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# **OVER 70 CEMETERIES ON CD**

By Judith Riddell

In memory of Janet Morgan, former Chair of the Projects Committee and devoted AFHS volunteer, AFHS proudly presents A Collection of Cemetery Records from (Southern) Alberta, a CD with transcriptions from over 70 cemeteries and the Calgary Crematorium.

The Alberta Family Histories Society (AFHS) kicks off its Digital Library series with A Collection of Cemetery Records from (Southern) Alberta: ISSN 1499-6316.

Ever since our Society was formed in the early 1980's, our members have been roaming cemeteries in and around Calgary, copying down the data the grave markers. Sometimes burial information was also available, and if so, this was included. Initially, this information was typed into a paper publication that was then sold by the Projects Committee.

Fortunately, as the number of cemetery recordings and publications increased, computer expertise also increased; this meant that the data could be stored in digital databases and then transferred to publications.

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# The Alberta Family Histories Society

The society is a non-profit organization formed in 1980 to promote and encourage an interest in family history research. The activities of the society are funded completely by membership fees, fundraising projects and donations from individual members. The society is a founding member of the Canadian Federation of Genealogical and Family History Societies Inc (CAN-FED).

Among the purposes of the society are:

- to encourage accuracy and thoroughness in family histories and in genealogical research
- to encourage and instruct members in the principles, methods and

techniques of genealogical research and compiling family histories to assemble a library of family and local histories, genealogical guides, handbooks, reference books and materials which may assist the members, and which shall be available to them to publish bulletins, books or other documents and to make these available to members and others on terms determined by the society

to establish friendly relations with other societies involved with family history and genealogy to promote common interest, and to present seminars and workshops

that will be helpful to members

Membership and meeting information is available on the society's website www.afhs.ab.ca, by telephone at 214 1447 (403), by mail at: Alberta Family Histories Society, Box 30270, Station B, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2M 4P1.

# CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

By George Lake, AFHS Chairman

Our Chairman shares his thoughts about the Society and Chinook. With genealogy being an immensely popular hobby, AFHS encourages anyone interested to join the Society. The recent member survey indicated that Chinook is an important benefit of membership.

This will be the first issue of Chinook for some time. The Chinook is one of the key benefits of being a member of the Alberta Family Histories Society and I'm sure we have all felt its absence.

Doug Stobbs, chairman of the Society's Publications committee has carried the major responsibility for the Chinook for a long time. As such he has also done most of the work associated with publication of the Chinook, including searching for suitable articles, writing some when suitable ones could not be found, creating the layout for every issue, and supervising the printing and distribution of each issue and even making sure the bills were paid properly and on time. By doing this, Doug has provided the leadership, and deserves credit, for the consistently high quality and high standards of this publication.

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# NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

By Jill Browne, Chinook Editor

It's a pleasure and a relief to be sending you this issue of Chinook. As George Lake mentioned above in his Chairman's Message, we have had a turnover in Chinook staff, but not 100%. I am very grateful for the continued support of everyone involved.

You will notice that this issue looks "different". We are going through a transitional phase still. This issue is being produced using different software and printing techniques than in the past. We will continue to fine tune the look, but the priority is to share good content.

I will be asking for member help at our monthly meetings. There is a big "Help Wanted" poster in this issue describing some of the jobs.

The Society is a community. I volunteered to work on Chinook because I like to write and because Chinook is too important to ignore. Chinook is our community voice, and as such I invite you to make your voice heard. You can reach me at chinook@afhs.ab.ca or Chinook Editor, AFHS, Box 30270, Station B, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2M 4P1.

Cheers,

Jill

# **AFHS MEMBER SURVEY**

Submitted by George Lake, AFHS Chairman

AFHS members value Chinook and Breeze as important benefits of membership. Generally we are interested in seeing a wide variety of topics covered, and would prefer to receive Chinook in print form rather than electronically.

Following are some of the comments received from members, particularly as related to Chinook, in the member survey conducted in the spring of 2001.

There were two specific questions about Chinook:

- Which types of articles would you like to see published in Chinook? (The choices were Genealogy & History in Alberta; Basic Research Techniques; Personal Stories; Queries; and Other).
- 16. Would you prefer to receive your copy of Chinook online?

Here are the comments received for question 15, about the types of articles preferred.

- All of the above.
- I find the journal quite readable as it has been.
- Chinook is doing just fine as it is. Doug Stobbs deserves more credit than he receives.
- This is a first class publication & does credit to our Society. First question s/b not be restricted to Alberta.
- Letters from readers asking specific questions regarding research.
- Genealogical and historical articles NOT LIMITED to Alberta.
- Alberta, basic research techniques.
- Genealogical and historical articles relating to all provinces.
- Basic research techniques could perhaps be in the first issue each year only (for the benefit of new members). I'd like to see list of new web sites & other resources found by members(including any new holdings of particular interest at Calgary resource centres. I'd also like to see lists of new films, books, etc. at the 3 Calgary LDS FHC's, including perhaps new items that are on long term loan there.
- Any new web sites of interest.
- Outline of the talks given by the guest speakers. Interesting and gives AFHS a record of the talks.
- Info about other libraries and archives by someone who has researched there.
- Irish brick walls.
- Genealogical and historical articles relating to other places as well as Alberta.
- Applicable articles from other societies.
- Answers to queries.

