

THE BREEZE



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Upcoming Events

Tonight's Program:

November 7: Using DNA to break down brick walls

With Earl Schultz

Haven't decided whether it's worthwhile getting your DNA tested. Learn to appreciate the potential and power of DNA testing. Earl will tell us how he broke down brick walls using DNA. He is prepared to answer questions you have about DNA testing.

Biography

Earl Schultz has been an avid genealogist for over 50 years. A first generation Canadian, his research is focussed primarily on the records, customs and people living in communities around Rypin, Poland. He developed a Parish records database of about 50,000 people from this area and is working to connect all the families. His focus is now on using DNA to find descendants from this area and using his database to help them find their ancestors.

Earl's DNA expertise has allowed him to help a number of people who have hit brick walls or who have obtained unexpected DNA results. He encourages everyone to take a DNA tests, not only find your own cousins but to know if the paper records you are following are accurate.

Next Program December 12:

Celebrating your Family's Food Heritage:

With Christine Hayes

Christine will bring discuss historical cookbooks from the Calgary Public Library and discuss what they can teach us about the our ancestors. You are encouraged to bring your family cookbook(s) to display as well as a treat to celebrate Christmas.

We will once again be accepting donations for the Veterans Food Bank.

NOTE: IT'S THE 2ND MONDAY OF DECEMBER

Future Programs:

January 9, 2017

Resources for Research in Calgary

February 6, 2017

Jewish Genealogy with Ken Drabinsky

March, 6, 2017

Irish Research with Janice Cushman

LOCATION: River Park Church

3818 - 14A Street SW, Calgary AB.

TIME: 7:00pm—9:00pm

Special Interest Groups

CELTIC SIG (Ireland & Scotland)

Next Meeting: SATURDAY NOV 26 2016 @ 10:00AM

The topic is "Searches: Tips & tricks for more effective searching."

For more information contact Susan Butler at celticsig@afhs.ab.ca

COMPUTER GROUP

Next Meeting: SATURDAY NOV 12 2016 @ 9:30AM

The Basic Session starts at 9:30 am. We discuss any issues with members' computers and software. This is the place to hash over all your woes of a computer nature. For to Remembrance Day, we will look at Canadian military record research. How have you used the internet to find more information when looking for military service, cemeteries, monuments and battlefields. For more information contact Jim Benedict.

ENGLISH / WELSH SIG

Next Meeting: SATURDAY NOV 19 2016 @ 10:00AM

Michele Buhler (editor of Chinook) will be speaking on writing family histories. As this will be the SIG's last meeting before Christmas we will end the meeting with tea and goodies and small quantities of goodies will be very welcome. Contact: Ann Williams englishwelshsig@afhs.ab.ca

ONTARIO SIG

Next Meeting: MONDAY NOV 28 2016 @ 7:00PM

Getting There From Here: Come and explore how our ancestors traveled from their ports of arrival to their destinations. We will look at some of the major transportation routes and the trials of early travel in Canada/Upper Canada/Canada West/Ontario. Contact: Helen Backhouse and Lynn Brown at ontariosig@afhs.ab.ca

DNA SIG

Next Meeting: TUESDAY NOV 8 @ 7:00PM

Join the meeting and ask your DNA questions. Contact: dnasig@afhs.ab.ca. To receive our e-mail newsletter THERMOMETER email dnasig@afhs.ab.ca

FAMILY TREE MAKER USERS GROUP

Next Meeting: SATURDAY DEC 3 2016 @ 10:00AM

Contact: Nola Gutsche at gutsche_gang@telus.net

LEGACY USERS GROUP

Next Meeting: SUNDAY DEC 11 2016 @ 1:30PM

We'll be looking at the basics of entering names, dates and places and discussing how to use Legacy efficiently. Contact Marion Peterson at legacysig@afhs.ab.ca

REUNION USERS GROUP

Contact: Ken Bell kenrbell@telusplanet.net for more information.

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/

CHINOOK CALL FOR ARTICLES -

E-mail editor-chinook@afhs.ab.ca for more info or to submit an article!



