. The difference is that today we no longer have to write letters or travel thousands of miles to view original source documents. We can now stay at home or travel to nearby libraries and Family History Centers to access data online, on CD-ROM, or on microfilm and microfiche. I hope we never return to the "old days" of genealogy research. Yet, like most other new technologies, this is a double-edged sword. Others can find information about me as easily as I can find information about others.

The book, *Maximum Security: A Hacker's Guide to Protecting Your Internet Site and Network, Second Edition*, says, "Technology is rapidly changing our society and personal privacy is disappearing in the process. The Internet will only facilitate that process."

My favorite quote, however, comes from Sun Microsystems CEO, Scott McNealy. At a Sun Microsystems press event, Mr. McNealy was asked about privacy issues. "Get over it," McNealy told reporters and analysts. "You have no privacy anyway."

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BOOK REVIEW by Kenneth E. Zimmerman

"**The Maryland State Archives Atlas of Historical Maps, 1608-1908**" by Edward C. Papenfuse and Joseph M. Coale III, Baltimore: The John Hopkins University Press, April 2003, hardcover, 208 pp. $69.00 w/o slipcase; $100.00 w/slipcase.

This publication is a revision of "The Hammond-Harwood House Atlas of Historical Maps of Maryland, 1608-1908 (1982) which is out of print and a rare, hard to find and valuable book for map and book collectors. This new revised edition contains full-color reproduction of more then 250 historical maps utilizing the latest digital imaging and printing technology. Some of the same maps were in the original publication. Just the additional maps are worth owning the book. Over 80% of the maps were scanned at Maryland State Archives. One can obtain copies of these maps to a size suitable for framing. The maps are from some of the collections at the Maryland State Archives, Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore City Archives and Library of Congress. Maps are from the Willard Hackerman private collection; and they borrowed maps from the late Mrs. William T. Snyder. Plus maps from the fine collection of the Russ Morrison and Owen Henderson's superb Huntingfield Collection. The publication states the following information on each map where applicable: author of the map, title of map, date when map was drawn or originally published, its owning institution and MSA#.

This book contains many county wall maps that have never been published before. The book is a must for anyone who loves maps and Maryland history. A genealogist doing Baltimore area research should especially want to look at these maps:

- Figure 108 "J.C. Sidney, Map of the City and County of Baltimore, 1850, Library of Congress, MSA SC 12131-468."
- Figure 109 "Robert Taylor, Map of the City and County of Baltimore, 1857, Library of Congress, MSA SC 1213-1-470."
- Figure 151 "James Slade, Plan of Baltimore & Vicinity showing proposed Routes for bring Water…., 1853, Baltimore City Archives, MSA SC 5339-7-28.

These maps show names of land/ property owners. But, you will need to look at the original map to read the names. Some similar maps are shown for other Maryland Counties, too.

Some of the maps I have in my private collection are in this publication. With Maryland maps more difficult to find it is great to see maps I own and other maps preserved in this publication and captured as electronic images. One will enjoy looking at pictures of these maps, but also reading the historical explanations and context. One can purchase this publication at MSA or a book dealer.

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NOTE:

Wills included in this index can be found on microfilm at the Maryland State Archives in Annapolis. The original will books are at the Register of Wills Office Record Room, Towson Court House. Due to the fragile nature of the original bound volumes, photocopying is not permitted at Towson. You can, however, transcribe the information by hand. For a more detailed explanation of this series of will indexes see The Notebook Vol. 17, No. 4.

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THE NOTEBOOK

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EDITORS NOTES **Kenneth E. Zimmerman, Editor**

This Notebook has eleven articles:
1. The H. Furlong Baldwin Library at the Maryland Historical Society and other exhibits.
2. Maryland State Archives Vital Records index are now on line. The article is from on-line. Access some of the indexes. They are now accepting orders for birth and death records.
3. Dr. Ed Papenfuse, State Archivist & Commissioner of Land Patents has provided a status on a project.
4. Works Progress Administration (WPA)
5. Summary of speaker topic for BCGS meeting in September and October plus the Computer Users Group topic for November 2003.
6. The Baltimore Civil War Museum.
7. The National Personnel Records Center now easy Internet access to obtain copies of document.
8. John F. Denny Inc records are at University of Baltimore Langsdale Library.
9. Three quires for family information.
10. Free Blank Maps
11. Another major article is "Baltimore County Will Index 1889-1892, Liber B.W.A.. No. 9 beginning 20 Feb 1889 ending 25 Oct 1892. The series is continued from Notebook Issue No. 19 No.3. Our member Carol Porter compiled the index. The Notebook will have succeeding indexes in the next issue.

