

MESA FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

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NEWSLETTER

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The British Isles Committee is dedicated to helping researchers find those special people that are hiding out in the archives. Our Committee members are long time genealogy missionaries and teachers. We are pleased to have Valerie Sullivan as our special presenter for our October class.

The public is invited to our classes held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 10:00AM, here at the Mesa Family History Center in the upstairs classroom. We are available to help you with your British Isles research and any questions or problems you may be experiencing.
Joan Rowley, Committee Chairman

Visit Our Website

<http://www.mesarfhc.org/>

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE:

Welcome to the first edition of the MESA FAMILY HISTORY CENTER NEWSLETTER.

We are pleased to introduce this newsletter as a means of communicating to the community our news of upcoming events and reports of center activities. It is our hope that through this newsletter our activities and services can be announced to a broad range of people in a timely manner, and therefore allow them to take full advantage of the events being offered by the Mesa Family History Center.

Our initial means of communication will primarily be through email distributed to a data base of contacts.

We welcome all who would like to be thus subscribed to submit a request to us by providing their email address to mesafhcnewsletter@gmail.com. Similarly, we will honor the requests of those who prefer not to be .contacted by their email to notify us via the same email address by entering *unsubscribe* in the subject field of an email message.

We are particularly happy to begin this first edition during the month of October as this month has been designated by a US Senator as **Family History Month**. In 2001, Congress first passed a resolution introduced by Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, who wrote, "By searching for our roots, we come closer together as a human family." Family history enthusiasts continue to celebrate Family History Month every October. For more information on this resolution please see web site.

<http://familytreemagazine.com/article/family-history-month>

1940 Census

The release of the detail information of the 1940 Census will occur on April 2, 2012, about six months from now. The National Archives and Records Administration will have the 1940 Census information on their website and available to the public on the April 2, 2012 date. The census information, at this date, will not be indexed by individual. Individuals and families can be located if the researcher knows where the individuals or families were living (State, County and municipality) when the 1940 Census was conducted. The researcher must find the enumeration district where the parties are located. Learning about the enumeration district of the parties in question could take some efforts at planning. Check the website of the 1940 Census for more detailed information about enumeration districts. The Ancestry.com company has indicated that they will begin to index the 1940 Census information in late April and plan to complete the indexing of the 1940 Census by the end of 2012. At present, there are no specific announced plans about how the indexing will be accomplished. This publication will provide updated information each month as it can be obtained from a variety of sources.

THIS MONTH AT THE CENTER:

A Free Seminar
Searching for the Irish
An IRELAND RESEARCH
Presented by: Specialist, Valerie Sullivan

When: October 26, 2011 7:00-8:30pm

Where: Mesa Family History
Training Center 464 E. 1st Ave Mesa, AZ
(West of the Temple)

No Pre-Registration Required

For additional information or questions call Mesa Family History Center
at 480-964-1200

ABOUT Dr. Sullivan

Dr. Sullivan has been the vice president and news letter editor for six years of the Gila County Genealogy Society (GCGS), State Literacy Chairman for Daughters of the American Revolution and is currently the registrar for the Mogollon Chapter. She is member of the West Valley Genealogy Society in Young town, AZ and the Rim County Celts. She also Volunteers as a librarian at both GCGS and the Family History Center in Payson. Her focus now is in Irish Research.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT IRELAND Click on the link...

<https://wiki.familysearch.org/en/Special:Search?fulltext=true&search=Ireland>

Learning Resources- Family Search Wiki

The Research Wiki is a **free** collection of family history articles provided by family history enthusiasts from around the world. The wiki makes it easy for people to share research information and useful tips. Research Wiki articles are valuable resources for anyone who wants to learn more about their history. Just click on "learn" from familysearch.org and you're in the wiki.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

FOLD3.com

Footnote is now Fold3. Why the change? As a refocus in efforts to gather the best online collection of military records and stories, Footnote wanted a name that would reflect military history and honor. So what does "Fold3" mean? Traditionally, the third fold in a flag-folding ceremony honors and remembers veterans for their sacrifice in defending their country and promoting peace in the world, so now when you think of looking for military records, think of 'Fold3'.

Mortality Schedules

Mortality schedules were special lists that inquired about persons who had died in the twelve months preceding the census. For example, the schedules for the 1880 census would cover deaths that occurred between 1st of June 1879 and May 1880. They were included in the U.S. federal censuses from 1850-1880. To find these helpful lists go to Google and type in mortality schedules then choose your state. Mortality schedules lists the individual name, age, sex, occupation, cause, date and place of death. Very helpful information!

