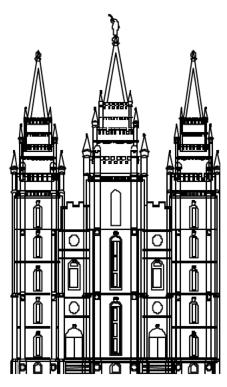
Twenty-Third Annual Dayton Ohio Stake Dayton Ohio Stake Family History Jamboree

Student Materials



Families are Forever

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Introduction

Why Family History

The Family Can Be Eternal

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints emphasizes the importance of family relationships. We believe that families can be united in the most sacred of all human relationships – as husband and wife and as parents and children – in a way not limited by death.

The Savior told Peter, "And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven" (Matthew 16:19). Through priesthood authority from God, marriages are performed in temples. Those marriages can endure throughout this life and for all eternity. In addition, children are "sealed" to their parents, providing opportunities to become eternal families. To share these blessings with our deceased ancestors, we also perform marriages and sealings in their behalf should they chose to accept them in the next life.

We believe that life on earth is part of an eternal existence that began long before we were born, when we lived with God as His spirit children. We came to earth to be tested, to show whether we would obey God's commandments. At death, our spirits leave our bodies and go to a spirit world, where we continue to learn and progress. We retain our individual personalities and our ability to choose.

Eternal Life Through the Atonement of Jesus Christ is Offered to All

Our Father in Heaven provides the opportunity for each of His children to continue sacred family relationships after this life. For that purpose:

- God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to teach us how to return to Him and receive eternal life.
- All will be resurrected through the Atonement of Jesus Christ.
- Eternal life will be given to all that accept His teachings, obey His commandments, and receive the necessary ordinances through the priesthood.
- Those who do not hear the Savior's teachings on earth will have the opportunity to do so after this life
- Those who accept the Savior's teachings after this life need the earthly ordinances of baptism and eternal marriage (see John 3:5 & 1 Corinthians 15:29).
- Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints identify their ancestors to ensure that the essential ordinances are performed in their behalf in sacred temples.
- Ancestors for whom the ordinances are performed are free to choose whether they accept these ordinances.

A member of the teaching staff or the full-time missionaries (they can be identified by a pocket nametag) on site will provide a means for you to obtain further understanding of these vital truths.

Should you later have questions, you can obtain answers or assistance with the research of your ancestors by contacting church representatives at any of the following numbers:

Family History Center & Church Contacts

If you have questions about the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or its Family History activities. Call the church representatives nearest you:

Beavercreek (937) 369-5158

Centerville (937) 369-5158

Dayton 1st (937) 304-3978

Dayton (Spanish) (937) 304-2557

Eaton (937) 733-9242

Englewood (937) 248-5537

Cincinnati Ohio Mission (513) 947-9863

Greenville (937) 548-2140

Fairborn (937) 304-6576

Fairfield (937) 578-2158

Huber Heights (937) 304-3688

Kettering (937) 304-3229

Miamisburg (937) 204-8413

Middletown (937) 571-4301

Piqua

(937) 524-1753

Springboro (937) 360-3216

Springfield (937) 360-3281

Xenia

(937) 532-3286

Columbus Ohio Mission

(614) 776-6357

Family History Centers

Centerville Family History Center 901 East Whipp Road Centerville, Ohio 937-435-5690

Fairborn Family History Library 3060 Terry Drive Fairborn, Ohio 937-878-9551

Englewood Family History Library 1500 Shiloh Springs Road Englewood, Ohio 937-854-4566

Middletown Family History Library 4930 Central Avenue Middletown, Ohio 45044 513-423-9642 West Chester Ohio Family History Center 7118 Dutchland Parkway Middletown, Ohio 45044 513-777-4542

Cincinnati Ohio East Family History Library 8250 Cornell Road Montgomery, Ohio 45259 513-489-3036

Cincinnati Ohio Family History Center (Norwood) 5505 Bosworth Place Cincinnati, Ohio 45212 513-531-5624

Wilmington Ohio Family History Center 2343 Wayne Road Wilmington, Ohio 45177 937-382-1510

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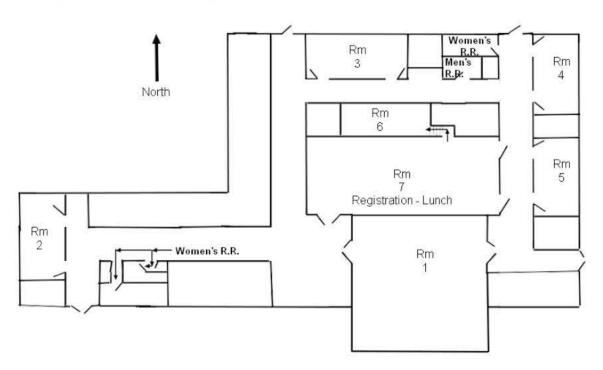
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Special thanks to that helped behind the scenes activities that made the Jamboree possible. We offer a special thank you to all the attendees current and previous that helped with publicity by forwarding our flyer to others and posting on countless bulletin boards and other public access areas.

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Teachers Bios

Elizabeth Carr has a Master's degree in Cultural Geography from Brigham Young University and has continued her interest in people by learning about her own ancestors. Her interest lies beyond dates and statistics in discovering the stories of ancestor's lives. She has been doing family history actively for 15 years and in the process has published nine books of family stories for various lines of her family. She loves to plan excursions to the places that affected her family in the United States and abroad (Poland, Ireland).

Norman V. Cosby - is member of the Kettering Ward. He currently serves as the Temple and Family History Lead for the Kettering Ward and as the Dayton Stake High Counsel Member over Temple and Family History. He has been a member of the Dayton Stake for almost two years.

Michael Garrambone is a retired Army Officer and Military Operations Research Analyst for InfoSciTex Corporation in Dayton, Ohio. He graduated from the University of Florida in Engineering Science and Mechanics and earned master degrees in operations research, business, and education. He is a staff librarian at the Dayton East Family History Center in Fairborn, Ohio with interests are in Italian genealogy, historical research, computer graphics, and teaching. He has been researching family history since 1980, tracking Italians, African Americans, and Native Americans from Italy to the Virginias and South Central States. He is a web browser, database keeper, map user, and faithful correspondent. He enjoys scanning and editing and researching sources at the local, state, and national levels. He is working on several oral histories and organizing family photograph books.

Alden Hilton is the second counselor in the Dayton Ohio Stake Presidency and as such has stewardship over temple and family history work in the stake. He is an avid genealogist who for the past ten years has pursued his Pennsylvania Dutch as well as his Cajun ancestors. He has served as a temple and family history consultant for the past five years.

Linda Hilton is the lead stake temple and family history consultant for the Dayton Ohio Stake. She has served as a consultant for the past 12 years. Due to her husband's military career, she has taught family history classes in four different wards while living in three countries. Many of her family history students have gone on to become consultants themselves and/or family history missionaries. She has also served as a stake family history center director. She is in her ninth year of hosting a weekly youth family history class in her home.

Peggy Clemens Lauritzen, AG, FOGS, author of several Legacy QuickGuides on Appalachia, is an instructor at Ancestry Academy, Family Tree University, and columnist for *Reminisce* magazine. Peggy was named Fellow of the Ohio Genealogical Society, and is the 2018 recipient of the Laura G. Prescott Award for Exemplary Service to Professional Genealogy. She and her husband, Kerry are Family History Center Directors in Mansfield, Ohio.

Susan Melville has a life-long love of family history and has served as a temple and family history consultant for several years. She has a B.S. in Geography and is currently pursuing a degree in family history from BYU-I.

Stephen McDonald, MD, FACP, FACE, is a physician specializing in Internal Medicine, Endocrinology and Metabolism, and Geriatric Medicine. He is Emeritus Professor of Medicine at the Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine where he continues to teach. He is a graduate of Loma Linda University School of Medicine in California and Brigham Young University in Provo Utah. After 15+ years of service, he was released as an Area Family History Adviser in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is an avid genealogist since grade school and now enjoys teaching about the use of DNA in genealogy research, archaic medical terms and solving difficult genealogy problems. His most important responsibilities are husband, father of six, grandfather of 19 and great grandfather of one.

Jean Halls Muetzel - a native of Cleveland, Ohio and an Ohio Society State Librarian, has been a DAR member since 1988. She received her B. A. degree and a Master's in Library Science and has enjoyed working in public and school libraries in Ohio and Texas. As a Cincinnati DAR chapter member, she has held several offices, been the chapter regent, served three terms on the Christian Waldschmidt Homestead Curators Committee, has been State Museum chair and is currently the SW District Director for 2013-2017. She is also a member of several lineage societies including Colonial Dames XVII Century, General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Daughter of American Colonists, Daughters of 1812 and Daughter of the Union. She enjoys genealogy, reading and spending time with her family.

Dana Palmer, CG, has a background in math education. She began teaching beginning genealogy classes in 1996 and joined her first lineage society in 1997. After becoming a certified genealogist in 2009, she was hired the following year as a genealogy instructor at Sinclair Community College. She has published over 30 books for her genealogical society, clients and family. She focuses her research in the Midwest, specifically Ohio, but is familiar with many areas since she has lived all over the United States. She has received numerous awards for her books and volunteer efforts. She loves problem solving and tracking down those elusive ancestors. Follow her at: www.treasuredlineage.com

Jim Phillabaum has been involved in genealogy and family history for many, many years. For more than 15 years, he was the director of the Middletown Family History Center. He has traced his lineage to an individual reportedly born in the year 0006. He has authored several books on his family history. Jim served in the Marine Corps form 1963 to 1972. He spent 25 years as a Firefighter/Paramedic for the City of Middletown. Following his retirement, he worked as the manager of the mail and messenger departments for First Financial Bank.

Janie Radigan has had a lifetime love of art and photography. She has experience with film and digital media, as well as dark room and computer processing. She became a professional photo editor over 10 years ago working mainly with Photoshop. She has worked as a design technician in a professional lab and as an independent design and editing production consultant. Her work has received awards in local and international photo contests, been published in corporate marketing campaigns, and commissioned for museum displays. She has a passion for teaching others and is excited to share her skills to help others restore and preserve their precious photographs.

Milt Rhynard joined The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in 1973 and almost immediately became involved in Family History research. His search has resulted in a database of approximately 100,000 family members both living and deceased. He has published 2 books on the Rhynard family, both stemming from his 4x Great Grandfather, Peter Rhynard, one of the original settlers in the Greenville area of Darke County. His family was present before the Ohio territory was open for settlement. He has served as a Family History Consultant since 1992 and as a member of the Dayton Ohio Stake High Council for over 14 years with his primary responsibility to coordinate Temple and Family History activities within the Stake. He also served as the Chairman of the Family History Jamboree for those 14 years. He has served as the Dayton Ohio Indexing Coordinator / Director since the inception of the Indexing activity in 2006. Prior to Indexing, he served as the Dayton Ohio Stake Extraction Director, the predecessor program to Indexing. Currently he is serving as a Stake Temple and Family History Consultant for Indexing.

Pamela Stanfield currently serves as one of the Stake Family History Center consultants and has taken several family history courses. As the mother of seven children she has had ample opportunity to work and teach youth.

Paula Terry - Assistant Director for the Stake Dayton Ohio Family History Center for 18 years. Stake Family History Ward Consultant for two years. Taught both large and 'One on One' training classes for both youth and adults in FamilySearch, Family History techniques, and Indexing.

Anne Wachs - With a bachelor's degree in history, it seems only natural after moving to the Dayton area to take a job as a reference librarian, I found a niche providing help to library patrons with genealogy interests. While I would not consider myself a true family historian, I have spent many hours finding and researching online resources. Under my direction, WCPL now offers thrice yearly genealogy workshops, monthly interest groups to help locals use library databases, and constant maintenance of our genealogy resources.

Lectures

No. Class Title

1. Hidden Treasures At FamilySearch – Learn how to get the most out of FamilySearch by accessing historical records, free genealogy courses, the research wiki, and the family history library catalog.

Audience Level: ALL (Inst. **Dana Palmer**^{CG})

2. Leadership Training – This class provides training for members of the stake and ward/branch councils. Ward temple and family history organizational structure, ward council support of temple and family history work, and recent Apostolic council on temple and family history work will be discussed.

Audience Level: ALL

(Inst. Pres. Alden Hilton & Norman Cosby)

3. Scanning and Images – This is the class that everyone wants to attend because knowing about scanning and images can make your genealogy work visually pleasing and exciting to see. We start out with all ideas from a novice's standpoint and discuss the basics of scanning. Next we talk about the colorful images that we can use every day in genealogy. We discuss the major types of images and show examples that make selecting file formats much easier to do. We illustrate many ideas on changing images and getting them into your documents and presentations. We show lots of examples and everything is geared to a first time beginner that wants to add "pizzazz" to their work. This presentation talks about the very simple ideas you need to know in order to make use of scanners and putting your images into printed documents and displays. We will talk about machines, images sources, and editing that can bring wonders to your displays of family history.

Audience Level: Beginner (Inst. **Michael Garrambone**)

4. The FamilySearch Solutions Gallery: Finding Third-Party Family History Products & Solutions

- This presentation shows how to find new tools to aid in family history using the Solutions Gallery. Several different platforms will be discussed (Windows, Mac OS, Android, I-phone/I-pad and the Web).

Audience Level: Beginner / Intermediate

(Inst. Paula Terry)

5. Beginning Genealogy: Uncovering Your Roots – This class will aid the beginner in answering the 'Where Do I Start' question. We'll explore how to be successful in finding your family.

Audience Level: Beginner

(Inst. Jean Muetzel, Cincinnati NSDAR Registrar)

6. A Research Trip Around Ohio – Ohio was a destination place. Many early ancestors traveled either to or through Ohio in their westward travels.

Audience Level: ALL

(Inst. Peggy Clemens Lauritzen^{AG})

7. Beginner's Guide to Temple Name Submission – Families are forever, but is yours connected? Be successful with temple name submission using these tips.

Audience Level: Beginner (Inst. **Dana Palmer**^{CG})

8. Fundamental Mysteries I: Simple Ideas in Performing Research – All genealogists know that there are some fundamental pieces of research knowledge that they learned along the way to help them make their most wonderful finds. These ideas are so simple that they are almost always over looked, but in fact were the very thoughts that made tremendous contributions to their ancestor's searches. This presentation is about those wonderful yet very simple ideas. You will hear about those enlightened thoughts that everyone needs to know and the hidden quirks that provided those wonderful break-throughs that we all embrace as family history researchers. No smoke, no mirrors, just fundamental mysteries and amazing discoveries for you to learn about and enjoy.

Audience Level: Beginner (Inst. **Michael Garrambone**)

9. Restoring Old Photographs – Learn to handle and preserve your photographic family history as well as delve into techniques for repairing images with Photoshop.

Audience Level: Intermediate

(Inst. Janie Rader)

10. Tips on Joining a Lineage Society – Learn tips to successful lineage society application submission from one of the local registrars.

Audience Level: Intermediate

(Inst. Jean Muetzel, Cincinnati NSDAR Registrar)

11. The FamilySearch Wiki: A Great Tool When You Need Some Help – The FamilySearch Wiki contains tens of thousands of pages to assist you in researching your family's history. Let's learn how this powerful and robust tool can bring the world to your fingertips.

Audience Level: ALL

(Inst. Peggy Clemens Lauritzen^{AG})

12. Let Me Tell You A Story: Methods For Finding and Sharing Stories of Your Ancestors – In this class, you will learn techniques for taking your family stories and making them easy to read and visually engaging to family members. We'll discuss using websites such as Shutterfly and Lulu to print beautiful copies of family stories. In addition we will cover how to take tidbits you know about your family, adding historical information, and seeing your family story take its place in history in beautiful books you can share with your children and family.

Audience Level: ALL (Inst. Elizabeth Carr)

13. Family Reunions – What better place to learn about your family than at a Family Reunion. We will talk about organizing a family reunion. Setting up a social media page for your family. Appointing a Family Historian to track and publish the "Lore and Legend" of your family. We will also cover ways that we can collect family information.

Audience Level: Beginner (Inst. James Phillabaum)

14. Library Genealogy Databases – Discover what every Ohio public library has! See what you can find with just a simple library card from subscription databases such as Ancestry Library Edition, Fold3, Heritage Quest and African American Heritage with the help of a local librarian.

Audience Level: ALL (Inst. Anne Wachs)

15. FamilySearch Walk-In – This is intended as a time attendees can come and ask questions about researching their family from experienced researchers. Devices and laptops are welcome.

Audience Level: ALL

(Coord. Dana Palmer^{CG} & Linda Hilton)

16. Training for Temple and Family History Consultants – This class provides training for ward and stake temple and family history consultants. Its focus will be on technical training as well as learning to provide personalized family history experiences, which will help others increase their love of family and build connections to their ancestors.

Audience Level: ALL

(Inst. Linda Hilton, Susan Melville & Pam Stanfield)

17. Using DNA Testing in Family History Research: So Much to Learn; So Many Choices –Commercial DNA testing for use in Family History Research has been available for almost two decades. Advances in DNA research technology and reduction in cost of testing has had a major impact on the field of genealogical research. This class will attempt to simplify these major advances by discussing basic genetic terminology, the three types of tests available, and comparing the testing companies that provide these tests. At the end of the class the participant should be able to choose a test that will help in their family history research and choose a testing company to provide this important information.

Audience Level: ALL

(Inst. **Dr. Stephen McDonald**, MD, FACP, FACE)

18. Tricks of the Trade: Effectively Using Genealogy Websites – Knowing how to use the tools on the most popular genealogy websites can help you find your family. Come learn the tricks of the trade.

Audience Level: Intermediate

(Inst. **Dana Palmer**^{CG})

19. African American Research I —If you have ever heard the phrase "black people have no records" you have just been confronted by a person who has never enjoyed the thrill of "a genealogical find" or the experience of having a unique history and a strong and very distinct culture. This presentation kills the thought that black people have no records and tells you what you need to know in order to find those records. It contains a description of a successful search that crossed the country in locating these records and shows you examples, which brought a black family from obscurity to being the proud owners of a well established and documented historical family tree. The story you will hear told is both enlightening and entertaining, but is all about first-hand research in finding and recording black ancestors.

Audience Level: Beginner (Inst. Michael Garrambone)

20. Cemetery Research – Where best to find "Dead Relatives" than at a cemetery? We will investigate types of cemeteries and what we are able to find in a cemetery. Which cemeteries have good records and which have no records. We will look at examples of grave markers and the information that they can provide. Additionally, we will explore web sites that will save us a trip to a far away graveyard.

Audience Level: ALL (Inst. James Phillabaum)

21. Youth Family History Fair – Not your grandma's family history class! Youth ages 11 and up will rotate through a dozen fun-filled, interactive family history activities. Prizes given for most participation and for overachievers. Indexing and finding and reserving names for the temple will also be on the agenda. Pizza served! Audience Level: ALL

(Inst. Linda Hilton, Susan Melville & Pam Stanfield)

22. Kentucky Genealogy Research — The best place to research your ancestors in Kentucky is not always in Kentucky! Let's learn what is available to help discover our ancestors.

Audience Level: ALL

(Inst. **Peggy Clemens Lauritzen** AG)

23. African American Research II – This is a follow on to the first lesson which reviews some of that material, but concentrates on the unique black records, such as the freedom records, slave records, wills, property records, and assessments. There will be discussions about black newspapers, county court records, state and local archives, black military units, conducting interviews, friends of the state records, and where is this type data. You will learn more about the National Archives and Records Agency (NARA); various historical, heritage, and genealogical agencies, church and school records, and the value of visiting cemeteries, and funeral homes. There are many "down home" examples (and handouts) and plenty of those "been there-did that" stories in this presentation, but the objective is talk about the hunt and answer any question you might have about your African-American search.

Audience Level: Beginner-Intermediate

(Inst. Michael Garrambone)

24. Military Research – This course will cover United States Military Records from the Colonial Wars through to the present. We will cover where records are located & how to obtain copies of those records. Included will be: Service Records, Bounty Lands Records, and Pension Records. We will discuss the 1973 fire at the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, Missouri, what was destroyed and what was not damaged.

Audience Level: Intermediate (Inst. James Phillabaum)

25. Connect Your Family: Useful Research Strategies – Do you have a broken branch or stump in your family tree? Come learn some useful research strategies to find your brick wall ancestors.

Audience Level: Intermediate (Inst. **Dana Palmer**^{CG})

26. Italian Research — If you listened to the first generation Italian-Americans, they told stories about their families coming to America and earning a living in a land of opportunity. These folks were often in a hurry to become Americans and yet they retained their Old World customs and culture. What they did not always do, was pass their history onto the next generation. They spoke and lived their heritage, but they wrote little and rarely kept significant documentation. It's up to us to search out this heritage, but the trail is often cold and somewhat disjointed. Fear not for there is a way to put together the branches of the Italian family tree. Come to the Italian Research presentation to see how to find those Italian family members. The presentation will show you what to search, and how to go about it. We will talk about Italy, Italians, and Italian records, but mostly about how to use what is readily available to track down those "paesanos."

Audience Level: ALL (Inst. Michael Garrambone)

27. Newspapers.com Library Edition – Learn to navigate the newspaper archive owned by Ancestry.com! With over 10,000 worldwide newspapers, some dating back to the late 1600's, a wealth of genealogy primary source materials is at your fingertips.

Audience Level: ALL (Inst. Anne Wachs)

28. FamilySearch Indexing: Easier Than Ever! – This is a time for attendees or youth to learn how to index records on FamilySearch. Please come prepared with your FamilySearch account set-up beforehand. You may bring your own device or laptop.

Audience Level: ALL (Inst. Milt Rhynard)

1. Hidden Treasures at FamilySearch

by: Dana Palmer^{CG}

FamilySearch's website (<u>www.familysearch.org</u>) has many free indexes and images available to help you research your family. There are many ways to search plus other useful tools to help you get started.

SEARCH

1. Records

- The record category has links to the records of the historical collection. Many of these come from original sources and are digital reproductions of what you would find if you traveled to those locations.
- To access this collection you can either type your ancestor name in the name field or browse the collection by clicking on the applicable link. You will get better search results by browsing and selecting the specific database than by entering the names in the main search field.
- To browse the record collection:
 - Select ALL COLLECTIONS or just a specific one like UNITED STATES. Click the collection you want to browse. A list will appear and in the upper right corner it will list the number of collections in the chosen category.
 - To find records in Ohio.
 - Choose UNITES STATES.
 - You can type a locality such as OHIO in the box to the upper left under the SEARCH feature, or you can filter the categories below by selecting the specific locality (United States), the date, or category.
 - If you click the state name to the left instead of typing it in the box, then when you use the back arrow, you won't have to retype the state name every time.
 - Click on the link for **Ohio Deaths 1908-1953**.
 - Type your ancestor's name. Make sure that the ancestor you choose actually died during 1908-1953, otherwise they won't be found in the index.
 - When the listing of names appear; click on the applicable one. For this
 database you will need to sign in to view the original image as required by
 the record collection donor.
 - These images easily can be saved to your computer. Click on the SAVE button or right click your mouse on the image and select SAVE TO YOUR COMPUTER.
- It is helpful to just browse by scrolling down and seeing what is in the collection and how it is organized.
 - o Census records are listed under **United States** then arranged by the census year.
 - o Many military records are also listed under United States
 - The **IGI** or International Genealogical Index is part of the collection again and can be searched by the full name or by typing in IGI into the search box.
 - o If you see a camera icon next to a collections' name, there is a digital image as well as the transcribed abstract.
 - o If there is no camera icon, then it is an index only. Once you view the name you want check for the microfilm number to view the original image located in the catalog.
 - o If it has "browse collection" instead of a number of the size of the collection, then you will have to browse to the specific topic, then search image by image to find the entry. Many of these records have indexes in the front or end of each specified book that can aid in browsing the unindexed record collections.

- o If you are having trouble finding your person, try searching just by location and a date range with the exact filters on to see if your location at that time is included in the online indexed collection. Sometimes you can't find who you want because that location isn't indexed for that time. If it is not part of the record collection, search the catalog to see if the originals have been microfilmed.
- Record collections are constantly being added to the historical record collection. Check back often to see what's new.

2. Genealogies

- These lineage linked trees come from compiled sources. Currently this includes Ancestral File and Pedigree Resource File.
- Scroll down to the bottom of the page and there are links to historical records where the specified name is mentioned. These may or may not be related to your line.

3. Catalog

- The Family History Library Catalog (FHLC) or catalog is a compilation of all the books, microfilms, microfiche, etc. for what's available in the Salt Lake City Library collection in Utah. Copies of original records (vitals, census, church, tax, court, etc.) from around the world are stored on microfilm or microfiche. Data found in the "Record Collections" part of FamilySearch comes from what is contained on the microfilms, microfiche and books in this collection through the indexing project.
- These records can no longer be ordered on microfilm. Instead they are being digitized with the digital images being loaded into the library catalog. To view the images search by location or topic. Click on the record category. Scroll down to the list of microfilms / microfiche. If there is a camera icon next to the microfilm then it is available to view online. If there is a lock next to the camera icon, then those records can only be viewed at a family history center or family history center affiliate. Once these records are digitized, many become part of the indexing project. If you would like to help with indexing, sign up online under the INDEXING tab.
- Searches to the catalog can be made by selecting one of the following filters: Place Names, Last Names, Titles, Author Information, Subjects, Call Numbers, Film Numbers or Keywords.

How to search by place / locality

- Select Place Name in SEARCH box
- O Type in your locality (e.g. Indiana, Tippecanoe). This will bring up all those localities with Tippecanoe and Indiana. Select the locality you want and hit SEARCH. (Remember that in the U.S. most records are organized on the county level so it is very important to know which county you need to research. in the New England states, many records are stored in the towns and a search should be done by town.)
- A list will then appear with categories and topics for Tippecanoe County, Indiana. There will be a number next to each category. This number is not the number of names in that category but the number of collections for that topic.
- Select the applicable category and title. Click the drop down arrow and choose from the titles. Click the link and you will be directed to either the digital image found in the historical record collection or the page view that contains information on the microfilm / microfiche.
- Record collections that list the author as County Courts, Probate Courts, Clerk of Courts, District Courts, and the Health Department usually have the original documents in their collection not just an abstract. Collections with an author's name are usually abstracts or typed indexes. Although the abstracted indexes are immensely helpful, original records should always be checked.

