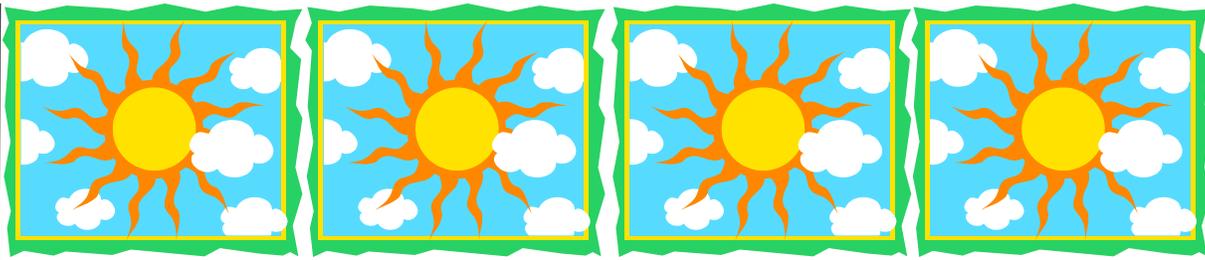


Penobscot Roots & Connections

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Upcoming Meeting

Wednesday, September 20th
 Researching at Historical Societies
 With Nancy Battick
 Bangor Room, Bangor Public Library
 6:00 p.m.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello!
 Oh what a time we had at Hose 5 Museum and our first annual cookout! We had about 25 to 30 show up for Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Onion Rings and Strawberry Shortcake. I don't think anyone left hungry! We experienced a few hitches that were quickly fixed and now next year will be that much better as we now know what to expect. Now if we'll be able to get that Onion ring guy back. Oh Hugh, can we talk?

Many, many THANKS to John Nelligan and one of our new members, Elizabeth Stevens, for all their help in getting things together and folks served. A very Special THANKS to the 3 volunteers from the museum Dave and Cathy Garnett for cooking and to Bill Tuck for the story telling and the tour. I am hoping we'll be able to send a donation to the museum as it's the second year they have had us there and want us to return.

One of our members from away sent this along to share. It's neat and fun so I am hoping you all might give it a try. From R.V. Chandler in FL:

Here's an interesting and helpful site from the 5/25/2006 edition of FAMILY TREE MAGAZINE E-MAIL UPDATE which shows you how many years, months and days have elapsed between two dates.

<http://www.easycalculation.com/days-between-dates.php>

That meeting will end our fourth full year as an active group. All I can say to that is WOW as I and I'm sure Dale never dreamed this would have gone this long when it was first thought of back in the summer of 2002. Thanks to all of you who have been with us from the very beginning and those coming on board are to be commended for your interest and support. I hope we can continue this wonderful group for another year starting in October 2006.

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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

NOTE: Nowadays it is difficult to have an e-mail account and not receive SPAM. To help filter the queries from SPAM please type the word *query* at the beginning of the subject field. Thank you!

TIBBETTS

I am looking for a birth record of Violet Tibbetts, born 28 March 1842, probably in Howland, perhaps in Lee, to Alvah Tibbetts and Dorothy Fifield Tibbetts. Any information in re Alvah Tibbetts (perhaps Dec 1804 to before July 1860) or Dorothy Fifield (dates unknown) will also be welcomed. Their marriage date and other children are unknown.

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EMERSON/EMMERSON

I am seeking descendants of Timothy Emerson (1806-1885) & Mary Hodge (1826-1912) who are buried at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Bangor. Also descendants of James Emerson (1809-c1854) & Catherine Preble (b. c1822). These brothers moved from NH to Maine, married and lived in the Orono area, following the death of their father in the War of 1812.

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INMAN

Hi , I am seeking info on my gggrandmother Theresa INMAN - born in penobscot co. maine in aprox 1834-37 to Anthony INMAN and ? Sarah D*. I'm really not sure if the wife was her mother.

She married Alfred Clyde Raynor (Ranar) from Canada on 15 nov 1866 in Penobscot co. I need to solidify her parents, and a birth record of some kind. Family records are the only info before the marriage i have. Thanks in advance for all your help.

