# The Pierre-Fort Pierre Genealogical Society Mgwslgtgtqr

August 1998

Volume 21, Number 2

#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The Pierre-Fort Pierre Genealogical Society is alive and well! A re-cap of the year thus far follows:

- Following the re-election of all officers and board members at the February meeting, Anita Zastrow volunteered to assist Bev Huckins in editing the newsletter (and now finds herself identified as The Editor).
- Del Paulson spoke in March on success with her Germans from Russia research.
- Lary Zastrow demonstrated scanning of photos, etc., at the April meeting.
- Members created a Library display in May.
- At the June meeting, Arlene Cohen, new Rawlins Library director, shared information available via the Internet and encouraged members to become involved with the new Friends of the Library group.
- July found approximately a dozen members "cleaning" our library in the basement. [Special thanks to Charles Sisk for rebuilding the shelves!!!]
- August, September, October, etc., promise to be just as rewarding. See you at the meetings! Has anyone attended family reunions this

summer??? We look forward to hearing about them!!!!!

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(Source: THE HERALD, Vol. 18, No. 3/4, 1995)

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS

The August meeting of the Society will consist of a potluck picnic at the LDS Church at 506 N. Jefferson Avenue, Pierre. Attendees are asked to bring a dish to share and their own beverage and desired utensils. [The Zastrows will provide cake for dessert.]

The September meeting schedule includes Mary Taylor, City of Pierre Personnel Director, who will discuss cemetary records with Society members and Richard Popp, SD State Archives Director, who will update us on birth/death record restrictions.

The plans for the **October** meeting include "working" at the Pierre Family History Center at the LDS Church to find out what's available and how to use it.

Details of the **November** meeting have not been finalized at this time.

The officers and board look forward to your attendance and participation.

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#### FALL MEETING IN OCTOBER

The Fall Meeting of the South Dakota Genealogical Society will be held in Aberdeen on Saturday, October 10, 1998, at the Ramkota Inn.

Activities begin with Registration at 8 a.m. and are scheduled to conclude at 3 p.m. The day is laden with genealogy sessions; featured speaker is Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, head of the genealogy section of the Dallas, Texas, Public Library.

See the attached brochure for the complete time schedule, lodging details, and deadlines. Check your schedules and plan to attend; let's coordinate travel plans in August and September.

#### BROWSING THE LIBRARY by Bev Huckins

During the week of July 20-24 we pulled EVERYTHING off the shelves in our genealogy library housed in the basement of Rawlins Library. What an interesting week! Of course, we were able to force ourselves to throw out much that wasn't needed (or was extremely outdated), and we'll be cataloging the rest and giving a full report in a future newsletter.

Among the finds was a book we can use to get some information about early Virginia ancestors entitled *Heads of Families at the First Census of the United States—1790—Virginia as Taken From the State Enumerations of 1782 to 1785.* Although only half of the counties are included in this book, it may be worth your time to look at it. The Introduction presents an historical overview of the first U.S. census and of the United States in 1790. Maine was part of Massachusetts, Kentucky part of Virginia, Alabama and Mississippi were part of Georgia, and Tennessee was part of North Carolina. One can see that it makes a big difference to know this when hunting for those early ancestors.

Check out our library; there's a lot there, and it is much easier to find now!

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#### 1998 OFFICERS—

President	Tina Manning
Vice President	Christine Dierks
Secretary	Virginia Hanson
Treasurer	Dale Wurts
<b>Board Member</b>	Laura Glum
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[Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month (except December) at 7:30 pm at locations to be announced via newspaper articles or library postings; Board meets at 7 pm.]

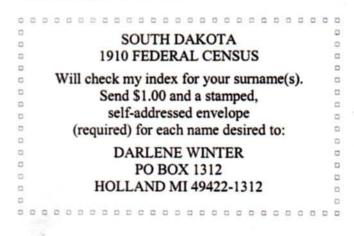


Laura Glum, Pierre, is congratulated by Robert Heesch, newly elected President of the State Society, on being selected as the 1998 *Outstanding Member* of the South Dakota Genealogical Society. Laura is the tenth recipient of the traveling trophy and award.

