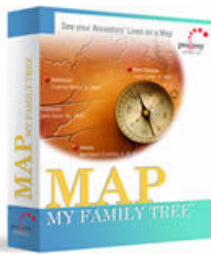


Happy New Year! The next meeting will be the 4th Thursday of the month, January 25, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Washington Avenue, Plainview.

Our speaker will be club member Don Eckerle. His topic will be “Using Map My Family Tree.”

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“As I wandered the aisles in the Exhibits Hall at the recent Federation of Genealogical Societies’ conference, one word stuck in my mind: maps. Everywhere I looked, there were vendors exhibiting maps. There were companies selling maps of villages in Ireland and England, other books showing land grants in the public lands states in the U.S., and many more. One product that caught my eye was software that allows you to create your own maps that show ancestors’ location and migrations.”

New issue of Digital Genealogist available

The January/February 2007 issue of The Digital Genealogist is now available for download. This issue is only available to those who have paid the \$20 subscription fee for the year.

The issue contains such topics as: Genealogy in 3-D: a First Look at Second Life, Genealogy Link Sites, German Gazetteers Online and a review of Reunion, a family tree software program for Macs. For more information about subscribing, go to www.digitalgenealogist.com

British passenger list site goes online

Beginning Jan. 11, 2007, a new web site will allow you to search passenger lists for those departing from all British ports for the years 1890-1899. Eventually the site will include passenger lists up to 1960.

Ancestors On Board is a site developed by www.findmypast.com in association with the National Archives in England. Searching is free but there is a fee to view a transcript or the passenger list image. Also you will need to download a special reader to view the images from the site.

For more information, go to www.findmypast.com or www.ancestersonboard.com.

New German passenger lists available on Ancestry.com

Recently made available on Ancestry.com is the Hamburg Passenger Lists, 1850-1934. There is a gap in information from 1915-1919 due to World War I.

The database includes a partial index covering the years 1890-1913 which was created by the Hamburg State Archives.

The lists include about 5 million records. Most of the lists include the last place of residence and often the place of birth for the individual.

To search records for the years that are not indexed, you can browse images of the passenger lists by selecting the year of departure and then selecting a volume covering the dates you are interested in.