

# *Heir Lines*

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# Presidents Page

## Officers:

**President: Jennifer Bryan**

**V.P.: Karen Cleland**



**Secretary: Meredith Perry**

**Treasurer: Pat Healy**

All donations to Rose L. Hicks Brown Memorial Endowment Fund are welcomed either in memory of Someone who has passed on or in honor of someone living. Donations are tax deductible, as we are a Nonprofit Corporation.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

**Thelma Sloan - Marilyn Kilpatrick - Jane Eller Schmidt -  
Sallie Eller Britzman | Thomas Eller**

## President's Letter – October 2012 Heir Lines

Hello All, as we enter into the Fall season we are generally busy finishing up the summer harvest and preparing for the winter season. Once your chores wind down think about volunteering one Saturday a month or every couple months at the GSSC Research Center. We have a number of projects to work on and it is great fun helping people get started on their family history adventure. Sometimes all the people need to get started is a smile and a kind word that you **CAN** do this. There really is no trick to helping people find their family history.

We have news, the book scanner we have been pinching pennies to purchase has arrived and it is up and working. There were some wires to jiggle after the shipping but we figured it out and we are in the process of figuring out how it works. Yet another project that will be fun to work on.

The Yard Sale in September went well and we even sold the fruit off the trees in our back yard. The fruit is gone for this year but next year if you are interested come by and pick a bag or two. Harvey has been hard at work cleaning up the landscaping and getting the Research Center ready for winter and a side duty of Harvey's was taking care of some late season tiny fawns that needed help to get out of the backyard. The fawns are able to jump off the front porch into the yard but too small to jump out. So Harvey went down every day and opened the gate for them.

Last been not least we had a Great Research summer. We had lots of people stopping in and researching their families. Also over Labor Day weekend we had a family of cousins meet, some for the first time, at our Research Center. Harvey had re-run a 30 year old Heir Line family letter and we got an email from Cheri White that said she thought that letter was a connection to her family. So after some research, we located the original contributor of the 30 year article and put them together. The end result is that they choose our Research Center to meet and share their family history together. The ladies were Joanne Mello Smith, Carla White and Cheri White. So glad we had all the space and equipment they needed for their get together.

Jennifer Bryan

# Information Page

## Meeting Programs for Coming Months

Dec. 8 Potluck, Fred Schantz "The History & Current Issues of the Shasta Tribe.

Jan. 26 Karen Cleland - English Research, Video & Handouts

### Purpose of Genealogical Society

To stimulate public interest in family history. To collect, preserve & publish genealogical historical matters relating to American families & places. To provide Educational service to the communities in Siskiyou County. To establish & maintain for the use of members & others a library of American genealogy, local history & biography including a surname file. To hold meetings for the instructions & increased effectiveness of its members. To serve & support the genealogy departments of Siskiyou County Library

### Address:

Genealogical Society of Siskiyou County  
912 So. Main St., Yreka, CA. 96097.0225  
Phone #530-842-0277  
E-mail - gssc1@att.net

### Web Site:

<http://siskiyougenealogy.org>

**General Meetings:** Held at above address  
Last Saturday of each month. 1 P.M.

### Exceptions:

**March** is First Family Dinner Potluck  
Last Saturday of Mar. 1 P. M.

**Nov./Dec.** Combined meeting - Potluck  
2nd Sat. of Dec. 1 P. M.

### Research Center:

Open Sat. 10:00 A.M. To 4:00 P.M.

Other times by appointment  
Call: 530-842-5506 or 530-842-5437

### Membership Fees:

\$20.00 Individual - \$25.00 Family (same address)  
Membership year from 1st of July to 30th of June

### Heir Lines: Quarterly Publication

January - April - July - October

### Deadlines:

For Ads -Article's etc. 1st of the above months.

### Appointed Positions:

Editor of Heir-Lines: Harvey Russell  
Publications No. Co.: Karen Cleland  
Publications So. Co. : Mary Burchfield  
Rose Hicks Brown: Pat Healy  
New Members: Karen Cleland

### Research Requests:

Send to GSSC - at address on left side of page  
\$10.00 .Reimbursement required  
for cost of Vital Records, & Photo's  
of Grave Sites (within Siskiyou County).  
Enclose a stamped self addressed Envelope.

### Non Member Fees:

Library \$5.00 per day

### Queries:

Send to GSSC to the address above left.