Becky
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LINNEL

I am looking for any information about Claude C. Linnell, born 3-19-1890 @ Magalloway Plantation , Maine. He married Mildred Storey around 1912 and their children included Claude, Eunice, Elva, Cleo, Edna and Winslow. This is relative from my paternal side of the family that originated in New Hampshire/Quebec.
email:rashelle.morcom@maine.edu

Until we can add the following information on the website's surname pages as requested by Bertie I thought I would include it in the newsletter.

They include Aquila & Anne (Wheeler) Chase Newbury Mass 1640 through rev soldier brothers Jonathan & Hannah (Merrill) Chase-Danville 1798 and Edmund and Esther (Merrill) Chase-Minot 1798. Jonathan's son Peter married a Royal and moved to Bangor. I suspect many of the Chases in greater Bangor area can trace to this family. Additionally, I know where all Peter's siblings ended up including his eldest brother John Merrill Chase who married Miriam Murrey and moved to Athens Co. Ohio. A descendant is Salmon P. Chase. Im in email contact with cousins from this line. Peter's sister Charlotte married Rishworth Jordan-descendant of Rev. Robert Jordan circa 1615 Cape Elizabeth they went to Wapsi River Iowa. Moses Chase married Lorena Sawtelle and they went to Oconto Co. (Greenbay) Wisconsin. I am in email with that branch also. Brother Jonathan Jr stayed and married another Jordan-twice

- 1) Hannah d/o Ebenezer & Sarah (McKinney)
- 2) Susannah d/o John Gray and Nancy (McKinney) Jordan. wife #3 was a widow with 2 children Phebe nee Hicks Reed. From these children are Atwoods (pejepscot claim & New Gloucester), Vosmus, Later marriages include Knowlens,

Fultons, Metcalfs, Bartley, Burgesses, I have quite a bit of information on early Chases, Jordans, Royals, Vosmus and children. Additionally I am doing outside queries on Whitneys, (Kirkland/Hudson), Libby (LaGrange), Briggs (Blakesburg Plantation/Bradford), Tildens (LaGrange), McNeils (Bangor) and Maddocks (Eddington).

I [also] have an opportunity to get access to early LaGrange town records and cemetery to add to cemetery project

Bertie Williams

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A Gray reunion will be held in North Orland.

On August 26

For more info -please call Michelle

at 848-5210

GenBytes

by Dale Mower

With summertime in full swing, my web surfing has been very limited. 'Tis the season to be trudging through cemeteries rather than being inside in front of the computer. Although, granted, I still find time to do just that, probably more than I should. I do have a couple sites to recommend though.

Maine History and Genealogy at www.maine-genealogy.com is a good portal site for entry to many website and databases related to Maine. I would add it to your bookmarks (aka favorites) as it's a good kick off site.

Another site I've visited recently, just to hone my skills a little is the Palaeography tutorial at the U.K. National Archives website. The address to visit is: www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/palaeography. This is an excellent tutorial focused on helping you learn to read the old handwriting written in English during the 1500-1800 time frame.

If you are looking to acquire a hard to find or out of print book to add to your own personal collection, I

highly recommend www.addall.com. The single search engine searches over 20,000 booksellers. I had great success with this recently! I had been looking for a copy of the book "Bel Viso" which discusses the Tristram Hillman family in New Brunswick. It had a very limited production run and distribution. My search found a copy of the book in a bookstore in Calgary at a very reasonable price and it has arrived! There are so many great websites. What is your favorite? Drop me an email at dale@mower-family.com and let me know where you go when you are on the Internet doing genealogical research.

PCGS funds at work...

A few months back the PCGS donated \$500 to the Bangor Public Library. Below is a list of books that were purchased (and yes, they are all shelved and available for use in the Bangor Room):

- ◆ Vital Records of Brunswick Maine
- ◆ Church Records of Jackson and Brooks
- ◆ Marriage Records of Lincoln County to 1866
- ◆ Vital Records of North Haven, Maine
- ◆ Vital Records of Portland, Maine, Vol. 1
- ◆ Vital Records of Rockland, Maine
- ◆ Vital Records of Searsport, Waldo County, Maine prior to 1892
- ◆ Vital Records of Vassalboro, prior to 1900



*It's all right to sit on your
pity pot, now and then;
just be sure to flush when you're done.*

Recent Meetings

The July Open Research meeting at the Family History Center in Bangor was a big success. As always, the librarians and volunteers there were very helpful and truly made us feel welcome. It is always a lot of fun when there is an opportunity to share research materials and information with fellow members (as well as just chat). Several members were tackling the microfilm records in search of that elusive piece of information, while others were thumbing through the book collection and cemetery records.