Laura is the co-founder of the Pierre-Fort Pierre Genealogical Society and a charter member of the State Society. She has been involved in genealogy for over 40 years and has recently retired from the SD State Archives. She still directs the Family History Center at the LDS church. Congratulations, Laura!!!!!

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Darlene Groen Winter, born in Hutchinson County, South Dakota, recently joined our Society. She informs us that at least two of her compilations are in the SD Historical Library. Further, she notes that the Federal Census for 1910 for SD does not have a Soundex created for it. She is attempting to fill that gap although it is not yet available for sale. The index, however, does have more than 561,000 names in it. See the AD below:



#### HISTORICAL RECORDS-

HUGHES COUNTY	BIRTH	1900 to present
Register of Deeds	DEATH	1900 to present
104 E. Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501	MARRIAGE	1900 to present
605-773-7495	LAND	1882 to present
Hours: 8 am - 5 pm (M - F)		
STANLEY COUNTY	BIRTH	1877 to present
Register of Deeds	DEATH	1905 to present
PO Box 596, Fort Pierre, SD 57532-0596	MARRIAGE	1892 to present
605-223-2610	LAND	1891 to present
Hours: 8 am - 12 noon; 1 pm - 5 pm (M - F)		
SULLY COUNTY	BIRTH	1905 to present
Register of Deeds	DEATH	1905 to present
PO Box 265, Onida, SD 57564-0265	MARRIAGE	1905 to present
605-258-2331	LAND	???????
Hours: 8 am - 12 noon; 1 pm - 5 pm (M - F)		
	Regular copies of land records are \$1 each or less	
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regarding any other fees that may be imposed.]

Certified copies of Birth, Death, Marriage Records if only partial records. [Check with each office are available for \$7 each; certified copies of Land Records are available for \$2 each.

# E-MAIL ADDRESSES

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#### MEMBERSHIP LIST—

The individuals listed below have paid Society dues for 1998. If you do not find your name listed, please contact Treasurer, Dale Wurts. Your membership is

Cass Gerlach 1704 E. Erskine Street Pierre, SD 57501

Laura & Cindy Glum 312 S. Pawnee Street Pierre, SD 57501

Jerry Graves 308 W. Fifth Street Pierre, SD 57501

Virginia Hanson PO Box 112 Onida, SD 57564-0112

Beverly Huckins 1115 N. Grand Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

Carol Jennings PO Box 436 Highmore, SD 57345-0436

Wayne & Nancy Kirkpatrick 319 S. Polk Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

Rick Lancaster PO Box 662 Pierre, SD 57501-0662

Tina Manning PO Box 416 Fort Pierre, SD 57532-0416

Marv & Del Paulson 20300 Cedar Court Pierre, SD 57501

Richard Phillips PO Box 32 Pierre, SD 57501-0032 Roger & Ardis Ruark 117 Pasque Drive Pierre, SD 57501

Charles Sisk 216 S. Jefferson Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

James Stein 308 N. Monroe Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

Adrienne Stepanek PO Box 555 Williston, ND 58802-0555

Catherine Stevenson HCR 5, Box 1275 Burnett, TX 78611

C. W. Ward PO Box 72 Pierre, SD 57501-0072

Darlene Winter PO Box 1312 Holland, MI 49422-1312

Dale Wurts 106 E. Park Avenue Fort Pierre, SD 57532

Laurence & Anita Zastrow PO Box 1005 Pierre, SD 57501-1005

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#### THIS 'N THAT-

- ⇒ The Society displayed at Rawlins Library in May!!! Thanks Bev, Genny, Tina, Anita!!!
- ⇒ Have you paid your 1998 dues? Please do so as soon as possible. Also, please update your information by completing the coupon included below. Thanks!
- ⇒ It has been suggested that the monthly meeting minutes be included in the newsletter along with the treasurer's report! We're working on that!!!
- ⇒ It has been suggested that a Member Feature be included in the newsletter. In order to obtain information in a uniform manner from Society members, a questionnaire has been developed.
- ⇒ Plans are to have one more newsletter during 1998—hopefully in October!