### Committees:

Research Pat Healy

### Ads Price Schedule: (Heir-Lines:

Business Card	\$ 5.00
Quarter Page	10.00
Third Page	14.00
Half Page	18.00
Full Page	35.00

GSSC will **not** endorse commercial ads  
Political or Religious will **not** be accepted.



# Bits & Pieces



## Web Sites

Illinois Records - <http://www.cyberdriveillinois.comdepartment/archives/home.html>

Missouri Records - <http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/birthdeath/>

### Hints on compiling a Family History Book

From Marilyn Kilpatrick class Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> general meeting.

1. Collect genealogy
2. Collect photos
3. Collect stories (with a tape recorder)
  - a. Get the folks started talking by asking questions or making suggestions such as, "Tell me about your first car." "Tell me about your first job." "How did you meet grandma?"
4. Tell about heroes.
5. Tell about criminals. Verify your story.
6. Tell about celebrities.
7. List those who were in the military (this country or another one)
8. Expand stories of combat soldiers, if they want to tell about their duty.
9. List college graduates, their universities and majors.
10. List college athletes.
11. List high school athletes.
12. List golden wedding anniversaries or even silver wedding anniversaries.
13. List public servants or show where there is a trend to follow certain professions.
14. If there are any public personnel, tell their story. Everyone wants to be related to someone famous.
15. Tell about outstanding feats – such as helping to build the Golden Gate Bridge or the Panama Canal.
16. Was there an inventor in the family? Brag about his accomplishments.
17. Was there a suffragette? A Civil Rights Activist?
18. Was someone married to an Indian, an Eskimo, someone from a far different culture?
19. Collect favorite recipes.
20. Insert lots and lots of pictures.
21. Insert historical documents.
22. DO NOT PRINT HURTFUL FAMILY SECRETS.

When you're ready to print go to Office Depot for advice and printing. They have the supplies you need and are wonderful to work with.

# GSSC News

## 2012 is our 40th Anniversary Year for GSSC

**40th Anniversary - Free Research: July to December**

Now that the land records have been removed for the North - East Room It is time to decide how use it to our BEST advantage - one suggestion is to put book case's on the South & West walls, that will leave the rest of the room open for any use may we decide on.

**HELD A  
YARD SALE THE 8TH OF  
SEPTEMBER IN THE GSSC PARKING  
LOT**

**Jennifer said it was a great  
success**

### Winter Work Shops 2013

Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> Individual Begging Class 6-8 P.M.

Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> Jennifer - Western Archives - Karen - National Archives - Blogs & Webinars

Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> Work Shop

Mar. 13<sup>th</sup> Work Shop

Apr. 13<sup>th</sup> Work Shop



### OUR NEW used SCANNER

We had to do a little maintenance on the scanner when it arrived it would not work. There was a loose connection on the mother board. This happened in shipping & the mirrors were very dirty. It is now up & running and does a great job.

# Calendar's & Book Donations

## NOVEMBER

- 3rd Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M..  
 8th Board Meeting 1 P.M.  
 10th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 17th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 24th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.

## DECEMBER

- 1st Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 8th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 Nov./Dec. - Potluck  
 13th Board Meeting 1 P.M.  
 15th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 22nd Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 29th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.

## JANUARY

- 5th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 10th Board Meeting 1 P.M.  
 12th Center Open 10 A. M. To 4 P.M.  
 19th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 26th Center Open 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.  
 & General Meeting at 1 P. M.

## Book Donations

### Rogue Valley Genealogy

A Short History of English Townships  
 American Passenger Arrival Records  
 Colonial Families of America Vol. 1  
 Directory of Scots 1650-1775  
 Don't Cry Timber  
 Finding Your Roots On Line  
 Finding Your roots  
 Genealogical Research in England & Wales  
 Genealogical Research & Methods & Sources  
 Vol. 1 & 2  
 (German Immigrants List of Passengers  
 Bound From Bremen to New York 1855-1862)  
 (Harland Handy Book Genealogy Research to  
 Southeast Kentucky)  
 Heads of Families Rhode Island  
 Head of Families First Census USA Virginia  
 Head of Families Massachusetts  
 Heraldry Ancestor & Titles  
 History of the Early Settlers Sangamon Co. IL.  
 How to Publish & Market Your Family History  
 How to Find Your Family Roots  
 How Healthy is Your Family Tree  
 Hutterite Life  
 Immigrants & Passengers Arrival Microfilm  
 Index of Revolutionary War Pension App.  
 (Inscriptions from the Old Burial Grounds in  
 Dorchester, MA. 1638-1750)  
 Irish Genealogy A Record Finder  
 It Happened in Oregon  
 Know Your Ancestors  
 Managing A Genealogical Project  
 Mayflower Families in Progress  
 Missouri Co. Township Maps.  
 New York Census 1790  
 (North American Genealogical Sources Mid  
 Atlantic States & Canada  
 (North & South Carolina Marriage Records  
 From Earliest Colonial to Civil War)  
 (North America Genealogical Sources  
 Southwestern States)  
 Oregon For The Curious