In August, several members joined Ryan King for an informational tour of Mt. Hope Cemetery. The evening's weather was perfect for a stroll through a cemetery. Ryan pointed out where many of the prominent area people were buried, such as Samuel Dale, Rufus Dwinal, Hannibal Hamlin, Mary Snow, as well as the unmarked grave of infamous Bangor madam Fanny Jones. Ryan also discussed the history of the cemetery, describing how 3 earlier Bangor municipal cemeteries had been moved to the public section of the cemetery.

You can check out more about the cemetery at http://www.mthopebgr.com/new_book.html.

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To do so means we need your help. No it's not the dues or other donations, its getting involved and being an active part of the membership. Not necessarily as an officer in the executive committee, although it would be something to think about, but something very simple.

We have been asking for recipes for the Cookbook Project and we are about halfway there! So did out those recipes from your parents, grandparents or even yours! :)

We need meat, vegetable, salads and even beverage recipes. Mail them as soon as possible to Bangor Public Library, Cookbook Committee, 145 Harlow St., Bangor, Maine 04401

Or email them to mepcgs@yahoo.com.

Regards,
Phil



On September 14th, our own Dale Mower will be giving a presentation on Gravestone Symbolism to the Wassebec Genealogical Society in Dover-Foxcroft. He will be reviewing some of the artwork found on local gravestones and reviewing what specific flowers and other artwork symbolizes. For more information, visit Wassebec's website at www.rootsweb.com/~mewgs.

Dale's June GenBytes on Canadian research coincided with a radio interview I heard on a Seattle based NPR program. The interview was with Simon Schama on his latest book Rough Crossings; Britain, The Slaves and the American Revolution.

"With powerfully vivid storytelling, often in the voices of the slaves themselves and the white abolitionists who became their emancipators and protectors, Schama details the odyssey of the escaped blacks through the fires of war and the terror of potential recapture at the war's end into inhospitable Nova Scotia, where thousands who had served the Crown were betrayed and in a little known hegira of the slave epic, sent across the broad, stormy ocean to Sierra Leone." -elliottbaybook.com

Below is the blurb from KUOW's website. I also included the archive link if anyone is interested in hearing the interview. The author is very eloquent and it was fascinating to listen to him tell this little known story.

"Imagine that the Revolutionary War is just beginning. If you were black in America at that time, who would you be rooting for? Who would you like to see victorious? That is the central question of Simon Schama's new book *Rough Crossings; Britain, The Slaves and the American Revolution*. *The Independent*, a UK newspaper, says that *Rough Crossings* turns "much conventional wisdom about the American Revolution on its head." A look at the slaves who struggled for freedom during the Revolutionary War today on *Weekday*."

[www.kuow.org http://www.kuow.org/defaultProgram.asp?ID=10742](http://www.kuow.org/defaultProgram.asp?ID=10742)

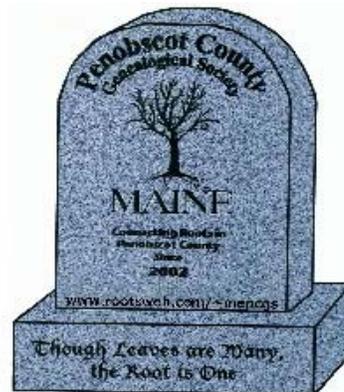
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Note: Send dues to the address above



Now is the perfect time to register for the MGS conference coming up on October 14, 2006. It is being held this year at Verrillo's Convention Center in Portland. There are a number of excellent sessions to appeal to any family history researcher - whatever your experience or area of interest. Conference chair, Dale Mower, insures that the conference is well worth the trek. To take advantage of the early registration deadline, your registration has to be postmarked by August 31st!

For all the scoop on the conference visit www.maineroots.org.



Changing of the guard....if anyone has interest in serving on the Executive Board for the upcoming year please contact Dale Mower @ dale@mower-family.com