



**Anchorage Genealogical Society**  
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**April Meeting:** What is your "Brick Wall"? Bring it to the meeting and let us try to help you get through that wall. The meeting will be in the conference room of the Z. J. Loussac Library on Wednesday April 4th at 7 PM, the officers are requested to be there by 6:30 PM to help set up for the meeting. Bonnie Dean, Wilma Rookus, and Janet Smith will provide the refreshments. Jean Lear will provide the liquid refreshments.

**March Meeting:** There were 29 members and five guests present for the meeting. The program was "Different Methods of Filing". John Burkholder's presentation was current methods using three ring binders, with tabs, and/or file drawers. Llana Markey presented a fairly new method where everything is given a number and listed in a "Key Index Notebook". This system was developed by Robert Ragan and can be found in his book "The How to Easily Organize Your Genealogy Stuff and Find it Fast Guide".

Two of the individual guests, Alberta Gire and Donna Holman, and one family Julie & Robert Waites became our newest members. \$23.00 was collected for the "Ten Most Wanted" program. We are receiving more CD's that will become available in our CD lending program. Pat McClure has completed copies of the current quarterly, which you can obtain from her (277-8436), or at the meetings.

**Molecular Genealogy:** In the March Newsletter we reported that this program would take place at the LDS seminar on 24 March. Due to a mix-up in communications this will not take place. It is hoped we will be able to get together with the group from BYU and make this available to any and all at some other time.

**Classes:** Richard Enders will be conducting a Family Tree Maker class at the Career Academy on 8 April 2001 from 1 – 4 P.M. and Internet Research there on the 22nd of April from 1 – 4 P.M. Contact Kathy Roberts at 243-1757 or kroberts@gci.net to register for the classes.

**Seminar:** The Anchorage Genealogical Society annual seminar will be held on 8 September 2001 at the Z.J. Loussac Library. The presenter this year will be Kathy Hinckley. Her areas of interest and expertise can be found on her website, <http://www.familydetective.com>.

**Volunteers:** 2nd Vice President and Recording Secretary positions are still unfilled. Sara Burkholder (563-6695) urgently needs help at the library. President Genie (945-0015) is asking for volunteers to form a committee to form a "Building Project Committee Statement".

**Departed Member:** We were saddened to hear of the passing of Jack Washburn earlier this month. He enjoyed genealogy and was quite knowledgeable in the area of electronics that could be used for research and filing in the genealogy field.

#### **NEW TOOL FOR RESEARCH IN METHODIST HISTORY & GENEALOGY:**

Conference Journals Memoirs: An index to memoirs printed in conference journals held by the G.C.A.H.

A new searchable database covering the memoirs of ministers in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Methodist Protestant Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the Evangelical Association/Church, the United Brethren in Christ and the United Evangelical Church is now available in CD format from the General Commission on Archives and History.

This database was designed as an index to a resource, not as a resource itself. It does not contain complete biographical information, or a complete pastoral record. This database is an index to the memoirs printed in the various annual conference journals held by the General Commission on Archives and History of The United Methodist Church. Not only are there memoirs of pastors in these journals, but often their spouses and in some cases lay leaders of the annual conference. The database only contains information up to the 1939 conference journals of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Protestant Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South and prior to 1946 for the Evangelical Church, The United Brethren in Christ and the United Evangelical Church. There are approximately 61,000 name entries. The database gives you the information to determine in what journal, year, and page the memoir appears. You will still need to locate the journal in order to get at the information. You can do this by either contacting the Commission or the appropriate annual conference archives. The CD comes with its own search engine. It requires a Pentium level PC with at least a 4x CD drive. It runs only on Windows 95, Windows 98 or Windows NT. There is no version for the Mac. The CD can be ordered from the General Commission on Archives and History for \$10, including postage. You can order it from the Commission: E-mail: [research@gcah.org](mailto:research@gcah.org); Phone: 973-408-3189; Mail: GCAH, P.O. Box 127, Madison, NJ 07940

**NEW CONNECTICUT and NEW YORK CENSUS INDEXES:** GENERATIONS(r) ARCHIVES: CONNECTICUT 1910 U.S. FEDERAL CENSUS INDEX. ISBN: 0945433948, Library Price: \$26.96, Catalog Number: ACD-0048 Connecticut librarians will be very pleased with the new Connecticut 1910 Federal Census Index. The 1910 census index of heads of household and others in the household of a different surname was prepared from the original records of the National Archives Series T624, contained on 18 rolls of microfilm. The population of Connecticut in 1910 was 1,114,756. This index to heads of household includes 403,209 entries. <http://www.heritagequest.com/html/featureb35.html>

GENERATIONS(R) ARCHIVES: NEW YORK 1900 U.S. FEDERAL CENSUS INDEX. ISBN: 0944931693, 2 CD-ROM Set, Library Price: \$53.96, Catalog Number: ACD-0047

This index was prepared from National Archives microfilm series T623 contained on 276 rolls of film. With 2,596,353 entries, this index to the heads of household and others in the household of a different surname is a powerful tool for New York genealogists. This will be a popular CD-ROM in every library's genealogical collection.

<http://www.heritagequest.com/html/featureb36.html>

The above Information is from: generations.lhgl.newsletter, an online publication of www.heritagequest.com dated March 2, 2001

**Special Request:** The Allen County Public Library has made a request for adding to a special collection they are starting. This collection will consist of directories from churches, clubs, schools, any type of organization or association (large or small), list of municipal employees, yearbooks, class reunion lists, teacher lists in short lists of all types. These are to join 40,000 volumes they already have. If you have anything of this nature and wish to make it part of their collection please let me know and I will forward the information and materials to them.

**See you at the Meeting!**