### Charles Hornbeck

2 Books - railroad Accidents

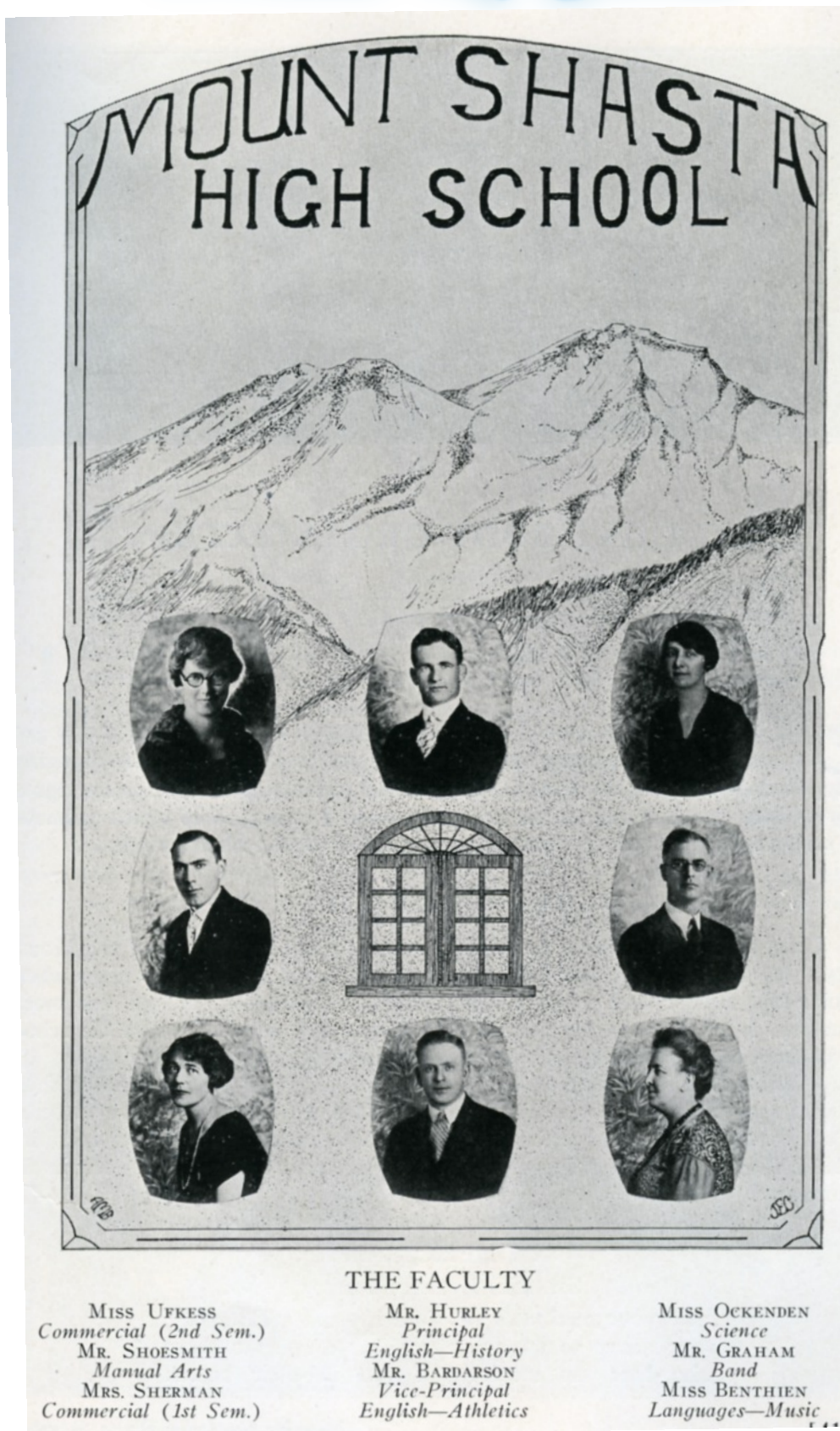
### Jennifer Bryan

Weed the Way It Was  
 Chronology of Early Historical Travel-  
 Through Siskiyou Co., C.  
 History of Howard Co. Arkansas 1873-1973  
 Dude Ranching With The Walter Family  
 Telephone Directories - 1959-62-63-68-69





