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## Annual General Meeting Notification

Monday, May 3, 2004 at 7:15 p.m. MDT at  
First Christian Reformed Church,  
3818 14A Street S.W.,  
Calgary, Alberta

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# Chinook

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May 3, 2004	British Night	
June 7, 2004	Volunteer Appreciation Night	SIG Presentations

### Basics Program

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May 3, 2004	Preserving Photos	Irene Oickle
June 7, 2004	Getting Ready for Summer Research Projects	Kay Clarke



# Chairman's Message

As the Winter of 2003/4 ebbs away we look forward to new beginnings and new growth in our environment. The same is true in the affairs of the Society.

Through a chain of circumstances too long to detail here, our Library has now moved from the basement on 16th Avenue up to the main floor. This will stretch our finances to the limit, but we expect substantial benefits. For starters, the Library is now fully wheelchair accessible - no more need to negotiate that narrow staircase. For another, we are much more visible to the public, which has resulted in many more 'drop-in' visitors than we ever saw in either the basement at First Christian Reformed church or the basement on 16th Avenue. We also have a small increase in net space which will accommodate growth in our Library facilities for a longer time into the future. If you haven't visited us there yet please do - its now a great place to do research with lots of printed material, several good computer data bases and internet access as well.

In a significant action at our March meeting, the Board has created a Memorial Fund to commemorate members who have passed away. The terms of this fund will be that income generated by the fund (which will be quite small initially) will flow into the Society's regular budget but the donations to the fund will be kept permanently separate from other Society funds and not used to pay for day to day operations of the Society. Donations to the fund may be made by either Society members or non-members. Members will be encouraged to make an annual donation to the fund when they pay their annual fees. You will be asked to approve a change in the Society's Bylaws at the Annual General Meeting in May to establish the rules for this fund.

Planning for the sponsorship of a casino continues. A presentation about our financial future and the benefits to be obtained by sponsoring a casino was made at a general information meeting on March 6. Quite a few members turned out on a pleasant Saturday afternoon to hear about that. An application has been made to the Alberta Gaming Commission to establish our eligibility to sponsor a casino. You will be asked at the Annual General Meeting in May to approve another change in our Bylaws necessary for us to be eligible. Following that the Board will be asked in June to give final approval, followed by our formal application to the Alberta Gaming Commission. If all goes according to schedule we might expect the event to take place some time in 2006.

A final agreement has been signed between the Society and Brian Hutchison to formally establish the Brian W. Hutchison Genealogical Scholarship, under the Society's auspices. The Scholarship will provide an annual award of up to \$500 for tuition and books, to a Canadian resident who wishes to pursue professional qualifications in genealogy. A Scholarship Committee has been appointed and work is under way to define the application requirements and procedures and ultimately to select a winning applicant. It is hoped to formally announce the Scholarship across Canada in June this year and to make the first award in Spring 2005.

It seems hard to believe this will be my final Chairman's Message. At the Annual general Meeting May 3 my term will expire and you will choose a new Board and Chairperson. Elsewhere in this issue you will find the names of those nominated for the coming year. To bend a trite phrase, a lot of family history has flowed by in the last 3 years - both collective and personal. If I had known when I first stood for this job that it would last 3 years I probably would have refused. But it has been an interesting time and I think we have accomplished a good deal. You may recall we had just come through a period of some uncertainty, following the resignation of the Chair in mid term to be replaced by one of the Vice Chairs who did not wish to continue beyond the end of that year. I am pleased that this year's transition will be a much smoother one.

Over the past 3 years I have received many unprompted supportive remarks from members. I am grateful for all of those - they have made this a very rewarding experience. I would also like to thank all of the Board members who have served with me over the past 3 years. They have unfailingly supported me in all the activities I have tried to initiate and have served and represented you well. They have worked hard and deserve your thanks.

I don't expect I shall be idle. I already have a couple of substantial commitments as Past Chair. On a personal family historical note, the grandtriplets born in March 2001 as I started this job are all thriving and will celebrate their third birthday this year. As time advances their demands on the rest of the family seem to continually increase. Maybe some day they will look at their family history.

George Lake  
Chairman

## In Memory

**Roy Kinnear**

**April 23, 1932 - February 21, 2004**

*'I'm writing a book on how to line up my fourth putt...'*

was just one of the many witticisms that Roy brought to every occasion and situation. After a brief struggle with cancer, surrounded and supported by his family, Roy chipped out of the rough laid up on the green, and birdied out. Roy is survived by Eva, his wife of over 50 years, daughters Valerie (Rik Smistad) and Nancy (Hart Karasch), sons Jim (Diane) and Gregg (Sheri); grandsons Justin, Darren, Michael, Alexander, and Christopher Kinnear, and Erik and Andrew Smistad. He is also survived by two brothers, Jim (Jean) of Osoyoos, B.C. and Jack (Adrienne) of Perth, Australia.

Roy had a life long passion with sports. From his early days as a speed skater and baseball player, to his later years as a golfer and skier, Roy was a keen competitor in both individual and team sports. A master of sports trivia, he could recite statistics on almost any sport off the top of his head. He was a master bridge player and traveled throughout Western Canada to participate in various bridge tournaments. Family was extremely important to Roy and he liked nothing better than a family gathering that involved any card game.

During his retirement years, he took an active interest in genealogy and combined travel with his research of his family's history. Roy graduated from the University of Alberta in 1957 with a Bachelor of Science degree and made his career in the chemical industry.

