



April 2007
Newsletter

The next meeting will be **Thursday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 160 Washington Avenue, Plainview.**

Our speaker will be Dave Concar and his topic will be “Digitizing Newspapers: Increasing Access and Search Capabilities for Historic Newspapers.” He will discuss the Suffolk Historic Newspapers Collection (<http://shn.suffolk.lib.ny.us>) as part of his talk.

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 March meeting, staff members discussed how they have broken through their genealogy brick walls. Some of the ways mentioned included searching many times for a particular surname in Google, posting messages on genealogy message boards, uploading a GEDCOM file on the Rootsweb WorldConnect Project (wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com) and using online telephone directories to locate living family members.

Included on the **second page** of this newsletter is a listing of some online telephone directories.

Findmypast.com completes passenger lists

Findmypast.com has completed its project to scan and index the complete set of outbound passenger lists for long-distance voyages from all British ports from 1890 to 1960.

The project took over a year and includes about 24 million passengers. The last decade to be added was 1950 to 1960. The lists are free to search but there is a fee to view the images.

For more information go to www.findmypast.com

Seminar update

At our April meeting, extra copies of syllabi from the March seminar, “Family Roots III: Where to Begin, How to Continue and Share,” will be available for \$3.00. Proceeds will go to CGSLI. Also at the April meeting, we should have a treasury report that will include the final accounting of the CGSLI portion of the seminar receipts and expenses.

Free access to Civil War collections

Until April 30, Alexander Street Press is offering free access to three of its Civil War collections. You will be able to search: American Civil War Research Database, The American Civil War: Letters and Diaries and Illustrated Civil War Newspapers and Magazines.

For more information, go to <http://alexanderstreet.com/resources/civilwar.access.htm>.

Magazine features top sites for Italian Genealogy

In the April/May 2008 issue of Internet Genealogy writer Donna Pointkouski lists her top 20 web sites for Italian genealogy research.

Some of the sites listed in the article include:

Italy Gen Web – www.italywgw.org

Italian Genealogy – www.italiangenology.com

Italian Heritage and Genealogy Home Page – www.ItalianRoots.com

Italian to English Vocabulary - www.roangelo.net/vocabula.html

Italian Ancestry – www.italianancestry.com

Italian Heritage – www.theitalianheritage.it/?lang=english

And, of course, our own local, **Italian Genealogy Group**, www.italiangen.org.

Online Telephone Directories

www.anywho.com – yellow pages, white pages, reverse look-up, international

www.411.com –yellow pages, white pages, reverse address, zip and area code look-up

411ca.whitepages.com/person – Canadian business and people searches

www.whowhere.com – people search, phone look-up

www.whitepages.com – people search, business search, reverse look-up, zip and area codes

www.switchboard.com – business search, people search, phone look-up, zip and area codes

www.infobel.com – international phone directories

www.pagesjaunes.fr – click on Pages Blanches for residential look-ups in France

www.canada411.com – business search, people search in Canada

www.bt.com – British Telecom business and residential searches

www.whitepages.com.au - Australian white pages

people.yahoo.com – phone, address, email and reverse phone searches

www.paginebianche.it/index.html - Italian white pages

www.dastelefonbuch.de/ - German white pages