

Logan Utah Regional Family History Center

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Announcements



Logan FHC Hours:

Mon & Fri - 9:30-5:00
Tu/W/Th - 9:30-9:00
Saturday - 9:30-3:00

Quarterly Family History Leader Training - for all Ward and Stake Family History Personnel (Stake Presidency, High Council and Bishopric members over Family History,

High Priest Group Leader, & Ward Family History Consultants) will be held Wednesday, **April 29 at the Logan Tabernacle at 6:30 p.m. for newly called leaders and 7:30 p.m. for general session.**

Logan Family History Expo 2009 - This is a great, local family history conference you won't want to miss. It will be held at Eccles Conference Center on the campus of Utah State University, May 9 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. You can get more information and register online at fhexpos.com

Family History Tips



Save a Tradition - Every family develops a set of traditions around certain holidays and family events. Are certain foods served? Is there a special series of events that occur at the same time each year? The next time you see a tradition being reenacted, step back and ask a series of questions. Find out why it is a tradition and who started it. Capture the memories on film or video as they are happening so that you can continue the practice. These traditions are clues to the history of your family.

Source: [Gathering Family Memories](#), by Maureen Taylor

Recruit some help - Membership in the historical or genealogical society in your research area has its privileges. You may be able to "swap" research time with someone living in that area. Societies may send you newsletters with educational articles and upcoming events. Some organizations, such as the New England Historical Genealogical Society in Boston, have a circulating library that allows you to borrow books via mail that may not be available in your area. Also, if you have no local access to census records, ship passenger lists, military pension records and the like you may be able to borrow them by mail from the National Archives and Records Administration and use them at a local facility with a microfilm reader.

Source: [The Weekend Genealogist](#), by Marcia Yannizze Melnyk

Questions/Answers



Question: I see others using FamilySearch.org and often wonder how can I learn how to use the site as effectively as they do. Is it just experience, or are there tutorials or online classes available?

Answer: One of the best ways is to just click the **Help** tab on the FamilySearch.org site. In the index, select "Tips for Using FamilySearch Internet. There are all kinds of tips to make your searching for effective.

Question: When using the Google search engine, is there a way to search for a surname and just get family history related sites?

Answer: Along with your surname, add ~genealogy. That is the word genealogy preceded by a tilde. This will yield results including terms such as ancestry, family, family history, family tree, genealogical, genealogists, roots, surname, tree, vital records, and others. If, when you do a search, you get several sites that you can identify a common term, such as president along with Lincoln, you can add -president to your search terms. This will eliminate any sites with the word president.

Favorite Websites



GenealogyLinks.net - consists of 4,500 pages of more than 50,000 Free Genealogy Links; for US, UK, England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Europe, Canada, Australia & New Zealand. The types of records you can find include parish registers, censuses, cemeteries, marriages, passenger lists, city directories, military records, obituaries and more. <http://www.genealogylinks.net/>

WorldRoots.com - European nobility and German reference material.

<http://www.worldroots.com/>

Surname Queries



None submitted this week. Don't miss out on this opportunity to coordinate your research efforts with others who may be working on one of your lines. [Submit a query...](#)

New Acquisitions



None this week

Remember...



BOOK DROP

by Patricia Nichols

My husband was raised as a foster child, thus little was known of his family beyond his parents' names. His father had an unusual middle name; a name which I believed was a surname at one time. However, nothing could be found of his father. I had almost given up, but I knew my husband wanted to find a family for his children, so I kept searching.

I pored over the ADJUTANT GENERAL'S REPORT FOR VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR FROM ILLINOIS -- a nine-volume work with no index -- in search of the name NICHOLAS. One day, while at the local genealogical library, I had a volume in my hand ready to search when I turned from the table to make a comment to the librarian. I dropped the book. When I turned back to start my search, the book had

fallen open and right there in front of me was the name for which I had been searching -- Evermont NICHOLAS. From that information I was able to obtain a copy of his military record, discover the name of his wife, and found when and where he had died.

Unfortunately, my husband passed away before I was able to do more than obtain the military record. However, I persisted for I knew he wanted that for our children. I found when and where his grandfather had died. Thus, the marriage license was found for Evermont and his wife which gave her maiden name, WHITLOCK. From this bit of phenomenal luck, the dropping of a book, I have been able to find the family he never knew -- both maternal and paternal grandparents and great-grandparents. In fact, I have been able to trace his maternal family back six generations and I was contacted by his cousin, thanks to the Internet.

Source: [Great Genealogy Stories](#), Previously published by Julia M. Case and Myra Vanderpool Gormley

Class Schedule for the Coming Week

Our class schedule is available at the Center and [online](#). Please pre-register for the classes you wish to attend by calling the Center (755-5594), registering [online](#) or by [email](#). The cost for each class is \$2 or the cost of materials (whichever is greater).

- Wed, Apr 15, Digital Research, 35, Winkler, David-1 wk, 10 AM
- Mon, Apr 20, Scottish Research, 24, Nyman, Carol-1 wk, 1 PM
- Mon, Apr 20, Pedigree Analysis, 22, Lemon, Sheri Lynn-1 wk, 10 AM
- Tue, Apr 21, Research Helps, 16, Hopkins, Mollyanne-1 wk, 1 PM
- Tue, Apr 21, Computer Basics, 32, Winkler, David, 2 wk-5 PM
- Tue, Apr 21, Writing a Family History for Ancestors-1, Ashcroft, Nancy, 1 wk, 7 PM
- Tue, Apr 21, Finding Your Immigrant Ancestors-28, Selvage, Dede, 1 wk, 10 AM
- Wed, Apr 22, Searching Obituaries, 36, Winkler, David-1 wk, 10 AM
- Wed, Apr 22, Family History Research on a Budget-11, Curry, Yvonne, 1 wk, 7 PM
- Sat, Apr 25, Family Search Indexing, 5, Bartholomew, Gail-1 wk, 3 PM

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