# White & Gold



## SENIORS



ALLINGHAM, CLAUDIA J., "CLAUDY"  
Track, 3; Glee Club, 4; Dramatics, 2, 3, 4.  
*"A dancing shape, an image gay."*

CRAFT, JOHN E.  
Basketball, 1, 2; Baseball, 2; Track, 1, 3.  
Captain, 3; Dramatics, 1, 2, 3, 4.  
Student Body President, 4; Glee Club, 4.  
*White and Gold*, 4.  
*"None but himself can be his parallel."*

ELKINS, DELBERT W., "SLEEPY"  
Track, 1, 3; Baseball, 2, 3; Dramatics, 1, 2, 3, 4.  
President of Band, 3, 4.  
President of Boys Club, 3; *White and Gold*, 3, 4.  
*"He is wise to resolve, and patient to perform."*

GREENE, LELAND S., "DIZZY"  
Track, 3, 4; Captain, 4; Glee Club, 4.  
Basketball, 4; Dramatics, 3, 4.  
President of Class, 4; Editor of *White and Gold*.  
President of Older Boys Conference, 4.  
*"They say that man is mighty."*

GREGORY, ALTHEA B., "SIS"  
Track, 3, 4; Basketball, 1; Dramatics, 1, 2, 3, 4.  
*White and Gold*, 4.  
*"She is as frank as rain on cherry blossoms."*

HENRY, ROBERT "BOB"  
Track, 3; Basketball, 3; Glee Club, 4.  
Dramatics, 2, 3, 4; President of Class, 2.  
*White and Gold*, 3, 4; Business Manager, 4.  
*"As brimful of mischief and wit and glee,  
as ever a human frame can be."*

MUGLER, MARY E.  
Track, 3, 4; Captain, 4; Dramatics, 2, 3, 4.  
President of Class, 1; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4.  
Captain, 3; Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain, 3.  
Vice-President of Student Body, 4.  
*White and Gold*, 3, 4.  
*"Her air had a meaning her movements a grace."*

STIMSON, SYLVIA L.  
Baseball, 1, 2, 3; Dramatics, 4.  
*White and Gold*, 3, 4.  
*"Her household duties light and free, and steps  
of Virgins liberty."*



# Heir-A-Parent

The following stories are reprints from the **Fall 1989** - Heir Lines

The Heir Line name was not used until the 1990's it was called

Genealogical Society of Siskiyou County from 1972 to 1999?

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GRAYCE PEARL MCCARTHY BEAL

Grayce Pearl McCarthy was born on the 14th July 1907 in Yreka, Siskiyou County, California and was the daughter of Francis Patrick McCarthy and Pearl Grace Doggett. Grayce was an intelligent little girl with a wonderful sense of humor, was a very good student and at the age of twelve went to work for a laundry in Yreka. At fourteen she went to work at the Yreka Western Railroad Office. She took piano lessons for several years and later was the pianist for the local dance band. She graduated from Yreka High School in 1924 and immediately went to work for the Pacific Telephone Company where she worked her way up to a Management position. Many times she was called from other cities to take the place of a Chief Operator who was sick or needed a vacation. Grayce finally retired after almost forty years of service.

Grayce's parents separated when she was about three years of age, so she and her mother Pearl moved back home to her grandparents home "Dick" and Grace Crary Doggett. Even then Pearl was not well and died in 1917 in Yreka. Grayce continued to live with her grandparents,

"Dick" as he was so well known, developed high blood pressure, then with losing son Harry in 1920 in the influenza epidemic, hurt Dick and Grace very much. Harry was very close to his parents. Grayce was the sole support of her grandparents and herself. Dick died in 1931 at seventy five and his wife lived to be ninety three and passed away in 1952.

