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Beginning Genealogy

October 6 at 2:00 p.m.

Find out the fundamentals of beginning your genealogical research project. We will discuss organization, census information, vital records, and where to look for information. This is a beginning level class.



Revenge, Retaliation and Retribution

October 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Learn about the reality of the Brigade of Jayhawkers led by General James Henry Lane and the campaign of destruction and devastation they caused across western Missouri in 1861. It was a time of retaliation for the destruction during the epoch of Bleeding Kansas. Nothing was safe, homes, barns, outbuildings, fencing, and businesses and were passionately destroyed by fire and very little survived.

Featured Online Resource: *Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers*



Newspapers are wonderful genealogical resources. You can find obituaries, vital record information, and more in articles and sections. Mid-Continent Public Library has many great newspaper databases of which *Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers* is just one. *Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers* is put together by the British Library from newspapers from England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales. Each newspaper was chosen because they represented 19th Century British life. There is a good mix of big cities and more rural areas and contains around 2 million newspaper pages. If you are researching an ancestor from the United Kingdom, this will be a helpful resource.

Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers can be searched with a basic search, advanced search, publication search, or you can browse publications by location. With the basic search, you can search keywords or an entire document. Results can also be limited by publication date and title, as well as content set. The content set is differentiated between *Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers* and *Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers, part 2*. Advanced search adds further limiters, such as place of publication, publication section, and frequency. There is also a language section which allows searching of Welsh language newspapers. The main difference with the publication search is that instead of keyword, you search for a publication title. Browsing publications by location is great if you know a certain area of the United Kingdom that you want to search. The list is separated by country, then by city, and then by publication title. This is a great way to see exactly which titles are available in this database.

Once you find results, *Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers* provides a number of ways to share or save that information. You can print, email a citation, or download an image. If you choose to download an image, you can decide between PDF or HTML as your format. The PDF option does allow for more than one page being downloaded at one time.

Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers is a great resource for anyone looking for ancestors in the United Kingdom. The various ways to search and many different types of newspapers available are a great resource in any genealogist's toolbox.

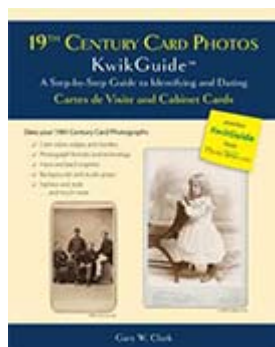
New Books



[*Nauvoo & Hancock County, Illinois: A Guide to Family History and Historical Sources*](#)
By Kip Sperry

Many times genealogists will run into issues when the research takes them into unfamiliar states or counties. What exactly is available and where can materials be accessed are common questions. With *Nauvoo & Hancock County, Illinois: A Guide to Family History and Historical Sources* provides information on where to find genealogy sources for these two Illinois counties. The book provides information for all types of resources; from land and property records to newspapers and tax records. In addition, the author has provided a brief introduction and history for Nauvoo and Hancock County. Genealogists researching this area of Illinois will enjoy this helpful guide.

[*19th Century Card Photos KwikGuide*](#)
By Gary W. Clark



Finding old photographs of your ancestors is a great addition to any family tree. What happens when you find them but there are no labels or names included? Using clues from the photos themselves, you can oftentimes narrow possibilities based upon when the photo was taken. *19th Century Card Photos KwikGuide* is just one book of the Midwest Genealogy Center's collection that can help you decipher old photographs. Gary W. Clark's book provides lots of great information that can help you find those clues. Items such as clothing and studio backgrounds/props can help identify possible dates. Clark also has a section on preserving your photographs. This is a great resource for anyone trying to identify old photographs.

[*Remember when... : A Pictorial History of the Ellsinore, Missouri Area*](#)

By Barbara (Robertson) Dalton and Janet (Colyott) Leach



Pictorial histories are great resources for genealogists. Each one can take you back in time through photographs of a town, county, or state. *Remember when...A Pictorial History of the Ellsinore, Missouri Area* is no exception and has a number of labeled photographs sure to excite those looking for ancestors in this area of eastern Missouri. The authors have separated the book into chapters, such as The Railroad and The Price Of Freedom, making it easy to find specific types of photographs. Each chapter also gives a brief history on how the chapter topic affected Ellsinore. *Remember when... :* provides a glimpse into life in a small Missouri town and is sure to help anyone looking for ancestors in this area.

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