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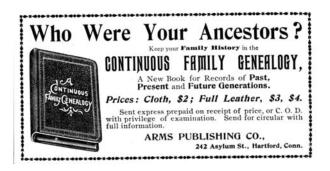
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# **Genealogy 101**

**Genealogy**—is the study and tracing of <u>family pedi-</u> <u>grees</u>. This involves collecting the names of relatives, both living and deceased, and establishing the relationships between them based on primary, secondary and/or <u>circumstantial evidence</u> or <u>documentation</u>, thus building up a cohesive <u>family tree</u>. Genealogy is sometimes also referred to as family history, although sometimes these terms are used distinctly: the former being the basic study of who is related to whom; the latter involving more "fleshing out" of the life histories of the individuals involved.

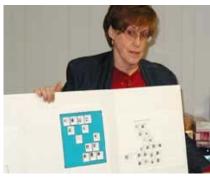
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#### **Meetings**

LCACE meetings are usually held on the second Saturday of each month at the Grayslake Area Public Library, 100 Library Lane, Grayslake, Illinois. The meeting room opens at noon and the formal meeting begins at 12:30 p.m. All meetings are open to the public. Bring a friend!

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Dwight "J.J." Johnson President Lake County Area Computer Enthusiasts

Last month we lost one of our most loved most dedicated members. Lawrence Francis Grauzas (Mr. G). was such a colorful man. I never seen a man so dedicated to his wife and family.

Mr. G joined the club in 1986 and for over twenty years, he and his wife drove over 60 miles to our meetings, We will always remember Mr. G. for giving out his Jelly Beans and saying. "These are for all the beautiful women and bowlegged men". Mr. G., we will miss you. - J.J. Johnson

"St. Peter will have his hands full as will our Lord, who will be besieged with a hundred suggestions as to how to run the world more efficiently, along with finding new uses for old obsolete electronic equipment. He was a gentleman from the old school----waste not, want not."

-Arnie Gudyka

# President's Notes

Ah spring. This is the time of year when the birds return, and it appears that our members do, too. The April meeting saw one of the largest turnouts we've had in some time. I was glad to see some new faces and even a few old ones. I would like to welcome Lester Larkin and Leslie Salsburg who have migrated back from Florida.

For those of you who have not heard, last month we lost one of our most beloved members. Lawrence Francis Grauzas (Mr. G.) was such a colorful man. I never saw a man so dedicated to his wife and family. We will always remember Mr. G. for his jelly beans: "These are for all the lovely women and bowlegged men". Our prayers and thoughts are with his family. Mr. G., we will miss you.

As your newly elected president, I would like to thank those who nominated and voted for me. This is my third term as president, but the first time I've been elected to the position. As founder of LCACE, I filled the office for the first thirty months before we had an election, and then assumed the post when our elected president quit after one month in office. Who would have thought twentytwo years later, I would be president again?

LCACE has come a long way since we moved to the Grayslake Library, and we owe a lot of this to our outgoing president, Linda Busch. If you had the opportunity to attend the Computer Country Expos, Linda was always there to greet you at our LCACE booth with her array of seasonal headwear. Her humor has been infectious and I know she is going be a hard act to follow. Not to worry. Linda will continue to entertain us with her delightful charm, and help me keep the club on the right track as a member of the board of directors.

Another Bravo-Zulu to Donna and Julio, for the great job they did in running the election and counting the ballots. Lew, Robin, and Lee, the cake and fruit were delicious, and if I ever decide to run for local office, Robin will be my first choice for campaign manager. Happy Birthday LCACE and who? I'm going to change my birthday so it doesn't coincide with the club's anniversary. And besides, I'm a resident of Waukegan, so my age will always be 39. Another Bravo-Zulu to Howard Shaughnessy for his recap of the April meeting in his online blog @ http:// elseeace.bloghorn.com/.