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#### **RAWLINS LIBRARY**

Monday - Thursday	9 am - 9 pm
Friday	9 am - 6 pm
Saturday	10 am - 6 pm
Sunday	1 pm - 5 pm
STATE LIBRARY	
Monday - Friday	8 am - 5 pm
Saturday - Sunday	Closed
STATE ARCHIVES	

# Monday - Friday9 am - 4:30 pmFirst Saturday of each month9 am - 4:30 pm

#### PIERRE FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

at the LDS Church	
Tuesday	1 pm - 5 pm
Wednesday	1 pm - 9 pm
Thursday - Friday	7 pm - 9 pm
Saturday	10 am - 2 pm

[Closed on holidays-please check schedule.]

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION			
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Surnames Being Researched-			
Brief Statement of Current Status and/or Focus	of Research—		
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### CALENDAR

August 18	Monthly Meeting
	6 p.m. Potluck Picnic at LDS Church
September 15	Monthly Meeting (Board Meeting at 7 p.m.) Speakers include Mary Taylor and Richard Popp LDS Church
October	Newsletter Mailing?!?
October 10	FALL MEETING in Aberdeen—See attached brochure!
October 20	Monthly Meeting (Board Meeting at 7 p.m.)
	"Explore What's Available at the Family History Center and
	Find Out How To Use It"
	LDS Church
November 17	Monthly Meeting (Board Meeting at 7 p.m.) LDS Church
December	NO MEETING!!!
April 23-24, 1999	1999 Annual Meeting, Ramkota RiverCentre, Pierre

#### PIERRE-FORT PIERRE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY PO BOX 925

#### The Pierre-Fort Pierre Genealogical Society

Newsletter

#### April 1998

Volume 21, Number 3

#### OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

All officers of the Society consented to reelection at the monthly meeting held on February 17. They are as follows:

President	Tina Manning
Vice President	Christine Dierks
Secretary	Virginia Hanson
Treasurer	Dale Wurts
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Anita Zastrow volunteered to assist Bev Huckins in editing the newsletter. Extensive discussion was held regarding program topics for upcoming monthly meetings—information on specific groups, i.e., Germans from Russia and countries/nationalities was suggested. A need for programs on genealogy computer capabilities was also expressed.

As a result, the March meeting featured Del Paulson who shared her research as a German from Russia. (See article elsewhere in the newsletter.) The April meeting will be facilitated by Lary Zastrow as he demonstrates scanning of photos and how they can be included in computer programs.

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#### APRIL SOCIETY MEETING WILL GO COMPUTER

The April meeting of the Society will explore the use of computer technology to capture, restore, and print/video photographs and documents of ancestors. It will be held at the Sahr Building, 222 E. Capitol Avenue (corner of Capitol and Highland) on Tuesday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m., at the office of Lary and Anita Zastrow. (The Board Meeting will be held as usual at 7 p.m.).

Demonstration of scanning equipment, photoediting software, printers, and video-output devices will be undertaken. Discussion of alternative devices, cost, and computer requirements will follow. If time permits, members' photos will be scanned to diskettes. (Bring your favorite ancestoral photo or document and a 3 1/2" floppy disk.) Call the Zastrows at 224-7554 (W) or 224-2559 (H) for information!

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#### SD GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY STATE MEETING APRIL 25

The Annual Meeting of the South Dakota Genealogical Society will be held in Pierre on Saturday, April 25, at the Cultural Heritage Center and the South Dakota State Library.

Activities begin with Registration at 8 a.m. and conclude at 4:30 p.m. The day is laden with computer training and internet and state library network training. [See the attached brochure for the complete time schedule and location details.]

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#### BROWSING THROUGH OUR LIBRARY by Bev Huckins

Among the many pamphlets and books we have in our small library in the basement of the Rawlins Library are two Who's Who in South Dakota books.