- Genealogical and historical articles for provinces and countries besides Alberta too.
- Personal stories...If this gives clues for others doing similar research.
- I enjoy it now.
- Think the Chinook is a great publication.
- Genealogical and historical articles broader than just Alberta.
- Anything and everything.
- Advanced research techniques.
- Computer hints for research using gedcom.
- Genealogical & historical articles on any geographic area.

All of the types of articles listed received significant support, except for "Other".

Question 16 – the answer was an overwhelming NO. Almost everyone who replied would like to continue with the paper version.

As the incoming editor of Chinook, I am most grateful for the input, and by the way, I agree with the comment that Doug Stobbs deserves a lot of credit for his work on Chinook over the years. Given the high importance of Chinook to all of us, and our collective wish to see a wide variety of articles and topics covered, I look forward to receiving many submissions and ideas for future Chinooks. We need reporters, reviewers, photographers, webhounds/detectives, writers, and more. Don't be shy! This is a community effort.

Thanks,

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# PHILIP SAINTY: SHIPBUILDER & SMUGGLER

By Stanely Clute, AFSH Recording Secretary

Stanley Clute's ancestor, Philip Sainty, was a many-talented fellow as you will shortly see.

"One of the most interesting of all the Essex smugglers was Philip Sainty, builder of the Marquis of Anglesey's famous yacht *Pearl*, whose success did much to establish Colneside as a rival of the Medina and Haslar creek in the esteem of the yachtsmen of the day." (Hervey Benham, "The Smugglers' Century", p. 176)

Philip Sainty, one of my 5 x great-grandfathers in my maternal grandmother's line, is believed to have been born circa 1754 in the island parish of East Mersea on the Essex coast. His parents may have been Philip and Rose Sainty who had been married at Colchester in 1753. Not much is known about Philip's early life.

He married his first wife, Abigail Wiley, at Brightlingsea on 20 October, 1776. Their children included Robert Sainty, my 4 x great-grandfather, who was christened at Brightlingsea on 6 April, 1777, and Philip Sainty who was christened at St. Leonard's, Colchester on 4 April, 1779.

We don't know exactly what happened to Abigail but Philip was described as a widower on the record of his marriage to Amelia Moseley at Wivenhoe on 5 May, 1796. The seven children of this marriage included Alfred Sainty who was christened at Brightlingsea on 13 September, 1797. On the baptism record for the youngest child of this marriage, Charles Sainty who was born on 12 October, 1807 but was not christened until 10 August, 1828 (at Wivenhoe) Philip's occupation is listed - shipwright.

Philip went bankrupt around 1800 under circumstances that are now obscure. It was about the same time that he began having his new children christened at Wivenhoe rather than Brightlingsea. It is tempting to think that Philip may have moved from Brightlingsea to Wivenhoe to start over after his bankruptcy.

We don't know much about Philip's life in the first decade of the nineteenth century except for one incident that he himself tells about. We must remember that this incident took place against a background of the Napoleonic Wars. Benham relates that, while being examined before the General Session of the Peace in July, 1814 under the fairly new Act for the relief of Debtors, "Sainty went on to say that he formerly owned a small fishing boat called the *Essex* of about 20 tons. 'She was taken by the French five years since and carried into Holland. I do not know where she is and I am not entitled to any other vessel.' "(Benham, Op. Cit., p. 178)

At the beginning of his chapter on Philip Sainty, Benham says, "For a century and a half the story has been told at Wivenhoe and Rowhedge of how Sainty was in gaol for smuggling when the Marquis...wanted his yacht and had to get him released to build her, along with a relative in Maidstone gaol for the same offense. This tradition is now strikingly confirmed - and a new picture emerges of the plight Sainty was in before he received the patronage that was to transform his life." (Benham, p. 176)

Philip's second bankruptcy occurred just prior to his smuggling exploits. At the time of his testimony before the General Session of the Peace related above, he was incarcerated in Chelmsford gaol as a common debtor. During his examination he stated that he had bought a vessel named the *Ruswarp* from Robert Guy a corn factor of Chelmsford 'under an agreement which I have not been able to comply with and the vessel has been delivered up to Mr. Guy and made over to Mr. Mark Lay by him. I use her by permission of Mr. Lay, paying him interest for her value...' (Benham, pp177 - 178). Incidentally, in attempting to trace the origin of the unusual name *Ruswarp*, I discovered that it is the name of a village in North Yorkshire, on the River Esk.

In April, 1815, along with John Pullen (said to be his brother-in-law), John Pullen jr. (said to be his son-in-law), and his son Alfred, Philip sailed to Ostend in the Ruswarp. "After lying there about a month they loaded 170 casks of spirits to the order of James Forster of the Colchester Arms public house, who paid them 10s per cask. They unloaded these at the Prince Regent public house at Woolwich, fifty casks going to James Warr, a butcher at Billingsgate, and the rest being kept by the landlord of the Prince Regent." (Benham, p. 176).

Philip next sailed to Bruges, where he loaded aboard 176 casks of liquor on 4 June, 1815. (Benham, p. 176)

On his third trip, Philip loaded 182 casks at Bruges on 26 June, 1815 which he delivered to two locations on the Stour River - thirty casks at Stutton for a carrier from Manningtree named Samuel Baker, and the remainder further up the Stour at the upper navigable limit of the river for craft with fixed masts, Cattawade Bridge. (Benham, p. 176)

Philip's fourth and final trip took him back to Ostend for 140 casks of gin, which he took aboard on 8 August of the same year. This cargo was delivered to The Devil's House, on the River Thames, a couple of days later. (Benham, p. 176).

