

Writing For Results

A practical one-day seminar on "Writing for Results" will be presented in Portland at the Red Lion Portland Center, 310 SW Lincoln,

on Tuesday, August 12, 1986 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The instructor, Dr. Simon Johnson, is an associate professor and coordinator of technical and professional writing in the Department

of English at Oregon State University.

Topics covered include the writing process, writing for your reader, organization, final steps in writing, and editing.

Enrollments are accepted in the order received until the limit is reached. Registration is completed by sending \$75 to Endeavors for Excellence, Continuing Education, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331-1640. For further details call Endeavors for Excellence in Corvallis, (503) 754-2677.

Getting to the Roots of Your Family Tree

Tracing one's lineage is in vogue these days. Nearly half the written requests for assistance received by America's libraries and historical societies seek information about someone's ancestry.

Before you go running off to search for your roots, be careful or you could find yourself barking up the wrong family tree. Records, if you are lucky enough to locate them, often contain erroneous information, supplied by incompetent or indifferent clerks or informants who had decided to anglicize their names or fib about their ages and places of origin.

To make the search a little easier, try following these tips:

- **Begin with yourself.** Fill out a family chart to the best of your memory. Refer to letters, old photographs, Bibles—anything that might provide clues.
- **Interview relatives.** Much of the information you seek may be stored away in relatives' attics or basements.
- **Check local records.** County repositories of vital statistics should have on file birth and marriage certificates, land and cemetery records. Also, town libraries usually keep sections devoted to genealogy and local history.
- **Tap distant resources.** Among the best genealogical sources are the New England Historic Genealogical Society (101 Newbury St., Boston, Mass. 02116); the National Genealogical Society (4527 17th St., N., Arlington, Va. 22207); the National Archives and Records Administration (Washington, D.C. 20408); the Library of Congress (Washington, D.C. 20540); the libraries of Los Angeles, New York City, Chicago (the Newberry Library) and Fort Wayne, Ind.; and the library operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons) in Salt Lake City (LDS Genealogical Library, 35 North West Temple St., Salt Lake City, Utah 84150), which houses 170,000 books and 1.4 million reels of microfilm containing records from around the world.

Books for do-it-yourselfers include "Ancestry's Guide to Research: Case Studies in American Genealogy" and "The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy," both by John Cerny and Arlene Eakle, and "Shaking Your Family Tree" by Ralph Crandall (Yankee Publishing, Inc.).

If you choose to hire a professional genealogist to shake your tree, keep in mind that they average \$20 an hour. A list of accredited researchers can be obtained through the LDS Genealogical Library or the Board of Certification of Genealogists (P.O. Box 19165, Washington, D.C. 20036).

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NEA Project Draws Parents Into Children's Education

"When parents get involved with their children's education, it sets a tone for success."

That's a comment from just one of the many parents across the country who are participating in the unique Teacher-Parent partnership program sponsored by the National Education Association and the Home and School Institute. The project, which has already reached the families of 12,000 students nationwide, will be expanded to sites in at least 10 additional states this fall.

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