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BRANCH MEETINGS

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5410 – 36 Ave

BRANCH NEWS.

Elections: February 20, 2018 – Election of officers will be held at the annual meeting.

GenFair: Will be held on April 21 at Camrose. It could hardly be handier for members of our Branch! Watch for more information from AGS.

Canada 150 Youth Genealogy Project

Patty Caputo was asked to be Youth Co-ordinator for this AGS project. To our delight she accepted! This is her report.

Ed.

As Youth Coordinator I attended the 2017 fall AGS workshop along with our representative, Alice Hoyle. After spending the weekend immersed in brainstorming one of the ideas coming out of the workshop was a poster entitled "How My Ancestor Came to Canada". I was pretty excited about this idea but wanted to add a Christmas twist, since I knew we'd have to push our project late into the year.

So, after more discussions, which eventually led to including the Youth Leaders at my church, the "twist" became "*My Family's Journey to Canada (and the Christmas Tradition / Recipe/poem/story that continues in our family)*". (continued on page 4)

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4904 – 51 Street
Available during Archives Hours:
Wed. 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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FAMILY DISCOVERY CENTER

LDS Church
5410 – 36 Avenue, Wetaskiwin
Wednesdays:
10:00 am – 3:00 pm & 6:30 – 8:00 pm

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EDITOR'S CORNER

Sharon Aney

A few months ago I decided to tidy up my own historical documentation. My parents had told me that there was a bit of an issue over the name they had given me. Apparently the Ukrainian Catholic priest thought that "Sharon" was not the name of a Saint, and that it was not appropriate for me to be baptised with that name. So I was baptised "Joan".

However I had no record of the baptism certificate. Since church pastors are required to forward a copy of sacraments to the bishop's office I contacted the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy office in Saskatoon. It had a record of my Confirmation as "Joanna" on August 11 of the year I was born. It stated that I was born on January 6 and that that I had been baptised on January 11, "according to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church". Hmm.

I contacted the Roman Catholic Diocese Archives in Saskatoon to see if they had a record of which church I had been baptised in. They found no record of a baptism for me.

So I contacted the Roman Catholic parish in the town where I was born. It had a record that I was baptised on January 11 with my name "Sharon". Aha! So the name confusion arose at Confirmation... and that was what was remembered! I asked for a copy of the baptism certificate ... which showed that the sacrament had been administered at St. Elizabeth Hospital. (That was a "aha" moment for the archivist at the diocese... apparently hospital baptisms were in a separate register for some years and had not been forwarded to the diocese.)

The Archivist also discovered that although I had walked down the aisle of St. Mary's Church, my marriage was recorded at St. Ignatius Church by the priest who served both parishes. It seems that even if policies and procedures are in place, accurate documentation still depends on the human beings involved.

MEETING PROGRAMS

SEPTEMBER, 2017

1) Carole Koop told about her personal goal to create an album that will be the story of her life. She outlined how she came up with the project; how the project has evolved over the years, and how she determined the format she was going to use. Carole's enthusiasm for her work on the album she has created was very inspiring. Thanks for sharing with us, Carole.

2) Claudia Malloch gave a presentation How to Access information now that we are no longer able to order microfilms from the Family History Library . She gave us very good information about what is available at FamilySearch.org as well as suggesting how to find out what has been digitized and available to us right now. Very informative! A good question and answer session followed this presentation.

OCTOBER, 2017

1) Rachel Knudsen, City of Wetaskiwin Archives: Rachel outlined her vision of the proposed project between our branch members and the City Archives. A possible Volume IV of Siding 16 would start with events in 1994 and moving forward to the present day. This will be a long-term project, with interested branch members researching various topics suggested by Rachel. A sign-up sheet was available for those who wish to participate.

2) Patty Caputo, Youth Coordinator – Patty told us about the sessions she had attended at the AGS Retreat – specifically devoted to introducing youth to family history and genealogy. AGS received a grant from the Canada 150 fund, and in order to fulfil the grant obligations, each branch has to complete our 2017 project by the end of this year. Patty and her grandson Jason, displayed and spoke about the poster boards they had created after researching their first family member to arrive in Canada. An excellent presentation by Patty and Jason, and their enthusiasm was inspiring. Patty provided sheets of information, and encouraged all of our members to work on their own "Family Journey" project and to bring them to the LDS Church on December 9th, to share with everyone.