Philip henceforth refused to make any further trips for James Forster, possibly having had enough of the risks involved. The latter turned King's evidence and informed on Philip in May, 1816. The Ruswarp was seized; Philip Sainty and John Pullen sr. Were sent to Chelmsford gaol on 14 August, 1816 as Crown debtors, since they were unable to pay the massive fine of 4,426 pounds. In September, Philip was approved for removal to the more secure Fleet Prison, along with several other crown debtors. At the end of 1818, the Marquis of Anglesey secured the freedom of Philip Sainty, along with a relative probably John Pullen jr.- in gaol in Maidstone in the county of Kent. (Benham, pp. 176-177).

As Benham says, Philip "must have had some reputation as a (ship) builder to cause the Marquis of Anglesey to go to such trouble to secure his services." (Benham, p. 178)

All the references I have found refer to the "Marquis" of Anglesey. It is my understanding, though that this is a continental title and that in England it should be rendered as Marquess.

The launch of the *Pearl* in 1819 was followed by other commissions and for the next sixty years, Wivenhoe's economy largely depended upon the yacht owners. ("Wivenhoe - A Brief History", Wivenhoe Town Council)

Philip married his third known wife, Elizabeth Pullen, at St. Dunstan, Stepney, London on 5 May, 1821. Whether or not she was John Pullen's sister or whether there was an earlier marriage between Philip Sainty and the Pullen family that we don't know about, remains a mystery. Nevertheless, it seems certain that John Pullen was being considered as Philip's brother-in-law several years prior to his marriage to Elizabeth. Between 1821 and 1833 Philip and Elizabeth had five children.

In 1832, Philip retired, bankrupt, from his shipyard at Wivenhoe and was succeeded in the business by Thomas Harvey and later his son John Harvey. His goods were auctioned off at a local pub.

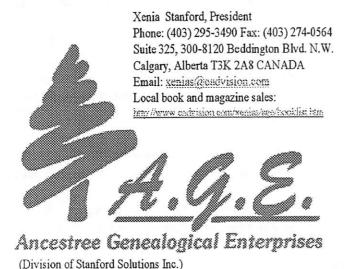
Philip Sainty, sometimes called Philip John Sainty, was buried at Wivenhoe on 21 January, 1844 aged about ninety years, after a very eventful life. He had been a ship builder, a bankrupt several times, and a smuggler. A street in Wivenhoe is named for the family: Sainty Close.

On Philip Sainty's headstone in the Wivenhoe churchyard can be found a quotation from the Old Testament: "They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters; these see the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep." The last word here must go to another of Philip's descendants who quipped, "Well, he did business in great waters, all right; he just forgot to tell the Customs officers about it."

# SOURCES:

Benham, Hervey, *The Smugglers' Century*, Essex Record Office, Chelmsford, UK, 1986 Wivenhoe Town Council, *Wivenhoe - A Brief History*, Wivenhoe Town Council Internet Website

Parish Registers for Brightlingsea, Colchester, and Wivenhoe, Essex Correspondence from Denise Neville, Pleystowe, Queensland, Australia Correspondence from Iris Burt, Army Bay, New Zealand



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(Last minute gremlins!)

# "HE DIED FROM WHAT??!!!"

By Stanley Clute, AFHS Recording Secretary

This article was inspired by Carol Robinson's fascinating talk at the October meeting, "So Many Ways to Die". As I had just a few days earlier acquired a Nurses Dictionary (published in London, England in 1964) at a garage sale and had been using it to understand the otherwise indecipherable causes of death cited on some of my relatives' British death certificates, I thought it might be of interest to share a few of those definitions with members.

Phthisis, of course, is fairly easy: like consumption, it is another term for tuberculosis. Here is how the book describes it: "advanced or chronic tuberculosis of the lungs, in which wasting is marked. Previously termed consumption..." Quite a few of my ancestors and their relatives died from this illness.

Apoplexy is another cause of death which is often encountered in the nineteenth century. In fact, one of my maternal ancestors, Joseph Breckles of Ipswich in the county of Essex, England died of it at age 71 in 1862, according to his death certificate. Apoplexy is described as: sudden fit of insensibility, usually caused by rupture of a cerebral blood vessel. symptoms are coma, accompanied by stertorous breathing, and a varying degree of paralysis of the opposite side of the body to the lesion." It may also

be called a cerebral haemorrhage or a stroke.

Erysipelas, which was given as the cause of death for a brother of my greatgrandfather. somewhat was unusual. Here is what the book had to about ervsipelas: "an acute contagious disease, caused by haemolytic streptococcus and characterized by localized inflammation of the skin, with pain and fever. The inflammation always commences round a wound, which is sometimes too small to be apparent, and is in the form of a raised red rash with small blebs, spreading gradually away from the centre and having a well defined margin."

In 1848, baby George Carter Clout, a fourth cousin died at the age of seven months from Extreme Debility. Debility is described as: "a condition of feebleness, weakness, and lack of physical tone."

