



# Genealogical Resources

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## 2011 the Last Year of a Paper Newsletter

In an effort to save paper and better use staff resources, Vancouver Public Library's <u>Genealogical Resources</u> newsletter will become an electronic only publication in 2012.

Our last paper issue will be September 2011.

The Genealogical Resources newsletter is available by email. With the electronic newsletter you get the news more quickly, we use less paper and you can click on the links instead of retyping them. To receive future issues electronically, please send an email to **majordomo@vpl.ca** with the subject **subscribe** and **SUBSCRIBE genealogy** in the body of the message.

# Family History Library Microfilm Loan Requests

Many Vancouver Public Library genealogy patrons borrow microfilms from the Family History Library in Salt Lake City through Vancouver Public Library Interlibrary Loans. All such patrons should note that effective immediately, cancellation of orders is not accepted by the Family History Library. Once you have placed an order, you must pay the \$6.00 charge regardless of whether you use the microfilm or not.



Vancouver Public Library Gets a New Catalogue

The new library catalogue makes finding books, movies, and music much easier! With the new catalogue, you can manage and keep track of the items you've borrowed from the library. You can also:

- Find what you want faster
- See what's available for immediate check out
- Rate and review books, movies, and music
- Get recommendations from other library users
- Build topic lists and subject lists (for example: "Best Historical Fiction of 2010")
- Share items from the catalogue with your social networks through Twitter, Facebook, and many other social services

The best way to discover what's new is to start searching! http://vpl.bibliocommons.com/

# Recent Additions to the Collection

Items listed below without a **Ref.** designation may be borrowed. Call **604-331-3603** to request a book, or place your request through the online catalogue at **vpl.bibliocommons.com**.

Ref. items must be used in the library.

#### General

929.341 G32

Capturing Memories: Your Family Story in Photographs by Maureen Alice Taylor, 2007

929.2 T24y

*Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace*, 2nd ed. by Elizabeth Shown Mills, 2009 Ref. 929.1 M65ev1

*Family and Local History Handbook*, 12th ed. by Elizabeth Blatchford, 2009

rd ed.

*First Name Variants*, 3rd ed. by Alan Bardsley, 2003 Ref. 929.4 B247f

Genealogical Standards of Evidence: A Guide for Family Historians, revised by Brenda Dougall Merriman, 2010 929.371 M57a3

The Great War Handbook: A Guide for Family Historians & Students of the Conflict by Geoffrey Bridger, 2009 940.4 B85g

*Grow Your Own Family Tree: The Easy Guide to Researching Family History* by Alan Stewart, 2008

929.1 S849g

*The Second World War 1939-45* by Phil Tomaselli, 2006

929.341 T65s

Shaking the Family Tree: Blue Bloods, Black Sheep, and Other Obsessions of an Accidental Genealogist by Buzzy Jackson, 2010

929.1 J12s

Social Networking for Genealogists

by Drew Smith, 2009 929.10285 S54s



*Who Am I? The Family Tree Explorer* by Anthony Adolph, 2009 929.1 A23w

Your Family Tree Online: How to Trace Your Ancestry from Your Own Computer by Graeme Davis, 2009 929.10285 D26y

### Canada

**Destination Canada: A Genealogical Guide to Immigration Records**, revised by Dave Obee, 2010 929.371 D47o2

*The New Loyalist Index*, 3 vol. by Paul J. Bunnell, 1989-1998 Ref. 929.3713 A11B94n

## British Columbia

Alexandra Lodge Cemetery, Alexandra Lodge, British Columbia recorded digitally by Pearl Phillips, 2007 Ref. 929.5 Y18a

*Celista Cemetery, Celesta Village, B.C.* British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1983 Ref. 929.5 S56b *Clinton Cemetery, Clinton, B.C.* recorded by Ron Hyde, 1973 Ref. 929.5 C64c



Denman Island Cemetery (1978-9), Denman Island, British Columbia

recorded by L. Eversole, 1979 Ref. 929.5 D39d

#### Forestview Cemetery, Pender Harbour, B.C.; Kleindale Cemetery, Pender Harbour, B.C.

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1977 Ref. 929.5 S95f

#### Greenwood Cemetery (1965), Port Alberni, British Columbia recorded by June Mosdell, 2007

Ref. 929.5 P83g

Hemlock Valley Road Cemetery, Harrison Mills, British Columbia (1972) recorded by Ron Hyde, 1982 Ref. 929.5 K37h