You will have the opportunity to meet the new 2005-2006 Board of Directors at the next meeting, but if you can't wait, check them out on the web site @ http:// lcace.org/History/bod\_2005.htm. I have asked Howard Shaughnessy to assume a newly created volunteer position as Club Journalist. Howard will be documenting the club meetings, interviewing and photographing presenters and a few club members. I've also asked Zack Gilbertsen and Lester Larkin to help the board in assistant positions. If any other members would like to lend a hand, please step forward and let me know.

What did you think about the InfinaDyne presentation? I would like to thank Paul and Andy for their very interesting talk. I did not realize there was so much to know about the structure of compact discs, and how vulnerable they are. So if you have an unreadable CD or Flash Drive, then you may want to give Paul a call to take advantage of the discount he *(Continued on page 4)*  *(Continued from page 3)* offered to club members.

The mission of the club is still to assist our members in achieving their individual personal computer objectives through the utilization of membership expertise--"Members Helping Members" and other resources. The club is also about captainship and camaraderie. To continue this mission, I would like to see more members get involved. Write an article for the newsletter or volunteer to do a presentation. We all have the knowledge or expertise-whether about a program or a piece of hardware. The name of the game is "Show N' Tell". You don't have to be the great novelist or speaker, we have members within the club who will be glad to help you out and make you look good. We are just asking you to SHARE what you like with us.

Don't miss the May meeting for another GREAT presentation by Terri Hanlon. For those of you who attended her presentation in 2001, then you know what I'm talking about. Terri has done extensive work on her family tree, and will be SHARING it with you. So don't miss it!

See you next time.

J.J. Johnson LCACE President



### **BEFORE THE COMPUTER...**

Contributed by Donna Kalinowski

MEMORY was something you lost with age. A PROGRAM was a TV show. A CURSOR used profanity. A KEYBOARD was a piano. A WEB was a spider's home. A VIRUS was the flu. A CD was a bank account. A HARD DRIVE was a long trip on the road. A MOUSE PAD was where a mouse lived.

And, if you had a 3 INCH FLOPPY.....you just hoped nobody ever found out!

"I have a few 8 inch floppies in my storeroom."

-J.J.



# Mike's Thoughts

Well, it has been awhile since I wrote my "Thoughts" column. Believe it or not, I occasionally run out of things to say, or okay I just get lazy. What can I say?

Have you received your copy of <u>Smart Computing</u> this month? It has good information on Windows 98, XP and 2000 operating systems. As a matter of fact I have let all my other magazine subscriptions lapse. If you don't receive <u>Smart</u> <u>Computing</u>, let one of the club officers know and we will get you a subscription form. L.C.A.C.E gets credit for every 5 subscriptions we get.

Check out the Web site. <u>http://www.lcace.org</u> J.J. has done a lot of work on it. It loads a lot faster and is more organized. See what happens when you go to the News Journal page!

I would like to thank everyone for re-electing me again. Congratulations to the incoming officers, we know you will do a wonderful job. To the outgoing officers a "hardy thank you and a job well done." Everyone's efforts are what make this a great

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### Info about Gmail and isnoop

can be found here:

Contributed by Fred Barnnett

http://blogs.pcworld.com/techlog/archives/000596.html

PC World's Techlog News, opinion, and links from Editor in Chief Harry McCracken. See all PC World's Techlog.

Good Grief! Two Gigs of E-Mail From Google Posted by Harry McCracken Friday, April 01, 2005, 08:58 AM (PST)

Whenever I post about Web-based e-mail news, it seems to get read. So hear ye, hear ye: Google's Gmail, which started the in-box space wars a year ago with a gigabyte of storage, is doubling that space to two gigabytes. And it's saying that it plans to add even more space over time. Which must take some wind out of Yahoo Mail's sails (um, pardon the ungainly metaphor), since it just recently announced plans to match Gmail's 1GB offering.