In memory of Roy, follow your heart or consider making a tribute to the Alberta Family Histories Society at 712-16 Avenue NW, Calgary, T2M 0J8

# Mary Ann Who?

*By Linda Murray*

The branch of my family tree with great great Grandparents Timothy Livingston and wife Mary Ann, surname unknown, contains little information. Who was Mary Ann? The limited data I have has been taken from Canadian Census returns: 1861, 1871, 1881, 1891, and 1901. The census records indicate she was born in Canada West/Ontario between 1825 and 1836. She had at least 9 children including my great Grandfather Timothy about 1867. I can find no information on any of his siblings other than names and approximate birth dates. I have no photographs of Mary Ann and the only official document I can find is her death certificate, which gives little personal information. My great Aunt has a brass plate that reads: Mrs. Mary Livingston, Died June 4<sup>th</sup> 1909, Aged 95 years, B.1814. Even though this data is etched in brass, I suspect both her age and birth year to be incorrect. It conflicts greatly with her ages given on census returns. Perhaps Mary Ann distrusted the census takers or maybe the information given was by a different family member each decade. Whatever the reason, Mary Ann's birth year as taken from the census is listed as 1836, 1831, 1829, 1829, and 1825. In the 1901 Census the exact birth date was given as March 20, 1825. Over the years her origin was given as Scotch, English and Irish. Her religion has been given as Presbyterian, Church of England and Methodist.

I first discovered Mary Ann in the 1871 Census for Dungannon Township, Hastings County (Film C-9994, District No. 62, N. Hastings, Page 21). She was listed as a 40 year old widow with 8 children: Mandy (age 20), George (age 18), Diane (age 16), James (age 13), Jane (age 11), John (age 9), Mary (age 6) and Timothy (age 4). I then turned to the 1861 Census but was told by the reference librarian at the time and by many others that there was no 1861 census for Dungannon Township, probably as it was so remote. It was several years later that I discovered the census for this area. When I next found Mary Ann in 1881 (Film C-13239, N. Hastings, Page 2), she was listed under the head of the household of Frances Pelshaw, a Roman Catholic, French, Quebec born farmer. An additional child, Victoria, age 9 was also listed. This solved a small piece of my family puzzle as Victoria Pelshaw was listed as a witness at the marriage of my great Grandfather Timothy Livingston to Minerva Sager in Dungannon in 1895. Victoria would seem to have been Timothy's half sister. Although I could not find a marriage between Frances Pelshaw and Mary Ann, she is listed as his wife in the 1891 and 1901 Census returns. Frances was also known as Frank and in earlier returns, his surname was spelled Pelcheau.

In yet another attempt to discover Mary Ann's surname, I searched for the birth of her daughter Victoria Pelshaw about 1872 but no record appears to exist (Civil Birth Registration Indexes, Microfilm #1819475). A major difficulty I have encountered is that most of the events I am searching for in this family occurred just prior to the 1869 Civil Registration. The death of Timothy Livingston Sr. must have occurred between 1866 (his youngest child Timothy being born about 1867) and 1871 when the census listed Mary Ann as a widow. I searched the Civil Death Registration Indexes (Film #1819277) but found no record of his death. There also appears to be no birth record for Timothy Jr. born about 1867.

Of Timothy's eight siblings, I can find no trace. I searched the Civil Marriage Registration Indexes for possible marriages 1873-1895 (Film # 1819490) and 1896-1910 (Film # 1819491) with no luck. I paid to have some research done by a librarian with Belleville Public Library. Part of her reply reads "I have checked all relevant sources in our local history collection and in the Hastings County Historical Society archives, but found nothing on this family". Unfortunately, this often seems to be the reply to any query I have sent regarding Mary Ann and family. I have written to Livingston families in the area without finding any connection. With 8 siblings there must be some cousins out there to help me solve my mystery. I wrote to seven Dungannon cemeteries but received no replies. I have read through the Ontario Genealogical Society (OGS) publications for this area and written to others researching Livingstons with no success. I have read any histories I could find on Dungannon. I have tried to use the Internet without much success. However, through the Internet, I did find the North Hastings Genealogy Society. They were able to tell me that 1861 Census records for this area did indeed exist but were listed under Hastings Road rather than Dungannon Township, Hastings County. This 1861 data (film C-1032) indicated that Timothy and Mary Ann were married in 1852. I then searched the County Marriage Records for this time period but no marriage record for any Timothy Livingston could be found.

My great Grandfather Timothy Livingston and his wife Minerva Sager had six children born near Bancroft, Ontario (including my Grandmother Lillie in 1898) before moving to southern Manitoba in 1904. They had eight more children born to them in Manitoba, one dying as an infant. The descendants of these 13 Livingstons are now close to 350 individuals. The first Livingston family reunion was held in 1940, then in 1957 and beginning in 1984, a reunion has been held every five years. My objective since 1984 has been to find some Livingston information to pass on to my great aunts and uncles and their families. In 1984, 11 of the 13 aunts and uncles were living. Today, only 3 of the 13 remain. It is still my hope to

find some information about their Grandmother Mary Ann and her other 8 children. Maybe someday I will solve the mystery of "Mary Ann Who"!

### The 2002 OCAPG Award

Linda Murray of Calgary, Alberta was the winner of the 2002 OCAPG Award, offered by the Ontario Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists for the best short essay on an unsolved problem in Ontario genealogy. The contest, open to anyone except APG members, was publicized on the OCAPG website and elsewhere. The award included an assessment of the problem by professional genealogists, up to three hours of research, and a recommendation for new approaches. The OCAPG Award is being offered again in 2003. Details on [www.rootsweb.com/~onapg](http://www.rootsweb.com/~onapg)

#### The Problem

Linda Murray's winning problem was titled "Mary Ann Who?" Her great great grandparents, Timothy Livingston and Mary Ann, maiden name unknown, born c.1830, were living in Dungannon Township, Hastings County, Ontario in the 1861 census. By 1871 Mary Ann was a widow with 8 children, including Linda's great grandfather Timothy, born c1867. By 1881 Mary Ann had apparently married Francis Pelshaw (b. Quebec) and had another child, age 9. Francis was Catholic; Mary Ann was at various times Presbyterian, Anglican and Methodist. Timothy (1867) married Minerva Sager in 1895, moved to Manitoba in 1904 and raised a large family. Mary Ann died in 1909.

