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#### **DONATIONS**

Audrey B. Bailey of Morrisville, Vermont

Marion Myrna Harris of Brookline, New Hampshire

Vernon & Helen Irene Person of Olney, Maryland

William M. Vibert of Granby, Connecticut

Beverly Haughton of Los Gatos, California

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope all of you have had a good summer and your recent genealogical endeavors have been fruitful. A tip that I would like to share, which tends to be often overlooked, is to look at the siblings of your ancestors. You might be surprised at what you will find. Recently I looked at a probate file of the younger sister of an individual that I was researching. The sister, who happened to be a maiden lady, whose estate was ultimately divided between her surviving siblings and the children of her deceased brother. I had only speculated about the parentage of the deceased brother, which now became very clear. In looking at a sibling of the main subject that you are researching, sometimes you can learn much more about the family. The most trivial fact may lead to additional information about the family that you would have never thought of.

GSV's Fall Meeting will be held on October 20, 2012 at the South Hero Congregational Church, with lunch provided by the Women's Fellowship Group. So mark your calendars now. We have not met this far north in some time. The cost and speakers are being finalized, so check our website for updates. As this is an election year and we will have the election of officers at our annual business meeting. All of the current incumbents are running for re-election. The ballot for the election of GSV Officers is included on page 5 of this newsletter. If are voting by mail, please send in your ballot prior to the meeting.

Last but not least—a special thank you to our Newsletter Coordinator Randy Brown.

Jonathan W. Stevens, President

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#### THE 1940 U.S. CENSUS

On April 2<sup>nd</sup> the U.S. National Archives Records Administration [NARA] released the digital images of the 1940 Federal Census after a mandatory 72-year waiting period. These census images—more than 3.8 million pages were made available on <u>www.FamilySearch.org</u> and other websites and are now fully indexed. The 1940 census was taken in April 1940 (official date was April 1, though entries were recorded throughout April). The Federal government requires a census to be taken once every ten years for the apportionment of members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

#### Detailed Questions and Enumerator Instructions

Each census enumerator who participated in gathering information for the 1940 census was provided with detailed instructions on how to complete this effort.

Here are the specific questions, as contained on the NARA website: <a href="http://1940census.archives.gov/questions-asked/">http://1940census.archives.gov/questions-asked/</a>

#### Location:

• Street, avenue, road, etc. House number (in cities and towns).

#### Household Data:

- Number of household in order of visitation.
- Home owned (O) or rented (R).
- Value of home, if owned, or monthly rental, if rented. Does this household live on a farm? (Yes or No).

#### Name:

- Name of each person whose *usual place of residence* on April 1, 1940, was in this household. Be sure to include:
- Persons temporarily absent from household. Write "Ab" after names of such persons.
- Children under 1 year of age. Write "Infant" if child has not been given a first name.

Enter X after name of person furnishing information.

#### **Relation:**

Relationship of this person to the head of the household, as wife, daughter, father, mother-in-law, grandson, lodger, lodger's wife, servant, hired hand, etc...

#### **Personal Description:**

- Sex Male (M), Female (F).
- Color or race.
- Age at last birthday.

Marital status – Single (S), Married (M), Widowed (Wd), Divorced (D).

#### **Education:**

• Attended school or college any time since March 1, 1940? (Yes or No)

Highest grade of school completed.

#### Place of Birth:

If born in the United States, give State, Territory, or possession. If foreign born, give country in which birthplace was situated on January 1, 1937. Distinguish Canada-French from Canada-English and Irish Free State (Eire) from Northern Ireland.

#### Citizenship:

Citizenship of the foreign born.

#### Residence, April 1, 1935:

In What Place Did This Person Live on April 1, 1935? For a person who, on April 1, 1935, was living in the same house as at present, enter in Col. 17 "Same house," and for one living in a different house but in the same city or town, enter "Same place," leaving Cols. 18, 19, and 20 blank, in both instances. For a person who lived in a different place, enter city or town, county, and State, as directed in the Instructions. (Enter actual place of residence, which may differ from mail address.)

- City, town, or village having 2,500 or more inhabitants. Enter "R" for all other places.
- County.
- State (or Territory or foreign country).

On a farm? (Yes or No).

#### Persons 14 Years Old and Over – Employment Status:

• Was this person AT WORK for pay or profit in private or nonemergency Gov't. work during week of March 24-30? (Yes or No).

If not, was he at work on, or assigned to, public EMERGEN-CY WORK (WPA, NYA, CCC, etc.) during week of March 24-30? (Yes or No).

If neither at work nor assigned to public emergency work. ("No" in Cols. 21 and 22).