Whats New in



Most people using Family Search don't get the full benefit of their search. Family Search has 2.34 billion indexed names that can be searched using the search fields on the home page. If they don't find their ancestor using the search fields, they assume they are not in Family Search. However, users need to remember that in addition to the 2.34 billion indexed names in Family Search, there are an additional 312.4 million names that have not been indexed and cannot be searched using the usual search fields. These collections are referred to as browse only image collections.

- To access Browse Images collections: Click the All Record Collection link under the Browse Collection section of the Home Page.
- In the Search field, type the name of the location you want to check.
- Scroll through the collections located on the results screen. Any collection labeled "Browse Images" will be marked with way points.
- Work your way through the waypoints to find the exact area you want to focus your search. (Waypointing is a process used to group images together according to locality, record type, and year range in preparation for online publication)
- After you have finished searching the indexed record, do not forget to search the Browse Images collection as well. You may just find that ancestor you are looking for.

Tech Tip **(For Windows XP).**

Properly ejecting a USB drive (flash drive) is more important than you think. You have to eject it to stop your system from processing the data. Simply removing it will eventually result in lost or corrupted data.

1. Close the folders on your flash drive and open documents.
2. Click on small green arrow on task bar (lower right hand corner).
3. "Safely remove" message will appear.
4. Remove flash drive

DID YOU KNOW?

The Mesa Family History Center has a training auditorium that can seat 150 people.
Call 480-964-1200 to schedule your group and for more information.

IRELAND QUICK START

http://www.mesarfhc.org/quickstarts/Ireland_Quick_Start.html

Civil Registration:

Compulsory civil registration of births, Marriages and Deaths started in 1864. Registration of non-Catholic marriages began in 1845. Copies of some of these General Register Office indexes and registers have been copied by the LDS Church and are available through the catalog at http://www.familysearch.org/eng/Library/FHLC/frameset_fhlc.asp. Some are already here at Mesa, please check our catalog.

To order online: www.groireland.ie/about_us.htm

More information: wiki.familysearch.org/en/Ireland_Civil_Registration

Census:

Census records from 1821-1851 are partially available
1861-1891 were destroyed
1901-1911 are all available An index of these census records, and census substitutes are online

<http://www.censusfinder.com/ireland.htm>

<http://www.genealogybranches.com/irishcensus.html> (images)

More information, go to http://wiki.familysearch.org/en/Ireland_Church_Records

FAMILY HISTORY CLASSES

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ALL CLASSES ARE FREE

CLASSES HELD IN CLASSROOM AT THE TOP OF THE STAIRS/ELEVATOR

Category	Class Description	DAY	DATE	DATE	Time	Instructors
	Research Basics -Getting Started- Includes Tour	Tue	every		1:00	Preeco/Carroll/Sherwood
	Organizing a Research Notebook	Fri	7	21	1:00	J. Taylor
Research Classes	Planning a Search	Thu	every		3:00	J. Rowley
	Church Records	Fri	7	21	10:00	M. Preeco
	Emigration/Immigration	Wed	19		10:00	J. Taylor
	Land and Probate	Wed	5		10:00	R. Wilcock
	LDS Records	Tue	11		10:00	E. Haws
	Military	Wed	12		10:00	D. Brimhall
	Native American, African American, Polynesian	Mon	10		10:00	H. Mason
Geographic Specialties	British Isles	Tue	25		10:00	J. Rowley
	Canadian	Tue	4		10:00	M. Welch
	German	Fri	14		10:00	N. Thomas
	Hispanic	Wed	26		10:00	R. Evans
	Scandinavian	Fri	28		10:00	R. Johnson
Specialty Classes	Power Point Presentations	Wed	5		4:00	J. Nelson
	US Census & Vital Records	Wed	12		1:00	D. Molgard
	Basic Computers	Tue	4	18	11:00	C. Shults
Using the Websites	Mesa Regional Family History Center Website	Wed	26		1:00	D. Molgard
	Family Search Historical Records/Catalog	Thu	every		11:00	Marshall
	Family Search Wiki Learn/Videos	Wed	5	19	11:00	J. Tanner
	How to Input on the Wiki	Mon	every		11:00	J. Tanner
	Godfrey Memorial Library/Heritage Quest	Fri	every		11:00	D. Crawford
	Animaps/Historic Map Works/Google Map	Thu	6	20	1:00	W. VanKirk
	Progenealogist	Thu	13	27	1:00	D. Carroll
	Ancestry	Wed	19		1:00	R. Johnson
Footnote	Fri	14	28	1:00	J. Taylor	
Interfacing with New Family Search	Roots Magic: Using With New Family Search	Wed	12	26	11:00	J. Tanner
	Ancestral Quest: Using With New Family Search	Tue	11	25	11:00	W. Haws
	Legacy: Using With New Family Search	Wed	every		3:00	D. Brady
	Family Insight: Using With New Family Search	Tue	4	18	3:00	S. Barnwell