#### Lakeview Cemetery (1987), Roe Lake, British Columbia: Cariboo-Chilcotin Country

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 199? Ref. 929.5 L19b

## Pioneer Cemetery (1982), Maple Bay, British Columbia

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1982 Ref. 929.5 V22p

## Pioneer Cemetery, Quesnel, B.C.

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1990 Ref. 929.5 Q5p

## Pioneer Cemetery (1896-1902), Vernon, British Columbia

recorded by Kory Shillam, 2006 Ref. 929.5 V53p *River Bend Cemetery, Alberni, B.C.: Now Known as River Bend Catholic Cemetery, Located at Falls Road and River Road, Alberni, B.C.* British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1990 Ref. 929.5 P83r

## St. John the Baptist Anglican Cemetery (1975), and Brass Plaques (2002) Cobble Hill, British Columbia, Canada

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 2008 Ref. 929.5 V22s



*St. Mary's Anglican Church Cemetery* (1965), *Duncan, British Columbia* British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1974 Ref. 929.5 D91s

## *St. Mathias Church Inscriptions (1998), Oakridge, British Columbia*

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1998 Ref. 929.5 V223sm

# *St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery, Duncan, British Columbia*

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1975 Ref. 929.5 D91sp

# Stanley Park Monument (1974), Vancouver, British Columbia

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 2006 Ref. 929.5 V223s

## Surrey, B.C.: St. Helen's Anglican Cemetery

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1983 Ref. 929.5 S96sh

## *Trinity Lutheran (Annieville) Cemetery, North Delta, B.C. (Also Called North Delta Cemetery)*

British Columbia Genealogical Society, 1990 Ref. 929.5 D36t

#### Manitoba

**1870 Manitoba Census** by Gail Morin, 2003 Ref. 929.37127 M85o

#### Québec

1861 Census of Laprairie Village, Laprairie County, Québec extracted by Kelly Townsend, 1999 Ref. 929.3714 L31L31t

#### A Compilation of the 1861 Census for Stanstead Township and Stanstead Plain

compiled by Elane Wilson, 1998 Ref. 929.3714 M53S79w

#### Ontario

#### 1901 Census of Osgoode Township

Osgoode Township Historical Society & Museum, 2002 Ref. 929.3713 C28O82n



Alton-Caledon Pastoral Charge (Formerly Presbyterian and Methodist), Peel County, Ontario: Baptisms, 1865-1921, Marriages, 1858-1925, Burials, 1915-1925 by Lois Black, 2007 Ref. 929.3713 P37C14a

#### Anglican Registers, 1787-1814 by John Langhorn, 1980

Ref. 929.3713 A11L27a

Asbury and West United Church, Toronto, Formerly Methodist and Presbyterian: Baptisms 1923-1925, Marriages 1896-1925 Ontario Genealogical Society, 2006 Ref. 929.3713 Y61T68a Baptismal Records, Grace Anglican Church, Waterdown, 1858-1900 Flamborough Heritage Society, 2003 Ref. 929.3713 W47F57g

Baptismal Records, Grace Anglican Church, Waterdown, 1901-1925 Flamborough Heritage Society, 2007 Ref. 929.3713 W47F57ga

## Chalmers Church Registers, 1857-1900, Kingston, Ontario

transcribed by Dawn Broughton, 1988 Ref. 929.3713 F93K55ch

# Cooke's-Portsmouth United Church Baptisms, 1853-1976

prepared by Ruth Brittain ... [et al.]., 1995 Ref. 929.3713 F93K55co

# Cooke's-Portsmouth United Church Marriages, 1858-1976

prepared by Ruth Brittain ... [et al.]., 1995 Ref. 929.3713 F93K55com

## Crime and Punishment in Upper Canada: A Researcher's Guide

by Janice Nickerson, 2010 971.3 N63c

Esquesing Township, Halton County United Churches (Formerly Methodist and Presbyterian): Baptisms, 1911-1925 ; Marriages, 1896-1925 ; Burials, 1909-1924 transcribed by Lois Black, 2009 Ref. 929.3713 H19E770

*First Congregational Church: Baptismal Register 1849-1920, Kingston, Ontario* transcribed by Darrell Small, 1992 Ref. 929.3713 F93K55f

*First Congregational Church: Marriage Register, 1858-1921, Kingston, Ontario* transcribed by Mary Mackie, 1992 Ref. 929.3713 F93K55fa

#### Index to Historical Glimpses of Lennox and Addington (1964), updated ed. compiled by Linda Corupe, 2003 Ref. 929.3713 L56A11ch

*Index to "The Smiling Wilderness" (1984)* compiled by Linda Corupe, 2000 Ref. 929.3713 L56A11cs