4. Books

• The Family History Library in Salt Lake City, and many other participating libraries are working together to digitize their books and make them available to the public. Over 350,000 family books, county and local histories and other type genealogy books have already been completed and can be found on this site. Check back often as new books are frequently added. This is a great place to find county histories.

5. Wiki

- FamilySearch's Wiki is a free website resource database similar to an online library like Wikipedia. It can be searched by key word for specific articles or by browsing topics or locations. Many articles and how-to instructions about family history can be found or posted on this site.
- Links or content material is posted by individuals or genealogists who are familiar with records for that specific locality, the content and where to find them. Many times links to online databases with name indexes are referenced.
- For international countries, genealogical word lists, letter writing guides and beginner's getting started tools are available. Best of all it's free!

FAMILY TREE

You have to be logged in to use this feature. You can add your own family tree to this site as well as sources, photos, documents and research notes. Make sure to check to see if you ancestors are already in the database **before** you upload your gedcom. If your relatives are already in the system you can easily connect everyone using their assigned ID. Documents, photos and source details can be attached to each person, which makes preserving your records and sharing your data super easy! Using FamilyTree is one of the best ways to break through your brick walls because it is easy to collaborate with relatives and share your research online on a free website.

MEMORIES

You can add or find family photos on your ancestors when you are logged in. What a great way to share and preserve family photos, documents and stories with other family members who live far away. People can easily be tagged and linked to the applicable person in the Family Tree. The tagging feature makes it easy for other relatives to help identify people in group photos.

GET HELP

Contact FamilySearch:

- o Call Us: Provides contact information for FamilySearch via telephone
- o *Live Chat:* Allows you to chat online with someone who can either answer your question or direct you to someone else who may have the information to answer your question
- o In Person Help: Provides information on finding a local family history center
- o Send a Message: Allows you to email a question or concern to family search

Help Center

- o Product Support: tools to help you successfully use FamilySearch. Many FAO listed here.
- o Research Assistance: a group of specialist researchers that can answer your questions live online or via phone.
- o Getting Started: Basic help to get started with your family history research
- o Learning Center: Free online classes can be found here.
 - Each class has a link to watch or download a video / slide presentation, and some have pdf's with the class outline.
 - There are hundreds of online genealogy courses for you to use ranging in skill levels from beginner to advanced as well as country specific or language specific categories.

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2. Leadership Training

by: Pres. Alden Hilton & Norman Cosby

1. Video: The Promised Blessings of Family History

https://www.lds.org/media-library/video/2015-01-27-the-promised-blessings-of-family-history?lang=eng

2. Gathering the House of Israel

"Gathering the House of Israel is the greatest challenge, the greatest cause, and the greatest work on earth today.... Nothing else compares in magnitude, nothing else compares in importance, nothing else compares in majesty.... The gathering of Israel ultimately means offering the gospel of Jesus Christ to God's children on both sides of the veil who have neither made crucial covenants with God nor received their essential ordinances." President Russell M. Nelson, June 2018, italics added.

3. North America Northeast Area Plan 2019 Goals for Temple and Family History Work

- Gather scattered Israel on both sides of the veil.
 - o Find and take the names of ancestors to the temple and perform their ordinances.
- Strengthen the conversion of children and youth.
 - Find and take the names of ancestors to the temple and perform their baptisms and confirmations.

4. Implementing the North America Northeast Area Plan 2019

- Temple and family history committee.
 - What does each member of the committee do? You are the action officers to lead the ward council in implementing plans for reaching Area temple and family history goals.
 - How often/when does the ward temple and family history committee meet?
 - o Is there a ward temple and family history leader called?
 - Are there enough computer savvy, pro-active temple and family history consultants called so all interested ward members can learn?
- Gathering scattered Israel on both sides of the veil by finding and taking the names of ancestors to the temple and performing their ordinances.
 - Family history classes are no longer taught during Sunday school. When are family history classes now being held?
 - Are family history classes being offered in a variety of times and places to accommodate all ward members who would like to learn?
 - Are classes taught one-on-one by appointment with a consultant?
 - Suggest emailing to ward members a survey to assess interest and which times/places of family history classes would be most convenient. Example from the Kettering ward: https://goo.gl/forms/3Cn0A0t64NRuqxy53
- Strengthen the conversion of children and youth by helping them find and take the names of ancestors to the temple and perform their baptisms and confirmations.
 - What is your ward's plan to implement this goal?

5. Family History Activity Report –

- Used to track progress in achieving Area Goals. Tracks adults and youth who are involved in family history activities.
- The term "submitter" is defined as anyone who prints a Family File Card or puts a family name in the general temple file. Simply reserving a name for temple work is not counted as a temple submission.
- It does not show the number of names cleared for temple work, it only shows how many members have submitted one or more names each year.
- Information found on the report is automatically gathered at Church Headquarters.
- Specifically tracks youth, single adult, new convert, and indexing.
- For more information see: https://familysearch.org/blog/en/family-history-report-lcr/

6. Experience the Joy of Family History for Yourself

"As a leader in the Church ... as you desire to better understand the divinely appointed responsibility of enabling the salvation of the dead by performing vicarious ordinances, consider meeting with a temple and family history consultant ... who will help you have a personalized family history experience.... When you have experienced the joy of finding ancestors and performing their temple ordinances, you will become a powerful witness of how the spirit of Elijah can bless lives." https://www.lds.org/family-history/priesthood-leaders?lang=eng

• President Valencia has asked that each member of the stake council have a one-on-one personal family history experience with a stake temple and family history leader to find family names to reserve for the temple. Might that challenge also be extended to members of ward councils?

7. How Do We Generate Interest in Learning about Family History?

- <u>Stake Family History Jamboree</u>, <u>April 27: The 2019</u> Jamboree will be more relevant to members of the Church than past Jamborees. Please advertise this fact in your unit!
 - o Both beginner and advanced family history classes will be offered every hour of the Jamboree.
 - There will be two FamilySearch Walk-In sessions for anyone who would like one-on-one time with a temple and family history consultant to receive help in finding and reserving family names for the temple.
 - o A Youth Family History Fair (for youth ages 11-18) will be held, pizza served.
 - o Leadership training class for entire ward council.
 - o Training class for temple and family history consultants.
- Fifth Sunday/Relief Society/Priesthood family history presentation by President and Sister Hilton and Brother Norm Cosby (stake high councilor over temple and family history work.)
- What is your ward's specific plan to generate interest in learning about family history?

8. What is Your Ward's Plan to Encourage Temple Attendar
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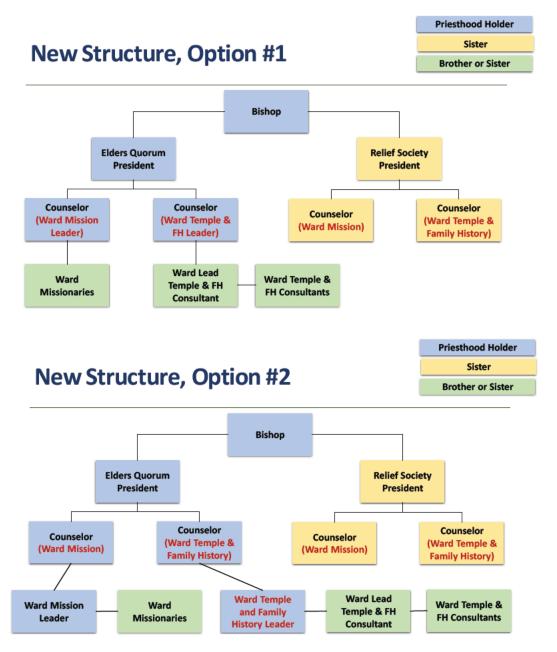
9. For more information see:

- Handbook 2:5:4:1-4 and Handbook 2:7:3:2
- 6 October 2018 Letter from Priesthood and Family Department "Responsibilities of Elders Quorum and Relief Society Presidencies in member Missionary and Temple and Family History Work."
- Temple and family history responsibilities of priesthood leaders: https://www.lds.org/family-history/priesthood-leaders?lang=eng
- Training for temple and family history consultants: https://www.familysearch.org/ask/planner/calling

New Organizational Structure for Missionary Work and Temple and Family History Work

Excerpts from the 6 Oct 2018 letter from the Priesthood and Family Department, to be implemented by 1 Jan 2019.

- "Under the direction of the bishop, the elders quorum president may be assigned to oversee member missionary work and temple and family history work in the ward. Generally, the elders quorum president would delegate these assignments to his counselors."
- "When assigned these responsibilities, the elders quorum counselor responsible for member missionary work will act in the role of ward mission leader or will supervises a <u>ward mission leader</u> who is a Melchizedek Priesthood holder. Similarly, the other elders quorum counselor will act as the <u>ward temple and family</u> history leader or will supervise a Melchizedek Priesthood holder who is called to that responsibility."
- "To facilitate priesthood-directed member missionary work and temple and family history work, the Relief Society presidency may follow the pattern of the elders quorum, with one counselor assigned to help with member missionary work and the other counselor assigned to help with temple and family history work."



3. Scanning and Images

by: Michael Garrambone

So What Is this About

- Family Photos
- Historical Documents
- Paper Narratives
- Maps and Charts
- Graphic Treasures

What is Scanning

Scanning: Using a device (a scanner) to detect and record the information, arrangement, color, or text characters contained in a document and storing this information in a computer graphics file of some format

Scanning Is Good for:

- Grabbing images to put in documents or on the web
- · Adjusting, fixing, editing, or enhancing photos
- Spicing up newsletters and other publications
- Creating lively presentations and other visual aids
- Converting documents into editable text (w/ OCR software)

Several Types of Scanning Machines

- Hand, Automatic Scanner
- Book Scanner

How Scanners Work

- What the Computer Does
- We Scan for Dots per Inch (DPI)
- Density Example (Dots Per Inch = DPI)

Scanning What?

- The Control-Copy, Control-V (insert)
- The Crop Tool
- The Magic Transparent Brush

Welcome to Images

IMAGE: a visual representation of something: as (1): a likeness of an object produced on a photographic material (2): a picture produced on an electronic display (as a television or computer screen)

There Are Four Popular Image Types

- Raster: Made of various dots (also called bitmap)
- Vector: Made of various lines
- Character: Made of a standard type-set (font) and size (points)
- Compound: One or more of the above (image or character)

Character Codes, Text, and PDF

Scanners can use an OCR (Optical Character Reader) program to capture text from Images

What OCR Does for You

Some Information about Color

- 1. Only black and white
 - Like a printing press
 - Makes the smallest file size
- 2. Shades of black and white (gray tones)
 - Eight shades
 - 16, 32, and more shades
- 3. Color
 - Eight color
 - 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, millions of colors

Saving Images

- 1. Only black and white
 - 0 = white, 1 = black, takes only one space
- 2. Shades of black and white (grayscale)
 - Eight shades takes 3 bits
 - Sixteen shades takes 4 bits
- 4. Color
 - Eight colors
 - Sixteen colors
 - Thirty-two colors
 - 256 different colors

Printer and Computer Monitor Notes

How Much Density (DPI) Do You Need

- Computer Monitor, 72 DPA
- Roush Drafts, 200 DPI
- Final Copy, 300 DPI
- Magazine, 600-1200 DPA

Number of Screen Pixels Affect Viewing

Electronic Displays and Devices

Scanning Machine Software Settings

Changing File Type and Density

Commercial Image Editors (Paint, Photoshop, etc.)

4. The FamilySearch Solutions Gallery: Finding Third-Party Family History Products & Solutions

by: Paula Terry

You can find third-party products, services, and websites in the **FamilySearch Solutions Gallery**. These programs offer a wider variety of functionality to enhance your experience using Family Tree, Memories, and other FamilySearch experiences. Some offer enhanced printing capabilities. Others provide ways to analyze Family Tree data or engage your family members with their history.

FamilySearch Compatible applications aka apps (meaning they integrate with FamilySearch) show a small green tree icon in the lower right corner of the description of the application.

Accessing the Solutions Gallery - Website only (Not available in the Mobile or Family Tree Lite App)

- 1. On FamilySearch.org, scroll to the bottom of the screen.
- 2. Click Solutions Gallery
- 3. To search for apps of a specific type, click **FamilySearch Solutions Gallery** and select a category.
- 4. There are currently 81 applications to chose from based on usage. Several will be the same application in different formats such as: *Windows, Mac OS, Android, I-phone/I-pad, and the web*.
- 5. To narrow choices, click **Filters** (located in the top middle section of the screen).
 - **Platforms** New, Charts, Games, Family Tree Mgmt., LDS Access, Photos & Stories, Search, Specialty, Tree Analyzing, and FamilySearch Solutions Gallery from A to Z (to see all the apps available)
 - Price (58 are Free), (17 One Time Fee), (5 Subscriptions), (11 Free Trial)
 - Languages
 - FamilySearch Compatibility The apps may read information in FamilySearch but cannot update FamilySearch
- 6. To search for specific apps or platforms, use the **Search box**, (located at the top right section of the screen).
- 7. To remove all filters and categories and show the most popular apps, in the top right portion of the screen under the Search box, click **Start Over**.
- 8. A few of the apps are noted as may only be accessed in a **Family History Center**.
- 9. Click a description of the application to learn more about the product.

Signing up for memberships with FamilySearch Third-Party Partners

Information

FamilySearch partner sites are identified in our **FamilySearch Solutions Gallery**. Use the **Filter** tool to organize the partners by **Platform**, **Device**, **Language**, and **FamilySearch compatibility**.

- For the current price, be sure to check the partner's website.
- Keep in mind that you can access many of our partners' sites for free from one of the many Family History Centers located around the world.

Support Unfortunately FamilySearch cannot provide support for a partner's website. If you have questions about any of the resources, benefits, or terms and conditions related to a membership, please contact one of their support teams.

For LDS Church Members – (The five free websites may not contain complete access to all the site records) Members of the Church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints can sign up for a free membership with several of our partners, including: *Ancestry.com*, *MyHeritage.com*, *findmypast.com*, *Geneanet.org*, *and AmericanAncestors.org*.

Don't forget to sign-up for the free 'Find-A-Grave' website too.

Member Access Steps (website)

- 1. Sign in to FamilySearch.org, scroll to the bottom of a screen, and click Solutions Gallery.
- 2. Scroll down to the LDS Access section.
- 3. If the partner you want to sign up with is not listed, click **More.**
- 4. Click the partner that you want to create an account with.
- 5. Click **Get Started**.
- 6. Scroll down, and click the button that lets you continue for your free account.
- 7. Follow the instructions on the screen to create your account.

Tip: You can also go to https://www.familysearch.org/partneraccess to create your free accounts.

Steps (mobile app) To sign up for a free partner account please use the FamilySearch.org website.

Steps (Family Tree Lite) To sign up for a free partner account, please use the FamilySearch.org website.

SOLUTIONS GALLERY - 81 APPLICATIONS (pricing listed as of 1/21/2019)

- 1. A Memories App by Family Search (free) a. Android b. Iphone/Ipad (two)
- 2. American Ancestors for LDS (free) LDS site (one)
- 3. Ancestral Quest Basics (free) & full access (cost \$29.95) a. Windows b. Mac (four)
- 4. Ancestry Basic & full access (Subscription) a. LDS b. Android c. IPhone/IPad d. Web (four)
- 5. Billion Graves (free) a. Android b. Iphone/Ipad c. Web (three)
- 6. Biz Hub Connector for Family Search (cost \$300.00) Web (one)
- 7. Branches free (two) & full access (two) (cost \$1.99) a. Iphone b. Ipad (four)
- 8. Charting Companion (cost \$34.95) Windows (one)
- 9. Evidentia (cost \$29.99) a. Web b. Mac (two)
- 10. Famicity (free) a. Android, Iphone/Ipad, & Web all together (one)
- 11. Family Tree Maker (cost \$79.99) a. Windows b. Mac (two)
- 12. Family Tree Prints (cost \$24.99) a. Web (one)
- 13. Family Tree (free) a. Android b. Iphone/Ipad (two)
- 14. Find My Past & full access (\$8.29 a month) a. LDS b. Web (two)
- 15. Geneanet (free) a. LDS b. Web (two)
- 16. **Geneopardy** free) a. Web (one)
- 17. **Generation Story** (free) a. Iphone/Ipad (one)
- 18. Genlighten.com (subscription) a. Web (one)
- 19. **HP Scan to FamilySearch** (free) a. Web (one)
- 20. **JoyFLIPS** (free) Android, Iphone/Ipad, M ac OS, Web, Windows (one)
- 21. Kindex (free) Web (one)
- 22. Kinpoint & Kinpoint Take a Name (free) a. Android b. Iphone/Ipad c. Web (three)
- 23. Legacy basic (free) & Full Access (cost \$29.95) a. Windows (two)
- 24. Legacy Stories (free) a. Android b. Iphone/Ipad (two)
- 25. Legacy Stories Living History Library (free) Web (one)
- 26. **Lexmark Capture Application** (free) a. Web (one)
- 27. Mac Family Tree (cost \$59.99) a. Mac OS (one)
- 28. MagiCensus Deluxe (cost \$49.99) a. Windows (one)
- 29. MagiPhone (free) a. Windows/phone (one)
- 30. MagiTree (free) a. Windows (one)
- 31. MemoryWeb (multiple payments) a. Iphone/Ipad (one)

- 32. Mobile Family Tree (cost \$17.99) a. Iphone/Ipad (one)
- 33. My Heritage basic (free) a. LDS b. Mac c. Windows d. Android e. Iphone/Ipad (five)
- 34. My Heritage full access (multiple payments) Web (one)
- 35. One Page Genealogy (free) Web (one)
- 36. Patronomia (free) Web (one)
- 37. **Pedigree Pie** (free) Web (one)
- 38. Place Research by FamilySearch Web (one)
- 39. Puzzilla (cost subscription/payments) Web (one)
- 40. **Relative Finder** (free) Web (one)
- 41. RootsFinder.com (free) Web (one)
- 42. RootsMagic full access (cost \$29.95) Windows (one)
- 43. RootsMagic Essentials (free) a. Windows b. Mac OS (two)
- 44. RootsMagic (free) a. Android b. Iphone/Ipad c. Mac OS (three)
- 45. RootsMapper (free) Web (one)
- 46. Scannx Book Scan Center (free) Windows (one)
- 47. TenGenChart (per single order) Web (one)
- 48. The Family History Guide (free) Web (one)
- 49. The Family Nexus (free) a. Android b. Iphone/Ipad (two)
- 50. Twille (free) Web (one)
- 51. Virtual Pedigree (free) Web (one)
- 52. WikiTree (free) Web (one)

Please Note: On 29 August 2018, FamilySearch replaced the FamilySearch App Gallery with the FamilySearch Solutions Gallery. During this transition, some partners chose to stop offering their products through FamilySearch.org. Others are in process of completing the requirements for participation in the Solutions Gallery. For a complete list of apps, websites, and services, see the FamilySearch Solutions Gallery. If you have questions about why a partner's product is not there or if it will be there in the future, please contact the provider of the app, website, or service.

What's Coming to FamilySearch in 2019 January 4, 2019 - Jan Mayer

The popular, free genealogy website, FamilySearch.org, has many plans for the new year, including enhanced record search and Family Tree search capabilities, new online discovery experiences, and more! In addition to over 300 million additional historical records and images for family history discoveries, look for the following new offerings in 2019.

1. Online Interactive Discovery Experiences

For the first time, fun discovery experiences that have been available only at life-sized, interactive kiosks in select FamilySearch venues will also be available on FamilySearch.org in 2019. Making these three discovery experiences available online will expand the reach of the activities to more patrons globally.

- All about Me Have you ever wondered about the origin and meaning of your name or what events happened the year you were born? The All about Me experience will allow you to discover these fun things about yourself, and also about your ancestors.
- **Picture My Heritage** This simple and fun experience lets you insert yourself digitally into traditional clothing related to your heritage. On Picture My Heritage, you can save your custom photos or share them with friends and family.
- **Record My Story** Priceless stories and memories from you or family members can be recorded on Record My Story and added—by text or audio—to FamilySearch.org or downloaded to another source.

2. Family Tree and Friends, Associates, and Neighbor (FAN) Relationships

The free FamilySearch Family Tree will give users the ability to record other relationships to an ancestor beyond immediate family members, when applicable, such as friends, associates, and neighbors (FAN). This function will aid research by allowing users to record information about other people living in an ancestor's household as noted in a historical record, such as boarders or staff.

FamilySearch will continue to develop site experiences that enable families to connect with their ancestral homelands near and far. FamilySearch.org will also provide more help throughout the site to make it easier for visitors to accomplish key tasks with fewer detours and distractions.

3. Updated Find Capability

The FamilySearch Family Tree search capacity will be significantly updated to provide faster and better results. Another innovation will allow search engines such as Google to present names and limited facts from the Family Tree to online search queries without the searcher being signed into FamilySearch.org. This feature will enable millions of people searching for their ancestors online to discover the vast, free services FamilySearch offers them.

4. Memories

Millions of people use FamilySearch Memories to record, preserve, and share their family photos, historical documents, and stories. In 2019, users will be able to record audio remembrances related to a photo they have uploaded. Memories will also give users the capability to organize items in an album according to their interests or needs.

5. Beginning Genealogy: Uncovering Your Roots

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GETTING STARTED IN FAMILY RESEARCH:

Remember that genealogy research is a lot like detective work- you are using clues to unlock a large story Work from the known to the unknown. Always start from you and track back each succeeding generation.

- 1. Start with you! Check your home and with family members to find birth certificates and other important documents.
- 2. Talk to your parents:
 - Where did they grow up (town, county, state?), Date and location of their marriage?
 - Birth and death dates of their parents?
 - Where are their parents and grandparents buried?
 - Do they know any older living relatives?
- 3. Call or visit other relatives.
 - Do they have any important documents you can copy?
 - Ask for birth, death and marriage dates and locations for grand and great-grandparents?
 - Do they know any family stories?
- 4. Search your home and relatives' homes for Bibles, photos and other family treasures Helpful tool might include: Family and Home Information Sources Checklist

HOW TO START ORGANIZING YOUR FAMILY INFORMATION:

You are starting to get some great clues but now you need to start WRITING IT DOWN!

Do not trust your memory - make sure you keep good notes to help you with your detective work.

Helpful tools might include:

- 1. Pedigree Chart (showing you and the next five to six generations)
 - Let's start filling in the Pedigree Chart"
 - You would start on far left side and put in yourself as #!
 - Put your father's name in the #2 spot and mother in #3 spot
 - Capitalize all surnames like HALLS or MUETZEL (easier to spot names on chart)
 - Only use maiden names for female ancestors
 - Nicknames could be in quotes;
 - Put? if you are unsure of info or leave blank if unknown
 - Record dates as day month year 31 Dec 2018
 - If not know exact date, can use abt 1950 or ca (circa 1900)
 - For locations- add city, county, state, county Chicago, Cook, IL or Illinois, USA

2. Family Group Sheet

Use this sheet to write down information on one specific family.

Free downloadable forms can be found on various online sites;

https://support.ancestry.com/s/article/Free-Charts-and-Forms

https://www.cyndislist.com/charts/printable-charts-and-forms/

https://www.americanancestors.org/education/learning-resources/download- Register for a free guest account

HOW TO STORE ALL YOUR FAMILY HISTORY:

There are many different ways to "house" your family history information.

- 1. File folders can be used. Using one folder per household might get you organized
- 2. Invest in the time to get a software genealogical program
 - o Roots Magic http://www.rootsmagic.com/ Roots 7.5 newest version, can now integrate Ancestry records and online tree
 - o FamilySearch.org is free but you do need to register. You can add to your family tree but people can make corrections in your tree.
 - o Ancestry.com is a fee-based site.

REMEMBER- keep working from the known to the unknown

VERY IMPORTANT CLUES:

You are excited that someone has told you are George Washington's cousin BUT

- 1. DO NOT UPLOAD A FAMILY TREE ONLINE UNTIL YOU CHECK YOUR FACTS! You may be importing incorrect information and you will get very confused!
- 2. 2. DO NOT GET EXCITED ABOUT THOSE LITTLE LEAVES THAT GIVE YOU HINTS- it could be the wrong info
- 3. DO NOT INCLUDE FAMILY STORIES- until you can verify the truth!

RESIST THAT TEMPTATION to start working on your Mayflower ancestor until you have a firm foundation built from you to your parents, grandparents and great-grandparents

GENEALOGY DETECTIVES need to be methodical, careful and have fun, too.

TIME TO REVIEW NEEDED DOCUMENTS:

- IF you think you would like to join a lineage society in the future, you will need birth, death and marriage documents.
- Look at your own birth certificate- does it list parent's names, and city, county and state of birth
- Each generation will need birth, death and marriage information, if applicable
- As you go back in time, you will find you need to be creative in finding records. You may need to find census, cemetery, Bible and land and probate records.
- Review what you still need right now. What information is missing on your Pedigree Chart?
- Try and focus on those current generation holes before you venture back to earlier generations
- Helpful tools might include:
 - o Research Checklist to check off what you do have on an ancestor and what you might still need to find
 - o Research Log- to keep track of your research

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- Look at your Family History and review your notes. Have you found where your ancestors lived or where they migrated? In what time period did they live?
- To learn more about what records where available in a certain time or in a certain location, make FamilySearch.org your first stop.
 - o GO to the Search tab at the top and click on RESEARCH WIKI.
 - o You can search by place or topic

MAJOR ONLINE RESOURCES include:

www.familysearch.org-free
www.ancestry.com- fee based
www.americanancestors.com New England Historical and Genealogical Society -fee based
www.findmypaast.com fee based

All the above have some free databases and may be accessible at your local public library.

The Internet has a multitude of sites. You can Google and find sites based on your area of interest or location needs States and counties may have their own genealogical websites

PLEASE REMEMBER-NOT ALL INFORMATION IS FOUND ONLINE!

