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Film Ordering

With the new online film ordering system, when you first order a film, you can choose between Short Term Loan for \$6 or Extended Loan for \$15. If, when the film arrives, you decide that you need it to be in the Family History Centre for an indefinite period, you will have to renew it for an Extended Loan at an additional cost of \$15. You will not be able to renew it twice and have it stay at the FHC on indefinite loan as you could in the past. This has been clarified to our staff by the FamilySearch support staff in Salt Lake City.

Renewing a film that is currently at an FHC has the following policy from Salt Lake: "You, the patron, are responsible for initiating the renewal process at least 10 days before each loan period ends. You must show a family history center staff member the e-mail you received to verify the renewal. Otherwise, the film will be returned at the end of the loan period."

Toronto FHC Webpage

You will notice up in the top right hand corner the website address for the Toronto FHC. This is where we upload each week's Bulletin and where you can access the list of all the resources that we have at our Centre. It also has quick links on the right hand side for the online film ordering system and the three FamilySearch websites to go to look for ancestors and their records. In addition the Resources page has hot links where you can download any of the last three years of Bulletins, each a pdf file for one year. This will likely only be useful if you remember that there was something that interested you in a previous newsletter – downloading the pdf files will provide you with an easy way to search them. For example, if you remember that a few weeks ago there was something about Gloucestershire and now you have an interest in Gloucestershire, a quick search of the pdf of 2010 Bulletins will find it.

Additions to Our Permanent Collections

Rodger Archer has donated a copy of his book to our collection – *Matthew Spratt and Elizabeth Chirnside – A Family Research Framework*. This nicely published book is the culmination of Rodger's research into this branch of his family. It will be filed with the English books on shelf 5 of bookcase 3.

New fiche: ENG HAM Bramshaw Baptisms 1870-1909 (2 fiche)

The Forum

Questions:

Q1/43/2010. UK – Military Wills.

My gg and ggg grandfathers were in the British army in the early 1800s. They were apparently both quartermasters. I understand that it was common for members of the military to make a will. I have looked at the PCC [Prerogative Court of Canterbury] wills at DocumentsOnline [<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documentsonline/>] but have not found them listed there. Is there somewhere else that I should be looking?

Q2/43/2010. UK. School Photo.

My mother has her school photograph from 1936. It has been rolled up for many years and is a very good quality photo about 2 1/2 feet by 8 inches. Entitled the Northampton School for Girls 1936, my mother describes how the whole school of some 350 girls and the staff were organized into a semi-circle and the photographer came in with a camera that moved automatically around the semi-circle so that each section was equidistant from the photographer. I have had it professionally scanned and, although the files are huge, it has turned out very well. I would like to put this photo somewhere on the web where others can access it but I don't know where. The school has changed over the years and

their website gives no indication that they are interested in the past; and there appears not to be an "old girls" network. Has anyone ideas as to how to share the photo?

News From the Trenches

Jerri Grimley write: "As part of my research I requested my father's WWII service records. I found out he had been married before he married my mother and had 2 children from his first marriage. Somewhere out there were 2 half-siblings. I searched on www.ancestry.ca to see if there were any matches. I found a tree with similar surnames but different first names for the children. It looked like his first wife had remarried and had another child. I contacted the tree owner but got no response. The Toronto telephone directories gave me the addresses of this family, but they seemed to disappear after about 1965. I then checked the obituaries on the internet and found a name of a descendant from the 2nd marriage. Next on my list was www.pipl.com to see if I could get a match for this descendant. I got several, one of them being facebook I contacted the person on www.facebook.com and she responded. It turned out she was the same person as the ancestry contact. I had the right family. My half-brother had died in 1995. She was able to give me the married name of my half-sister who had moved to the USA in the 1960s. I then used www.whitepages.com to find an address. Sadly, my half-sister had died in 2002. While I didn't get to meet my half-brother and sister, I now have a selection of photos and stores about them which I have added to my tree."

Do you have an interesting story to share?

Were You Aware...

Wiki's

Christine writes from England: "Seeing your reference in the recent Bulletin to the various Wikis available, reminded me that this forum can be very useful, especially (but not exclusively) for UK information: <http://www.familytreeforum.com/>. They used to have a Wiki, but it's been re-formatted as a "Reference Library". (There may have been maintenance problems with the Wiki format.) They have quite a bit of useful resource-info there, apart from the Forum activity - which is lively enough to be very useful, too. From time to time they set up "projects". There's a long-term project to collect digital images of all the places of worship around the UK: freely-usable for personal purposes - not for commercial use."

Films received in the 7 days ending 21 October 2010 and due for return on 11 November 2010.

Film Content	Film No
CAN ON Kingston St Mary's PRs 1850-1861	1298765
DEU MEC Goldberg 1815-1924	0069125
DEU MEC Mulsow 1787-1875	0069290
ENG BKM Wycombe BT 1590-1823	1999829
ENG BKM Wycombe PR 1612-1906	0994104
ENG HAM Bramshaw PRs Bapt 1870-1909	6343375
ENG NFK PRs 1558-1888	0890181
IRL Mayo Kilbeagh Charlestown Court Recs 1866-1876	2430595
IRL Mayo Kilbeagh Charlestown Court Recs 1876-1893	2430596
ITA Trento Parish Records - 4 parishes	1329976
USA NY Erie Co Deeds v. 56-57 1839-1901	0590036
USA NY Erie Co Deeds v. 90-91 1847-1899	0590053
USA NY Surrogate's records, Case # 8164-8202	0945631

A patron wishing to view a film ordered by another patron should check first with staff. The patron who ordered the film will always have priority. The description of the film given above may not be a full description. A film number search in the Family History Library Catalog will reveal the full content of the film. The geographical abbreviations used above are based on 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.)

Monday 9.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuesday 9.30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 6.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

Friday 9.30 a.m. to 4pm

Saturday 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

Closures: Christmas, Dec 18th to January 2 inclusive. Saturday, January 15th.

For a copy of a searchable listing of all the films, fiche, CDs and books held at the Toronto Family History Centre in pdf format, go to the Toronto FHC Website at <http://torontofhc.blogspot.com/> and look for it under Resources.

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