

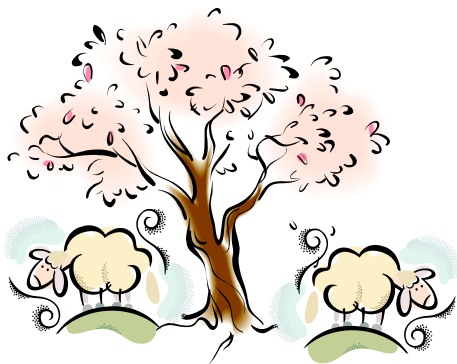


Vancouver Public Library

Genealogical Resources

An occasional eNewsletter provided by
Fine Arts and History
Vancouver Public Library

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Our First Paperless Edition

In an effort to save paper and better use staff resources, Vancouver Public Library's **Genealogical Resources** newsletter is now available online only and is now called the **Genealogical Resources eNewsletter!** Please visit our website to view the latest edition, read back issues, and manage your account.

www.vpl.ca/find/details/genealogy_newsletter

We will continue to print a limited number of paper copies, which will be available for pick-up on Level 6 of the Central Library.

Recent Additions to the Collection

Items listed below without a **Ref.** designation may be borrowed. Call **604-331-3603** to request a book, or place your request through the online catalogue at vpl.bibliocommons.com.

Ref. items must be used in the library.

General

Ancestors and Relatives: Genealogy, Identity, and Community
by Eviatar Zerubavel, 2012
929.1 Z58a

Colouring in the Leaves: Questions to Ask Family Members When Interviewing Them About Their Personal History
by Mary Jane Rutherford Smith, 2010
929.1 S65c

The Companion Guide to Family Tree Maker 2011
by Tana L. Pedersen, 2010
929.10285 P37c

The Complete Beginner's Guide to Genealogy, the Internet, and Your Genealogy Computer Program
by Karen Clifford, 2011
929.10285 C63c

Crash Course in Genealogy
by David R. Dowell, 2011
929.1 D74c

How to Get the Most From Family Pictures
by Jayne Shrimpton, 2011
929.341 S56h

Mastering Online Genealogy
by W. Daniel Quillen, 2011
929.10285 Q6m

Surnames, DNA, and Family History

by George Redmonds, 2011
929.4 R31su

Canada

Canadians at War, 1914-1919: A Research Guide to World War I Service Records

by Glenn T. Wright, 2010
929.371 W94c

British Columbia

B.C. Wills Index

compiled by Patricia Confrey, 2012
Ref. 929.3711X B86c

Genealogy Resources for British Columbians

British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency, 2010
929.3711 G32b2

Prairie Provinces

The Other Side of Gold Mountain: Glimpses of Chinese Pioneer Life on the Prairies From the Wallace B. Chung and Madeline H. Chung Collection

by Brian L. Evans, 2010
Ref. 929.2004 E92o

Ontario

1880 [i.e. 1800]-1841 Presbyterian Register of Rev. Robert James McDowall, Missionary to Upper Canada

by Robert M'Dowall, 2007
Ref. 929.3713 Q7A11m

Baptismal and Marriage Records of Presbyterian Churches in Dalhousie and Lanark Townships, Lanark County, Ontario

compiled by J. R. Ernest Miller, 1998
Ref. 929.3713 L24D14p

Burials 1854-1876, 1926-1982, Cooke's-Portsmouth United Church

by Ruth Brittain, 1995
Ref. 929.3713 F93K55cob

Irish Palatine Pioneers in Upper Canada, Commemorating 300 Years, 1709-2009

OGS Irish Palatine Special Interest Group, 2010
929.3713 A11I68o

Knox Presbyterian Church, Perth: Baptisms, 1890-1924, Marriages, 1858-1895, 1896-1917

by Robert E. Sargeant, 1998
Ref. 929.3713 L24A11k

Lutheran Church Record, 1793-1832

by Dawn Broughton, 1987
Ref. 929.3713 L56A11b

Marriages and Baptisms, First Presbyterian Church, Perth, Lanark County, 1817-1857

by J. R. Ernest Miller, 1998
Ref. 929.3713 L24A11f



Morden Marriages, 1825-1927

by Jane O. Croft, 2007
Ref. 929.3713 W47F57mo

Osgoode Township Collector's Roll: South East Ward, 1860

by Maureen McEvoy, 2006
Ref. 929.3713 C28O82mc

Osgoode Township "In the Beginning": Assessment Rolls, 1830-1841, Census 1831-1836

