

TIPS, EVENTS and CORRECTIONS:**NEW CONNECTICUT RESEARCHER LIST BEING DEVELOPED.**

CONNECTICUT ANCESTRY is currently developing a list of members who are interested in doing genealogical research for a fee. It is expected that much of the research may involve records of southwestern Connecticut. Any person interested in being included on the list may contact: Fred Hart, CT Ancestry Genealogist, 1311 Great Hill Road, North Guilford, CT 06437.

POLISH AND EASTERN EUROPEAN GENEALOGY SEMINAR

On Saturday, September 13, 1997 from 9 am to 4 pm, the Polish Genealogical Society of Connecticut and the Northeast will be offering it's semi-annual workshop on methods of tracing a Polish-American family history. Workshop participants will receive all-encompassing instructions as to how to research a Polish-American family history, including material on using local sources, immigration and passenger ship records. The workshop will be held at the PGS-CT/NE office, Broad Street, New Britain CT. Anyone interested in registering for this workshop may send payment of \$30.00 to PGS-CT/NE, 8 Lyle Road, New Britain, CT. 06053-2104. For further information, call (860) 223-3396.

MAY 1997 NEWSLETTER CORRECTION - CIVIL WAR MANUSCRIPT (PROGRAM)

Our apologies to Kelly Nolin for incorrectly reporting some of the "Civil War Manuscript" information she relayed to our group on May 1, 1997. (See newsletter of May 1997) 1st Paragraph: Paper was not scarce during the Civil War. "Blots, blotches and dirt" (on the soldier's letters) were not a preservation issue. 3rd Paragraph: John Kusner should be spelled John Cuzner. 4th Paragraph: Henry Sexton, Isaac Tuller and Martin Wadhams (not Albion Brooks) wrote to Sophronia Barber about socks and mittens. 5th Paragraph, Kelly states that "Civil War manuscript materials are best accessed by looking under United States - History - Civil War" (not searching for the manuscript by regiment). *Thanks, Kelly.*

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (Submitted by Pres. Donna Siemiatkoski)

1. Marriage Records - We won. Both bills killed in committee.
2. Budget - We lost. With no cuts we could have had Saturday hours and conservation lab. Governor wanted two positions cut. Legislature compromised at one. Result - more losses. Early retirements may also be a factor.
3. Archives Bill - A draw! Failed when it did not return to Senate for amendment before session ended. A new, and improved bill will be introduced next year.

NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL GENEALOGICAL CONFERENCE REPORT

Donna Siemiatkoski reports that each society will get a check for over \$700.00, in addition to the \$150.00 in seed money. Your executive committee voted to keep the seed money on deposit and participate in the 1998 conference. The number of Conference sponsors is limited and we were given first refusal.

NEW ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY - BOSTON

Following a period of extensive renovations, the library at NEHGS is open, "beautiful and spacious"; quoting Donna Siemiatkoski of CT Heritage Tours, who hosted the July 19th day trip to the Boston repository. All areas are well lit. There is a reference desk on all three floors and an entire floor devoted to microfilm; census and vitals from all over New England. Such a report makes us all look forward to our next visit to NEHGS...

**CONNECTICUT STATE LIBRARY
POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**

Policy Number:

Subject: USER CONDUCT POLICY

Policy Statement

In order to provide an atmosphere conducive to research and study at the Connecticut State Library Building at 231 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, the Library expects all patrons to comply with the following action categories. Failure to comply with any portion of this policy may result in suspension of library privileges or expulsion from the Library.

The following actions are **encouraged**:

- Be prepared to show that all library materials being borrowed have been properly checked out.
- Keep conversations quiet, and to a minimum so as not to disturb others.
- Dress appropriately for a library setting.
- Young children should be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times.

The following actions are **prohibited**:

- Smoking
- Eating and drinking
- Verbal or physical abuse towards any individual
- Possession of weapons in accordance with the provisions of CGS Section 53-206
- Disorderly behavior, defacing of property, or other acts which are subject to prosecution under state or federal law
- Soliciting or proselytizing
- Bringing animals into the building, except those animals assisting persons with disabilities
- Unauthorized or improper use of library telephones or equipment
- Entry into posted staff areas without staff permission
- Audible use of electronic devices

Practice and Procedure

This policy applies equally to State Library staff as well as patrons.

Upon observation of any violation of this policy, staff may take either of the following actions: (a) politely request the person to cease the behavior in question, or (b) report the behavior to security personnel who will take appropriate enforcement action.

Effective Date: 3/27/95; Revised: 2/28/97

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Policy Number:

Subject: SOLICITATION

Policy Statement

In an effort to assure a productive and harmonious work environment, persons not employed by the Connecticut State Library may not solicit or distribute literature in the workplace at any time for any purpose. There are limited circumstances where State Library employees may engage in these activities, in accordance with established procedures.

Practice and Procedure

Solicitation and literature distribution are authorized only for those activities approved by the Governor. These include the Connecticut State Employees Campaign, the U.S. Savings Bond Drive, the Governor's Care and Share Program, and the Red Cross Blood Drive. In all instances, literature regarding these activities will be distributed with employee paychecks, or will be distributed directly from the State Librarian's Office.

The State Library administration recognizes that employees may have interests in supporting events and organizations outside the workplace. However, employees may not solicit or distribute literature concerning these activities during working time. (Working time does not include lunch periods, work breaks, or any other periods when employees are not on duty.) Under no circumstances are employees allowed to use Library resources or facilities to support these activities.

In addition, except for the bulletin board located in the lunchroom, the posting of written solicitations on Library bulletin boards is prohibited. Bulletin boards are reserved for official organization communications on such items as:

- Affirmative Action statement
- Employee announcements
- Job openings
- Organization announcements
- Workers' compensation insurance information
- State disability insurance/unemployment insurance information

Effective Date: 11/30/94; Revised: 2/28/97

Connecticut Professional Genealogists Council

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - SEPT. 4, 1997
HAVE A NEXT MEETING !!
SEE YOU IN GREAT SUMMER !!!
SEPTEMBER !!!

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NEXT MEETING
Member Roundtable
Open Discussion
Thursday - 10:00 A.M.
September 4, 1997
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