

# Logan Utah Regional Family History Center

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## Announcements



### Logan FHC Hours:

Mon & Fri - 9:30-5:00  
 Tu/W/Th - 9:30-9:00  
 Saturday - 9:30-2:00

### Logan Family History Expo

**2009** - This is a great, local family history conference you won't want to miss. It will be held at Eccles Conference Center on the campus of Utah

State University, May 9 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Family History Expos' "Learn the Tech to Trace Your Roots" event will feature national speakers, vendors promoting the latest techniques and technology, hundreds of door prizes and opportunities to network with experienced professionals.

Thousands of exciting products and hands-on demonstrations to aid family history research will be on display in an exhibit open to the public.

Registered participants will be able to choose from seven different courses offered each hour. There's something for everyone whether you're just beginning or are an old pro.

Keynote speaker Barry J. Ewell is a Senior Marketing Manager for IBM and founder of MyGenShare.com. Despite his busy professional life, Barry has spent the last decade tracing his own roots through family history and genealogy.

The event's line-up of presenters includes professional researchers from throughout the U.S., FamilySearch developers, Family History Library staff, and some of Cache Valley's own talent.

To register for this third annual event, review presenter information, and locate complete details visit <http://www.fhexpos.com>.

This event is sponsored by Family History Expos.com, Family Search, Family Tree Magazine, Roots Magic, Generation Maps, and Genealogy Gems Podcast.

## Family History Tips



**What Can I Do** - "You may be interested in the experience we had as ward consultants in promoting a potluck heritage dinner for the high priests and partners. We held it the Saturday before St. Patrick's Day, so we used that as our excuse and our theme for the evening. We did Irish decorations, had an Irish-

information quiz at each table (with green pencils for everyone) to work on during the dinner, with 'pots of gold' for prizes for those with the most correct answers. Our signup sheets that were circulated three weeks before requested each to bring a potluck dish symbolic of his/her land of heritage. We had lots of great food--from corned beef and cabbage to Canterbury chocolate eggs. Our program consisted of group folk songs, a folk dance taught to the group, three shared stories of ancestors, ending with a Gaelic blessing and a solo of 'Danny Boy.' It's purpose of 'turning the hearts of the children to the fathers' was successful. It was very well attended for a high priest activity. Everyone enjoyed the evening and said, 'Let's do this every year for St. Pat's Day.'" Father in Draper, Utah: By e-mail, my mother sent all of our families a history of an ancestor. While reading it, I noticed that this ancestor was buried in the Draper Cemetery, close by our home. For FHE, I told my family the story of this ancestor, then we loaded our 5 children into the van and drove to the cemetery. We had a little contest (with a small prize) for the child who located our ancestor's headstone first. ---Family History Consultants, Brother and Sister Johnson  
**Source:** May 1, 2009 Family History and Extraction/Indexing Newsletter, Marge Westra [ [westra@xmission.com](mailto:westra@xmission.com) ]

**What Can I Do** - About 120 youth from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints recently gathered at a cemetery to take part in a unique history preservation project and extensive cleanup effort. In conjunction with the Gravestone Photo Project, they photographed and transcribed over 500 tombstones. "Some days you come to the cemetery and you are really sad. But this time you came and helped others and it was a lovely feeling," said 14- year-old Jessica McGuire.

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## Questions/Answers



**Last Week's Question:** What other names might the nickname Sissie stand for?

**Additional answers from readers:**

1. A very typical Danish female name is Sissel. - Della Steineckert
2. There is also a Danish female name Sidse which could be shortened to "Sissie" - Lana Archibald

Thanks so much for your feedback!

**Question:** I have been using Personal Ancestral File (PAF) published by the Church. I have been considering selecting a commercial program, since PAF is no longer going to be supported. While NFS is great for recording information, I felt that research for new information might be enhanced by continuing to use a personal genealogy program. Can you give me any guidelines?

**Answer:**

1. Personal Ancestral File will continue to be supported, just not upgraded.
2. If you want to continue to use your PAF database, FamilyInsight by Ohana Software syncs your PAF database nicely with the New FamilySearch program.

3. PAF 5 was created from an older version of Ancestral Quest donated to the church by Incline Software. You will find that Ancestral Quest still looks and acts much like PAF, but with some major enhancements -- like the ability to sync your PAF data with New FamilySearch.
4. The FHC has Family Insight, RootsMagic and Legacy installed on their computers so you could come in and try them out before you choose. You can also download free versions of each at home and try them out before making a decision. Each will read and convert your PAF database automatically. Download [Ancestral Quest](#), [FamilyInsight](#), [Legacy](#), [RootsMagic](#).
5. Legacy does not sync with New FamilySearch yet.
6. RootsMagic won the award at the FamilySearch Developers Conference for the easiest sync with NFS and the best dashboard.
7. FamilyInsight won the awards for the Best Place Standardizer and the Best Separator.
8. Ancestral Quest won the awards for Most Comprehensive Syncing and Best Listing Tool.

### Favorite Websites



**See World's Historical Documents Free on New Site** - The World Digital Library, at <http://www.wdl.org/en/> is a free, online collection of documents, photos, maps and art from countries and cultures around the world. On the home page, click on the map to see a sample of content from that region. Use the slider on the timeline at the bottom of the screen to change the era from which the samples are taken. [Read the whole article.](#)

**Source:** Genealogy Insider, FeedBlitz [feedblitz@mail.feedblitz.com] 4/22/2009

**Family History Made Simple** - Check out this short, 2 minute, video clip about why we do family history and how to get started.

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c\\_cfGoOaXR8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c_cfGoOaXR8)

### Surname Queries



My original Mormon ancestor was baptized in England, but his wife was not. After her death he came to Utah and joined his son in East Bountiful in brick-making. He was **Charles Hayes** (1810-1898). He emigrated to Utah in 1870. Does anyone have any ideas on how I could learn more about this man? He is supposed to have been baptized by Wilford Woodruff and is said to have been a

member of the congregation who all accepted the Gospel, (except one, who would probably have been Grandma!) Please contact Marge at [simargeu@yahoo.com](mailto:simargeu@yahoo.com)

### New Acquisitions



None this week

### Remember...



As children come with broken toys in tears for us to mend  
I brought my broken dreams to God because He was my friend,  
But then instead of leaving Him in peace to work alone,  
I hung around and tried to help in ways that were my own.  
At last I snatched them back and cried, "How could you be so slow?"

"My child", He said, "What could I do? You never would let go."

Author unknown

### Class Schedule for the Coming Week

Our class schedule is available at the Center and [online](#). Please pre-register for the classes you wish to attend by calling the Center (755-5594), registering [online](#) or by [email](#). The cost for each class is \$2 or the cost of materials (whichever is greater).

- Thu, May 07, PAF5 - Multimedia-19, Jensen, Robert, 1 wk, 10 AM
- Thu, May 07, FamilySearch Indexing-2, Barber, Helen, 2 wk, 7 PM
- Tue, May 12, Ancestry.com-27, Selvage, Dede, 2 wk, 10 AM
- Tue, May 12, How to Write Your Personal History- 10, Clark, John, 1 wk, 7 PM
- Wed, May 13, Introduction to Windows Movie Maker-29, Waldron, John, 2 wk, 10 AM
- Sat, May 16, Find a Grave-17, Humpherys, Shauna, 1 wk, 10 AM

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