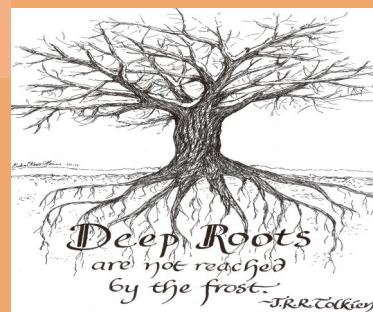


Family History Happenings

Mark Your Calendars

Nov 16, 2017	Family History Consultant Training
6:30 p.m. Thurs	Las Vegas FamilySearch Library
Nov 17, 2017	Family History Consultant Training
10:00 a.m. Fri	Las Vegas FamilySearch Library
Feb 28-Mar3, 2018	RootsTech 2018 Salt Palace Convention Cntr, Salt Lake City, UT
	http://10times.com/rootstech

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Directors' Message *by Castle and Lee Nishimoto*

November marks the Veterans' Day and Thanksgiving holidays. With both we remember the blessings afforded to us of those who have sacrificed much, and in many cases, their all. We indeed live in a great country, and in spite of the troubles and oft experienced turmoil, we remain the greatest nation in the history of this planet. We hope we will humbly remember that this land is a divine gift from our Heavenly Father to be an ensign to all nations. May we respect and treat it so.

In our October's Newsletter we wrote, "Our challenge to you, then, is to keep searching, discovering, learning, and to pass on our respective family legacies." Two events since then have caused us to more deeply reflect on how "to pass on our...legacy." During a recent telephone call, one of our sons asked, "What is really important to you?" He stated the reason for his request was that he did not want that knowledge to be lost at our passing. The second event was from a class held at the Library, in which Ernest Hemingway was alleged to have written a six word novel, "For sale: Baby shoes, not worn."

Following our son's request and Hemingway's lead of "six words," we were reminded to record what is important and to do so in a succinct manner. May we share our observations concerning "six words" as a suggestion in writing our personal histories.

Fascinating to us is the concept of describing one's life in as few as six words. Experimenting on this, we found it challenging to find just six words. We also found that those six words can encompass a range of descriptions such as what we are, what we have accomplished, etc. It leads one to review one's current status and to evaluate what is important.

As this is a dynamic process, those six words will more than likely change based on life experiences.

Hopefully, each set of six words recorded will describe what was important to us at different times throughout mortality. At life's end, when we review our past, we will be able to see the consistencies and changes of the words thus leaving meaningful epitaphs for our descendants. As a foot note, perhaps we should ask our children, grandchildren, etc. what is important to them as well.

With gratitude we recognize those who have served at the Library. Our heartfelt farewell to Catriona MacKenzie for her dedicated service to the Library! We welcome Stacie Weber, and Gerald and Judy Friesen. The Friesen's are full time missionaries from Kansas City, Missouri, and will be serving here for two years.

Our next closure will be during the Thanksgiving Holiday week, November 20 – 25, 2017. We will reopen on November 27 at 9:00 a.m. Due to unexpected closures which occur from time to time, please call before making any long trips to the Library.

Library Historical Moments *from FamilySearch Wiki*

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS) began collecting family history records in 1894. During this year, the articles of incorporation were approved for the creation of the Genealogical Society of Utah. The collection started with a donation of 300 books. Today the collection has more than 2.4 million rolls of microfilmed genealogical records; 742,000 microfiche; 310,000 books, serials, and other formats; 4,500 periodicals; and 700 electronic resources.

Originally access to the library was only available to those who paid dues, but in 1944, these records were made open to public access at no cost.

The Society office was located originally on the upper floor of the Church historian's office. In 1917 they relocated to the fourth floor of the new Church Administration Building at 47 East South Temple Street. The Society remained there until 1934 when it was moved to the Joseph F. Smith Memorial Building at 80 North Main Street. Its large collection of books, periodicals, microfilms, family group records, and index cards (including the Temple Records Index Bureau) were again relocated in 1962 into the abandoned Montgomery Ward building at 107 South Main Street. With the 1972 completion of the Church Office Building at 50 East North Temple, the Genealogical Society Library, later known as the Genealogical Department Library, moved again, occupying all four floors of the building's west wing, with administrative offices on several floors of the structure's center tower. Finally, after over ninety years, the Genealogical Department found a home of its own when its present building, located at 35 North West Temple Street was dedicated on October 23, 1985. It was renamed the Family History Library in 1987.

