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# Jacksonville Public Library Genealogy Newsletter

"There are only two lasting bequests we can give our children - one is roots, and the other, wings." -- **S. Hodding**

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## Events

### June 14

#### *Using the Family History Center*

Learn about the Family History Center Library of the Latter-Day Saints located in Salt Lake City, Utah. The Family History Center (FHC) is an excellent genealogical online resource for information such as vital records, census data, family pedigree, land records, and many other record types. Search the FHC online library catalog to see their vast microfilm holdings and learn how to order microfilm via the Jacksonville Public Library. The class is on June 14th from 11:00 a.m - 12:00 p.m. in the Electronic Classroom on the 1st floor of the Main Library, 303 N. Laura Street. Seating is limited. Please call 630-2409 to reserve your space.

### June 14

On Saturday, June 14th, The Southern Genealogist's Exchange Society, Inc. hosts guest speaker Mrs. Shannon Palmer at 10:15 a.m. at the Mandarin Regional Library, 3330 Kori Road, Jacksonville. Mrs. Palmer is a retired mortician from Louisiana. Prior to her work in the funeral

industry, Shannon spent many years in education and nonprofit work. In 2007, she founded CRPT (Cemetery Recovery and Preservation Trust of Jacksonville, Inc.). Shannon has been able to turn her passion for all-things-funerary into an invaluable community resource directly impacting the Old City Cemetery. Shannon's topic is "Tales of Working with the Silent." Free & open to the public with light refreshments served. More information: 778-1000 or email: publicity@sgejax.com.

### June 21

The monthly meeting of the Jacksonville Genealogical Society will be held June 21, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. in the Webb-Wesconnett Library, 6887 103<sup>rd</sup> Street, Jacksonville, FL. The speaker will be Ann Staley, Certified Genealogist, with a new program "Heritage Quest Online - The Ins and Outs." Ann will help you in your exploration of Heritage Quest. For further information, please contact Mary Chauncey at 7682-9300.

## Genealogy Collection Volunteer Awarded "Volunteer of the Quarter" Award



We are pleased to announce that Patricia McCullough was selected as the Library's Volunteer of the Quarter. Patricia volunteers in the Genealogy department of the Main Library. She initially volunteered because she wanted to help make the 1945 Florida State Census more accessible to others. In addition to the hundreds of hours she has contributed to the 1945 Florida State Census indexing project, Patricia has worked with Genealogy and the African American Collection staff to highlight the resources of the Special Collections department through a series of creative displays. Her enthusiasm is contagious and she has encouraged others to volunteer more.

## New Materials

### *Bounty and donation land grants in British colonial America - Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck*

Publisher: Genealogical Pub. Co.

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ISBN: 9780806317809

ISBN-10: 0806317809



This work lists soldiers of the British Crown who were awarded land in the colonies as inducement or reward for their military service.

All 6,500 soldiers known to have received land grants for their participation in the numerous conflicts with the French and their Indian allies, as well as in various colonial insurrections, are listed here with details of their place and dates of service, rank, military campaigns, location of bounty land grants and donation land grants, acreage, and, most importantly, assignment of title to heirs, relatives, and friends.

Geographical coverage includes Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Nova Scotia, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Florida.

### ***Indian Tribes of Hudson's River : To 1700 - Ruttenber, Edward Manning***

**Publisher:** Hope Farm Pr

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 7/1/1992

**ISBN:** 9780910746984

**ISBN-10:** 0910746982

*Indian Tribes of Hudson's river to 1700* provides a detailed look at the social structures and the various cultures of the tribes that inhabit New York and the adjacent areas.

Originally published in 1872 by E. M. Ruttenber, it is now in it's third reprinting of the facsimile in 2001 and consists of two volumes, which Jacksonville Public Library has both Volume I and II.

Beginning with Henry Hudson's anchoring at the mouth of what is now Hudson River in 1609, the book documents Indian interactions with, and observations by, the English, Dutch and French that came to the river to explore and settle. While the viewpoint is more from the European observer, it gives good descriptions of the social, political and geographic location details of the tribes.

### **Spotlight on the Collection**

### ***The German element in St. Louis : a translation from German of Ernst D. Kargau's St. Louis in former years : a commemorative history of the German element - edited by Don Heinrich Tolzmann ; translated by William G. Bek***

**Publisher:** Printed for Clearfield Co. by Genealogical Pub. Co.

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 1/1/2000

**ISBN:** 9780806349503

**ISBN-10:** 0806349506



Edited by Don Heinrich Tolzmann, this book provides a historical glimpse into early St. Louis and its Germanic heritage. It opens with the editor's introduction and notes describing the purpose of the work and its relationship to the earlier edition. The work imparts nostalgic insight and perhaps some degree of sentiment into the German-American heritage and its significance in 19<sup>th</sup> Century St. Louis. This can be seen via narrative accounts throughout. One example of this is the depiction of city streets:

"For a number of years the offices of real estate agents were located on Chestnut, Pine and Eight Street between Market and Olive Streets. In the fifties and sixties their number was relatively small. While a few were scattered here and there, the majority were located on Chestnut, which could justly be considered the center of the real estate business. James H.

Lucas could have been the most important real estate man of that time. The reason why he was not was due to the fact that he could not bear the idea of disposing of his possessions. It was quite an effort for him to sell any of them..."

The work also reveals other facets of German-American life in St. Louis. These include social, religious, and business elements.

In the closing pages of the text, the editor includes an alphabetical name index with corresponding pages numbers. He also provides a bibliography of additional resources for further study into the German influence in Missouri. As most will agree, an important key to conducting genealogical research is to place your ancestors in context of geography and history. Learning the histories and historic significance of places such as, towns, cities, and counties will greatly enhance the research process. Furthermore, it may lead to other valuable resources that readily may not be known.

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