Linda had been searching for almost 20 years without success in the Ontario B/M/D indexes, the census records, and various other sources for records that might provide Mary Ann's maiden name, or any trace of the other 8 children. She had written to others researching the name Livingston, and even paid a librarian to search in local histories for Hastings Co. - all dead ends. She submitted her essay in the hopes of finding some information to share with other family members by the next Livingston family reunion, in 2004.

#### A Brief Critique of the Essay

The 1000 word limit can make it difficult to include all relevant information, to cite all references, and especially to describe all unsuccessful searches. Linda made a valiant attempt. But a little more information would have been helpful for our review of the problem. e.g. Reel and page numbers were cited for some, but not all of the census findings. Timothy Sr.'s age and place of birth from the 1861 census were omitted. It was unclear if her search for children included both the Livingston and Pelshaw surnames. She said Mary Ann's death certificate provided "little personal information", and that a great aunt had a brass plate

inscribed "Mrs. Mary Livingston, died June 4, 1909, aged 95". We were left wondering: where did Mary Ann die, was her surname Pelshaw or Livingston, and could the certificate or plate be for the wrong person?

#### Publication and Preliminary Review

The problem was published with a request for comments and recommendations to all OCAPG members, and was discussed at the February, 2003 OCAPG meeting. Several ideas and leads were developed, and it was agreed that Linda Murray should be contacted for clarification of a few points before proceeding further with the research.

Linda provided one new piece of information received since she had submitted the essay - an 1877 Hungerford Twp, Hastings Co marriage record for Timothy and Mary Ann's son, George Livingston. It did not give Mary Ann's maiden name. She also clarified some points. e.g. In 1861 Timothy was 36, born in Ontario. Mary Ann "Livingston" died in Manitoba.

#### Research and Comments

1.0 Linda said she searched "the Civil Marriage Registration Indexes 1873 - 1895 (Film #1819490)" for marriages of Mary Ann's children, and also "could not find a marriage between Frances Pelshaw and Mary Ann". We surmised that the latter search might have missed some pre-1873 records.

1.1 The original Ontario marriage registrations for 1869 - 1873 were not numbered, and are not included with the B/M/D indexes held in many libraries. The handwritten indexes for that early period, giving volume and page number, are available on microfilm at the Archives of Ontario, have been published (Rumpell, Renie A., and Slingsby, Carrie, *Index to marriage registrations of Ontario, Canada 1869-1873*, Ontario Indexing Service, Waterloo, 1996, 6 vols.), and are also searchable on at least one on-line data base. One OCAPG member searched for Francis Pelshaw and separately for Mary Ann Livingston, and found a possible match - the two names led to one page: Hastings County, 1871, vol. 17, page 142 (RG 80-5, MS932, reel 5, unit 80-5-0-18)

1.2 The detailed record for 1.1 above was consulted at the Archives of Ontario. It provides an exceptional amount of information as illustrated by these few excerpts:

**On July 27, 1871, Francis Pelshaw, widower, age 48, born Quebec, residence Lot 22 Concession 13 Dungannon, married Marion Partels, widow of the late Timothy Livingston, age 40, born Township of Moray Ont., parents Richard Partels and Sarah Porter.** The handwriting on this record is reasonably clear, but the spelling is suspect. There is no "Moray" township in Ontario - it is likely "Murray", Northumberland County.

2.0 Search for Richard and Sarah (Porter) Partels. "Partels" seemed a very unusual surname. Nothing similar was found in a brief scan of the 1871 Ontario Census - Head of Household Index ( Family Tree Maker, CD #116) nor in an 1881 Canadian Census Transcript (Family Search, Family History Resource File, CD #3)

2.1 A search in the early Ontario Militia Rolls (Elliott, Bruce et al, *Men of Upper Canada, Militia Nominal Rolls, 1828-1829*, OGS, Toronto, 1995) under the 3rd Regiment Northumberland, which included Murray Township, gave two very interesting findings: Parcels, Richard age 38, page 171 and Parcels, Richard age 40, page 173.

2.2 A second search for "Parcels" in the 1871 Census CD referred to in 2.0 was unsuccessful. A search in the 1881 CD gave this result in Murray, Northumberland East:

Sarah Parsels, widow, age 84, German origin, born Ontario, living with William and Ruma Rogers, ages 79 and 81, married, both of German origin and born in Ontario.  
(Ref: FHL film 1375875, NAC 13329, Dist 123, sub E, div 3, page 129, Family 136)

3.0 The above findings opened up many possibilities for further research. First priority was given to the 1851 Census for Murray Township.

3.1 A partial transcription of this census (Tackaberry, Brian, *1851-52 Murray Township Census - A Transcription from the Original Records*, Quinte Branch OGS, 1990) is available at the Canadiana Department, North York Central Library, Toronto ON. It lists households by order of lot and concession but lacks a cross reference to the original page numbers. Several Parcels and Livingston listings were found, including a Timothy Livingston, age 26 on page 7 and a Mary Ann Parcels, age 21 on page 8.