You may need to eventually visit cemeteries, county courthouses and local libraries.

IMPORTANT RESOURCES TO USE:

- <u>LIBRARIES-</u> Your local libraries are so worth checking out as you search for clues. IF you are an Ohio resident, you can obtain a library card at any Ohio library and utilize those area research databases
 - Dayton Metropolitan Public Library http://www.daytonmetrolibrary.org/research -you can research for free:
 - Ancestry Library Edition (In Library Only)
 - Dayton Daily News 1898-1922
 - Dayton Daily News Archive
 - Dayton Obituary and Genealogy Database
 - Dayton Remembers: Image Collection
 - Fold3
 - Heritage Quest
 - Ohio Death Certificate Index
 - Ohio Memory
 - Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps
 - o Ohio has some fantastic public libraries with super genealogical collections.
 - Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, Ohio https://www.cincinnatilibrary.org/main/genlocal.html
 - Columbus Metropolitan Library https://www.columbuslibrary.org/research/local-history-genealogy
- HISTORICAL SOCIETIES: Check out historical societies and libraries in the areas of your research
 - o Clinton County Historical Society in Wilmington, Ohio https://clintoncountyhistory.org
 - o Ohio Historical Connection in Columbus https://www.ohiohistory.org/learn/archives-library
 - Western Reserve History Society in Cleveland https://www.wrhs.org/research/library/databases/
- <u>GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES:</u> Look into those genealogical societies in locations where your ancestors lived
 - Ohio Genealogical Society in Bellville, Ohio https://www.ogs.org/ Has an excellent research library and a few free databases
 - o Montgomery County Chapter, OGS http://www.rootsweb.com/~ohmontgs/
 - Warren County Chapter OGS, http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/index.htm -excellent library

MORE CLUES CAN BE FOUND AT:

FAMILY HISTORY CENTERS:

They are operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and are free to all. You can research online and get copies of documents only available at the FHC.

- **Dayton Ohio Family History Center** 1500 Shiloh Springs Road, Dayton Tues 4:30-6:30, Wed 10:00-1:00; 2:00-5:00; Th 12:00-3:00; classes and night sessions by appt
- **Dayton Ohio East Family History Center** 3060 Terry Drive, Fairborn Thurs 10:00-8:00; Fri 10:00-4:00; Sat 10:00-2:00
- Centerville Ohio Family History Center 901 East Whipp Road, Dayton Wed Thurs 10:00-1:00

HOW TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GENEALOGY:

- 1. WATCH ONLINE HOW-TO and INFORMATIONAL VIDEOS:
 - www.familysearch.org
 - https://www.youtube.com/user/GenealogyGems/videos
 - Hamilton County Chapter, OGS has some public webinars https://hcgsohio.org
 - https://familytreewebinars.com/

2. ATTEND FREE CLASSES OR TALKS:

- Check out your local genealogical society and OGS chapters for upcoming events
 - Montgomery County OGS http://sites.rootsweb.com/~ohmontgs/
 - o Butler County OGS http://www.butlercountyogs.org/
 - o Hamilton County OGS https://hcgsohio.org
 - o Warren County OGS http://www.co.warren.oh.us/genealogy/meetings.htm
- 3. GO TO GENEALOGY CONFERENCES- attend classes and meet other genealogists
 - Ohio Genealogical Society Conference, May 1-4, 2019 Great Wolf Lodge, Mason https://www.ogsconference.org/
 - National Genealogical Society 2019 Family History Conference, May 8-11 St. Charles, MO https://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/
 - Midwestern Roots and Family History Conference, July 18-20 Indianapolis, IN https://indianahistory.org/research/family-history/midwestern-roots/ (every other year)
 - Federation of Genealogical Societies, August 21-24 Washington DC https://fgs.org/conferences/

FINAL CLUES:

- 1. Start your genealogy with yourself and work backwards
- 2. Start collecting documents from your house. BE SURE to keep any original certificates, do not shred. You may need them in the future
- 3. Interview parents and older family members to get documents and information
- 4. Organize your information and WRITE IT DOWN!
- 5. Start your research. Work from the Known to the Unknown. Write down locations of ancestors' residences. Learn the history of available records
- 6. Investigate online websites. Do not download someone's posted family trees-you may import incorrect info and names
- 7. Utilize the Family Search Research Wiki to learn more about an area or topic. Helpful to find dates of record retention and local resources

- 8. Utilize local libraries and Family History Centers. Librarians can be great sources of information.
- 9. Watch online webinars and videos
- 10. Attend genealogy talks and enjoy a genealogy conference. Both are great for meeting fellow genealogists and sharing ideas
- 11. Read genealogy magazines, like Family Tree Magazine -good for beginning research tips
- 12. Meet friends or call a fellow genealogist to talk about any problems you might be having. Do not feel you are alone on your detective journey.

FINALLY- stay organized and focus on your work. You may not finish in a day but the investigative journey will be worth your hard work and persistence.

HAVE FUN, SHARE YOUR STORIES WITH YOUR FAMILIES and enjoy!

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Family and Home Information Sources Checklist

Use this checklist as a guide to sources of information you might find in your home or the home of a relative.

Check each source you find.

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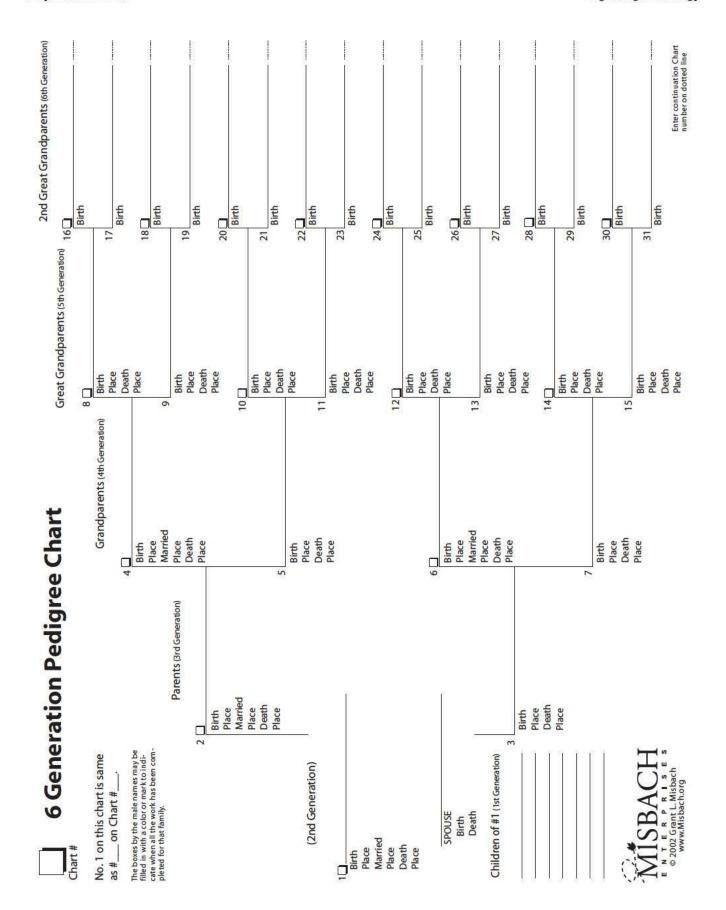
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6. A Research Trip Around Ohio

by: Peggy Clemens Lauritzen AG, FOGS



The three great essentials to achieve anything worthwhile are, first, hard work; second, stick-to-itiveness; third, common sense.

Thomas A. Edison

The Best Places for Ohio Research

The Ohio Genealogical Society

611 State Route 97 West Bellville, OH 44813 419-886-1903

www.ogs.org

Ohio History Connection (formerly The Ohio

Historical Society) 800 E. 17th Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43211 800-686-6124 https://www.ohiohistory.org

State Library of Ohio

274 East First Avenue Columbus, OH 43201 614-644-7061 https://library.ohio.gov

Western Reserve Historical Society

10825 East Boulevard Cleveland, OH 44106-1788 216-721-5722 www.whrs.org

Bowling Green State University Jerome Library

Center for Archival Collections Bowling Green, OH 43403-0001 419-372-2411

https://www.bgsu.edu/colleges/library/cac

Dayton Metro Library Main Branch

215 E. Third Street Dayton, OH 45402 937-463-BOOK

http://www.daytonmetrolibrary.org/research

Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County

800 Vine Street Cincinnati, OH, 45202 513-369-6900 https://www.cincinnatilibrary.org

Wright State University Dunbar Library

Special Collections and Archives 3640 Colonel Glenn Hwy Dayton, OH 45435-0001 937-775-2092

https://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/genealogy

Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center

Spiegel Grove

Fremont, OH 43420-2796

800-998-7737

https://www.rbhayes.org/research/library-

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Public Library of Youngstown and Mahoning County

305 Wick Ave.

Youngstown, OH 44503

330-744-8636

https://www.libraryvisit.org/research/genealogy-

resources

Palatines to America German Genealogy

Society Resource Center

4601 N High St, Suite C Columbus, Ohio 43214

614-267-4700

https://www.palam.org

National Underground Railroad Freedom

Center

50 East Freedom Way Cincinnati OH 45202-3913

513-333-7654

https://www.freedomcenter.org/genealogy

Select Websites

Bingaman, Tim A., "Planning and Implementing a Research Trip", https://www.familysearch.org/ask/learningViewer/516

Cyndi's List: https://www.cyndislist.com/us/oh/

Ohio Archives and Libraries:

https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Ohio Archives and Libraries#State Library of Ohio

Ohio, Auditor of State: http://ohioauditor.gov/publications.html

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7. Beginner's Guide to Temple Name Submission

by: Dana Palmer^{CG}

We all want to be connected to our relatives as eternal families, but it takes desire, a little work and time to make this happen. With the advanced in genealogical records now available online, even you can link your family forever.

So how do I get started with temple name submissions?

- 1. Have a Desire to Get Started
- 2. Select a Family to Work on
- 3. Add / Correct Info in Family Tree
- 4. Reserve Names
- 5. Attend the Temple

Step 1 - Have a Desire to Get Started

You do not have to be a professional to be successful at family history research. If you feel intimidated or lack the computer skills there are ward and stake family history consultants that are happy to assist you. There are also webinars and other useful tools available in the Learning Center part of FamilySearch's Help section.

The first step is to create a free FamilySearch account. You will need to add your church membership number and confirmation date to your account if you want to be able to submit temple names.

Once you create a free FamilySearch account, then create your free affiliate accounts at https://familysearch.org/partneraccess

These affiliate accounts (Ancestry.com, Findmypast.com, My Heritage and American Ancestors) are free to members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. These websites have many other resources and information that can aid you in your research. You will need to click on the "Join for Free" button" for each of the four affiliate companies. This will only work if you are logged into FamilySearch first with your church member account.

Step 2 - Select a Family To Work On

You will be more successful if you select one family to work on at a time. This means finding the birth, marriage and death dates and locations of the parents, children and the children's spouses, if possible. To submit for temple work you need at the bare minimum an approximated birth date, but it is better to spend a little time searching for the correct details to help avoid duplicate work and tracing the wrong person. By searching for an entire family you might also find missing children that died as babies who might be missed otherwise. With the end goal of uniting families, image your joy when your family can complete the temple work for this family and have them sealed together forever. It is an awesome experience!

Step 3 - Add / Correct Info in Family Tree

If you are missing people, dates, or places you will need to make corrections if possible, before submitting the name for temple work. Many times the record you need will be in the historical record collections on FamilySearch, but it might also be in the un-indexed digital records in the catalog or on other genealogy websites. If the information you need is not online, you may have to contact family members and ask them questions or search through the papers and documents in your home or your extended relatives homes or visit a local archive or repository. Newspapers, tombstone photos, bible records, journals, stories, photos and other such items can be key in adding the missing details to FamilyTree to aid you in temple submission.

Many people skip the step to check their facts before submitting their family members' names for temple, work, but this is a mistake, which often leads to errors and duplicate work being done. It's better to take a little time to make sure what you have is correct than rush to get the work done and have to do it again because of errors.

Always start with yourself and work backward in time. Don't assume you are related to someone and try to move forward to connect that person to yourself. Recent converts will find it easier to find new names than those with extensive pioneer backgrounds, but both will have ancestors who need work done.

Finding Records in FamilySearch Record Collection

- 1. Go to www.familysearch.org
- 2. Log in
- 3. Click on SEARCH
- 4. Click on "BROWSE ALL RECORD COLLECTIONS"
- 5. To the left click on the country you want to browse
- 6. In the country screen then click on the subdivision you want. If you clicked United States then click the state you want to search. In the state screen choose which record collection you want to search.
- 7. If you don't find your ancestor try a variation of names and filters. Don't put too much information into the search filters or you won't find your ancestor. Add as few details as possible and then narrow down the search results by adding in one fact at a time. For example if you are looking at marriage records and you put their birth date and place in the criteria you might not find them if the original record did not contain the birth details.

Finding Records in FamilySearch Catalog

- 1. Go to www.familysearch.org
- 2. Log in
- 3. Click on SEARCH
- 4. Click on "CATALOG"
- 5. Type in the locality (if U.S. type the State then the county)
- 6. Click the category (i.e. vital records)
- 7. Choose the applicable title in blue and click on it
- 8. Scroll down to see if there is a camera icon next to the microfilm. If so you can view it online. If there is a lock, then you'll need to view it at a FHC or FHC affiliate.

Add newly found details to FamilyTree

- 1. Once you find a missing detail you need to add it to the applicable person in FamilySearch Family Tree.
- 2. Make sure you are logged in
- 3. Click on FamilyTree
- 4. You can use the arrows to maneuver or click on the find button to search by name or ID number.
- 5. Once you found the person, click on the fact you want to edit.
- 6. Click the edit button and type the new information and the reason you believe it is correct then click save.
- 7. If the record was part of the FamilySearch Records you can attach that record to the person and fact.

Note: When adding living people to your tree please remember the following:

- FamilySearch strongly protects the privacy of living people.
- You will be the only one that can see the names of living people you have entered and only if you are logged in. (Not even that living person can see their entry unless you log in and they peer over your shoulder while you work on your computer.)
- You can't use the Family Tree search feature to find living people

Step 4 - Reserve Names

Once you are done editing your family and adding their details to Family Tree, you can move to the submission stage of temple work. Go to the person's page that needs ordinance work and click on ORDINANCES button at the top of the page. You will then go to a page that will indicate whether or not that person needs work done. You will have to check each person for what is needed. If there are any GREEN boxes then click the applicable ordinance work to be done and select "REQUEST". The name will then go to your temple file list.

- 1. The ordinance boxes are color coded to help you figure out what needs to be done.
 - **Green** means the work is available to be done.
 - **Dark Green** means the work has been submitted and the temple card for work to be done has ben printed (in other works the work is in progress)
 - Yellow is a submission by you but the card still needs to be printed.
 - Orange means someone has reserved that ordinance but it is not done yet
 - **Light Blue** means the work can't be done until other work is done first- so you are waiting for other ordinances to be done.
 - Grav means the work is done
 - **Dotted outlines** means that either more information needs to be added before a submission can take place or the work is not needed such as a marriage for someone who was never married.
- 2. Remember, if someone was born within the last 110 years the closest living relative has to give permission before the work can be submitted. So if you want to do work for your grandpa but your grandma is still living, then she would have to give permission before his work can be submitted. There is a screen where you have to type the closest living relative's name and contact details, so make sure you ask them first.

Once the person's name is reserved, click on TEMPLE to go to your temple reservation list. Click the box(es) for the person / people you want to print name cards for temple submissions. You can do these yourself or share with others. The box colors will change and progress is made. Currently there is a 2-year limit for reservations, but this will soon be reduced to 3 months.

How do I check the progress of my temple work submissions

- 1. Go to family search.org
- 2. Log in
- 3. Click on TEMPLE
- 4. A list will come up showing all the work that you have reserved. The boxes in the ordinances column will indicate what has been completed and what still needs to be done.

Sharing the Work is Easy

Temple ordinance cards can be shared with friends and family or be shared with the temples directly. This is helpful if you have family members who want to help with the work but don't live nearby.

Options:

- 1. Share with the temple
 - This is a great option if you have more ordinance cards than you can complete in the 3 month time period. The family ordinance cards are shared with various temples and completed by those who attend the temple but don't bring their own cards with them.
 - This is a permanent transfer of your family names and you won't be able to track the progress on them.
- 2. Share with Family / Friends
 - This will permanently transfer the names you select from your temple list to the person whose email you designate.
 - They will have 2 weeks to accept the invitation or the names will return to your temple name reservation list. You can re-issue the invitation to the same person if needed and they will have another 2 weeks to accept the invitation to transfer the names to their temple name reservation list.
 - Once the person accepts the invitation the names will disappear from your list and you will no longer be able to see them or track their progress. You can not get the names back unless the person you transferred them to sends you an invitation to accept them back. So don't do this if you want to track the progress.
- 3. Print Family Name Cards
 - This is the best way to share temple ordinance cards with family and friends if you want to track the progress.
 - With the print feature, save the file as a pdf to your desktop so you can a copy of the family name ordinance cards. If relatives want names, then you can easy email a copy of the pdf file to your relatives. I like this method because it's easy to share with those who live far away. Also I can easily keep track of who I send specific cards to and the progress made. If they lose the cards, it is easy to resend the file.
 - This method **does not** transfer the file so it is easy to track progress.
- 4. Print FOR
 - This is similar to the method for printing Family Name Cards, but instead of printing multiple pages with the family ordinance cards on it, a single sheet is printed that must be taken to the temple where they then print the temple ordinance cards.
 - You may have to plan ahead if the temple can't print the cards immediately

Step 5 - Attend the Temple

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8. Fundamental Mysteries I: Simple Ideas in Performing Research

by: Michael Garrambone

Purpose: To make beginning researchers aware of some very simple and very helpful genealogical concepts

Agenda

- The Secret of Index
- Keep a Log to Cut the Fog
- The Secret Helper
- The Story that Lied
- Another Burnt Down Court House
- Crashing around the Wall
- The Invisible Helper
- Persistence in the Graveyard

The Secret of Index

- Index: Something that serves to guide, point out, or otherwise facilitate reference (AHD)
- How Do Indexes Work?
- Very well-when you know all the parts
- The Phone Book
- Family Name, Business, Service, Agency, Phone, History
- Some Ouirks
- Some Secrets

Soundex: A Special Index

- A coded system designed to help you find information
- Soundex Uses
- To find information in primary sources
- Creating the Soundex Code: Basic Rules
- General Example
 - Step 1. Convert name to Soundex code (Porcello to P624)
 - o Step 2. Use Soundex code in a Soundex table to find the Soundex cards
 - o Step 3. Use the Soundex card to find the actual record Soundex Results
 - Step 4. Use the Soundex name in the <u>Soundex</u> census to find the individual (Note: the output leads you to the person in the source document)
- Steps in the Porcello Example
 - o Porcello Soundex Card
- Some Soundex Secrets
- Soundex Ouirks
 - o Not all documents have been soundex-ed/partially soundex-ed
 - Some documents are soundex-ed for certain years, or certain states
 - o Soundex-ing does not mean completely covered or exhaustively covered
 - o After finding the soundex (name) code the order of the names is listed alphabetically by first name. This means Alfred, Alice, Arnold, Betty, Benjamin, and so on..
 - o Soundex is really an index to an index (sneaky thought here)

Keep a Log to Cut the Fog

- What Are You After?
- How Does the Log Work?
 - o Very well thank you, when you know all the parts
 - Thinking About it
 - o Where are the locations?
 - o What do you make out of the information?
 - What information is missing?
- The Log Catches the Holes
 - o Nice Find, Huh!
- Log Secrets

The Secret Helper

- Found Great-Grandma
- What About Great-Grandpa?
- What Note?

Persistence in the Graveyard

- Persistence: The thing that makes you continue on when you thought you already gave up (MWG)
- Where is Antonino Porcello?
 - o Porcello Lineage
 - He is not in NYC!
 - o St. Patrick's Cemetery, Thompsonville, CT
 - Something said, "continue on"
 - The Porcello Monument
 - Great Aunts and Uncles
 - Grass under my feet
 - The Discovery
 - Why did this happen?

Summary

- Many fundamental things to know
- So simple -- we forget to see them
- There are quirks to every system
- People are people
- Beware of human factors
- Pass on the secrets

References

- Internet Phone Book: http://www.msn.com/
- White pages: http://www.infospace.com/info.msn/wp/index.htm?ver=14816
- Yellow pages: http://yellowpages.msn.com/
- Reverse Lookup: http://www.infospace.com/info.msn/wp/reverse.htm
- Canada: http://www.infospace.com/info.msn/intldb/country-index.htm?qo=ca
- United Kingdom: http://www.infospace.com/info.msn/intldb/country-index.htm?qo=uk
- World Directories: http://www.infospace.com/info.msn/redirs all.htm?pgtarg=worlhttp

9. Restoring Old Photographs

by: Janie Rader

Do's	Don't						
Preservation							
Save multiple file types/formats at highest quality possible Add important historical identification and info Display copies Store in archival media Have multiple scans of originals to share Use good naming techniques Remember degradation of print and digital Choose purpose of salvage Notes:	Use file types or services that compress your image Write on the image Display originals Forget all formats degrade Scan with rolling document feeder						
Stora	age						
Store in cool, dry, dark place	Store against exterior walls						
Store flat	Store on the floor						
Store somewhere accessible in case you have to leave	Store near heat/ water source						
Organize and tag so you don't lose them Notes:	Store in hazard areas (basement flooding probability)						
Restor	ation						
Work "backwards" knowing what size you may print	Use original image						
Decide the purpose of the restoration	Underestimate the time it takes						
Decide how much to restore	Expect magic						
Keep a base layer copy under other layers while working	Be afraid to use layers, but don't use too many						
Use resources (ask for help from others with experience)	Exaggerate or go "too far"						
Take breaks, step back, look at the photo once in awhile	Try to "fix" the unfixable						
Follow a process	Lose patience						
Save Save Save Save Notes:	Forget to Save						

10. Tips on Joining a Lineage Society

by: Jean Muetzel, Cincinnati NSDAR Registrar jean.cincyDAR@gmail.com

HOW TO GET STARTED:

- Have you started your genealogy? Have you done a pedigree chart?
- How much do you know about your family? Do you need to contact relatives?
 - You will need birth, death and marriage certificates for yourself, your parents and your grandparents. You would be considered Generation #1. You should have a full birth certificate listing your parents and location of birth
 - You will need proofs of births, deaths, marriages (if applicable) for Generation #4 back to the qualifying ancestor.
- Lineage societies also want copies (no originals) of any records that can be found; they will want to see Twentieth Century vital records, if available
- Make a list of your ancestors-Include the ladies, too (with maiden names)
 - o When did they arrive in America?
 - Where did they live
 - o Was your Ancestor old enough for a specific service?
- ORGANIZE your documents by generation (perhaps keep them in file folders)
- KEEP track of where you found your documents (Health Dept., website, etc.)

WHAT IS A LINEAGE OR A HEREDITARY SOCIETY?

WHAT IS A GENEALOGICAL OR HISTORICAL SOCIETY?

WHY WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN A LINEAGE SOCIETY?

- Honor a specific ancestor
- Leave a lasting history of your family
- Ensure some of your research is preserved
- Recognize military service or specific achievement
- Meet new people, make new friends

WHAT KIND OF LINEAGE SOCIETY WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN?

- First Families early settlers in a state or county
- Military, Civil or Patriotic Service Patriots
- Ancestors of a certain occupation or activity
- Descendants of Royalty
- Mayflower and early ship arrivals in America

HOW TO FIND LINEAGE SOCIETIES:

- Cyndi's List http://www.cyndislist.com/societies
- Hereditary Blue Book http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~cahtgs/society.htm
- The Hereditary Society Community hhtp://www.hereditary.us/list a.htm
- Lineage Society of America.com

ITEMS TO CONSIDER BEFORE JOINNG A LINEAGE SOCIETY:

- o Need to be patient- applications may take several weeks to several years to be approved
- o Costs vary with each group
- o Can you join just by applying or must you be invited to become a member?
- o Do you want to become active with the group?
- o Do you want to be able to attend meetings or is it OK to be far away?
- o Check ancestral requirements- dates of service, year of settlement, etc.
- o Check eligibility requirements:
 - Direct Descendants or collateral relatives?
 - Only male descendants or male line? Only female applicants?
 - Biological line only?

GETTING READY TO JOIN:

- READ the instructions!
- Review the copy of the membership application
 - o Are you missing information- dates, names or locations?
 - What documents do you need to find?
- Some groups may have deadlines MAKE SURE your application arrives in time
- Will you need to mail in the application or will you file electronically?
- What documentation is allowed or not allowed?
 - o Most societies require copies of birth, death and marriage records for first three generations
- Are derivative sources allowed? For instance, tombstone photos, Bible records
- Most societies will not accept indexes, unverified family histories or genealogies, or applications from other groups.

AS YOU WORK ON YOUR APPLICATION:

- Please ask for assistance if you need it. Many societies have registrars or volunteers that may help you. They may guide you to locations to find documents and vital records.
- Ask questions anytime
- **Re-Read the instructions:
 - o Does your application need to be submitted on acid-free paper? Legal size paper?
 - o Single-sided copies of documents?
 - O Does your name and info go on the back of each document?
- Most societies do not want you to use highlighters, staples
- You may be asked to underline in red pen or pencil essential info on a document

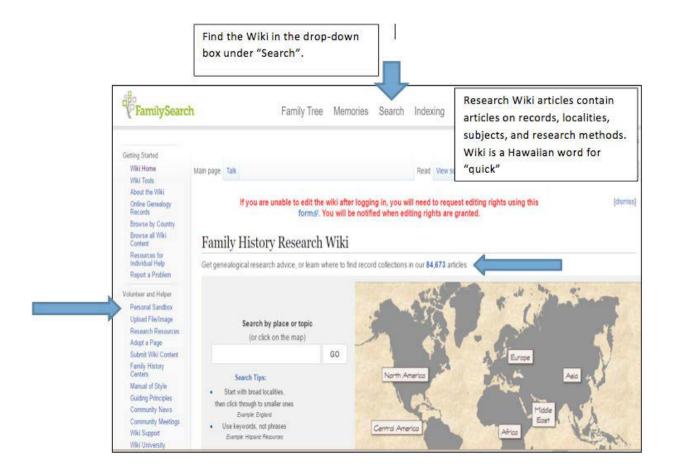
HAVE A WONDERFUL TIME! YOUR FAMILY WILL BE PROUD OF YOU

11. The FamilySearch Wiki: A Great Tool When You Need Some Help

by: Peggy Clemens Lauritzen^{AG, FOGS}
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The place to go...when you don't know where to go.