Edgar Clout, a third cousin, died at age 42 in 1911. the following causes are given on his death certificate: Sarcoma of Peritoneum, Sarcoma of Lung. Ascites. First of all, the peritoneum is "the serous membrane lining abdominal cavity and forming covering for the abdominal organs". A sarcoma is defined as: "a malignant developed from connective tissue cells, and their stroma. The cells may be round, spindle -shaped, or large like those of bone marrow". Ascites is "free fluid in the peritoneal cavity. It may be the result of local inflammation, of venous obstruction, or part of a generalized oedema". So poor Edgar had a fatal tumour on the lining of his abdominal cavity, fluid in the abdominal

cavity, and another nasty turnour on his lung.

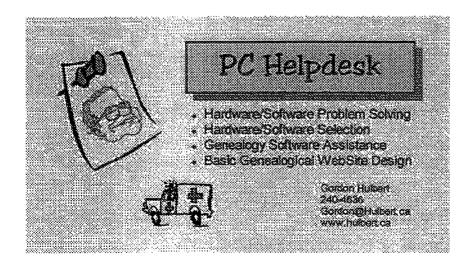
great-great-grandfather My paternal George Clout, a master plasterer and bricklayer, died aged 65 years in 1872 of what was described as Age Dementia. This may perhaps have been the same as Senile Dementia, "dementia occurring after the age of sixty-five due to cerebral atrophy of unknown cause", though I am not really certain. In the death of Sarah Ann Clout, a fourth cousin by marriage, there seems to have been little doubt: "senile dementia some vears. exhaustion" was the doctor's conclusion. Dementia has been described as: "a condition permanent mental of deterioration as a result of mental illness or organic cerebral disease".

Another cousin, Edwin Clout died of chronic myelitis. The definition given for myelitis is twofold: "inflammation of the marrow: (1) of the spinal cord; if affecting the grey matter it is called poliomyelitis; (2) of bone marrow (see Osteomyelitis)".

Then there was another great-greatgrandfather Samuel Benbow of Stony Stratford in Buckinghamshire who survived many years of riding as a postillion on inter-city coaches, to die at age 67 in 1858 of "chronic diseased lungs, asthma". *Asthma* is "paroxysmal (suddenly recurring) dyspnoea (difficult or laboured breathing)".

This has been a short and very personalized account of some of the deaths in my families. I have made no attempt to write a definitive article of any sort. It may chance, however, that some readers may find one or more of these causes of death also occurs in your family, and the definitions may be of some help to you.

I will close by citing the case of William Clout of Folkestone, Kent, son of my 4 x great-grandfather George Clout and his second wife Philadelphia Godden. I cannot do better than to quote the account of William's death as it was reported in the Kentish Gazette of 11 December, 1849: "On Friday morning last, Mr. William Clout, carpenter, aged 62 years, went to the Providence Inn, as was his usual custom, for a glass of beer and on returning from the bar, fell down and expired. An inquest has been held before Mr. Bateman and a verdict of 'Died by the visitation of God' returned."



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(Apologies to Gordon: in changing production methods we lost clarity of the artwork).

# **MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

				Arthur, Membership Secretary
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Allan		CAN	aft 1800	1286
Allen		IRL	bef 1900	1395
Barington	WEX	IRL	aft 1700	1286
Barington	ON	CAN	aft 1700	1286
Barington	AB	CAN	aft 1700	1286
Benzie	BAN	SCT	1780 - 1885	1286
Benzie	ABD	SCT	1780 - 1885	1286
Blain	DOW	NIR	1700 to 1880	5555
Blain	AYR	SCT	1700 to 1880	5555
Booth	LAN	ENG	1830 to 1930	5555
Brindle	LAN	ENG	bef 1900	1367
Bruce	CAI	SCT	bef 1800	1333
Calder	ABD	SCT	bef 1816	1333
Clarkson	YKS	ENG	bef 1820	1395
Clements	ON	CAN	bef 1950	1351
Clements	ESS	ENG	bef 1900	1351
Cook	ON	CAN	aft 1830	5555
Coull	BAN	SCT	aft 1740	1286
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Edgar	LND	ENG	bef 1900	1351
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Findlay		CAN	1780 - 1930	1286
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Frayne	WEX	JRL	aft 1800	1286
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Hick	YKS	ENG	bef 1883	1291
Hick	QC	CAN	1883 - 1897	1291
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Hogg	ROC	SCT	bef 1825	
Irwin	ON	CAN		1333
Kaizer	Holstein	DEU	1820 - 1900	1395
	ON	CAN	1860 - 1926	1365
Lamb			aft 1870	5555
Leach	LAN	ENG	bef 1900	1367
Leach	CHS	ENG	bef 1900	1367
Leiper	LKS	SCT	1700 to 1880	5555
Leiper MacDanald	AYR	SCT	1700 to 1880	5555
MacDonald	ROC	SCT	bef 1833	1333

