

Castro Valley Library Genealogy Class Notes
3600 Norbridge Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94546
1st/3rd Wednesdays 10:30-12:30
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1. Announcements
 - Next Meeting: 3 January 2024
 - 23andMe Amends Terms of Service; <https://www.legalgenealogist.com/2023/12/12/23andme-amends-tos/>
2. Follow-Up: Managing Living People in FamilySearch
 - Discussion
 - Help: FamilySearch -> Site Map -> Help Center -> Key “living people” in Search Box
3. Follow-Up: Fan Charts
 - FamilySearch
 - Ancestry
 - MyHeritage
4. Download Audio Files to Your Family Tree from Internet Archive (Archive.org)
 - Select Music icon (looks like a stereo speaker)
 - Key name of artist in Search Box (use quotes around artist name)
 - Select ”Search this collection”
 - Select desired album
 - Under Download Options, select VBR MP3
 - Select desired song
 - Select “three vertical dots”
 - Select Download to download file to your computer
 - Select person from your family tree
 - Select Memories
 - Select Add Memories
 - Select File
 - Select Your Device
 - Select file previously downloaded; drag and drop file to Memories
5. What's in that Pile? Organization for the Disorganized Genealogist
 - The Genealogy Guys discuss their 31-day approach to organization.
<https://genealogyguys.blogspot.com/search/label/Organization>
 - James Tanner discusses his approach to organization (1 hour video)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1_Ea2t194T8&feature=youtu.be
6. Twelve Rules of Genealogy (per James Tanner)
[https://genealogysstar.blogspot.com/2019/07/annual-review-of-rules-of-genealogy-new.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed:+blogspot/QuFvc+\(Genealogy's+Star\)](https://genealogysstar.blogspot.com/2019/07/annual-review-of-rules-of-genealogy-new.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed:+blogspot/QuFvc+(Genealogy's+Star))

7. Better Note Taking – Amy Johnson Crow (14 minute podcast; also written presentation)
<https://www.amyjohnsoncrow.com/taking-better-notes-in-your-genealogy-research/>
8. Seven TV Shows to Inspire Your Genealogy Research
<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/7-genealogy-tv-shows/>
9. New Gmail Tools to Help with Genealogy Tasks and Correspondence
https://news.legacyfamilytree.com/legacy_news/2020/05/new-gmail-tools.html
10. 1931 Canada Census; Release June 1, 2023; Ancestry and FamilySearch have indexes for the census; Dave Obee runs CanGenealogy.com, a link site devoted to Canadian resources. He has compiled, for you, information on the census, including background, census questions, and research tips. Look for it at CanGenealogy.com.
11. Census Search Canada (<https://recherche-collection-search.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/census2/index>)

The Library and Archives Canada (LAC) has long had an extensive collection of census data available for researchers (www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/census/Pages/census.aspx#b). The issue for researchers is that it's a collection of 17 censuses which has to be independently researched (one census at a time).

With the new Census Search, you can search them all at once! This makes researching the Canadian Censuses so much easier and faster. And, with ready access to the stand-alone census databases, you can still tunnel down into any single one with ease. Note: LAC is transitioning to a new website interface. If the provided links don't work, start here, <https://library-archives.canada.ca/eng>.

12. Belgian State Archives (<https://genealogie.arch.be/search>)

The Belgium State Archives has launched a genealogy-focused website which you can access in English, French, Dutch, and German, and contains more than 42 million names. You can research pre-1796 Parish Registers and post-1796 Civil Records. Included are “birth, baptism, marriage, death or burial certificates, as well as all the registers (called decennial tables).” Coverage includes almost 30,000 parish registers and 37,000 civil registers. You can search the digitized archives for free, though know that there is a limit of ten downloads per day. Learn more about this database via Tracing Belgian family trees made easier by massive new archive as published in *The Brussels Times*, www.brusselstimes.com/belgium/355110/tracing-belgian-family-trees-made-easier-by-massive-new-archiv.

13. Collate and Showcase Shared Family History (www.weare.xyz)

We Are [...] is a Social Genealogy platform that allows you and your relatives to fill in the stories behind the names, and to collate content from across your family.

Internet Genealogy – April/May 2023