Most of this presentation will be spent online and with current screenshots. This will provide up-to-the minute information on an ever-changing website.



Challenge yourself!

Go home and construct your own personal sandbox!

Check out these pages on the Wiki:

Burned County Research: https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Burned Counties Research

Family History Library Classes & Webinars:

https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Family History Library Classes and Webinars

Germany, Letter Writing Guide

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Germany Letter Writing Guide

(There are other languages available, too!)

Ohio Genealogy: https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Ohio Genealogy

Ohio Land and Property: https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Ohio Land and Property

Ohio Taxation: https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Ohio Taxation

Probate Records: https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United States Probate Records

Probate Records, Analyzing:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Analyzing United States Probate Records

Probate Records, Beginning Research:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Beginning Research in United States Probate Records

Probate Records. How to Use:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United States, How to Use Probate Records

Tracing Immigrant Origins: https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Tracing_Immigrant_Origins (This is one you really want!)

Tracing Women:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Tracing_Women_Using_Land,_Tax,_Probate,_Military,_Society, and Newspaper Records (National Institute)

U.S. Migration Trails and Roads:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/US Migration Trails and Roads

United States Census: https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United States Census

United States Census Forms:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United States Census Forms

United States Land and Property:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United_States_Land_and_Property

United States Legal Ages: https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United States Legal Ages

United States Military Records:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United_States_Military_Records

United States Naturalization and Citizenship:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United States Naturalization and Citizenship

United States Record Selection Table:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United States Record Selection Table

Virginia Emigration and Immigration:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Virginia Emigration and Immigration

Notes:

12. Let Me Tell You A Story: Methods for Finding and Sharing Stories of Your Ancestors

by: Elizabeth Parnell Carr

PREPARATIONS:

- Who? Who is your audience?
- What? What does the audience want?
- Where? Where are you publishing it?
- When? How much time do you have? This will impact the detail.
- How? How will you find the stories? Familiarize yourself with genealogy Web sites and family history collections and scrapbooks.
- Why? Why are you doing it? Is the purpose to inspire, entertain, inform? Do it for <u>you</u> and hope others will enjoy it as well.

Studies show that kids who know family history stories have higher self-esteem, resiliency, and fewer emotional problems. "Families who tell family stories have kids who are doing better," says Robyn Fivush, an Emory psychology professor.

(Shellengarger, Sue. "The Power of Myth: The Benefits of Sharing Family Stories of Hard Times." *The Wall Street Journal*, 22 Dec 2005.)

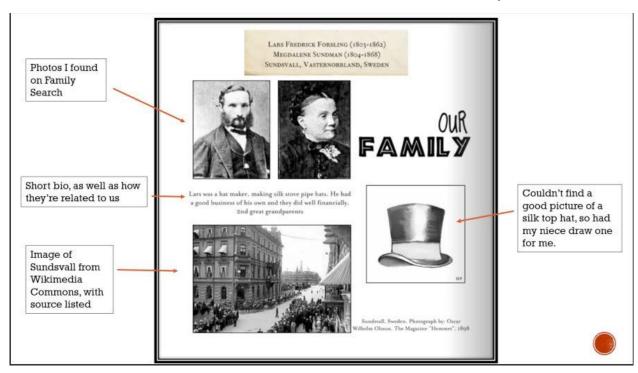
RESEARCH:

- Who? Will your focus be on an individual or a family?
- What? What stories can you share? Find "stories" on Family Search or "Gallery" of Ancestry. Also stories in history books or scrapbooks by other family members.
- Where? Find some details about the location of your family using current or historical maps.
- When? Research the time your family lived there. What political, environmental or economic factors influenced your family?
 - Examples of places to find historical info: Wikimedia Commons (for freely usable images), Family Search Wiki (searching genealogy-specific things), and Wikipedia (for general information). Also, local historical societies usually have Web sites.
- How? How do you know this? Credit your sources.

EXAMPLES:

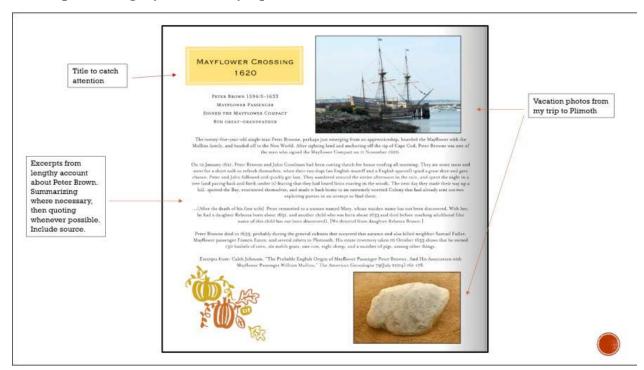
1) Few sources/little information

• Take a tidbit, add some historical reference, and build a small story.



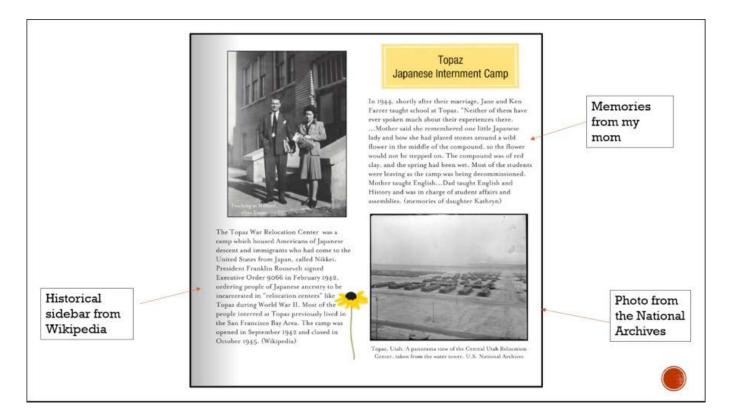
2) Existing, lengthy histories

- Pull parts out of a story that interests your audience.
- Keep the integrity of the story (quotes) and credit the author.



3) Living memory

• Take a story tidbit that you know and ask a family member to fill in the details.



Then **PUBLISH!** Hard copies are easier to read and are more durable. Digital copies are easier to share, but use those as the **second** thing you do after you publish a hard copy.

- Ideas for book publishing
 - o <u>www.lulu.com</u> for a lot of text, not many pictures. Their hard binding is nice.
 - o <u>www.shutterfly.com</u> for photo books, can add text. They allow you to change the layout of the pages, which I like. Can be pricey, but watch for 50% off sales.
 - o www.staples.com for printing and binding. No hard cover binding.
 - o <u>www.walgreens.com</u> for photo books, not much text. Can't change layout of pages. Watch for sales on Web site.
 - Your computer

"To acknowledge our ancestors means we are aware that we did not make ourselves...We remember them because it is an easy thing to forget: that we are not the first to suffer, rebel, fight, love, and die."—Alice Walker

13. Family Reunions

by: James Phillabaum

- 1. Existing Family Reunion
 - a. Introduce Family History
 - b. Gather information
 - c. Share information
- 2. New Family Reunion
 - a. Organizer
 - b. Location
 - c. Date & Time
 - d. Invitation List
- 3. Family Social Media Page
 - a. Who "owns" the page
 - b. Who can contribute
 - c. What can be posted
- 4. Family Historian
 - a. Volunteers
 - b. Individual or committee
 - c. Lore & Legend
- 5. Information Gathering
 - a. Electronic
 - b. Paper
 - c. Distribute forms
 - d. Gather forms
 - e. Confirm information
 - f. Photo sharing
- 6. Publish Information
 - a. Privacy Concerns
 - b. Electronic publishing
 - c. Paper publishing

14. Library Genealogy Databases

by: Anne Wachs

Ohio Public Library Genealogy Databases: A Quick Snapshot



Ancestry Library Edition

U.S. collections
Canadian collections
U.K. & other International collections
Military collections
Multimedia collections
...and other over 10,000 collections

HeritageQuest Online

U.S. Federal Census (1790-1940)
Genealogy & Local History Books
Revolutionary War records (1800-1900)
Freedman's Bank records (1865-1874)
U.S. Serial Set (1789-1969)
City Directories
...and more!





Fold3

Wars - Revolutionary thru Vietnam Census - US Federal 1860 & 1930 Dawes Enrollment Cards & Packets Homestead Records Naturalizations ...and more!

African American Heritage

Every Ohio Public Library has access to these four resources, and many have additional genealogy resources.

Every Ohioan can get a library card at ANY Ohio public library for free!

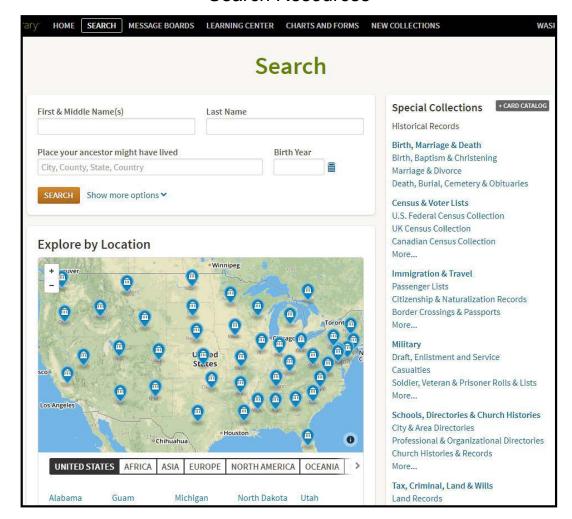
Essential African American records AfriGeneas Community Black Genesis State Resource Guide African American-specific genealogy books and reference material ...and more!



Ancestry Library Edition

(in-Library Access Only)

Search Resources



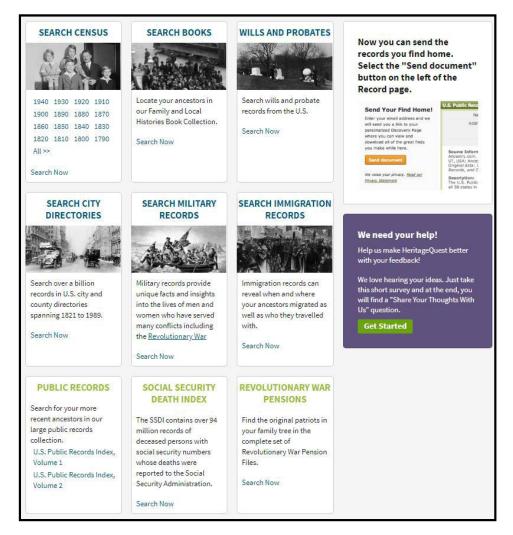
Search Tab:

- Search a specific collection by location
- Find information for specific locations
 - Viewing the 'Source' will show what kinds of records each location has

Special Collections:

- Search to find databases that fit your needs
- Can also browse the list of databases Ancestry has.
- Use the card catalog.

HeritageQuest



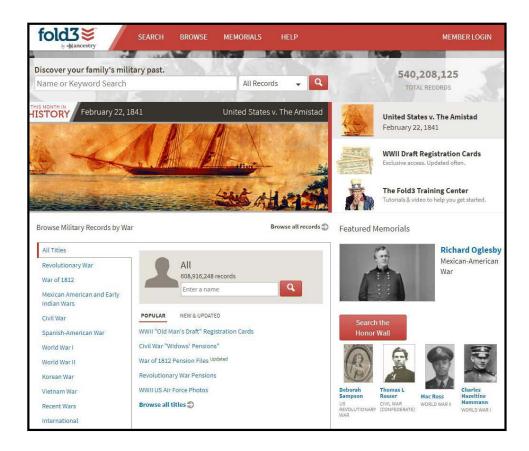
Search Now:

- Search a specific collection
- Find information for specific collections, cannot search everything at once
 - Viewing the 'Source' will show what kinds of records each location has

Ancestry Library Edition Crossover Collections:

- Use HeritageQuest at home to access some of the same record groups
 - Social Security Death Index
 - Census Records
 - Freedmen Bank Records
 - Revolutionary War Records

Fold3



Browse & Search Options:

- Search a specific collection, drill down by location or name
- Use the keyword search to find a name in all records
- Choose a specific collection, then search within

Special Notes:

- Select 'Description' when within a specific collection. It can tell you if the collection is complete, what info can be found, and why you may not be able to find your record
- 100% Primary documents
- Ties into personal Ancestry.com & FamilySearch accounts

African American Heritage



Notes:

- Primary sources devoted specifically to African American family history.
- Unique access to family history books related to African Americans.
- Exclusive access to an updated, online edition of Black Genesis—an exhaustive guide that makes locating resources pertaining to slaves and free blacks easier.
- Exclusive partnership with AfriGeneas— a leading social networking site devoted to African American genealogy—that provides direct access to expert advice, moderated forums, chats, mailing lists, surname registry, and more.

OPLIN Subscription Genealogy Databases

African American Heritage Ancestry Library Edition Fold3 HeritageQuest

<u>Local Library Subscription Databases</u> <u>Selected Resources</u>

Cleveland Public Library

African American Biographical Database Call and Post (1934 – 1991) Cleveland Necrology File FamilySearch Affiliate (in-library only) Genealogy Connect Plain Dealer Historical

https://cpl.org/research-learning/genealogy/

Columbus Metro Library

America's Obituaries and Death Notices Chronicling America Columbus News Index: 1932-1997

http://www.columbuslibrary.org/research/local-history-genealogy

Cuyahoga County Public Library

America's Obituaries and Death Notices Cleveland News Index

Cuyahoga County Historical Marriage License Index: 1810-1998

https://www.cuyahogalibrary.org/Research/

Genealogy.aspx

Dayton Metro Library (NO online application)

Dayton Obituary Index Ohio Death Certificate Index

http://www.daytonmetrolibrary.org/locations/history

Greene County Public Library

Accessible Archives Cincinnati Enquirer (1841 - 1922) Images of America: A History of American Life

NewspaperARCHIVE

https://greenelibrary.info/research-categories/history-and-genealogy/

Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County

19th Century U.S. Newspapers NewsBank: Cincinnati Post ProQuest Historical Newspapers http://www.cincinnatilibrary.org/resources/ research.asp?group=10

Washington-Centerville Public Library

My Heritage Library Edition Newspapers.com Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps https://wclibrary.info/research/genealogy.asp

Akron-Summit County Public Library

American Ancestors (in-library only)
FamilySearch Affiliate (in-library only)
Find My Past
Historic Map Works
Local History Database
My Heritage Library Edition
Newspaper Archive – Academic Library Edition
Summit Memory

World War II Database - Summit County

http://www.akronlibrary.org/locations/main-library/special-collections/genealogy

15. FamilySearch Walk-In

Coord: Dana Palmer^{CG} & Linda Hilton

This is a time for attendees to come to the gym and ask questions from the teachers and family history consultants. All questions are welcome.

16. Temple & Family History Consultant Training

by: Linda Hilton, Susan Melville, Pamela Stanfield

North America Northeast Area Plan 2019 Goals for Temple and Family History Work

Gather scattered Israel on both sides of the veil.

• Find and take the names of ancestors to the temple and perform their ordinances. Strengthen the conversion of children and youth.

• Find and take the names of ancestors to the temple and perform their baptisms and confirmations.

Discontinuation of Family History Sunday School Classes

As of January 1, 2019, Gospel Doctrine is the only Sunday school class taught. All other Sunday school classes, including family history, will be discontinued. Please council together as ward priesthood and Relief Society leaders and temple and family history consultants to find other times and places where members may receive one-on-one personalized instruction in family history work from consultants.

https://www.lds.org/bc/content/ldsorg/general-conference/16435 000 FAQ.pdf?lang=en FAQ #9

Ideas for when to hold family history classes: after church, during Mutual night, or during the day or evening at the consultant's or member's home. All classes should be held one-on-one with a consultant and by appointment.

New "Ordinances Ready" Feature

- Searches FamilySearch from your own reservation list, from your tree, or from names already submitted to the temple to find available ordinances for people you are related to.
- Also provides the ability to see the family relationships and access any photos and stories for the ancestor.
- For desktop computers, hover over "Temple" in FamilySearch, then click on "Ordinances Ready."
- For more information as well as instructions on using the app on a mobile device, go to https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/temple-ordinances-familysearch/

Resources Page in the Consultant Planner

In FamilySearch, click on "Help," then click on "Consultant Resources," then click on "Resources."

Topics included are resources to help you learn how to help others, organizational structure, RootsTech Leadership Sessions, indexing tools, training presentations, and the Ward and Stake Family History Activity Report.

17. Using DNA Testing in Family History Research: So Much to Learn; So Many Choices

by: Dr. Stephen McDonald, MD, FACP, FACE

Genetics is the scientific study of inheritance particularly of specific visible traits. Much has been learned about inheritance since Gregor Mendel, an Augustinian friar, did his early genetic research in the mid to late 1800's. With the subsequent discovery of chromosomes in cells and later the DNA code (Watson and Crick, 1953), genetics took an important leap forward. The code for all the genes in man was deciphered and published in 2001 (The Human Genome Project).

Application of genetic testing to family history research was slow to be adopted. The early testing focused primarily of ancient DNA analysis and human migrations 10-30,000 years ago. The first use of the term *genetic genealogy* was used in 1989 in a Dallas, TX newspaper.

The first commercial, consumer DNA testing for use in family history research was offered in 2000 by the FamilyTreeDNA company. Since then, advances in DNA research technology, reduction in cost of testing, and increased competition from different companies has had a major impact on the field of genealogical research. Steve Rockwood, CEO of FamilySearch said, "DNA is changing everything! In 10 years we estimate that over 100 million individuals will have had a DNA test."

Many have now had a DNA test because it seems to be the new and important tool for genealogists. Curiosity and advertising have spurred more people to turn to DNA testing in the hopes that it will solve their genealogical questions. Many adoptees have purchased DNA kits in search for birth parents. Some however have found it not to be as helpful as anticipated because the science seems so complex and some have ended up with more questions than answers.

This class will attempt to simplify these major advances by discussing basic genetic terminology, the three types of tests available, and comparing the testing companies that provide these tests. At the end of the class the participant should be able to choose a test that will help in their family history research and choose a testing company to provide this important information.

A brief introduction to the terminology of genetics will provide the genealogist a background to make decisions about which test would be helpful for one's own genealogy dilemmas. The three types of testing currently used: **Y-DNA analysis** (the Y-DNA checks only direct male ancestors), the **mt DNA analysis** (mitochondrial DNA checks direct mother to daughter lines) and the new **autosomal analysis**, will be discussed. Five autosomal testing companies will be compared to help participants decide how to be tested and how to use the data: **23andMe, AncestryDNA, FamilyTreeDNA, MyHeritageDNA, and LivingDNA**

Glossary of Terms

(Some Definitions extracted from "Trace Your Roots with DNA by Megan Smolenyak)

An important part of learning about DNA in genealogical research is to be familiar with some of the vocabulary. Many of these terms are complex and require detailed explanations but an elementary understanding will do much to get you on your way to putting genetics into your genealogy.

Allele – one of the alternative versions of a gene or genetic marker that can exist in a particular location on a chromosome

Admixture – ancestry from more than one ethnic group

Autosomal DNA – all your DNA other than the sex chromosomes This is now a DNA test identifying both maternal and paternal relationships.

Haplogroup – a large cluster of people who share similar genetic markers. It is used to define genetic populations in Y-DNA and Mitochondrial DNA testing. a cluster of similar haplotypes

Haplotype – the complete set of results from multiple sites tested on a chromosome inherited from one parent (e.g., the Y or mtDNA); in Y-DNA testing, expressed as a series of numbers which are compared to others' haplotypes for indications of relationship; in mtDNA testing, expressed as differences from the Cambridge Reference Sequence

Mitochondria – (my-toe-CON-dree-uh) plentiful small structures in the cytoplasm of cells that provide energy for the cells

Mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) – genetic material found in mitochondria; passed from mothers to their children, but *only daughters can pass it on*; useful to genealogists for learning about their maternal roots; also valuable for the identification of degraded remains

Most Recent Common Ancestor (MRCA) – the shared ancestor of two or more people who represents their closest (and therefore, most recent) link; for instance, the MRCA of a pair of second cousins is their mutual great-grandfather or great-grandmother

Non-paternity event – catch-all term for situations where the Y chromosome is unlinked from the surname; includes informal and casual adoption, infidelity, illegitimacy, etc.

Nucleus – the central region of the cell that houses the chromosomes

Phenotype – observable traits of an organism (e.g., hair color); may or may not be genetically related

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) – technique developed by Kary B. Mullis to mimic the replication process of the cell, allowing scientists to efficiently amplify (i.e., make millions of copies) of small, selected segments of DNA; sometimes referred to as molecular photocopying

Short Tandem Repeat (STR) – a *short* pattern (often two to five bases in length) *repeated* several times in a row (in *tandem*); for instance, GATAGATAGATA, three repeats of the GATA sequence. The differences in the STRs at selected markers on the Y chromosome provide a basis for comparison among individuals and populations and are used extensively for most Y-DNA genealogical testing;

Y-DNA – a genetic material found in the Y chromosome; passed from fathers to their sons essentially unaltered down through the generations except for occasional mutations; used for tests designed to explore one's paternal ancestry. This is important for surname projects.

Some useful Websites:

- Cyndi's List:Genetics, DNA and Family Health www.cyndislist.com/dna.htm
- National Geographic/IBM Genographic project https://genographic.nationalgeographic.com/
- International Society of Genetic Genealogy https://isogg.org
- The Genetic Genealogist www.thegeneticgenealogist.com

Genetic Testing Companies

- African Ancestry <u>africanancestry.com</u> (Use the FTDAN tests but specialize in African ancestry)
- Ancestry DNA http://home.ancestry.com/ (No longer do DNA or Mt-DNA analysis)
- 23andme www.23andme.com
 - DNA Consulting <u>www.dnaconsultants.com</u> (Autosomal test called DNA Fingerprint)
 - DNA Tribes www.dnatribes.com (CLOSED 4 Jan 2019)
- Family Tree DNA <u>www.familytreedna.com</u>
- LivingDNA www.livingdna.com
 - Oxford Ancestors http://www.oxfordancestors.com/
 - Pathway Genomics www.pathway.com More Clinically Oriented
- My Heritage https://myheritageDNA.com

Online DNA Databases

- Ancestry DNA <u>www.dna.ancestry.com</u>
- ♦ Ysearch <u>www.ysearch.org</u> (Closed due to EU privacy regulations)
- GedMatch https://www.gedmatch.com/login1.php

Other Online resources

Bettinger, Blaine T, Ph.D: I Have the Results of My Genetic Genealogy Test, Now What? (Free)

http://www.thegeneticgenealogist.com/wp-content/uploads/InterpretingTheResultsofGeneticGenealogyTests.PDF

Which DNA Test is Right for Me? (A compilation of articles from Family Tree Magazine) https://familytreemagazine.com/freebie/which-dna-test-is-right-for-me (Free)

Comparison of Autosomal DNA Testing Companies

	23ANDME	ANCESTRY DNA	FAMILYTREE DNA	MYHERITAGE DNA	LIVING DNA
Started Autosomal Testing	2007	2012	2010	2016	2017
Price (check for discounts)	\$99 (\$79)	\$99 (\$49)	\$99 (\$79)	\$79 (\$59)	\$159 (\$79) includes YDNA and Mt DNA tests)
Database Size	5 million +	10 million +	1 million +	2.4 million +	unknown
Y DNA Test	no	no	yes	no	yes
mtDNA Test	no	no	yes	no	yes
Subscription Required	no	yes	no	yes	no
Ethnic Population Groups	31	150	24	42	80 (20+ in UK)
Integrate DNA with pedigrees	no	yes	no	yes	no
Relationship suggested	yes	yes	no	yes	unknown
Chromosome Browser	yes	no	yes	yes	Soon
Amount of shared DNA (cM)	yes	no	yes	yes	unknown
Search Matches by location	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Accepts Raw DNA data uploads	yes (ancestry only)	no	yes (not LivingDNA)	yes (not LivingDNA)	yes

18. Tricks of the Trade: Effectively Using Genealogy Websites

by: Dana Palmer^{CG}

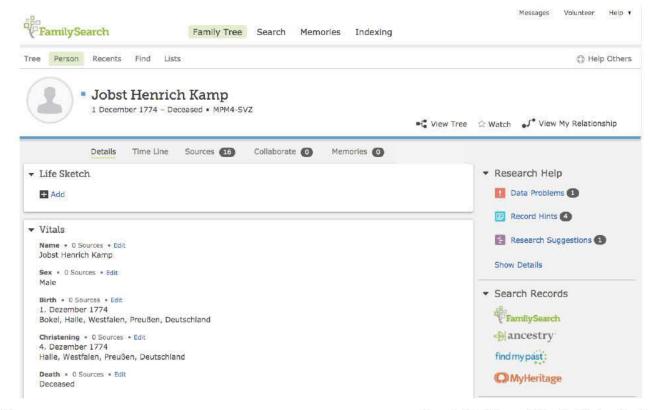
Eventually your research will result in a brick wall or difficult-to-find family. Finding your elusive relatives can be frustrating. Knowing the tricks of the trade and how to best use online genealogy websites can help.

Keep in mind that sometimes you can't find your ancestor because the records were started after the time your ancestor's event occurred or it was in a different location at that time. Also remember that not all records are online. Many are still only found in local archives and repositories and will require a trip or someone's help to locate a copy.