Mackay	SUT	SCT	bef 1815	1395	
Maher	NF	CAN	1850 - 1945	1351	
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Milne	NAI	SCT	bef 1811	1333	
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Rorke	ON	CAN	bef 1900	1351	
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Rowe	LKS	SCT	1780 - 1920	1286	
Sandle	SFK	ENG	bef 1850	1367	
Schmidt / Smith	0.10	DEU	bef 1900	1395	
Scott	AB	CAN	1900 - 1940	1351	
Shaw	YKS	ENG	bef 1805	1333	
Sheeham	ON	CAN	aft 1926	1365	
Simpson	NAI	SCT	bef 1808	1333	
Stocks	YKS	ENG	bef 1808	1333	
Sutherland	CAI	SCT	bef 1803	1333	
Sutherland	ABD	SCT	1800 - 1900	1286	
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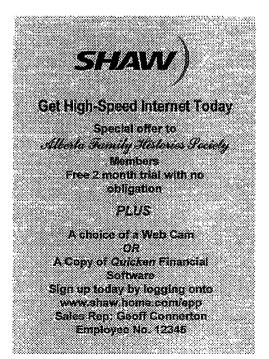
information as accessible as possible. When the AFHS got its own website, indexes to all these data were gradually put on-line so people anywhere could use this aid in learning more details about members of their family. Two years ago, records from the Calgary Crematorium for the years 1937 - 1979 were transcribed and entered into the database as well. These records are important; as for many years this was the only crematorium in the western provinces. At the same time, the burial records of the Chevra Kadusha (Jewish) Society were added to our collection.

In keeping pace with advancing technology and in continuing the goals of Janet, Judith Riddell started discussing the possibility of putting our information onto a CD with Judith Rempel. A challenge it has been and much has been learned in the process, but a CD is now a fait accompli! The CD not only holds the monument and/or burial data of nearly 70 cemeteries and one crematorium, but for every location, there is the date it was recorded, the number of entries, directions on finding it, local town office or museum addresses, and a list of local history books associated with that community. For almost every location there are photos of the cemetery. One stop shopping at its best!

Many, many volunteers have assisted with this project over the years and we thank you all, but it is to the memory and spirit of Janet Morgan that this AFHS Digital Library - Volume I is dedicated.

The CD uses a web browser (e.g., Internet Explorer or Netscape) to view the data and will be readable by both PCs and MacIntosh Computers. Records can be browsed for a particular surname within an individual cemetery or across all cemeteries.

The cost of this invaluable CD is \$30.00 if purchased in person or \$33 if mailed. Order forms are available from AFHS website: http://www.afhs.ab.ca or from Alberta Family Histories Society, PO Box 30270, Station B, Calgary, AB T2M 4P1



Shaw generously provided a high-speed internet connection for AFHS during the Wild Rose Conference.

They are offering a 2-month trial to AFHS members.

This offer is open as at the date of this publication of Chinook.

Many thanks to Shaw for their support.

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# **DID YOU MISS CHINOOK?**

By Jill Browne, Chinook Editor

Regular AFHS meeting goers will know – and George Lake's Chairman's message in this issue has explained – that we have had a change in Chinook staffing.

We were for years very dependent upon Doug Stobbs to do the production of this journal, almost from A to Z. Doug would be the first to credit the others who regularly helped out, but the fact is, the physical laying out and preparing of the journal for printing is quite a big job. Even with help, there was a big load on one person's shoulders.

At this point, some of the organizations with whom we exchange journals on a courtesy basis, and some members, have been asking, "Where's Chinook?"

Well, we can't turn back the clock and publish journals for time already passed.

It's my job now to keep Chinook coming out regularly, and that is what I will do my best to do.

In the meantime, we at Chinook and at the AFHS generally must apologize to our exchange counterparts for not matching you issue for issue. I hope that you will understand our position and bear with us.

The artwork in this issue's advertisements was for the most part provided by the advertisers. However, it is most definitely not their fault if the ads look blurry. We are using different technology for this issue, and one of the consequences is a less crisp look to some graphics. To alleviate this, I have put salient details in ordinary type beside the ads.

Thanks to everyone for your support while we go through a change of guard here.

West Canadian Graphics has supported the Wild Rose Seminar and GenSoft several times & we'd like to say, THANKS.

West Canadian 901 – 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW

www.westcanadian.com

# Cemeteries on the AFHS Digital Library Volume I

Submitted by Judith Riddell, Data Projects on behalf of all who toiled!

These are the cemeteries covered on the CD – see story on page 1. (All are located in southern Alberta, Canada).

