



SPRING MEETING

This year's meeting will be held on **May 20th** in the beautiful Brandon Inn located on Route 7 in the village of Brandon. See the enclosed registration form with this newsletter.

Meeting Schedule

- 9:00 Registration -- Genealogical exchange board -- coffee, tea, pastries, muffins and fresh fruit
- 9:30 GSV business meeting
- 10:00 *to be announced*
- 11:15 George Sanborn Jr, of Derry NH, *The Eastern Townships of Québec: Your missing link?*
- 12:30 Luncheon: Soup, sandwich, beverage and dessert at the Inn
- 2:00 Kathy Wendling, of Pomfret, *Power of the Press: Finding and using early newspapers for genealogical research*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

GSV is sharing a booth with NHSOG at NEHGS' conference in July. All GSV members who are attending the conference are asked to volunteer to cover the booth. Contact Scott Bartley at the newsletter address.

NEWS NOTES

The New Hampshire Historical Society Library has new hours. This marvelous library is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9:30 am to 5 pm, year-round starting Jun 01. Admission is free to members and full-time students and \$5 per day for non-members. The library is located at 30 Park Street, Concord NH 03301. Call them at (603) 225-3381 or fax at 224-0463. [*flyer*]

For the last five years, *The Stanstead Journal*, Québec's oldest weekly newspaper, has been generously allowing the placement of genealogical queries free of charge. The only stipulation has been that the queries have a connection to the area served by the paper. Although the paper does have a wide distribution, the main readership lives in the Eastern Townships of Québec and Orleans County of Vermont. At present, the years from 1845 to 1915 have been transcribed and indexed in five volumes by the Friends of the Archives Volunteer group of the paper. This group will do some research work with the proceeds used for the archives. To send in a query, write the paper at Box 491, Derby Line VT 05830-0491 or Box 30,

Stanstead QC J0B 3E0. [*David Lepitre letter, volunteer editor of "Your Ancestry Column"*]

The Rochester Genealogical Society and the Kodak Genealogical Society will co-host a New York State Council of Genealogical Organizations meeting on Apr 29th at Asbury First United Methodist Church, 1050 East Av, Rochester NY. The key note speaker is Gordon L Remington from Salt Lake City. For more information, write (with a SASE) to Julie Steitz, 35 Country Lane, Penfield NY 14526. The Depot Inn has reserved rooms at \$61 per night. For reservations, call 716-381-9900. [*flyer*]

Identifying unknown Union Soldiers from the Civil War buried in the Florence SC National Cemetery is a project of the Old Darlington District Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society. In 1864, thousands of Union prisoners were moved from Andersonville Prison in Georgia to the Florence Stockade. The first burial was in September of 1864. By the war's end, over 2300 Union soldiers were buried in mass graves at this site. If you are aware of persons who died at the Florence

Stockade, you are encouraged to contact the group at the address below including the name of the soldier, rank, unit and state of service, birth and death dates, survivors and the source of the information. Send this to: Cemetery Committee, Old Darlington District Chapter, SCGS, PO Box 175, Hartsville SC 29551. [flyer]

The Federation of Genealogical Societies hosted by the Rochester Genealogical Society will be presenting *In your ancestors' image* in Rochester NY on 1996 Aug 14-17. There is a call for papers to be presented. A form with further details for submitting proposals is available from: Roger D Joslyn, PO Box 4061, New Windsor NY 12553-0061. [flyer]

BOARD NEWS

The Board made the final arrangements for the purchase of an LDS genealogical workstation and printer which is being donated to the Vermont Historical Society (VHS) in Montpelier. The Board is also planning to maintain the site license for the software at an estimated cost of \$600 per year. Any donations to the Computer Fund will be used to support our commitment to the availability of this information to all.

Paul Carnahan, the Librarian of VHS, has identified roughly 25% (250 titles) of GSV's library as new titles to VHS or replacement copies for worn books.

GSV books will be donated within the next two months.

GSV has found a home for one-third of the non-New England journal collection. The New England Historic Genealogical Society in Boston and the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington DC have expressed gratitude for GSV's donation which has filled in many gaps for both institutions. We are working on the rest.

GSV is proud to have Kathy Wendling accept the Chair of the Publicity Committee. Her writing skills will help spread the word of GSV. If you have any PR ideas, please let Kathy know at PO Box 13, South Pomfret VT 05067

NERGC NOTE

The New England Regional Genealogical Conference will be at the Sheraton Conference Center in South Burlington VT on 1995 Oct 12-15 with 36 lectures of local and national note. Make your reservation today by calling the Burlington Sheraton Conference Center at 1-800-677-6576 and mention the conference. The rate is \$99.

B&T BACK ISSUES

New price for back issues of *B&T!!!* Each issue is \$2 (including postage). Currently available

are: Volumes 11:4; 12:2-5; 13:all; 14:all; 15:1-3; 16:1-2, 4; 17:4; 18:all; 19:4; 20:all; 21:all. Your checks should be payable to GSV and sent to: GSV Back Issues, PO Box 1553, St Albans VT 05478.

SUMMER MEETING

Because the New England Regional Genealogical Conference is being held in Burlington VT this October and several requests to try a summertime meeting, the usual October annual meeting will be held on Aug 12 at the Vermont Historical Society in Montpelier. The program will include a lecture on how to use and evaluate the information to be found on GSV's gift to VHS, the LDS genealogical workstation.

IMPORTANT DATES

May 07: Registration deadline
May 20: GSV mtg at Brandon
Jul 13-15: GSV volunteers needed for NEHGS meeting
Aug 12: GSV mtg at Montpelier

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