H. Furlong Baldwin Library Opens to Public Library Facilities Doubles and User Services Added

The H. Furlong Baldwin Library is now open at the Maryland Historical Society (MdHS), located at 201 West Monument Street in the Mount Vernon Cultural District of Baltimore, after four months of renovation and features greatly expanded and enhanced research facilities.

The Library's expanded and renovated facility now occupies three floors and includes technological enhancements to the beautifully restored early twentieth-century structure. "Greater space allows us to provide better service to our patrons," explains Deputy Director for the Library, Bea Hardy. "In the new Library, there are larger and more comfortable areas where people can conduct research, better storage facilities that allow library staff to research and retrieve collections more effectively and efficiently, and completely new areas for patrons to enjoy-such as two galleries devoted solely to the exhibition of Library collections, and the Student Research Center for History."

The new Library occupies three levels of the Thomas & Hugg Building and includes many new patron areas and services. Among the most significant changes taking place are:

The expanded entrance orients visitors to the Library and its extensive collections with a new information desk, welcome area, and computer reference center that complements the wireless computer access throughout most of the Library spaces.

The largest area, the Walter Edgar Rhodes Reading Room (formerly the Main Reading Room), is restored to resemble its original 1917 appearance with improvements including restored historic light fixtures, wireless computer networking, and greatly expanded seating.

Library visitors using the MdHS's manuscript or photograph collections will enjoy the new Alexander A. McIlvain Special Collections Reading Room, which doubles the available seating. Boasting wood paneling, marbleized baseboards, and three large windows protected by ultraviolet screens, this Special Collections Reading Room has a light and airy appearance while two marble fireplaces add a cozy feel. Visitors making us of the library's 230 current periodical subscriptions will be able to enjoy them in the comfortable, new Periodicals Reading Room.

The Student Research Center for History, will be used to train students and teachers in research methods and will assist middle and high school students conducting independent research in the MdHS's extensive collection of original records.

Additional extensive storage space in the lower level allows for continued growth of the collections. The H. Furlong Baldwin Library is open Wednesday - Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and the Special Collections Reading Room is open Wednesday -Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Library Admission is $6/Adults; $4/students; free/MdHS members. The MdHS Library is located at 201 West Monument Street in the Mount Vernon Cultural District of Baltimore, Md. For more information, please call 410-685-3750.

> Date: September 23, 2003 Press Release. The above information is from Maryland Historical Society web site. http://www.mdhs.org/press_library_opens.html

Current Exhibits at Maryland Historical Society

"Looking for Liberty" An Overview of Maryland History from the Colonial era to present with paintings, maps and historical objects on display.
"Maryland Through the Artist's Eye" which shows landscape and portraits, drawings and artifacts for the state's cultural history.
Original manuscript of "The Star-Spangled Banner" is on view.
Future Exhibit "Baltimore Ablaze the Great Fire of 1904" begins on February 7, 2004 through October 31st.
February 12 at 7pm Dr Pete Petersen will lecture on his new book "The Great Baltimore Fire: How Baltimore Fought Back".

MARYLAND STATE ARCHIVES
VITAL RECORDS UPDATE

October 31, 2003

The Maryland State Archives is pleased to announce that our digital initiative ***http://mdvitalrec.net*** is online and that the Reference Department is now accepting orders for genealogical and legal purposes from the County Death Record Indexes, 1898-1944.

Select Maryland County Death Index

- BOARD OF HEALTH (Death Record, Counties, Index) 1898-1910 MSA SE 6
- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS (Death Record, Counties, Index) 1910-1951 MSA SE 7

For more information and ordering instructions, please read the introductory statement on the first page of the system. Please note that there is a new fee schedule in effect and that reference staff is only able to accept orders generated from the mdvitalrec.net web site. The income from these orders will go towards the maintenance and expansion of the digital system.