NOVEMBER, 2017

1) Laythan Koop – Genealogy for Youth. In a Power Point presentation he told of his Jorgensen ancestor who came from Norway. He outlined the journey that his ancestor took; showed us numerous photos of the family and how they celebrated their ancestors. He had also prepared a very detailed display board that we could examine. A great presentation; full of information and enthusiasm. Following Laythan's presentation, Patty Caputo presented Laythan Koop and Jason Dick with Canada 150 Youth Project certificates.

2) Military Memories – Several of the branch members displayed and recounted the experiences their family members had encountered during their military years. Lee told about the recent trip he, Carole and their grandson Laythan took to Ottawa during the November 11th weekend, and showed us some of the military memorials they saw. Branch members Rosella, Pam, Patty, Carole, Claudia and Alice, and guest Dan DeWolf all gave presentations about their family members who had served both recently, and in the American Civil War, plus WWI and WWII, as well as being part of the UN Peacekeeping Force in Egypt. Some members also had the medals awarded to family members, along with recognition certificates; plaques, photos etc.

CANADA 150 YOUTH GENEALOGY PROGRAM...continued from Page 1 Patty Caputo

Once the idea developed, the rest just came together.

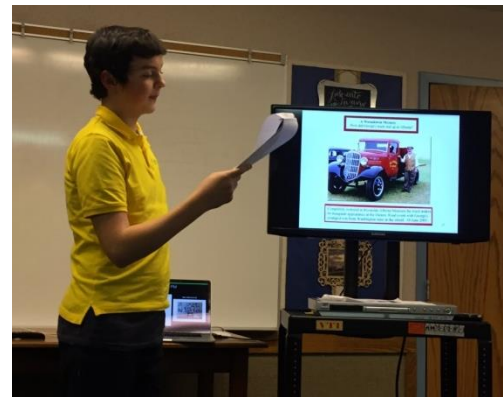
The project was introduced to members of the Wetaskiwin Branch on October 17, 2017. I brought the box of books received from AGS through the Canada 150 grant, and showed them to the members. I had created a poster, as a sample, and presented my ancestor to the group.



Jason Dick, my 13 year old grandson, presented his poster of an early ancestor. He was witty and well spoken, and his love of family history was very apparent. After much hand shaking, and congratulations, Jason exclaimed "I love this! Where do I sign up?" And so the Wetaskiwin Branch will have its first youth member in January 2018.

After this meeting, Jason and I attended 3 separate youth activities, presenting a story from the AGS book box, our posters and a treat from a recipe of our ancestor, to introduce the project and encourage the youth to participate. It was decided to invite the LDS youth groups to participate as well, to increase the potential number of youth who might participate. In addition a written "project guidelines" sheet was provided for all prospective participants to elicit enthusiasm for the project.

At our next meeting on November 21, 13 year old Laythan Koop, grandson of Branch members Lee and Carole Koop, presented his early ancestor. His presentation was fantastic! He created a Power Point Presentation, along with Dialogue Cards that kept everyone on the edge of their seats, right to the unveiling of his beautiful poster. His presentation was informative, humorous and touching! Well done Laythan!!



The final date for the activity was December 9, 2017. Display tables and tripods were setup, along with Christmas décor, to complement the variety of posters and displays that would be brought. At this activity no formal presentations were made, but attendees were invited to sample the dishes brought and enjoy the posters. Seven youth brought posters and 12 adults participated by bringing posters, food, or display items.

In total, 9 youth and 12 adults participated in the project for 187 hours. Some worked together on their projects, some alone. Some adults brought goodies from recipes passed down from their ancestors along with a poster, and some brought goodies alone. All submissions were thoroughly enjoyed!

"Spending time learning about our ancestors was a great way to feel the Christmas Spirit!" was a sentiment expressed by several participants.

LIVING ABROAD

Bob Maynard

My parents Bill & Alberta (Haffenden) Maynard lived in West Africa from 1949 to 1958. Dad was a building inspector in London, England during the Second World War and in 1949 he got a job in Nigeria working for Unilever, a large building company.

