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## PRESIDENT'S MOMENT – Susi Fathauer

**Giving Back** – A big THANK YOU goes to Karen Blackmore and Margaret Rennaker for putting on the “Genealogy Wannabee” classes for beginners and those wanting to go over the basics in tracing their family trees. Karen is the instructor and Margaret helps with check-in and seeing that attendees get their class materials. This not only has brought in new members to our society but is fulfilling one of the purposes of FHSA which is to encourage and instruct those who want to work on their family histories. They are helping them get off to a good start. This month, I’ve asked Margaret to share with you how the classes are going and talk about plans for more classes in the future.

## GENEALOGY WANTABEE

- this phrase seems to fit.

Beginning in early 2005 Karen and I first worked together to update the FHSA *New Member Resources Guide*; as we progressed we felt there should be two booklets *Resources for New Members* and *Beginners Resource Guide*. In 2006 together again at the Irish Festival handing out FHSA information bulletins, and encouraging people to begin research (selling the Beginner’s Resource Guide).

Early in 2007 I asked Karen to plan a **workshops for beginners**. Electing to follow suggestions that the length should be for no longer than two hours, she felt two sessions were needed to begin to cover the subject. Her announcement at the board meeting was “I will go anywhere in the valley if you can get 5 or more together for two consecutive

weeks”. Roni Falcon from the Glendale Chapter was the first to take up her challenge. That session at the Glendale Library brought FHSA to the attention of 14 people. We added 6 more at Shadow Mountain Village and 48 more with the current session at the Scottsdale Library (two students are current FHSA members). At the first two sets of classes the students let us know that two sessions were not enough. We found the time to have a third session for both classes and they came from Glendale to Scottsdale for that.

Whether it is a class of six or 40, the time remains the same; three classes of two hours. After the introduction of the people involved (Karen, and Margaret) and the organization (Family History Society of Arizona); week one begins with how a wantabee gets started: ask questions of relatives, locate documents.

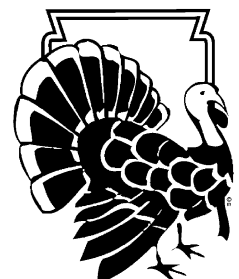
A vocabulary lesson is followed by explanation of first the **Pedigree chart** and how to begin to fill it out; then a **family group sheet**, (Several copies of which are in the handout). We stress the use of pencils, capitalization of last names, date format of day, month, year with area format of township, county, state, country and documentation (types of sources and ways to record them). Homework includes filling out pedigree chart, completing family group sheets as much as possible (remembering documentation) and sort through and record family heirlooms.

After introduction, week two begins with review of pedigree chart, family group sheets and documentation. There is a brief overview of where to go from here, **Genealogy software, Internet sites for Research** (free and fee) and using the libraries. Much time is spent on **U.S.**

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		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DISCLAIMER</b></p> <p>We freely admit to lovingly “lifting” some of the filler items from other publications, newsletters, the Internet, and miscellaneous sources. For that reason, some of the material contained herein cannot be verified and we apologize for any misinformation.</p>

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## FHSA BOARD MEETING

Barbara Marshall has finished the list of books donated by FHSA to the Arizona State Library. It will be published on the Web site in due time.

After discussion, approval was given to use \$100.00 of publicity budget for handouts to be included in packets at Family History Expos 2008 at the Mesa Convention Center on Nov. 14-15.

Plans for Fall Seminar are finalized. Fountain Hills is all ready at work planning the Annual Meeting, scheduled for March 21, 2009.

Next Board meeting on Saturday, Nov. 1 at Tempe Stake Center, 2707 S. College Ave. 9 AM

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## MEMBER NEWS

Sept 3-6 Suzanne Brayer, Suzanne Prosnier and Dee Snook attended the 2008 FGS Conference "Footprints of Family History" in Philadelphia, PA

Alice and Rosario DiStefano are home from visiting daughter in Missouri.

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## NEED SURNAME INDEX HELP?

Please feel free to contact Susi Fathauer (gafaz@cox.net).