- Was this person SEEKING WORK? (Yes or No).
- If not seeking work, did he HAVE A JOB, business, etc.? (Yes or No).
- For persons answering "No" to question 21, 22, 23 and 24.
- Indicate whether engaged in home housework (H), in school (S), unable to work (U), or other (Ot).
- If at private or nonemergency Govt. work. "Yes" in col. 21.
- Number of hours worked during week of March 24-30, 1940.
- If seeking work or assigned to public emergency work.

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("Yes" in Col. 22 or 23).

Duration of unemployment up to March 30, 1940 – in weeks.

#### Occupation, Industry and Class of Worker:

For a person at work, assigned to public emergency work, or with a job ("Yes" in Col. 21, 22, or 24), enter present occupation, industry, and class of worker. For a person seeking work ("Yes" in Col. 23): a) if he has previous work experience, enter last occupation, industry, and class of worker; or b) if he does not have previous work experience, enter "New worker" in Col. 28, and leave Cols. 29 and 30 blank.

- Occupation: Trade, profession, or particular kind of work, as frame spinner, salesman, laborer, rivet heater, music teacher.
- Industry: Industry or business, as cotton mill, retail grocery, farm, shipyard, public school.
- Class of Worker.

Number of weeks worked in 1939 (Equivalent full-time weeks).

#### Income in 1939 (12 months ended December 31, 1939):

- Amount of money wages or salary received (including commissions).
- Did this person receive income of \$50 or more from sources other than money wages or salary? (Yes or No).

Number of Farm Schedule.

#### **Supplementary Questions 35-50:**

For persons enumerated on lines 14 and 29 [about a 5% sample of the population]

Name.

For Persons of All Ages:

Place of Birth of Father and Mother

If born in the United States, give State, Territory, or possession. If foreign born, give country in which birthplace was situated on January 1, 1937. Distinguish: Canada-French from Canada-English and Irish Free State from Northern Ireland.

Father. Mother.

Mother Tongue (or Native Language):

Language spoken in home in earliest childhood.

Veterans:

Is this person a veteran of the United States military forces; or the wife, widow, or under-18-year-old child of a veteran?

- If so, enter "Yes."
- If child, is veteran-father dead? (Yes or No)

War or military service.

Social Security:

- Does this person have a Federal Social Security Number? (Yes or No)
- Were deductions for Federal Old-Age Insurance or Railroad Retirement made from this person's wages or salary in 1939? (Yes or No)

If so, were deductions made from (1) all, (2) one-half or more, (3) part, but less than half, of wages or salary?

Usual Occupation, Industry, and Class of Worker:

Enter that occupation which the person regards as his usual occupation and at which he is physically able to work. If the person is unable to determine this, enter that occupation at which he has worked longest during the past 10 years and at which he is physically able to work. Enter also usual industry and usual class of worker. For a person without previous work experience, enter "None" in column 45 and leave columns 46 and 47 blank.

- Usual occupation.
- Usual industry.

Usual class of worker.

For all women who are or have been married:

- Has this woman been married more than once? (Yes or No)
- Age at first marriage.

Number of children ever born (do not include stillbirths).

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# DEATHS.

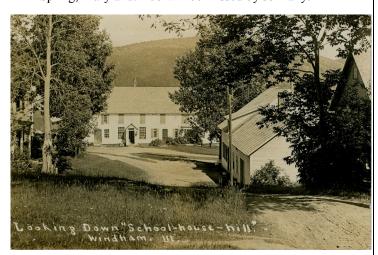
#### Marriages and Deaths inserted FREE.

#### **GSV Member #3951: Robert Edward Lee**

"Bob Lee of the Aristocrats," World War II veteran, and Federal Civil Servant. Died on May 5, 2012, at the age of 90. Beloved husband of 63 years to Lily W Lee. Loving father of Charles E (Gabrielle) Lee, M.D., Susan J (David) Humphrey and James E (Diane) Lee. Grandfather of Rebecca (Greg) Chiasson, Timothy (Karin) Lee, Matthew Humphrey and Andrew Lee. He was born in Washington DC and was predeceased by his parents Darwin Bird Lee and Emma Viedt Lee, two sisters, Evelyn H. Taylor and Virginia P. Lee. He died of colon cancer and its complications. At the age of 15 he started his own dance band, "The Aristocrats," and played music for all occasions for over 70 years. Bob graduated from Eastern High School in 1939 and played drums as 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant in the school band. At the age of 5 he started piano lessons and at age 12 took private lessons on drums and piano from professional musicians who played at the Fox/Capitol and Earle Theaters. His orchestra played many engagements with groups of 3 to 17 musicians. The band played for weddings, country clubs, military officers clubs, fraternal organizations, and school proms. During World War II, Bob was stationed at Fort Meade, Maryland, and Fort Myer, Virginia. He was honorably discharged in 1946 as Technician 3<sup>rd</sup> Class (Staff Sergeant). His decorations included the Army Good Conduct Medal, the American Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal. In June 1946, Bob earned a Bachelors of Commercial Science degree at Benjamin Franklin University. Bob's career of 40 years in Federal Government Personnel started at the Washington Navy Yard, then to Civil Service Examiners, Naval Research Lab, Food and Drug Administration, US Customs Service, Goddard Space Flight Center, and

