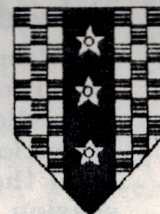




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Genealogy Expo HUGE Success

March 12 was a BIG day for the Fiske Foundation, as that was the day of the Genealogy Expo, formerly known as the Family Fair. Because of the generosity of the Washington Pioneers, who rented the upstairs of their building to allow extra space, many more people were comfortably accommodated. A large number of people registered attendance that day, and, of course, many, many others were working in the background.

Ruth Fricke was responsible for some excellent publicity; Dolores DiLascio was able to borrow some tables from her church for our use; Bill Eberle transported them down to Pioneer Hall; and many others graciously donated their time to set up very interesting exhibits.

Ruth Fricke's Basic Class and Tom McCarthy's Irish presentation were very well attended and much appreciated by those in attendance.

The German Presentation and display done by the German Interest Group under Rod Fleck of the Seattle Genealogical Society was another of the outstanding attractions.

Dolores DiLascio served the delicious goodies, which were contributed by many people. Dolores has been the hostess for many, many years at the Fair - just quietly

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Arthur Receives Local Honor

AKCHO, which is the Association of King County Historical Organizations, selects a person each year for special honor. This is a Certificate of Recognition for that person's role in the preservation of King County history. Arthur was selected this year on the basis of his "individual achievement, as well as guidance to genealogical researchers over the past fifty years, and the development of an outstanding and extensive genealogical library open to all researchers."

The award was presented to Arthur at a meeting held by AKCHO at Ste. Michelle's Winery on May 31, 1994.

Congratulations, Arthur, on being chosen for this outstanding recognition of your talent and commitment.

Ancestors in 'Morie Old England' ?

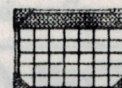
A trip to England is being planned for the fall of 1995. A number of people have already signed up to go on this trip, and if you are considering it, you should add your name to the list soon.

Betty Kay Anderson will again plan and guide the way, as she does so beautifully, so it promises to be a good trip. Persons with special areas of interest will be asked to express their interests, so she can plan to include as much as possible. Arthur will be accompanying the group, to add his expertise to whatever research will be done.

Certainly it is a long way away, but planning will start soon. Details will be discussed at Arthur's Round Table (see article on page 4) and you will be kept informed.

Do you have an English ancestor? It could be a great trip for you. Think about it.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- Mon. June 20 Volunteer Training *
- Thurs. June 23 Pedigree Party *
- Mon. July 4, Holiday . . . Library Closed
- Sat. Aug. 6, 12 noon
- . . Summer Picnic and Friends Auction *
- Wed. to Fri. Aug. 17-19 "Indian John" *
- Sat. Aug. 27 Newsletter Deadline
- Sept. 3 Newsletter
- Fri. Sept. 9 . . . Arthur's Round Table *
- Sat. Sept. 10, 10am New England Institute *
- Sat. Sept. 10, 1pm Basic Genealogy Class *
- Wed. Sept. 14, 10am & 7pm
- Advanced Cases *
- Wed. Sept. 21, 12 noon . . . FGF Friends
- * See article in this newsletter.

Presidents Message

Although summer will soon be here, the activities at Fiske Foundation Library go on regardless of the season. The only exception are the classes, which adjourn until the early part of September. The Fall session will resume with the Wednesday classes on 14 September. The New England Institute will meet at 1:00 p.m. 10 September.

Meanwhile, many other activities will be going on at the library. Volunteers would be very welcome to help us catch up on various filing projects, including approximately 25,000 3" x 5" cards, and an assortment of family sheets and records sheets to be filed in appropriate notebooks.

We need a better copy machine—our old Sharp has served long but not always too well. If you know where we can purchase a good used machine (possibly one turned in for a newer model) for a price we can manage, please call us. Perhaps some public-spirited person has one to donate to our worthy non-profit operation. Tax benefits anyone?

Summer is a good time for research at the library. Please come in to take advantage of valuable records found in our recent acquisitions, or in older records you have not yet explored. Don't overlook the important records in township or county notebooks, or in the "More Family" notebooks. Both types of records are expanding day by day. To insure success in research in future months, please prepare your individual question cards in the usual query format. The more information we have on your specific family lines, the more chance you will have for answers.