3.2 Search of the original records for 3.1 above. (NAC C-11740) The 1851-52 census taker in Murray, Division 1 left some gaps in the records, and the microfilm is quite difficult to read in some places. Here, as best we have been able to decipher, are further details on two households:

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## Names from AFHS Library Books

**Gladys and Dinton Through the Years**, compiled by the Women's Institutes of Gladys and Dinton, copyright 1965, printed by Northwest Printing and Lithographing Ltd.

Gladys Ridge and Dinton are just south of the Bow River and east of the Highwood River where the two rivers meet, east of Okotoks in the area of Carseland, Alberta. This book contains maps of the area from 1910, 1927 and 1963 showing all the names of people who lived on each quarter section at those times. It contains articles about geography and topography of the area, the Indians who lived there, the history of the area through the years including weather, landmarks and bridges, the Carseland dam, schools, churches the women's institutes, examples of the cattle brands and even the 4H club. The following is a copy of the index of the family histories from both regions which give a very detailed view of what went on in the daily life at that time.

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31	Richard Parcels	do	M	61	M	do
32	Sarah Parcels	do	F	54	M	do
33	Sindarilla Parcels	do	F	17	S	do
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\*Not a family member

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9	John Livingston	do	M	12	S	do



Linda Murray receiving her award from Louise St. Denis at the OGS Seminar May 2003 in Cornwall

### Comments and Recommendations for Further Research

We can be reasonably sure that “**Mary Ann Who?**” was **Mary Ann Parcels** (or Partels, Parsells, etc.) born to Richard Parcels and Sarah Porter in Murray Township. Was she the same person as the Mary Ann listed as “Married”, presumably to Walter Parcels, in the 1851 census? Perhaps - that is an enigma for now. We would speculate that the Parcels and Porters may have been United Empire Loyalists, given their apparent very early arrival in the Bay of Quinte area. We would also suspect that Timothy Livingston may have been the son of Peter and Ann Livingston of Murray.

There are many possible avenues for further research to confirm and expand on the above information. In addition to searches for members of the Parcels, Porter and Livingston families in the 1861 and later census records for Murray Township, we would recommend searches of the death records, and subsequently the local newspapers (e.g. The Trenton Advocate) for obituaries, the Northumberland Co Estate files, the Crown and township land records, and the numerous Loyalist sources.

Genealogical research entails many hours searching all possible sources, often with disappointing results. Sometimes a record contains little useful information; sometimes a record just doesn't exist. On this problem we were not only very fortunate to find a key record (Mary Ann's marriage) quickly, but also to find such an exceptionally informative one. What if this record had not been found? We could still have pursued numerous

other sources - land records, probate records, church records ... . Or, as a different approach, we could have predicted Timothy and Mary Ann's origins based on the general patterns of settlement. Those in the “back townships” such as Dungannon, who were born in Ontario before about 1830, usually came from “The Front” - the townships along Lake Ontario. A search in the 1871 census index for other Livingstons born in Ontario before 1830 would have found several interesting possible connections in the Front, including Peter Livingston in Murray.

Genealogy is a puzzle which is never finished. We have solved Linda Murray's “Mary Ann Who?” problem but presented several new problems, including “Ann Who? Livingston”.

### Acknowledgments

A committee of Elayne Lockhart, Janice Nickerson and myself (D. Russell Morton) planned and executed the OCAPG Award program, with advice and suggestions from other OCAPG members.

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## More in the House! My Favourite Ancestor

By Xenia Stanford (nee Berger)

As my grandmother and her children crossed the railway tracks in Medicine Hat in 1918, the engineer leaned out the window and said “Boy you sure have a lot of children!” My grandmother tossed her head proudly and said, “There’s more in the house”.

This phrase typifies the spirit and personality of my paternal grandmother, Gertraud Niedermoser (1883-1967), my role model and favourite ancestor. She had 11 children of her own, still took in two nephews and several grandchildren to care for in her home. Never did she turn a friend or stranger away without serving them coffee or a meal. “Coffee” to her meant far more than a drink as the beverage was always served with sandwiches, cakes, pies or whatever baking was on hand. Even travelling salesmen and evangelical missionaries (no matter of what faith) were welcomed in and given a respite before continuing on their weary way.

Every special occasion, such as Christmas or Easter dinner, was marked with the setting of a plate for the “uninvited guest”. “Why do you want me to set an extra plate?” I would ask my grandmother. She would then tell me a story of a ragged man who went begging from door to door and was always turned away – just as was Mary and Joseph when they went seeking shelter one cold winter night. Finally one man offered the stranger some scraps from his table and the beggar revealed himself as Christ. “For so-ever as you treat your fellow man, shall you be treated in the hereafter” my grandmother would finish.

I often asked the question even after I knew the answer. My grandmother never minded. She loved to share stories, and her love for me, whom many found to be a difficult child, was never in short supply. There was always more where that came from, just as in spite of our humble means there was always shelter and food for anyone who came by. There were seldom fewer than 9 around our table and there was always room for more in the house.

At the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, my grandmother, Traudel as she was called, was a carefree young woman of 17. Not yet married she was a head-turner with her bright blue eyes and light brown hair. Unlike her older sisters she was not shy but bubbly and outgoing. She loved to dance and that is how she eventually

met my grandfather.

In 1905 Anton Berger was a musician playing at a dance in Kitzbuhel, Tirol, Austria when he saw this perky petite woman with sparkly eyes, a ready smile and lively footsteps as she danced. He asked for a break from playing his accordion to dance with her.

A short time later they married, to the chagrin of her former sweetheart Johann, who was away on his two-year compulsory army duty. When I visited Austria long after he had died, those who remembered him said he never married as he always said Traudel was his one true love.

A year after Anton and Gertraud were married, twins were born. One of them was Anton Berger Jr., who was to become my father. The other was Josef who died at 6 weeks of age.