## Marriage Register, Methodist New

*Connection Church, Waterdown, 1858-1876* Waterdown-East Flamborough Heritage Society, 1993 Ref. 929.3713 W47F57m

#### *Marriage Register of Knox Presbyterian Church for Waterdown and Burlington, Ontario, 1858-1868*

transcribed by Robert A. Lalonde, 199? Ref. 929.3713 W47F57k



Peterborough Examiner, 1858-1875: Births, Marriages, Deaths Ontario Genealogical Society, 1991 Ref. 929.3713 P47A11pa

Queen Street United Church (Formerly Methodist), Queen Street at Euclid Avenue, Toronto, Ontario: Baptisms, 1867-1916; Marriages, 1868-1925; Burials, 1912-1921 by Lois Black, 2008 Ref. 929.3713 Y61T68oq

Registers, 1821-1869, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kingston, Ontario Ontario Genealogical Society, Kingston Branch, 1980 Ref. 929.3713 F93K55s

#### *St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kingston, Ontario, Burial Register, 1860-1889*

transcribed by Ann Weber, 1993 Ref. 929.3713 F93K55sa *St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Perth: Marriages 1830-1887, Baptisms 1830-1881, Lanark County, Ontario* compiled by J. R. Ernest Miller, 1987 Ref. 929.3713 L24A11s

### St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Scarborough, Ontario: A Transcription of the Registers: Baptisms 1854-1923, Marriages 1820-1923, Burials 1882-1992 Ontario Genealogical Society, 1998 Ref. 929.3713 Y61T68sa

Westennial United Church (Formerly Methodist), Toronto, Ontario: Baptisms, 1900-1925; Marriages, 1896-1925; Burials, 1900-1925 Ontario Genealogical Society, 2009 Ref. 929.3713 Y61T68w

*Zion Presbyterian Church: Baptismal Roll, 1891-1919, Marriage Register, 1892-1919* transcribed by Barbara B. Aitken, 1979 Ref. 929.3713 F93K55z

## Atlantic Provinces

## First Families of Northumberland County, New Brunswick

New Brunswick Genealogical Society, Miramichi Branch, 2001-2005 Ref. 929.37152 N87N53f



*Planters, Paupers, and Pioneers: English Settlers in Atlantic Canada* by Lucille H. Campey, 2010 971.5004 C19p

*Titanic Victims in Halifax Graveyards* by Blair Beed, 2010 971.622 B41t

#### **United States**

Basics of Genealogy Reference: A Librarian's Guide by Jack Simpson, 2008 929.373 S61b

## A Dictionary of Scottish Emigrants to the

*U.S.A.*, 2 vol. by Donald Whyte, 1972-1986 Ref. 929.373 W62d



The Family Tree Sourcebook: Your Essential Directory of American County and Town Records, revised

Family Tree magazine editors, 2010 Ref. 929.373 F19c1

*Genealogical Research in Ohio*, 2nd ed. by Kip Sperry, 2003

929.373 S75g

More Emigrants in Bondage, 1614-1775

by Peter Wilson Coldham, 2002 Ref. 929.373 C68cm

**Oregon Guide to Genealogical Sources**, 3rd revised ed. by Connie Lenzen, 1996 929.3795 L570

### British Isles

#### Basic Guide to Irish Records for Family History

by Brian Mitchell, 2008 929.3415 M68b

Criminal Ancestors: A Guide to Historical Criminal Records in England and Wales by David T. Hawkings, 2009 929.342 H39c The Daily Telegraph Book of Obituaries: A Celebration of Eccentric Lives

edited by Hugh Massingberd, 1995 920 D13m

*Essential Maps for Family Historians* by Charles Masters, 2009 912.42 M42e

A Handbook to the Civil Registration Districts of England and Wales, 2nd ed. compiled by Brett Langston, 2003 929.342 L28h

Irish Gravestone Inscriptions: A Guide to Sources in Ulster edited by William O'Kane 929.5 I680

*Military Photographs & How to Date Them* by Neil R. Storey, 2009 355.14 S88m

*The Penguin Dictionary of British Surnames* by John Titford, 2009 Ref. 929.4 T61p



*Pocket Guide to Irish Genealogy*, 3rd ed. by Brian Mitchell, 2008 929.3415 M68p2

*Quarter Sessions Records for Family Historians: A Select List*, 5th ed. compiled by Jeremy Gibson, 2007 929.342 G44q

Railway Ancestors: A Guide to the Staff Records of the Railway Companies of England and Wales, 1822-1947, 2nd ed. by David T. Hawkings, 2008 929.342 H39r