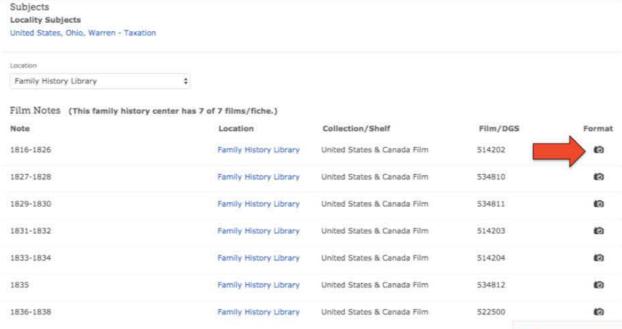
Some Specific Tricks of the Trade for Finding Your Family

FamilyTree (FamilySearch): This can be a useful tool for genealogists who want to collaborate with relatives and find records online. The more facts you add to your person the more likely hints will appear. Photos, stories, documents and sound clips can be attached to people in the Family Tree making it a great way to document, preserve, and share your research and records.

Record Hints (FamilySearch): Once a person is added to Family Tree, the system often finds records in the record collection that matches the details in the tree. These may or may not be correct, so use caution. The records may be for the person as a child or as a parent for one of their children. Many times, once records are attached, more record hints will appear. If records don't appear in the hints, they can easily be attached to the person by browsing to the record collections directly and finding the record.



Browsing the Collection (FamilySearch and Ancestry): Browsing helps you find tricky or misspelled / misindexed family members. To find them you have to go to the specific database you want them search for the person using the filters. On Ancestry.com use the category results instead of record results to get a better selection of databases. Once you select the database you want you can alter the search parameters to find your person. On FamilySearch, click the SEARCH button at the top then click on "BROWSE ALL RECORD COLLECTIONS." To the left choose the country you want then state / location within the country. A list of topics for that location should appear which you can then choose thus allowing you to search a very specific database for your person. If you are having trouble finding a database that covers the location you want, go to the FamilySearch Wiki and type in the location. You can search by country, state, county or topic and will often find links to online collections.



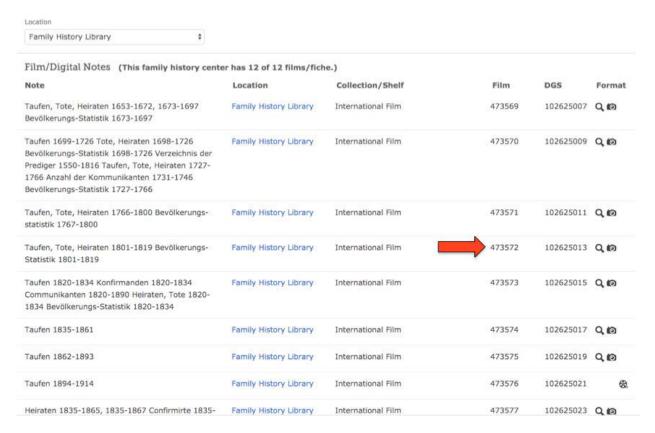
Using the Catalog to find tax records for Warren County, Ohio

Filters: These allow you to use exact or broad search parameters. This is helpful if your person's name, date, or other identifying features are not recorded or transcribed accurately. Remember that just because you have your family's facts correctly does not mean they were recorded that way in the record. Keep an open mind, especially with the spelling of names.

Wildcards: These can be used to find people especially with misspelled names. The ? replaces a single letter while the * looks for spelling variations after the symbol. When using the * most websites require you to use three letters before using the symbol such as Pal*. However on FamilySearch only one letter is required before the asterisk. I have done wildcard searches using asterisk with one letter for the first name and then one letter for the surname and was able to find them in the census, when I could not find them any other way. Allowing for the single letter then an asterisk is a very powerful tool to find misspelled people.



Un-Indexed records (FamilySearch): FamilySearch has many records that have not been indexed and added as part of the historical record collection search feature. Many are not available in digital format since microfilms can no longer be ordered. To find an un-indexed record, click on SEARCH then choose CATALOG. Type in the location you want then choose the record collection you want to view. If there is a movie reel next to the microfilm number then it is not yet available as a digital image and will have to be viewed at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. If there is a camera icon next to the microfilm number then the record is digital and can be viewed by clicking on the camera icon and browsing the pages. If there is a lock next to the camera icon then it can only be viewed at a family history center or family history center affiliate. If there is a magnifying glass next to the microfilm then it has been indexed and may or may not be part of the historical collection. Often it was part of the batch extraction project.



Batch Searches (FamilySearch): If you find a microfilm or collection that was batch indexed then there are some special search capabilities that can be used. If you click on the batch number you can then search just that specific batch for names. This is useful if the microfilm is not otherwise indexed, because you can make a list of people with your surname and then quickly find them in the original images. This is especially helpful if you are working with records from other countries. The GS Film number is the microfilm number for the original source. You can view this record by clicking on it or by typing the film number into a fiche/film search in the catalog.



Other helpful tools

Affiliate accounts: Members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints can sign up for free affiliate accounts (Ancestry.com, Findmypast.com, My Heritage and American Ancestors) to aid in researching. You will need to click on the "Join for Free" button" for each of the four affiliate companies. This will only work if you are logged into FamilySearch first with your church member account then go to the following website: https://familysearch.org/partneraccess

Customizing Your Homepage at Ancestry.com: By customizing your homepage you can quickly search the collections, find out what is going on with your member connect activity and message boards, and view the contents of your shoebox and to-do list. You can easily remove extra content shown in your view screen or add it back in later if you want. I like having my search bar at the top because it makes searching easier.

Connecting Your DNA to Your Ancestry.com Tree: This is a great way to make contact with "cousins" who are also interested in researching their ancestors.

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19. African American Research I

by: Michael Garrambone

What is African-American?

Some Genealogical African-American History

Why Is This Genealogy Special and Why So Hard?

- No wealth or means
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- 2. Approximate Date of Birth (get a record)
 - For example, 10 December 1888 (note 4 digit year)
 - Estimates (fathers birth year \sim = son's birth 20 years)
- 3. Location of Birth: Town, and county
 - County, church, borders, region records
 - Civil, wills, Bibles, many other sources

Finding the Names

- Talk to Relatives (Best and Worst way)
 - Gather their existing documents
 - Watch for mistakes, watch for omissions
- Research Documents you can get
 - Marriages, Obits, Newspapers, Court Records
 - Work documents, societies
 - Get the printed copy—watch for lies
- Search Heirlooms
 - Bank accounts, loans, war records
 - Family Bibles, photographs
- Where do Some Black Surnames Come From?

Finding the Birth Date

- Many Sources
 - Birth Records
 - Baptism Records
 - Marriage Announcements
 - Marriage records
 - Death records
 - School records
 - Censuses (watch the spellings)
 - Passenger Ship records
 - Family Bibles

Finding the Location

3+. Pinning the Location Slave States (snap shot) Some Important Facts Distribution of Blacks (1790-1870)

The Discovery Steps

The "Do" Part Bible Extracts

Go Get Your Data

- VA Birth Record
- VA Death Certificate from Library of VA (Richmond) Died: 7 Sep. 1918
- 1870 Census
- 1880 Census (Digitized Search)
- 1880 Census (Actual)
- Military Service Records
- Example of Military Records
- Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands (Freedmen's Bureau)
- Example Record of Freedmen's Bureau
- Probate Records

African- American Websites

African and Other DNA Tests

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20. Cemetery Research

By: James Phillabaum

- 1. What can I expect to find at a cemetery
 - a. Dates
 - b. Places
 - c. Relatives
 - d. Miscellaneous
- 2. Types of Cemeteries
 - a. Churchyard
 - b. Government Owned
 - c. Privately Owned
 - d. Family
- 3. Finding Cemeteries
 - a. Local Inquiry
 - b. Maps
 - c. Computer programs
 - i. https://www.findagrave.com/
 - ii. https://billiongraves.com/
 - iii. https://www.abmc.gov/
- 4. Plan Your Visit
 - a. Dress appropriately
 - b. City cemetery casual clothing is okay
 - c. Remote cemetery
 - d. Take "Cemetery Kit"
- 5. Follow-Up
 - a. Transfer information to appropriate files
 - b. Save & back-up or up-load photographs
 - c. Investigate other sources

CEMETERY KIT

- 1. Box, bucket, or other carrier
- 2. Digital Camera (or cell-phone) with extra batteries
- 3. Gloves
- 4. Notebook and/or clipboard
- 5. Pen or pencil (have extras)
- 6. Local maps (Topographic, County, Township)
- 7. Small spade or garden trowel
- 8. Garden shearers
- 9. Small rake
- 10. Mace (for un-friendly dogs, etc.)
- 11. Marker enhancer
- 12. Water
- 13. Compass
- 14. Tape measure
- 15. Bottled white vinegar & sponge (for removing moss & lichen)
- 16. Towel
- 17. Medium stiff brush (not wire)
- 18. Extra-long screwdriver or probe
- 19. Protective boots or shoes

For Remote "Over-Grown Cemeteries

- 20. Machete
- 21. Gas or battery powered trimmer

21. Youth Family History Fair

by: Linda Hilton, Susan Melville, Pamela Stanfield

Youth ages 11-18 will rotate among a dozen stations with fun family history activities. These include:

• FamilySearch Game Geneopardy

https://partners.familysearch.org/solutionsgallery/s/gallery-profile/a2Rf10000079nt9EAA/00050

Relatives Around Me

https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/relatives/

• Relative Finder

https://partners.familysearch.org/solutionsgallery/s/gallery-profile/a2Rf10000079ntJEAQ/00052

• Take the "Do You Know" Quiz

http://fh.familysearch.org/system/files/team/ait/images/blog/happy-family-quiz.pdf

• Grandma's Pie App

https://partners.familysearch.org/solutionsgallery/s/gallery-profile/a2Rf10000079ntdEAA/00056

• FamilySearch Discovery

https://www.familysearch.org/discovery/

- o Compare-a-Face (compare your face to ancestor's)
- Ancestor Challenge (match ancestor's photos to names)

"I invite the young people of the Church to learn about and experience the Spirit of Elijah. I encourage you to study, to search out your ancestors, and to prepare yourselves to perform proxy baptisms in the house of the Lord for *your* kindred dead (see <u>D&C 124:28–36</u>). And I urge you to help other people identify their family histories.

As you respond in faith to this invitation, your hearts shall turn to the fathers. The promises made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob will be implanted in your hearts. Your patriarchal blessing, with its declaration of lineage, will link you to these fathers and be more meaningful to you. Your love and gratitude for your ancestors will increase. Your testimony of and conversion to the Savior will become deep and abiding. And I promise you will be protected against the intensifying influence of the adversary. As you participate in and love this holy work, you will be safeguarded in your youth and throughout your lives." Elder David A. Bednar, 2011.

22. Kentucky Genealogy Research

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Kentucky derives its name from "Kaintuckee", which the Cherokee called all land south of the Ohio River. Early explorers settled in Eastern Kentucky, a part of Appalachia, coming from Virginia, North and South Carolina. Many of the earliest explorers and settlers were of Scots-Irish descent, a people known for their independent spirits and restless nature, coming from Pennsylvania into the Shenandoah Valley before entering Kentucky territory. Peggy Lauritzen, Legacy QuickGuide

- •1715: Scots-Irish begin immigration into Virginia due to oppressive English rule.
- •1748: Survey between North Carolina and Virginia completed. Augusta County, Virginia includes the Kentucky Territory.
- •1750-1751: Dr. Thomas and Christopher Gist explore Kentucky for The Loyal Land Company through Cumberland Gap. French and Indian War halts further discovery.
- •1754-1763: Blockades cut off salt shipments from West Indies; Kentucky becomes a valuable source for salt.
- •1767 & 1769: Daniel Boone and John Finley explore the territory.
- •1772: Fincastle, Virginia formed; includes Kentucky territory.
- •1773: James Harrod arrives via the Ohio River.
- •1774: Harrodsburg, first permanent settlement and county seat of Fincastle, Virginia founded. Indians force settlers to withdraw; settlers return in 1775.
- •1775: Daniel Boone and 35 axmen blaze a trail; becomes the Wilderness Road. Boonesborough founded, and becomes headquarters of the Transylvania Company.
- •1776: Kentucky territory becomes Kentucky County, still part of Virginia.
- •1778: The longest siege in U.S. frontier history, lasting 13 days, takes place at Boonesborough.
- •1779: The first Baptist Church west of the Allegheny Mountains established at Elizabethtown.
- •1780: Transylvania University opens; first university west of the Allegheny Mountains. Virginia County, Kentucky is divided into three counties; Fayette, Jefferson, and Lincoln.
- •1784: First of 10 conventions held to begin separation from Virginia.
- •1789: Jenny Wiley, mother of four and pregnant with her fifth, is kidnapped from her home in Virginia and taken to the area of Johnson County. She escapes and returns to Virginia, only to return to live with her captors in Kentucky.
 •June 1, 1792: Kentucky achieves statehood and becomes the 15th state. Danville becomes the capital. Revolutionary War pensioners begin to arrive to claim bounty land.

- •1796: Wilderness Road opens to wagons.
- •1800's: Conflict between settlers and Indian tribes; Cherokee, Chickasaw, Mosopelea, Shawnee and Yucchi. Indians gradually cede their lands.
- •1801: Great church camp is held at Cane Ridge in Bourbon County; attended by 20,000.
- •1811: The New Orleans, the first steamboat on the Ohio River, reaches Louisville.
- •1811-1812: Earthquakes registering 9.0 on the Richter Scale at New Madrid, Missouri affect Kentucky.
- •1812-1815: The War of 1812 brings Kentuckians north to Detroit and south to New Orleans. About 500 Kentuckians killed near Detroit, with 4,000 more joining William Henry Harrison at the Battle of Moraviantown; Tecumseh is killed.
- •1818: The westernmost region of the state is annexed and is acquired from the Chickasaw Indians; known as the Jackson Purchase.
- •1820: The Walker Line formed as a boundary between Kentucky and Tennessee, creating a dispute that the line was too far north.
- •1830: Louisville and Portland Canal opens; bypasses the Falls of the Ohio.
- •1839: Cherokee Indians forced out of Kentucky on The Trail of Tears. Many go into hiding for the next 40 years.
- •1859: The Walker Line dispute resolved.
- •1861-1865: Kentucky is considered a "border state". During the Civil War and supplied nearly 100,000 troops to the North and 40,000 troops to the South; both Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis were born in central Kentucky, which furthered this dualistic distinction.
- •1875: First Kentucky Derby is run.
- •1899-1900: Kentucky experiences four governors in three month time period.
- •1912: Kentucky's final county, McCreary, is formed.
- •1921: Women allowed to serve on juries.
- •1924: Indians living in Kentucky given citizenship.
- •1933: Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) begins building dams in Kentucky.
- •1936: The last legal public hanging takes place in Owensboro.
- •1937: Fort Knox is built.
- •1966: Kentucky first southern state to pass a civil rights law.

HELPFUL KENTUCKY RESEARCH STRATEGIES

- •African-American: Prior to the Civil War, Kentucky was home to many slaves. During the coal mining boom of the early 1900's, they settled primarily in southeast Kentucky.
- •Census Records: Kentucky did not enumerate a state census. Tax records can be a helpful substitute for the missing 1790 and 1800 Federal Census. The 1890 Federal Census included a separate schedule for Union veterans and widows; a line drawn through a name meant the soldier was Confederate. Many counties in Kentucky began keeping a school census in 1888. Check with the county Board of Education or Department of Health to locate these records. There may be some in the Kentucky Historical Society or in the Library and Archives.
- •Church Records: Major congregations include Baptist (including African-American, Primitive and Southern), Methodist, Roman Catholic, and Presbyterian. Smaller churches include Apostolic, Jesus Only, and Pentecostal.
- •Court Records: Beginning in 1780, county courts had jurisdiction over all civil and criminal cases, eventually including bonds, deeds and probates. After 1852, criminal cases were held by circuit or quarterly court. Jurisdictions changed over the years, and some courts no longer exist. Check for court records in the county courthouse, or at the Library and Archives in Frankfort.
- •Early Settlement: Daniel Boone explored the area in 1767, blazing a trail the Wilderness Trail in 1775 through Cumberland Gap, and founding Boonesboro. English, German, and Scots-Irish pioneers came from Virginia and North Carolina through the Cumberland Gap using the Wilderness Road. The Ohio River provided passage by flatboat from those coming from Maryland and Pennsylvania. The first permanent settlement was Harrodsburg in 1774.
- •Historical Papers: Draper Manuscripts contain one of the richest accounts of the early settlers of Kentucky and other southern states. Original papers are held at the Wisconsin Historical Society, which includes 500 volumes containing thousands of letters, and available at FamilySearch.
- •Land and Property: Kentucky was a "state-land state," meaning it distributed all of the land within its borders. In the eastern section, where much of the land is part of the Appalachian Mountains, land surveys were irregular in shape. West of the Tennessee River, land was surveyed in townships.
- •Migration: Many early settlers came from Virginia, but also from Wilkes and Burke County, North Carolina, and from Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, and Vermont.
- •Military: Shortly after statehood, Revolutionary War veterans began settling in Kentucky to claim their bounty land. Others followed, coming from Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Virginia. During the War of 1812, over 20,000 soldiers served from Kentucky, namely at the River Raisin where a number of Kentuckians were slaughtered. Their battle cry, "Remember the Raisin!" brought them to fight at the Battle of New Orleans. Kentucky was a dividing line during the Civil War, and was considered a border state. Many battles were fought in Kentucky, and even though it did not secede from the Union, many sided with the Confederacy. Mountain families and those with small farms were generally against slavery. Those with larger farms were not.

- •Native Americans: The major tribes in Kentucky were Chickasaw, Cherokee and Shawnee. Other tribes include: Delaware, Mosopelea, Wyandot and Yuchi. Most had left Kentucky by the early 1800's, due to war and resettlement, but skirmishes continued for several years.
- •Statehood: Kentucky is one of four states which refers to itself as a "commonwealth;" it became a state June 1, 1792.
- •Tax Records: Tax records were created in 1780, when Kentucky was still part of Virginia. The Virginia tax record of 1787 is a good census substitute, and lists the heads of household over age 21, as well as other useful information.
- •**Territory**: Virginia originally encompassed land now known as Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.
- •Vital Records: Birth and death registration began in 1852, in effect until 1862 and some counties continued until 1911, when statewide registration went into law. It was 1920 before most counties complied. The Kentucky Historical Society maintains a card index of early births. Statewide registration of marriages and divorces began in 1958.

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23. African American Research II

by: Michael Garrambone

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 - •County, church, borders, region records
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Reviewing the Search

"Talking" to get the Stories

- Talk to Everyone
 - Particularly the elders
 - Include the neighbors
- Ask to see Documents and Photos
 - Marriage certificates, Newspaper clips
 - Military records, family pictures
- Capture the Discussions and Ideas
 - Write it down
 - Record it on tape, take a photo

History Impacts on African-American Genealogy

- Census Figures (top five slave states)*
- Visit the Funeral Homes
- Example High School Diploma
- Searching the "Black" Cemeteries
- Cemetery Information
- The School Houses
- You Need the Maps
- Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands (Freedmen's Bureau)
- Freedmen's Bureau
- Military Records
- National Archives and Records Administration
- Unit Records
- State Archives
- Library of Virginia: State Archives
- West Virginia Archives and History
- Archives, and Historical & Genealogical Societies

Examples from Archives, and Historical & Genealogical Societies

• Lucy (Howard) Coleman, Daughter of Solomon Howard, died 13 Aug 1912

Overcoming the Bumps in the Road

Document Your Findings

References Books

24. Military Research

by: James Phillabaum

The National Archives is a repository of records for the United States. The archives in Washington DC has a very large collection of military records from the Revolutionary War time to 1912. The National Military Personnel Records Center (NPRC), in St. Louis, Missouri holds military records from WWI to the present. The most commonly requested military-related records used by genealogists are:

- Compiled Military Service Records for Volunteers (will provide you with your ancestor's rank, unit, date mustered in and mustered out, basic biographical information, medical information, and military information.)
- Pension Applications and Pension Payment Records (usually provide the most genealogical information. These files often contain supporting documents such as: narratives of events during service, marriage certificates, birth records, death certificates, pages from family Bibles, letters received from the veteran while in service, depositions of witnesses, affidavits, discharge papers and other supporting papers)
- Bounty Land Records (from claims based on wartime service between 1775 and March 3, 1855, often contain documents similar to those in pension files, with lots of genealogical information. Many of the bounty land application files relating to Revolutionary War and War of 1812 service have been combined with the pension files)

These records can often provide valuable information on the veteran, as well as on all members of the family. There is no simple explanation for how to begin research in military records. Your research path will depend on aspects such as: what branch of service your ancestor was in, which conflict, what dates, whether Regular Army or a volunteer unit, whether your ancestor was an officer or enlisted personnel, and whether there was a pension application.

Branch of Service	Dates
Volunteers	Military service performed by persons serving during an emergency and whose service was considered to be in the Federal interest, 1775-1902
Regular Army	Enlisted personnel, 1789-Oct 31, 1912 Officers, 1789-June 30, 1917
Navy	Enlisted personnel, 1798-1885 Officers, 1798-1902
Marine Corps	Enlisted personnel, 1798-1904 Some officers, 1798-1895
Coast Guard	Persons who served in predecessor agencies to the U.S. Coast Guard: the Revenue Cutter Service (Revenue Marine), the Life-Savings Service, & the Lighthouse Service, 1791-1919
Confederate States	Persons who rendered military service for the Confederate States government in its armed forces, 1861-1865
Veterans Records	Claims filed for pensions based on Federal military service, 1775-1916 and Bounty land warrant application files relating to claims based on wartime service, 1775-1855

Categories of pension / bounty land files available using NATF Form 85

- 1. A complete Civil War and later pension application file (up to 100 pages); based on Federal (not State or Confederate) military service during the Civil War or later (includes the Pension Documents Packet)
- 2. A complete Federal pre-Civil War military pension application based on Federal military service before 1861 (includes the Pension Documents Packet)
- 3. A Pension document packet that contains reproductions of eight documents containing genealogical information about the pension applicant, to the extent these documents are present in the file
- 4. A complete military bounty land application file based on service 1775-1855 (includes only rejected Revolutionary War applications)

Order copies of these records by mail, or online at www.archives.gov

THE FIRE

On July 12, 1973, a disastrous fire at the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) destroyed approximately 16-18 million Official Military Personnel Files (OMPF). The records affected are:

Army Personnel discharged 1 Nov 1912 to 1 Jan 1960 80%

Air Force Personnel discharged 25 Sep to 1 Jan 1964 75%

(Names alphabetically after Hubbard, James E.)

No duplicate copies of these records were ever maintained, nor were microfilm copies produced. Neither were any indexes created prior to the fire. In addition, millions of documents had been lent to the Department of Veterans Affairs before the fire occurred. Therefore, a complete listing of the records that were lost is not available. However, in the years following the fire, the NPRC collected numerous series of records (referred to as Auxiliary Records) that are used to reconstruct basic service information

OFFICIAL MILITARY PERSONNEL FILES ARCHIVAL HOLDINGS

BRANCH OF SERVICE	TYPE	DISCHARGE DATES	
Army (Includes Army Air Force)	Enlisted Officer	1912 to 1954 1917 to 1954	
Navy	Enlisted Officer	1885 to 1954 1902 to 1954	
Air Force	All	1947 to 1954	
Marine Corps	All	1905 to 1954	
Coast Guard	All	1898 to 1954	

(Above records are available to the General Public)

OFFICIAL MILITARY PERSONNEL FILES NO ARCHIVAL HOLDINGS

BRANCH OF SERVICE	TYPE	DISCHARGE DATES
Army	All	1955 to 30 Sep 2002
Air Force	All	1955 to 30 Sep 2004
Navy	All	1955 to 31 Dec 1994
Marine Corps	All	1955 to 31 Dec 1998
Coast Guard	All	1955 to Present

(Above records are available only to the veterans and/or Next-of-Kin)

USEFUL ADDRESSES

Daughters of the American Revolution

1776 D St., NW

Washington, D.C. 20006-5392

www.dar.org

Confederate Research Center

P.O. Box 619

Hillsboro, TX 76645-0619

www.hillcollege.edu/museum/research-center.html

National Personnel Record Center

(Military Records)
1 Archives Dr.

St. Louis, MO 63138-1002 www.archives.gov/st-louis/

General Society of the War of 1812

P.O. Box 106

Mendenhall, PA 19357-0106

www.gsw1812.org

American Battle Monuments Commission

Court House Plaza II. Suite 500

2300 Clarendon Blvd. Arlington, VA 22201-3367 https://www.abmc.gov/

Fold3

https://www.fold3.com

Naval Resource Guide

www.navsource.org/Naval/guide.htm

Sons of the American Revolution

1000 S. 4th St.

Louisville, KY 40203-3208

www.sar.org

Sons of Confederate Veterans

P.O. Box

Columbia, TN 38401-0059

www.scv.org

National Archives & Records Administration

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College Park, MD 20740-6001 www.archives.gov/research

United States Daughters of 1812 1461 Rhode Island Ave, NW Washington, DC 20005-5402 www.usdaughters1812.org

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

810 Vermont Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20420-0001

www.va.gov

FindMvPast

www.findmypast.com

OTHER USEFUL WEBSITES

www.archives.gov/index.html - National Archives Home Page

<u>www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/get-service-records.html</u> - Information on ordering copies of Military Service Records from WWI to present.

www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/pre-ww-1-records.html - Information on ordering copies of Military Service Records, Military Pension Records, and Bounty Lands Warrants for pre-WWI service.