On 1 January 1945, in Medford, Oregon, Grayce married Wesley LeRoy Beal who was born 27 June 1902 at Mt Dome, Siskiyou County and was the son of William Russell Beal and Cora Irene Anderson. They continue to live in the property her grandparents had deeded to her. The house is a Yreka Historical Landmark formerly owned by John McCarton and built about 1904. Roy was a mechanic and they owned the Texaco Service station. He was the Assistant Fire Chief in Yreka. Roy also served as a Veteran and took training as a Specialist in Motor Mechanics. When you see how many of their friends regularly drop in to check on them in their retirement, you can see the warmth and affection of their many good friends. Roy has arthritis and even then every year he is invited to go hunting and brings back his buck as usual at the age of eighty two. I Don't think Roy has an enemy in the World and Grayce is right there with him.

Grayce McCarthy Beal's father was an early day U. S. Forest Service Ranger in Siskiyou County Mountains of the Klamath River area. He was the son of Michael Henry McCarthy and Hanora Danihy, both in Ireland.

Roy was married before and has two sons and many more descendants up to great grandchildren. He raises a garden every year and they both enjoy seeing their family and friends.

Blanche Doggett Heflin



PEARL GRACE DOGGETT

Pearl Grace Doggett was born 8 April 1883, Klamath River, California and died 8 June 1917. She was the daughter of William Davis Doggett and Grace Ann Crary. On 24 December 1906 in Yreka, Siskiyou County she married Francis Patrick McCarthy who was born 7 May 1873 at Scott Barr, California and died 5 March 1958.

Francis Patrick McCarthy was an early day U. S. Forest Ranger in Siskiyou County, Klamath river area. He was the son of Michael Henry McCarthy. Michael's son Michael, publisher of the Western Sentinel at Etna, California, wrote: "Michael Henry McCarthy was born in Ireland and came to the United States in 1859. He settled in the State of Massachusetts for a brief time then came to Scott Valley. In 1860 he began mining and in this occupation and in farming, he continued during the remainder of his life, which terminated 18 January 1918."

Daniel McCarthy, Micheal's brother came to California in 1854 and made some good gold strikes but later lost his money in future ventures.

Six children were born to Michael and Hanora McCarthy namely: Daniel, a miner who died in 1921; John, who died in his youth; Eugene, who also died young; Michael, Jr. of this interview; Mary, who married Charles Humphreys, a miner and lives in Scott Valley; Francis P, who is engage in business in Fort Jones and Scott Bar, California.

George Humphrey stated his grandfather Micheal Henry McCarthy came to the United States when about 10 or 12 years of age. Later he landed in San Francisco 1 April 1861. He came to Redding by boat about 10 April 1861 then walked over the Trinity Mountains, finally arriving at Scott Bar 21 April 1861. He was now 18 years old and spent the rest of his life there. He died 18 January 1918. He was born in Southern Ireland and his wife Hanora Danihy was born in Castlemaine, Northern Ireland and she died April 1918 at Scott Bar and both are buried in the Scott Bar Cemetery.

Michael Henry McCarthy Jr. studied in the common schools of his home country, and his early education has been supplemented over the years by his extensive reading and observation. He has always remained a student and never ceased acquiring education. His first activity in newspaper work was at Scott Bar, then at Fort Jones, following which he was at Santa Cruz, California for sixteen years, then Monterey, California for ten years, followed by a stay at Oakland and Santa Clara. In 1906, Mr. McCarthy returned to Siskiyou County and for ten years was a ranger, after which he established his newspaper at Etna. Having a circulation of between six and seven hundred. He also conducted the Standard at Fort Jones for three years, or until 1916. He was a democrat in his political faith and is a member of the Native Sons of the Golden West. Mr. McCarthy was married in 1893 to Miss Serena Thompson, who was born in Kansas and came to California in 1889.

Blanch Doggett Heflin

PERRY DeWITT THOMPSON

PERRY DeWITT THOMPSON was born 28 October 1865 in Fulton, Illinois, was married to Mabel Ida Hendrix, May 1893 at Ashland, Oregon. Perry died 30 July 1941 in Redding, California and is buried in Oakhill Cemetery, Red Bluff, California. Before death he resided in Illinois, Colorado, California in Tulare, Shasta and Siskiyou Counties.

MABEL IDA HENDRIX (HENDRICKS) was born 23 Feb 1875 in Dayton, Butte County, California, the daughter of Miles Baron Hendrix and Louisa F. Henderson. Her second marriage was to Lee Berkeley and third to Albert Bryson Jones. Mabel died 19 March 1963 in Woodland, California and is buried in Oakhill Cemetery, Red Bluff, California. Before death she resided in Butte, Siskiyou, Stanislaus and Tehema Counties, California.