Mom was always referred to as "Haffie", although she signed most letters "Girly". On almost a daily basis, she wrote letters to her family back home. She asked that the letters be saved, in the hope that she might write a book about her new life. She was not able to do that, but her letters have been passed along to me.

Never having travelled too much, this was a great adventure for our family. Dad went to West Africa in April 1949. Mom and my brother, David (9) and I (3) followed 6 months later. This is a letter written by my mother in January 1950 to her Aunt Edie. It is a look into what our life was like then.



Jan, 1950
C/O G.C.N.T. Box 51
Takoradi, W.Africa

I thought I would try and describe a little of our new life and surroundings. It is far beyond my expectations. So different to what we imagine it in England. Of course, we are very fortunate in being right on the coast and Takoradi is a nice town. We sighted our flats on the horizon when at sea, several on the boat knew them and pointed out our new home. It was strange seeing a new home in a new country, while still on the boat.



Bill came out in a launch to meet us with customs officials as he knows most of them. This all seems quite long ago as we feel so at home and all has been so pleasant. The flats are over the shops (all belonging to the United Africa Company). Most concerns out here are theirs altho in different names.

We live on first floor. We have very large lounge and dining room combined (24 feet by 16 feet) with three big French doors opening out and overlooking the harbour. Even when sitting down, you see it all and it is a fine sight, especially at night with all the ships lit up.

Sometimes there are as many as 20 ships in and around the harbour. We have a large pantry with frig and electric cooker, if I want to cook, then kitchen and a big balcony for the "boys" (natives). The cook uses a big range and burns nothing but wood. Then we have two large bedrooms, each with their own big bathroom.

We also have two store cupboards about 6 feet square. The coast bends round and so we can still see the sea from the back windows which also overlook the golf course. Everything is provided by the firm (all free) except towels. It is all good taste, china etc. all very nice.

Bill's office is attached to this block also. He has a typist, draughtsman and driver. I have a cook and a house boy. They speak pigeon English. It can be very amusing. The houseboy was in the Army and so he knows more English. There is quite a big space at the back of us, then a double story building, with balcony, where all the boys from the flats have their own rooms. They eat all the natural foods. All mixed and pounded up. They put it in any old tin or bowl and eat with their fingers except a few who have acquired spoons. They eat coconuts before the nut has hardened and scoop that out also with fingers.

Mr. Nicolson a bachelor lives there all alone. It is the type of house you see in films but do not expect in reality. The kitchen and tiled pantries are nice too. It will have cost nearly 5,000 pounds to build. Upstairs each has bathroom and dressing room. Lovely fitted wardrobes, all open out onto balconies and there is a most charming study.

Bill has a few more calls to make and then we picked up Awonie and started back about 3 pm. It feels much hotter in the inland places. Even so it was pleasant driving along the shady roads. Instead of seeing one road man-you see about 12 working together and a group to about every six miles. They have groups too working in open spaces and on little hills cutting the grass to keep insects down. They have one man with a big round seed thing which he shakes as a rattle and keeps time and then the men all slash great machetes about and work in rhythm. Seems so funny. They usually go easy. Towards the end of the day- go faster. Suppose they find they haven't done enough.

We stopped at one village to buy fruit. Awonie wouldn't buy bananas, he said "No dee (meaning, no good) two dear, only two a penny. He got some lovely oranges though. The ones we have here all very sweet and seedless.

Awonie is very fond of palm wine. The trees are cut and the pure wine (very strong) is drained from the tree. On these trees there is a very large fruit about the size of two heads. They are covered with spikes just like a hedgehog and then between the spikes it is covered with nuts like a large acorn but in bright red and brown. The effect is most peculiar.

Awonie was keen on buying one of these so when we met 2 men carrying four between them he got out of the car and did some bargaining. 7 pence was the cheapest and Awonie had only 6. We both looked for small change and had only 6 1/2. The fruit was already in the car but they wouldn't sell for that -1/2 less so they took it out again. Then I found a penny in bottom of my bag so we had the palm nut. The cook used some of it to make palm soup. It was lovely. Robert loves

it and got it all over his face. When cooking it is more the colour of curry with red dots in it.