Today there are over 4,500 family history center affiliates around the world operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by volunteers who help compile and record important dates and information about those who have died.

The Church's website FamilySearch.org currently holds over three billion records and grows daily), family history work also functions on the local level. Church members accumulate and save the stories and photos of their ancestors and record their own stories for their own posterity, thereby linking generations who would otherwise not know each other.

Apprenticeship

Often connected with guardianship that was addressed last month is apprenticeship. Apprenticeship in England was of two types. The first type was to pay a fee to be the student of a master of a trade. The second type was the assignment of young boys who had lost their fathers, which is what I would like focus on here. This was more common in the U.S. and generally indicated the name of the father and the birthdate or age of the young boy and the name of the guardian. Fathers generally trained their sons in their trade. So when there was no father, young boys (some as young as nine) were apprenticed so that they could learn a trade and not be a burden on the community. These apprenticeships often lasted about seven years or more. These boys lived with the family they were apprenticed to and may appear in a census or other records in their household.

Where were these records recorded? Many are in the Court Order books or land records of the county. This practice ended with the Industrial Revolution at the later part of the 1800s. Again, check for boys that would be minors when their fathers died. Guardianship and apprenticeship records can be valuable in proving family relationships, when few other records exist. Good hunting.

Helpful Websites by Sandy Jackson

5 Online Resources-Finding Immigrant Ancestors

5 Online Resources to Help You Find Your Immigrant Ancestors. For many people, tracing immigrant ancestors across the ocean to their old world origins feels a little like finding a needle in a haystack. Often, immigration records provide an important link, but locating those records can be a challenge of its own! Fortunately, a number of online resources can make your task easier. Here are a few to get you started. And best of all, they're all free. And even more links at the website.

<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/5-online-resources-find-immigrant-ancestors/>

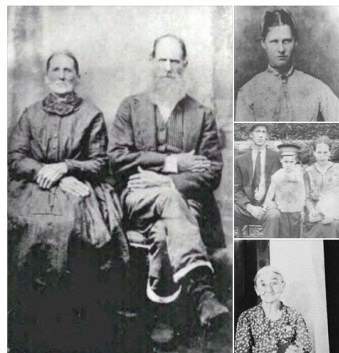
Finding Family by Linda Cable

Facebook Surprises

There are many Facebook groups dedicated to regions and specific families. J W Drew Whitaker, member of the Rockcastle, Laurel, Pulaski and Surrounding Counties in Kentucky group, shares photos, pedigree charts and lots of useful information. I have a slew of relatives from there so out of curiosity I put the two names in Family Search and came up with being related to the wife through my mother's line, even though my dad is the one born in Kentucky. Many people migrated through the Cumberland Gap so I wasn't exactly shocked when I found Armilda Jane Doan

J W Drew Whitaker added 4 photos to the album: my 3rd g-uncle w.m. bramlett & armilda jane doan cromer's family in Rockcastle, Laurel, Pulaski and Surrounding Counties in Kentucky. 22 hrs

armilda jane doan cromer is my 1st cousins 4x removed

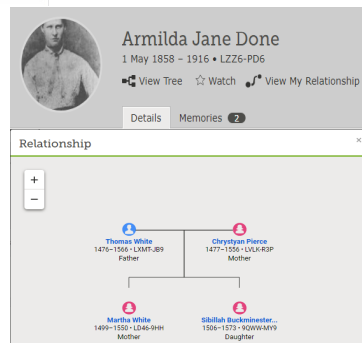


(LZZ6-PD6). Her Find A Grave Memorial is 7010481 and has lots of family members connected.

Find A Grave 8 hrs

What a fun, unexpected monument. It makes sense once you know what W. Jack Crowell did for work—he owned the National Clothespin Company, last manufacturer of wooden clothespins in the United States.

See his memorial page here: [ancstry.me/2y5J2cK](https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/7010481)
Photo credit: B D Fisher



Lynne Bliss Find A Grave Genealogy Discussion 55 mins

Just thought I'd post a clever headstone for you all to enjoy. I wonder if he liked crosswords.



LVFSL Training November Classes

The LVFSL class schedule will accompany emailed newsletters, can be obtained at the LVFS Library or be downloaded from our website: <http://www.lvfamilysearchlibrary.org>