Starting Out in Family History

edited by Simon Fowler, 2008 929.341 S79f

#### Scandinavia

Far Northern Connections: Researching Your Sami (and Other) Ancestors in Northern Norway, Sweden, Finland, and Russia

by Virginia Mattson-Schultz, 2007 929.348 M44f

#### Jewish Research

*Getting Started in Jewish Genealogy*, 2010 by Gary Mokotoff, 2010 929.1 M71g1

**A Guide to Jewish Genealogy in Poland** by Susan Fifer, 2007 929.3438 F46g

Sephardic Genealogy: Discovering Your Sephardic Ancestors and Their World, 2nd ed. by Jeffrey S. Malka, 2009 929.1 M25s1



*Tracing Your Jewish Ancestors: A Guide for Family Historians* by Rosemary Wenzerul, 2008 929.341 W48t

#### Miscellaneous

An Annotated Nominal Roll of Butler's Rangers 1777-1784: With Documentary Sources

compiled by William A. Smy, 2004 Ref. 973.33 S66a

Researching Ancestors in the East India Company Armies

by Peter A. Bailey, 2006 929.341 B15r

*World Order of Knighthood & Merit*, 2 vol. edited by Guy Stair Sainty, 2006 Ref. 929.71 W92s

## Hidden Gems



In Search of Your German Roots: A Complete Guide to Tracing Your Ancestors in the Germanic Areas of Europe, 4th ed. by Angus Baxter, 2008 929.343 B35i3

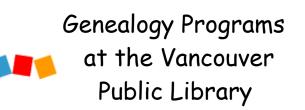
*The German Research Companion*, 3rd ed. by Shirley J. Riemer, 2010 929.343 R55g

Are you thinking of starting work on a family tree which involves German-speaking countries? Daunted by the language-gap, unsure of historical political boundaries in Central Europe, or wondering which documents you can find online? These two recently acquired books are designed to get you started.

The newest edition (2008) of Baxter's *In Search of Your German Roots* provides a strong introduction to your endeavours. In just over 200 pages, he presents the research process, resources such as passenger lists, cemetery records and surname directories. Also included is a chapter on Germans in Canada. This latest edition has been updated with websites, email addresses and new online resources.

The German Research Companion, now in its 3rd edition, with over 700 pages of in-depth resources, provides historical information, addresses in the United States and German speaking countries for archives and other research organizations, glossaries of relevant genealogical German terms, types of documents to research and much more. Extremely thorough!





## **Genealogy in Ireland**

Learn about using key Irish family history records and new Internet resources for your Irish research. Finding family in Ireland can be difficult but attention to church and civil records, census substitutes, estate and land records, and even DNA testing will help you overcome brick walls in your research. Cosponsored with the British Columbia Genealogical Society.



Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603.** 

## Tuesday, April 12, 2011

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Peter Kaye Room, Lower Level Central Library

Mark your calendars for more upcoming programs co-sponsored with the British Columbia Genealogical Society...

Thursday, September 8, 2011 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Topics to be announced. Visit **www.vpl.ca/events/** for updates.

# Tracing Your Ancestors in British Columbia

Learn how to find your BC families in vital event records, obituaries, cemeteries, newspapers and more, using the many free resources available on the Internet and in local libraries and archives.

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Thursday, May 5, 2011 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

# Resources for Discovering First Nations Heritage

Finding out about your First Nations ancestors is not something covered in most genealogy books. Whether you are exploring your heritage, you need to prove your genealogy for First Nations status, or you are following up on an aboriginal ancestor in your family story, finding out about specialized resources can be a good first step. Pick up some tips and find out how Vancouver and Surrey Public Libraries' genealogy collections and services can help you on this path.

### About the presenter:

Laurie Cooke graduated from the School of Library, Archival and Information Studies at UBC 2004 and became a Librarian, at both SFU and Surrey Public Library. She found a permanent position in the Surrey Public Library's Cloverdale Genealogy department shortly afterwards and has never looked back.

Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603.** 

Tuesday, May 24, 2011 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Alma VanDusen Room, Lower Level Central Library



## Chinese Genealogy Research Workshop: Overview

Gain fundamental techniques in finding previously buried information for tracing your Chinese roots. Topics include: machine translation tools for web pages written primarily in Chinese; finding family names, ancestral information, and pedigree via Internet and paper documents; developing systems for keeping track of sources and archiving your project.

Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603.** 

Tuesday, June 14, 2011 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Alma VanDusen Room, Lower Level Central Library

## About the presenter:

May Yan holds a bachelor's degree in Asian Studies, with a focus on Chinese history, at the University of British Columbia. She appeared as a Chinese genealogy research consultant in **"Ancestors in the Attic" – Chinese Connection** in 2009 and served as a Chinese Canadian Historical Society of British Columbia (CCHSBC) Board member in 2008 and 2009. In addition to publishing <u>Research Guide to</u> <u>Chinese Genealogy</u>, May also co-authored the anthology <u>Eating Stories: A Chinese Canadian</u> <u>and Aboriginal Potluck</u> with the CCHSBC.

# Other Vancouver Public Library Programs of Interest

# Digital Tattoo: Protecting Your Online Identity

Like a tattoo, your online identity can represent a powerful and often difficult to remove personal statement. In this fun and informative class, we will discuss how to discover your current online identity, how to protect your privacy and avoid identity theft, and using social networking wisely.

Basic computer and Internet skills required.

Registration is required. For more information, and to register, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603**.

Tuesday, April 19, 2011

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Computer Training Room, Level 7 Central Library



## **Computer Basics**

Get comfortable with using a computer during this 90-minute, hands-on course. Learn to use the mouse and the computer keyboard, and get an overview of basic computer functions.

No previous computer experience required.

Registration is required and begins on Friday, April 1, 2011. For more information, and to register, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603**.

Thursday, May 5, 2011 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library Thursday, May 5, 2011 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

Wednesday, June 1, 2011 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

Wednesday, June 1, 2011 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

## Downloadable eBooks @ VPL

Sunday, May 8, 2011 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

Learn how to find, checkout, and download eBooks from VPLs *Library to Go* collection. We'll discuss formats, compatibility, and managing your account. If you have an eBook reader, feel free to bring it along and we'll try it out.

Basic computer and Internet skills required. eBook reader is NOT required.

Registration is required and begins on Friday, April 1, 2011. For more information, and to register, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603**.



## **Internet Basics**

Learn about what's available on the Internet and how to find it. We'll talk about browsers, navigation, and effective searching during this two-hour, hands-on course.

Computer basics or equivalent experience is required.

Registration is required and begins on Friday, April 1, 2011. For more information, and to register, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603**.

Thursday, May 12, 2011 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

Thursday, May 12, 2011 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

Wednesday, June 8, 2011 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

Wednesday, June 8, 2011 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

# VPL At Your Fingertips: Resources from Home

Stuck at home but still want to use the Library? Learn how to access library resources from the comfort of your home. The VPL has more than just books! This session will show you what we have and how to find it. Learn how to:

- search for electronic books, including how-to books
- find online magazines and newspapers
- find subject-specific information, such as consumer and medical information

The goal of this session is to help you feel comfortable accessing VPL's vast array of information from anywhere.

Basic computer and Internet skills are required. An active VPL library card required.

Registration is required and begins on Friday, April 1, 2011. For more information, and to register, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603**. Sunday, May 15, 2011 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

## Introduction to Google

Get to know Google, one of today's most popular search engines. Learn how to search the Internet, evaluate your search results, and use the advanced search features.

Basic computer and Internet skills are required.

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Sunday, May 15, 2011 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library



## **Email Basics**

Setup your own web-based email account and learn the basics of sending and receiving email in this 90-minute, hands-on course. All exercises use a free email service.

Computer Basics and Internet Basics or equivalent is required.

Registration is required and begins on Friday, April 1, 2011. For more information, and to register, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603**.

#### Thursday, May 19, 2011 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library

Thursday, May 19, 2011 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, level 7 Central Library

Wednesday, June 15, 2011 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Computer Training Lab, Level 7 Central Library



Programs Elsewhere in the Lower Mainland

Heritage Quest Database Online: Tutorial with Laurie J. Cooke Saturday, April 30, 2011 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Surrey Public Library, Cloverdale Branch 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. Free

Many people come to Cloverdale to use Ancestry – the world's largest online genealogy collection. Few people realize we have Heritage Quest as well, a database known more for its unique record set than its massive size. Heritage Quest includes a variety of North American resources, but it's of extra special interest to those with American ancestors and/or living descendants – and so many people do without realizing it...

Please preregister by calling **604-598-7328**, or emailing **familyhistory@surrey.ca**.

## Downtown Vancouver Genealogy Group

This meet-up group is about sharing our interest in genealogy and our family history and heritage. Our venues are casual. We share knowledge, tips, ask questions, enjoy coffee or tea and ultimately find out who we are – past and present.

Themes can include material for writers, creative presentations, family albums as well as techniques to track our heritage, computer tips and assistance. Novices, practiced genealogists and the 'curious' are all welcome.

