



Editor's Note

As the new editor of the *Newsletter* I would like to start by thanking Margaret Jenks for the wonderful job she has done. Her commitment, natural skill and contributions to both GSV and the newsletter make it that much more challenging to continue in her footsteps.

I do not intend to change a great deal of the newsletter. Most changes will be cosmetic since I use different software to put the newsletter together. I expect the core will remain—the President's Letter, calendar of events, membership news, publication sales, etc.

Take care, Bill

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President's Message

Thanks, Kudos, and Cheers!

Peggy Jenks has handed the position of Editor of the GSV Newsletter on to Bill Budde. We welcome Bill and look forward to his new insights and talents, but what shoes he has to fill! Peggy knows the world of genealogy, as well as the world of cemetery preservation and recording, as anyone who has researched Rutland County can appreciate. She also knows how to keep to a deadline and produce a quality product on time. (Let me assure you, if your Newsletter was late, it wasn't Peggy's doing!) Our gratitude knows no bounds.

Dues increase

For the first time in a

great many years, GSV finds it necessary to impose a modest increase on annual dues. Everything we have to pay for gets more expensive: printing, postage, meeting space, supplies, and so forth. (The officers' salaries have stayed constant at zero.) Effective July 1, 2006, annual dues will be \$25.00. As you plan your finances for 2006, you may want to get your GSV dues renewed by July 1, and take advantage of the older rate.

Changing of the Guard

We anticipate bringing new people to the positions of President and Treasurer as of the Fall 2006 meeting.

A Nominating Committee will be appointed soon. We will probably assign to separate people a couple of responsibilities now handled by the Treasurer: management of distribution and sales of books, and keeping membership records. More detail about these responsibilities will be supplied on request. We urge members who can devote some time to GSV to do so. A volunteer organization works only as well as the commitment of its members allows it to. And GSV officers enjoy their work. It doesn't pay well, but we learn all sorts of interesting gossip at every Board meeting.



VGS Journal Notes

The editor thanks you for your patience and understanding regarding the journal's delay. The October issue is now printed and in the mail as I write to you (late December). We have switched printers twice this year because both unexpectedly closed. We hired our current printer who then had a machine breakdown

followed up by a mix-up at GSV with delivering the needed labels. These delays, unfortunately, mean that the January issue will be approximately one month late. We anticipate that the April issue will be on-time. Thank you again for your patience.

Scott Andrew Bartley

From The Treasurer—the 2005 Fiscal Year Financial Statement

General Fund Income		Office Supplies	62.65
Membership Dues	12,190.00	Postage	381.33
Computer Fund Contributions	-	Fall 2003 Meeting	-
Permanent Fund Contributions	275.41	Spring 2004 Meeting	-
Fall 2003 Meeting	-	Fall 2004 Meeting	1,730.57
Spring 2004 Meeting	-	Spring 2005 Meeting	1,376.36
Fall 2004 Meeting	498.00	Promotional Expenses	-
Spring 2005 Meeting	592.00	Five Project Grants	-
Fall 2005 Meeting	18.00	NERGC	559.23
Miscellaneous Income	0.38	Subscriptions (FGS, VHS, VOCA, VMCTA)	150.00
Interest	278.63	Total Expenses	20,737.00
NERGC Income	1,377.00	Excess of Income over Expenses	(5,507.58)
Total Income	15,229.42		
Expenses		Permanent Fund	13,663.00
Bank Service Charges	9.00	Emergency Fund	15,577.00
Editor's Fee (Vermont Genealogy, 4 issues)	4,375.00	Publications Account	34,233.00
Vermont Genealogy Postage (4 issues)	2,550.12	Checking Account	562.00
Vermont Genealogy Printing (4 issues)	6,294.68	Savings Account	1,821.00
Newsletter Postage (4 issues)	375.74		
Newsletter Printing (4 issues)	2,872.32	Respectfully submitted,	
Miscellaneous	-	Janet E. Induni, Treasurer	

Van Dale Genealogy Given to the Bennington Museum

The Bennington Museum Research Library recently received a significant donation from the family of the late Thelma van Dale. A long time Bennington area resident Mrs. van Dale compiled the family genealogy

over a period of 30 or more years. The initial work was started with her husband in the 1970's.