Osgoode Township Historical Society, 1988
Ref. 929.3713 C28O82oa

People of London Town, Middlesex County, Canada West 1850-1854: A Replacement for the Missing 1852 Census: Using Available Resources

OGS, London & Middlesex County Branch, 2009
Ref. 929.3713 M62L84p

People of London Township, Middlesex County, Canada West, 1850-1854: A Replacement for the Missing 1852 Census: Using Available Resources
OGS, London & Middlesex County Branch, 2009
Ref. 929.3713 M62L84pe

Perth Methodist Circuit Baptisms, 1820-1942: Asbury Methodist Church Baptisms, 1902-1927, Marriages, 1858-1896, 1896-1920
by Robert E. Sargeant, 1986
Ref. 929.3713 L24A11p

Portsmouth Methodist (United) Church Registers, 1903-1965
by Ruth Brittain, 2011
Ref. 929.3713 F93K55cop

Presbyterian and Methodist Church Records of Pakenham, Lanark County, Ontario, 1830-1909
by J. R. Ernest Miller, 1991
Ref. 929.3713 L24P15m

Queen Street United Church Marriages, 1896-1945: City of Kingston, Frontenac County, Ontario
by Barbara B. Aitken, 2009
Ref. 929.3713 F93K55qm

Registers of Mill Creek (Odessa) Mission in the Parish of Railton, 1844-1875: Lennox & Addington County, Ontario
by Margaret M. Cohoe, 2008
Ref. 929.3713 L56L92m

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Scarborough, Ontario: A Transcription of the Registers: Baptisms 1854-1923, Marriages 1820-1923, Burials 1882-1992
by Charlie Clarke, 2006
Ref. 929.3713 Y61T68sa



Quebec

Recensements du bas-Canada en 1825: St-Hyacinthe, St-Denis-sur-Richelieu, S[t]-Charles sur Richelieu, St-Ours, Wickham, Durham-Sud.
by Michel Laliberte, 2005
Ref. FRE 929.3714 A11L1ra

Recensement du canton d'Ely 1861 : Valcourt, Racine, Maricourt
by Michel Laliberte, 2008
Ref. FRE 929.3714 S54E52L

United States

The Family Tree Problem Solver: Tried-and-True Tactics for Tracing Elusive Ancestors
by Marsha Hoffman Rising, 2011
929.1 R59f1

Finding Italian Roots: The Complete Guide for Americans, 2nd ed.
by John Philip Colletta, 2003
929.345 C69f1

Mastering Census & Military Records
by W. Daniel Quillen, 2012
929.373 Q6m

Mastering Immigration & Naturalization Records
by W. Daniel Quillen, 2011
929.10285 Q67ma

Secrets of Tracing Your Ancestors, 5th ed.
by W. Daniel Quillen, 2011
929.1 Q67s2

British Isles

Electoral Registers 1832-1948; and Burgess Rolls: A Directory to Holdings in Great Britain
by Jeremy Sumner Wycherley Gibson, 2008
929.341 G44e

Family and Local History Handbook, 13th ed.
by Robert Blatchford, 2011
929.341 G32

