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The next meeting of the **Middle Tennessee Genealogical Society** will be Saturday, September 16, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. at the Edmondson Pike Branch of the Nashville Public Library, 5501 Edmondson Pike, Nashville, TN. Note change of time and location. The program will be "**Publishing by Print on Demand.**" The speaker will be Hugh Daniel, General Manager and Author Representative of the Book Division of Westview Publishing.

Westview Publishing is dedicated to helping authors weave their way through the intimidating process of producing and publishing a quality book. Covered topics will be production, marketing and distribution of limited-edition books on an as-needed basis and the advantages of long-term availability and inexpensive updates.

Hugh Daniel has worked extensively in the fields of theater, music, business management, graphic design and web site design. He has a wide variety of experiences that allows him to draw on a wide range of skills in understanding an author's needs.

Computer Users Group Organized. MTGS president, Virginia Watson, announces the organization of a special interest group for MTGS members interested in learning a more effective use of the computer for genealogical research. The first meeting will be held September 14, 2006, at 11:00 a.m. at the Knowles Center of Senior Citizens, Inc., Nashville. Initially six sessions are planned. MTGS member Ogden Stokes will be the instructor. The name of the group will be "**Effective Use of the Computer in Genealogy.**" If there is sufficient interest, you can register for all six sessions. The fee will be \$10.00 per session or \$50.00 for all six sessions. No need to sign up; just show up or let Virginia Watson at ginnyology@comcast.net know your intention to sign up if you are not able to make the first session. The Knowles Center is at the end of Wedgewood Avenue on the State Fairgrounds property in Nashville, TN. Visit our website <http://www.mtgs.org> for more details.

Bible Records Project. MTGS is starting a project of copying Bible Records. That project is being undertaken in cooperation with the Knowles Center of Senior Citizens, Inc. Interested persons may take their Bibles or copies of their Bibles to the Knowles Center on the following dates: Monday, September 18; Thursday, September 21st; and Monday, October 2, 2006, from 10:00 a.m. until 2 p.m. The genealogical information will be copied and the Bibles returned to the owners on the spot. MTGS hopes to publish a compilation of the Bible records at a later date.

Surplus Journals Sale: Surplus MTGS Journals are now for sale. A full set, Volume 1 through Volume 19, can be bought for \$25.00 plus \$11.00 postage. Total \$36.00. This is a real bargain. Send your check to MTGS, PO Box 330948, Nashville, TN 37203-7507. This unbelievable deal is precipitated by the need to reduce storage space.

November Seminar. Plans for our annual all-day seminar are still in progress. It will be held November 18, 2006, at the Brentwood Library. Guest lecturer will be **John P. Colletta**, noted genealogist and lecturer. The theme of his lectures will be "**Finding Your Immigrant Ancestor.**" The cost is \$35.00 for MTGS members and \$40.00 for non-members. A box lunch is included. If you don't want a box lunch, a \$5.00 discount will be given in each category. You will soon be getting a flyer with additional information. Details soon on our website.

Best Journal Article Award. This year MTGS will be giving an award for the best article in the MTGS Journal. Selection will be made by an impartial panel. Hone your writing skills.

Dues: Dues are past due. You can still pay them by adding a \$5.00 surcharge to the \$25.00 base figure

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