

Let's Discuss It meeting May 31, 2014 next meeting June 28, 2014

Last meeting, we spoke of J2 (JPG-2000) documents. Here is the link that PZ gave us for information on J2:

<http://www.digitizationguidelines.gov/still-image/documents/Buckley.pdf>

Carla Maitland sent this link on an online bookstore:

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

Speaking of bookstores; remember the TNGS bookstore:

<http://tngs.org> (the link is on the left side of this page)

Joe Burns sent this link. He said it is a site that is good for hints about obituaries in Tennessee:

http://www.tngenweb.org/records/tn_wide/obits/nca/index.html

Joe Burns shared this link of Confederate soldiers imprisoned in Memphis during the Civil War:

http://register.shelby.tn.us/provost_marshall/search.php

Have an interest in Old San Francisco? Here is a map that shows many old pictures of the area: <http://www.oldsf.org/#>

A blog post you might want to read if you subscribe to newspaperarchive.com:

<http://www.cluewagon.com/2014/05/want-a-full-refund-on-your-newspaperarchive-com-subscription-just-ask-about-their-charity/>

Cindy Rodgers sent this on Microsoft's snipping tool and how it can be used by genealogists: <http://www.genie1.com.au/blog/42-snipping-tool-for-genealogy>

Cindy Rodgers also sent this page of genealogy links and resources:

<http://www.4yourfamilystory.com/resources.html#.U2rKrfldV7t>

Before Crown Courts, there were Quarter Sessions in England.

<http://www.thefamilyhistorypartnership.com/hints-tips/introduction-to-quarter-sessions-records.php>

Another free MS Office Suite alternative:

<http://www.kingsoftstore.com/kingsoft-office-freeware.html>

You might want to read this blog entry on it before downloading:

http://www.komando.com/downloads/251647/free-office-suite-alternative?utm_medium=nl&utm_source=asd&utm_content=2014-05-07-article_0_0-cta

When looking through familysearch.org sources, do you look in the US category and not just the state category?

https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list?page=1®ion=UNITED_STATES

Save money on genealogy subscriptions:

<http://genealogysstar.blogspot.com/2014/05/save-money-on-genealogy-subscriptions.html>

Cindy Rodgers sent this link on map sites:

<http://genealogysstar.blogspot.com/2014/05/online-digital-map-collections-by-state.html>

Need to figure out what's taking up so much space on your hard drive? Space Sniffer:

http://www.uderzo.it/main_products/space_sniffer/

A book company with county histories and other books of interest to genealogists: <http://www.higginsonbooks.com/>

U.S. Newspapers published 1690 – Present (not a list of all digitized newspapers): <http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/search/titles/>

Wikipedia list of online newspaper archives:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:List_of_online_newspaper_archives

BEGINNERS:

I've talked to several people who wanted to get started in researching their family trees, so I'll list some of the sites they'll want to check first, and the sites the seasoned genealogical researcher should check often for updates. I won't list the paid sites like ancestry.com and fold3.com and others, but will list the free sites:

Cyndi's list: <http://www.cyndislist.com/categories/>

FamilySearch: <https://familysearch.org/>

USGenweb: <http://usgenweb.org/>

WorldGenWeb: <http://www.worldgenweb.org/upgrade/>

GenForum: <http://genforum.genealogy.com/>

Findagrave: <http://www.findagrave.com/>

BillionGraves: <http://billiongraves.com/pages/search/>

Rootsweb: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/>

Ellis Island: <http://www.ellisland.org/>

Castle Garden: <http://castlegarden.org/>

Immigration/Olive Tree: <http://www.olivetreegenealogy.com/index.shtml>

General Land Office: <http://gloreCORDS.blm.gov/>

Linkpendium: <http://www.linkpendium.com/>

Steve Morse's Pages: <http://www.stevemorse.org/index.html>

Genealogy Buff: <http://www.genealogybuff.com/index.php>

Genealogy Hound: <http://www.mygenealogyhound.com/index.html>

Newspapers: <http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>

Death Indexes: <http://deathindexes.com/>

Free paper forms: <http://www.genealogysearch.org/free/forms.html>

Free software:

RootsMagic Essentials: <http://rootsmagic.com/Try/RootsMagic/>

Legacy Family Tree Standard:

<http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/DownloadLegacy.asp>

Reviews to choose your software: <http://www.gensoftreviews.com/>

Remember to check the TNGS Facebook page; The Let's Discuss It Pinterest Page and the TNGS website:

Facebook: Search for the group: Tennessee Genealogical Society

Pinterest Page: <http://www.pinterest.com/letsdiscussit/>

TNGS website: <http://tngs.org/> (see all the links on the left of the page)

Attend classes! New classes are listed on the TNGS webpage and also announced on the Facebook page.

Also check the app store for your phone or tablet. There are apps to help you "take it with you" and keep up with your research "on-the-go".

Ask someone at TNGS or the GRHGC for guidance. A friendly face can always be found!