In the villages the people are all sitting about and we saw one group of men sitting under a palm shelter playing a game which looked like draughts. Don't know what it is called. It is funny when you want to overtake a mammy truck (these are like lorries) with boards across for seats and they just crowd onto them. Instead of leaving it to the driver to beckon you on you see a mass of black hands and arms waving on, regardless of what traffic there might be.

We arrived home about 5:30 and the children had been good and enjoyed their day. Can't think of any more interesting things on this trip.....
(no signature)

1949 was our first Christmas in Takoradi ...we wrote a "Happy Xmas" wish in the sand.



For the next ten years, we would all be in a different world than what we had been used to. David and I went to boarding schools in England, seeing our parents only at school holiday times, or when they came to England on annual leave.

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### **GENEALOGY IN THE MORNING, Oct. 14, 2017**

Many thanks to Alice, Mavis & Carole for donating their time and talents to share the fruits of their experience in making excellent presentations on: LDS Resources, Homestead Records and Tips on Beginning Genealogy. 12 people attended, most of them new to genealogy research. They were excited to learn that there were resources available to follow their new hobby. The Heritage Museum was an excellent venue for the day, and received donations in the vicinity of \$100.00, in addition to our Branch's donation for use of the facility.

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*"I didn't attend the funeral,
but I sent a nice letter saying I approved of it." -Mark Twain*

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## RESEARCH REQUESTS:

### Leroy Koop Re: Katherine Wilkins (1868-1942)

Summary from April 2017 issue: In January 2017 the Wetaskiwin Branch of the AGS received a request through our website from Jan Krijff of Hemmstede, Netherlands. He was looking for assistance in obtaining a photograph of "Kathleen" Wilkins, the wife of Ernest Drummond-Hay Wilkins, a prominent lawyer in the City of Wetaskiwin. (see former article). I closed my file.



Continued: On October 29 Jan sent an email to my personal account, stating that he had not received any emails from our branch, but had learned of my Wilkins family research from our April 2017 newsletter online and really wanted to know what I had discovered.

Jan provided some details as to what he was doing. He was writing a book on Helena Bossevain, a young lady from the Netherlands who immigrated to Canada in the 1890's and had befriended "Kathleen". Jan is basing his story on letters received and/or written by Helena. The letters always referred to a "Kathleen". Also noted was that "Kathleen's" first child was born in Calgary in 1892. I replied with an email attaching the portrait photos you see here, a collage of the four oldest children and my research notes. Their oldest son, Reginald, was born in Calgary in 1892.



On October 31, Jan replied: "The information that you have provided below has definitely closed my search....The photographs are terrific, and I have been in touch with the City with regard to the rules about the use of them. I do plan to use them in the book, if I can. Many, many thanks."

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Alice Hoyle: 3 following reports

Re: Harry Rix:

I received in the mail, a printed copy of our website enquiry form: "A family from Sweden is looking for any information re: Harry Rix, married to Esther, five children – married in 1954. Esther was a teacher – a distant relative of Tommy Bjorkudd, Umea, Sweden". The request was mailed from Sherwood Park by someone named Irene Johnstone. Since Esther was my Grade 2 teacher, I knew her as Miss Engbloom. The Harry Rix family farmed south of Wetaskiwin and was listed in the "Pioneer Pathways" local history book. I was told by one of our branch members that Harry and Esther had moved to Wetaskiwin, and I found a phone number for them. I was going to forward photocopies from the "Pioneer Pathways" book to Sweden, along with the wedding notice that was in the Wetaskiwin Times when Harry and Esther got married (I had this because my Mother had clipped it from the newspaper and put it into my childhood photo album!). Then, I thought I should phone Esther Rix and make sure she was agreeable to my sending this information to Sweden. The phone call was very interesting, because she didn't

know about this family connection, and she was quite interested in contacting Tommy Bjorkudd in Sweden. She agreed with my plan to send all her contact information (mailing address, email address & phone number) to Sweden, and in turn I gave her all the contact information for the family member in Sweden. I photocopied the information about the Rix family from "Pioneer Pathways", typed out the write-up of Harry and Esther's wedding, and mailed it all to Sweden. In about 10 days, I received an email from Sweden, thanking me for all the information, and advising that they had been in touch with Esther Rix, via email. I have also had a lovely thank you from Esther Rix, telling me that the two families have been in touch with each other frequently and telling me how much she appreciated having this information given to her.