The donation amounts to seven letter boxes (roughly 14 linear feet) and 13 books. Many of the books

focus on the Adams of early Quincy, Massachusetts. The letter files, organized primarily by surname, include the family names Matteson, Harrington, Green, Brown, Adams, van Dale and others.

Seen In Passing...

There seems to be a lot of concern about civil unions and same-sex marriage lately. Two items uncovered during recent research seem to indicate it has been around longer than we realize.

In the microfilmed Vermont Vital Records we find a marriage record for Mary Gleason, groom, and Sally Barns, bride. The marriage took place in Springfield, Vermont on

March 1, 1832, was performed by Elder Dexter Bates, and duly recorded by M. L. Lawrence, Town Clerk.

Joseph Johnson and Nathan Myers were married in the South Hampton, NH church on 2 December 1773 by the Rev. Nathaniel Noyes. This bit of news appeared in an article titled "South Hampton (N.H.) Church Records," by George A. Gordon of Somerville, Massachusetts in the New England Historic

and Genealogical *Register*, vol. LII, October 1898, p. 433.

An explanatory paragraph on page 431 tells us that by 1763 "The people no longer adhered to the views of duty" adopted by the town in 1742. It goes on to explain that "So liberal became the inhabitants that the town voted to open the meeting house to the advocates of the various views then prevalent, in proportion to their relative assessments, if such a desire was expressed by friends of any system of doctrine."

New England Meeting Announcements

March 18, 2006—Lunch meeting, **Connecticut Society of Genealogists**. Computers in Genealogy Research presented by Dick Eastman. Website: www.csginc.org

March 6-27, 2006, Monday evenings from 6 to 8 pm—An 8 hour *Introduction to Genealogy* class is scheduled through the Southwest Vermont Career Development Center in Bennington. Bill Budde presenting.

April 8, 2006—Gravestones and Carvers, West Cemetery, Manchester & Center Cemetery, E. Hartford. **Connecticut Society of Genealogists**. Website: www.csginc.org

April 29, 2006—GSV meeting, please note the date change from the one previously announced. The speakers are yet to be announced but the location is expected to be in southwestern Vermont.

May 6, 2006—**Vermont Old Cemetery Association** meeting, details to be announced.

June 2006—**The Dublin Seminars**, Dublin NH. The theme this year is New England Diaries.

June 24–25, 2006, Saturday & Sunday. Vermont History Expo at the Tunbridge Fairgrounds.

August 30—**The Association of Professional Genealogists Professional Management Conference**, is held in conjunction with the FGS 2006 conference below. See www.apgen.org for details and speakers.

August 30–September 2, 2006, Federation of Genealogical Societies Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA. This will be *the* major New England genealogical event for 2006. GSV tentatively plans to be on hand. Website: www.fgs.org

April 26–29, 2007—**New England Regional Genealogical Conference**—Connecticut Convention Center, Hartford, CT. For those who like to have their calendars set up well in advance, be sure

this conference is penciled in. Judging from the venue alone it promises to be the biggest NERGC event ever. If you have a presentation you would like to have considered for the program, please contact Allison L. Ryall, 32 Arundell Road, Raymond, ME 04071 (Allison@allisonryall.com), and please put "NERGC" in the subject line. Deadline for proposal submissions is **March 1, 2006**. Visit their website at: www.nergc.org

Ongoing

New England Historic Genealogical Society. Website: www.NewEnglandAncestors.org

"Getting Started." This program is held the first Wednesday of every month, at noon and 6:00 p.m. at 101 Newbury Street, Boston, MA. The free program provides an introduction to NEHGS, tips on beginning your family research, and an introduction to library staff. Nonmembers are admitted free and no registration is required.

