# **PFO Report**

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#### **Temple Ordinances from the Notary Records**

	Baptism		Endowment		Sealing to	Sealing to	TOTAL
Year	Male	Female	Male	Female	Spouse	Parents	ORD.
2007	480	503	481	502	374	535	2,825
1987-2007	5,179	5,326	5,180	5,325	2,910	3,582	27,502

## **BEUS Research Report**

**For Beus research purposes** we want to hear from any reader who might know what became of Iva Beus Bishop's genealogy records when she died some 30 yrs ago. We know that some of the Belnap descendants of Michael Beus lived near her at the time and some think that the Bishop children of her husband by a prior marriage may have wound up with them or may have discarded them. We badly need them to confirm the Beus father's line we have going on back to 9<sup>th</sup> ggfather, John Michael Beus b. 1510 in Pramollo. We assume it was Iva who hired the research done to produce the early names on the line. Anything you know from notes, group sheets, or other documents showing who did the research on the line would be helpful.

**Further on Beus lines**: Catherine Tron b. 1672 is 3 ggmother to Marianne Combe who came with husband Michael Beus and the handcarts. Her husband was Jean Robert b. 1670 of San Germano -- We have now identified three more generations back from Jean: his father Pietro Robert b. 1643 San Germano, gfather Gioanni Robert b. 1612, ggfather Giacomo Robert b. 1590 of San Germano, 2 ggfather b. 1590. These connections come from the Valliperosa abstracts, vol 49, will 1 Dec 1682; and ratification....

## **CARDON Research Report**

By Lavor Cardon

Thanks for your support! The Cardon line research is continuing. We have been concentrating on the descendants of Paijretto Cardon, born abt 1535 in Roccapiatta. We descend through his son, Giacomo, but we are aware that Paijretto had at least three other sons, and have been able to do at least 260 temple ordinances for the descendants of Paijretto during 2007. We do have some sealings to complete as soon as we receive back all the cards for the endowment work. We have been able to identify several of the spouses by name and have identified additional spouses because of death, etc. If any of you would like to participate in the ordinance work, please contact R. Lavor Cardon at <a href="learner-learner

#### **General Research Report**

By Ron Malan

Not long ago, Jim Schilling of California contacted us for suggestions about finding his Waldensian ancestors. Jim's ancestors were not among the early LDS converts who immigrated, but they came later—and even went to Ogden, though the immigrant generation did not join the LDS Church even there. But Jim is LDS, and has contributed generously to the research fund in gratitude for assistance in identifying his correct lines.

It turns out, in fact, that Jim has ancestors in common with many PFO families. We're still helping him finish compiling his families from the Piedmont Project and therefore have not yet begun with what the notary records reveal about his family.

We hope researchers in the other PFO families will note Jim's Waldensian ancestral surnames below and will share with us what they have found so far from the notary records so Jim and his family can continue to help both with the research and temple ordinances.

Jim Schilling's ancestral surnames: Artau or Arnaud, Avondet, Balmas, Baret, Bert, Bertalot, Beus/Beux, Blevnat, Bouchard, Boudrandi, Bounous, Bouvier, Buffe, Cadet, Chambon, Clée, Colombat, Combe, Costabel, Forquin, Frache, Gallian, Gardiol, Gautier, Gaydou, Goante, Griot, Jacquet, Jahier, Lantelme, Long, Martinat, Meynier, Pascal, Peyronel, Playan, Prassuit, Revnaud, Ribet, Rivoire, Robert, Rochon, Roux, Soulier, Travers, Tron, Vincon,

To make our efforts to help Jim as efficient as possible, here are his earliest known ancestral couples for those surnames:

AVONDET, Jacob 1669 & Anne -BALMAS, Jacques [?1705] wife unknown BALMAS, Joseph 1675 & Jeanne MEYNIER BERT, Jean 1674 & Marthe GARDIOL

BERT, Pierre 1640 wife unknown

BERTALOT, François 1679 & Marie COMBE

BERTALOT, Pierre 1682 & Marie CADET

BERTOCH. Pierre 1672 wife unknown

BEUS, Michel 1638 & Marguerite JACQUET

BLEYNAT, Daniel 1675 wife unknown

BOUCHARD, François 1690 & Suzanne CADET BOUCHARD, Jacques 1670 & Marguerite BERTALOT

