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Important Note:

All of the websites listed in our newsletters are direct links to the website. First you need to be online. Next hold down your ctrl (Control) key and left click your mouse to take you directly to the website.

Events/Meetings/Seminars:

NO MEETINGS - JULY OR AUGUST

LCGS NEXT MEETING IS:

Sep 16 meeting will be a "Show and Tell". Join us and share your exciting finds from the summer (or whenever). 7pm LCHM meeting room, 599 NW Front St, Chehalis, WA.

A wonderful website has been recommended by Harriet Morley. www.bufordfamilies.com check it out!

WORKSHOP GREAT SUCCESS

On a recent Saturday in June, The Lewis County Genealogical Society welcomed about 20 family researchers to a "Beginner's & Problem Solvers Workshop". The workshop was directed by Linda Patton & Margie Lloyd, experienced and long time genealogists. Several attendees were new and received some suggestions on how to record their family histories on special forms. The success of the workshop gave us all a feeling of accomplishment in sharing our world of genealogy. Thanks to all who attended or helped with the workshop.

Tip: Get a Second Opinion

Having another person review your research could provide a needed "power surge" in the form of tips and suggestions you hadn't thought of. Sometimes all it takes is a fresh pair of eyes—even talking out the problem with a family history-minded friend can be helpful. Ask someone at your local genealogical society or an online genealogy buddy for help, and be sure to offer your help in return.

Please have Newsletter items (including old photographs, if you'd like to submit a copy for scanning) to one of the editors by the end of August for the next newsletter..

OCTOBER is Family History Month. LCGS has scheduled a Saturday seminar to be held at the Lewis County Historical Museum meeting room. Seminar will be held on October 25, 2008 1pm – 4 pm at 599 NW Front St, Chehalis, WA. Cost for attending will be \$10. and pre-registration is needed as the meeting room is limited to 40. Laura Pemberton Sparr, Professional Genealogist, will present a program to be announced in the September newsletter.

VOUNTEERS are needed to read the Mt. View Cemetery in Centralia. Dick & Gail Stevens are leading the project. Please contact them to learn details to help complete the project while we have great weather.

Tip: Help People Help You

Increase your chances of making a successful online family connection using these tips from the July 2008 *Family Tree Magazine Email Update*:

- Get a free, Web-based e-mail account (try [Gmail](#) or [Hotmail](#)), and use it to register for Forums. If your e-mail address changes, you won't have to worry about updating it everywhere you've posted.
- Before using a forum's "general questions" category, see if there's a board related to your ancestral surname or place and post there.
- In your post, put surnames in all capital letters so they stand out (but don't cap the whole post).
- Using correct spelling, capitalization and punctuation makes it easier for people to understand your post.

- Web surfers rarely read big blocks of text, so be brief and divide your message into paragraphs.

Weather Timeline

Here's a web site that lists a timeline of severe weather events that changed our ancestors' lives.



<http://familytreemagazine.com/articles/may08/weather-timeline.asp>

German Originality

<http://germanoriginality.com>

This German-American heritage site has information on different regions of Germany, interactive maps, tourism information and more.

Find Old Newspapers at Free Library of Congress Site

The Library of Congress has added more than 79,000 digitized newspaper pages to its free Chronicling America Web site www.loc.gov/chroniclingamerica/, for a total of 500,000 pages from 61 titles. We'll tell you how to access them and why else you'll want to visit this site. *Reprinted from Family Tree Magazine Email Update March 17, 2008.*



Tracking Your Ancestors' Migrations

Americans have always been an itchy-footed bunch: Even in this country's earliest days, people were pulling up stakes and heading westward in search of land and opportunity. Retracing their paths can prove crucial to retracing generations of your family—and these six sources and clues will help you follow their footsteps.

Plus download a map of popular US migration routes. (bottom of web page)
www.familytreemagazine.com/articles/mar08/migration.asp

EXPAND YOUR WEB GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH
 ProGenealogists has posted a "50 Most popular Genealogy Websites from ProGenealogists" at
www.progenealogists.com/top50genealogy2008.htm Nine of the sites are subscription sites.

Cattle Brands were recorded as early as 1644 in Connecticut. To effectively use cattle brands, ear marks, etc. for genealogy, one needs to know the brand laws and jurisdiction in the state of interest. To obtain background information, you can check library resources under brands, cattle, cattle brands, earmarks, flesh marks, livestock, sheep marks, and hog marks. Information can be found in a variety of sources such as County Court minutes, County Deed Books, Manuscript collections, State Archives, Historical Societies, Secretary of State Records, Department of Agriculture-Brand Inspection offices. Documents are created when a brand is recorded, re-recorded, transferred, or sold. Every so many years depending on the state, a fee is paid to retain the brand, etc. There are indexes to stock brands in the office that has jurisdiction. Just as with county courthouses, some offices are easier to deal with than others. Many early brand records now are available in published form. Check your libraries. These records may solve a relationship problem, particularly with common surnames, that cannot be solved in any other way. Transfers of a brand often occurred from Father to Son for generations. In some families this brand is more prized than the

family crest. *Reprinted from LCGS Newsletter; Sep/Oct 1995.*

Religious Origins

JEWISH FAITH: Founded by Abraham 4000 years ago

HINDU: Developed in India about 1500 B.C.

BUDDIST: Split from Hinduism and founded by Buddha, Prince Siddhar the Gautama of India in the year 500 B.C.

ROMAN CATHOLIC: Began in the year 33 by Jesus Christ

ISLAMIC: Mohammed started this in what is now Saudi Arabia around 600 S.D.

EASTERN ORTHODOX: Separated from Roman Catholicism about the year 1000.

LUTHERAN: Founded by Martin Luther, an ex monk in the Catholic Church, in 1517.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND (ANGLIAN): Founded by King Henry VIII in 1534, because the pope would not grant him a divorce.

PRESBYTERIAN: Founded when John Knox brought the teachings of John Calvin to Scotland in 1560.

UTITARIAN: This religious group developed in Europe in the 1500's.

CONGREGATIONALIST: Branched off from Puritanism in the early 1600's in England.

BAPTIST: Launched in Amsterdam in 1607 by John Smyth.

METHODIST: Founded by John and Charles Wesley in England in 1744.

EPISOPALIAN: Brought over from England to the American colonies & formed a separate religion founded by Samuel Seabury in 1789.

MORMAN (LATTER DAY SAINTS): Started by Joseph Smith in Palmyra, NY in 1830.

SALVATION ARMY: Was started by William Booth in London, England in 1865.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST: Founded by Mary Baker Eddy in 1879.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESS: Founded by Charles Taze Russell in PA in the 1870's.

PENTACOSTAL: Started in the US in 1901.

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Membership Dues

Lewis County Genealogical Society membership runs January through December. Cost for one person is \$12 and for a couple in the same household is \$15. Membership includes a bimonthly newsletter. We meet January-June, September-November at the Lewis County Historical Society Museum meeting room, 599 NW Front St., Chehalis WA, on the third Tuesday evening of the months listed. Research trips are planned periodically. Please return the membership form to: LEWIS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, PO BOX 782 CHEHALIS WA 98532-0782.

My/Our membership should read:

Name & Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Preference to have newsletter by **email** _____ (attachment), or **standard postal mail**? _____

_____ Check for \$12 enclosed for 2008 membership

_____ Check for \$15 enclosed for 2008 membership

Permission to print member information in the newsletter? ___yes ___no

Please list surnames and states being researched: _____

please send a self addressed stamped envelope if you would like a membership card & or receipt.

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