Meanwhile my grandfather’s cousin was in Canada and constantly wrote of the wonders of the “new country” where one could obtain free land, “prove it” and in three years return to Austria with riches galore. My grandfather convinced my grandmother that this is what they should do. With promises of being back in Austria in three years and never having to worry about work or money again, they sold their house, which had been in my grandfather’s family for generations, and used the money to buy four tickets to Canada. Besides my grandparents and my father (just over one-year old at the time), my grandmother’s unmarried sister Ursula decided to accompany them. My grandmother tearfully said her goodbyes to her infant daughter who was only two months old as everyone said it was best to leave her with Traudel’s mother since the long trip would be too hard on such a young baby.

My grandmother was never to see her beloved “old country”, mother, siblings and other relatives again, except for the one sister that travelled with them and the baby daughter who came to Canada 40 years later. In Austria I met my grandmother’s youngest cousin who was only 6 at the time my grandparents left but she could vividly remember the big farewell party held for the adventurers before they set off by train to Antwerp to sail to Canada.

Like a dutiful wife my grandmother followed her husband’s dreams. Little did she know that he would have no interest or ability to take out a farm and “prove it”. He was a musician and a furniture-maker. My grand-

mother had worked as a cow herder in the Alps and as a farm labourer so she knew it was hard work.

After my grandfather had moved the family more than half a dozen times to different locations in B.C. and Alberta, he came in one day and said "Pack up the children and the wagon. We're moving back to Deer Park" (in B.C.). Finally my grandparents had taken out a homestead in Rocky Mountain House and built a house before his wanderlust struck again. My grandmother had just given birth to her 11<sup>th</sup> child and was not leaving the house and the farm. "You go!" she said this time with a defiant toss of the head. "The children and I are staying!"

My grandfather did leave and my grandmother remained on the farm breaking, ploughing and seeding the land as well as raising sheep, cattle, pigs and chickens. At one time she even cared for a neighbour's farm for a fee. My grandmother's farming provided all the food for the family and selling livestock, milk, butter, eggs and wool meant shoes and other necessities could be purchased. I still have a wool sweater my grandmother made for me. She took the wool she had sheared from one of the sheep, then carded, spun, dyed (burgundy - my favourite colour) and knit it to fit me (at age 10) perfectly.

My grandfather eventually returned, built a mill to grind grain for flour and feed, and cut lumber for sale. Today their youngest son, the one just a baby when my grandmother made her stand, owns and operates this farm.

We hear the stories of the men who came to settle this country but I believe it is women like my grandmother who planted the resilient roots. A reluctant but able and uncomplaining pioneer, my grandmother passed down her strength and generosity to five generations of descendants today.

#### AFHS Library DONATIONS

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Gordon Lane

School Days A Century of Memories

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Maple Grove Cemetery – Hazeldean, Ontario

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St. John's Cemetery, South March, Carlton County, Ontario

The Hazeldean Cemeteries, Goulbourn and March Townships, Ontario

Christ Church Anglican Cemetery, Carlton County, Ontario

Methodist Church Baptismal Records 1835-1897, Frontenac County, Ontario

Virden Cemetery, Virden, Manitoba

The Virden Story

The McCabe List, Early Irish in the Ottawa Valley

## **N**ames from AFHS Library Books

**Memoirs of the Ghost Pine Homesteaders**, compiled by the Ghost Pine Community Group and printed by Capital Printers, Three Hills, Alberta, 1954. Catalogue # 971.23 GHOS.

The Ghost Pine district in Alberta lies near the junction of the Ghost Pine Creek and the Red Deer River. It is about 60 miles northeast of Calgary, situated between Three Hills and Munson. Did anyone from your family homestead in that area?

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# The Identity of Dorathy McKenzie

By Robert Bruce McKenzie

On and Off, I have searched 8 or 9 years for specifics about my second greats. My great grandfather Hugh briefly described leaving home with his parents;

‘This will be a record to show the time that D McKenzie and family left Oldshoremore in the Parish of Kinlochbervie, Lord Reays Country, Sutherlandshire Scotland’ - with margin notes - ‘left home May and landed in Pictou 16 July 1847’. Also noted, in another hand, ‘his mother died 10 Oct 1856 Her name was Dorathy McKenzie’.

This is the Search for DORATHY.

The 1841 census of Oldshoremore lists the family of Donald McKenzie, Dorathy McKenzie, Hugh and identifies three sisters; Ketty, Barbara and Mary. Ages to the lowest five years, place the birth of the second greats at 1789 plus or minus 2 years.

Oldshoremore in Eddrachillis, as is Kinlochbervie, is on the far northwest Atlantic coast of Scotland, and 25 miles south of the North Sea. It was in the gaelic speaking McKay country, of Lord Reay which comprised in early times about a third of Sutherland. The NW coastal area was sparsely populated, rough, rugged terrain without roads as such and a sometime bitter climate. This is the area to which many retreated from the clearances of more arable land. Its economy, such as it was, was based on kelping and fishing. It was and is the picturesque outback of the Highlands, with a deeply incised coastline, and numerous streams and lochs. It was not the classic Highland Glen of lower Strathmore in Durness, or of Kildonan where broader valleys of larger streams were separated by rolling hills.

The Parish of Kinlochbervie was one of the so called Quod Sacra Parishes identified by the Synod as a parish only for purposes of worship. The rites of baptism and marriage were expected to be performed at a neighboring Parish Seat such as Durness where records were being kept. Consequently, in roadless rugged terrain, where irregular marriages were not uncommon; baptism was no longer a novelty after the first or second born; many were neglected. So not only are there missing records, many were never made, even later ones made by traveling clerics or junior incumbents required transcription. Out of sequence entries result and there is a likelihood some were lost.