Happy Hunting,

Arthur D. Fiske

President, FGF

Fall Classes

The New England Institute will have its first meeting at the Fiske Genealogical Foundation Library on Saturday, September 10, at 10:00 a.m. Basic genealogy classes will be conducted beginning Saturday, 10 September at 1:00 p.m. The Advanced Genealogy Classes start on Wednesday September 14 at 10: a.m. or 7:00 p.m. Watch the fall newsletter for details.

It Just Makes Cents

We need your zip code to nine places. It will save us money. Not much for each mailing, only one penny, but this amounts to over five dollars per mailing or over \$20 per year. This means another book for the library. In order to make this saving we must have ALL addresses with the 9 place code.

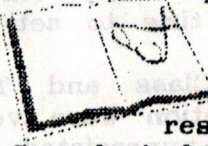
While you are thinking about this please check your mailing address on this issue of the Newsletter. If it has any mistakes please notify us and it will be corrected. Many of the addresses were taken from the library or from Expo registrations and some are not too easy to read.

Remember, please phone or mail your 9 place zip code and/or any other changes to the Foundation and help us send you the newsletter for less money.

Arthur's Bookshelf

by Arthur Fiske

The book for Virginia

 Genealogists most closely resembling the well-known *Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England* by James Savage (4 Vol.), is *Adventures of Purse and Person 1607 - 1624/25* by Annie Lash Jester, revised and edited by Virginia M. Meyer and John Frederick Dorman, 3rd Edition, 1987. Both works are at the Fiske Library and should be in any genealogical repository.

Beginning with the Muster of the Inhabitants of Virginia taken in early 1624/25 the compilers endeavor to trace the descendants of the first settlers of Jamestown for three generations. There are 132 persons treated in this important volume of 827 pages. The work is completely indexed. Among the many sources from which data has been gathered are *Calendar of Virginia State Papers, Cavaliers and Pioneers*, 3 Vol., *The Colonial Virginia Register*, John Camden Hotten's *Original Lists* and many other sources for early Virginia Data.

If you have Southern ancestry, you must explore the contents of this volume.

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"Pedigree Party"

Many of you have participated in this event for the past few years. The Pedigree Party will be held this year on Thursday, June 23, at 10:00 a.m. again at the home of Mary Stevenson.

You need to bring a sandwich, and your pedigree chart - that's all. Your charts will be posted for comparison with others for mutual ancestors, and information exchanged. Mary will furnish a salad, coffee, and cookies. The address is 3020 98th Ave. N.E., in Bellevue, and her phone is 454-5217. Call her if you need driving instructions. Otherwise, Just Come and Enjoy!

"FGF Friends" Auction

At the meeting of the Friends of Fiske Genealogical Foundation on May 4, it was decided that the date of May 14, which had been set for the auction, was not a satisfactory one. Therefore, at the next meeting which was held the following week, they voted to hold the auction on the day of the annual picnic, August 6. If you have an item you wish to donate for this auction, but cannot attend the picnic, please deliver it to the library, or call there at 328-2716. All proceeds will benefit the library.

Summer Picnic Planned

Once again Betty Kay Anderson has invited the students and friends of the Fiske Library to her home for a picnic on Saturday, August 6, at 12 noon. She is a gracious hostess and she and Roy always prepare some special goodies to go with the potluck food the guests bring. They have an ideal place for this kind of an event, living on the beach on Hood Canal.

The Auction will be held the same day as this picnic, and you may participate if you wish. This is a silent, fund raising auction for the benefit of the library. Participation is not necessary in order to attend the picnic, however. Auction donations of any kind are gratefully accepted.

This promises to be a fun day for all. Betty Kay's address is E. 1011 Highway 106, Union, Washington, and her phone is (206) 898-2537. Call for driving instructions, if needed.

Many Hands Make Light Work

In our last newsletter a Work Party was announced to be held at the Library on March 16th.

The day turned out to be a huge success. A Number of old faithful workers came out, and some "new" faithful workers, too. Some filed cards (it seems they are unending); some clipped magazines for information, and others filed in the notebooks. All in all, it was a great day of fine cooperation. On April 20th the Wednesday class also spent some of their time working on the filing. All agreed that it helps us all to get better acquainted with our Library.