Airdrie - Airdrie Cemetery

Aldersyde - Mount View Mennonite Cemetery

Banff - Banff Cemetery

Banff - Mountainview Cemetry

Beiseker - St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

Black Diamond/Turner Valley - Foothills Cemetery

Blackie - Blackie Cemetery

Bottrell - Westbrook Cemetery

Calgary - Burnsland Cemetery

Calgary - Chevra Kadusha (Jewish) Society

Calgary - Calgary Crematorium

Calgary - Midnapore Cemetery

Canmore - Canmore Cemetery

Carstairs - Carstairs Cemetery

Carstairs - Last Rest Mennonite Cemetery

Carstairs - New Bergthal Mennonite Cemetery

Carstairs - West Zion Mennonite Cemetery

Claresholm - Claresholm Cemetery

Cochrane - St. Andrew's Cemetery

Cochrane - St. Mary's Roman Catholic Cemetery

Cremona - Big Prairie Cemetery

Cremona - Cremona Cemetery

Crossfield - Crossfield Cemetery

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Bellevue

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Blairmore

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Coleman

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Cowley

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Frank

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Hillcrest

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Lille

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Lundbreck

Crowsnest Pass Cemeteries - Passburg

Dalemead - Dalemead Cemetery

DeWinton - Pine Creek Cemetery

Didsbury - Redeemer Lutheran Church Cemetery

Didsbury - Westcott Cemetery

Didsbury - Didsbury Cemetery

Exshaw - Exshaw Cemetery

Granum - Granum Cemetery

High River - Highwood Cemetery

Irricana - United Church Cemetery

Irricana - Irricana Municipal Cemetery

Millarville - Christ Church Anglican Cemetery

Namaka - Namaka Mennonite Cemetery

Okotoks - Union Cemetery & Roman Catholic

Cemetery

Olds - Eagle Hill Cemetery

Olds - East Olds Baptist Cemetery

Olds - Hainstock Cemetery

Olds - Hutchison Cemetery

Olds - Mayton Cemetery

Olds - Westerdale Cemetery

Olds - Olds Cemetery

Rosebud - Rosebud Cemetery

Springbank - Springbank Old Church & United

Church Cemetery

Stavely - Stavely I.O.O.F. Cemetery

Stavely - St. Vincent's Roman Catholic Cemetery

Strathmore - Strathmore Cemetery

Strathmore - Sacred Heart Cemetery

Sundre - Bergen Cemetery

Sundre - Eagle Valley Cemetery

Sundre - Harmattan Church of the Nazarene

Cemetery

Sundre - Lobley Cemetery

Sundre - Sundre and District Cemetery

Water Valley - Water Valley Roman Catholic

Cemetery

See the story of this CD on page 1.

Available for \$30.00 in person or \$33.00 if by mail.

Order forms available on the AFHS website www.afhs.ab.ca or by post Alberta Family Histories Society, Box 30270, Station B, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2M 4P1

# WESTERN HERITAGE CENTRE / BERT SHEPPARD STOCKMEN'S FOUNDATION LIBRARY – UPDATE

Submitted by Nancy Carson

For those of you wondering what the scoop is on the library that was at the Western Heritage Centre, here it is. The Bert Sheppard Stockmen's Foundation Library and Archives is still housed at what was the Western Heritage Centre facility in Cochrane. The facility itself has been taken over by the Community Development & Historic Sites department of Alberta Government. However, the Library still is owned and operated by the Stockmen's Memorial Foundation and is a separate organization as it always has been. It merely shares space in this facility. The Librarian & Archivist anticipates that the Library will remain at this facility for a long time to come.

The facility is closed; however, to gain entrance to the Library, push the button outside of the main doors and someone will arrive to let you in. The library is still in the same location on the second level, just go up the main stairs and it will be directly in front of you. The Library has acquired lots of materials in the past few months and everyone is invited to come to check out the new additions! There is also a lot of information on the new website, including brand information, so check that out too.

# New Contact Information:

Telephone Number: 932-3782

Fax Number: 851-1324 Website: www.smflibrary.ca Email: library@smflibrary.ca

Librarian & Archivist: Anna Stevenson

Library Hours: Monday to Friday from 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-4:00.

# Chairman's Message – continued from page 3

Earlier this year Doug indicated he wished to relinquish some of these responsibilities. For him, as for all of us, time has taken its toll - production of the Chinook requires many long hours in front of a computer screen, and this has become too great a burden on his eyesight. It is a tribute to Doug that it has taken us so long to find someone willing to step into these big shoes. But we believe we have, in the person of Jill Browne. Jill has agreed to manage production of the Chinook and will have the support of many of old team, including Lorna Stewart, Joan Hudson and Dave Wake. Doug has agreed to continue to provide advice based on his long experience. This should assure the standards and quality we have come to expect will be maintained.

Continued on page 17

# Chairman's Message – continued from page 16

On a related topic, expenses for the Chinook are among the largest items in the budget. The largest component of the Society's income to meet these expenses is the fees paid by our members. Membership in the Society has fallen over the past few years, and despite an increase in fees two years ago, this has put continuing pressure on the budget. The Board of Directors would prefer to solve this problem by increasing the size of our membership rather than by increasing fees. Over the next several months the Board will look at a variety of ways to increase membership and would welcome your ideas on this subject. You can help directly as well, by encouraging friends who are researching their family histories to join the Society.

Elsewhere in this issue you will see the results of the member survey we conducted last Spring. One of the very pleasant surprises was the high percentage of members who responded. Nearly one quarter of our members returned questionnaires, roughly half using the internet and half using conventional mail. Among the benefits of membership, Chinook rated highest. Almost half the respondents are volunteers with the Society, and over half have been members for more than 5 years - nearly a fifth for over 10 years. The results do not point to any specific area in which you would like to see a major change, but the Board will continue to study the results and to fine tune activities in light of what you have told us.

More statistics: a US consumer opinion poll found in March 1996 that 45% of Americans are "somewhat interested" in genealogy. By May 2000 that number had risen to 60%. In the 2000 survey, of those "somewhat interested in genealogy", 49% claimed to have created a family tree, and 37% to have written up their family history. In that same group, 37% have traveled to an ancestral hometown or country and 29% have used the internet to search. There seems to no reason why these results might differ appreciably for our country. One might also speculate on an even further increase following the unfortunate events of September 11.

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# WILD ROSE SEMINAR 2001

By Heather Jaremko, Wild Rose Seminar 2001 Chair

Thank you to everyone who attended the seminar. I believe for the most part that it was a successful one. We had 138 registrants total. There were 6 walk-ins for Friday night and 12 on Saturday for a total of 18.

