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# Penobscot County Genealogical Society

# Penobscot Roots & Connections

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## Upcoming Meetings

### Wednesday, October 19th

Bangor Public Library Lecture Hall, 6:00 pm

*Roxanne Moore Saucier will present a session on "How to write an effective query."*

### Wednesday, November 16

Bangor Public Library Lecture Hall, 6:00 pm

*BPL Research Night combined with Introduction to Genealogy session*

### Wednesday, December 21

Bangor Public Library Lecture Hall, 6:00 pm

*"And these are a few of my favorite things..." Come for an evening of holiday cheer and member sharing! Share favorite resource materials, research websites, ancestor or relative.*

## President's Message

Fall is approaching, although with the nice warm weather we've had here in Penobscot County the last few days, it is hard to believe. The cool mornings are a reminder that soon we will all be able to cuddle up and stay warm next to the volumes and volumes of research materials at the library!

Fall brings change. This fall will see Penobscot County Genealogical Society going through a few changes as well. After three years as president, I have opted to step aside to allow myself an opportunity to pursue other areas in the genealogical world. Not only will this give me a chance to recharge the ole batteries, but will give the Society a chance to reevaluate where it is and where it wants to go.

I am very pleased with the work the board has done on planning for next year and the upcoming addition of some fine folk to the board to help oversee the background operation. From a communications standpoint, the newsletter and website have been two areas that I have been very involved with; these are transitioning to Jacque Rump and Louise Howard, respectively, and I am confident that they will put a fresh face on both.

It has been a busy, fun, sometimes frustrating, but rewarding ride these first three years of Penobscot County Genealogical Society. I am proud to have played an instrumental role in its founding. I am proud to have received the encouragement, assistance and support of all of you. I am proud to be the benefactor of so many new friendships. I can now proudly stand before you and declare "I am Dale, I am a genealogist."

I look forward to the upcoming membership year. I hope to see many of you returning and continue to meet many more of you.

Thank you,

**Dale**

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Articles accepted for publication must be of genealogical nature.

Share your research experiences (your successes and your disappointments) or information about your Penobscot County ancestors.

Submissions should be forwarded to the Newsletter Editor.

## Queries

To post a query, email [mepcgs@yahoo.com](mailto:mepcgs@yahoo.com)

### CHASE

I am looking for any mention of a young woman named Nellie M. Chase, married to a Mr. Leith (possibly Henry). He was a musician. They resided in Bangor sometime between 1855 and 1859.

*Carolyn Schriber*

*E-mail: schriberc@rhodes.edu*

### WALL

Mary E. Wall was born in Bangor, Me. April 2, 1835. She is my maternal great grandmother. Any info would certainly be appreciated. Thanks

*Jim Standefer*

*E-mail: jnsbls@msn.com*

### BLACK

Hello! I am looking for information on a Joseph Black. Born 1871, Bathurst, NB Canada, died - unknown. Son of William James Black also Bathurst. Brothers: William (b 1866), Hugh (b 1869). Half-siblings: Mary Ann (1873), Jane (1875), Sarah (1878) & James (1880). According to an obituary I have, he was residing in the Old Town, Maine area in Jan 1935. If anyone has any information on this Joseph Black, it would be greatly appreciated!! Thank You!

*Ally Carey*

*Bathurst, NB*

*E-mail: allycarey@yahoo.ca*

### INQUIRY ABOUT BANGOR ORPHANAGE

My grandmother was raised in an orphanage in Bangor. Would you know anything about this place? Where would I start getting info on this? I would so appreciate any help or direction. Thank you...

*Emma O'Brien*

*Meriden, CT*

*E-mail: em417@cox.net*

### BLAISSELL

I am looking for information about Nancy Blaisdell's parents. Nancy was born 6 Dec 1829 and died 28 Mar 1915. She married Asa C Burrill. She is laid to rest in the Union Cemetery in Dedham Maine. Thanks, In Advance,

*John Van Dyke*

*E-mail: [jdandyke@adelphia.net](mailto:jdandyke@adelphia.net)*

### SNOW

I am looking for a member of the Snow family that could tell me the first name of ? SNOW that married Elizabeth Perkins about 1918. From what I have been told that they were from Plantation 21, Maine. there was a train wreck about 1919 -1920 and Elizabeth was killed in it. there child Elizabeth or Zana ? was incorporated into the family Howard and Sadie Perkins. The child is now 86 years old and would like to know of her fathers past. My mother who grew up with the name Zana has tried to find this information for many years.

*Her Daughter Pat.*

*E-mail: grammahurd@aol.com*

### WARREN

I am seeking information for one Joseph Warren born approx. 1807 to 1811 place of birth - Bangor, ME (according to cemetery records) father's place of birth - Massachusetts; mother's - Maine (according to death certificate) Died Dec. 1, 1886 Washington, D.C., Buried Irwin, PA. Dec. 5, 1886 Wife's name Ann

I shall thank you for any information regarding Joseph Warren's parents - the names of his parents, the places of their births, siblings, etc.

NOTE I am looking for a connection between a Joseph Warren who was the son and 2nd child of Joseph and Abigail Whittier Warren of Palmyra - supposedly born in 1807I would expect to assume any expense incurred in this search. Thank you.

*Edith Howell*

*E-mail: Howell277@aol.com*

### *Note from Editor:*

*In the transitioning of newsletter duties we have tried to make sure all queries received in the past couple of months were included in this issue. If you have submitted a query that has not appeared please re-submit.*

*I apologize in advance for any inconvenience.*

*Jacque*



### CORINTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROJECT

The Corinth Historical Society is busy researching and writing the history of (East) Corinth, a job which has not been done since 1887! We are interested in collecting genealogical information on any present or former resident of the town. We are especially interested in hearing from descendants of some of the earlier settlers of the place. If you have any information that you could contribute, you may contact us at jameswilson@charter.net or by mail at Corinth Historical Society, P.O. Box 541, Corinth, Maine 04427. We thank you in advance for your invaluable aid.