National Naval Medical Center. After retirement and at 69 years of age, Bob went on to earn a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland University College in August 1991. He published the genealogy of his grandparents, Julius Viedt and Colonel Noah Lee of Vermont, in 1986 and 1990, respectively. Julius Viedt served as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the Union Army with Company K of the First Maryland Infantry Regiment during the Civil War. Noah Lee served with the "Green Mountain Boys," the Vermont militia, at the start of the Revolutionary War. He soon after was commissioned as a Captain in the Continental Army, served under George Washington, and participated in battles at Brandywine, Trenton, Germantown, Monmouth, and the siege and surrender at Yorktown. After the war, he was promoted to Colonel of the Militia in Vermont. Bob was elected to membership in the Society of Cincinnati (Connecticut Chapter), the Society of the Descendants of Founders of Hartford Connecticut, the Society of Mayflower Descendants, and various historical and genealogical

societies of Vermont and Connecticut. A fourth generation Washingtonian, he was a member of The Association of the Oldest Inhabitants of the District of Columbia, Congressional Cemetery, Prospect Hill Cemetery, German Heritage Society, and other local groups. For over 45 years he was a member of Glenmont United Methodist Church in Silver Spring. During that time he served on various committees. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Glenmont United Methodist Church or the American Cancer Society. Friends were received on Wednesday, May 9, 2012, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 noon at Glenmont United Methodist Church, 12901 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland. Funeral services were held at the church at 12 noon. Interment followed at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 13801 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland. Bob will be missed by so many.



#### RUTLAND COUNTY, VERMONT CEMETERY INSCRIPTIONS

All extant stones in all twenty-seven towns
Benson; Hubbardton & Sudbury; Brandon; Castleton;
Chittenden; Mendon; Pittsfield & Sherburne; Clarendon & Shrewsbury;
Danby & Mt.Tabor; Fair Haven & West Haven; Middletown & Ira;
Pawlet; Pittsford & Proctor; Poultney; Rutland; Tinmouth;
Wallingford & Mount Holly; Wells; and West Rutland

#### RUTLAND COUNTY, VERMONT PROBATE EXTRACTS

Rutland District, 5 volumes, 1781-1859 Fair Haven District, 3 Volumes, 1797-1854

Interment Records, Evergreen Cemetery, Rutland Town, 1861-1904

Orwell, Addison County Cemetery Inscriptions

For additional information see: Books by Margaret R. Jenks Margaret R. Jenks 518-642-1894

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#### Published in the Aurora of the Valley, Newbury, Vt., 22 April 1854.

Census Items. – There are in Vermont, 48,312 farmers, 21,993 laborers, 2360 carpenters, 1676 shoemakers, 1546 blacksmiths, 1282 merchants, 1016 students, 619 clergymen, 494 lawyers, 663 physicians, 22 book-binders, 73 brick-makers, 125 butchers, 380 cabinet makers, 103 chairmakers, 936 clerks, 120 clothiers, 115 coach makers, 10 comb-makers, 287 coopers, 1 cotton manufacturer, 45 dentists, 17 editors, 14 glass manufacturers, 21 goldsmiths, 22 gunsmiths, 51 hatters, 408 hotel keepers, 76 iron founders, 542 joiners, 508 masons, 348 millers, 88 paper makers, 354 pedlars, 52 potters, 8 powder manufacturers, 138 printers, 327 saddlers, 14 speculators!, 381 tailors, 273 tanners, 168 tinsmiths, 59 office holders (by profession!), 50 wheelrights, 1 author! Who is he? – *Rutland Herald*.

#### Published in the Aurora of the Valley, Newbury, Vt., 6 May 1854.

Westward Ho! – About forty men, women and children from the towns of Bridgewater, Sherburne, and Ludlow, left the Rutland station on Tuesday of last week, for Wisconsin. Thus is Vermont yielding frequent crops of enterprising, intelligent, and industrious sons and daughters, for the growth and benefit of the West. Good luck to them! – *Rutland Herald*.

Submitted by Bob Murphy

# BALLOT FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF VERMONT FOR THE TERM 2012-2014

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#### -BALLOT DIRECTIONS-

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#### **GSV PUBLICATIONS**

The society offers the following publications for purchase by our members and readers. GSV members receive a 10% discount on the purchase price. Postage and handling is extra—please add \$3.50 for the first item and \$1.00 for each additional item in the same order to the same address. Mail your checks, payable to GSV, to:

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Vermont Families in 1791, Vol. 1 is out of print.