Photo: Children looking at Christmas cards in New York 1910
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Traditions of New Years & Christmas Past

New Years and Christmas often contain some of our most cherished memories. Have you ever wondered what these holidays were like for your ancestors? Have they stayed the same or changed? And, where did all those traditions come from, anyway? Dig into that box of Christmas past and send a memory our way!

For those worried about grammar, spelling or writing in general, editing and support are available!

Submission deadline NOV 28, 2016

SPARE EQUIPMENT

AFHS equipment team has items we no longer need.

160 GB drive – This older drive works fine and would be good for backing up files. Suggested donation to AFHS - \$5

D-Link Mobile Wireless 3G Router with Telus mobile Internet Key. For details talk to Marion Peterson. Suggested donation to AFHS - \$20
Contact Marion archives@afhs.ab.ca if you could make use of them.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Major genealogy speakers coming to Calgary? We'd like to make it happen and are looking for volunteers to help plan for a conference in Fall 2017. Those interested can talk to Jim Benedict, Christine Hayes, or Tara Shymanski.

CASINO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the next casino fundraiser Tues. Jan 3 and Wed. Jan 4, 2017. The location will again be Cash Casino, 4040 Blackfoot Trail S.E. Talk to Dennis Laughton or email him at dennislughton@shaw.ca to ask how you can help.

FAMILY HISTORY COACHING

Need help with your research? Volunteers from Alberta Family Histories Society are available at Family History coaching at the Calgary Public Library. The program is at the Central Library, on the 4th floor, on the last Saturday of each month. Take advantage of this opportunity to consult one-on-one with experts. All you need is a library card (they're free and you can register online: <http://calgarylibrary.ca/card/>)

Next Session: Saturday NOV 26 2016

10am — 12pm

LIBRARY INFORMATION

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE

Helen & Millie	Nov 10	10AM – 2PM
Remembrance Day	Nov 11	CLOSED
Susan & Marlene	Nov 12	12PM – 4 PM
Kay C & Ishbel	Nov 17	11AM – 2PM
Lorna & David	Nov 18	10AM – 2PM
Linda & Heather	Nov 19	12PM – 4 PM
Marion F. & Lorna H.	Nov 24	10AM – 2PM
Marion P & Rosemary	Nov 25	10AM – 2PM
Jacquie & Betty	Nov 26	12PM – 4 PM
Ann & Velma	Dec 1	10AM – 2PM
Linda & Sheila	Dec 2	10AM – 2PM
Judie & Marlene	Dec 3	12PM – 4 PM
Helen & David	Dec 8	10AM – 2PM
Jacquie & Lorna H	Dec 9	10AM – 2PM
Susan & lola	Dec 10	12PM – 4 PM

OTHER INFORMATION

Calgary Family History Centre (LDS)

2021 – 17 Avenue, SW., Calgary (near the old Children's Hospital)
Tues. and Wed. 9 AM - 3PM & 7PM - 9:30 PM
Sat 9AM – NOON

Germans from Russia Library

1432 19 St NE (Ascension Lutheran Church)
Research assistance available
2nd Monday of each month 2PM—7PM
(except October)
Dec 10 – Christmas Party, 10-3, executive provides lunch, guests provide dessert, bake sale, library open.
For more information on their events and library see website : <http://calgarychapterahsgr.ca/> or call 403-273-8178

Family Genes Project

TNG workshops hosted by Wayne Fuller, Alan Peers and Ross Haslam. Find out more about this genealogy tool on a website.
Tuesdays 9AM - NOON
AFHS Library

Library Hours & Opportunities to Connect

Library Open Hours :

Thursdays - 10am to 2pm
(3rd Thursday is 11am - 2pm)
Fridays - 10am to 2pm
Saturdays - 12pm to 4 pm

Opportunities to Connect:

NOV 21 Board Meeting 7pm
DEC 12 General Meeting 7pm to 9pm
JAN 9 General Meeting 7pm to 9pm

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