## [www.werelate.org](http://www.werelate.org)

Welcome to the World's Largest Genealogy Wiki! Was my greeting when I logged on to [www.werelate.org](http://www.werelate.org)

What is Wiki? Wiki is a piece of Server software that allows users to freely create and edit Web page content using any Web browser. Wiki supports hyperlinks and has a simple text syntax for creating new pages and crosslinks between internal pages on the fly.

WeRelate is a free public-service wiki for genealogy sponsored by the Foundation for On-Line Genealogy, Inc. in partnership with the Allen County Public Library's Genealogy Center.

The WeRelate goal is to be #1 community Website for genealogy. WeRelate is currently in Beta (hunting for bugs), and is funded by your tax-deductible donations.

Before exploring too far into the site, take the tours. Then there are more than a dozen video tutorials on specific aspects of the WeRelate .

Call for Volunteers also found on the front page. Volunteers to help clean up thousands of source pages in anticipation of a free "Research Assistant" - a goal set for 2009. Any questions or problems can be discussed on the talk page. (Editor)

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## COMMENTS MADE IN THE YEAR 1955

"I'll tell you one thing, if things keep going the way they are, it's going to be impossible to buy a week's groceries for \$20.00."

"Have you seen the new cars coming out next year? It won't be long before \$2,000.00 will only buy a used one."

"If cigarettes keep going up in price, I'm going to quit. A quarter a pack is ridiculous."

"Did you hear the post office is thinking about charging a dime just to mail a letter?"

Thanks Nikki Van Reusen, Fountain Hills Chapter

## A Review of Footnote.com

There has been lots of talk recently about Footnote.com. And since I'm always looking for internet means of research, I decided to do some investigating.

Footnote.com contains an ever growing collection of digitized historical documents that, for the most part, can be found nowhere else on the web. So the neat part is that one sees the original record. And, these images are easy to view, download and print. At the moment they have 426 titles of original documents and over 75 million records. There is a counter on the home page which notes the total number of images with the number increasing by millions monthly. Among the documents listed are such gems as City Directories (NYC, Detroit, and more), Historical newspapers, Civil War Pension Index, Confederate Amnesty Papers, Dawes Packets, and Massachusetts Vital Records. There are many Naturalization petitions and indices, in addition to WWII case files, reports and photos. The case files of the Bureau of Investigation are especially intriguing. They cover the years 1908 to 1922, preceding the FBI. They also have many documents which are more historical than genealogical. George Washington's Papers and the Amistead court case are examples.

One interesting project is a cooperative effort among NARA, the National Parks Service, the U of Nebraska, and FamilySearch to provide "hundreds of thousands" of original Homestead Records. Footnote has also partnered with Allen County Public Library to digitize their records.

This web site is unique in that they provide for social networking. Again teaming up with NARA there is online interactive photo of the Vietnam War Memorial. In addition to releasing this unique version of the Wall, Footnote.com enables visitors to search the Wall for people they know and pay tribute by adding photos, comments and stories of those who lost their lives during the Vietnam conflict.

Another aspect of social networking is that members are encouraged to upload documents and pictures. With Footnote Pages, friends and family can share stories and memories. These documents can also be included on a personal blog or website.

I thought navigating the site was initially difficult, but there is a video which helps explain. There is no soundex search tool, but there is a simple search which can access specified documents. There also is no FAQ which could help answer questions. Footnote seems receptive to constructive criticism and appears to be working to make the site friendlier. Many libraries and Family History Centers subscribe to Footnote.com. But if you want to work in your jammies at 2 a.m. you can subscribe monthly for \$11.95 or annually for \$69.95. However, all indexes are free, there is a "quick look" viewer, a free trial membership and many of the documents themselves are free. I'm planning to search the Project Blue Book of UFO sightings for Grandpa Butler. Then I can prove that he did just appear out of nowhere into a cornfield in Indiana in 1820.