ISSUE:

1. GLADYS LOUISE THOMPSON, Born 25 March 1894, Chico, Butte County, California, Married 1st Al Williams, 1912 in Chico; 2nd. Charles Doll, 1962 in San Mateo. Died 22 Nov 1962, Burlingame, California. Has two sons.
2. CLEO ANN THOMPSON, Born 30 January 1896 Yreka, California, married William Charles Castro 10 March 1914, Yreka, California. Died 2 November 1987, San Jose, California. Has two sons.
3. FRANCES IRIS THOMPSON Born 24 April 1901 Yreka California Married George Arthur Dryselt 11 June 1927 Yreka, California. Died 19 October 1985 San Francisco and is Buried in Oakhill Cemetery, Red Bluff. Has 1 son.
4. VERNE ROLLIN THOMPSON Born 10 February 1903 Yreka, California Married Martha Ellen McDaniel 16 November 1942 in Alameda, California. Has 5 children
5. LEOLA MAY THOMPSON Born 24 May 1906 Yreka, California Married George Lester Hammans 27 November 1931 in San Francisco. Died 18 July 1982 Red Bluff, California Buried Oakhill Cemetery, Red Bluff California. Has 1 son.
6. BERYL EMMA THOMPSON Born 3 May 1908 Yreka, California Married Fred Wass 14 July 1933 Sparks Nevada. has 2 children.
7. JEANNE EDNA THOMPSON Born 16 Feb 1914 Yreka, Ca. Married Henry Cody 27 June 1936, Alameda, California Died 23 Apr 1988 Davis, California. Has 2 children  
Martha McDaniels Thompson

VERNE ROLLIN THOMPSON  
A Native of Siskiyou County

The Beginning:

1903 February 10th, birthday of Verne (birthname Vernard Perry) Rollin Thompson. At home just outside the south of city limits of Yreka, Almost opposite present day hospital, Siskiyou County. California. Parents Perry DeWitt and Ida Mabel Hendrix Thompson. Weight 31 1/2 pounds. Mother did not take off his undershirt for over three months when she bathed him for he was so delicate.

School: Greenhorn, Maude Dangle, Teacher.

1909 September, one year in Yreka School the family moved to Cherry Hill Mine

1910 Rose District school 4 miles west of Yreka, Mr. M. H. Madden, teacher for first years. Kate Bissel, teacher the last year. Came to Cherry Hill Mine when 8 years old and stayed there 15 years.

1915 Cherry Creek School 4th Grade, Margaret Wolford Teacher

1916-17 Cherry Creek School, Delia Raney, Teacher

1917-18 Cherry Creek School, Marie Piscantor, Teacher

Work:

1919 Worked at Hoboken Mine for Bob Diggle, about 1 mile north of Cherry Hill Mine.

1920 to September 1931 Worked at Cherry Hill Mine with father. In 1921 for one month he was in the Citizen Military Training Camp at Monterey, California. Ten were chosen by drawing from 200 applicants in Siskiyou Co.

1931 in September to spring 1933 on Cascade Ranch at Half Moon Bay, with George and Frances Dryselt harvesting vegetables during depression.

1933 Worked one summer on Red Bluff Ranch for Henry Bishop in Los Molinas baling hay.

1933 34 In fall was in CCC camp at Paskenta

1934 35 In Turlock 1 1/2 years on Chris Reher ranch. Left Spring 1935

1935 Worked at Brown Bear Mine at Lewiston, Trinity County.

1936 In Fall at Forest, Seirra County one winter in gravel gold producing mine.

1937 39 Kenton Mine in Alleghany, Sierra County 2 winters just over hill south of the gravel mine in Forest.

Operated by George Gamble of Proctor & Gamble fame.

1939 At mine in Shingleton, Eldorado County for 3 or 4 months

1940 41 At Knob, Trinity County at Midas Mine. Gamble & Gowing leased it. Verne and Browntook over lease on year.

1941 43 At Reed mine in Monticello, Yolo County. Quicksilver Mine with Bradley Mining Co.

Town of Monticello now under water. Georgwe Gamble also operated this mine. Married 16 Nov 1942 while at the mine.

1943 July 4th was transferred to Reed mine on the slopes of Mt. Diablo at Clayton, Ca. Quicksilver mining was classed as defense work and a person could not quit a



defense job during the war. First child Vernele Ida born there on 7 Nov 1943.

1944 In September started construction work for Barrett & Hilp in Concord building Igloos for storage of ammunition by U. S. Navy. 2 years.