WHO'S WHO AMONG SOUTH DAKOTANS is a biographical directory of citizens who are prominent in professional, political, business, and civic affairs of the state edited by Lawrence K. Fox. It was published in 1924 in Pierre by the Hipple Printing Company. This is Vol. I, 1924-1925, and we have two copies of this volume. There are three pages of abbreviations commonly used in the book and even these are interesting to read. Following these pages, is the Geographical Index, listing each town in the state and the names of those referenced in the book and the page number where the entry is found. Fort Pierre lists 12 names, Onida has eight listed, one is listed under Harrold, one under Agar. Blunt is not listed; however, Pierre has almost three columns of listings with many also listed under another town. The entries are very similar to the format used in other Who's Who Books.

I looked under my home town of Dupree, Ziebach County, and found three names. One caught my eye because of a childhood recollection. Thomas R. Nelson was an attorney in Dupree when I was a small child. He was a very large man, and I believe, was alone. I don't remember associating him with any family. In those days we ate supper at a specific time each night, usually 5:30 or 6 p.m. One evening we were completely finished eating and had cleared the table when Mr. Nelson came to our house. I don't know exactly why he came, but I think I thought perhaps he was hungry, because my folks invited him in. My Mother said we had eaten, but she prepared him some food The thing that impressed me (then) was that she opened a large can of pork and beans, and he ate the whole thing! Now in reading this sketch in Fox's book, I see another side to the man-where he lived, his parents, his birth, where he was educated, marriage, children's names, his work within the state-that he was active in Liberty Loan drives and United War Work, was a Republican, Lutheran, and belonged to the IOOF, WOW, IORM, and Pat. Mil., Muscovite. Home: Dupree. (I can look up the abreviations, but don't know what the Pat. refers to or the Muscovite) I have spent an interesting couple hours browsing this book, reading about people from South Dakota's past.

The other book, WHO'S WHO IN SOUTH DAKOTA by O. W. Coursey has the copyright page torn out, but there is a notation-E. Jacobsen, Pierre, 1916-in the cover. Most of the articles contained in this book were formerly published in the Sioux Falls. SD Daily Argus-Leader, with the first eight published earlier by The Sioux Falls Daily Press. These are biographic articles by "Major O.W. Coursey, one of the live wires of the state." The Major was given a free hand and selected those to be written about; he does have his own style of writing and expression. The Table of Contents lists the names of 50 prominent South Dakotans and includes Charles H. Burke, Doane Robinson, and several of those who had served as Governor up to that time. Since my maiden name is Lawrence, I was interested in the story of C. G. Lawrence of Canton.

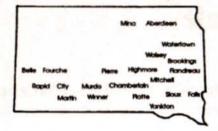
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#### SOUTH DAKOTA 1910 FEDERAL CENSUS

I will check my index for your chosen surname. Send \$1.00 and a stamped, self-addressed envelope (required) for each name desired to:

> DARLENE WINTER PO BOX 1312 HOLLAND MI 49422-1312



The South Dakota Genealogical Society (SDGS), organized in 1972, is composed of Affiliate Societies in all of the locations listed on the map above. SDGS promotes the hobby of family history and encourages the preservation of our heritage in pictures and words.

The Annual Meeting is held each spring (generally in Pierre) and a Fall Meeting is hosted by one of the Affiliate Societies. A Computer Interest Group has been formed recently and many of the Affiliate Societies are organizing their own local groups. Demonstrations of various genealogical software programs are given and all members are given personal assistance by a member who is more familiar with the programs.

Many of our members have published family histories. Other members extract information from old records and organize these lists into publications. Affiliates have their own schedule of local meetings with speakers and special projects. South Dakota Genealogical Society P.O. Box 1101 Pierre, SD 57501

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## **Annual Meeting**

April 25, 1998

Pierre, SD

# Registration

The South Dakota Genealogical Society welcomes you to the Annual Meeting held on April 25, 1998. If you are planning to spend several days in the Pierre area, a block of rooms has been reserved at the Governor's Inn in Pierre. Please tell them that you are attending the SDGS Annual Meeting. Reservations must be made prior to April 12, 1998.