Marriage Records for Family Historians
by Stuart A. Raymond, 2010
929.341 R27m

***Searching for Scotch-Irish Roots in
Scottish Records, 1600-1750***
by David Dobson, 2007
929.3411 D63s

***Tracing Your Ancestors: A Guide for Family
Historians***
by Simon Fowler, 2011
929.341 F78ta



Australia

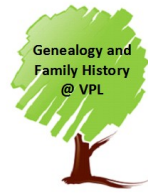
***Business Chronicles: Stoner and Wyburd:
19th to 20th Century***
by Marilyn Shaw-Guisset, 2011
929.2 S88s

Asia

***Ancestral Leaves: A Family Journey
Through Chinese History***
by Joseph Esherick, 2011
929.2 Y37e

Jewish Research

Getting Started in Jewish Genealogy
by Gary Mokotoff, 2011
929.1 M71g2



Genealogy Programs at the Vancouver Public Library

Chinese Genealogy Interest Group

The Chinese Genealogy Interest Group offers people interested in Chinese genealogy a forum to meet, learn from each other and discuss their projects. Meetings will be held in the Level 3 meeting room of the Central Library.

Upcoming meetings:

**Saturday, March 31, 2012
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, April 24, 2012
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, May 26, 2012
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, June 26, 2012
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

For more information please contact May Yan
myan@graam.ca



Canadian Genealogy 101

Wired for Learning

Are you new to genealogy? Come learn how to get started on the search for your ancestors in this free, hands-on workshop.

Prerequisites: Basic computer and Internet skills required.

Registration is required and begins on **Tuesday, April 3, 2012**. For more information, and to register, please contact the Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603**.

Sunday, May 6, 2012

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library

Genealogy Programs with the British Columbia Genealogy Society

For the second year the BCGS is offering genealogy classes in collaboration with Vancouver Public Library.



Family History in Scotland

Tuesday, May 8, 2012

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Alma VanDusen and Peter Kaye Rooms,
Lower Level, Central Library



Irish Genealogy

Monday, June 4, 2012

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Alma VanDusen and Peter Kaye Rooms,
Lower Level, Central Library

Getting Started with Family History

Part One

Monday, October 22, 2012

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Alma VanDusen and Peter Kaye Rooms,
Lower Level, Central Library

Part Two

Monday, November 5, 2012

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Alma VanDusen and Peter Kaye Rooms,
Lower Level, Central Library

All classes are free and will be held in the Alma VanDusen and Peter Kaye Rooms on the Lower Level of the Central Library.

These are drop-in programs; no registration required. Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.



Downtown Vancouver Genealogy Group

This meetup group is about sharing our interest in genealogy and our family history and heritage. Our venues are casual. We share knowledge, tips, ask questions, enjoy coffee or tea and ultimately find out who we are - past and present.

Themes can include material for writers, creative presentations, family albums as well as techniques to track our heritage, computer tips and assistance. Novices, practiced genealogists and the 'curious' are all welcome.

When: Second Tuesday of each month

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Where: Level 3 meeting room, Central Library,
Vancouver Public Library

- More information:
www.meetup.com/vancouver-genealogy

Other
Vancouver Public Library
Programs of Interest



Tech Café

Need extra help with the computer? Join us and practice your basic computer skills, learn some Internet search strategies, create an email account and more.

Drop in any time and stay for as little or as long as you need. This is not a class.

No registration required. For more information, please call or visit the branch (details below).

Every Tuesday, March - June 2012

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Training Zone, Level 5
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Every Saturday, March - June 2012

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Training Zone, Level 5
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Every Saturday, March - June 2012

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Renfrew Branch
2969 East 22nd Avenue
604-257-8705

Every Saturday, March - June 2012

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Mount Pleasant Branch
1 Kingsway
604-665-3962



One-to-One Computer Training Wired for Learning

Book a 30-minute appointment for one-to-one computer help! Choose from the following topics:

- Computer basics
- Email basics
- eBook basics
- Using online newspapers

Bookings are not taken in advance but are same day bookings only. Please book in person or by telephone. For more information, or to book a session by phone, please call **604-331-3603**.

Wednesday and Friday Afternoons March and April, 2012

2:00, 3:00, or 4:00 p.m.