When: Second Tuesday of the month, 1:00 p.m. Where: Vancouver Public Library, Central Library

 More Information: www.meetup.com/vancouver-genealogy

## Monthly British Columbia Genealogical Society Meetings

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month throughout the year. Visitors are always welcome.

Edmonds Community Centre, 7282 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C.

 More Information: www.bcgs.ca/

# Promote Your Genealogy Event

If you are planning a special genealogy event, or having a regular meeting let us know about it and we will add it to our list of genealogy events in the newsletter.

Email:brian.peaslee@vpl.ca

## Also Noted...

## Unlocking Doors to the Past

**April 16-17, 2011** Alberta Genealogical Society Edmonton, Alberta

 More information: http://abgensoc.ca/events.html



# Beyond the Basics – Symposium 2011

**April 29 – May 1, 2011** Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

 More information: www.sbsgs.org

## **Spring Seminar**

May 7, 2011 Abbotsford Genealogical Society Abbotsford, British Columbia

 More information: www.abbygs.ca/

# NGS 2011 Family History Conference May 11-14, 2011

National Genealogical Society Charleston, South Carolina, U.S.A.

 More information: www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/ conference\_info

# Remembering Our Past ... Projecting the Future

May 13-15, 2011 Ontario Genealogical Society Hamilton, Ontario

 More information: www.ogs.on.ca/conference2011/

## Roots 2011 – International Conference on Family History June 3-5, 2011

Quebec Family History Society Montreal, Quebec

 More information: www.qfhs.ca/roots\_2011\_program.shtml



## **Genealogy Summer Camp**

**June 5-10, 2011** Ontario Genealogical Society, Toronto Branch Toronto, Ontario

 More information: www.torontofamilyhistory.org/ summercamp.html

## Conference on Family History & Genealogy July 26, 29, 2011

Brigham Young University Provo, Utah

 More information: http://ce.byu.edu/cw/cwgen/

## **2011 Convention August 12-14, 2011** Society for German Genealogy in Eastern Europe Winnipeg, Manitoba

 More information: www.sggee.org/convention/ convention\_news

## Celebrate Your Anglo-Celtic Roots September 16-18, 2011

British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa Ottawa, Ontario

 More information: www.bifhsgo.ca/Conference.htm

## It's All Relative

**September 30 – October 1, 2011** Manitoba Genealogical Society Winnipeg, Manitoba

 More information: www.mbgenealogy.com/index.php? page=seminar-2011



# Finding Your Roots (Annual Tri-Stake Conference)

## October 15, 2011

Abbotsford, Surrey and Vancouver Stakes of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Surrey, British Columbia

 More information: www.findingyourroots.ca/

## C.I.9 Certificates from Vancouver and Victoria, 1910-1952

Vancouver Public Library now owns a complete microfilm set of C.I.9 Certificates from Vancouver and Victoria, 1910-1952.

The set, comprising 15 reels, is available on Level 6 at the Central Branch. For more information on these records, please visit the following web page:

C.I.9 Certificate (Chinese-Canadian Genealogy) www.vpl.ca/ccg/Cl-9.html

> New Genealogy CD-ROMs at the

Vancouver Public Library

The following CD-ROMs are available on request in Fine Arts and History, on Level 6 at the Central Library.

### Cariboo-Chilcotin, British Columbia, Canada Cemetery Recordings Ref. 929.5 C27b

A collection of burial records and monumental cemetery inscriptions from the Cariboo-Chilcotin region of British Columbia. Communities included on this CD-ROM are:

- 100 Mile House: 100 Mile House Cemetery
- Fraser Lake: Endako Cemetery
- Penny: Penny Cemetery
- Prince George: Fort George Park Cemetery
- **Quesnel**: Quesnel Forks Cemetery and Windt Ranch Cemetery
- Shelley: Shelley Indian Reserve Cemetery

• Vanderhoof: Braeside Cemetery, Sinkut Cemetery, and Stoney Creek Reserve Cemetery



Kootenay Country, British Columbia, Canada Cemetery Recordings Ref. 929.5 K82b

A collection of burial records and monumental cemetery inscriptions from the Kootenay Country region of British Columbia. Communities included on this CD-ROM are:

- Arrow Park: Maple Cemetery
- Fort Steele: Fort Steele Cemetery
- Moyie: Moyie Cemetery
- Phoenix: Phoenix Mines Cemetery
- **Trail**: Columbia-Riverview Cemetery, Tadenac Cemetery, and Waneta Cemetery

## Last Will & Testament: Will Book A

Ref. 929.3716 L34c

This CD contains images of every document in Cumberland County, Nova Scotia's Will Book A. The dates range from December 15, 1770 to July 31, 1830. Includes wills, estate appraisements, guardianship papers, auctions, debits and credits from ledgers, or other accounting of the estate.