Please also note that reference staffs will still complete birth and death record research for legal purposes (estate settlement, social security, passports, citizenship). Please send legal requests to:

Maryland State Archives
350 Rowe Blvd.
Annapolis, MD 21401
fax: 410-974-3895
e-mail: ref@mdsa.net

Orders for death records for legal purposes **must** include the decedent's name, date of death (at least a month and year), location of death (a county or city in Maryland), your own contact information and payment.

Orders for birth records prior to 1924, and less than 100 years old, **must** include proper identification (power of attorney, proof of guardianship, or proof of death), showing your right to access these restricted records. In addition, birth record orders for legal purposes **must** contain the subject's name, parents' name, date of birth (at least a month and year), location of birth (a county or city in Maryland), your own contact information and payment.

If you are not able to provide the required information, your order will be subject to a $25.00 per hour research fee. Uncertified copies of birth and death records cost $12.00 each. Certified copies of birth and death records cost $25.00 each.

Visitors to the Maryland State Archives Hall of Records in Annapolis may continue to use the vital records microfilm available in our public search room. There are also existing database indexes for Baltimore City 1875-1880 and 1943-1949.

Maryland State Archives: Finding Aids & Indexes, Maryland Indexes (Death Record, BC, Index) 1875-1880 MSA S1483
http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/stagser/s1400/s1483/html/ssi1483a.html

Maryland State Archives: Finding Aids & Indexes, Maryland Indexes (Death Record, BC, Index) 1943-1949 MSA S1483
http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/stagser/s1400/s1483/html/ssi1483b.html

If you are unable to visit, you may contact private genealogists and researchers familiar with our records to conduct vital record searches for a fee. You may also contact the Division of Vital Records Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for death records from 1968 to the present and birth records from 1925 to the present.

Above article is from the MSA web site
http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/refserv/html/vrwebannounce_oct.html

Maryland State Archives Letter to BCGS Inc.

Elaine 0 Zimmerman, President of BCGS requested Dr. Ed Papenfuse, State Archivist & Commissioner of Land Patents to provide a status on the Maryland State Archives project as BCGS has budgeted $1,000 this year for a donation. The members need to know what is happening with the project.

Dear Elaine Zimmerman, BCGS President:

In response to the first $500 donation made to the Maryland State Archives Fund by the BCGS at the time I spoke to the group at the 25th BCGS Anniversary, and with the promise of additional support, we have imaged all the WPA inventory indexes for BA and BC. They are described on our web site at two separate locations:

http://mdsa.net/msa/refserv/coagsere/html/bc.html (CE40 - (City Papers, Index), 1756-1938, CE20 - (Miscellaneous Court Papers, Index), 1852-1892)
http://mdsa.net/msa/refserv/coagsere/html/ba.html (CE19-Miscellaneous Court Papers, Index), 1729-1851)
Thus with the help given and promised by the BCGS all volumes will be accessible as readable images off our web site by the time you update the Society on our progress.

With what remains of the grant we will begin to place all the volumes in a searchable environment. We have one volume set up that way for you to view and test:
http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/megafile/msa/coagser/cel/ce19/000000/000001/html/ce19-1-0001.html (be sure to enter the whole URL without breaks)

Because it is a test volume, you may be asked for a user name (aaco) and password (aaco#)
It will cost us approximately $800 to place all remaining 14 volumes fully searchable on line. The remaining $200 would go towards scanning and linking and demonstrate what could be done if we had sufficient funds to scan all the indexed records in this fashion

For example, last December we had a patron who with out telling the staff, used the on line electronic index to locate a document he wanted copied. We had to look it up in the paper index (we had not yet linked our list of the paper indexes to the electronic index, find the box, the index related to(there is a separate inventory of the originals on line at.
http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/refserv/coagser/ba/html/ba0001.html

Because he supplied the year and the document number from the electronic index (1821-1899), locating the document was relatively easy (it was where it was supposed to be, MSA C -53. It was scanned and printed out and sent to the patron. Imaging how much better it would be if you could go to:
http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/megafile/msaJcoagsere/ce1/ce19/000000/000001/html/ce19-1-0001.html

Look up the name, in this case *Margery Manning* and *Negro Richard,* and be able to hyperlink directly from there to the document itself. Try the search and you will see what I mean. At present you can find Margery Manning easily, but cannot get to the document from there:
http://209.116.251.240/msaref02/BCGS/msa_c_1_53-0299.html

In summary:
We have gone a great way towards making all the WPA inventories for BA and BC available on line and to date have made one volume completely searchable by matching the original $500 donation with the equivalent of approximately twice as much staff and computer time. For the new grant, we propose to finish making all the indexes fully searchable on line and provide a sample volume in which all the images of the originals are linked to the index entries.

