



**Computer
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Society**

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Newsletter**

There will be no meetings in July or August. Enjoy the summer!

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 27th at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 160 Washington Avenue, Plainview. The topic of the meeting will be “Web Sites I Visited This Summer.” This will be a roundtable discussion moderated by member Chris Hoff. Please bring your favorite web sites to add to the list we will be presenting.

As usual, if you are having any computer related problems, please either send them to Walter Kehoe at wkehoe@optonline.net or Don Eckerle at deckerle@optonline.net so they can prepare a response for the meeting.

Club president responds to NARA

Club president Walter Kehoe recently sent a letter to NARA in response to a report he read about in Dick Eastman’s Newsletter Vol. 12 – No. 33 – August 6, 2007. ISSN: 1544-4090-©1999-2007.

In the newsletter it was stated: “The U.S. National Archives And Records Administration (NARA) is giving public notice of a proposal to enter into an non-exclusive agreement with the Genealogical Society of Utah (doing business as FamilySearch) to digitize and further expand public access to archival holdings in NARA’s custody. Your comments on the terms of the proposed agreement are invited.”

The following is the letter sent by Walter to NARA:

“I think that this is an extremely valuable project for not only NARA and the Genealogical Society of Utah but to researchers as a whole. As the President of the Computer Genealogy Society of Long Island, I commend your leadership in pursuing this agreement with an organization that has the proven resources, staff and track record to accomplish the projects they undertake.

Good luck to both of you as you undertake this worthwhile project for our common good.

Thank you.

Walter Kehoe”

In response NARA officials replied: “Thank you for providing your views on the proposed NARA-GSU partnership agreement. We are considering all comments carefully to ensure that our partnership agreements further NARA’s mission to service the public. We will respond further to you comments after September 4.”

What’s new at Ancestry.com

Ancestry.com has recently added several digitized books regarding the Mayflower families to its collection.

The following books were added in August:

Mayflower Marriages,
Mayflower Deeds and Probates,
Mayflower Births & Deaths, Vol. I,
Mayflower Births & Deaths, Vol. II,
Genealogies of Mayflower Families,
Vol. II and Genealogies of Mayflower Families Vol. III.

We’d like to try a magazine exchange at the club meetings. If you have any genealogy magazines you’d like to lend to other members, please bring them to the next meeting.