ARTHUR THANKS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU WHO HELPED!!!

Recent Gifts To Library

Dr. and Mrs. Senter recently gave the library an answering machine. This will enable you to call the library at your convenience and leave a message even if the library is not open. Bill Eberle installed the machine and it is now in operation. This is a much appreciated gift. Thank you, Dr. and Alice Senter!

Jan Pankratz donated two film readers to the library a few weeks ago. These are badly needed and most welcome gifts. Thank you, Jan for your generous gift!

Thanks also go to those who have recently donated books: Mary Ann Nickell, Lyn Melton, the Eberles, Bob Schuh, Darlene Hinton and many others. Every added book helps us grow.

Records To Be Copied

Mary Stevenson has received permission from the First Methodist Church in downtown Seattle to copy their records from the 1800's for use in our library. This will be done on Tuesdays, beginning the 12 of July. These records are very old and interesting, but need to be handled with care. We are most fortunate to have this opportunity.

If you are interested in participating in this project this summer, please give Mary a call to make arrangements. Her number is 454-5217.

"Indian John" Returns

What does this name mean to Fiske genealogists? The coffee rest stop where the Labor Day weekend in 1993 netted a hefty sum for the Fiske Library Endowment Fund!

Please mark your calendars now for Wednesday, August 17, at noon, to Friday, August 19, at 10 a.m. Four hour, or better yet, eight hour stints of labor are needed. We need, especially, brave men to man two long night shifts.

Wonderful weather, grand views of mountains, weary tourists needing refreshment, buzzy bees, and finding out who was Indian John are your rewards if you save these dates to help the Fiske Library. A sign up sheet will be posted in the library, or you may call Muriel Winterscheid at 232-2716 to volunteer.

"Make Hay While the Sun Shines"

Yes, the Library will be open as usual during the sunny days of summer. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays someone will be in attendance and should be able to help you with your research problems. In fact, since there will be no classes in session during this time, it would be a good opportunity to take advantage of the resources available there, including Arthur Fiske. Obviously, when there are no classes, he is much more available to help every person who walks in the door.

The library is pleasantly comfortable, even on the warmest summer days, so do come in and make some progress with your "problem" ancestor.

Remember, however, the library will be closed on Monday, July 4, a national holiday.

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going about baking, making coffee, and taking care of all the hungry people. She is much appreciated.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED, AND TO THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN MAKING THE DAY SUCH A GREAT ONE!

Arthur's Round Table

Arthur's Round Table will meet at 10:00 a.m. September 9 at the Fiske Foundation Library. We will discuss plans for the English tour in September 1995 including visits to ancestral towns and villages, research opportunities and places of general interest to be included in the tour. All tour participants will want to be in attendance. Please bring lists of towns and villages where you want to stop so we can endeavor to fit them into the schedule.

All are invited even if you do not intend to be a tour participant. There is no charge. The session will continue into the afternoon, if necessary.

R.S.V.P. (206) 328-2716.

Time On Your Hands?

In spite of the many volunteer hours which have been donated lately, there is always more work to be done at the library. So, if you have a day or two during the summer vacation, and you would like to help, please contact Arthur so he can plan some wise use of your spare time.

Words A Genealogist Should KNOW

1. Abstract - a summary of the important parts, or points, of a document.
 2. Ahnentafel - pedigree; a table of ancestors.
 3. Consanguinity - State of being related by blood, or descended from a common ancestor.
 4. Consort - spouse (husband or wife).
 5. Decedent - deceased person.
 6. et. al. - Latin: and others.
- from The Connecticut Nutmegger

A Yankee?

To a foreigner, a Yankee is an American.
To a Southerner in the United States, a Yankee is a Northerner.

To a Northerner, a Yankee lives in New England.

Here in New England, A Yankee is someone from Vermont.

To a Vermonter, a Yankee is someone who still uses an outhouse.

-Kenneth O'Neill

-from The Connecticut Nutmegger

Fiske Genealogical Foundation Publications For Sale

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LATE FLASH!!!!!!

As of today, 8 June, Fiske Genealogical Foundation Library has a new copy machine.

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The award was presented to Arthur at a meeting held by AKCO at the Lake Winery on May 31, 1994.

Congratulations, Arthur, on being chosen for this outstanding recognition of your life's commitment.

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