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OF NOTE

Library holiday closings

All St. Louis County Library locations will be closed at the following times in observance of Christmas and New Year's holidays:

Christmas Eve, Thurs., Dec. 24—Closed

Christmas Day, Fri., Dec. 25—Closed

New Year's Eve, Thurs., Dec. 31—The library will close at 5 pm.

New Year's Day, Fri., Jan. 1—Closed

The library will otherwise be open according to its normal schedule.

Please also note that winter storms sometimes force the library to close without advance warning. Such closings will be posted on the [library's homepage](http://www.slcl.org) <<http://www.slcl.org>>.

St. Louis County Library acquires historical *Post-Dispatch* database

ProQuest Historical Newspapers: St. Louis Post-Dispatch (1874-1922) electronic database is now available for use in any St. Louis County Library location. It is also accessible at home by patrons with a valid St. Louis County Library card who live in the metropolitan St. Louis statistical area. The database is searchable, making it easy to find newspaper articles about specific persons or events. The database is linked from [the library's database page under "Newspapers"](http://www.slcl.org/databases/newspapers.htm) <<http://www.slcl.org/databases/newspapers.htm>>. Please contact the Special Collections Department at 314-994-3300 for questions about using the database.

FOR THE RECORDS

Start the new year fresh by organizing your family history research

December is here, and many will find it hard to concentrate on genealogical projects in the midst of so many holiday obligations. The post-holiday lull, however, is a perfect time to reflect on your research, organize what has been discovered, or prepare for a new line of inquiry. The Special Collections Department has books devoted to the topic of organizing genealogical research, and all are available for check out.

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NEWS AND TIPS FROM THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY LIBRARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DEPARTMENT

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Regularly scheduled tours of the Special Collections Department are conducted on the first Wednesday and third Saturday of the month at 10:30 am. No advance registration is required. Group tours are gladly arranged with advance notice. Please call the Special Collections Department at 314-994-3300, for scheduling information.

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Although published more than 20 years ago, William Dollarhide's *Managing a Genealogical Project* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing, 1988; R 929.1 D665M and circulating copy) still serves as a concise, useful guide for keeping research organized. After a chapter on the types of genealogical projects and their impact on record keeping, the author gives advice on collecting notes and documents in a logical manner, extracting information and abstracting it onto forms, using genealogical numbering systems, presenting data in charts and narratives, and tips for keeping a research journal (a chapter on using a computer is dated and best ignored). An appendix provides forms that may be photocopied.

While including much of the information in Dollarhide's guide, *The Organized Family Historian* by Ann Carter Fleming (Nashville: Rutledge Hill Press, 2007; R 929.1 F5970; circulating copies are available at a number of St. Louis County Library locations) is a more in-depth and comprehensive handbook. In Part 1, the author discusses filing systems, organizing a work space, methods for keeping track of various information formats (books, CDs, maps, etc.), and dealing with photographs and heirlooms. Part 2 gets into the nitty-gritty of keeping organized while doing research. A chapter on note-taking

and record-keeping in general is followed by advice in dealing with various source types and venues. Part 3 discusses various issues related to publishing a family history. Fleming's experience and expertise make this publication an essential guide to family history research. Forms discussed by the author may be viewed and printed out from the book's companion CD-ROM. (The reference copy disc is held at the Special Collections Department reference desk. Ask for CD-ROM no. M48). The book is one in a series published by the National Genealogical Society's on standards and guidelines for genealogists.

When it comes to organizing data, a couple of other publications are worth mentioning. *Numbering Your Genealogy: Basic Systems, Complex Families and International Kin* by Joan Curran, Madilyn Coen Crane and John H. Wray (Arlington, Va.: National Genealogical Society, 2008; 929.1 C976N) is a comprehensive guide. Numbering systems are used in genealogical charts to differentiate individuals and make generational relationships more transparent. The booklet discusses standard numbering systems and suggestions for handling complex situations, such as adoption.

Finally, no genealogical research is complete (or even valid) without proper documentation and citation. Elizabeth Shown Mills's *Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing, 2007; R 907.2 M657E and circulating copies) is to genealogists what *The Chicago Manual of Style* is to writers and editors, and it has become the recognized standard. Mills discusses source analysis and demonstrates what information is necessary for proper documentation and citation. Examples of acceptable citation formats for every conceivable source and situation appear throughout. *Evidence! Citation and Analysis for the Family Historian* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing, 1997; R 929.1 M657E and circulating copies), also by Mills, is a concise guide useful for quick reference.