Registration fee for the meeting is \$20.00 if registered prior to April 12 and \$25.00 after. Please complete this form and return with your registration fee to:

South Dakota Gen. Soc. Treasurer P.O. Box 1101 Pierre, SD 57501

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone:

# **Meeting Schedule**

The South Dakota Genealogical Society will hold its annual meeting on April 25, 1998 at the Cultural Heritage Center and the South Dakota State Library. All representatives of the Affiliate Societies are expected to be in attendance. The scheduled sessions are as follows:

8:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	Registration at Cultural Heritage Center
9:00 a.m.	12:00 noon	Computer training at the State Library-enter at the back door
		Internet and State Library Network training at the Cultural Heritage Center
12 Noon		Lunch (provided as part of the registration fee) will be in the Education room of the Cultural Heritage Center
12:30 p.m.		Business meeting of SDGS in the Education Room at the Cultural Heritage Center
1:30 p.m.		Computer training at the State Library-enter at the back door
		Internet and State Library Network training at the Cultural Heritage Center
4:30 p.m.		Classes end
		People can stay and talk at the Cultural Heritage Center

#### A JOURNEY OF A PEOPLE presented by Del Paulson (notes contributed by Richard A. Phillips)

Growing up in the Eureka, South Dakota, area, was a clear sign of one's German heritage. So it was a surprise to Del Paulson when her then 80-year-old father told her he had been born in a south Russian village. Her father Del explained was one of the unique group of *Germans from Russia* as she spoke at the March meeting of the Society. Her interest piqued, she began to study her family history in earnest in early 1980.

Del explained that the first group of Germans emigrated to Russia beginning in 1763 on the invitation of Catherine the Great-a German princess who had become Czarina in 1762. Catherine enticed her fellow Germans to come to the steppes near the Volga River with offers of free transportation and land captured from the Turks. They were allowed to remain German citizens and retain their language and customs. Of particular importance, the immigrants were exempt from military service and allowed to practice their own religion. This was particularly important to the Mennonite immigrants who had suffered persecution in Germany. The second German emigration was to the Black Sea area in 1804-1823 at the request of Czar Alexander I.

In Russia, each religious group would establish their own village—Lutherans, Mennonites, Hutterites, Jews, and Catholics. The residents would live in the village and farm the lands around it. Although the villagers did intermarry within the religious group, the villages remained basically of one religious affiliation. An exception were the tradesmen or craftsmen who would move to villages in need of their skills, regardless of their religion. Del suspects that her ancestors were such since her Lutheran family emigrated from a predominantly Jewish village.

By the 1880s, the 1.8 million Germans in Russia were no longer seen as an asset. Czar Alexander II demanded that the Russian language be used and banned German from all social and business settings. He also decreed that all must do service in the Russian Army, even the pacifist Mennonites. The Germans in Russia began a massive immigration from the only home most had ever known. Returning to the heavilypopulated Germany was not an option, so most emigrated to North and South America. By 1918, substantially all of the German families had left Russia; those that remained were likely purged or exiled to Siberia during the Stalin era.

Del's search for her family roots led her to an American Historical Society of Germans from Russia (AHSGR) meeting in Bismarck, North Dakota. She joined the group and has remained an active member for 17 years. She explained that the group was formed in 1971 by families searching for family histories. Their efforts were being frustrated by the then Soviet government who not acknowledge that their German ancestors had ever lived in Russia. The group members provided family group sheets and pedigrees that were filed, cross-referenced, and shared with other members.

Each Russian village has an AHSGR coordinator assigned to receive new information and share it with group members who have an ancestral connection to the village. Each member is also provided with a complete membership list to facilitate communications. The AHSGR conventions and records provide an opportunity to discover missing ancestors.

In 1941-42 Dr. Karl Stumpp obtained data and published a book of the census of the Russian villages which is now used by AHSGR members to discover their ancestors' identities. Since the dissolution of the Soviet state, much more information is available for inspection. The Mormon church has been able to microfilm much of the vital statistics of the German enclaves of the 1800s. Their work has been slowed since the new Russian government discovered that the Americans would pay for such information. The AHSGR has undertaken to buy materials from the Russians to prevent its destruction and deterioration.

Del has printed lists of 1900 and 1910 census records for American counties where the Germans from Russia first settled in South Dakota (Campbell, Walworth, McPherson). The Lincoln, Nebraska, Germans from Russia, group has

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collected a wealth of information on the Volga villages while the Bismarck group has focused on the Black Sea villages. She advised the Pierre-Fort Pierre genealogists that the Greeley, Colorado, library is an additional source of material on the Volga villages.