I have not found a marriage record for Donald/Dorathy; and not too surprising, there are many Donalds, few Dorathys. Nor is there a Hugh, born of Donald in a realistic time frame or one to support his birth date shown on the Manitoba census. Surprisingly however by about 1820 the record system of the Quods became tabulated by community location and often included birth as well as baptism and so contain more information than the traditional line by line entry.

There are anomalies in the birth records for the three sisters of Hugh born in this period. Donald is the father of all three, Dorathy is the mother of record for the first and last born girls, Eury is recorded as the mother in between.

Mary appears christened the same day she was born The chosen name for the first girl is the Eke, or nickname Ketty, usually reserved for an elder. It was short for Katharine, but in this case used for a child, presumably because the father’s mother was yet alive in 1823 at 52 years or so of age. A Kat McKay baptized in the northwest part of Lairg in 1771 and known variously as Ketty and Katie is thought to be the mother of Donald.

The name Eury seems to be unique to the Durness area in mainland Scotland. It was used mostly by McKays and McLeods. Of the 13 or so Eury records only one is entered for MacKenzie. Although it is recorded as the alternate gaelic name, it is the date for Dorathy wife of Donald. There are marriage and baptism records for the family of her parents John MacKenzie and Barbara MacLeod who lived in Strathmore - a parish of mature population in a classical setting of the ‘Highland Glen’. Eury was the mother’s name of record used at the baptism of Hugh’s second sister called Barbara!; i.e. the same as the mother’s mother. It turns out the name Mary,

chosen for the third sister of Hugh, was the same name as the oldest sister of Eury - and so another of the traditional highland naming patterns was in place.

Much earlier I had noted that the entry following Donald/Dorathy and family on the 1841 census was a Barbara McLeod age 80, tenant. I did so simply because it was adjacent and she was living with two McKenzie women. One researcher in Scotland, who descends from John and Barbara noted on his web-published pedigree, a reference on the 1826 Tenant List of Oldshoremore. Barbara MacLeod was cited there as the widow of John MacKenzie and living with her youngest son Angus (born 1804), from whom he descends, together with two unidentified females. It just so happens, the approximate ages of the two McKenzie women identified by name on the census, as Effre and Lexina, fit neatly in the seven year gap in the family of John and Barbara, between Marion 1895 and Wilhelmina 1802. The family had been cleared from Strathmore and ended up in Oldshore. To me, it all seems to tie together.

Still what I needed was a translatable reference for the baptism record of 1789 for Vear' \ alias Eury, as Dorathy. The 'Tilde' and forward slash is as close as I can represent from a keyboard a thorn overwritten by a 'yogh' two characters of old english which written together perhaps identify the soft sound of the suffix 'thy' pronounced 'thee'

I subscribe to a quarterly "Celtic Heritage" published in Halifax for Cape Breton lore. I asked a Donald MacDonald who advocates Gaelic as a second language[!], about Vear-\ alias Eury, He excused himself from very much knowledge of Gaelic names but suggested there was a professional genealogist on the Isle of Harris in the outer Hebrides, one Bill Lawson, who might help me. I e-mailed him.

He wrote back he could see no correlation or translation of Vear-\ for Dorathy. He added, however, that E-o-r-y, pronounced "Yawri " was fairly common in the Parish of Uig in the West of Lewis,

#### **AND WAS TRANSLATED DORATHY!**

AND there's icing on the Cake!

John Thomson, the English schooled minister of the Kirk of Scotland in Durness set out to preserve some vestige of the Gaelic culture of his congregation by using "phonetic patronymics" in his records. His unique rendition of the OPR offers some success for more positive identification, of who was who, within the environment of limited vocabulary of both first names and family names. For example, in his records for the family of John Mackenzie he records John's gaelic alias. He entered John's name [in writing but without the commas] as "John MacKenzie alias MacHustian, m cinis h, ic ein, icen i ch" - this writing is interpreted to be MacHustian, McNish, IcEin IcEnich or Son of Hugh, son of Angus, son of Ein or John, son of Kenneth. For Barbara, the entry Nin Nis' Bhain MacLeod represents Barbara, daughter of Angus 'the fair' MacLeod. Five generations further back - about a hundred years - circa 1650.

AND as well - There are at least four candles in the icing, two known lines in Scotland descend from Angus, their youngest; one line in Regina Sask., descends from Mary their oldest; one here in Calgary from Eury, with the distinct possibility of another in Virginia USA. There are leads to a sixth in Nova Scotia.

Further, in email discussion of some of this with a member of the Sutherland mail list, he asked if I was referring to the family of Donald McKenzie, Dorathy McKenzie, Hugh, Kate, Barbara and Mary. I picked up on his use of Kate for the daughter christened as Ketty, and referred to in five other references that I have for her as Catherine, that he was using a reference that was unknown to me. He was indeed!

His reference was from the Sutherland Estate papers which recorded the passenger list of the Brig SIRIUS on its voyage to Pictou from Wick on the east coast of Sutherland to Loch Laxford [five miles south of Oldshoremore] 29th May 1847, together with the allowances made for Food, Clothing and Head Money. Our McKenzie ancestors are recorded as passengers numbered 60 thru 65 on the list of 83. From Hugh's record they landed at Pictou 19 July 1847.