BOUDRANDI, Barthelemy [?1715] & Suzanne CLEE

BOUNOUS, Pierre 1653 wife unknown BOUVIER, Jean 1672 wife unknown

BUFFE, Jean 1640 Angrogna wife unknown

CHAMBON, (Elder) Michel [?1665] wife unknown

CLEE, Jean 1673 & Suzanne -

COLOMBAT, Michel 1663 & Marie -

FORQUIN, Jean 1672 & Madeleine BARET

FRACHE, (Lt.) Daniel 1700 & Marie GRIOT

GALLIAN, Jean 1707 & Marie -

GARDIOL, Barthelemy 1670 wife unknown

GAUTIER, Etienne 1659 & Anne GOANTE

GAUTIER, Jacques 1704 wife unknown

GAYDOU, Jacques 1538 wife unknown

GAYDOU, Jean 1652 wife unknown

GOANTE. Jean Pierre 1637 wife unknown GRIOT. (Capt.) Michel 1675 wife unknown

LANTELME, Thomas 1668 wife unknown

LONG, Michel 1690 & Marthe/Martha RIBET

LONG, Thomas 1658 wife unknown

MARTINAT, (Capt.) Augustin 1694 & Anne AVONDET

PASCAL, Jean 1677 wife unknown

PEYRONEL, Paul 1683 & Catherine BOUNOUS

PLAVAN, François 1674 wife unknown

PRASSUIT, Antoine 1642 Angrogna wife unknown

REYNAUD, Jean 1662 wife unknown REYNAUD, Jean 1688 wife unknown

RIBET, Jacques 1684 & Catherine JAHIER

RIBET, "Jean or Jean Jacques" 1710 & Jeanne SOULIER RIVOIRE, Pierre 1712 (San Germano) wife unknown

ROBERT, Jean 1703 wife unknown

ROBERT, Pierre [?1701] dau Marie md Etienne RIBET

ROCHON, Vincent 1672 wife unknown

ROUX, Pierre 1701 & Suzanne CLEE

SOULIER, Jean 1673 & Catherine BOUDRANDI

TRAVERS, (Elder) Jacob 1659 & Catherine COSTABEL

TRON, Pierre 1667 wife unknown

VINCON, Pierre 1697 & Madeleine ROBERT

Family researchers who can help with any of these lines, please send your relevant GEDCOMs to Ron Malan (ron@malan.org) so that I can coordinate our efforts for Jim. Thanks so much for your help.

## FamilySearch is coming!

President Gordon B. Hinckley said: "One of the most troublesome aspects of our temple activity is that as we get more and more temples scattered across the earth there is duplication of effort in proxy work. People in various nations simultaneously work on the same family lines and come up with the same names. They do not know that those in other areas

are doing the same thing. We, therefore, have been engaged for some time in a very difficult undertaking. To avoid such duplication, the solution lies in complex computer technology. Preliminary indications are that it will work, and if this is so, it will be a truly remarkable thing with worldwide implications." (General Conference Opening Remarks, *Ensign*, Nov. 2005, pp. 5–6).

FamilySearch is this computer technology. It prevents duplication of ordinances in these ways:

- It contains the most recent information about completed temple ordinances. Information about completed ordinances is added to FamilySearch within 24 hours.
- If an ordinance has been completed in any temple in the world, FamilySearch prevents it from being done again.
- You can reserve ordinances that you intend to do. If other users try to do the same ordinances, FamilySearch tells them the ordinances are "reserved" for someone else.

FamilySearch will be coming soon to your area. In early 2008, it will become available to the Boise, Idaho Falls, Rexburg, Twin Falls, and Logan temple districts.

FamilySearch makes it easy to:

**1.** See what information the Church already has about you and your ancestors. The information comes from five sources: Church membership records, IGI files (temple ordinances that have been performed), Ancenstral File, the Pedigree Resource File, and Information that users enter directly into FamilySearch or contribute with a GEDCOM file

#### 2. Work with other relatives on shared family lines to make sure your family history is as accurate and complete as possible.

