

Clermont Family History Center - Resources

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For appointments for other than the following times - call director:

Tues. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Wed. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Sat. 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Please come to the Center with your goal written on a Research log.

The Family History Library in Salt Lake City possesses the largest collections of family history records in the world, and the collection is truly international in scope. The holdings are organized primarily with the needs of the genealogist in mind. The Family History Library started its collection in 1894. Most of the records are from a microfilm project begun in 1938. The library contains more than 2.4 million rolls of microfilm, 742,000 microfiche, 300,000 books and 4,500 periodicals. This is increased monthly by about 4,100 rolls of film and 700 books.

In an ambitious "One Library" concept, all of the 4,000 + branch Family History Centers are linked by Internet access. Currently in this Center, in addition to being able to order film and fiche materials from the main library, we have several research aids, including the following computer databases and software:

- LDS International Ordinance Index
- FamilySearch.org resources and DSL Internet access to thousands of other family history resource sites
- Acadian-Cajun Family Trees
- Ancestral Quest
- Ancestry.com with full subscription and all digital census images.
- Australian Vital Records
- British 1851 Census
- British 1881 Census and National Index
- Canadian 1881 Census
- Family History Source Guide
- Freedman's Bank Records
- Legacy Family Tree
- LDS Family History Suite 1 & 2
- Mormon Immigration Index
- Personal Ancestral File software
- Personal Ancestral File Companion 5
- RootsMagic Family History Suite
- Scottish Church Records and the Old Parochial Registers
- U.S. 1880 Census and National Index
- U.S. Cities Galore
- U.S. Military Index
- Vital Records Index - Australia
- Vital Records Index - British Isles
- Vital Records Index - Middle America - Mexico
- Vital Records Index - North America
- Vital Records Index - Scandinavia: Denmark, Finland, Norway, Sweden
- Vital Record Index - Western Europe: Alpine Region, Benelux Region, French Region, German Region, Italian Region, Spanish Region

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Workshops

Six to eight sessions of a general introductory class taught frequently during Sunday School or at other times. The general course OBJECTIVES should help you learn:

- Your Family History Responsibilities
- Doctrines related to temple and family history work.
- The policies for submitting an ancestor's name for temple ordinances.
- How to submit an ancestor's name for temple ordinances.
- Resources and tools that are available to help with family history work.
- Beginning skills needed to do family history work.

CLASSES include the following topics:

- "Principles of Family History Research."
- Apply the four steps to family history research to one of your family records.
- Identify a specific research goal, obtain the needed information and record your results.
- Understand how to organize your family history materials:
- Establish and Maintain a "To Do" list
- Organized your paper documents and identify research goals on research logs.
- Personal Computer programs
- Understand the "Principles of Documenting"
- Learning how to enter source documentation
- Printing and publishing reports
- Attend a workshop on how to use the "Pedigree view" and the other resources to analyze a family's record. How to determine incomplete LDS ordinances and use the focus filter ability to identify people born before 110 years ago for whom there are no ordinance dates.
- Obtaining a GEDCOM download from a relative using other personal software programs; assessing it and combine it with your records.
- Using the Family History Library Catalog
- Searching the Internet IGI
- Understanding and Using the FamilySearch.org resources
- Using the Internet for Family History Research
- Using RootsWeb databases such as WorldConnect and PERSI
- GenForum
- Cyndi's List and using search engines
- GenWeb Projects
- Writing personal histories and preserving the reminiscences of elderly relatives.
- Pedigree Resource Files
- Using Census records and other vital record index databases
- How to make a solid research plan
- How to order microfilm from the Family History Library
- How to use social media for genealogy
- How to find free digitized books online
- Where to find historical newspapers

Contact staff members to arrange for a workshop on any of the above topics.