DONALD located in the electoral district of Cape John in Pictou County, Nova Scotia. When surveyed as a 100 acre lot, the tract of land became identified as Lot II of the 4th Division of the Milnes Estate. HUGH married Catherine McDonald d/o John McDonald of Rogers Hill in 1852. DORATHY passed away in October 1856. Donald deeded an undivided half interest in the farm to his three daughters in 1858. Ketty married a Donald(w) McKenzie in 1869. Barbara is thought to have married a miner by the name of Bums. Hugh, Catherine and family were recorded on the 1881 Census of Manitoba. Mary married Allan Mitchell in 1874, a miner who died in

a mining accident within the year. Mary died from Phythys, (TB) in 1877. DONALD passed away in 1879. The farm was held by descendants of Donald(w) McKenzie until 1933.

Known descendants of DONALD McKenzie and DORATHY MacKenzie from HUGH McKenzie are located in Ottawa, Toronto, Calgary, Canmore, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Abbotsford, Williams Lake, Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle, California and North Dakota.

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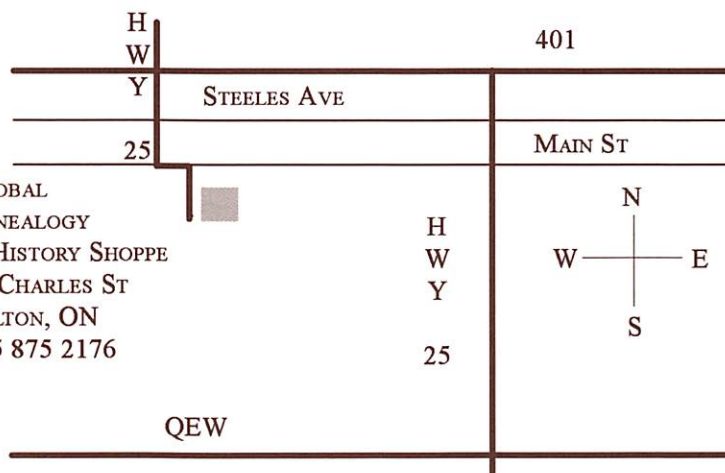
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# Are You A Family Tree Climber?

by Sudie Bill Mumford

In a recent article in the NGS Quarterly, "Genealogy in the Information Age", (Volume 1, number 3, December 2003) Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FNGS, FASG, author of "Evidence", outlines the history of genealogical research and the struggle to have it recognized as a scholarly discipline. One of the contributing factors to the low regard in which genealogists are held is the quality of the research that has appeared in the past and is still appearing today.

In the article, Mills divides today's genealogical researchers into three groups, the Traditionalist, the Generational Historian, and the Family Tree Climber.

*The Traditionalists have a sound knowledge of sources, carefully document and analyze their evidence, but produce a genealogy that rarely reflects anything concerning the way the families actually lived.*

*The Generational Historian follow similar procedures to the Traditionalist but once having established the identities and relationships they seek out further information on the economic, religious, legal, social, and cultural conditions that existed in the various localities that can cast some light on how family members lived. With this information they can then portray, with some accuracy, the lives of those individuals.*

*The third, and by far the largest, group of researchers are the Family Tree Climbers. Enthusiastic but unencumbered by any knowledge of how to do genealogical research they accept information from any source without question. They assume since it has been published, in book form or on the web, it must be true.*

Much of the questionable genealogical research appearing today can be found on the Internet. While the bulk of it can be attributed to the Family Tree Climber's lack of knowledge some of the responsibility lies with the software they are using. Today, many researchers fail to realize that the majority of the available programs were originally developed to record the results of the research only. While these conclusional type programs have been greatly modified over the years, they often fail to provide fields for the argumentation supporting assertions and an adequate number of fields for source documentation. Their strengths lie in other areas.

The conclusional program requires the user to select a name for the proband, i.e. the person in focus, before sufficient evidence to identify that person with any certainty has been collected. This creates immediate difficulties as it is not unusual for persons to change their name a number of times during their lifetime. Since the establishment of the life span is critical in any genealogical search, each bit of evidence should indicate the name at that time. These items of evidence also require not only a date and location but also the recording of any information pertinent to the event as well as the researcher's comments. A similar situation occurs with the documentation of sources. Not only must all identifying information be recorded but the researcher must also record all the information found in the source along with an evaluation based on their experience as well as any historical information that may have a bearing on the evaluation of the reliability of the source. The shortcomings of these programs are of little concern for most researchers, as they, of necessity, have maintained copious notes in some type of filing system. It is only when they attempt to publish their research that care must be taken to ensure that everything is properly documented.

It would be unfair to blame the software developers for the deficiencies we find in most of today's programs. As is the case with any commercial product, genealogical software is designed to meet the perceived needs of consumer. In this case, the majority of the consumers are Family Tree Climbers. With little or no understanding of research procedures, they are willing to accept any software that has been promoted as suitable for recording their data. What they do request however are fancier charts, links to on-line name indices, data sharing features, and many other items that are secondary to the primary purpose of genealogical research. As a result, the upgrades to existing software are devoted to these features.

Early genealogical software, developed in the mid 1980s, were largely simplistic programs recording only birth, death, and marriage dates and locations as well as a few notes. There were no provisions for sources or argumentation. A few more powerful programs were available but they required powerful, and therefore more expensive, computers. As a result, the simplistic programs, being less expensive and using the less powerful computers, proliferated. When the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints developed the GEDCOM data transfer specification it was based on the simplistic type of program. As the capabilities of these programs increased GEDCOM was upgraded as well. In 1995, the current version, 5.5, was released. It provides minimal support for source documentation but otherwise is capable of supporting today's conclusional programs, most of which have adopted the minimal GEDCOM specifications as their standard for source documentation support. Unfortunately, GEDCOM has never been able to accommodate the more advanced programs. While the developers of these programs have implemented GEDCOM, much of the information they record cannot be transferred.

