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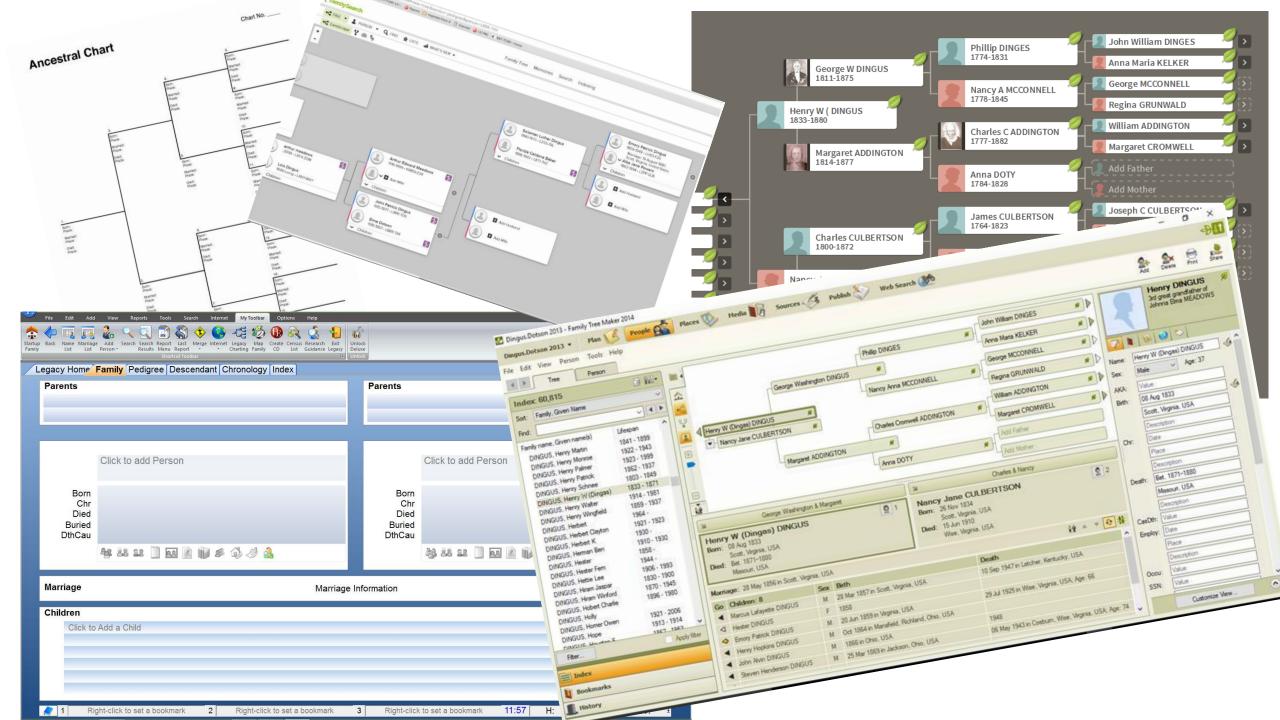
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Where to Plant your Family Tree Traditional vs. Digital





Book-A-Librarian

- eReader Help
- Resume and Job Help
- Computer Skills
- Test Proctoring
- Database Help
- Genealogy



Genealogy Book-A-Librarian

- Getting Started
- Using Our Resources
- Online Resources
- Organizing Research
- Talking About "Brickwalls"



Resources

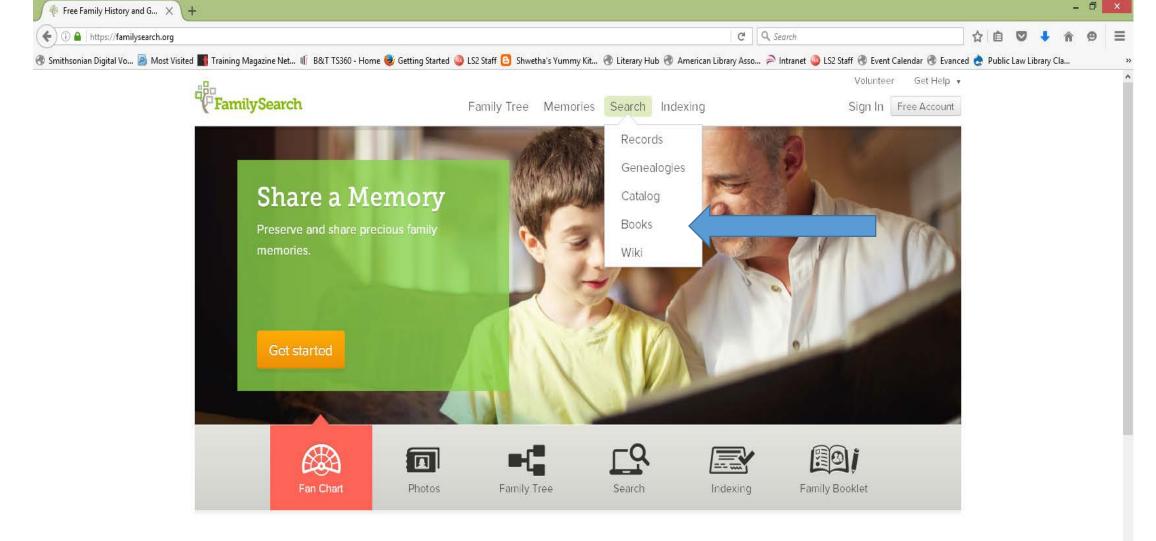
- Fostering Family History Services: a Guide for Librarians, Archivists and Volunteers by Rhonda L. Clark
- Genealogy: A Practical Guide for Librarians by Katherine Pennavaria
- Local and State Societies
- National Genealogical Society
- Federation of Genealogical Societies
- FamilySearch webinars