Re: Donald Elton Merner and Bonalin Floria Merner

Request via the AGS website: request from Dean Pettis of Minnesota: he wanted to find the obituaries (husband and wife). I did not find anything at the City Archives; I did not find any burial in the Wetaskiwin cemeteries; I looked on the AGS cemetery database and found that Bonalin Floria Merner was actually buried in Red Deer. I did not find anything on the AGS site for Donald Elton Merner. I contacted Mr. Pettis and suggested that he contact the Red Deer branch of AGS, as they might have access to the obituaries published in the Red Deer newspaper. I supplied him with the contact information for the Red Deer Branch of AGS – he responded, with thanks.

Re: Information about two cemeteries located on the Samson Band reserve

Request from Debra Buffalo, Samson Band, Maskwacis. She advised that they were trying to establish exactly 'who' was buried in each of the cemeteries and they did not have a Master List for this information. I checked our branch library holdings at the City Archives to see if there was a cemetery recording booklet for Hobbema (didn't see one there); I looked online for the two cemeteries she mentioned and could not find a master list; I looked at the AGS cemetery database, typing in the names of the cemeteries – no results; then I just typed in "Hobbema" in the search box and up came a long list of people who were buried in Hobbema. I sent this information to Debra. She then contacted me, asking if perhaps we had a plot plan for the 2 cemeteries, which unfortunately we don't have. I suggested that she give the City of Wetaskiwin Archives a call to see if they had one – she responded later, saying that she had contacted Rachel and Rachel suggested that Debra contact me. I also suggested to Debra that she contact Baker's Funeral Parlor to see if they had a plot plan – she later advised that they did not, but the staff was willing to work with her to try to match up burials/dates/names. I also suggested to Debra that she call the Provincial Archives of Alberta to see if they had a plot plan in their archives. I provided Debra with contact information (names, phone numbers, email addresses, etc.) for all the above suggested people and institutions.

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**In a Ruidoso, New Mexico cemetery:**

Here lies Johnny Yeast.

Pardon him for not rising.

**MARRIAGES GLEANED FROM WETASKIWIN TIMES, 1901 - 1910**

Sharon Aney

<http://peel.library.ualberta.ca/newspapers/>**1901**

|          |                                        |                            |
|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Apr 5    | Christian Shantz to Blanche Howey      |                            |
| April 19 | D. W. Ambler to Ellen Davidson         |                            |
| May 10   | Mr. Morrow to Edith Tyner              | Ponoka                     |
| June 7   | Constable Smith to Dreda Edstrom       |                            |
| June 14  | J. W. Heric to Laura Carmel            | RC Church                  |
| July 26  | Herman Braumann to Annie Happatz       | German Church              |
| July 26  | Rev. N. J. L. Bergen to Emma Olsteadt  | Methodist                  |
| Aug 2    | Ferdinand Theroux to Marie LaFournaise | RC Church                  |
| Aug 23   | Chas. Sullivan to Miss G. Eames        |                            |
| Sept 20  | Wm. Eggleston to Sarah Jones           |                            |
| Oct 4    | John Olson to Sigrid Wiken             |                            |
| Oct 4    | Victor C. James to Mary C. Sparling    | fr. Pembroke Observer      |
| Oct 18   | John McFarland to Ruby Sandeman        | English Church, Strathcona |
| Oct 18   | Robert H. Howard to Julia Clore        |                            |
| Nov 15   | Archie Brown to Mable Coombs           |                            |