For those wanting more information about organizing a genealogical project, Ann Fleming will speak on the subject at the St. Louis Genealogical Society meeting on Saturday, Feb. 13, 10 am in the St. Louis County Library Headquarters auditorium. The meeting is free and open to the public.

To help you get started in organizing your family history, four-generation pedigree charts and family group sheets are provided on the next three pages. Print them out and use them as needed.

For your information

- **St. Louis County Library homepage**
www.slcl.org
- **Special Collections Department homepage**
www.slcl.org/branches/hq/sc/
- **St. Louis County Library online catalog**
webpac.slcl.org
- **St. Louis County Library event calendar**
host7.evanced.info/stlouis/evanced/eventcalendar.asp
- **St. Louis County Library Customer Connect**
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FOUR GENERATION CHART

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▽ PARENTS ▽

FATHER .

- b.
- w.
- m.
- w.
- d.
- w.

MOTHER .

- b.
- w.
- d.
- w.

KEY

- b. Born
- d. Died
- m. Married
- w. Where

NAME .

- b.
- w.
- m.
- w.
- d.
- w.

SPOUSE .

- b.
- w.
- d.
- w.



St. Louis County Library

▽ GRANDPARENTS ▽

FATHER .

- b.
- w.
- m.
- w.
- d.
- w.

MOTHER .

- b.
- w.
- d.
- w.

FATHER .

- b.
- w.
- m.
- w.
- d.
- w.

MOTHER .

- b.
- w.
- d.
- w.

▽ GREAT-GRANDPARENTS ▽

FATHER .

- b./w.
- m./w.
- d./w.

MOTHER .

- b./w.
- d./w.

FATHER .

- b./w.
- m./w.
- d./w.

MOTHER .

- b./w.
- d./w.

FATHER .

- b./w.
- m./w.
- d./w.

MOTHER .

- b./w.
- d./w.

FATHER .

- b./w.
- m./w.
- d./w.

MOTHER .

- b./w.
- d./w.

FAMILY GROUP SHEET

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SURNAME

FAMILY GROUP NUMBER

■ HUSBAND'S FULL NAME

EVENT	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	CITY / PLACE	COUNTY	STATE / COUNTRY
BIRTH						
MARRIAGE						
DEATH						
BURIAL						

FATHER'S FULL NAME

MOTHER'S FULL MAIDEN NAME

OTHER MARRIAGE(S)

OTHER INFORMATION

■ WIFE'S FULL MAIDEN NAME

EVENT	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	CITY / PLACE	COUNTY	STATE / COUNTRY
BIRTH						
DEATH						
BURIAL						

FATHER'S FULL NAME

MOTHER'S FULL MAIDEN NAME

OTHER MARRIAGE(S)

OTHER INFORMATION

CHILDREN IN ORDER OF BIRTH

SEX	CHILD'S FULL NAME	EVENT	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	PLACE	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY
1		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
		SPOUSE'S FULLNAME						
2		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
		SPOUSE'S FULLNAME						
3		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
		SPOUSE'S FULLNAME						
4		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
		SPOUSE'S FULLNAME						
5		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
		SPOUSE'S FULLNAME						
6		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
		SPOUSE'S FULLNAME						

CHILDREN IN ORDER OF BIRTH (CONTINUED FROM OTHER SIDE)

SEX	CHILD'S FULL NAME	EVENT	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	PLACE	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY
7		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
SPOUSE'S FULLNAME		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
8		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
SPOUSE'S FULLNAME		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
9		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
SPOUSE'S FULLNAME		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
10		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
SPOUSE'S FULLNAME		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
11		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
SPOUSE'S FULLNAME		DEATH						
		BURIAL						
12		BIRTH						
		MARRIAGE						
SPOUSE'S FULLNAME		DEATH						
		BURIAL						

WWW.SLCL.ORG

SOURCES / NOTES:



TIPS

■ **Searching Special Collections web pages:** Special Collections Department web pages contain indexes with thousands of surname references. Searching for a surname on all pages at once is easy. At the [St. Louis County Library home page](http://www.slcl.org) <<http://www.slcl.org>>, enter the surname in the box under “Search this site” at the top right corner of the page. A list of web pages with the surname will result.