#### Lower Mainland, British Columbia, Canada Cemetery Recordings Ref. 929.5 L91b

A collection of burial records and monumental cemetery inscriptions from the Lower Mainland region of British Columbia. Communities included on this CD-ROM are:

- **Abbotsford**: Aberdeen Cemetery and Kilgard Cemetery
- Albion: Albion Indian Reserve #5 Cemetery
- Fort Langley: Pioneer Cemetery

- Hatzic/Mission: Fraser River Missions Cemetery
- Maple Ridge/Langley: Burials from St John the Devine Register
- Matsqui: Mt Lehman Cemetery
- Richmond/Steveston: Memorial Garden Internment of Ashes, Memorial Plaques Minoru Park, Steveston Fishermen's Memorial, and Steveston Memorial Plaques

#### North-Northwest and Peace River, British Columbia, Canada Cemetery Recordings Ref. 929.5 P35b

A collection of burial records and monumental cemetery inscriptions from the North-Northwest Peace River region of British Columbia. Communities included on this CD-ROM are:

- Cedarvale: Cedarvale Anglican Cemetery
- Fort St John: Fort St John and Woodlawn Cemeteries
- Rose Prairie: Women's Institute Cemetery

## Rock Creek Cemetery, Rock Creek, British Columbia, Canada

Ref. 929.5 R68r

A collection of burial records and monumental cemetery inscriptions from the Rock Creek Cemetery in Rock Creek, British Columbia.



Vancouver Island Part 1, British Columbia, Canada Cemetery Recordings Ref. 929.5 V22a

A collection of burial records and monumental cemetery inscriptions from Vancouver Island, British Columbia. Communities included on this CD-ROM are:

- Alberni: Cedar Valley Memorial Cemetery and Faber Family Cemetery
- Chemanus-Westholme: All Saints
  Cemetery

- **Courtenay**: Courtenay Municipal Cemetery
- Cowichan Bay: Dougan Family Cemetery
- Cowichan Station: St Andrew Cemetery
- **Mill Bay**: Mill Bay Indian Cemetery, Mill Bay United Church Cemetery, and Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church Cemetery

#### Vancouver Island, Victoria Area, British Columbia, Canada Cemetery Recordings Ref. 929.5 V22c

A collection of burial records and monumental cemetery inscriptions from the Victoria area of Vancouver Island, British Columbia. Communities included on this CD-ROM are:

- Cobble Hill: St John's Anglican Church
- Metchosin: St Mary the Virgin Cemetery
- Sidney: Brethour Family Cemetery
- **Sooke**: Knox Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Milne's Landing Cemetery and Muir Family Cemetery (Muirside)

## News from

Ancestry library edition

Ancestry Library Edition is a popular online collection of records available to Vancouver Public Library users at all branches of the Vancouver Public Library.

## More Canadian WWI Death and Burial Records

New additions to the collection include CEF Commonwealth War Graves Registers, 1914-1919, and Canada, CEF Burial Registers, First World War, 1914-1919. This will add to what is already the largest online collection of Canadian military records; one that includes Soldiers of the First World War, which contains the original Attestation Papers of the 600,000 Canadians who enlisted.

## Black Sheep in the Family Tree

Ancestry Library Edition has added a collection of nearly 75,000 records of prisoners from several of the most infamous penitentiaries in the United States, including Alcatraz, Leavenworth, and McNeil Island. The prison record collection spans 1875 to 1963 and even includes photo ID cards of nearly 3,500 inmates who did time at McNeil Island Prison.

# Burial Records from the National Cemetery of Canada

Established in 1873, Beechwood National Cemetery serves as the National Cemetery of Canada and is the final resting place for our Veterans, War Dead, Governors-General, Prime Ministers and Victoria Cross recipients. Since its inception, it has held the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Memorial Cemetery.

The Beechwood Cemetery Registers, 1873-1990 include five burial ledgers with fully indexed names from 66,649 internment records. The ledgers also include cremations from 1981 onward, as well as the names for some individuals who died before 1873 and whose remains were later moved to Beechwood.

## 1911 Census Summary Books

Last October Ancestry Library Edition reached an agreement with the United Kingdom National Archives to publish the 1911 England and Wales Census. Because of the size of the collection it is being made available in stages, starting with the summary books. The summary books give the name of the head of each household, the number of people in that household, and the nature of the domicile (such as a house, or apartment).