Sincerely,  
James R. Wilson  
Historian, Corinth Historical Society

#### Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2005

Bangor Room, Bangor Public Library

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by President Dale Mower.

In attendance: (1) Dale Mower, President; (2) Annette Roberts, Vice-President; (3) Phil Getchell, Treasurer; (4) John Albertini, Research Director and (5) John Nelligan, Program Director.

#### Nominations for 2005-2006

First order of business was discussion of nominations to the Executive Committee for the 2005-2006 membership year. The board approved the following slate of nominees:

President	Phil Getchell
Vice-President	John Albertini
Treasurer	Annette Roberts
Secretary	Dale Mower
Webmaster	Louise Howard
Newsletter Director	Jacque Rump
Research Director	Roberta Williams (a)
Program Director	John Nelligan
Director-at-large	Celia Gray
	Gerald Freeman (b)

Dale reported that Louise Howard had volunteered to take over the website and he had met with her the following evening to start that transition. He and Jacque Rump had hoped to meet to discuss the newsletter transition prior to her moving from the area, but Murphy's Law interceded and they will work on the transition long-distance.

Dale further reported that he had received e-mails from two members (Roberta Williams and Gerald Freeman) expressing interest in serving on the board as directors-at-large, and expressed his feeling that where we only had the two members expressing an interest in becoming involved that we should make a place for them. The question was raised as to any limits on the number of directors-at-large; Dale stated he didn't believe so. A review of the bylaws after the meeting shows that the bylaws only state that "any member may volunteer to be a 'Director-at-Large' to assist the Executive Committee with planning and special projects".

It was decided that Dale will contact Roberta Williams to see if she would be willing to serve as Research Director. If she did not accept that position, he will contact Gerald Freeman to see if he would be interested. Pending responses both will be offered a position on the board.

#### Dues for 2005-2006

The next order of business was setting the dues amount for 2005-2006. After much discussion, which included the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter on a bi-monthly basis, it was agreed that the Society will increase dues to \$6.00.

#### Maine Genealogical Conference

Dale reported that he had signed up to share a table at the MGS conference on October 8<sup>th</sup> with Wassebec Genealogical Society. Phil and he will work out the details on what to have on the table. Dale will revise our brochures to reflect the increased dues amount.

Dale also reported that he would purchase a door prize for the Chapter to donate to the conference. (he has since purchased a tree frame to hold miniature photos) and the chapter should also donate a one-year membership consistent with other chapters.

#### PCGS Ancestors Cookbook

John reported that progress is being steadily made. He has a very enthusiastic group working with him on this project. He wants to make sure the foundation is solid before they start collecting recipes. There was some discussion on trying to get submissions from local political leaders and it was agreed to avoid anything that could be inferred to carry a political connotation.

#### Speaker Gifts

It was agreed that the Society would donate 2 books to the LDS library in recognition of their support of our group, as shown at the last meeting held there.

Dale will purchase genealogical-related coffee cups to give as speaker gifts for the upcoming year.

#### Program for 2005-2006

The final order of business was discussion of the program for the upcoming year.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm by Dale Mower

Respectfully submitted,

Dale W. Mower

President

### ATTENTION CHANDLER DESCENDANTS

I am seeking other CHANDLER descendants interested in proving their lineage back to the New England immigrant ancestor, primarily William and Annis, Edmund, and Roger, although there are a few others. The proof of the lineage will result from a DNA sample provided by those interested to Family Tree DNA, a national DNA testing organization. Details are at URL: <http://www.edmundchandler.com/index.html>, then click on "Chandler DNA Results".

Any questions - contact

Bob Chandler

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**NEW SCHEDULE FOR NEWSLETTER**

Based on member input we will be switching to a bi-monthly publication of our *Penobscot Roots & Connections* instead of the currently quarterly schedule. Going forward you should expect your issues in the mail during the first week of DECEMBER, FEBRUARY, APRIL, JUNE, AUGUST and OCTOBER.

Deadlines for submission of queries, notices or articles will be the 15<sup>th</sup> of the previous month (i.e. November 15<sup>th</sup> for December issue, January 15<sup>th</sup> for February, and so forth).

**GenBytes**

by Dale Mower

I've been surfing a lot of sites related to beginning genealogy and sites hosting various forms in preparation for my presentations at Maine Genealogical Society's annual conference. My googling uncovered a unique form that can capture all the census history for an individual on one form. It is a .pdf format so you will have to have Adobe reader on your computer to view it. The web address to take you directly to the form is: <http://www.obcgs.com/censusrecordform.pdf>.

Also, another valuable resource that everyone should bookmark is the "Encyclopedia of Genealogy." This is a very comprehensive website sponsored by Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter. You may recall that I have recommended this newsletter in the past, particularly where Dick Eastman has roots in Penobscot County – it is located at [www.eogn.com](http://www.eogn.com). If you add a letter to that web address and go to [www.eogen.com](http://www.eogen.com) you will enter the the Encyclopedia. This is a completely free and fully searchable resource. As the site indicates, "This encyclopedia is not a place to find all the ancestors of John Doe or all the descendants of John and Mary Smith. The World Wide Web already has many online message boards and databases that perform that function well. Instead, the Encyclopedia of Genealogy serves as a clearing-house of genealogy techniques: where to find records, how to organize the data found, what the terminology means and how to plan your next research effort." I bopped around the site, searching for old medical terms you might find on a death record, relationships, and for Maine resources and was very impressed with the information available at the touch of a keystroke.