A big thank you to my committee: Jill Browne, Mertie Beatie, Diana Baker, Elaine Jones, Gordon Hulbert and Marilyn Younger. Without their hard work the seminar would not have been a good one. Also a thank you to all volunteers & a huge thank you to Peg Rowland for her help on the registration table. I really appreciated all that everyone did to make this years seminar a success.

Geoff Connerton and his staff from Shaw Cablesystems, and the people at West Canadian Graphics were very supportive. Shaw provided high-speed internet connections to enable some live internet demonstrations, and West Canadian produced some very attractive signage. Thanks to both firms for being behind us.

Look forward to seeing you all at the combined GenSoft/Wild Rose Seminar "FamilyRoots 2002".

Heather Jaremko Wild Rose Seminar Chair

Also - Shaw has an ad in this issue extending their special Wild Rose offer to all AFHS members.

Jill

# ENGLAND & WALES 1901 CENSUS ONLINE JAN 2 2002

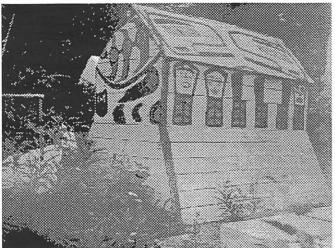
Source: www.census.pro.gov.uk/news.htm (November 25, 2001)

Non-internet users may wish to take advantage of public access internet (such as the Calgary Public Library offers its members, for example) to benefit from the English census going online.

The Public Record Office's website indicates that the census will be completely indexed and that searches of the index will be free. (There will be charges explained on the website for viewing actual records). We will be able to search by name, place, vessel, institution, and address. Digitising of 1891 returns is underway with Spring 2003 completion planned.

# **BC ARCHIVES ON LINE**

Source: www.bcarchives.gov.bc.ca



Title: Indian grave at Fort Rupert.

The picture at left is from the image collection available on line courtesy of the British Columbia archives.

This depicts an Indian grave, circa 1894, near Fort Rupert, B.C. It was selected as an example for Chinook because of the high quality of the image.

The collection is vast and easily searched.

# Vital Statistics on line at the BC Archives website

Members with British Columbia research interests should be aware that the province of B.C. has made a tremendous contribution to genealogy by putting the birth, death, and marriage indexes on line in an easily searchable form.

The Vital Event Indexes cover births 1872-1899, marriages 1872 – 1924, and deaths 1872 to 1979. (These dates are the registration dates).

# GLENBOW MUSEUM - CALGARY

Source: www.glenbow.com

The Glenbow has a new permanent gallery called "Nitsitapiisinni – our way of life" in the Blackfoot (the English name for the Nitsitapiisinni people) Gallery. Based upon early publicity, it seems that tremendous research and the active involvement of the Blackfoot people have combined to make this a dynamic and memorable exhibition.

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Source: www.archives.ca Submitted by Jill Browne

On the National Archives (Canada) website, following the "ArchiviaNet" link enables you to search the index to Soldiers of the First World War (1914-1918), by name.

It is helpful to have the soldier's regimental number if he (or she in the case of nurses) had a common name.

However, it is now possible to look at the Attestation Record and possibly other records right on line. Among other things, this helps to eliminate errors and guesses – which was your John Brown? Now you can read his papers to determine.

In 1999, I hired a private researcher to find me a photocopy of the record you see at left. Today I was able to pull it up with a few keystrokes. (This is the back – there is a front page also).

I couldn't help but show you the fruits of my labour. My great-grandfather – always a well-groomed man who took pride in his appearance – had a tatoo of a snake and lady dancing. Who knew?

# **JOURNALS**

By Helen Backhouse, AFHS Librarian, and Lorna Stewart, Member Volunteer

The Library receives family history journals and related publications from around the world. Through the efforts of Helen and Lorna, Chinook is able to publish the titles of many interesting and useful articles.

# Highlights from exchange journals received in the AFHS library to November, 2000

# AUSTRALIA

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA. #25 #4 Dec 00

- Aussie Cossies 1870's-1950's a brief history (bathing costumes)
- Migration records held by the National Archives of Australia

Vol 25 #5 March 01

- Soundex: how many ways can you spell Smith?
- Ancestors at work: Road labourers and contractors of the Corporation

Vol 25 #6 June 01

- The William Smith O'Brien petition 1848
- The day the Duchess came to Healesville

Vol 25 #7 Sept 01

- National Burial Index for England and Wales how to get the most information
- Parties and politics: the Governor of Victoria

EAST EUROPEAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,

Vol 9 #1 and 2 Fall/Winter 00

- Ukrainian farmsteads in Manitoba
- Strays

Vol 9 #3 Spring 01

- Greek Catholic collection in the Central State Historical Archive in L'Viv, Ukraine....
- Swedes in Ukraine and their German connection

FAMILY CHRONICLE MAGAZINE,

Vol 5 #3 Jan 01

- French-Canadian roots
- Fraternal and Benevolent Societies

Vol 5 #4 March 01

- Overcoming brickwalls
- Using newspaper archives

Vol 5 #5 May 01

- Ancestral migration
- Finding Norwegian Roots

Vol 5 #6 July 01

- Finding your roots in Ireland
- Civil War records on the Internet

Vol 6 #1 Sept 01

- 21st century genealogy: the potential of DNA
- INDEX for Family Chronicle magazine for Volumes