To make this possible, FamilySearch keeps track of who contributes which information. Depending on how much contact information a contributor chooses to display, you may be able to contact him or her by e-mail, standard mail, or telephone where you can work with others to identify the correct information and preserve the most accurate information that can be found about your family.

Another way to see if someone else has already entered information about an individual is to see if FamilySearch can find any possible duplicates. If it finds a possible duplicate, you decide if the information is about the same individual. If so, you can combine the information. All of the information will be preserved.

After an individual's information is combined into one record, everyone can see and work on it together to:

- Evaluate the accuracy of the information
- Make corrections if needed
- Add notes and sources
- Dispute incorrect information
- See that temple work is done if needed

#### 3. Add new information and make corrections.

- FamilySearch protects your information. When you contribute information, only you can change or delete it. If other users contribute different information about the same ancestor, FamilySearch keeps this new information in addition to your information.
- In FamilySearch, you can easily add new information. You can also correct the information that you added previously.
- Information about deceased individuals is available instantly to other users. If you contribute information about individuals who may still be living, only you will be able to see it.

#### 4. Do temple ordinances for your ancestors.

FamilySearch simplifies the process of preparing the names of your ancestors for temple ordinances. Five simple steps: 1) Add ancestor information into FamilySearch 2) Select individuals that need temple ordinances. 3) Print family ordinance request to take to the temple 4) Temple recorder prints family ordinance cards as you wait. 5) Perform the temple ordinances and FamilySearch updates the record that same day.

• FamilySearch automatically determines whether there is enough information for an individual's or family's temple ordinances to be done. If there is, FamilySearch tells you that the ordinances are "Ready

Before you can do temple ordinances for your ancestors, information about them must be in FamilySearch. The minimum information required for ordinances is as follows:

- Name and gender. This shows that the individual existed.
- Information that shows an individual is dead. This can be one or more of the following:
- A death or burial date or place.
- A birth or christening date that occurred at least 110 years ago.

- A marriage date that occurred at least 100 years ago. A date for marriage banns, a marriage contract, or a marriage license can also be used if the record does not contain a marriage date.
- A child who was born or christened at least 100 years ago.
- Information that distinguishes this individual from others. This can include information about events, such as a birth, marriage, or death, or relationships to other people, such as parents, spouses, or children. When FamilySearch determines that it has enough information for ordinances to be done, it shows the word "Ready."

When FamilySearch becomes available in your area, TempleReady will be phased out. We recommend that you start adding your family history information to FamilySearch as soon as it is available in your area. By doing so, you will receive these benefits:

- FamilySearch uses more sophisticated rules than TempleReady to determine whether an individual or couple has enough information for ordinances to be done. You may find that you can now do ordinances that TempleReady would have prevented. For example, you may find that an individual qualifies for ordinances even though the record lacks dates or places. This is because FamilySearch uses relationships in addition to dates and places to qualify individuals for temple ordinances.
- FamilySearch contains the most current temple ordinance information. You will have a much lower chance of duplicating ordinance work if you use FamilySearch than if you use TempleReady.
- With FamilySearch, you can easily make ordinances available for others to do. You can also see immediately when these ordinances are done
- You may find others who are working on shared family lines. This can minimize duplication of research and data entry efforts. It can also foster enduring family relationships.
- FamilySearch is available from anywhere you can use the Internet, not just in family history centers.

### You Can Still Use Personal Ancestral File and Similar Computer Programs

You can continue to use Personal Ancestral File and similar computer programs to manage your family history information. To do the temple ordinances, you will have to create a GEDCOM file to contribute information to FamilySearch. Currently FamilySearch does not allow you to export a GEDCOM file. To keep your family history computer database synchronized with FamilySearch, you will have to manually transfer information from FamilySearch to your computer.

Let's get ready for an exciting era in temple and family history work! Technology has made the temple and family history work manageable and doable. Sources: Jim Greene, A Users Guide to the new FamilySearch,

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We are making excellent progress in abstracting the important information from the notary records. We need **your** continued financial support so we can finish this work. Because PFO is properly registered, you can fully deduct all donations on your tax returns. Thank you again for your continued support! Send donations to: **PFO, 987 West 2200 North, Pleasant Grove UT 84062**. And thanks again!