The limitations of GEDCOM must also take some of the blame for much of the poor quality of the research we find on the Web today. Many of the conclusional programs can create web pages and many other developers have created software to create web pages using a GEDCOM file as the source of the information. With the argumentation supporting the assertions missing and inadequately cited sources, the information found on these web sites becomes suspect. This does not discourage the Family Tree Climbers however, who will often accept it as gospel without even bothering to contact the researcher for additional information.

If the quality of published research is to improve, two events must take place, the quality of our software must improve, and a new data transfer specification must be developed. Because the development of software is based on customer demand, the quality of our programs will improve if we, the users, demand it. Lack of demand for quality software has already led to the demise of a number of programs. In 2000, one major developer was distributing five programs, which included one of the most powerful on the market. Today, that program and three of the others have been consigned to the bit bucket. The company now markets a single basic program aimed at the Tree Climber. A similar situation exists with respect to the badly needed replacement for GEDCOM. The few users who are currently demanding the developers do something in this regard have been told by developers that since there are few complaints, relative to the number of users, they see no need to expend any efforts in this direction.

Let your developer know of any problems you discover in their software and suggest, tactfully of course, the modifications that could be made to improve the quality of their product. Unless we, the Traditionalist and Generational Historians, take some action, our software will continue to be useful to only the Family Tree Climbers.

*About the author:*

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The index of this book shows how wide-ranging it is, not only in terms of the different locations of the graveyards but also the names of many interesting people. Even if your family isn't mentioned in it, you will see many familiar names such as William Aberhart, Nicholas De Grandmaison and even Sam McGee.

The author traveled through the province visiting graveyards and the book is divided into sections which include stories about babies, catastrophes, soldiers, immigration and settlement. There is a funny side and a section about change. In the alphabetical index one will find many familiar names. Lastly, Ms. Millar offers helpful advice on how to explore a graveyard. This most enjoyable book is available in our AFHS Library

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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the members of the Alberta Family Histories Society will be held on Monday, May 3, 2004 at 7:15 p.m. MDT at First Christian Reformed Church, 3818 14A Street S.W., Calgary, Alberta, for the following purposes:

1. to receive the Society's annual audited financial report;
2. to receive reports from various committees and special interest groups;
3. to consider, and if thought fit, to pass a Special Resolution to make changes to the Society's Bylaws;
4. to elect officers for the ensuing year;
5. to appoint an auditor and authorize the Board of Directors to fix the auditor's remuneration;
6. to transact such other business required under the Bylaws and as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof

The changes to the Bylaws will:

1. Donate any unspent funds from sponsoring a casino to the Glenbow Museum, if the Alberta Family Histories Society is dissolved.
2. Establish rules governing a Memorial Fund.

No other part of the Bylaws is affected.

Copies of the proposed changes to the Bylaws may be viewed at the Society's Library at 712 16th Avenue N.W. during Library Open Hours from 1 April 2004 to 3 May 2004 inclusive.

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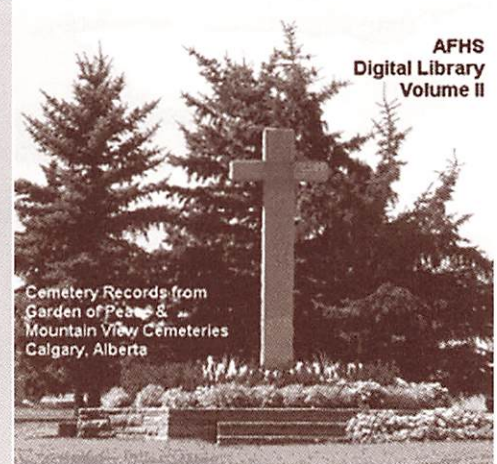
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By the time you read this the following names shall have been presented to the current Board of Directors and to a general meeting.

However I wanted to bring to your attention the option the members of the Society have.

Gordon Lane  
Vice Chair

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From the By-Laws

An Ad Hoc Nominating Committee shall:

Present a slate of nominees for elected offices to a Board of Directors Meeting and to a General Meeting, both at least one month prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Nominations of candidates for the Board of Directors also may be made by voting members of the Society other than The Nominating Committee. Such nominations shall be submitted in writing to the Chair of the Nominating Committee of the Society not later than fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting, and must bear the signatures of two (2) members in good standing in the Society, as well as the signature of the nominee attesting to the acceptance of his/her nomination, as well as the office for which they are nominated.

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### Nominations presented to the Board of Directors

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### Brian W. Hutchison Genealogical Scholarship

The Alberta Family Histories Society is pleased to announce the availability of the Brian W. Hutchison Genealogical Scholarship. The Scholarship is made available through the generous endowment of Brian W. Hutchison, professional genealogist, founder and proprietor of Gen-Find Research Associates of Nanaimo, BC and a long time member of AFHS.

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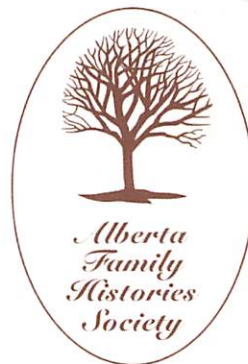
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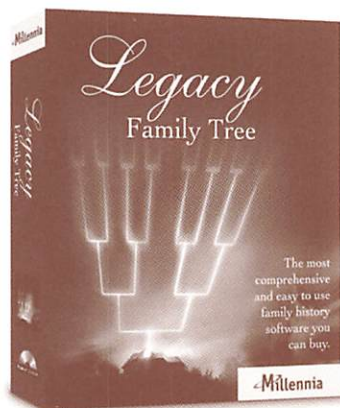
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