Our timetable for the latter would be to have all the imaged books available on line by Christmas 2003 and the originals for one volume scanned and linked by Spring 2004. Searchable volumes would be on line as they are completed and edited.

We would welcome any additional funds towards bringing more originals on line. A reasonable estimate for doing that is approximately $.35 an image in a mass production mode. Copying documents individually is more time consuming and patrons are charged at our posted rates.

By funding this project, the BCGS would be granted the privilege of free access to the searchable indexes on line. At some point, with the way budget cut are going, we may well have to otherwise charge for such index access.

Dr. Ed Papenfuse
State Archivist & Commissioner of Land Patents

What is the Works Progress Administration (WPA)?

The largest and most important of the New Deal cultural programs was the Works Progress Administration (WPA), a massive employment relief program launched in the spring of 1935 and the beginning of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's (FDR's) "Second New Deal," as his second term it came to be known

Persistent unemployment was a continuing concern, and Roosevelt felt that simply doling out relief payments would mean "spiritual and moral disintegration destructive to the national fibre." {3} On May 6, 1935, the Works Progress Administration was established under the direction of long-time FDR aide Harry Hopkins. The WPA philosophy was to put the unemployed back to work in jobs which would serve the public good and conserve the skills and the self-esteem of workers throughout the U.S.

Federal One's Component Projects

The component projects of Federal One went about their work of defining national directions in a variety of ways, as a summary of each project's main activities indicates:

- **The Federal Art Project**
- **The Federal Music Project**
- **The Federal Theatre Project**
- **The Federal Writers Project**
- **The Historical Records Survey:** The smallest component of Federal One, the Survey employed archivists to identify, collect and conserve historical records throughout the United States**.**

The concern for professional artists' employment dovetailed with the federal programs of the 1930s. Chronic unemployment was the central and most persistent feature of the Depression: by 1932, estimates of the total number unemployed ranged from 8 to 17 million workers -- this, at a time when the total U.S. population was just 125 million. A variety of federal efforts were taken to address unemployment in cultural fields.

(3). Basil Rauch, *The History of the New Deal* (New York: Creative Age Press, 1944), pp. 158

http://www.wwcd.org/policy/US/newdeal.html#INTRO
The World Wide Web center of The Institute for Cultural Democracy

Guide to Maryland Religious Institutions (Church and Synagogue Records) Featuring the Collection of the Maryland State Archives: Entries in the guide are based upon materials already in the custody of the Maryland State Archives and on the Historical Records Survey of Churches compiled in 1935-1941 by the Works Progress Administration (MSA S 1512). Additional entries were compiled form atlases and directories. http://speccol.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/speccol/catalog/religion/cfm/index.cfm

BCGS Speaker Summary

September 28, 2003
BCGS Program Speaker was *Dean Krimmel - Creative Museum Services, Exhibitions, Research, Writing and Planning*
Topic: Baltimore's Ellis Island: The B&O's Locust Point Immigration Facility, 1868- 1914

Baltimore is one of America's forgotten ports of entry, its important role obscured by the overwhelming (and well deserved) attention paid to New York's Castle Garden and Ellis Island. Did you know that Baltimore welcomed more than one million immigrants at its Locust Point facility?

Dean Krimmel's richly illustrated lecture explored this little known chapter in Baltimore history and deepens your appreciation and understanding of our immigrant ancestors. A Baltimore public historian and curator for nearly 25 years, Krimmel is currently developing an exhibition at Locust Point's Immigration Gateway Heritage Park at Tide Point for the Baltimore Immigration Project (opening July 2004).