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OCTOBER 2011 - SCHEDULE OF CLASSES FOR THE MRFHC & TRAINING CENTER

	Class Name	Class #	Day	Date	Begins	Ends	Place	Teacher
RESEARCH CLASSES	USA Research (8 Week Cou	170	Tues	4-Oct	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shultz
	British Isles Research	190	Wed	5-Oct	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shults
	USA Research (8 Week Cou	171	Wed	5-Oct	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Trn CTR	C. Schultz
	British Isles Research	191	Thurs	6-Oct	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shults
	USA Research (8 Week Cou	170	Tues	11-Oct	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shultz
	British Isles Research	190	Wed	12-Oct	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shults
	USA Research (8 Week Cou	171	Wed	12-Oct	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Trn CTR	C. Schultz
	British Isles Research	191	Thurs	13-Oct	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shults
	Google Gen, Whats New et	509	Mon	17-Oct	10:00 AM	10:50 AM	Classroom	J. Tanner
	USA Research (8 Week Cou	170	Tues	18-Oct	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shultz
	British Isles Research	190	Wed	19-Oct	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shults
	USA Research (8 Week Cou	171	Wed	19-Oct	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Trn CTR	C. Schultz
	British Isles Research	191	Thurs	20-Oct	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shults
	Wiki & Forums & Wiki use	510	Mon	24-Oct	10:00 AM	11:45 AM	Trn CTR	J. Tanner
	USA Research (8 Week Cou	170	Tues	25-Oct	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shultz
	British Isles Research	190	Wed	26-Oct	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shults
British Isles Research	191	Thurs	27-Oct	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Trn CTR	C. Shults	

	Class Name	Class #	Day	Date	Begins	Ends	Place	Teacher
SOFTWARE	All About PAF	507	Mon	3-Oct	10:00 AM	11:45 AM	Trn CTR	L. Melville
	Ancestral Quest	303	Mon	3-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Trn CTR	J. Tanner
	Roots Magic	681	Tues	4-Oct	10:00 AM	11:45 AM	Classroom	E. Haws
	Using Irfanview Effectively	680	Wed	5-Oct	9:00 AM	11:00 AM	Classroom	A. Kuzdas
	Legacy	683	Tues	4-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Classroom	R. Johnson
	Ancestral Quest	682	Fri	7-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Classroom	D. Brimhall
	Flash Drives, Irfanview	508	Mon	10-Oct	10:00 AM	11:45 AM	Trn CTR	R. Johnson
	Roots Magic	304	Mon	10-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Trn CTR	J. Tanner
	Legacy	305	Mon	17-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Trn CTR	J. Tanner
	Family Insight	306	Mon	24-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Trn CTR	S. Barnwell
	Preparing Powerpoints/Imp	511	Mon	31-Oct	10:00 AM	11:45 AM	Trn CTR	J. Nelson

	Class Name	Class #	Day	Date	Begins	Ends	Place	Teacher
NEW FAMILY SEARCH	Contributing Information	412	Sat	8-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	JM Room	W. Van Kirk
	Intro/Combining Records	411	Sat	15-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	JM Room	T. Heilman
	Temple Submission & chk f	413	Sat	22-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	JM Room	J. Tanner
	Problem Solving 1	414	Sat	29-Oct	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	JM Room	J. Taylor
	Intro/Combining Records	401	Thurs	6-Oct	7:00 PM	8:45 PM	Upstairs	D. Brady
	Contributing Information	402	Thurs	13-Oct	7:00 PM	8:45 PM	Upstairs	D. Brady
	Temple Submission & chk f	403	Thurs	20-Oct	7:00 PM	8:45 PM	Upstairs	D. Brady
	Problem Solving 1	404	Thurs	27-Oct	7:00 PM	8:45 PM	Upstairs	D. Brady

Prsthd Ldrs &	Prsthd Leaders & Consultar	180	Every Tues	various	7:00 PM	8:45 PM	JM Room	D. Crawford
	Prsthd Leaders & Consultar	182	Every Thur	various	6:00 PM	8:00 PM	JM Room	C. Rodriguez

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