Partial Listing of Wars & Conflicts for the USA

Here is a partial listing of conflicts of the USA, of which your ancestors may have served. For more complete details on each specific war you can refer to *Wikipedia*, http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Military_history_of_the_United_States

- Colonial Wars (1620-1774)
 - o Pequot War (1637)
 - o King Philip's War (1675)
 - o Stone Rebellion (1739)
 - Pennamite Wars
 - o Green Mountain Boys
 - o Queen Anne's War
 - French & Indian War (1754-1763)
- War of Independence (1775-1783)
- Early National Period (1783-1815)
 - o Northwest Indian War
 - Ouasi War
 - o Barbara Wars
 - o Tecumseh's War
 - Creek War
 - Peoria War
 - o War of 1812
- Continental Expansion (1816-1860)
 - o Seminole Wars (1817-1818; 1835-1842; 1855-1858)
 - o Black Hawk War (1832)
 - o Mexican-American War (1846-1848)
 - o Utah War (1857-1858)
- Civil War (1861-1865)
- Post Civil War (1865-1917)
 Indian Wars (1865-1890)
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- o Spanish American War (1898)
- o Philippine-American War (1899-1913)
- o Banana Wars (1898-1935)
- o The Boxer Rebellion (1899-1901)
- World War 1 (1917-1918- American Involvement)
- World War 2 (1941-1945 American Involvement)
- Cold War (1945-1991)
 - o Post War Military Reorganization
 - o Korean War (1950-1953)
 - o Lebanon Crisis of 1958
 - o Bay of Pigs Invasion (1961)
 - o Dominican Intervention (1965)
 - o Vietnam War (1957-1975)
 - o Tehran hostage rescue (1979-1981)
 - o Grenada (1983)
 - o Beirut (1982-1984)
 - o Panama (1989-1990)
- Post-Cold War (1991-2001)
 - o Gulf War / Persian Gulf War (1990-1991)
 - o Somalia (1992-1993)
 - o Yugoslavia (early 1990's to 1999)
- War on Terrorism (2001-present)
 - o Afghanistan (2001-present)
 - o Philippines (2002)
 - o Liberia (2003)
 - o Iraq (2003-current)

Finding Military Histories

To find a military history first determine the veteran ancestor then what type of record you want. Do you want a personnel record or a military history?

Personnel Records: http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel

For more recent veterans make sure to obtain a copy of their DD214. This document lists all the pertinent service record information about the veteran including conflicts and medals earned. For more details on military records and unit histories and reports refer to the following websites:

Air Force http://afhra.maxwell.af.mil/
 Navy http://history.navy.mil/
 Army http://army.mil/cmh/

• Marines http://hqinet001.hqmc.usmc.mil/HD

National Archives <u>www.archives.gov/reseaerch/formats/textual.html</u>

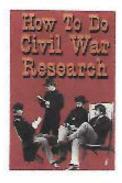
INTERESTING & USEFUL BOOKS



How to Locate Anyone Who Is Or Has Been In The Military
By – Richard S. Johnson
ISBN – 13 --- 9781877639500



Tracing Your Civil War Ancestor By – Bertram, Hawthorne, & Groene ISBN – 13 – 9780345361929



How To Do Civil War Research By – Richard Allen Sauers ISBN – 13 – 9781580970419

25. Connect Your Family: Useful Research Strategies

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General Search Strategies

- Have a specific goal to solve
- Obtain copies of all records for the person and his/her extended family
- Browse search by categories or specific collections
- Use filters to refine
- Create a timeline
- Check for alternate spellings
- Expand your search area
- Use F.A.N. search for record of friends, associates and neighbors
- Contact your relatives to collaborate research
- Take a DNA test

Common Places to Find Clues

- Finding clues largely depends on your search question and time frame
- Helpful records that often provide clues
 - o Probate records, cemetery & funeral home records, obituaries and death notices
 - Church records
 - o Bible Records
 - Land & Tax records
 - City or Trade Directories
 - o Military records, especially pensions
 - o Genealogical / historical society or library collections
 - o Manuscripts, Photos / Scrapbooks

Some tips

- Search for records for a whole family
- Check when record collections start you might not find a record because it wasn't kept at that time
- Boundaries change over time know when you are searching and where, records are filed by where they were recorded at that time
- Not all records are on FamilySearch and Ancestry.com sometimes you have to search locally by contacting courts or hiring someone to get the records you need
- If you have an idea where someone is buried but no proof, call the cemetery and ask if they can check to see if your
 person is buried there. Most will check free of charge and some will send you copies of the records for free or
 minimal cost
- Track census records for each person on the family group records elderly parents often live with children, especially if widowed

Search Tricks

- General search
- Wilcard search
- Soundex / General / Exact filter search
- Spouse search
- Surname search
- Given name search
- · Other family member search
- Locality and / or date filter search

Specific Search Strategies

Ancestry.com

- Customize the home page
- Use collection results not record results
- Browse to a specific database
- DNA test

FamilySearch

- Browse specific database in the Record Collection
- Use the card catalog to find digital records not in the RECORDS
- Use Wiki to determine what records exact for a specific location or topic or to find links to online record collections for said search request
- Use FamilyTree to connect your family and collaborate with others

State and Local archives

- Use Google to find these
 - o Type the name of the county in quotes such as "Warren County" Ohio archives
 - o Search or browse the database by name or date to find your person
- If records or indexes are not online contact the archive or hire someone to search the records for you

Cemeteries

- Use Find-A-Grave to connect your family members
- Call the cemetery
 - To verify if someone is buried there many times they will have birth dates, death dates and places and burial dates for your person
 - O Ask for a copy of the person's interment card and plot card
 - Many times other family members are buried together and obtaining information on others buried in the plot will help you to find other family members, especially babies who died young
 - Check with the genealogical society to see if they have typed transcription for those buried in a specific cemetery

Newspapers

- Most newspapers can be found in state historical society collections or at local libraries
- Only a small percent of newspaper are currently online
- Chronicling America
 - Use the pink button in the upper right corner to determine what papers exist for a specific area and how to obtain copies of them
 - o If not online, write, email or call them to get copy. If they won't make copies ask if they know someone you can hire to make copies
- Online newspaper websites
 - Make sure the newspaper you want and the years you need are included in any pay site collection before you pay for a subscription
 - When searching use keywords, and filters to narrow down the date or specific newspaper title to reduce the number of hits.
 - Have it sort by date so you can scroll down to the time frame you need

Living People

- If you can find an obituary for one of their siblings it generally lists their living relations and where they reside at the time of the person's death. Knowing the name and residence you can then use the public record indexes on Ancestry.com to find their address or birth date
- Use Facebook to track relatives or living relations. If you can't find who you are looking from maybe one of their friends, children or other relations have an account and can put you in contact with them
- Phone directories are useful if you know where someone lives. Call everyone with that name. You are bound to eventually find them
- Contact relatives who have posted trees on Ancestry.com and FamilySearch or who have had DNA tests. These people are interested in family history and often know about others in their family.

Google Search Tricks

Many of the search engines out there rely on a mathematical algorithm to match what you type in the search box with the pages with the highest quality pages. The criteria may include the number of times your word or phrase appears on the web page, if it appears in the page's title, or if it appears in the URL address. Sometimes synonymous and misspelled words (such as geneology [sic]) will produce matching pages.

Here are some tricks to help yield the best search results:

- Use **simple phrases** such as the person's given name and surname.
- Use **quotation marks** such as "Martin Heiner". Quotation marks around a phrase tells the search engine that that word or phrase must be included in the search results. Using quotation marks will eliminate search terms that aren't exactly the same so if names are abbreviated, nicknames are used or middle initial are used they will not be included in the search results.
- Use quotation marks around a woman's maiden name and her married name next to it such as "Adeulgunda Dietzel" Heiner. This will look for pages with the phrase Adelgunda Dietzel next to each other and the word Heiner somewhere on the page. This is useful when searching for women.
- **Excluding words**: using the minus symbol next to a word will eliminate search results with the word next to the minus symbol. This is especially helpful if your ancestor has a name that matches someone famous such as if you are searching for Smith's in Washington and pages for George Washington keep appearing. Using *Smith Washington -George* will eliminate entries with George Washington. Attaching the minus symbol is also helpful if your ancestor lived in one area such as Ohio but you keep getting search results for Indiana. If you add *Snyder Indiana*, pages with Snyder that also have Indiana will be eliminated.
- Add **keywords** such as genealogy, pedigree, family history, family to your search phrase i.e. *Heiner+genealogy*
- Add **descriptive terms** such as pioneers, first families, early settlers, first settlers, original settlers, Quakers, first Ouakers, original Ouakers, Pilgrims, Hessians, slaves, Civil War, etc.
- Add **locations and place names** to the search phrase i.e. *Heiner+Wasungen* or *Heiner "Morgan County"*. Combining these in different orders will also give different results.
- Use **wildcard** *: *Eli*abeth* in Google will show Elizabeth and Elisabeth. Search engines don't truncate the words when using the asterisk. The asterisk can be used for letters and number such as years when an event occurred. This is different than the wildcard? used for the same search on ancestry.com.
- Use a **date range** search *Martin Heiner 1891..1892* would show pages between those years.
- **Similar words and synonyms**: using the ~ symbol will provide pages with similar or synonymous words. So "*Martin Heiner*" ~ burial would provide any type of page on Martin Heiner with the word "burial" or any variations.
- Site specific searches: If a page you find isn't indexed, you can use a site specific phrase to search it. Go to Google and type site:internetarchive.com Heiner. The search results will show me pages on internet archive where the Heiner surname appears. This can be used on other websites too such as site:rootsweb.ancestry.com and site:usgenweb.com, site:images.google.com and many others.

On most computers you can also use the browser's find function to search the page you are viewing. This usually located under the exit Menu or can be accessed by pressing command F.

Search Engines

Search engines allow you to enter names and they will sift through all the web pages to find matches. There are search engines that will search the entire web and those that specifically search for genealogy. Both are useful. Try a variety of search engines because any one search engine only has the capacity to search up to 25% of the web at a time. Some of the most popular listed below:

Web address: www.google.com
Web address: www.yahoo.com
Web address: www.bing.com
Web address: www.altavista.com
Web address: www.ask.com
Web address: www.dogpile.com

Web address: www.monsterCrawler.com Web address: www.metacrawler.com

Web address: www.webcrawler.com

This is a link to a list of the most popular search engine sites online: http://thesearchenginelist.com/

Online State Resources

These are some of my other favorite genealogy state archives and websites sites. These are sites at the state level. Make sure you check the US Gen Web and Family Search Wiki for local genealogical and histories societies too. Each has their own record collections, which are not the same.

Alabama

- o Alabama Department of Archives and History http://archives.state.al.us
 - Digital Collections http://digital.archives.alabama.gov/
 - Civil War Database http://www.archives.alabama.gov/civilwar/index.cfm
 - 1867 Voter Registration http://www.archives.alabama.gov/voterreg/index.cfm
 - World War I Gold Star Database http://www.archives.alabama.gov/goldstar/search.cfm
 - Collections http://www.archives.alabama.gov/searchcoll.html
 - Other resources http://www.archives.alabama.gov/teacher/netres.html
- o Alabama Genealogical Society http://algensoc.org
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Alabama/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=33

Alaska

- Alaska State Archives http://archives.alaska.gov/genealogy/genealogy.html
 - Genealogy Resources http://archives.alaska.gov/genealogy/genealogy.html
- o Alaska's Digital Archives http://vilda.alaska.edu/index.php
 - Alaska Native History & Culture http://vilda.alaska.edu/cdm/
- o Alaska State Library http://library.alaska.gov/hist/online_resources/online_resources.html
- o Probate Records of Alaska 1885-1960 http://archives.alaska.gov/pdfs/collection_guides/probate_index.pdf
- Index to Biographies of Alaska-Yukon Pioneers 1850-1950, vol. I.
 http://www.library.state.ak.us/hist/hist_docs/indexes/Index_Biographies%20of%20Alaska-Yukon%20Pioneers.doc
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Alaska/Default.aspx

Arizona

- o Arizona Genealogy Birth and Death Certificates http://genealogy.az.gov
- o Arizona Genealogical & Historical Societies http://www.azgab.org/societies.htm
- Arizona Memory Project http://azmemory.azlibrary.gov/index.php
 - Online Collections http://azmemory.azlibrary.gov/cdm/
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Arizona/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=10

Arkansas

- Arkansas Gravestones.org http://arkansasgravestones.org
- o Arkansas Ties http://www.arkansasties.com
- o Arkansas Genealogical Society http://www.agsgenealogy.org
- o Arkansas Historical Society http://arkansashistoricalassociation.org
- Archives at the Arkansas History Commission http://www.ark-ives.com/
 - Search CARAT http://www.ark-ives.com/documenting/
 - Photo Collections http://www.ark-ives.com/photo/
 - Black History Commission http://www.ark-ives.com/abhac/
 - Civil War http://arkansascivilwar.com/
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Arkansas/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=48

California

- o California Digital Newspaper Collection http://cdnc.ucr.edu
- o California Genealogical Society & Library http://californiaancestors.org
- o California Historical Society http://www.californiahistoricalsociety.org
- o Online Archives of California http://www.oac.cdlib.org
- o Calisphere http://www.calisphere.universityofcalifornia.edu/

- o San Francisco Genealogy http://www.sfgenealogy.net
- o Immigration to US 1789-1930 (CA gold rush included) http://ocp.hul.harvard.edu/immigration
- California Birth & Death Records 1800-1994 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/2001287
- o California Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/california/
- o California State Archives http://www.sos.ca.gov/archives
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/California/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=11

Colorado

- o Colorado State Archives http://www.colorado.gov/pacific/archives/archives-search
- Colorado Historical Records Database https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/archives/Genealogy
- o Denver Public Library Digital Collections http://digital.denverlibrary.org/cdm/genealogy
- o History Colorado http://www.historycolorado.org/researchers/collections
- o Colorado Genealogical Society http://www.cogensoc.us
- o Rocky Mountain Online Archive (CO, NM, WY) http://rmoa.unm.edu/
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Colorado/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=30

Connecticut

- o Connecticut Index http://dunhamwilcox.net/0 ct-index.htm
- o Connecticut State Library Digital Collections http://cslib.cdmhost.com
 - Database http://www.ctstatelibrary.org/node/2224
 - Log Book of Slave Traders, 1757-8 http://www.cslib.org/slaverlog.htm
 - Digital Collections http://cslib.cdmhost.com/index.php
- University of Connecticut- Public Records of the Colony of CT 1636-1776 http://www.colonialct.uconn.edu/
- o Connecticut Society of Genealogists http://www.csginc.org
- Connecticut Historical Society http://chs.org
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Connecticut/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=31

Delaware

- Delaware Public Archives http://archives.delaware.gov
 - Digital Archives http://archives.delaware.gov/exhibits-toc.shtml
 - Historic Maps http://archives.delaware.gov/exhibits/misc/index.shtml
 - Documents http://archives.delaware.gov/exhibits/document/index.shtml
- Delaware Historical Society http://www.dehistory.org
- o Delaware Genealogical Society http://delgensoc.org
- Delaware Death Records, 1855-1961 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1520546
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Delaware/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=49
- District of Columbia
 - District of Columbia Deaths 1874-1959 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1803967
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/District-of-Columbia/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=60

Florida

- Florida Memory Project http://floridamemory.com
 - Photographs https://www.floridamemory.com/PhotographicCollection/
 - Classroom Units (African American History) https://www.floridamemory.com/OnlineClassroom/
 - Digital Collections https://www.floridamemory.com/Collections/
 - Florida Confederate Pension Applications
 https://www.floridamemory.com/Collections/PensionFiles/
- o Florida Historical Society https://myfloridahistory.org
- o Florida Genealogical Society http://www.flsgs.org
- Florida State Archives http://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/about-us/about-the-state-archives-of-florida/
 - Search tool http://archivescatalog.info.florida.gov/default.asp
- o University of Florida Digital Collections http://ufdcweb1.uflib.ufl.edu/ufdc/
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Florida/Default.aspx

- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=34
- Georgia
 - Digital Library of Georgia http://dlg.galileo.usg.edu 0
 - Georgia Archives http://www.georgiaarchives.org 0
 - Georgia Genealogical Society http://www.gagensociety.org
 - Georgia Historical Society http://georgiahistory.com
 - Georgia Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/georgia/ 0
 - Georgia State University Digital Collections http://digitalcollections.library.gsu.edu/ 0
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Georgia/Default.aspx 0
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=50
- Hawaii
 - Hawaii State Archives http://ags.hawaii.gov/archives
 - Hawaii State Archives Digital Collections http://archives1.dags.hawaii.gov/gsdl/cgi-bin/library 0
 - Hawaii Historical Society http://www.hawaiianhistory.org 0
 - Hawaii US GenWeb http://www.higenweb.org/links.htm
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Hawaii/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=12 0
- Idaho
 - Idaho State Historical Society http://history.idaho.gov/searchable-indexes
 - Idaho Genealogical Society http://www.idahogenealogy.org 0
 - Idaho State Archives http://history.idaho.gov 0
 - Idaho Death Certificates 1911-1937 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1546448
 - BYI-I Special Collections http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/
 - Idaho Local Newspapers
 - http://www.byui.edu/special-collections/collecting-areas/manuscript-collections/local-newspapers
 - Idaho Death Index 1911-1956 http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/famhist/Death/searchForm.cfm 0
 - Eastern Idaho Death Records http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/famhist/Obit/searchForm.cfm
 - Western States Marriage Index http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/westernStates/search.cfm
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Idaho/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=13
- Illinois
 - Illinois State Archives http://www.cvberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/databases/
 - Marriages 1763-1900 http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/databases/marriage.html
 - Deaths Index Pre-1916 http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/databases/death.html
 - Death Index 1916-1950
 - http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/databases/idphdeathindex.html
 - Slavery & Emancipation Records, 1722-1863 http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/databases/servant.html
 - Global Database http://www.ilsos.gov/isa/globalsrch.jsp
 - Illinois Digital Archives http://www.idaillinois.org/
 - Illinois Historical Society http://historyillinois.org
 - Illinois Genealogical Society http://www.ilgensoc.org
 - Illinois Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/illinois/
 - Cook County Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/illinois/cook.html 0
 - Public Domain Land Tract Sales
 - http://www.cvberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/databases/data_lan.html
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Illinois/Default.aspx 0
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=14 0
- Indiana
 - Indiana State Digital Archives http://www.indianadigitalarchives.org
 - Listing of their online indexes http://www.in.gov/icpr/2355.htm
 - Indiana State Library http://www.in.gov/library/genealogy.htm 0
 - Allen County Public Library http://www.genealogycenter.org
 - Indiana Genealogical Society http://www.indgensoc.org
 - Indiana Historical Society http://www.indianahistory.org 0
 - Indiana University Library Digital Collections http://ulib.iupui.edu/digitalscholarship/works
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Indiana/Default.aspx

- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=15
- Iowa
 - o Iowa GenWeb Project http://usgenweb.org
 - o Iowa Genealogical Society http://iowagenealogy.org
 - o Iowa Historical Society http://www.iowahistory.org
 - State Historical Library & Archives Collections http://www.iowahistory.org/libraries/collections/index.html
 - County Maps http://digital.lib.uiowa.edu/atlases/
 - Historic Children's Diaries http://digital.lib.uiowa.edu/cdm/search/collection/diaries
 - o Iowa Digital Library http://digital.lib.uiowa.edu/
 - o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Iowa/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=51
- Kansas
 - Kansas Historical Society http://www.kshs.org/p/genealogy-indexes/18943
 - o Kansas Genealogical Society http://www.kgs-genlibrary.com
 - Kansas Digital State Archives http://www.digitalstatearchives.com/kansas-state-digital-archives
 - o Kansas Memory http://www.kansasmemory.org/
 - o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Kansas/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=35
- Kentucky
 - Kentucky Digital Library http://kdl.kyvl.org
 - o Kentucky Historical Society http://history.ky.gov/research-genealogy
 - o Kentucky Genealogical Society http://www.kentuckygenealogicalsociety.org
 - Kentucky Department of Library & Archives http://kdla.ky.gov/records/e-archives/Pages/default.aspx
 - o Digital Library of Appalachia (includes KY, TN, NC & VA) http://dla.acaweb.org
 - Kentucky Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/kentucky/
 - o Kentucky Vital Record Index http://ukcc.uky.edu/vitalrec/
 - o Digital Collections of the Kentucky Historical Society http://www.kyhistory.com
 - Databases
 - Birth Records, 1852-1910 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=1213
 - Birth Index, 1911-1999 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=8788
 - Death Records 1852-1953 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=1222
 - Death Index, 1911-2000 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=3077
 - Marriages Index 1973-1999 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=8787
 - o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Kentucky/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=36
- Louisiana
 - Louisiana Biography and Obituary Index http://neworleanspubliclibrary.org/obits/obits.htm
 - Louisiana State Archives http://www.sos.la.gov
 - o Louisiana Genealogical Society http://www.louisianagenealogy.com/societies.htm
 - o Louisiana Historical Society http://louisianahistoricalsociety.org/resources.html
 - o Louisiana Digital Library http://louisdl.louislibraries.org/
 - o Afro-Louisiana History & Genealogy https://www.ibiblio.org/laslave/
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Louisiana/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=37
- Maine
 - o Maine Genealogy http://www.mainegenealogy.net
 - Maine Historical Society http://www.mainehistory.org/
 - Maine State Archives http://www.maine.gov/sos/arc
 - Marriages 1892-2009 https://portal.maine.gov/marriage/archdev.marriage_archive.search_form
 - Deaths 1960-2009 https://portal.maine.gov/death/archdev.death archive.search form
 - Rev. War Land Grants http://www.maine.gov/sos/arc/research/revwargrants.html
 - o Maine Memory Network http://www.mainememory.net
 - o University of Maine Digital Collections http://libraries.maine.edu/gateway/
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Maine/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=16

- Maryland
 - o Archives of Maryland Online http://aomol.net
 - o Maryland State Archives http://www.msa.maryland.gov
 - Site Index http://msa.maryland.gov/msa/homepage/html/siteindex.html
 - Indices http://guide.mdsa.net/viewer.cfm?page=topviewed
 - Census Indexes (1776, 1778, 1870, 1880) http://census.msa.maryland.gov/
 - Early Settlers of Maine http://msa.maryland.gov/msa/speccol/sc4300/sc4341/html/search.html
 - Maps http://guide.mdsa.net/viewer.cfm?page=maps
 - o Maryland Genealogical Society http://www.mdgensoc.org
 - o Maryland Historical Society http://www.mdhs.org/museum/collections-online
 - o Maryland Colonia Wills http://msa.maryland.gov/megafile/msa/stagsere/se1/se4/000000/html/
 - o Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties http://mht.maryland.gov/research_mihp.shtml
 - o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Maryland/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=53

Massachusetts

- Massachusetts Archives http://www.sec.state.ma.us/arc/arcsearch/SearchWelcome.html
 - Vitals Records (1841-1910)
 http://www.sec.state.ma.us/arc/arcsrch/VitalRecordsSearchContents.html
 - Master Index http://www.sec.state.ma.us/vitalrecordssearch/VitalRecordsSearch.aspx
 - Passenger Manifests http://www.sec.state.ma.us/ArchivesSearch/Passengermanifest.aspx
 - Archive Collection http://www.sec.state.ma.us/ArchivesSearch/RevolutionarySearch.aspx
 - Commonwealth Museum http://www.sec.state.ma.us/mus/index.html
- o Massachusetts Memories http://openarchives.umb.edu
- o Massachusetts Genealogical Society <u>www.americanancestors.org</u>
 - New England Historical Genealogical Society Library http://library.nehgs.org
- o Massachusetts Historical Society http://www.masshist.org/collections/online
- o Massachusetts Deaths 1841-1915 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1463156
- o MA Cultural Resource Info Systems (Historic homes) http://mhc-macris.net/
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Massachusetts/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=52

Michigan

- o Seeking Michigan (Deaths 1897-1920, 1921-1939) http://seekingmichigan.org
 - Indexes http://seekingmichigan.org/about/indexes
- o Michigan Deaths 1867-1897 index https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1452402
- Western Michigan Genealogical Society http://data.wmgs.org
- o Michigan Genealogical Council http://mimgc.org
- Historical Society of Michigan http://www.hsmichigan.org
- o Michigan State Archives http://www.michigan.gov/mhc/0,4726,7-282-61083---,00.html
- O Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Michigan/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=17

Minnesota

- Minnesota Discovery Center http://www.ironrangeresearchcenter.org
- State Archives at the Minnesota Historical Society http://www.mnhs.org/genealogy
 - People Search http://greatriversnetwork.org/index.php?
 - Collections Online http://greatriversnetwork.org/index.php?brand=cms
 - Maps http://content.mnhs.org/maps/
 - Historic Properties http://nrhp.mnhs.org/
 - Minnesota History Magazine http://www.mnhs.org/market/mhspress/minnesotahistory/
- Minnesota Genealogical Society http://www.mngs.org
- o Minnesota Official Marriage System https://moms.mn.gov/Search
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Minnesota/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=18

Mississippi

- o Mississippi Department of Archives & History http://mdah.state.ms.us/arrec
- Mississippi Genealogical Society www/msgensociety.org/about_us.html
- Mississippi Historical Society & State Archives http://mdah.state.ms.us/new/
 - Digital Archives http://mdah.state.ms.us/arrec/digital archives/

- Biographical Index
 - http://opac2.mdah.state.ms.us/biosrchform.php?referer=http://zed.mdah.state.ms.us
- Freedman's Bureau
 http://opac2.mdah.state.ms.us/freedmanblurh.php
 - http://opac2.mdah.state.ms.us/freedmanblurb.php?referer=http://zed.mdah.state.ms.us
- Other searchable records http://zed.mdah.state.ms.us/
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Mississippi/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=54

Missouri

- o Missouri Digital Heritage http://sos.mo.gov/mdh
 - Civil War Collection http://www.sos.mo.gov/mdh/CivilWar/
 - Special Exhibits http://www.sos.mo.gov/mdh/exhibits.asp#mo
 - Birth & Deaths pre-1910 http://s1.sos.mo.gov/records/archives/archivesdb/BirthDeath/#searchDB
 - Death Certificates 1910-1964 http://s1.sos.mo.gov/records/archives/archives/deathcertificates/
- Missouri Genealogical Society http://www.mosga.org
- o State Historical Society of Missouri http://shs.umsystem.edu
- o Missouri State Archives http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/
 - Research Room http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/resources.asp
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Missouri/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=38