Training Zone, Level 5
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

eBook Basics

Learn how to find, checkout, and download eBooks from VPL's *Library to Go* collection in this free, hands-on session. We will demonstrate how to use a computer to transfer titles to an eBook reader and how to download directly to your mobile device or eBook reader. You'll get help as you explore the *Library to Go* site, learn how to manage a digital account, and find out where to go for help.

Please bring your compatible eBook reader, tablet, smart phone or mobile device and your questions. You can call the library to find out if your device is compatible.

Prerequisites: Basic computer and Internet skills.

Registration is required. For more information, and to register, please call **604-331-3603**.

Saturday, March 31, 2012

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Wednesday, April 25, 2012

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street



Registration for the following two sessions begins **April 3, 2012**. For more information, and to register, please call **604-331-3603**.

Saturday, May 26, 2012

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Wednesday, June 20, 2012

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Internet Basics

Wired for Learning

Learn about what's available on the Internet and how to find it. We'll talk about browsers, navigation, and effective searching during this free, two-hour, hands-on course.

Prerequisites: Computer Basics or equivalent experience is required.

Registration is required. For more information, and to register, please call **604-331-3603**.

Wednesday, April 11, 2012

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Thursday, May 31, 2012

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Registration for the following session is required and begins on **April 3, 2012**. For more information, and to register, please call **604-331-3603**.

Wednesday, June 13, 2012

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Computer Basics for Seniors

Wired for Learning

Get comfortable with using a computer during this free, 90-minute, hands-on course. Learn to use the mouse and the computer keyboard, and get an overview of basic computer functions.

Registration is required and begins **April 3, 2012**. For more information, and to register, please call **604-331-3603**.

Thursday, May 3, 2012

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street



Computer Basics

Wired for Learning

Get comfortable with using a computer during this free, 90-minute, hands-on course. Learn to use the mouse and the computer keyboard, and get an overview of basic computer functions.

Registration is required and begins **April 3, 2012**. For more information, and to register, please call **604-331-3603**.

Thursday, May 10, 2012

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Getting to Know

Wired for Learning / CyberSunday

Are you new to Facebook? Learn the basics to confidently use Facebook and stay connected with friends and family. This free workshop will cover how to set up an account, manage your profile and privacy settings, and add contacts to your social network.

Prerequisites: Basic computer and Internet skills. You also must have an email account.

Registration is required and begins on **April 3, 2012**. For more information, and to register, please call **604-331-3603**.

Sunday, May 13, 2012

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Digital Tattoo: Understanding Your Online Identity

Wired for Learning / CyberSunday

Learn more about your online identity and how to safely use social networking sites like Facebook and Twitter.

Like a tattoo, your online identity can represent a powerful and often difficult to remove personal statement. In this fun and informative class, we will discuss how to discover your current online identity, how to use social networking sites while still protecting your privacy, and how to create a positive online identity.

Prerequisites: Basics computer and Internet skills.

Registration is required and begins **April 3, 2012**. For more information, and to register, please call **604-331-3603**.

Sunday, May 13, 2012

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Computer Training Room, Level 7
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

British Columbia's Road to Gold: The Story of the Cariboo Wagon Road in 1864

The Cariboo gold rush brought a cast of characters to the rugged British Columbian landscape. Stern-wheel captains, stagecoaches drivers, bull punchers, mule skinnners, and ever optimistic prospectors made their way along the treacherous Cariboo Wagon Road in hopes of finding fortune. This is an audio visual presentation with over 260 photographs, short videos and artefacts, describing the story of the Cariboo Wagon Road in 1864.

For more information please call Fine Arts and History at **604-331-3716**.

Friday, May 25, 2012

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Alma VanDusen Room, Lower Level
Central Library
350 West Georgia Street

Programs Elsewhere in the Lower Mainland

Finding Your Scottish Roots

With Lorraine Irving

Saturday, March 31, 2012

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Surrey Public Library, Cloverdale Branch

5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C.

