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Announcements

Security at the FHC

In view of the recent need for heightened security for Canadians everywhere, staff at the Family History Centre will be asking a few questions of anyone who buzzes the south foyer door. We know everyone will understand as it is for the safety of all of us. Thank you.

What's New

FamilySearch added the New York State Census of 1865 with 2½ million names. [So has Ancestry but FamilySearch is free to all.] FamilySearch reports that some areas are missing. Some indexed records and images have been added for Bahamas Civil Registration 1850-1959. A South African database has been added: Church of the Province of South Africa Parish Registers (Anglican) 1801-2004. The availability of any record is dependent on its time period and locality.

Ancestry has added more than three million records of Workhouse Admission and Discharges in London England 1738-1930. Only the boroughs of Camden, City of London, Hammersmith & Fulham, Hillingdon, Holborn, Kensington & Chelsea, and Westminster (central and west London) are included so far. As well as name, age, dates of admission and discharge, details of the person's condition and care and names of other family members may be included. The New York State Census of 1865 with 2½ million people has also been added this week. The Pennsylvania collection of death certificates 1906-1963 now has more than seven million records.

FindMyPast is releasing new record collections every Friday. This week they have added 389,000 new records from the South London Burials Index 1545-1905 have been added to the Greater London Burials. This collection now contains over one million names covering the City of London, Middlesex and South London. More than 60,000 records from Witton Cemetery in Birmingham have been added to the Birmingham Burials 1833-2010 database. Somerset Electoral Registers 1832-1914 is a new database containing about two million names on 31,700 pages of registers. These give an address in later years and whether the person owned property or a business. *Somerset and Dorset Notes and Queries 1888-1980* are now available on FindMyPast. These 30 volumes sometimes contain family trees, extracts of parish registers and other documents. These are available as pdf documents.

The Forum:

Questions: None received this week.

Suggestons: No suggestions were received for this question, so it is being repeated.

Q1/2014/36. Vienna, Austria Births.

I finally found proof my 2nd Great Grand Father who died in the Netherlands was born in Vienna about 1786. I have looked through the Austrian LDS online catalogue finding a large amount of films covering that time period, however they seem to be only military records covering garrisons. I need some help pointing my search towards the right direction.

Were You Aware...

English Catholic Family History Podcasts

Chris Paton's [British GENES Blog](#) of October 26th noted that the [English Catholic History Association](#) has launched a series of podcasts which are available in the iTunes Store. By subscribing to this free podcast you will be able to download the talks to a media player of your choice. The first podcast, entitled **Recusant Liturgy** by Michael Hodgetts, is available [here](#).

Oxfordshire History Centre closing – CDs May Help

The [British GENES Blog](#) of October 29th noted that the Oxfordshire History Centre was closing temporarily from November 25th to December 13th. This reminded me that one does not need to travel to Oxfordshire to find parish register transcripts. The **Oxfordshire Family History Society** has transcribed all or nearly all the parish registers for Oxfordshire and they are available as CDs, with more than one parish on each CD. I was interested in parishes close to the Oxfordshire/Buckinghamshire border and purchased three CDs that covered 34 parishes in the Bicester Registration District area. While each CD was expensive (£17.50 each), it was certainly cheaper than a trip to Oxfordshire or even the Society of Genealogists in London, where they have copies of many PR transcripts. Some single parish transcripts are also available for £6. Once I discovered how the families moved around I was able to order films from the Family History Library to view and copy the original records. The Toronto FHC has a few of the basic CDs, including a marriage index 1538-1837. Other English county family history societies have done similar things, so do check the family history society of the county you are interested in before making a trip. The Manchester & Lancashire Family History Society has CDs that include Roman Catholic parishes. The **Cambridgeshire Family History Society** has transcribed the parish registers of many parishes and these can now be downloaded or ordered as a CD. The Toronto FHC has CDs of marriage and baptism indexes for Cambridgeshire. Do check what we have in the Toronto FHC before purchasing a CD.

British Newspaper Archive, etc.

The [British Newspaper Archive](#) now has over nine million pages from 282 different newspapers online. One can search the archive without charge to see if you can find any snippets of articles of interest; these snippets are usually big enough to determine whether you have found the correct person. To download the entire article or page, you can subscribe for £9.95 per month; your subscription will continue at the same cost unless you cancel it at any time within the month. FindMyPast added Irish newspapers last week, as noted in the Bulletin; you will need a FindMyPast Ireland or Worldwide subscription to download them. [Welsh Newspapers Online](#) lets you search and download without charge any of the 7.6 million articles it has. Isle of Man newspapers can be searched at [iMuseum](#) for £7 a day or £10 a week. Many other newspapers are available to search through subscription but a country leader for newspaper archives must be the [Nation Library of Australia's Trove](#) which now has well over fourteen million pages and nearly 140,000,000 articles online to search and download without charge.

Films received in the week ending October 30th and due for return about the middle of January.

Film Content	Film No
AUT BAN Groß Jetscha PRs 1767-1844	0858388
DEU MEC Blankenhagen Ch. Rec.1737-	0068966
DEU MEC Bruz Taufen, Heiraten, Tote 1710-1828 (l. S.)	1196348
DEU MEC Bruz Taufen, Heiraten, Tote 1710-1828 (r. S.)	1196347
DEU MEC Dobbertin Taufen, Heiraten 1805-1903 etc.	0069071
DEU MEC Drosedow Taufen, Heiraten, Tote 1810-1891	0069843
DEU MEC Granzin Ch. Rec. 1664-1864	0069140
DEU MEC Gros Pankow Ch. Rec. 1815-1871	0069195
DEU MEC Kirchdorf Taufen, Tote 1738-1823	0069251
DEU MEC Lancken Ch. Rec.	0069300

DEU MEC Meslin Ch. Rec.	0069356
DEU MEC Techentin Taufen 1803-1883 etc.	0069613
DEU MEC Woserin Taufen, Heiraten, Tote 1758-1796	0069685

A patron wishing to view a film ordered by another should check first with staff. The description of the film given above may not be a full description but a search in the FamilySearch catalogue will reveal the full content. The geographical abbreviations are Chapman codes.

Toronto Family History Centre Current Opening Hours:

(Always phone us if you do not have a booking to ensure that we are open.)

Tuesday 9:30 am to 2 pm (Linda)

Wednesday 9:30 am to 3:45 pm (Ann, Joe am, Helen & Leslie pm); 6:30pm to 9:30pm (Helen)

Thursday 9:30am to noon (Don & Roberta); 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm (Don & Roberta)

Closures: **December 19, 2014 to January 5, 2015 inclusive.** If you do not have a booking, call before you come.

For a copy of a searchable listing of all films, fiche, CDs and books held at the Toronto Family History Centre in pdf format, click [here](#).

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