



Computer Genealogy Society

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Newsletter

After a summer break, the next meeting will take place on September 28, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Washington Avenue, Plainview.

Walter Kehoe will be the speaker and his topic will be the newest developments in genealogy as gleaned from events at the 2006 FGS/NEHGS Conference in Boston.

The conference will feature more than 350 educational opportunities in classes, workshops and luncheon presentations. Also the Vendors Hall will feature over 120 vendors. Walter will share information from classes and lectures as well as a sampling of literature about other genealogy societies and vendors.

Bring a friend or two with you the next meeting and we will be on our way to revitalizing The Computer Genealogy Society of Long Island.

New membership service provided

The Computer Genealogy Society of Long Island will be offering a new service to members, GEDCOM comparison. Bring your GEDCOM file on a 3 ½ inch floppy or a CD to a group meeting, and members will compare your file to files of other members. As more GEDCOMS are submitted, the database will grow and the possibilities of making a connection with collateral and direct line ancestors increases. After a comparison is made, the member submitting the file will get a report on the findings. Come to the next meeting and bring a copy of your GEDCOM file too.

New computer genealogy magazine to debut in November

The former editor of the soon to be defunct Genealogical Computing magazine, Liz Kelley Kerstens, will be starting up her own magazine devoted to genealogy and technology. It will be called Digital Genealogist and it will only be available in PDF format. The first issue will be sent out as a PDF attachment in November 2006. The annual fee will be \$20.

For more information or to sign up for the publication, go to the web site, www.digitalgenealogist.com.

HeritageQuest adding 1880 Census Records

If you use HeritageQuest you may have noticed the addition of 24 states to the 1880 census. According to a recent interview on the GenealogyGuys podcast, HeritageQuest expects to finish adding the rest of the states by the end of September or the beginning of October. Also, there are plans to include Soundex searching in HeritageQuest by the end of the year.