■ **Emigration and immigration lists:** Books with emigration and immigration lists can be shelved in four different locations in the Special Collections Department: 1) with other books about the country, 2) with books with call numbers beginning 929.3, 4) with books with call numbers beginning 973.045, and 5) with books about specific states or counties. So, if you are browsing the shelves, be sure to check all of these possible locations.

WEB NEWS

Web finds

■ **DAR Online Databases** <http://www.dar.org/library/online_research.cfm>: The Daughters of the American Revolution have recently posted on its website several databases with names of patriots and descendants. Searching on a patriot will result in a list of all DAR applications submitted by a descendant. Clicking on the application number results in more information. The database is also searchable by the name of a descendant. The site also provides access to the DAR’s library catalog.

■ **Unreal City** <<http://digital.wustl.edu/w/whi/>>: This website contains digitized Whipple Fire Insurance Maps for the city of St. Louis. The images can be browsed, but maps are also searchable by street name or block number. Available maps cover 1870, 1874, 1876, 1889 & 1895. The site is very useful for research but can be quite slow.

New on Ancestry

■ **Bavaria, Germany, WWI Personnel Rosters, 1914-1918:** Rosters include name of soldier, rank, birthdate, birthplace, religion, status or occupation, marital status, parents’ names, parent’s social station/occupation, parents’ residence, and service details.

■ **World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918:** This updated database offers clearer images. Records for St. Louis County Draft Board #3, which were only added to the database after much delay, have apparently been removed. No explanation is given for this, but it may have been a result of the update.

Ancestry continues to make updates to existing databases and has been adding numerous titles to the German, French, and Canadian collections, so check back often.

Footnote Spotlight

■ **Census records:** Footnote announced that they will be adding the entire United States Federal Census to its website. The 1900, 1910 and 1920 censuses are in progress; only about 1% of the records having been uploaded so far.

■ **Native American records:** Footnote has a number of databases relating to Native American Research including Dawes Enrollment Cards, Dawes Packets, Eastern Cherokee Applications, the Guion Miller Roll and the Indian Census Rolls, 1885-1940.



NEW IN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DEPARTMENT

The following is a selection of new items added to the collection. Additional items may have been received which are not listed here. The Department is grateful to the St. Louis Genealogical Society, the National Genealogical Society, Julius K. Hunter and Friends, and our patrons for their donations. **Please note: Due to processing and binding requirements, some donated items may not be available in the library or listed in *PastPorts* until several months after they are received.**

Print resources

Call numbers follow each title except where listed by county. Complete bibliographic information for each item is available in St. Louis County Library's [online catalog](http://webpac.slcl.org). <<http://webpac.slcl.org>>. Titles are abbreviated unless italicized.

■ Family Maps by Gregory A. Boyd

Harrison County, Missouri R 977.817 B789F
Ouachita County, Arkansas R 976.766 B789F

A [surname index for Arphax Family Maps](http://www.arphax.com) is available online <<http://www.arphax.com>>.

■ States and counties

ILLINOIS

Adams County R 977.344

Cemeteries. 1987. 6 volumes

Alien Report (Declaration of Intention), 1840-1852. 2002.

Calvary Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois. 1985

Coroner Inquests, 1834-1906. 1995.

Coroner Inquests, 1825-1922. 1995.

Divorce index, 1825-1922

Greenmount Cemetery, 1875-1986.

Quincy Cemeteries: Graceland, Quincy National, Valley of Peace, and Additional Deaths. 1993.

Quincy Memorial Park Cemetery and Early Quincy Cemetery. 1993.

St. Peters Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois and Adams County Catholic Cemeteries. 1985.

St. Boniface Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois. 1984.

Sunset Cemetery, Illinois Veterans Home, 1887-2000. 2001.

Woodland Cemetery, 1846-1990. 4 vols. 1990

Madison County

Sacred Heart and St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Cemetery, Livingston, Olive Township, Madison County, Illinois. 2009. R 977.386 N433S

MISSISSIPPI

Cemeteries of Jackson County, Mississippi. 2008.
[NGS] 976.212 J12

MISSOURI

Buchanan County Missouri Marriages, 1839-1891.
R 977.8132 B918

The Burning of Dayton, Missouri 1 January 1862. 2006.
R 977.842 P778B

Cass County Missouri Probate Index, 1835-1991. 2000.
R 977.842 C343

The First Hundred Years, Belton, Missouri, 1872-1972.
2006. R 977.842 F527

OHIO

Ashtabula County R 977.134

Birth Records, 1867-1909. 1996

Birth Registrations and correction Index. 1997.

