



The Breeze

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NEXT MONTH'S PROGRAM - Monday, June 6, 7-9 p.m.

Metis Research

Robin "Peepeecheew" Kirk is Metis, a mix of French, Ukrainian, and Scottish blood. However, with blonde hair and blue eyes she obviously has predominately Ukrainian DNA. While her siblings got their status cards without any problems, Robin's case was denied. She set out to prove she was "Metis". Because of this research she became quite good at what she did. Her passion now is to help others prove their Metis heritage.

Robin has a BA in History and for 13 years she apprenticed with Geoff Burtonshaw at the Glenbow Museum. After his death she was hired by the Glenbow to copy all of his documents. As part of that agreement she was able to make copies for herself. Robin will be bringing her collection of primary and secondary sources for Metis research with her to the presentation.

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

Oh no, where did it go?

Uh oh...! Oh no!!! Where did all my data go? Warren Peterson will present a talk about doing computer backups and other good habits

Warren Peterson is employed in the natural gas industry in a technical role. Through his wife's interest in genealogy, he has learned to appreciate the time and effort that goes into family history research. He enjoys contributing to AFHS by providing technical support

Try out the AFHS new scanner

Available at the Computer SIG on May 14.

The library has acquired a new research and archiving tool for scanning books, photographs and documents. It's time to play and figure out how to use this new technology. Please bring along any family scrap book, photo album, certificate or large photograph to scan. **Bring along your own USB memory stick to take home your results.**

AFHS Office and Library: 712 - 16 Avenue NW, Calgary, Alberta T2M 0J8

Telephone: 403-214-1447. Website: www.afhs.ab.ca.

Meeting address: 1st Monday each month (except holidays) at 7:00 pm at River Park Church,
3818 - 14A Street SW, Calgary, Alberta

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SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP NEWS
(All SIGs meet at the AFHS Library)

CELTIC SIG (Ireland & Scotland): The next meeting will be Saturday, **May 28, 2016** at 10:00 a.m. We will hear Conference Reports from Millie Foster and then break into work bee groups, so come with your Celtic research to work on. If you have any questions contact celticsig@afhs.ab.ca.

COMPUTER GROUP: The AFHS Computer Group will meet on **Saturday, May 14th**, starting at 9:30 am at the AFHS Library, weather permitting. The Basic Session starts at 9:30 a.m. where we discuss issues with members' computers and software. This is the place to hash over all your woes of a computer nature. The library has acquired a new research and archiving tool for scanning books, photographs and documents for us. It's time to play and figure out how we can exploit this new technology. Please bring along any family scrap book, photo album, certificate or large photograph to scan. Also bring along your own USB memory stick to take home your results. We will also discuss how to get media loaded into your TNG study, such as images and family group shots.

DNA SIG: is meeting on **Tuesday May 10 at 7:00 pm** Join us! Contact: dnasig@afhs.ab.ca. To receive our e-mail newsletter THERMOMETER e-mail dnasig@afhs.ab.ca

ENGLISH/WELSH SIG: The last meeting of the season is on **Saturday May 21st** at 10 a.m. when we will celebrate the arrival of summer with tea and goodies - small contributions of goodies would be welcome. For the meeting you are invited to talk about a particular ancestor. If you wish, illustrating your story with scrapbook pages or a computer presentation. If anyone would like to learn how to put together a PowerPoint presentation, let me know and I'll find a volunteer who can work with you to prepare one. Contact Ann Williams english/welshsig@afhs.ab.ca

ONTARIO SIG: Monday, May 23rd at 7 p.m. Today is Victoria Day so bring a family story, a picture, an object, a research puzzle/success or anything from the Victorian era (20 June 1837 - 22 January 1901) to share. This will be our last meeting till September. Contacts: Helen Backhouse and Lynn Brown ontariosig@afhs.ab.ca

FAMILY TREE MAKER USER GROUP: Meets on the first Saturday morning of the month. Contact: Ken Bell kenbell@telusplanet.net

REUNION USERS GROUP: Please e-mail or phone Mary Arthur with any questions about this Mac only software. maryarthur@me.com or 403-245-4252.

FRENCH ROOTS IN NORTH AMERICA: Xenia Stanford has started a closed Facebook group to share information, ask and answer questions and find connections. Request to join the group at www.facebook.com/groups/1497289907230791/

EASTERN EUROPEAN ROOTS: Xenia Stanford has started a closed Facebook group to share information, ask and answer questions and find connections. Request to join the group at www.facebook.com/groups/1229238490426654/

CALL FOR CHINOOK ARTICLES:

July 2016 (deadline June 1, 2016)

Tell us your “moving” stories! People used different methods to get where they were going. Do you have an ancestor who rode for hours on horse-back to get supplies or help for a family member? Perhaps your family endured months of hardship on a ship to reach a new land. Tell us their story!

October 2016 (deadline August 22, 2016—please note the earlier than usual deadline.)

When Mother Nature didn't Nurture: Our ancestors endured hardships that we can only imagine today. The natural world was often the source of much misery, but also of heroic deeds. Write a story that will have us talking for the next 100 years!

Please email editor-chinook@afhs.ab.ca for more information, or to submit an article!

AFHS Library Hours

Date	Time	Volunteers
Thursday, May 5	10 a.m – 2 p.m.	Ann & Ken
Friday, May 6	10 a.m – 2 p.m.	Linda & Sheila
Saturday, May 7	Noon – 4 p.m.	Judie & Ruth
Thursday, May 12	10 a.m – 2 p.m.	Helen & David
Friday, May 13	10 a.m – 2 p.m.	Cheryl & Bev S.
Saturday, May 14	Noon – 4 p.m.	Jacquie & Lola
Thursday, May 19	10 a.m – 2 p.m.	Marion F. & Velma
Friday, May 20	10 a.m – 2 p.m.	Lorna & Ann
Saturday, May 21	Noon – 4 p.m.	Linda & Heather
Thursday, May 26	10 a.m – 2 p.m.	Kay C. & Ishbel
Friday, May 27	10 a.m – 2 p.m.	Marion P & Rosemary
Saturday, May 28	Noon – 4 p.m.	Jacquie & Betty Ann

14 May 2016 GERMANS FROM RUSSIA, Calgary Chapter, American Historical Society of Germans from Russia. - All meetings are in English - program: DVD on Germans in South America, doors open 11:00 a.m. Meal: \$20.00 call to reserve ticket. Location: Ascension Lutheran Church, 1432 - 19 Street NE, Calgary. Library is open at 10:30 a.m. For more information please contact 403-273- 8178 or 403-246- 6968.

Are you searching for those ancestors that you thought were from Germany? Our LIBRARY is open the second Monday of each month (2-7 pm) unless otherwise notified. We have an extensive library on all areas of Volga, Bessarabia, Volhynia, local history books, etc. for anyone researching their German Russian roots.

Checkout website at <http://calgarychapterahsgr.ca> or join us on Facebook. Non-members welcome.



ALBERTA FAMILY HISTORIES SOCIETY

Calendar May 2, 2016 to June 6, 2016

Meetings are at the AFHS library unless otherwise indicated

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	May 2	3	4	5	6	7
	7 - 9 p.m. General Meeting River Park Church			10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN	10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN	Noon - 4 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		7 - 9 p.m. DNA SIG		10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN	10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN	9:30 a.m - Noon Computer SIG Noon - 4 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.			10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN	10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN	10 a.m. - noon English/Welsh SIG Noon - 4 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	7 - 9 p.m. Ontario SIG			10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN	10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN	10 a.m. - noon Celtic SIG Noon - 4 p.m. LIBRARY OPEN
29	30	31	June 1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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