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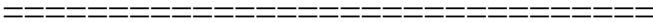
March 16-Genealogy Programs Unmasked (Pro & Con)-Wayne Barner-

Are you unsure of the best place to build your genealogy tree? This presentation will discuss the pro's and con's of a web based genealogy site versus a local computer based program. We will then go on to demo several computer based programs and the pro's and con's of each to allow you to select the program that most meets your needs.

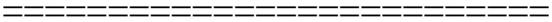
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February 16 - Finding Our Female Ancestors
- *Kristin Wenger, professional genealogist at Roots & Wings-gave a great presentation with tips and suggestions, for finding your female ancestors. These tips and suggestions could also be used for finding answers to other puzzles or barriers you may have in your genealogy.*

ZOOM Note: 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 Tuesday the 15th at 2:00!



ANCESTRY ACADEMY is a great free site on Ancestry with a wide variety of videos by genealogy professionals and Ancestry staff. Use this [link](#) and brows the titles to see the breadth-you might even find something you'd like to learn about.



2020-2021 Programs

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

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

Seeking indexers: There are tax records on the Lancasterhistory.org website which are handwritten, and therefore not indexed, Would you be interested in helping index them so they're searchable?

As background: I belong to the Weld County Genealogy Society in Colorado where my g-grandfather lived for 10 years, and their website has a great index of Greeley records . This index has helped me find information on my g-grandfather, both for planning a visit to Greeley and knowing what to look for, as well as a source for requesting records online. It turns out the person doing their indexing has no family in the Weld County area-she does It as a service to others! It got me thinking that maybe we, here in Lancaster County, whether we have ancestors here or not, might make finding Lancaster ancestor informations easy for descendants living in various areas away from here.

The Lancasterhistory.org tax records are the tip of an iceberg, as other materials, both at Lancasterhistory.org and the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society and maybe other local repositories are waiting to \ be indexed. Many require physically going to their library. These tax records, however, can be done virtually from home.

You can work on the indexing at your leisure, once a week, once a month, or, if ambitious, daily

Would you be willing to join me? If so, contact George Nettleton (george@nettletons.net or 717-397-0439) and we can begin organizing the process and sharing the tools so we don't duplicate our work and so the product will be usable on their website.

Hands on Single Topic (HOST) Groups

We have many presentations which have been helpful to our "genealogy-ing," but sometimes we wish we could have some one-on-one time to practice what was presented. To that end, I suggest 30 minute sessions after our usual meeting to do just that.

Not everyone will be interested in each topic, so I would expect the group would be 5-10 people, some, hopefully with experience and suggestions, while others would bring questions and needs. One person will moderate. Even if solutions aren't reached, paths and networking may help toward a solution.

Hopefully, these would give us, the members, avenues to pursue stumbling blocks in your family history or clear up questions and offer techniques you may be seeking or are rusty on.

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