

**There will be no meetings in July or August. Enjoy the summer!**

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**At the June meeting**...member Mark Waldron brought in examples of items that he used at a recent family reunion including a large 3' x 6' descendant chart, a loose leaf book of family group sheets for people to provide updates, and a journal report on the family. There was also a roundtable discussion about ongoing database projects.

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**Genealogy podcasting news**

Much to my disappointment, a genealogy podcast went off the air the beginning of May, Family Roots Radio. The host mentioned the show would be back on the air once new funding was obtained. To listen to the archives of the show, go to [www.familyrootsradio.com](http://www.familyrootsradio.com)

On the other hand, a podcast has returned to the air. After almost a year off the air, Dear Myrtle has now resumed podcasting once a week. To see the list of recent podcasts of the show go to: [podcasts.dearmyrtle.com](http://podcasts.dearmyrtle.com)

**New 7-day trials available**

Two genealogy sites are currently offering free 7-day trials – World Vital Records and Footnote.com

For more information about signing up for these trials, go to [www.footnote.com](http://www.footnote.com) or [www.worldvitalrecords.com](http://www.worldvitalrecords.com)

**More passenger lists added**

Findmypast.com recently announced it has added another decade of records to its site. Now you can search passenger lists from 1890 to 1929.

With this addition there are now over 15 million names and 97,000 passenger lists in the database. There is no cost to search the database but there is a fee to view the images.

For more information, go to [www.findmypast.com](http://www.findmypast.com)

**Genealogy magazine lists its 101 best web sites**

Pick up the September issue of [Family Tree Magazine](#) and read all about the favorite picks of the year. Categories include: mega data sites, international and immigration destinations, state and regional resources, web tools, history havens, geographical aids, specialized resources and blogs.

**What's new at Ancestry.com**

Ancestry.com has recently added a collection of Native American databases to its collection.

It has added the U.S. Indian Censuses taken by the Bureau of Indian Affairs on all registered Indian reservations between 1885 and the 1940s. These censuses represent more than 250 tribes from over 275 reservations, schools and hospitals.

The censuses generally include name, including Indian names, age, birth date, tribe, reservation and the Allotment/Annuity/ID number. Some early rolls even list the member clans.

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Another new database is the U.S. County Land Ownership Atlases, 1864-1918. It contains approximately 1,200 U.S. county land ownership atlases from the Library of Congress' Geography and Maps division. Searches can be done by state and then by county to see what is available.

The maps often contain the names of landowners and show important historical township and county boundaries.