



March 2007
Newsletter

The next meeting will be **Thursday, March 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 160 Washington Avenue, Plainview.**

Our topic will be “My Genealogy Successes and How They Happened.” Everyone is Invited to share examples of their successes whether electronically or otherwise.

As usual, if you are having any computer related problems, please send them to Don Eckerle at deckerle@optonline.net so he can prepare a response for the meeting. Please bring a friend to the meeting to help increase our membership.

At the February meeting, staff members discussed three genealogy software programs, RootsMagic, Legacy Family Tree and Brother’s Keeper. Club members showed the different features of each program such as the charting capabilities of Brother’s Keeper and the shareable CD that can be created in RootsMagic.

Seminar scheduled for March 15

The Third Seminar of the Genealogy Federation of Long Island, "Family Roots III: Where to Begin, How to Continue & Share," will take place this Saturday, March 15, from 8:30-5:00 at the Student Activities Center at Stony Brook University.

Cost is \$55. For more information, go to <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~gfli/>.

The Computer Genealogy Society of Long Island is one of the sponsors of the seminar.

Vital records index for Long Island Advance

A searchable index has been created for the years 1879-1889 for the Long Island Advance.

Volunteers have extracted birth, death and marriage announcements from 1879-1923 and the first offering goes to 1889. The database is searchable by keyword/phrase, last name, first name, event, date range and the number of matches you want to receive in a response.

Visit the site at www.pmlib.org/liadvance/advance.php.

Legacy Charting available for free download

Legacy Charting, developed by the makers of the Legacy Family Tree software, is available as a free download until June 15. It is compatible with Family Tree Maker, RootsMagic, Legacy Family Tree and GEDCOM files.

For more information, go to www.LegacyCharting.com.

What’s new at Ancestry.com

Ancestry.com has recently added a new voter registration database called California Voter Registrations 1900-1968.

The database contains voter indexes published every two years including indexes to the Great Registers, to affidavits for registration and to precinct registers.

In California, women were granted the right to vote in 1911 so the first year women will appear in the registers is 1912.

Check under the county you are interested in to see the years covered in the database. Orange County covers 1900-1968, San Bernadino County covers 1902-1964 but many counties only cover up to 1944.

Information in the database may include: name, age, address, occupation and political affiliation.