

Willow Valley

GENEALOGY CLUB



January 2020

January 21, 2020-We begin our New Year with a return from Darvin Martin and a **DNA-an Introduction** presentation. Darvin has been here before with DNA talks, but this one will be very basic: It will cover how to take a DNA test, the companies, their costs and services, as well as why even take a DNA test. Come to find about the “how to” DNA and if you have questions about your results, you may want to bring them and after the meeting, talk with him about them.. Next month some of our members will share genealogy benefits, after getting their DNA results.

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December 17, 2019 Verifying Your Sources-George Nettleton asked why verify, then discussed primary, secondary & tertiary records and their reliability. There were handouts: one with various sources for genealogy information, a comparison of the three record groups: Primary, Secondary & Tertiary, and citation guidelines



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Genealogy Club Membership: We work on a September through June year. If you haven't paid your 2019-2020 dues (or if you're not sure if you have), please see Jim

Robinson at our January meeting.. Dues are \$10 for WV residents; \$15 for Lancaster County Residents. Please use a check made out to *Willow Valley Genealogy Club*.

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Programs for 2020-mark your calendar:

January 21-DNA 101 w/Darvin Martin

February 18-DNA results share time

March 17-Genealogy Programs-102 w/Wayne Barner

April 21-Passing it on: Organizing your records w/Clay Kilgore

May 19-Passing it on: Archiving w/Lesley Franconi

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For a short summary of what will be presented, check ou[website](#) under: Calendar-

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GEDCOM: Some of us have transferred our digital genealogy files via the GEDCOM format and our results may not always be satisfactory. Some fields don't transfer and some fields may end in the wrong area. There is work being done to help enhance the GEDCOM app or to help correct the present process. Check <https://www.gedcomassessment.com/en/index.htm> to see if this site might help you transfer from one genealogy program to another.

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We plan to have tables at each meeting so you may have your refreshments during the meeting, as well as a surface for your laptop, tablet or note pad of paper and pencil, to take notes, record websites, or jot down questions.

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Genealogy EXPO 2020: September 2020 will be 8th year since our last EXPO. It's time for another. Tuesday September 22 in the Cultural Center has been scheduled. If you're willing to assist in some way, contact George Nettleton (george@nettletons.net).

Spotlight: We are also seeking Spotlight offerings. Do you have a favorite app, website, product you use in your genealogy? Or do you have a family memorabilia you're willing to share? Contact George Nettleton (george@nettletons.net).

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Family History Center News: The Lancaster FHC is located at 1210 E. King Street, has 5 computer terminals, 2 microfilm readers, a printer and 9 laptop computer stations. It's a larger quarters than their previous one. Enter from the LDS parking lot and go left to the end of the hall. Their hours are M-T-Th 9:30-1:00, Wednesday 6:30-8:30 and 4th Saturday 9:30-1:00. There is no cost for using their facilities, all the databases (including subscription) are free, as is printing copies. Give them a try: bring some of your toughest problems for their resident genealogists to help you, or just enjoy searching the available databases.

Upcoming FHC Classes (free, but you need to register-by calling the FHC at 717-295- 1719 or email mjrinehard@gmail.com): A handout of these classes will be by the refreshment table at our January meeting

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION: We want to plan programs which help you with your genealogy. But, we don't really know what you need or are looking for, so the **last page** is designed to help us find out about you and what would best suit you for our meetings: what countries/states do you search for ancestor information? What, if any, genealogy program do you use? Do you subscribe to websites like Ancestry, Find My Past, etc. which are not free? Do you belong to any genealogy or historical societies like DAR, Mayflower, New England Historical & Genealogy Society? Please fill out the sheet and return it to George@nettletons.net. We will also have some of these forms at our meetings and they can be returned to any of the Board members

**Willow Valley Genealogy Club Member Profile
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Name _____

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ancestors in:

Countries: _____

States: _____

Ancestral Surnames: _____

My genealogy subscription sites: _____

My Genealogy Society memberships: _____

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