**Vermont Families in 1791, Vol. 2.** Scott A. Bartley, ed., 1997, 304 pp., hardbound. Item No. GSV 5; \$27.00 members, \$30.00 non-members. This second volume covers 107 families, has improved formatting and more complete information on the third generation of early Vermonters.

*Vital Records of Putney, Vermont to the Year 1900*. Compiled and edited by Ken Stevens, 1992, 406 pp. Item No. GSV 2; \$27.00 members, \$30.00 non-members. This is a complete compilation from all primary sources available in the town. This is augmented by the ministerial records of the pastors who served as early as 1776.

Vital Records of Rockingham, Vermont and the Records of the First Church of Rockingham. Reprinted from the 1902 and 1908 first editions, newly indexed by Christopher T. Norris and Scott A. Bartley, 323 pp., hardbound. Item No. GSV 3; \$27.00 members, \$30.00 non-members. Reprinted from the first editions of 1908 and 1902, this is an important source of one of Vermont's oldest towns. The town records extend to 1845 and church records from 1773 to 1839. New to this edition is an indispensable index of nearly 1,000 names.

*Georgia, Vermont Vital Records.* Peter S. Mallet, ed., 1995, hardbound. Item No. GSV 4; \$27.00 members, \$30.00 non-members. This volume presents all births, baptisms, marriages, deaths and burials recorded in the town. All the civil books

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Windsor County, Vermont Probate Index, 1778-1899. Scott Andrew Bartley and Marjorie-J. Bartley, compilers, 2000, 560 pp., hardbound. Item No. GSV 6; \$45.00 members, \$50.00 nonmembers. This is a comprehensive index of all files in the Windsor County Probate Court Districts —Windsor and Hartford. The records cover the period from the earliest 1778 records through the end of the nineteenth century, more than 20,000 probate files. The files are indexed by the name of the major party in the case, place of residence, probate district, type of record, year, and probate record volume.

*Index to Branches & Twigs, 1972—1995.* Robert M. Murphy, ed. 2000, 572 pp., hardbound. Item No. GSV 7; \$58.50 members, \$65.00 nonmembers. This is the every-name index to GSV's Branches & Twigs, published for 24 years in 96 issues. The 180,000 entries include every genealogically important name mentioned in every issue. Separate sections of this work list the coverage of each Apple Orchard installment, and provide a full author and title index to book reviews. Branches & Twigs included large quantities of information of interest to family historians.

Sudbury, Vermont: Transcription of Vital Records and Genealogies of Residents. Mary Ann Z. Wheeler, 2000, 416 pp., hardbound. Item No. GSV 9; \$44.55 members, 49.50 nonmembers. This book is a comprehensive transcription of census and vital records for Sudbury, plus carefully compiled genealogies of families. This book is among the very best genealogical resources about a Vermont town. This is a cooperative publication between GSV and Picton Press.

*A Bibliography for Vermont Genealogy*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. John A. Leppman, 2005, softbound. Item No. GSV 11; \$9.00 members, \$10.00 nonmembers. (Mail orders should add \$1.50 for postage and handling, not the \$3.50 normally charged.) This is a new edition of A Bibliography for Vermont Genealogy was released in April 2005. It includes more listings than the first edition, most published since 2000. It is keyed to Scott Andrew Bartley's Genealogies Found in Vermont Histories (Vol. 10, No. 1 of Vermont Genealogy, also designated GSV publication number 10.).

*Index to the History and Map of Danby, Vermont,* Compiled by Joann H. Nichols. (1998), softbound, Item No. D1; \$3.50, plus \$1.50 shipping for the first copy and \$1.00 for each additional copy. An index to J[ohn] C. Williams, History and Map of Danby, Vermont (Rutland, Vt., 1869; reprinted S.L. Griffith Library, 1976). **Limited Number Available.** 

#### **Vermont Genealogy** Back Issues:

Issues 1: 1-13: 4, are available for \$5.00 each, except special issues 10: 1 and 11: 1 & 2, which are available for \$10.00 each. Issues 14: 1 & 2, 14: 3 & 4, 15: 1, 15: 2 and 16: 2, are available for \$10.00 each. There is a mailing fee of \$2.00 (\$3.00 to Canadian addresses) for each single issue, \$2.50 (\$3.50 to Canada) for each double issue (i.e., the \$10 issues). For multiple issue orders, please add \$1 for each additional 1 to 5 issues. Note: issues 1: 4, 3: 3, 3: 4 and 4: 4 are out of print.

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#### VITAL RECORDS OF SPRINGFIELD, VT.

by Scott Andrew Bartley

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GSV Membership Chairperson 57 East Shore North Grand Isle, VT 05458

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