MAGAZINE OF THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES OF CANADA, MENNONITE HISTORIAN,

Vol XXVI #4 Dec 00

- "A few thoughts on the Emigration Question" 1920's
- A miracle discovery

Vol XXVII #1 March 01

- The Mennonites: mostly of Dutch origin
- Neuanlage in the West Reserve: It's founding years Vol XXVII #2 June 01
- Kuruschan Altenheim Ledger Books

NEYA POWAGONS,

#74 Dec 00

- Hudson's Bay Company record Joseph Beaudry Sr.
- Notes from the Penetanguisnene Centennial Museum
- Jacques Cardinal Hudson's Bay Archives
- Surname Interests

#76 April 01

- Robert 'A' Ballendine HBCo Archives
- Surname interests

UKRANIAN GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA,

# Alberta

ALBERTA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,

Vol 29 #1 Feb 01

- Dear Sheumais: Mother and I miss you!, cont.
- Alberta Cavalry Officers on the Militia List 1901-14 Vol 29 #2 May 01

A journey to Romashivka

- An Irish Census substitute

Vol 29 #3 Aug 01

- Recrossing the seas to Sweden
- Richard Griffith and his Valuations of Ireland

BROOKS AND DISTRICT BRANCH AGS,

Vol 14 #1 Spring 01

- Is it a transcription, abstract or an extract
- Tips for locating relations who migrated to the United States from Canada

FT. McMurray Branch AGS,

Vol 22 #4 Dec 00

Newbies' guide to genealogy and family history, part

Vol 23 #1 March 01

 Newbie's guide to genealogy and family history GRANDE PRAIRIE AND DISTRICT BRANCH AGS, Vol 24 #1 March 01

- Another underused resource PERSI
- The Peace of the past

Vol 24 #2 June 01

- BMDs from "Grande Prairie Herald" 1924
- Obituaries 2000

JEWISH ARCHIVES AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF EDMONTON AND NORTHERN ALBERTA,

MEDICINE HAT AND DISTRICT BRANCH AGS,

Vol 22 #1 March 01

- Index from "The First 50 Years" Mankota, Saskatchewan
- Emma (Zarbock) Schenkel Dowry 1919
   Vol 22 #2 June 01
- Periodical Source Index on microfiche (PERSI)

RED DEER AND DISTRICT BRANCH AGS,

Vol 22 #1 Jan 01

 Understanding and using Ontario Vital Record information at any Family History Center

Vol 22 #2 May 01

- A girl's guide to the right lover
- Beaver Brae immigrants

SMOKY RIVER GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,

## British Columbia

BRITISH COLUMBIA GENEALOGY SOCIETY,

Vol 30 #1 March 01

- Princess Louise passanger list from Vancouver July 13, 1940
- Did your ancestors homestead in the B.C. Railway Belt?

Vol 30 #2 June 01

- Early emigrants from Newfoundland to B.C.
- Canadian Pacific to Europe Allan Line, "S.S. Grampian" passenger list Nov. 25, 1916

KAMLOOPS FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY,

Vol 16 # 2 Nov 00

- The Tilton family, New Hampshire to Canada
- From Prince Edward Island to Saskatchewan 1900

Vol 17 #1 May 01

- Kamloops the origin of local street names
- Queen of the May

KELOWNA AND DISTRICT GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, Vol 17 # 2 Dec 00

- 1882 British Columbia Directory Mission Valley
   Vol 17 #3 March 01
- Myrtles index

Vol 17 #4 June 01

- Craig-y-nos, Swansea Valley, Wales
- The Robinson Papers

QUESNEL, B.C. GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,

Vol 18 #1 2001

- Missing link
- How to cite e-mail, webpage etc.

SOUTH OKANAGAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,

Vol 8 # 2 Nov 00

Does a Land Record hold the answer, part 1

Vol 8 #3 Feb 01

• Does a Land Record hold the answer?

Vol 8 #4 April 01

- Okanagan Pioneers
- Old tyme recipes

Vol 9 # June 01

Homing instinct

VERNON AND DISTRICT FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY,

Vol 16 #4 Oct 00

- 1901 Census for BC Okanagan area
- Directories with Ginger Vernon

Vol 17 #1 Jan 01

- Arrowhead Cemetery
- Wards and Magraths of Bagenalstown

Vol 17 #2 April 01

- Irish emigrants records that may contain the place of origin
- Rebellion on the Frontier The Calgary Herald

VICTORIA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,

Vol 23 # 4 Dec 00

- Christmas at Sea
- Grampa Job

Vol 24 #1 March 01

- Germans in Victoria
- Go West Young Man

Vol 24 #2 June 01

- Pennsylvania homes of some Yonge Street Quakers
- Early conversion Pilgrim to Quaker

### Manitoba

MANITOBA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,

Vol 26 #1 March 01

- "The Honourable John Taylor of Headingley, Manitoba"
- Manitoba Cavalry Officers of the Militia List, 1885-1914

Vol 26 #2 June 01

- Some Irish domestic servants in the Canadian West
- The Minnedosa Tribune 1887 BMD

## New Brunswick

NEW BRUNSWICK GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,

Vol 22 # 4 Winter 00

- Schedule of Teachers and Candidates who have passed the Training Schools and received Certificates of Competency 1850
- Saint John marriages 1833-1850

Vol 23 #1 Spring 01

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