1946 Worked with Standard Oil in Concord.

1947 Helped with building station.

1948 He and Harley Bradbury built a house on St Clair St in Concord.

1949 Spring, summer & fall prospecting with Harley Bradbury on Klamath River.

1950 On July 4th to Red Bluff to begin building ranch house. Had started it in spring while living with Ed Vaughan. Moved into unfinished house in November.

1951 Helped with block building in Concord.

1952 Built house on Carol Avenue in Music Subdivision.

1954 54 Finished inside of 2 prefabricated Government houses in Dale's subdivision, the flat tops were torn down in Napa, trucked to Red Bluff and erected again.

1955 56 Built one house in Dale's subdivision. Sold it to Hernandes.

1957 Remodeled Baker house. Received medallion from Sacramento Medical Foundation Bloodbank for donating 1 gallon of blood, a positive.

1958 With another carpenter completed Gerber house.

1959 60 Built Breckenridge House in Red Bluff.

1961 62 Did some sewer work on East Way house in Redding.

1963 64 Built 3782 Alma Ave house in Enterprise.

1965 67 Built second house on Alma Avenue.

1968 Retired. Martha McDaniels Thompson



Parade in Yreka - Early 1940's - Photo - C. H. Russell

# History

## GSSC Officers - 2002-2012

	President	V. P. President	Secretary	Treasure
2002-2003	Bonnie Ward	Wanda Payne	Helen Easton	Sharon Youngs
2003-2004	Bonnie Ward	Janet Kaetterhenry	Helen Easton	Sharon Youngs
2004-2005	Sharon Youngs	Harvey Shinar	Helen Easton	Karen Cleland
2005-2006	Sharon Youngs	Kathryn Cavin	Helen Easton	Claudia East
2006-2007	Pat Healy	Mary Burchfield	Hazel Scheff	Karen Cleland
2007-2008	Pat Healy	Mary Burchfield	Hazel Scheff	Karen Cleland
2008-2009	Mary Burchfield	Glenda Doughman	Jennifer Bryan	Pat Healy
2009-2010	Glenda Doughman	Jennifer Bryan	Donna Coleman	Pat Healy
2010-2011	Glenda Doughman	Jennifer Bryan	Donna Coleman	Karen Cleland
2011-2012	Jennifer Bryan	Pat Healy	Pat Williams	Karen Cleland

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Genealogical Society of Siskiyou County, California, has completed its fourth year, having seen many improvements in the society through the help of many of its members and officers. The Bicentennial year has been observed in a number of different ways, one being the publication of member's Revolutionary War ancestors and their history in the quarterly bulletins. Mr. Dwight Cushman, an honorary member, gave an interesting talk at our annual picnic on our Constitution and through Vada Letcher's efforts, a group of Scott Valley ladies presented a playlet, "The Time Machine." Vada also taught a beginner's class in genealogy during the summer with sixteen persons registering. This was a voluntary effort on her part and much appreciated by the group inasmuch as it is hoped that it may expand our membership.

The alternate workshop meetings have been a real help to all the members as there is book sharing as well as having the bulletins segregated by states for members to review.

The membership joins with me in thanking the 1976-76 Society officers. These are: President Alice Colburn, Vice President and Program Chairman, Jo Kinney, Secretary Glenda Doughman, Treasurer Ellen Walters, Publicity Chairman Vada Letcher, Editor Wilogene Simpson, and Librarian Bernita Tickner.

Ruby Lacy who has taught two classes plans to have another class if enough persons enroll for the fall term.

A reminder that dues for 1976-77 were due in July.

Jo Kinney  
President 1976-77



# Obituaries

From 1927 Yreka Newspaper

## Young Weed Man Drowned in Castle Lake

### Boy Scouts Unable to Re- suscitate Him

James John Cena, 18, living in Weed, was drowned in Castle lake Sunday. With a companion, the young man had gone to the lake from Mt. Shasta on a fishing trip for the day. While there he decided to go in swimming. The water of the lake is cold and the boy was not a good swimmer.

His companion on the bank heard him call out for help. He could not swim, but endeavored to get an ore out to him which he might hold on to until rescuers arrived.

A number of Boy Scouts from Dunsmuir were camped close by and under the direction of Scout Master Love, rushed to the lake and put off in a boat. John Trailor, a Boy Scout from Berkeley, dived into the lake and brought the body to the surface. They worked over him for more than two hours in an attempt to resuscitate him, but to no avail.