**1902**

|         |                                        |                           |
|---------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Jan 2   | Christian Olobsen to Amdia Genther     |                           |
| Jan 9   | Ernest Switzer to Annie Martin         |                           |
| Jan 9   | Robert Leeman to Lena Dramus           |                           |
| Jan 16  | Roland Allen to Mable Knight           |                           |
| Jan 16  | Andrew Gilmour to Olive Grant Burris   |                           |
| Jan 16  | Charles Graham to Minnie Cummings      |                           |
| Jan 26  | Wm. Paul Middlestead to Anna McWhirter |                           |
| Feb 6   | Albert Lawson to Clara Tarlton         |                           |
| May 1   | E. E. Violet to Ethel Coombs           |                           |
| May 15  | Geo. Carmel to Louise Wright           | RC                        |
| June 12 | James Cameron to Maude Alderman        |                           |
| July 31 | Harry Teeple to Ethel Truman           | fr. Ponoka Herald         |
| Sept 11 | Ora Porter to Fanny Bussard            |                           |
| Oct 9   | Geo. D. Wallace to Martha Hunter       | Fr. Peterborough Examiner |
| Oct 25  | A. A. Schmid to Mary Hladik            | Fr. Dubois                |
| Oct 25  | Robert Jevne to May Cummings           |                           |
| Nov 20  | Albert Lee to Alice Lindskog           |                           |

**1903**

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|---------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Feb 5   | John Asp to Hannah Peterson          |                               |
| Feb 12  | Ezekiel Ervin to Mamie Fagin         | Methodist                     |
| Mar 12  | John A. Brown to Aggie Donaldson     |                               |
| Mar 26  | Edgar A. Mayhew to Cora M. Mussen    | Methodist                     |
| Mar 26  | R. C. Switzer to Katie McMurdo       |                               |
| Apr. 2  | J. VanAlstein to Miss Black          |                               |
| Apr 23  | Ernest Whitaker to Martha Graff      |                               |
| Jul 23  | Roland P. Mills to Alice D. Tanton   | C of E.                       |
| Sept 24 | Geo McManus to Ethel S. Carniff      | Portage LaPrairie, St. Mary's |
| Oct 29  | Rev. J. E. Hogg to Mina Louise Wylie |                               |
| Dec 24  | Knut Olsberg to Carrie Eggen         |                               |
| Dec 31  | Herbert Laidman to Wilhelmina German |                               |

**1904**

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|-------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Jan 7 | Anton Hougestal to Barbara Lunde      |                  |
| Jan 7 | Hugh J. Montgomery to Adelaide Vaughn | @ Minneapolis    |
| Feb 4 | Lewis D. Hanna to Beatrice C. Ronn    | Swedish Lutheran |