Suzanne Brayer, 2nd Vice President

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## MIDWEST GENEALOGY CENTER

The July 2008 edition of *Family Tree* magazine lists the new Midwest Genealogy Center in its, "Nine Libraries to Visit Before You Die". With 52,000 square feet of space on two levels, the \$8 million-plus center better accommodates the library's 80,000 family history books, 100,000 local history items, 565,000 rolls of microfilm and microfiche and 7,000 maps. The Center's holdings include US Census records, Civil War histories, immigration and naturalization records, Native American records, biographical archives, manuscripts pertaining to the American slave trade and the antebellum South, and a very large variety of state records for MO and other states, such as tax records, penitentiary records, military service records, genealogical periodicals and 60,000 titles of family genealogies. The new center is spacious and has lockers, a break area, and limited food service.

Library director, Dick Wilding said, "We've always had a strong genealogy library, but we made it a part of our mission to become a world-class genealogy library". There is a reference staff of 20 people and they are all experts in genealogical research. In addition to its broad reference materials, the Midwest Genealogy Center offers classes on topics ranging from beginning Internet research to solving problems with maps or census records, as well as appointments for consultations with experts in specific ancestries. The Center is open from 9 am to 9 pm, Mondays through Thursdays, 9am to 6 pm on Fridays, and 9 am to 5 pm on Saturdays. The Center is closed on Sundays and holidays. The Library is located at 3440 S. Lee's Summit Rd., Independence, MO 64055. The phone is: (816) 252-7228 and the web site address is

[www.midwestgenealogycenter.org](http://www.midwestgenealogycenter.org)

## AN EXCITING NEW GENEALOGY CENTER

A few weeks ago, I traveled to Topeka, KS, with my husband, for his 50th High School Reunion. He had agreed to let me spend some time in Kansas City, MO after the reunion was over so I could do family research. I am a K. C. native and do research both in Topeka and Kansas City, MO when I have time. Since Kansas City is next to the state line (KS and MO), my ancestors moved back and forth between KS suburbs of K. C. and K. C. itself - making research a bit difficult and time-consuming.

I had been to the Genealogy and Local History Branch of the Mid-Continent Public Library in Independence, MO several times to do research there. My father grew up in Independence and it is on the east side of Kansas City, MO. Now the two city's neighborhoods melt together. The old branch library had become cramped for space and was bulging at the seams. The Mid-Continent Public Library system moved its genealogy branch last Spring (see Midwest Genealogy Center on page 4).

If you are able to visit the Center, I'm sure you will be able to find new materials. I was able to overcome a brick wall there and will return in the future for a longer visit.

Judy Bates, Daytimer Chapter

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(continued from page 1) **Genealogy Wantabee Federal Census 1790-1930** and **Organization** of files. Homework includes the use of census records in research, look at internet sites and contact relatives.

At the third session, which is several weeks after the second session, questions by the students need to be interrupted for a brief introduction, when class is expected to start. Following the questions, Karen talks about **Repositories, Books and Magazines, and Research Checklists**. The balance of the time is spent providing information about **FREE** Internet sites.

Several possible classes are in the works – Margaret's responsibility. She would appreciate any suggestions for sites, and dates (margaret166@cox.net) or 480-990-2348. Charles Rennaker has been our third hand—selling, fetching and listening. Says he learns something each session. Karen is improving the lessons each time, no more overhead, Power Point now.

Submitted by M. **Rennaker**, FHSA Past President

## William McCutchen of the Donner Party

By Robert Nagel, Los Gatos, CA, 15 Dec 1995

William McCutchen, one of the heroes of the ill-fated Donner Party, was born in or near Nashville, Tennessee, in 1816. He was the youngest son of James McCutchen and Elizabeth Deane. William's great great grandfather, John McCutchen, came to America from Ireland and settled in Augusta County, Virginia, before 1738.

William's grandfather, John McCutchen, moved from Virginia to Davidson County, Tennessee about 1780. The McCutchens were among the earliest settlers of Middle Tennessee. A trail near Nashville called The McCutchen Trace was mentioned in records as early as 1787.

William moved with his father's family to Cooper County (later Morgan County), Missouri, about 1830. He married Amanda Henderson of Pettis County, Missouri, about 1841 and their daughter Harriet, who died at Truckee Lake, was born in early 1845.