The remains of the young man were brought to Mt. Shasta, where Coroner Felix Kunz held an inquest yesterday. The verdict of the jury was accidental death by drowning. Young Cena was a native of McCloud, but has been living in Weed for some time. His body was taken to Weed yesterday and will be buried in that place.

## Body of Walker Found Floating In The Klamath by Nathan Howe

### Floated About a Mile from Scene of Tragedy

The body of Roy Walker, who was drowned in the Klamath river below the highway bridge Monday afternoon, was found floating in an eddy near the Ash creek bridge this morning by Nathan Howe.

Howe secured the body so that it would not float away and notified Coroner Felix Kunz, who went to the river and took charge of it. The remains were brought to the funeral parlors of Kunz and Bills where it will be prepared for shipment before being sent to Los Angeles, Walker's home, for burial.

Since the tragedy occurred Monday, men have conducted an almost continuous search for the missing man. They were badly hampered by the water which was high most of the time.

Mrs. Walker, who has been staying in Yreka while the search was going on, was joined this morning by her brother-in-law, Frank Walker, who will accompany her upon her return to Los Angeles with the body of her husband.

News of the drowning Monday was a signal for much discussion along the street as to the necessity of doing something to prevent the unwary visitor from encountering the danger of the rising waters in the Klamath river without having been warned of the condition.

## Edw. O'Connor Laid To Rest In Valley He Loved

### Born in Iowa, He Came to California in 1879

The funeral of Edward O'Connor, who died at his home in Little Shasta last Friday was held in the Little Shasta church Sunday, the Rev. Charles D. Miller officiating. Mrs. D. M. Reid rendered two solos. The burial was in Little Shasta cemetery. Mr. O'Connor was a native of Iowa and was in his seventy-second year at the time of his death.

Edward O'Connor was born in Keokuk, Iowa, September 9, 1856, having reached the age of 71 years, 3 months at the time of his death. He came to Yreka in March, 1879 and in 1885 was married to Mary Jane Terwilliger. To this union were born five children, Arthur of Yreka, Howard of Marysville, Sidney at home, Kate, deceased and Phoebe. Mrs. C. N. White of Stockton, also five grandchildren survive him.

Mr. O'Connor was prominent in public affairs and he held the office of Supervisor of the county for eight years, attaining the chairmanship of the board.

Nearly twenty years ago Mr. O'Connor became interested in the irrigation of the valley and has been prominent in its development ever since.

## Citizen of Weed Called by Death

WEED, Dec. 16 (Special)—Harry Anthony Bernard Wehner passed away at his home in Weed December 12, at the age of 49 years, 4 months and 7 days. He was a native of Yorkshire, England. Mr. Wehner had lived in Weed for fifteen years and was an employee of the Long Bell Lumber Co. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Anna Elizabeth Lehner. The funeral will be held Sunday, December 18 from the Weed Community church with Rev. Anderson Crahn officiating.

Mr. Wehner was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, No. 924 and Winema Tribe No. 184, I. O. R. M. They will assist in the funeral. Interment will be in the Red Men's cemetery in Weed.

## Mrs. Katherine Spannaus Dies in Her 83rd Year

Mrs. Katherine Spannaus, pioneer citizen of Yreka, died last Thursday, October 20, and was laid to rest in Evergreen cemetery Saturday, the Rev. Charles D. Miller officiating.

Mrs. Spannaus was born in Germany 82 years ago and came to Yreka alone when she was only 14 years old. She was married to Ernest C. Spannaus in 1864. Mr. Spannaus died in 1900.

Mrs. Spannaus leaves two daughters, Mrs. J. A. Ager of Ager, and Mrs. Clara Walters of Yreka; four sons, H. A. Spannaus, H. E. Spannaus, both of Beswick, George Spannaus of Klamath Falls, and Charles Spannaus of Eureka. There are also eighteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren to mourn her loss.

## Hornbrook Girl Dies; Former Student of Yreka High School

(Special from Hornbrook)

Ada Eva Fowler, formerly of Hornbrook, died in San Francisco, July 13, 1927, at the age of 18 years. She was buried in the Hornbrook cemetery Saturday afternoon.

She attended the public school at Hornbrook and the Siskiyou Union High School at Yreka. For two years she has been under medical care. Rev. Charles D. Miller of Yreka officiated at the services held in the Knights of Pythias Hall at Hornbrook. The Pythian Sisters, of which she was a member, held the services at the grave.



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