\$10.00

If you have a secret (or not so secret) passion for Robbie Burns poems or the sound of bagpipes, then this is the workshop for you! Lorraine Irving is an experienced researcher who has made several trips to Scotland and Salt Lake City. Her presentation will cover basic sources including birth, marriage, and death records, church and census records, cemetery records, and websites. Lorraine will also discuss wills, sasines, and military records.

Registration is required. For more information, and to register, please contact the Cloverdale Branch at **604-598-7328**, or by email at **familyhistory@surrey.ca**.



Key Websites for Canadian Immigration and Census Records With M. Diane Rogers

Thursday, March 22, 2012

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Ladner Pioneer Library

4683 – 51st Street, Ladner, British Columbia

Drop-in.

Thursday, March 29, 2012

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Tsawwassen Library

1321A - 56th Street, Delta, British Columbia

Drop-in.

Join M. Diane Rogers, writer and editor of the genealogical journal, *The British Columbia Genealogist*, to learn how to find free immigration and census records online at Library and Archives Canada, Automated Genealogy, Ancestry Library Edition and elsewhere.

Killing Them Softly: End of Life Documents are the Place to Start With Brenda Smith

Saturday, April 14, 2012

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

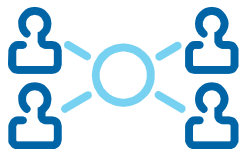
Surrey Public Library, Cloverdale Branch

5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C.

\$10.00

Killing off your ancestors can give you the best launch in discovering the stories of their lives. Consider how the information compiled at the end of one's life can provide a summary, guiding your research deep into the past. First presented at the Tri-Stake Seminar in the fall of 2011, Brenda Smith offers a substantially new and updated version for the Cloverdale Library.

Registration is required. For more information, and to register, please contact the Cloverdale Branch at **604-598-7328**, or by email at **familyhistory@surrey.ca**.



Social Networking 101 for Family History

With **M. Diane Rogers**
Saturday, May 12, 2012
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Surrey Public Library, Cloverdale Branch
5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C.
\$10.00

Social Networking 101 for Family History – Be a successful ‘social genealogist’ right from home – on Facebook, Twitter, Google+ and so much more. Learn the advantages and the basics of social networking online for genealogy and family history.

Registration is required. For more information, and to register, please contact the Cloverdale Branch at **604-598-7328**, or by email at **familyhistory@surrey.ca**.

Monthly British Columbia Genealogical Society Meetings

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month throughout the year. Visitors are always welcome.

Edmonds Community Centre,
7282 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C.

- More information: www.bcgs.ca/

Also Noted...

BCGS Seminar with Dave Obee April 14, 2012

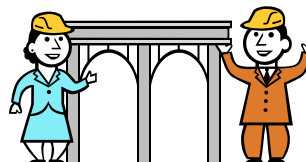
British Columbia Genealogical Society
Burnaby, British Columbia

- More information
<http://bcgs.zenutech.com/?p=1036>

Campbell River Genealogy Society Spring Seminar with Dave Obee April 21, 2012

Campbell River Genealogy Society
Campbell River, British Columbia

- More information:
www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~bccrgc/crevents.html



Borders and Bridges: 1812 to 2012 June 1-3, 2012

Ontario Genealogical Society
Kingston, Ontario

- More information
www.ogs.on.ca/conference2012/

Harvest Your Family Tree 2012 A Genealogical Conference and Marketplace

September 28-30, 2012
Kelowna & District Genealogical Society
Kelowna, British Columbia

- More information
www.kdgs.ca/p/genealogy-conference-2012.html

News from Library and
Archives Canada

New Library and Archives Canada Blog

Follow the news from Library and Archives Canada (LAC) and keep up-to-date with new resources as they come online.

<http://thediscoverblog.com/>



Aboriginal Peoples - Guide to the Records of the Government of Canada – updated

Originally released in 1996, this guide provides information on Department of Indian Affairs and Department of Interior records. The records include Métis Scrip Records, Treaties, and Agreements, and Bands and Agencies.