In the spring of 1846 William and Amanda and their baby Harriet started west to California. At Fort Bridger in Utah near the present Wyoming border the McCutchens were left behind by their wagon train, probably due to breakdown of their wagon. Having no wagon of their own now they attached themselves to one of the families of the Donner Party. William, who had the nicknames of Big Bill and Mac, was a very large powerful man, 6' 6" tall, also noted for his powerful vocabulary. His size and strength would have made him a welcome addition to the party.

**THE DONNER PARTY**, emigrants from the Midwest to California, became trapped by early winter snow at Truckee Lake (now Donner Lake) near the present town of Truckee, California, in the winter of 1846-1847. A brief sketch of the tragic events is provided here to trace William's participation. For those who wish to read a detailed account several books are still available in many libraries. The best known book is Stewart's "Ordeal By Hunger" but two other books are of particular interest. McGlashan's "History of the Donner Party

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## **Footprints of Family History** The 2008 FGS Convention

In all my years of researching I had never attended a BIG convention. What opportunities I have missed! My researching buddy, Dee Snook, suggested we go to the Federation of Genealogical Societies Convention held in Philadelphia. Sounded like a good idea to me. Not only would I have exposure to the big names in genealogy, I would be able to do some local research and visit family. So before the conference began Dee and I spent three days researching at Swarthmore Friends Historical Library, the New Jersey Archives, (where I had an eureka experience, and yes, I yelled), The Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania, and tromping through numerous cemeteries. What fun!!

The conference was held at the Philadelphia Convention Center. It is a huge facility which is connected to the Marriott. That was fortunate when the rains and winds left over from hurricane Hanna hit us on Saturday. Those of us at the Marriott stayed warm and dry. On the other hand, the walk to the meeting rooms was 1/3 of a mile (Dee put on her pedometer!). We felt sorry for those with walkers and canes. Dee clocked 3-5 miles per day. No need to go to the exercise room.

We were greeted at the first session by the esteemed Dr. Benjamin Franklin welcoming us to his town. Following was Tim Sullivan CEO of Ancestry announcing the World Archives Project whose goal is to partner with historical and genealogy societies in an effort to preserve stories. The societies will contribute the stories and Ancestry will provide the funding. I'm sure we will hear more of this.

Over the four days there were over 200 presentations, workshops and lectures covering every possible topic of genealogical interest. Between us, Dee and I attended over 40 of them. Speakers of note: were Dr. George K. Schweitzer, Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak, Paula Stewart – Warren, Dr. Thomas Jones, Steve Morse, Curt B. Witcher, Elizabeth Shown Mills, Maureen Taylor, and many others. A highlight for me was a workshop with Patricia Law Hatcher on land platting. She taught us how to read a metes and bounds deed and to plat it on a map. Exciting stuff to actually see where your folks lived.

Some of the workshops dealt with east coast resources. I learned about the Delaware

Archives holdings, how to get the most of the 1890 New York Census, what War of 1812 Records are at the National Archives, the published materials from the Pennsylvania Archives. Foreign Scotland, Ireland, Britain, Germany, Central Europe were also among the topics. A number of workshops targeted the African American researchers.

There were also some technical workshops which I found interesting. As a teacher and speaker I appreciated the information on how to make power points more interesting. Connie Reik, the librarian at Tufts University explained how to plot ancestors' lands using Google Earth, which complemented the workshop of land platting.

Publishers, societies, crafts boutiques, and booksellers were available in the vendor hall between workshops. I had a great time browsing and managed to let go of a few dollars for some great books. Footnote, Ancestry, and Dick Eastman were also there. Dick had a Wi-fi connection so we could check our email. That was a nice gesture. He also arranged for a dinner on Saturday night for those interested. I did hear the number of vendors was less than in the past. And, I also heard that the attendance was much less than previous.

Unfortunately, these conferences can be quite expensive. There was much talk among the participants about the expense of a big convention center and the need for change especially with the hard economic times. I hope that suggestion is seriously considered. In all, I had a great time and I learned much.  
Suzanne **Brayer**-Paradise Valley Chapter

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has the advantage that it was researched and published within 34 years after the events.

McGlashan lived at Truckee, near the Donner Party's winter camp, where he was the publisher of the Truckee Republican. He interviewed most of the survivors including McCutchen. King's book, published in 1992, benefits from his very thorough research of all the available history and papers collected over the years since the tragedy.