"Genealogy In A Nutshell." These are short, one hour lectures on a variety of genealogical topics presented at 101 Newbury Street from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. No registration is

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Vermont Families in 1791, Vol.1.
Scott A. Bartley, ed., 1992, 281 pp., hardbound. **Out of print.**

GSV 1, \$27.00 members; \$30.00 non-members.

This award winning first volume of a projected long series has stimulated research and guided many people to sources useful to establish their own ancestry. The goal of this series is to describe in detail the families listed in the First Federal Census taken in Vermont in 1791, the year Vermont joined the Union.

Vermont Families in 1791, Vol. 2.
Scott A. Bartley, ed., 1997, 304 pp., hardbound.

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.

GSV 2, \$27.00 members, \$30.00 non-members.

This is not just a verbatim listing of such events, but a complete, concise and accurate compilation from all primary sources available in the town. This material is augmented by the ministerial records of the pastors who served from as early as 1776.

Vital Records of Rockingham, Vermont and the Records of the First Church of Rockingham. Reprinted from the early 1902 and

1908 first editions, newly indexed by Christopher T. Norris and Scott A. Bartley, 323 pp., hardbound.

GSV 3, \$27.00 members, \$30.00 non-members.

Reprinted from the rare first editions of 1908 and 1902, this is an important source of one of Vermont's oldest towns, chartered in 1752. The town records extend to 1845, church records from 1773 to 1839. New to this publication is an indispensable index of nearly 10,00 names.

Georgia, Vermont Vital Records.
Peter S. Mallet, ed., 1995, hardbound.

GSV 4, \$27.00 members, \$30.00 nonmembers.

The first of its kind for northern Vermont, this volume presents all births, baptisms, marriages, deaths and burials recorded in the town. All the civil books were transcribed as well as the records from the Georgia Plains Baptist Church, Congregational Church, and Methodist Church of Georgia and North

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Janet E. Induni, compiler, 1998, pp.
63, paper. For GSV members only.

GSV 5, \$3.00.

The directory lists addresses and
research interests for a majority of
the GSV membership. Each mem-
ber listed in the directory provided
up to five surnames of Vermont
families on which he or she might
like to share information.

**Windsor County, Vermont Pro-
bate Index, 1778-1899.** Scott An-
drew Bartley and Marjorie-J.
Bartley, compilers, 2000, 560 pp.,
hardbound.

GSV 6, \$45.00 members, \$50.00
nonmembers.

This compilation is a comprehensive
index of all files in the two Probate
Court Districts of Windsor
County—Windsor and Hartford.
The records cover the period from
the earliest records in 1778 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 volume in which
the record is found.

**Index to Branches & Twigs,
1972—1995.** Robert M. Murphy, ed.
2000, 572 pp., hardbound.

GSV 7, \$58.50 members, \$65.00
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to GSV's *Branches & Twigs*, pub-
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180,000 name entries include every
name mentioned in every issue, ex-
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in a purely casual historical context,
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betically arranged. Separate sec-
tions 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 immense quantities
of information of interest to Ver-
mont family historians.

**Sudbury, Vermont: Transcrip-
tion of Vital Records and Gene-
alogies of Residents.** Mary Ann Z.
Wheeler, 2000, 416 pp., hardbound.

GSV 9, \$44.55 members, 49.50 non-
members.

This book is a comprehensive tran-
scription of vital and census records
for this Rutland County town, plus
carefully compiled genealogies of
families. This book will take its
place among the very best genea-
logical resources available about a
Vermont town. This is a cooperative
publication between GSV and Pic-
ton Press.

**A Bibliography for Vermont Ge-
nealogy, 2nd edition.** John A.
Leppman, 2005, softbound.

GSV 10, \$9.00 members, \$10.00
nonmembers. Mail orders should
add \$1.50 for postage and handling,
not the \$3.50 normally charged.

A new second edition of *A Bibliogra-
phy for Vermont Genealogy* was un-
veiled at the New England Regional
Genealogical Conference in April
2005. It includes about ten percent
more listings than the first edition,
mostly of material published since
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*Genealogies Found in Vermont His-
tories* (Vol. 10, no. 1 of *Vermont Ge-
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