



December 2020

December 14-NOTE CHANGE OF DAY-THIS WILL BE ON MONDAY THE 14th

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Off-Beat Genealogy Sites;

George Nettleton will highlight some sites not usually considered Genealogy sites: E-Bay, Bookfinder.com, World Cat, Gutenberg and some others If your favorite off-beat site isn't mentioned, share it with us at the end

November 17 - Occupations of our Ancestors - Tiffany

Fisk, Administrator of the 1719 Hans Herr House showed slides and discussed some 18th century trades, and how many of our ancestors' working conditions would have been. She also showed some of their wonderful 18th century foods.

ZOOM Note: Did you know you don't need a computer, smartphone or tablet to access a Zoom meeting? You can use your land-line phone! When you get the notice from

Al, call the phone number and type in the password # when prompted. Hope to see you Monday the 14th at 2:00!

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The Joy of COVID: If we knew in March, how long this would last, oh the genealogy we could have done So let's consider this to be March and get some done now. Don't go searching for new, instead go over what you have first. Here is a suggested list of areas-pick one and work on it:

___ Organize photos

Review, put in piles: Special occasions, trips, ancestors, family, etc

Scan some for posterity, and to share with family

label

write a story about the occasion, people, why you saved it

___ Review genealogy papers

organize by family, person, chronologically

check vital records: birth, baptism/bar-bas mitzvah/christening, marriage, death (& obit)

___ Make your chronology, using

old appointment books

old Christmas letters

old calendars, etc.

___ Write a biography (yours, an ancestor's, etc.)

short 1 page events

obituary draft

___ List steps for next of kin

WV contacts

funeral home

insurance

lawyer

doctors

credit cards

investments

etc.

So give one a try and see how the time'll fly! 😊

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2020-2021 Programs

Dec: *Off-beat Genealogy sites*-George Nettleton

Jan: *1890 Census work arounds*-Steve Ness, Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society Library

Feb: *Finding Female ancestors*-Kristen Wenger, professional genealogist

Mar: *Passing it on: Archiving*-Heather Tennes, Archivist at Lancasterhistory.org

Apr: *Organizing Your Genealogy*-Clay Kilgore, Executive Director, Washington County Historical Society

May: *Diseases of our Ancestors*-Rebecca Reinhard, Family History Center

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