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Hi Anita,

You said, "A book is such a chore, isn't it?" YES, INDEED!! For a
couple of years "the book" was all I thought about. I'd go to sleep
thinking about... and wake up thinking about.... I neglected my house,
my health, my appearance.

I originally thought FRANTZ FAMILIES -- KITH & KIN would be about 2000
pages. I started advertising pre-publication price of $100. As word
circulated, I received lots of additional info from folks who wanted to
be included. The pages increased to 3200 pages!! I was still receiving
info a month before publication (which was included in an addendum).

My database of Frantz info is in a genealogical software program called
Roots3. (I have over 36,000 Frantz and collateral lines.) I exported
my descendants of immigrant Michael Frantz to Word-for-Windows so I
could enhance the appearance of the books. I was able to add names to
the Index that would not appear in the Roots3 index. Fortunately,
"Word" has a wonderful indexing system so when I was ready for the
absolute final Index, it worked beautifully. (Approximately 28,000
names in the three books indexes.)

I'm a 61 year old full-time working widow with limited resources. The
book project was really too much work for one person and too expensive
for me. However, I didn't want to abandon the project because many
folks were anticipating the books. I kept going full-speed.

I couldn't send the material to a genealogical publishing company
because their cost was prohibitive. I ended up taking the "camera
ready" pages to my local Kinko's. Then I hauled home about fifty boxes
full of pages and I bound the books. Finally, I packed them into big
boxes and hauled them to the Post Office. Frankly, the only way I was
able to accomplish the project was because about sixty families and a
few libraries sent their $100 in advance of publication.

Yes, "a book is such a chore, isn't it?" However, I'm glad I did it!!
Now I can search for additional info -- on the internet -- to enhance
the info I have on the Frantz family.

Good luck with your book project. Don't despair. Keep on keeping on.

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P.S. As I re-read this before sending, I thought of a question you might
be able to answer. How do I attach a file and get it to print
properly? Let me explain. I want to be able to attach a copy of my
"flyer" (advertisement) to a person who might inquire. I first attached
a Word file and sent it to myself (as a test) but it just put a box with
some info (below the normal stuff at the top of e-mail). So I prepared
the same info as a plain "text" file which is fine (not fancy, but
fine). However, when I send it to myself as a test I can't get it to
print out right. I can read it just fine on the screen but the
sentences don't PRINT right. I'll attach a copy so you can see what I'm

talking about. Do you have any suggestions??

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