The entirety of the census will be indexed and made available this year on Ancestry Library Edition.

## Vintage Sears Catalogues

Ancestry Library Edition now includes the complete collection of Sears, Roebuck and Company catalogues from 1896 to 1993. This provides a powerful picture of your ancestors' everyday life—from how they dressed and decorated their homes to how they worked and played. It is also a valuable picture reference for historians and artists.



## News from FamilySearch

FamilySearch (familysearch.org) offers free access to a wealth of resources for genealogical researchers. It is part of FamilySearch International, a non-profit organization sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Among other services it provides access to the catalogue of the Family History Library (FHL) in Salt Lake City, Utah. For a small fee Vancouver Public Library users are able to borrow genealogy microfilms from the FHL's vast collection. For more Information see www.vpl.ca/find/details/borrowing\_ microfilms fhl.

## Website Redesign

FamilySearch has completed a redesign of their website.

See https://blog.familysearch.org/node/1023 for more information.



## Indexing Volunteers

Since 2006 volunteers working with FamilySearch have indexed more than 500 million records. To find out how you can help see https://giveback.familysearch.org/indexing.

Canadian collections recently completed or updated include:

<u>Canada Census Mortality Schedules, 1871</u> Contains information about individuals who died during the previous 12 months before the enumeration.

<u>Canada, New Brunswick Provincial Deaths,</u> <u>1815-1938</u> New records linked to images.

<u>Canada, Ontario Births, 1869-1912</u> New images and records.

<u>Canada, Ontario Deaths, 1869-1937 and</u> <u>Overseas Deaths, 1939-1947</u> Includes an index of death records from July 1869 through 1937 and overseas deaths of Ontario military personnel, 1939-1947.

<u>Canada, Ontario Marriages, 1869-1927</u> Index only.

#### <u>Canada, Quebec Catholic Parish Registers,</u> 1621-1900

New records linked to images; most images already published.



<u>Canada, Quebec Notarial Records, 1800-1900</u> Notary records from Montreal and Terrebonne.

# News from the Canadian Genealogy Centre

## Two New "Where to Search" Guides

The Canadian Genealogy Centre has added two new guides:

## Immigration Records Indexes

Immigration Records Indexes provides links to passenger list and immigration records from Library and Archives Canada, as well as other sources on the web.

## www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/genealogy/ 022-908.013-e.html

## Immigration Records Column Headings

Immigration Records Column Headings helps explain the information contained on these forms and provides samples of different forms used for passengers and immigrants.

## www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/ genealogy/022-908.012-e.html

## 1916 Census of the Prairie Provinces Now Online

In order to track the high rates of population growth in western Canada during the early years of the 20th century, the Canadian government called for a special census of the Prairie provinces (**Manitoba, Saskatchewan**, and **Alberta**). The first census was conducted in 1906, followed by another in 1916. Search by **Province, District Name, District Number,** and **Sub-district Number** at:

### www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/ census-1916/index-e.html

Browse the microfilm reels page by page at:

### www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/microformdigitization/index-e.html

To search for your ancestors by name in the 1916 census, use the **Ancestry Library Edition** database at any branch of Vancouver Public Library.

# Launch of "Medals, Honours and Awards" database

Access more than 113,000 references to medal registers, citation cards and records of various military awards for Canadians. In addition to archival references, this research tool includes digitized images of some medal registers.

### www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/ medals/index-e.html



On the Web

# National Archives of Ireland Launches New Website

National Archives of Ireland has created a portal website to help users to search for publicly accessible archival collections that are located in Ireland. The web page for **Family History & Genealogical Research** includes a guide to using the records, a link for accessing the 1901 and 1911 censuses, and offers information on their Genealogy Service where members of the public can consult a professional genealogist about sources relating to their family history.

### www.iar.ie/Genealogy.html

## Website Contains Over 54 Million Cemetery Records

**Find a Grave** is a volunteer constructed index to cemeteries in the United States and around the world. The site includes photos of graves as well as photos of the deceased. Over 1500 cemeteries in Canada are indexed and coverage includes every inhabited continent. Registered users can contribute and create memorials for the departed. Registration is free.

#### www.findagrave.com



## Archives of Ontario to Make Vital Events Records Available on the Web

Starting in 2011, the Archives of Ontario will begin scanning birth, marriage and death indexes and registrations and making them accessible through the Web. The first set available will consist of the 1914 birth, 1929 marriage, and the 1939 death indexes and registrations.

## www.archives.gov.on.ca/english/archivalrecords/interloan/vsmain.aspx



## Support the Genealogy Collection

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