Montana

- Montana Memory Project http://mtmemory.org
- o Montana State Genealogical Society http://montanamsgs.org
- o Montana Historical Society http://mhs.mt.gov/research/library/collections
- o Montana State Library http://home.msl.mt.gov/
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Montana/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=19

Nebraska

- Nebraska State Historical Society http://nebraskahistory.org
 - Virtual Exhibits http://nebraskahistory.org/exhibits/index.shtml
 - Photographs http://www.nebraskahistory.org/lib-arch/research/photos/highlite/index.htm
 - Databases http://nebraskahistory.org/databases/more databases.htm
 - Collections http://nebraskahistory.org/databases/index.shtml
- o Nebraska Genealogical Society http://nsgs.org
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Nebraska/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=40

Nevada

- Clark County Recorder's Office Record Search System http://recorder.co.clark.nv.us/RecorderEccommerce
- o Carson City Marriages http://www.ccapps.org/cgi-bin/dmw200
- o Douglas County Marriages http://rdb.douglascountynv.net/
- Washoe County Marriages http://www.washoecounty.us/clerks/mlb/search marriage records.php
- o Digital Collections http://206.194.194.211:2011/cdm
- o Nevada Genealogical Society http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nvsgs/
- o Nevada Historical Society http://museums.nevadaculture.org/index.html
- Nevada State Archives http://nsla.nv.gov/
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Nevada/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=21

New Hampshire

- o New Hampshire Genealogy & History http://www.nh.searchroots.com
- o New Hampshire Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/newhampshire/
- o New Hampshire Archives http://www.sos.nh.gov/archives/default.html
- New Hampshire State Library http://www.nh.gov/nhsl/
- o New Hampshire Historical Society http://www.nhhistory.org/imagecollections.html
- o New Hampshire Vital Records http://sos.nh.gov/vital_records.aspx
- New Hampshire Deeds http://nhdeeds.com/
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/New-Hampshire/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=41

- New Jersey
 - o New Jersey State Archives http://www.nj.gov/state/archives/index.html
 - Database http://www.nj.gov/state/archives/searchdatabase.html
 - Marriages 1665-1799
 - https://wwwnet1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/ColonialMarriages.aspx
 - Marriage Index 1848-1878 https://www.net1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/Marriage1867.aspx
 - Death Index 1878-1893 https://www.net1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/DeathIndex.aspx
 - Passaic Co. 1885 Census
 - https://www.net1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/Census1885.aspx
 - Legal Name Changes 1847-1947
 https://www.net1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/NameChanges.aspx
 - Early Land Records 1650-1801 https://wwwnet1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/NJProprietors.aspx
 - Rev. War Damage https://wwwnet1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/RevWarDamages.aspx
 - Supreme Court Cases 1704-1844
 https://www.net1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/SupremeCourt.aspx
 - Civil War https://www.net1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/StrykerCivilWar.aspx
 - Civil War Payment Vouchers
 https://wwwnet1.state.nj.us/DOS/Admin/ArchivesDBPortal/CivilWarVouchers.aspx
 - Digital Images http://www.nj.gov/state/archives/searchimgcollections.html
 - NJ Documents http://www.nj.gov/state/archives/doctreasures.html
 - o Genealogical Society of New Jersey http://www.gsnj.org
 - New Jersey Historical Society http://www.jerseyhistory.org/genealogy.html
 - New Jersey State Library Collections http://www.njstatelib.org/research_library/collections/
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/New-Jersey/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=42
- New Mexico
 - o New Mexico Archives Project http://www.usgarchives.net/nm/deaths.htm
 - New Mexico Genealogical Society http://www.nmgs.org
 - Historical Society of New Mexico http://www.hsnm.org
 - o New Mexico State Center & Archives http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/archives/about-the-archives
 - o Online Archive of New Mexico http://oanm.unm.edu/
 - o New Mexico Digital Collections http://econtent.unm.edu/cdm/
 - o NM State Library Digital Archive http://www.nmstatelibrary.org/research-and-collections/collections/digital-archive
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/New-Mexico/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=55
- New York
 - o German Genealogy Group http://www.germangenealogygroup.com
 - o Italian Genealogical Group http://italiangen.org
 - New York County Will Testators Index http://www.sampubco.com/wills/ny/newyork.htm
 - Old Fulton NY Post Cards (has world wide newspapers too) http://fultonhistory.com/Fulton.html
 - o New York Public Library Digital Gallery http://digitalcollections.nypl.org
 - o New York Genealogical & Biographical Society http://newyorkfamilyhistory.org
 - New York Historical Society http://www.nyhistory.org
 - o New York State Archives http://www.archives.nysed.gov/aindex.shtml
 - Digital Collections http://www.archives.nysed.gov/d/index.shtml
 - Name Index http://www.archives.nysed.gov/a/research/indexes/index universal.shtml
 - Civil War Database http://iarchives.nysed.gov/CivilWarWeb/search.jsp
 - o New York State Library http://nysl.nysed.gov/uhtbin/cgisirsi.exe/x/x/0/49/
 - o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/New-York/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=22

North Carolina

- North Carolina Family Records Online http://statelibrary.ncdcr/digital/ncfamilyrecords
- State Archives of North Carolina http://archives.ncdcr.gov
 - Digital Collections
 - http://www.ncdcr.gov/archives/Public/DigitalCollectionsandPublications.aspx#ncdc
 - Family Records http://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/digital/ncfamilyrecords/index.html
 - Manuscript Search http://mars.archives.ncdcr.gov/AdvancedSearch.aspx
- o North Carolina Genealogical Society http://www.ncgenealogy.org
- North Carolina Office of Archives & History http://www.history.ncdcr.gov
- O Documenting the American South http://docsouth.unc.edu
- o Digital Library on American Slavery http://library.uncg.edu/slavery
- o The Transatlantic Slave Trade Database http://www.slavevoyages.org
- o North Carolina Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/northcarolina/
- UNC Collection Photographic Archives http://dc.lib.unc.edu/cdm/archivalhome/collection/dig nccpa
- o Wilson Library Special Collections http://library.unc.edu/wilson/ncc/
- North Caroline ECHO http://www.ncecho.org/
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/North-Carolina/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=20

North Dakota

- o ND Dept of Public Health Death Index http://secure.apps.state.nd.us/doh/certificates/deathCertSearch.html
- ND State Univ. Inst. for Regional Studies http://library.ndsu.edu/ndsuarchives/genealogy-and-biography
 - Naturalizations http://library.ndsu.edu/db/naturalization/
 - Biographies http://library.ndsu.edu/db/biography/
 - 1885 Territorial Census http://library.ndsu.edu/db/census/
 - Oral History http://history.nd.gov/archives/dataoralhistory.html
 - Veterans History http://history.nd.gov/archives/veterans.html
 - Obituary Index http://library.ndsu.edu/db/obituary/
 - Cass Co. Marriage License Index http://library.ndsu.edu/db/marriage/
 - Cass County Divorces http://library.ndsu.edu/db/cassdivorce/
 - Fargo Forum newspaper index 1879-1975 http://library.ndsu.edu/db/Forum/indexold
 - Fargo Forum newspaper index 1976-1995 http://library.ndsu.edu/db/Forum/
 - The Spectrum newspaper index 1896- http://library.ndsu.edu/db/specarch/
 - The Record newspaper index 1895-1905 http://library.ndsu.edu/db/record/
- North Dakota Genealogical Society http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ndsgs
- State Historical Society of North Dakota http://history.nd.gov
 - Digital Resources http://history.nd.gov/archives/digitalresources.html
 - Databases http://history.nd.gov/archives/drdatabases.html
- o Digital Horizons http://digitalhorizonsonline.org/
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/North-Dakota/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=39

Ohio

- o Ohio Memory http://www.ohiomemory.org
- Ohio Obituary Index http://index.rbhayes.org/hayes/index
- Ohio Genealogical Society http://www.ogs.org
- Ohio History Connection http://ohiohistory.org
 - Ohio Timelines http://www.ohiohistoryhost.org/ohiomemory/resources/maps-timelines
 - Digital Collections http://www.ohiohistory.org/learn/collections/digital-collections
 - Archives http://www.ohiohistory.org/learn/archives-library
 - Death Index http://apps.ohiohistory.org/death/
- Ohio Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/ohio/
- o Cincinnati History Library and Archives http://library.cincymuseum.org
- o Cincinnati Public Library City Directories
 - http://virtuallibrary.cincinnatilibrary.org/virtuallibrary/vl citydir.aspx
- Ohio's Digitized Newspapers http://www.ohiohistoryhost.org/ohiomemory/newspapers
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Ohio/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=43

- Databases
 - County Births, 1867-1908 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1932106
 - Birth Index, 1908-1964 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=3146
 - County Marriages https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1614804
 - Marriage Index 1970, 1972-2007 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=2025
 - Divorce Index 1962-1963, 1967-1971, 1973-2007
 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=2026
 - County Deaths, 1867-1908 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/2128172
 - Deaths 1908-1952 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1307272
 - Deaths 1908-1932, 1938-2000 http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=5763
 - Probates https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1992421
 - Tax records search the catalog for the specific county in the FamilySearch catalog
- Oklahoma
 - Oklahoma Historical Society http://okhistory.org
 - Obituary Index 1972-2009 http://www.okhistory.org/research/obits.php
 - Dawes Final Rolls 1898-1906 http://www.okhistory.org/research/dawes
 - OK Marriage Records 1889-1930 http://www.okhistory.org/research/marriagerec.php
 - 1890 Oklahoma Territorial Census http://www.okhistory.org/research/smiths
 - The Gateway Newspaper http://gateway.okhistory.org/
 - Oklahoma Genealogical Society http://www.okgensoc.org
 - Oklahoma State Archives http://www.odl.state.ok.us/oar/
 - Collection http://www.odl.state.ok.us/oar/archives/collections.htm
 - Confederate Pension Record Index http://www.odl.state.ok.us/oar/docs/pension.pdf
 - o Digital Prairie http://digitalprairie.ok.gov/
 - o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Oklahoma/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=44
- Oregon
 - Oregon State Archives Databases http://sos.oregon.gov/archives/Pages/databases-index.aspx
 - Historic Photograph Collection
 - http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/records/historicalphotoslink.html
 - Early Oregonians https://secure.sos.state.or.us/prs/processLogin.do
 - Oregon Historical Records Index http://genealogy.state.or.us
 - Oregon State University Digital Archives
 - http://scarc.library.oregonstate.edu/digitalresources/oma/index.html
 - Special Collections http://scarc.library.oregonstate.edu/
 - o Genealogical Forum of Oregon http://www.gfo.org
 - o Oregon Genealogical Society http://facebook.com/OregonGenSoc
 - Oregon Historical Society http://www.ohs.org
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Oregon/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=56
- Pennsylvania
 - o Pennsylvania State Archives http://www.digitalarchives.state.pa.us/
 - Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/state_archives/2887

 - City of Philadelphia death certificate from 1803-1915 and Pittsburg City death records 1870-1905 https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list#page=1&countryId=23
 - o Pennsylvania Genealogical Society http://genpa.org
 - o Pennsylvania Historical Society http://hsp.org
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Pennsylvania/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=23

Rhode Island

- o Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Commission http://www.rihistoriccemeteries.org
- o Rhode Island Genealogical Society http://www.rigensoc.org
- Rhode Island Historical Society http://www.rihs.org
- o Rhode Island State Archives http://sos.ri.gov/archives/
 - Virtual Archives http://sos.ri.gov/virtualarchives/
 - History http://sos.ri.gov/library/history/
- o Brown University Digital Collections http://library.brown.edu/cds/repository2/collections.php
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Rhode-Island/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=24

South Carolina

- South Carolina Department of Archives & History http://archives.sc.gov
 - Digital Collections http://archives.sc.gov/onlineresearch/Pages/DigitalCollections.aspx
 - Online Research http://archives.sc.gov/onlineresearch/Pages/default.aspx
 - Online Record Index http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/
 - SC ArchCat Online Catalog http://rediscov.sc.gov/scar/
- o South Carolina Genealogical Society http://scgen.org
- o South Carolina Historical Society http://www.southearolinahistoricalsociety.org
- South Carolina Death & Burial Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/southcarolina/
- South Carolina Digital Library http://scmemory.org/
- o SCIWAY http://www.sciway.net/lib/archives.html
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/South-Carolina/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=25

South Dakota

- South Dakota Birth Records http://apps.sd.gov/PH14Over100BirthRec/index.aspx
- South Dakota State Historical Society http://history.sd.gov/archives/genealogists.aspx
 - Digital Archives http://sddigitalarchives.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/
 - Historical Photos http://sddigitalarchives.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/photos
 - Manuscripts http://sddigitalarchives.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/manuscript
 - Cemetery Record Search https://apps.sd.gov/dt58cemetery/
 - BMD Search http://history.sd.gov/forms/surname/SurnameArchive.aspx
 - Farmer's Alliance http://history.sd.gov/Archives/farmers/Search.aspx
 - Biographies http://history.sd.gov/Archives/Data/Biofile/default.aspx
 - Other Records http://history.sd.gov/Archives/researchers.aspx
- o South Dakota Genealogical Society http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~sdgs/
- o Digital Library of South Dakota http://dlsd.sdln.net/
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/South-Dakota/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=45

Tennessee

- o Tennessee State Library & Archives http://www.tn.gov/tsla/Collections.htm
 - Digital Collections http://www.tn.gov/tsla/resources/index.htm
 - Nashville City Directories http://www.tn.gov/tsla/CityDirectories.htm
 - Photograph Database http://tnsos.org/tsla/imagesearch/index.php
 - Photograph & Image Search http://tnsos.org/tsla/imagesearch/
 - Civil War Database http://www.tn.gov/tsla/resources/civilwar database.htm
 - 19th Century Newspapers http://www.tn.gov/tsla/resources/19th newspapers.htm
 - Research Collections http://www.tn.gov/tsla/Collections.htm
 - Davidson Co. Death Records 1900-1913 http://www.tn.gov/tsla/history/vital/davidson1.htm
 - TN Death Record Index 1908-1912 http://www.tn.gov/tsla/history/vital/death2.htm#a
- o Tennessee Genealogical Society http://www.tngs.org
- o Tennessee Historical Society http://www.tennesseehistory.org
- o Tennessee Death Records & Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/tennessee/
- o Tennessee Virtual Archive http://teva.contentdm.oclc.org/
- East Tennessee State University-Archives of Appalachia http://www.etsu.edu/cass/archives/
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Tennessee/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=57

- Texas
 - o Texas Heritage Online http://www.texasheritageonline.org
 - Texas State Library & Archives Commission http://tsl.state.tx.us/arc/genfirst.html
 - Military & Rangers Service Records 1836-1935 https://www.tsl.texas.gov/apps/arc/service/
 - Confederate Pension Applications https://www.tsl.texas.gov/apps/arc/pensions/
 - Confederate Indigent Families List 1863-1865 https://www.tsl.texas.gov/arc/cif/index.html
 - Republic of Texas Claims https://www.tsl.texas.gov/apps/arc/repclaims/
 - Genealogy Resources https://www.tsl.texas.gov/arc/genfirst.html
 - o Texas Genealogical Society http://www.txsgs.org
 - o Texas Heritage Society http://www.texasheritagesociety.org
 - o Texas General Land Office http://www.glo.texas.gov/
 - o Texas Ranger Research Center http://www.texasranger.org/E-Books/E-Books.html
 - o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Texas/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=26
- Utah
 - Utah Historical Society http://heritage.utah.gov/history
 - Utah Cemeteries & Burial Database http://heritage.utah.gov/history/cemeteries
 - Utah Digital Newspapers http://digitalnewspapers.org and http://pioneer.utah.gov/digital/utah.html
 - o Utah State Archives Name Indexes http://archives.utah.gov/research/indexes
 - Digital Archives http://www.archives.state.ut.us/digital/
 - Prisoner's Pardons http://archives.utah.gov/digital/328.htm
 - Indiana War Service Records http://archives.utah.gov/digital/2217.htm
 - Name Indexes http://www.archives.state.ut.us/research/indexes/index.html
 - Family History Records http://archives.utah.gov/research/guides/familyhistory.htm
 - o Mountain West Digital Library (includes AZ, ID, MT, NV and UT) http://www.mwdl.org
 - o Utah Death Certificates 1904-1963 http://archives.utah.gov/research/indexes/20842.htm
 - Utah Genealogical Society http://www.infouga.org
 - o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Utah/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=27
- Vermont
 - Vermont Historical Society http://vermonthistory.org
 - Genealogy http://vermonthistory.org/research/genealogy/genealogy-indexes-and-lists
 - Vermont Genealogical Society http://www.genealogyvermont.org
 - Vermont State Archives https://www.sec.state.vt.us/archives-records.aspx
 - Archive Index https://www.sec.state.vt.us/archives-records/state-archives/find-records/archival-records.aspx
 - Vital Records https://www.sec.state.vt.us/archives-records/vital-records.aspx
 - Manuscripts https://www.sec.state.vt.us/archives-records/state-archives/find-records/manuscript-vermont-state-papers.aspx
 - Maps https://www.sec.state.vt.us/archives-records/state-archives/find-records/maps-and-plans.aspx
 - Photos https://www.sec.state.vt.us/archives-records/state-archives/find-records/photographs.aspx
 - o Vermont Death Records and Indexes http://www.deathindexes.com/vermont/
 - o University of Vermont Libraries Special Collections http://library.uvm.edu/sc/
 - o Vermont Department of Libraries (has newspapers) http://libraries.vermont.gov/
 - o ArcCat Catalog of VT Archives & Manuscripts http://arccat.uvm.edu/
 - O Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Vermont/Default.aspx
 - FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=47
- Virginia
 - o Library of Virginia http://www.lva.virginia.gov
 - Wills & Administrations http://www.lva.virginia.gov/public/guides/opac/willsab-out.htm
 - Virginia Memory http://www.virginiamemory.com
 - Chancery index http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/
 - Lost Record Localities http://www.virginiamemory.com/collections/lost
 - Rev. War Bounties http://lva1.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/F/?func=file&file_name=find-b-clas39&local_base=CLAS39

- Rev. War Rejected Claims http://lva1.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/F/?func=file&file_name=find-b-clas60&local_base=CLAS60
- Rev. War Pensions http://lva1.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/F/?func=file&file_name=find-b-clas62&local_base=CLAS62
- World War I Questionnaires http://lva1.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/F/?func=file&file_name=find-b-clas13&local base=CLAS13
- Virginia Genealogical Society http://www.vgs.org
- Virginia Historical Society http://vahistorical.org
- Virginia Military Institute Digital Exhibits http://www.vmi.edu/Content.aspx?id=312
- o Virginia Commonwealth University Digital Collections http://dig.library.vcu.edu/
- O Virginia Tech ImageBase http://imagebase.lib.vt.edu/browse.php
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Virginia/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=46

Washington

- Washington State Archives http://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov/search
- Washington State Library http://www.sos.wa.gov/library
 - Genealogy http://www.sos.wa.gov/library/Genealogy.aspx
 - Digital Collections http://www.sos.wa.gov/library/digcolls.aspx
- Washington State Genealogical Society http://www.wasgs.org
- Washington Historical Society http://www.washingtonhistory.org
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Washington/Default.aspx
- FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=58

West Virginia

- West Virginia Archives & History http://www.wvculture.org/history/genealogy.html
 - History http://www.wvculture.org/history/history.html
 - Databases http://www.wvculture.org/history/wvmemory/index.html
 - Photo Collection http://www.wvculture.org/history/wvmemory/photointro.html
 - Memory Project http://www.wvculture.org/history/wvmemory/imlsintro.html
 - Vital Records Search 1853-1964 http://www.wvculture.org/vrr/va_select.aspx
 - Surnames http://www.wvculture.org/history/surintro.html
 - Civil War Medals http://www.wvculture.org/history/medals.html
 - Militia Database http://www.wvculture.org/history/wvmemory/mil.aspx
 - Veterans Memorial Database http://www.wvculture.org/history/wvmemory/wvvetmem.html
 - Online Museum Exhibits http://www.wvculture.org/museum/exhibitsonline.html
 - Online History Exhibits http://www.wvculture.org/history/exhibits.html
- Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/West-Virginia/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=28

Wisconsin

- Wisconsin Historical Society http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/genealogy
 - Family History Search http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Content.aspx?dsNav=N:1220
 - Collections http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Content.aspx?dsNav=N:1133
 - Digital Collection http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Content.aspx?dsNav=N:1135
 - Maps & Atlases http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Content.aspx?dsNav=N:1166
 - Civil War http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Content.aspx?dsNav=N:1170
 - Community History http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Content.aspx?dsNav=N:1177
 - Shipwreck Database http://www.maritimetrails.org/research-shipwrecks.php
 - Holocaust survivors Oral Histories http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/HolocaustSurvivors/
- Wisconsin State Genealogical Society http://wsgs.org
- Wisconsin Digital Archives http://www.wistatedocuments.org/
- o Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Wisconsin/Default.aspx
- o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=59

- Wyoming
 - o Wyoming Newspapers http://wyonewspapers.org
 - Wyoming State Archives Society http://wyoarchives.state.wy.us
 - Death Certificates Database 1909-1939 http://wyoarchives.state.wy.us/DCD/Index.aspx
 - Maps http://wyoarchives.state.wy.us/Archives/Maps.aspx
 - Photos http://wyoarchives.state.wy.us/Archives/Photo.aspx
 - o Wyoming Historical Society http://www.wyshs.org
 - Wyoming State Library Digital Collections http://publications.wyo.gov/wyoming-digital-collections
 - Wyoming Newspapers http://newspapers.wyo.gov/
 - Wyoming Places http://places.wyo.gov/
 - o Rocky Mountain Online Archive http://rmoa.unm.edu/
 - Ancestry.com Databases http://search.ancestry.com/Places/US/Wyoming/Default.aspx
 - o FamilySearch Databases https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list/?page=1&countryId=29

Newspaper websites

GenealogyBank
 Newspaper Archives
 Newspapers.com
 http://newspaperarchive.com
 http://newspapers.com

• Chronicling America http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov

Legacy.com http://www.legacy.com

Obituary Depot http://www.daddezio.com/obituary/depot/

Tributes.com http://www.tributes.com

Obituary Daily Times http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~obituary/

Obituary Central http://www.obitcentral.com
 Elephind http://www.elephind.com
 From Newspaper Archives http://fromewspapersrephives.uppers/http://fromewspapersrephives.uppers/http://fromewspapersrephives.uppers/http://fromewspapersrephives.uppers/http://fromewspapersrephives.uppers/http://fromewspapersrephives.uppers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/http://fromewspapers/

Free Newspaper Archives http://freenewspaperarchives.us

Google Newspaper Archive http://news.google.com/newspapers

Online Historical Newspapers Website http://sites.google.com/site/onlinenewspapersite

Ancestorhunt.com http://ancestorhunt.com

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26. Italian Research

by: Michael Garrambone

Italy Introduction

- The People
- The Country
- The Heritage
- The Family
- The Church
- The Music
- The Food
- The Arts
- The Architecture

The Three Basic Research Facts

- 1. Full Original Name (nome, cognome)
 - For example, Antonino Porcello
 - Watch for variations in spellings (e.g., A. Porchella)
- 2. Approximate Date of Birth (nascita)
 - For example, 10 December 1888 (note 4 digit year)
 - Estimates (fathers birth year \sim = son's birth 20 years)
- 3. Location of Birth or town (comune)
 - Country and region
 - Provinces and town

Finding the Name

- Talk to Relatives (Best and Worst way)
 - Gather existing documents
 - Watch for mistakes, watch for omissions
- Research Documents
 - For example, son born in 1985
 - Estimate (fathers birth = 1985 20 = 1965)
- Search Heirlooms
 - Travel cards, religious articles
 - Family Bibles, photographs
 - Passports, newspaper clippings

Italian Naming Ideas

Finding the Birth Date

- Birth Records, Baptism Records
- Marriage Announcements, Marriage records
- Death records
- School records
- Censuses (watch the spellings)
- Ship Passenger Lists
- Family Bibles

Looking for a Birth Date

Italian Regions

- The 107 Provinces
- Finding the City Locator Fiche
- Detail Files Information
- Sicily
- Naro in Agrigento, Sicily

Things to Know About Italian Records

Migration

Passenger Ship Records

Family History Center Records

Arranged by Locality

- Anno (year)
- Provincia (province)
- Distretto (district)
- Comune (city or town)
- Type records (b, b, n, m, d)
- Indexed/non-indexed records
- Grouped records
- Municipal records

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Colletta, John P. They Came in Ships. Ancestry Publishing, 1998 (ISBN: 0-91648-942-6), 109 pages

Harper Collins Italian Dictionary. Harper & Row: New York, 1990 (ISBN 0-06-055253-0)

Nelson, Lynn. Discovering Your Italian Ancestors. Betterway Books: Cincinnati, Ohio 1997, (ISBN 1-55870-426-4)

Terrific Family History Library and other Italian Reference Materials

- Family History Library Catalog (30968)
- Italian Genealogical Word List (34071)
- Italian Letter-Writing Guide (36338)
- Italian Research Outline (34113)

Addendum to Italian Genealogy I: Key Italian Word Listing

Complete list at: https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Italian_Genealogical_Word_List