Genealogy Books

- Internet Archives (https://archive.org/index.php)
- Google Books
- Hathi Trust (<u>https://www.hathitrust.org/</u>)
- FamilySearch Books







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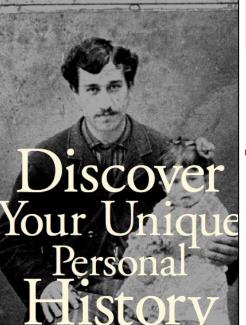
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Local @ Your Library The 3rd Tuesday of the month

A History of Henry Clay in 25 Objects Tuesday, January 19 6:30-7:30pm Beaumont Branch Library 3080 Fieldstone Way



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Disabilities accommodated with prior request.





connecting people to knowledge

Decide on your focus

- •Genealogy and research skills
- Preservation programs
- Local history
- Collection/product



Decide on your space

Computer lab setupCollection proximityField trip



Decide on your limitations

- •Class size
- Technological requirements/provisions
- Presenters/helpers
- •Budget
- •Class scope



Genealogy and research skills

- Calling in topical/records experts when appropriate
- •Cover: software, technology, record types, research best practices, information management, building a research plan



Preservation

- How-to programs archival practices or technological instruction
- Scanning days librarian or volunteer assistance
- •Oral history story corps or format transfer
- Landmarks cemetery preservation

Local history

- •Significant events or anniversaries
- •Significant local people
- Historical or genealogical societies, local universities/archives, local nonprofits and preservation groups



Collections or products

- Ancestry.com or FamilySearch.org
- •Online sites/archives
- Library collections public library archives, colleges/universities, museums, genealogical or historical societies, personal libraries



Program challenges

- Hijackers
- •Know It All, Know It Betters
- Technologically Helpless
- •Google Searchers
- •Great Uncle Charlemagne



Program challenges

- Adopt A Librarian
- •Kitchen Sink
- Morbid



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Crowdsourcing Genealogy with Tea and Sympathy



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- Program began in 2013
- Our goal was to incorporate more engagement with our patrons – in the form of dialogue
- Alternative program from the lecture format that had been in place for over a decade
- Hoped to meet a need for more consultation, without an increase in staff numbers
- Events happen on the fifth Saturday of every month, which occurs about four times per year – afternoons, 2-4





- Concept is very simple: Offer tea and sympathy to those with genealogy challenges.
- Both experts and newbies are encouraged to attend, as we work to help each other = crowdsourcing.
- As a result, everyone in the room shares their own experiences, which in turn helps those with challenging research.
- Program is free, but nominal fee could be imposed to cover the cost of refreshments.





So far, we've had some wonderful and unique brick walls...



...but no promises are made.



We only promise tea and lots of sympathy!





Challenges

- Number of attendees can be an issue 15 or less is ideal.
- The smaller the group, the more open people seem to be when discussing their problem more like a conversation rather than a presentation.
- We have had groups as large as 30, and the conversation among attendees can quickly get out of hand.
- Room acoustics should also be a consideration.
- If things get any larger, we will probably try to break up the crowd into smaller groups.





Rewards

- Attendance has been very steady, one of our most popular events.
- Topics are driven by attendees, but it helps to think of some challenging examples to talk about if the conversation lags have never had to use these pre-made topics.
- Problems discussed help us with future programming topics.
- Experts that attend are usually connected to lineage societies which fosters local collaboration and relationships.
- Conversations run from technology, to DNA, to records available throughout the state.
- Some conversations have intersected with current issues that challenge previous views of lineage and race.
- Even when conversations create conflicting opinions, the group is respectful and everyone comes away having learned a great deal.



Questions?