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/the-public/005-1143-e.html

Canadian Directories: Who Was Where

Old directories can be a useful source of information for genealogists. Library and Archives Canada and the Canadian Institute of Historical Microreproductions (CIHM) are working together to create a collection of pre-1901 directories.

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/canadiandirectories/

The Vancouver Public Library has also digitized a large number of directories in **British Columbia City Directories, 1860-1940.**

www.vpl.ca/bccd/index.php

Group Forms to Save Library and Archives Canada

Library and Archives Canada began a modernization process in 2010. It is changing the way collections are acquired and managed. In this era of austerity, there are concerns that services and our heritage will be affected. The Canadian Association of University Teachers has launched a campaign to ensure that Library and Archives Canada maintains its commitment to preserve and make publicly available Canada's full documentary heritage.

www.savelibraryarchives.ca/default.aspx

Order Digitized Reproductions

You can purchase digital scans of materials from Library and Archives Canada. In some cases these can be added to the public collection and made available to researchers from around the world.

More information on the LAC blog:

<http://thediscoverblog.com/2011/12/29/how-to-order-digitized-reproductions-and-help-build-the-digital-collection/>

What's in a Military Service Record?

Military service records can contain a wealth of material useful to genealogists. Library and Archives Canada (LAC) has provided a short guide to help you with your research.



More information on the LAC blog:

<http://thediscoverblog.com/2012/01/31/what-you-will-find-in-a-canadian-military-service-file/>

Not sure what that abbreviation means?

For help deciphering Canadian military records, access the **LAC List of Abbreviations Used in Military Service Files** which contains more than 6000 abbreviations and acronyms.

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/genealogy/022-909.011-e.html

Royal Canadian Navy Ledger Sheets

This new database indexes nearly 17,000 mentions of names in naval records between 1910 and 1918. It also includes some service records between 1919 and 1941.

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/navyledgersheet/index-e.html

War Graves Registers of the First World War

Library and Archives Canada has scanned almost 130,000 new digital images in its **Commonwealth War Graves Registers, First World War** collection.



More information on the LAC blog:

<http://thediscoverblog.com/2011/12/15/whats-new-new-digitized-reels-war-graves-registers-of-the-first-world-war/>

Upper Canada Land Petitions - Updated

5,000 new references have been added to the database.

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/upper-canada-land/index-e.html

The microfilm reel numbers in this database will help you find the record in the more than 350,000 images of land petitions that have been digitized.

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/microform-digitization/006003-110.01-e.php

News from  FAMILYSEARCH

Free Access to 1940 US Federal Census Records

<https://familysearch.org/1940census>

On April 2, 2012, NARA (National Archives and Records Administration) will provide access to the images of the 1940 United States Federal Census for the first time. Unlike previous census years, images of the 1940 U.S. Federal Census will be made available as free digital images.

Upon its release, FamilySearch and its partners will coordinate efforts to provide quick access to these digital images and immediately start indexing these records to make them searchable online for free and open access.

The 1940 U.S. Federal Census is the largest, most comprehensive, and most recent record set available that records the names of those who were living in the United States at the time the census was taken.

Tens of millions of people living in the United States in 1940 are still living today, making this a record set that connects people with recent family records.

Would you like to help create a 1940 US census index? Visit the following website for more information: <https://the1940census.com/>

Updated Tree Search Form

A new search form has been linked to the FamilySearch front page to let you search family trees that are on file with FamilySearch. The form allows you to search by parent and spouses names as well as by location and date range for life events (i.e. birth, marriage, residence, and death).

www.familysearch.org/#form=trees



Online Family History Books

FamilySearch has created a catalogue of over 40,000 digitized family history books. You can see if someone has written a family history for your family and access other valuable information.