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|-------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Mar 10      | Nels Bergstom to Elizabeth Elnora Hanson       |                               |
| Mar 10      | Harry Jennings to Lydia Ella Bussard           |                               |
| Mar 31      | Homar Nowey to Elizabeth Davidson              |                               |
| May 5       | Thos. Breen to Ivy Maybell Clint               | @Winnipeg                     |
| Aug 11      | Jas. S. Orr to Lucy Welles                     |                               |
| Aug 25      | P. J. Logan to Iva R. Wood                     | C of E.                       |
| Oct 13      | Hugh L. Gray to Loretta McPherson              |                               |
| <b>1905</b> | No marriages found                             |                               |
| <b>1906</b> |                                                |                               |
| Feb 22      | Arthur Bussard to Ethel Grant                  |                               |
| May 10      | H. J. Davis to Mabel Mae Blakley               |                               |
| June 14     | Calvin Wallace Quillou to Hattie McKay         |                               |
| Jun 14      | Mr. Suluray to Miss Bergen                     |                               |
| Jul 5       | John Peter Nelson to Alma Larson               | @Daysland Meth                |
| Jul 5       | Charles Gammond to Edith Owre                  |                               |
| Jul 5       | Rev. Jas. R. Earle to Eleanor Edna Auld        |                               |
| Jul 12      | Geo. Bourke to Mary Dumont                     |                               |
| Sept 13     | George A. Gall to Nellie Walker                |                               |
| Sept 20     | Thos I. Ryan to Maie Teresa Barrett            | @ Detroit, Holy Rosary        |
| Oct 11      | H.I. Miller to Kathleen Hooper (?)             |                               |
| Oct 18      | Jack Valentine to Annie Johnson                |                               |
| Nov 1       | Humphrey Higgs to Ella Sinclair                | Methodist                     |
| Nov 1       | A.E,C, Green to Gertrude Pexton                |                               |
| Nov 8       | W, D, Cross to Sarah Lucinda Muesen (?)        |                               |
| <b>1907</b> |                                                |                               |
| Jan 5       | Ernest Charles Champion to Sarah Craig         | @Vermillion                   |
| Mar 7,      | Frank Pike to Georgina Kathleen West           |                               |
| Mar 21      | Carl Shannon to Miss Zimmerman                 |                               |
| Apr 9       | J. H. Salton to Mary Howarth                   | @ Red Deer, St. Lukes         |
| Dec 19      | John Reimer to Goldie May Carpenter            |                               |
| <b>1908</b> |                                                |                               |
| Jan 2       | R. J. Ferguson to Mary Daron                   |                               |
| Jan 9       | Henry J. Zender to Margie Josephina Anderson   |                               |
| Feb 13      | Charles Gardner to Mary Elizabeth McNevin      |                               |
| Mar 5       | Ed Rix to Annie Stinson                        |                               |
| Apr 30      | Herbert Blades to Margaret Rushton             |                               |
| Jun 4       | Reginald W. Swanson to Beca (?) J. Martin      |                               |
| June 11     | Otto Strong to Flossie Pullman                 |                               |
| June 18     | Wm. George Duggan to Blanche Olive Scanlon     | @ Strathcona St. Anthony's    |
| June 25     | Jas. McEachern to Pearl Eugene MvPhail         |                               |
| June 25     | Elmer Johnson to Carrie Marie Sand             |                               |
| Jul 2       | Nels Frickson to Ella Olson                    | @Killam                       |
| Jul 9       | Charles Boyer to Jennie Beatrice Jones         | @St. Thomas Dak.              |
| Jul 16      | Wm C. Proctor to Mary E. Clark                 |                               |
| Jul 23      | B. Slaughter to Frances Wootl                  |                               |
| Aug 20      | Edgar Dowding to Emma Dahl                     | @ Ontario California          |
| <b>1909</b> |                                                |                               |
| Apr 29      | James A. McCulloch to Annie McLean             | @ Spring Lake, St. Banafatius |
| Apr 29      | Allan McDonnell to Catharine McCormick         | @ Spring Lake, St. Banafatius |
| Apr 29      | Albert J. Peterson to Olena Rogness            |                               |
| Jul 15      | Rupert L. Freeman to Anne C. Thorburn          |                               |
| Nov 18      | Wm. Schultz to Johanna Anderson                | @ Daysland                    |
| Nov 18      | Garfield J. Baker to Millicent Orton Hazelwood | Immanuel Church               |

**TRADITIONAL SCOTTISH NAMING PATTERNS:**

Alice Hoyle

(I've also found this to be 'mostly true' with my Norwegian ancestors)

- The first son is named after the father's father
- The second son is named after the mother's father
- The third son is named after the father
- The first daughter is named after the mother's mother
- The second daughter is named after the father's mother
- The third daughter is named after is named after the mother

Any more of a family than this and the parents had free reign to name the children as they wished. In many Scottish families this rule does not hold exactly true, but it is often a clue within generations and in trying to make connections between different branches of the family.

**DIGITAL PRESERVATION AT THE CROSSROADS**

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BEATITUDES OF A FAMILY GENEALOGIST By Wilma Mauk Contributed by Carole Koop

- Blessed Are** the Great Grandfathers who saved embarkation papers and citizenship papers
For they tell when they came
- Blessed Are** the Great Grandmothers who hoarded newspaper clippings and old letters
For they tell the story of their time
- Blessed Are** all Grandfathers who filed every legal document
For this provides the proof
- Blessed Are** Grandmothers who preserved family bibles and diaries
For this is our heritage
- Blessed Are** Fathers who elect officials that answer letters of inquiry
For some the only link to the past
- Blessed Are** Mothers who relate family tradition and legend to the family
For one of her children will surely remember
- Blessed Are** Relatives who fill in family sheets with extra data
For to them we owe the family history
- Blessed Is** Any Family whose member strives for the preservation of records
For theirs is a labour of love
- Blessed Are** The children who will never say
"Grandma, you told me that story twice today

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