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At our April meeting the following persons were voted in as 2005-06 officers. This information courtesy of Jim Rutledge as the writer left before the final vote. Howard, Here is how the chips fell;

President - JJ Johnson (Voting member of board) V.President - Mike McEnery (Voting member of board) Secretary - Linda Busch (Voting member of board) Treasurer - Winnie Frost (Voting member of board) Membership - Dorothy Sutherland (Voting member of board)

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That is the best to my memory. I didn't have paper to write it down.

Jim

It was also the 22nd birthday of our group, **Lake County Area Computer Enthusiasts**, easier referred to as "the ACERS" or the "Computer Group" whichever, it was fruit and birthday cake all around after this April meeting. Our special guests were Paul Crowley and Andy Dangerfield of **InfinaDyne**. Paul, founder and CEO of this firm, gave an illustrated lecture on recovery data, files, photos from CDs and DVRs as well as pertinent information and tips about memory minders.

We learned when buying CDs and DVDs in bulk that unless they are used "soon" they can "wither on the spindle" and if used may or may not hold the inputted data. Brand name discs may or may not be the same quality in successive batches. Attaching labels may not be a good idea, however using WATER based markers to ID these is a good idea. Paper sleeves with plastic inserts not a good idea, however jewel cases and CD books are great for storage.

As to the products InfinaDyne produces go to their web-

site for information.

Oh yes, those of us who attended received one of their *"little blinky thingees"*.

Next month, **May 14th, Genealogy** is the subject. Terri Hanlon will be the mistress of ceremony, other members will also contribute as well. If you're curious about how to find your ancestors this meeting could be the first of many steps.

#### LCACE has new 2005 officers ...

posted at 4/10/2005 1:46:16 PM by Howard Shaughnessy

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The Gmail expansion will apparently be rolled out over the coming weeks. (I see that my Gmail account says I have a total of 1.4GB at the moment.) Gmail remains in beta, and in theory you need to be invited to join. But it's not very hard to find your way in. [<u>http://isnoop.net/</u> <u>gmail/</u>]

I look forward to being older, when what you look like becomes less and less the issue, and what you are is the point.

> SUASAN SARANDON American actress



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# **IN MEMORY OF**



Mr. and Mrs. G lived in Aurora, and for almost twenty years, only missed a hand full of meetings.





Lawrence & Stephanie Grauzas



"For all the beautiful woman, and bowlegged men"







Lawrence Francis Grauzas 1923—2005



My real computer is an Atari's computers"



Ken & Larry Jr.

LCACE will miss you

# Former PRESIDENT'S NOTE

**THANKS** for the last three years. I enjoyed every moment of my three terms. Lake County Area Computer Enthusiasts is an integral part of my life. But, I am sorry that I won't be at the May meeting. It's not because I'm not president anymore. It's because an opportunity presented itself for the third time that I just could not say no to. Look for me to be back in June.

I, too, would like to thank Donna and Julio for conducting the election. Good Job, and even more appreciated because they were both drafted to do the election. Another line for their resumes – conducted an election.

The club membership continues to grow. That's great! A large part of that is being at a central location and keeping our meeting dates and meeting times consistent. People are creatures of habit. At my house the second Saturday of each month (except July) is L.C.A.C.E. day.

Thank you again.

*Linda B-U-S-C-H* (like the beer, not the President) Former President

Now Secretary



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#### "Members Helping Members"

I am sure most of you know how impressed I was with the April demo from the INFINADYNE Company. Great job on setting that up Howard.

I would like to remind everyone that the Holiday committee will meet 30 minutes prior to the May General meeting.

I am sure most of you know that we lost a Dear friend and fellow L.C.A.C.E member in April, Mr. Lawrence F. Grauzas (Mr.G., Mr. Jellybean). Mr. G you will be really missed!

Well, my thoughts are fading; see you all at the May meeting.

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# NEXT MEETING

### MAY 14, 2005

### **Grayslake Public Library**

### 12:30pm—3:00pm

Meeting Room Opens at Noon

This month: GENEALOGY 101



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