www.familysearch.org/#form=books

Canadian Collections Recently Completed or Updated

- Canada, Lower Canada Census, 1831
- Canada, Lower Canada Census, 1842
- Canada, Royal Canadian Mounted Police Obituary Card Index and Notices, 1876-2007
- New Brunswick, County Deed Registry Books, 1780-1941
- New Brunswick, Late Registration of Births, 1810-1899
- Nova Scotia, Church Records, 1720-2001
- Ontario Births, 1869-1912
- Ontario, Roman Catholic Church Records, 1760-1923
- Quebec Notarial Records, 1800-1900



- Quebec, Quebec Judicial District, Guardianships, 1639-1930
- Saskatchewan, Judicial District Court Records, 1891-1954
- Saskatchewan, Probate Estate Files, 1887-1931
- Saskatchewan Provincial Records, 1879-1987



New from

ancestry library edition

This popular database for genealogical research is available at all branches of Vancouver Public Library.

Updated Canadian Databases

- British Columbia, Canada, Birth Index, 1872-1903
- British Columbia, Canada, Death Index, 1872-1990
- British Columbia, Canada, Marriage Index, 1872-1935
- Nova Scotia, Canada, Births, 1836-1910
- Nova Scotia, Canada, Deaths, 1864-1877, 1890-1960
- Nova Scotia, Canada, Marriages, 1763-1935

New and Updated Full-Text Books About Canada

Ancestry Library Edition has a large collection of digitized older books from around the world. You can search the contents of these books by personal name for information about your ancestors.

The following list contains books about British Columbia recently digitized by Ancestry Library Edition:

- Beauties and Industries of Vancouver, B.C
- City of Vancouver, Terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway : British Columbia Hand Book
- First History of Nelson, B.C : With Sketches of Some of its Prominent Citizens, Firms and Corporations

- First History of Rossland, B.C : With Sketches of Some of its Prominent Citizens, Firms and Corporations
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- Vancouver, the Queen City of the Wonderful West : Souvenir Edition of the "Daily Province"
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New on the Web

OldMapsOnline Portal

This gateway to historical maps in libraries around the world allows the user to search for online digital historical maps across the web. You can search by keyword or browse using maps and timelines. A useful way of finding out more about the era and time period you are researching.

<http://oldmapsonline.org/>

Unknown No Longer: A Database of Virginia Slave Names

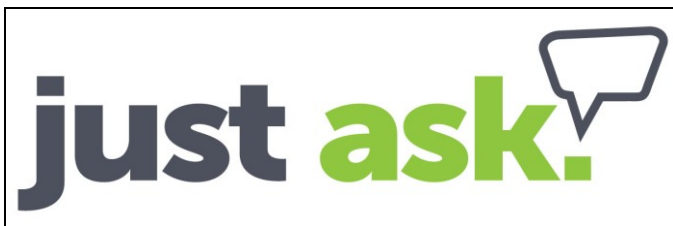
The Virginia Historical Society has begun a project to index and digitize their collection of 8 million unpublished manuscripts, providing invaluable information about the slave population of Virginia, which numbered close to half a million at the outbreak of the civil war. The ever growing free database currently contains over 4,000 names and provides access to high quality digital copies of original records.

<http://unknownnolonger.vahistorical.org/>
via <http://blog.eogn.com/>

West Vancouver Memorial Library Creates Digital Photograph Collection

West Vancouver Memorial Library has started a project to digitize 5,000 historical photographs and documents. They are currently well past the 1,000 mark and have launched a website that allows you to search for items and download copies.

<http://digital.westvanlibrary.ca/>



Can't remember if VPL has Canadian census microfilms or not? Wondering about access to materials from the Hudson's Bay Company Archives? Curious to know if the latest updates to the Ontario birth, marriage and death indexes have arrived? For answers to these and other questions, the Just Ask! chat reference service is ready to help. Simply click the "Chat With Us" button at www.vpl.ca for live assistance from library staff around the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley. Hours of service are Monday through Thursday from 10am to 8pm, and Friday from 10am to 5pm. If your question can't be answered immediately, it will be forwarded to the Fine Arts and History department for a prompt reply.

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