October 26, 2003
BCGS Program Speaker was *Vernon Skinner, Jr.*
Topic: Using Court Records
Orphans Court Proceedings contain a record of the proceedings of the orphans court in each county. In addition to showing when wills and other documents were brought in to be recorded, these proceedings may contain records of orphans being bound out as apprentices, or of guardians being appointed. Sometimes in the period during and after the Revolutionary War, veteran of that conflict would appear in the Orphans Court petitioning for financial aid.

The probate court of Maryland for the greater part of the colonial period was called the Prerogative Court Appointments. The court handled the proving of wills, recording of administration of estate documents, and hearing petitions. The care of orphans' estates became the responsibility of the county courts. After 1776, the Prerogative Court was abolished, and the office of Register of Wills was established in each county.

One must look in to the makeup of the court records.
Records of Appointments

- Court Officer
- Overseer of Roads
- Voting for Sheriff
- Assessors

Record of Petitions

- Exemption for Assessment Tax- over age of 70; Legislators.
- Apprenticeship- The apprenticeship system came to Maryland from England during the colonial period. It was a form of servitude, but the apprentice, unlike the slave and indentured servant, could not be sold, assigned to another, or taken out of state. Nor was the individual listed as

personal property in estate inventories. Until 1794 the county courts handled apprenticeship matters, after that the county orphans courts.
- Guardianship
- Servitude
- Land Commission –original starting tracts of land
- Licenses

Records of Suits
- Civil & Criminal – to includes appeals and pardons
- Bastardy Cases
- Jury Selections
- Depositions
- Equity Court: Court cases (files) classified as Equity include adoption records, divorces, foreclosures, or civil disputes between two parties involving land or other property.

The above definitions were taken form the Maryland States Archives web site. The terms definitions were not quoted by Vernon Skinner topic, but were added for explanation purposes only. The outline was from Ken Zimmerman notes and Vernon Skinner overheads.

Using EBay for Genealogy by Ken Zimmerman

Computer User Group Topic on November 16, 2003

What is eBay? Online auction for Browsing, Buying, Selling and Chat room Bidding on item without being present on line. Items on EBay can be from US, CANDA, and overseas.
Free – no fees paid to EBay when buy or browse, only when you sell and item.
How to access EBay? World Wide Web on the Internet at http://www.ebay.com

Where to Register to Buy and Sell
Register as a User
"Welcome New Users"
Register must have a username; Password; name; and provide your address; phone and email address. No credit card is required unless your email address is through a free email service such as hot mail or yahoo. This policy is for security purposes

Browsing and Searching
What can you search or buy or sell on EBay related to Genealogy:

Atlases
CD's
Census List
Family Bibles
Family Crest –buyer be aware
Family History
Forms- Group Sheets
Genealogy Services
Genealogy Supplies (t-shirts, coffee mugs)
Historical Documents related to
Maps
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Military Records
Military Items - Revolutionary war, Civil War
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SEARCH ENGINE and ADVANCE SEARCH
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National Personal Records Center (NPRC) is working to make it easier for veterans with Internet access to obtain copies of documents from their military files. Military veterans and the next of kin of deceased former military members can use the new online military personnel records system to request documents. Others who need documents still must complete the Standard Form 180 which can be downloaded from the web site.
The new web-based application was designed to provide better service on these requests by eliminating the records center's mailroom processing time. Also, because the requestor will be asked to supply all

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Article from "Army-Echoes, The Bulletin for the Army Retiree" Issue 2, Volume XLVII September 2003 page 1.

John F. Denny Inc. Collection at University of Baltimore Langsdale Library

1420 Maryland Ave. Baltimore, MD 21201 (410)837-4268.

Type of Record: Non-current expense and sales ledgers, journals, funeral service records, photographs, promotional booklet, and indexes.
The funeral service records provide similar information as the journals, but often give more detailed biographical information on the deceased such as: dates and place of birth and death, age, marital status, occupation and employer, length of residence in Baltimore, parents full names and birthplace, date and place of funeral services, officiating minister, cemetery and lot, name and address of informant, and occasionally an outline of the newspaper funeral notice can be found on the reverse side of the sheet.