Anyone with a serious interest in the history of the Donner tragedy should read this book. It corrects some of the errors in the earlier books.

The immediate cause of the party's entrapment was that they were too late in their first attempt to cross the Sierra Pass (Donner Pass) and they were blocked by the deep snow and winter storms.

**(to be continued in December issue)**

From May 1996 Issue of **McCutchen**, published by the McCutchen Trace Association. Donna **Wiesley**, Scottsdale Chapter got permission to use from the author.

## NOVEMBER CHAPTER HAPPENINGS SCHEDULE

### 5th —EAST VALLEY:

Meets the **1st Wednesday** at Fellowship Square, Bldg 4, First Floor, 6945 E Main, Mesa  
**6:00 PM** Class: “How to avoid 10 Genealogy Traps” Trudi **Arledge**  
**7:00 PM** Lecture: Virginia **Wyatt** “Finding Original Records on the Internet”  
Reminder Facilitator: Bill **Gertz**, 480-325-3173 (Gertz@asu.edu)

### 10th—FOUNTAIN HILLS

Meets the **2nd Monday** of each month (except summers) Community Center, 13001 N. La Montana Dr. (next to Town Hall, across from Post Office), Fountain Hills.  
**9:00 AM** Class: Beginners, Problem Solving, Computer Lab  
**10:00 AM** Lecture: Geoff **Rasmussen** “Organizing, Planning and Sharing Using Legacy Family Tree”  
Reminder Facilitator: Nikki **Van Reusen** 480-836-6820 (vanreusen@prodigy.net)

### 10th—TEMPE:

Meets the **2nd Monday** at the Pyle Adult Recreation Center, Sedona Room, 655 E. Southern Ave., Tempe  
**6:15 PM** Class: “Solving Brick Walls & Attention to Details” Marsha **Allen**  
**7:15 PM** Lecture: Milli **Packard** “Church Records and Documentation”  
Reminder Facilitator: Marilyn **Senn**, 480-705-0927 (marilyns41@cox.net)

### 18th—PARADISE VALLEY:

Meets the **3rd Tuesday** at Senior Center at Via Linda, 10440 N. Via Linda, Room 6, Scottsdale.  
**6:00 PM** Open discussion time  
**7:00 PM** Lecture: Janna **Larson** “Identifying Abigail, the wife of David Cressey”  
Reminder Facilitator: Norma **Suckle**, 602-867-3087 (norma@Lsnent.com)

### 18th —SCOTTSDALE CHANGE OF DATE

**Tuesday** at Bldg 9 of Paiute Neighborhood Center, 6535 E. Osborn, Scottsdale,  
**6:30 PM** Class: “Evaluation of Evidence” Barbara Marshall  
**7:00 PM** Lecture: Bob **Burns** “Amish Research”  
Reminder Facilitator: Robert **Gayle**, 602-971-3429 (robertgayle@qwest.net)

### 19th—DAYTIMERS:

Meets the **3rd Wednesday** at Room 10, Granite Reef Senior Center, 1700 N. Granite Reef Rd, Scottsdale,  
**1:00 PM** “Understanding Document Scanning using OCR” Charles **Rennaker**  
“Free Genealogy Internet sites” Karen **Blackmore**  
Reminder Facilitator: Charles **Rennaker**, 480-990-2348 (7473chas@cvrennaker.com)

### 24th—GLENDALE:

Meets the **last Monday** at Glendale Public Library, 5959 W. Brown Ave., Glendale.  
**7:00 PM** “Celebrating Our Ancestors” Their survival and accomplishments of their life time.  
Please bring documents, artifacts, mementos, they have left us of their challenges.  
Reminder Facilitator: Russ **Strong** , 623-878-9084 (rgstrong-genes@cox.net)

**REMEMBER TO CHECK THE WEB SITE**  
**www.fhsa.org** for the latest updates on  
**Chapter Meeting Calendar;**  
**Chapter Information**  
**Chapter Location Maps**

## UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

### November 2008

- 1 **Arizona State Genealogical Society** hosts the Holy Hope Cemetery Tour, 3555 N. Oracle Rd. Tucson. Morning tour begins at 10:30 am; afternoon tour begins at 12:30 pm. Tour price \$10.00  
Tour and Box lunch is \$15.00 Registration form [www.azsgs.org/events.htm](http://www.azsgs.org/events.htm) For questions contact  
President Betty Cook at [cbetty@cox.net](mailto:cbetty@cox.net)
- 6 **Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records** commemoration of the Carnegie Library's  
100 years in Phoenix continues with the Presentation by Dr. Reba Wells Grandrud "Arizona  
Women's Hall of Fame" at the Carnegie Center 1101 West Washington Street, Phoenix from 12 pm  
to 1 p.m. contact Sarah Weber at 602-926-3368 or email [sweber@lib.az.us](mailto:sweber@lib.az.us) FREE open to public
- 7 **Arizona Genealogical Advisory Board Hosts a Special Event:** Dinner with John  
Philip **Colletta** and/or presentation "How to Assemble and Write a Narrative Family History"  
Embassy Suites Hotel, 5335 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson. Registration for dinner begins at 5:30 p.m.  
and for presentation at 6:30 p.m. [www.azgab.org](http://www.azgab.org)
- 8 **Arizona State Genealogical Society** annual seminar featuring John Philip **Colletta**, Ph.D., The  
Seminar will be held at the Christ Church United Methodist Fellowship Hall, 655 N. Craycroft Road  
In Tucson, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with registration starting at 8:30. His topics will be:  
Lesser-Used Federal Records: A Sampling for Fresh Research Ideas  
Using Original and Derivative Sources: How to Evaluate Evidence  
How to Prepare for Successful Research in European Records  
Hacks and Hookers & Putting Up Pickles: Snares of Yesteryear's English  
Detailed information at [www.azgab.org](http://www.azgab.org) along with registration form.  
Questions please contact Barbara **Salyer** [bsalyer@mindspring.com](mailto:bsalyer@mindspring.com)
- 14-15 **Family History Expo 2008** at the Mesa Convention Center, 263 N. Center St., Mesa, AZ 8 AM -  
6 PM. Registration includes: Registration packet, name tag, CD syllabus and a goodie bag. Syllabus  
printed as a book is an additional \$24.95. Early Bird cost is \$65.00 for both days. For details go to:  
[http://www.myancestorsfound.com/events/upcoming.php?event\\_id=43](http://www.myancestorsfound.com/events/upcoming.php?event_id=43)

### December 2008

- 11 **Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records** continues commemoration of the Carnegie  
Library's 100 years in Phoenix with Dr. Paul **Hietter** "To Encourage the Preservation and Sanctity of  
Marriage: Victorian Attitudes in Arizona Territory" at Carnegie Center 1101 West Washington St.,  
Phoenix from 12 pm to 1 pm. Free and Open to public. For information contact Sarah Weber  
[sweber@lib.az.us](mailto:sweber@lib.az.us) or 602-926-3368.

### January 2008

- 24 **The 6th Annual Pinal County Genealogists Genealogy Workshop** will be held at the Church of  
Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1555 North Colorado, Casa Grande, AZ. Workshop includes six-  
teen lectures, some of the basic favorites plus new topics that have never been presented before at  
this workshop. Also there will be two 2-hour sessions for beginning researchers. In addition, three  
popular software programs Family Tree Maker, Roots Magic and PAF will be demonstrated. Cost  
of \$15.00 which includes box lunch, syllabus and your choice of four 1-hr sessions; registration  
form is on the website at [www.rootsweb.com/~azpcg](http://www.rootsweb.com/~azpcg) For further information, contact Avis at  
[billavis@gmail.com](mailto:billavis@gmail.com) or 520-316-0589.

### February 2009

- 21 **West Valley Genealogical Society's** Annual Seminar will feature Laura G Prescott, Professional  
Researcher, Writer and Speaker. Her subject "Finding the Unexpected in Unexpected Places".  
Seminar is Saturday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm at First Presbyterian Church, 12225 W. 103rd Ave., Sun  
City. Log on to: <http://www.azwvgs.org> for more information and registration.