Del invited all persons interested in their German from Russia heritage to contact her at 224-5722 or the local group for additional information.

Del indicated that several books have been donated to the SD Heritage Society Archives by the local *Germans From Russia* club. Also, the State Library has numerous books dealing with Germans from Russia. [See list of Del's resources below.]

Editor's Note: The internet address for the *American Historical Society of Germans From Russia* is www.ahsgr.org.

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**RESOURCES** used include:

- EMIGRATION FROM GERMANY TO RUSSIA IN THE YEARS 1763-1862 by Dr. Karl Stumpp
- FROM CATHERINE TO KRUSCHEV— The Story of the Russia's Germans by Dr. Adam Geisinger
- Census List from Campbell, Walworth, and McPherson Counties for 1900, 1910
- St. Petersburg Census Lists for German Villages in Russia

German Village Lists for Russia and village coordinators for those villages

FOOD and CUSTOMS by GRHS

[Reference was also made to THUNDER ON THE STEPPES by .]

#### SNAPSHOT REMOVAL

To remove a snapshot from a magnetic photo album that is stuck, lift up a corner and aim a blast of hot air from a hair dryer underneath the photo. The picture can easily be removed. Magnetic albums are relatively inexpensive and easy to use, but if you care about preserving your pictures, use something else. Genealogists as a rule want their pictures to survive as long as possible. The use of photo albums that give you archival protection should be considered. With photo albums in particular, "You get what you pay for," generally holds true.

-The Genie's View, Ottawa, IL

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#### LIFE IN THE 1880s

-Old letters provide glimpse of settlers' life in Black Hills If it wasn't for the interest and generosity of history buffs such as Mike McMahon, many pioneer accounts of the way we were might remain lost indefinitely. But thanks to collector McMahon, a Toledo, Ohio, banker, the Black Hills region has some new insight on what life was like in Dakota Territory.

McMahon's interest in the Indian Wars and cavalry life has led him on weekend jaunts through antique shops, flea markets, and backroad byways. Several years ago, while browsing through a Sylvania, Ohio, antique shop, McMahon happened upon some letters that caught his attention. "I knew when I saw these, that they were something good," he said over the phone recently, "and then I read somewhere that Fort Meade still existed and had a museum. You should have them (the letters) there (at the museum)," he said, "because there's a lot of information about Fort Meade and the Black Hills in them....

> —an excerpt from March 26, 1998, article in the Rapid City Journal by Bev Pechan, director of the Old Fort Meade Museum

Editor's Note: The article is in the Society's files.

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- ⇒ Hopefully, the newsletter will be published every other month. OK?!?

#### WRITING "3 February 2001"

How will we write this date? Those with computers will write 010203. Americans will write 2/3/1. English will write 3/2/1. LDS will call it 03 Feb 2001. NATO may call it 03 Feb 01. Legal documents may have: "On the third day of February in the year two thousand and one . . ." Of all these, the LDS method seems most useful to genealogists, for it can only be interpreted one way and is reasonably short. But, will it permit computers to record various items in chronological order? During the next three years some standard should be developed.

-Brown County, Ohio, Genealogical Society

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Whilst thy father lives Study his wishes; After he is dead Study his life.

-Confucious

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# CALENDAR

April 21	Monthly Meeting—Board Meeting, 7 p.m. "Computer Technology and Genealogy" Suite 7, Sahr Building, 222 E. Capitol Avenue Lary and Anita Zastrow's Office, 7:30 p.m.	{
April 25	South Dakota Genealogical Society ANNUAL MEETING Registration—8 a.m.—Cultural Heritage Center See attached brochure!!!	0
May 10	Mother's Day!	11
May 19	Monthly Meeting—Board Meeting, 7 p.m. "NORWAY" with Chris Dierks and Rich Phillips LDS Church, 506 N. Jefferson Avenue, 7:30 p.m.	6
May 25	Memorial Day (observed) Holiday!	