In 1848 William Armstrong and John Denny began an undertaking and furniture business in South Baltimore. Armstrong & Denny were one of three similar establishments in the City. When William Armstrong retired from the business he was succeeded by his son James W. Armstrong. Later Mr. Denny's son, John F., along with James Armstrong's son-in-law, Milton H. Wagoner joined the firm. At that time they changed the company's name to Armstrong, Denny & Co.

After the senior Denny died the business was incorporated and run by the founder's sons and Milton H. Wagoner. In 1919 John F. Denny purchased his two partners interests and became sole owner changing the name to John F. Denny, Inc. He continued to operate the business until his death on December 21, 1937. John F. Denny was 72 when he died and had been a funeral director for over half a century.

The John F. Denny Funeral Home, Inc. continued to be operated by members of the Denny family until 1970 when it ceased operation. The firm remained at its original location on the corner of Light and Montgomery Streets during the entire 122 years of its existence.

The above information is from the web site: http://archives.ubalt.edu/denny/intro.htm
John F. Denny, Inc. Collection

QUERIES FOR INFORMATION by Lorraine Gordon

DOWNS GOODEN

Searching for THOMAS **DOWNS** who married GULIELMUS **GOODEN** on August 15, 1738 according to St. George's Register. I have an official birth for Thomas in the year 1714 possibly in Baltimore County. He also had two daughters whose births are listed in the same register (Mary in 1740 and Elizabeth in 1742) I also know that he bought 125 acres of land in Baltimore County in 1747 from James ilbert (Book e. folio 711(and that he sold the land in March 1761 to Thomas Mitchell (Book J, Folio 67). He eventually moved West to the Redstone Creek area of Pennsylvania, where he left a will and died in 1783 in Westmoreland or Fayetter County. His son, Richard, eventually moved to Kentucky and is the ancestor of a large number of DOWNS families who reside in Grayson County, Kentucky.

I am presently preparing a book for publication on my DOWNS family tree. I have been working hard, but without success, to find out the names of the parents of my ancestor THOMAS **DOWNS** of Baltimore County before I publish my book.

Contact Barry Downs, 1243 McGrew Church Road, Leitchfield, KY 42754

Atkinson, Dilworth, Martini, Shlissler, Rexroth, Schneider and Wild

I am looking for descendants of **Atkinsons** from the Baltimore area. I was born in Baltimore but now live in Northern California: The surnames on the **Atkinson** side of my family are: **Atkinson, Dilworth, Martini, Shlissler, Rexroth, Schneider and Wild**. My grandfather Adam **Atkinson** used to own a furniture business Style-Kraft Furniture in Baltimore until approximately 1975. His father William Henry Atkinson, and Williams father, George **Atkinson** were both butchers at the Lexington Market area. My great grandfather William Oliver **Dilworth** was a bare knuckles boxer known as "Dummy Decker" as he was a deaf mute boxer.

Should anyone have any connections again I would love to hear from them and ask that you give them my information. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Jerelyn (Atkinson) Miranda Fort Jones, California
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US FLANDERS FIELD MILITARY CEMETERY

Patrick Lernout lives in Waregem-Belgium at about one mile from the US Flanders Field military cemetery. He is interested in the history of World War 1, so this cemetery special attention. I started to write a book about the soldiers buried here and I am looking for information about all those men. The book would be a great tribute for those young Americans, who gave their lives for the freedom of my country. In the cemetery is a soldier called Matthew McGee. He was from Baltimore. He was killed in action November 4, 1918. Another Maryland soldier is buried here: Cheston Galloway from Annapolis. He was killed in action July 29, 1918. He would appreciate hearing from anyone who has information on or access to their history, addresses, and photos please send.

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Free Blank Maps

A tip regarding using government mapping sites and books to find blank maps to plot your own ancestor's migration paths. One suggestion was to make your own by tracing a map out of a book. But once in a while you have to think outside the genealogy box and consider what may be available from sources outside of those, which are commonly used by genealogists. Doing a web search for "blank maps," I came upon a wealth of sites offering free blank maps. One such site has blank maps in printable versions of continents, countries, and U.S. counties. This site is aimed towards helping school children but is perfect for genealogists too. It is called http://www.geography. about. corn.

If you want a wall-size map, you can take it to some copying service and have it enlarged

Submitted by Diana Thornton Beaumont, Texas

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