Italian	English	English	Italian	English	Italian
Frequently seen words		Counting Numbers		Months	
anni	age (years of)	1	uno	January	gennaio
anno	year	2	due	February	febbraio
bambino	child	3	tre	March	marzo
battesimo, -i	baptism(s),	4	quattro	April	aprile
cognome	surname	5	cinque	May	maggio
coniugato, -i	marriage(s)	6	sei	June	giugno
cresima, -e	confirmation(s)	7	sette	July	luglio
decesso, -i	death(s)	8	otto	August	agosto
figlia di	daughter of	9	nove	_	settembre
figlio di	son of	10	dieci	October	ottobre
genitori	parents	11	undici	November	novembre
indice	index	12	dodici	December	dicembre
infante	child	13	tredici		
nata, nascita, -e	birth(s)	14	quattordici	Days of the	Week
notificazioni	banns	15	quindici	Sunday	domenica
madre	mother	16	sedici	Monday	lunedì
padre	father	17	diciassette	Tuesday	martedì
sposo	husband	18	diciotto	Wednesday	mercoledì
matrimono,	marriage(s)	19	diciannove	Thursday	giovedì
mese	month	20	venti	Friday	venerdì
moglie	wife	21	ventuno	Saturday	sabato
decesso, -i	death(s)	22	ventidue		
neonato, neonat	neonato, neonata child		ventitre	Times of the Day	
nome	name	24	ventiquattro	afternoon	pomeriggio
notificazioni	banns	25	venticinque	16th hour :(4:00 PM)	alle ore sedici
padrini	godparents	26	ventisei	before noon	ante meridiane
parrocchia	parish	27	ventisette	day	giorno
pubblicazioni	banns	28	ventotto	evening	sera
seppellimento,	sepolto,	29	ventinove	hour	ora
sepolture, -i	burial(s)	29	ventinove	midday	mezzogiorno
sposa	wife	30	trenta	midnight	mezzanotte
sposato	marriage(s)	31	trentuno	month	mese
sposo	husband	40	quaranta	monthly	mensile
vedovo, -a -	widower,	50	cinquanta	morning	mattina
	widow	60	sessanta	night	notte
		70	settanta	the month of	del mese di
		80	ottanta	on the day	addì
		90	novanta	year	anno
		100	cento	yesterday	ieri
		200	duecento	yesterday evening	iersera
		1000	mille	yesterday morning	iermattina

Key Words in Documents		Some Professions		Special Document Words	
English	Italian	Italian	English	Italian English	
Birth Certificate	atto di nascita	agricoltore	farmer	archivi di stato state archives	
Mayor-	sindaco	albergatore	innkeeper	beni immobili real property	
Official-	ufficiale	assessore	alderman	bisnonna great-grandmother	
City-	città	avvocato	lawyer	bisnonno great-grandfather	
Act of-	atto di	banchiere	banker	carte maps, charts	
Certificate-	certificato	barbiere	barber	casa house	
Profession-	professione	barca,	boat maker	celibe bachelor, bachelorette,	
Parish-	parrocchia	barcaiolo	boatman	single, unmarried	
Parish priest-	parroco	barilaio	cooper,	censimento census	
Priest-	sacerdote	barista	bartender	chiesa church	
Bishop-	vescovo	beccaio	butcher	cittadinanze citizenship	
Time-	tempo	beccamorti	grave digger	cittadino, -a citizen	
Witnesses-	testimoni	becchino	grave digger	corrente mese current month d.	
Notice-	indicazione	bettoliere	tavern keeper	don respectful male title	
Page-	foglio	bidello	janitor	decennio decade	
Mr-	signore	bifolco	plowman	decesso, -a deceased, late	
Mrs-	signora	boaro	cattle hand	dichiarato che declared that	
father-	padre	Borghese by	urgher, citizen	è comparso, -a appeared	
mother-	madre	bottaio	cooper	estratto extract	
husband-	marito	bottegaio	shopkeeper	frazione hamlet	
wife-	moglie	bovaro	cattle driver	fu late, deceased, was	
son-	figlio	bracciale	laborer	gemelli twins	
daughter-	figlia	bracciante	farm laborer	genealogia genealogy	
baby (m), (f)	bambino, -a	bucataia	washwoman	indice index	
grandmother-	nonna	cacciatore	hunter	indici decennali ten-year index	
grandfather-	nonno	cafone	peasant	legge law	
aunt-	zia	calderaio	tinker	maggiore eldest	
uncle-	zio	calzolaio	shoemaker	marito husband	
birth-	nascita	cameriera	maid, girl	moglie wife	
baptism-	battesimo	cameriere	waiter	notificazioni marriage banns	
marriage-	matrimonio	cappellaio	hatter	numero number	
	lenne promessa di	carabiniere	policeman	ora hour	
	lebrare matrimonio	carbonaio	coal dealer	processetti marriage supplement	
death-	morto	carraio	wheelwright	profession profession	
name-	nome	cucitrice	seamstress	provincia province	
surname-	cognome	dottore	doctor	pubblicazioni publications	
parents-	genitori	fattore	farmer	(marriage banns)	
great grandfather		ferraio	blacksmith	regione region	
great grandmothe	er-bisnonna	filatore	spinner	riveli tax lists, declarations	
as above-	come sopra	filatrice	spinner	sesso sex (gender)	
first	primo	fioraio	florist	sottoscritto the undersigned	
second	secondo	fornaio	baker	stato civile civil registration	
		gendarme	policeman	testimonio, -a witness	

27. Newspapers.com – Library Edition

by: Anne Wachs

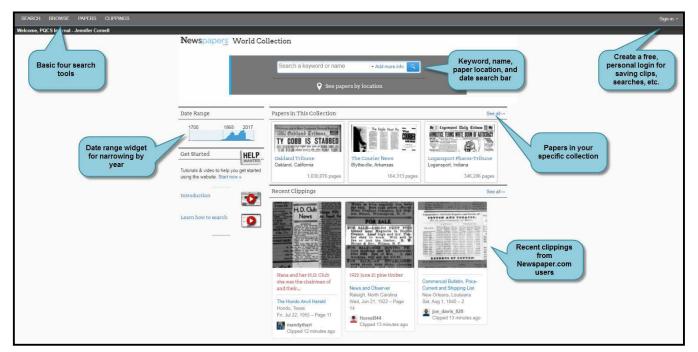


Distributed by ProQuest into library markets worldwide, **Newspapers.com Library Edition** is an extensive database that provides online access to 10,000+ (and growing!) historical newspapers from nearly 60 locations in the US and worldwide. Numbering over 100 million pages, the World Collection is a prime resource for genealogy and historical content.

Dating from the late 1600s into the 2010s, Newspapers.com Library Edition contains full and partial runs of regional, state, and local titles from the United States and other countries.

Invaluable for researchers, historians, genealogists, teachers and students, **Newspapers.com Library Edition** provides greater opportunities for longitudinal and comparative analysis of historical events and people, and is a great source of information for genealogists. With ongoing updates and new content continually being added, there's always more to be discovered.

Newspapers.com Library Edition - Home Screen

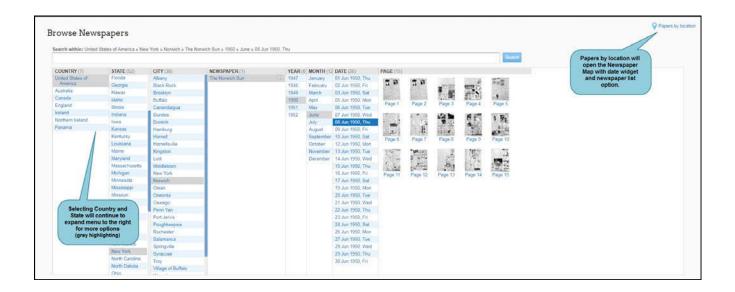


Home Screen:

- Simple search and browse interface
- The user can search, browse, look through papers in a list or by map, and see what others have clipped.

(NOTE: in the image below, the collection shown is from the World Collection; there are various collections available that are based on individual states, regions or world wide.)

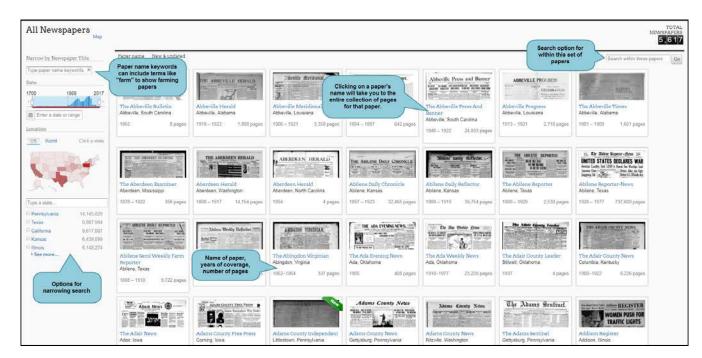
Newspapers.com Library Edition - Browse Screen



When first going to the Browse Newspapers command, you will see the list of countries in your collection as well as the related states, provinces, etc. Every time you select state (or equivalent), the screen will widen to the right as shown above. Each term in grey indicates another choice has been made to specify the paper and edition.

To change back to a different date or paper or state or country, simply click on that term (going from right to left).

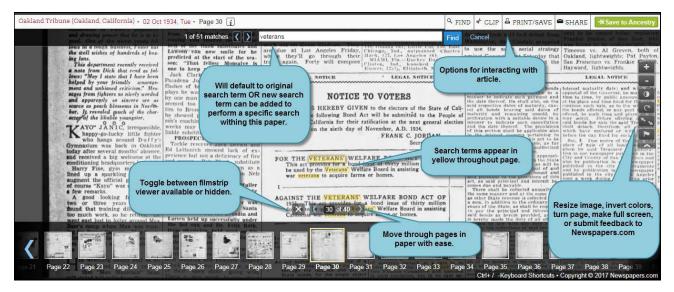
Newspapers.com Library Edition - All Newspapers



There are a lot of options for browsing all papers in the collection or narrowing to location, date range, keyword of paper (farm, for example), etc. It is also a simple way to see how much coverage (number of pages and years) a particular title has.

Clicking on a newspaper's name will take you into an overview of the paper including recently clipped articles, ability to search within or browse, who has provided access to the paper (such as a state's historical society) and a link to their website, an image of date ranges, a calendar to help define your search, nearby papers, and any personal users interested in the paper.

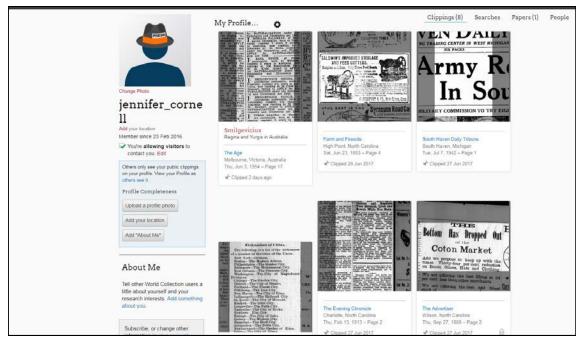
Newspapers.com Library Edition - Article Viewer



Tips:

- You do not need a personal account to view articles but to interact with them (clip, share, save to Ancestry), you will need to set up a free Newspaper.com personal account. Ancestry interaction also requires an Ancestry.com free account.
- Options for saving and printing include .jpeg (image) or .pdf (portable document file). You can save or print a page or part of a page.
- Different Internet browsers (Internet Explorer, Chrome, Firefox, Edge, Safari, etc.) perform download article actions differently. Know how it works so you don't feel like you've lost a download. Consider saving to a flashdrive or cloud account if you use a public computer.
- The back button of your Internet browser will get you back to a previous screen.

Newspapers.com Library Edition - Individual Account

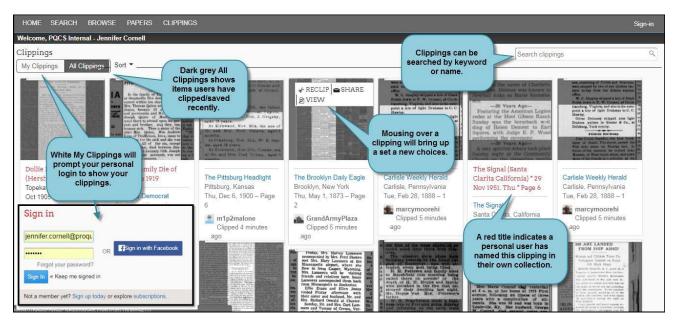


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Newspapers.com Library Edition - Clippings



- To clip an article, just click the "Clip" button in the viewer, move and resize the clipping box around the article you want to clip, and, if you want, add a title or description for the clipping.
- Clips are automatically saved to "My Clippings". You can get to this list by clicking the arrow next to your member name in the upper right of the page and selecting "My Clippings."
- Share clippings by email or social media. Shared clips are viewable by everyone. You can also use a clipping to add a comment or additional information to a page or story.
- By default, clippings you make are "public". You can make a clipping private by clicking the "settings" icon () and unchecking the box next to "Public." You can also change the default setting to not public.

28. FamilySearch Indexing: Easier Than Ever!

by: Milt Rhynard

You can index anytime or anywhere—even in your pajamas. All you need is a computer a tablet and an Internet Connection.

Indexing! People are talking about it. Our leaders are encouraging us to get involved. But what is it? And why is it important? And how can each of us help?

Maybe you always thought you'd try indexing but:

- You didn't know how to get started.
- You didn't think you'd have time.
- You tried it once or twice and it seemed too confusing.
- It didn't seem as important as other <u>family</u> history tasks.

Here are answers to some frequently asked questions to help you get comfortable with indexing.

What is indexing?

- Indexing is a process that helps us organize the data contained in many kinds of records: birth, death, immigration, military, census, deed, probate, and so on.
- You can also choose from records in many different languages (the indexing of non-English records is greatly needed at present).
- Individuals log on to a webbased system to look at images of genealogical records and record what they see into forms on their computers.

Why do we do indexing?

- Indexing makes records available and searchable. As one grateful researcher put it: "An unindexed record is an unfindable record."
- Before indexing began, those who did family history had to manually look through old records, sometimes spending endless hours pouring over microfilms, hoping to find family names.

The indexing process transforms the information into digital format, and searches that used to take hours, days, or even years can now be accomplished in seconds.

- Indexed records make a wonderful new tool possible called "hinting." The computer looks at the information in your family tree and compares it to the FamilySearch database—all 3 plus billion records.
- When it finds a record that matches most or all of the information about an ancestor in your tree, it's posted as a "hint" on that person's FamilySearch profile page.

 These hints can springboard you into many temple and research opportunities.
- Indexing is the engine that fuels the hinting feature.
- The descendancy view of your family tree shows you the descendants of your ancestors, helping you find missing cousins. This powerful feature is also made possible by indexing.

What does it provide the system?

Millions of names are added to FamilySearch through indexing efforts. It is the main s ource of new information added to the system, ready to be utilized by family members

What does indexing provide me personally?

- Through indexing, your computer can bring your ancestors to you. The days of hunching over microfilm readers are all but gone.
- Once records are digitized, they aren't just searchable; but you can even view many of them in their original form right on your computer screen.
- Seeing the original records is like reaching into the past.
- Maybe you're at a temporary standstill on your own family's genealogical research but would nevertheless like to help with the saving work of temple and family history.
- Indexing is one way to stay involved. Who knows? You may be the person who indexes a record that breaks down someone else's research barriers.

I tried indexing but couldn't read the handwriting. How do I overcome this obstacle?

- If you've tried indexing in the past, give the new webbased system a try.
- It's easy to select what difficulty level you want—some projects have easy-to-read handwriting or typescript and can help you gain confidence and experience.
- There is an incredible array of helps available online, from training videos to interactive practice sessions to live help from a host of trained missionaries who can look at the project with you and get you back on track.

I would like to help, but how can I fit it in when I'm so busy already?

- Indexing has been designed so you can do it in small chunks. You can sit down and do a name or two in five minutes or several batches when you have a free afternoon. All you need is a computer or tablet with a web browser and access to the internet. Think about those small free moments you have each day, like on your lunch break or when you're waiting in a doctor's office or even after meetings on the Sabbath. You could make a huge impact in a small amount of time.
- New this year are "quick batches," which are indexing batches consisting of only one or two images. These are great for beginners, people short on time, and volunteers who want to try new languages or difficulty levels.

I'm nervous that I'll do it wrong. What if I make a mistake? Won't that make the name unfindable?

- Relax! Many simple errors are caught by the system as you submit a batch in a computerized quality check. But in addition, every indexed name is checked by an experienced indexer in a process called reviewing (formerly arbitration).
- So don't worry— your efforts don't need to be perfect in order to be of great benefit.

What is reviewing? What are the requirements for becoming a reviewer?

- Once you have some experience indexing and understand how it works, you can volunteer to review. In reviewing, your computer screen will display a genealogical record, along with the indexing work that's been done for it. Your job is to simply check that it has been done correctly. Then the record is ready to be added to FamilySearch. Just as with indexing, reviewing work can all be done online and at your convenience.
- If you have previously worked as an arbitrator, you automatically qualify to volunteer to help with reviewing. Once qualified, volunteers can easily switch between indexing and reviewing.
- Help with reviewing is greatly needed, as there are not nearly as many volunteers help ing with reviewing as indexing. Training and mentoring for reviewing is readily availa ble.

My children are great with computers. Can they help with indexing?

- Anyone who has a FamilySearch account, including children over the age of eight, can participate. Young children should be supervised by an adult who is familiar with indexing. Children should also understand that the records are for temple work and need to be handled with care and be as accurate as possible.
- Persons of other faiths are also welcome to sign up for a free FamilySearch account to help with indexing efforts.

I'm used to the old indexing system. What are some things about the new webbased system that will help me feel more comfortable with it?

- The webbased system gives you the ability to filter and sort the long list of projects, or even mark your favorites, so that you see just the batches you want.
- The webbased system includes simple tutorials, or "Tips," that can help you learn how to use the indexing program. You can customize your indexing experience to your preferences.
- The webbased system also has a feature that allows you to get help at each input window and easily check your work when needed.
- The old indexing system was restricted to desktop computers and laptops, whereas the new webbased system can be used on tablets for even more accessibility. It requires no programs to be installed, so you can be up and running quickly, and your hard drive space is conserved.
- Never has service been so easy or convenient. You can help build the kingdom as you serve at home in your pajamas! In just a few clicks of your computer mouse, the blessings of temple and family history work can start flowing into your life.

Basic indexing guidelines

Information

These guidelines help you know what to do in most indexing situations. Occasionally, projects do not follow these guidelines. **Before indexing, always read the project** instructions and field helps for the most current and specific rules for each project.

Type What You See

Most of the time, you should type what you see on the document. The field helps and project instruction describe any exceptions. Remember, you are making an index to help individuals find their ancestors. In many cases, they can review the information about their ancestors on the image to form their own interpretations and conclusions. If you have questions as you index, do the following:

- Refer to the field helps and project instructions.
- Refer to these basic indexing guidelines.
- Use your best judgment.
- Do not assume information that is not specifically given in the document.
- Contact your local administrator or FamilySearch Support, if needed.

General Guidelines

Abbreviations

- Names
 - DO NOT spell out a name that was abbreviated.
 - o Type names as they were written.
 - o In web indexing, you can include punctuation when typing names; however, including punctuation is not required.

Places

o If the name of a place was misspelled and you can determine the correct spelling, correct the mistake, unless otherwise directed in the project instructions or field helps.

- o If the name of a place was abbreviated and you can determine what the abbreviation stands for, type the complete name instead of the abbreviation, unless otherwise directed in the project instructions or field helps. Use the lookup list for assistance.
- o If you are not sure what an abbreviation stands for, type what was written.
- o In web indexing, you can include punctuation when typing places; however, including punctuation is not required.

Corrected and Crossed-Out Information

- If information was crossed out and replaced, type the replacement information.
- If information was crossed out and not replaced but the original information can be read, type the crossed-out information.
- If information was crossed out and not replaced and the original information cannot be read, press **Ctrl**+**U** to mark the field as unreadable.
- A document that was marked as being canceled or void is treated the same as corrected or crossed-out information.

Ditto Marks

- If a record has a ditto mark or other sign of repetition, type the corresponding information from the previous record or field.
- **DO NOT TYPE** the word "ditto" or the ditto mark itself. Other signs of repetition include the abbreviation "Do" or a vertical or horizontal line under a surname or other information intended to be repeated.

Unreadable Information

- One character. If you are unable to read one letter or number, use a question mark (?) to replace the unreadable letter or number.
 - Example: **H?ndley**
 - o Not all fields accept a question mark. If you cannot enter a needed question mark in a field, press **Ctrl**+**U** to mark the field as unreadable.
- **Multiple characters.** For consecutive unreadable letters or numbers, use an asterisk (*) to replace the unreadable group of letters or numbers.
 - \circ Example: **Di*son**
 - Not all fields accept an asterisk. If you cannot enter an asterisk in a field, press Ctrl+U to mark the field as unreadable.

- One field. When all information for an indexing field is unreadable, click in the field, and then press Ctrl+U to mark the field as unreadable.
- Entire record. When all information in an entire record is unreadable, including the name, date, and any information for other required fields, press Ctrl+Shift+U to mark the entire record as unreadable.
- Entire image. If none of the information to be indexed on the image is readable, select **No Extractable Data** in Step 1: Images. See the Image Type section for more information.

Overlays

Overlays are handwritten or typed notes that cover part of another document. To index overlays, begin by reviewing all the images in the batch to see if the partially covered document was photographed separately from the overlay. Then do the following:

- Index the information on the overlay only if it pertains to the record types being indexed in the project.
- Index the information behind the overlay according to the following rules only if the information on the document pertains to the record types being indexed in the project:
 - o If the document behind the overlay is fully shown on another image in the same batch, do not index the partially visible document. It will be indexed in full with the other image.
 - o If the document behind the overlay is not shown on another image in the same batch, index as much as you can see.

Field-Specific Guidelines

Step 1: Images

The Step 1: Images field is required for all projects. For each image in the batch, respond to the question "Should this image be indexed?" Below are the available options for this field and their definitions.

• Yes. The image contains information related to the project, and it is information that should be indexed. For example, for a birth project, an image of birth records would be marked as Yes and indexed. For the same project, any image that includes only other record types, such as marriages and death records, would be marked as No, No Extractable Data.

- No, Duplicate Image. A duplicate image happens when two or more pictures are taken of the same document. Choose the Duplicate Image option if the image is a photo duplicate of a previous image in the same batch. You then need to indicate the image that the current image is a duplicate of. In the second drop-down menu, select the number of the image that the current image is a duplicate of. For example, if image 3 is a duplicate of image 2, you would select Image 2 in the drop-down menu.
- No, No Extractable Data. The image or form is blank. Or it does not contain information related to the project, for example, marriage records in a birth project. Or none of the information to be indexed is legible.

Names

- If the name of an individual was recorded more than once on the same document, review the entire document to locate all occurrences of the name, and type the name one time with the most complete form of the name.
 - For example, the name of a person recorded as both Wm Millett and William Millett on the same document would be typed as follows:

• Given Names: William

• Surname: Millett

• If you cannot determine whether a name is a given name or a surname, type it in the Given Names field.

Surnames

- Type maiden names before married names in the Surname field.
- Do not assume the surname of an individual based on the surname of someone else, such as a parent or spouse.

However, if a surname was not given for an individual whose information is being indexed and a surname was given in the same document for a family member whose information is not being indexed, you can type a surname for the individual based on the family member's surname.

The same rules and exceptions apply to patronymics. (e.g. Williamson [son of William] or Macdonald [son of Donald])

Titles or Terms

• If "Mrs" was used before a name typically used for males, such as in Mrs. Jason Jones, type **Mrs** in the Title or Terms field if there is one. In this xample, **Jason**would be typed in the Given Names field and **Jones** in the Surname field.

- o If no Titles or Terms field is available, ignore the "Mrs," and type the name in the corresponding name fields for the woman. For the example above, **Jason** would still be typed in the Given Names field and **Jones** in the Surname field.
- When "stillborn" or "baby" was recorded for a name in a document, such terms should be typed in the Titles or Terms field, if one is available.
 - o If no Titles or Terms field is available, do not type "stillborn" or "baby," or similar terms in the Given Names or Surname fields.

Aliases or Name Variations

A document can include different spellings of a name for one person. A nickname or alias name can also be in some documents. If alias names were included or if an individual's name was written with various spellings, type all variants, separating them with the word **Or**. If the records you are indexing are in another language, type the equivalent of the word "or" in the primary language of the project.

- For example, the name of a person recorded as "Joseph (Jozef) Broski AKA Brozowski AKA Brzozowski" would be typed as follows:
 - o Given Names: Joseph Or Jozef
 - Surname: Broski Or Brozowski Or Brzozowski

Spouses

• If multiple spouses were listed for a single individual, type information only for the present or current spouse, unless the project instructions direct otherwise. If you are not sure which was the current spouse, type information for the first one mentioned.

Places

- When typing a place-name, do not include identifying descriptions or terms, such as "near," "about," "around," "twp," "township," "city," "county," or "state," with the place-name unless the term is normally used as part of the name (for example, Carson City, Salt Lake City, New York City, and so on).
- If you do not know whether a place-name on a document refers to a city, state, country, or other locality, type the place-name in the geographically smallest locality field that is available.
- Do not type a nationality as a place-name unless you are directed to do so in the project instructions or field helps.

Dates

- The order of recorded dates (such as day—month—year or month—day—year) varies depending on where the documents were created.
- If multiple dates were given for a birth, type the earliest date.
- If multiple dates were given for other events, type the most recent or latest date.
- For events that include a date range, such as "between February 2 and March 9, 1937," type the most recent or latest date in the range. For this example, you would type the month as **Mar**, the day as **9**, and the year as **1937**.

Ages

- Round ages down to the nearest full year. For example:
 - o If a child was listed as "5 years and 8 months old," type the age as 5.
 - o If a child was listed as less than one year old, type the age as 0 (zero).
- If an age was given as a range, such as 65–67, type the first age that was recorded, which is **65** in this example.
- If an age was recorded as an approximate number, such as "age 14 at next birthday," "about 14," "near 14," or "close to 14," drop the description, and type the number alone. (For these examples, the age would be typed as 14.)
- If an age was recorded as an uncertain number, such as "over 21" or "over 18," skip the age field by pressing **Tab** if the field is not a required field, or mark the age field blank by pressing **Ctrl+B** if the field is required.
- If "stillborn" was recorded for an individual, type the age as $\mathbf{0}$ (zero).
- If a specific age was not given, do not calculate an age from other information, such as dates.

Sex

• Do not assume the sex of a person based on given names. However, you can use relationship terms or other indications in the language to determine the person's sex, such as the words "daughter," "son," "Mrs," "she," "he," and so on.

Marital Status

 Individuals who were separated or who were married by common law should be indexed as being married.

Dayton Ohio Stake Family History Jamboree Indexing Workshop

Bring a Laptop or Tablet to the Class. Brief instruction, followed by Hands-On Work.