Index to Mothers' Pensions, 1915-1925. 1998

Index to Probate Court Record of Wills, Vols. A-G, 1865-1888. 1997.

Index to Return of Votes. 2003.

Naturalization Records Index. 2002.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church: Register of Burials, 1818-1910. 2006.

Hocking County R 977.1835

Cemeteries of Benton Township. 1996.

Cemeteries of Good Hope Township. 1998.

Cemeteries of Marion Township. 2000.

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Cemeteries of Perry Township. 1999.
Cemeteries of Starr Township. 1998.
Death Records Probate Court, 1867-1908. 2005.
Fairview Cemetery. 2002.
Falls Gore Township Cemeteries. 1989.
Guardianship Index, 1831-1987. 1987.
Oak Grove and Old Logan Cemeteries, 1846-1923.
1999.
*Index 1836, 1838, 1839 Duplicate Taxable Real Property
and Chattels*. 2001.

■ German genealogy

*500 Jahre Haus- und Hofgeschichte von Böbing
[500 Year History of the Buildings and Farms of
Böbing]*. 1992. R 943.36 G377F

*Die Familien der Kirchengemeinde Bagband (1696-
1900)* [Families of Bagband Parish]. 2009.
R 943.5917 S386F

*Die Familien der Kirchengemeinde Collinghorst (1701-
1900)* [Families of Collinghorst Parish]. 2009.
R 943.5917 S349F

Die Familien der Kirchengemeinde Filsum (1716-1900)
[Families of Filsum Parish]. 2009. R 943.5917
S386F

*Die Familien der Kirchengemeinde Holtrop (1634-
1900)* [Families of Holtrop Parish]. 2009.
R 943.5917 G876F

*Die Familien der Kirchengemeinde Ihrhove (1723-
1900)* [Families of Ihrhove Parish]. 2009.
R 943.5917 J35F

*Die Familien der Kirchengemeinde Kirchborgum
(1724-1900)* [Families of Kirchborgum Parish].
2009. R 943.5917 L274F

Die Familien der Kirchengemeinde Loga (1728-1900)
[Families of Loga Parish]. 2008. R 943.5917 S386F

Die Familien der Kirchengemeinde Timmel (1699-1900)
[Families of Timmel Parish]. 2008. R 943.5917
M612F

Familienbuch Tütteleben (Kreis Gotha): 1626 bis 1990
[Family Register of Tütteleben, Gotha District, 1626-
1990]. 2006. R 943.224 R851F

Hemfurth-Edersee [Local Family Genealogical Register
of Hemfruth-Edersee]. 2005. CD-ROM
R 943.41 H488 (CD-ROM #M86)

*Map guide to German Parish Registers, Vol. 27,
Kingdom of Prussia, Province of Sachsen I &
Duchies of Anhalt & Brunswick*. 2009. R 943
H249M

*Obituary Index to the Ostfriesische Nachrichten and the
Ostfriesen Zeitung (1916-1971)*. 2006.
R 973.04392 G3810

*Verfilmte Kirchenbücher aus den ehem deutschen
Ostprovinzen—auch aus Mitteledeutschland, Polen
und Bessarabien—im Archiv der Genealogical
Society in Salt Lake City: Eine Sammlung
genealogischen Materials* [Microfilmed Church
Records from the Former Eastern Provinces—
including Middle Germany, Poland, and
Bessarabia—in the Archives of the Genealogical
Society in Salt Lake City: A Collection of
Genealogical Materials]. 1987. R 943 V492

■ Other new titles

Catching Stories: A Practical Guide to Oral History.
2009. [NGS] 907.2 C357

*Compendium of the Confederate Armies. South
Carolina and Georgia*. 1995. R 975.7 S573C

*History for Genealogists : Using Chronological Time
Lines to Find and Understand Your Ancestors*. 2009.
[NGS] 929.1 J17H

*Pointe Coupée Families in Colonial Louisiana:
Abstracts of Civil Records 1771-1782*. 2009.
R 976.3454 T458P

The Southern Debate over Slavery. [JKH] 2001-2008.
R 326.0975 S727

*Sullivan County, Tennessee, Marriage Volume 1, 1899-
1906*. 2007. R 976.896 H943S