Using the Internet

The Internet is an excellent place to search for genealogical information. Most websites allow free searches, but some may require a fee or user registration. Beginning Internet users should read "Family History via the Internet" by Alan E. Mann and Marvin R. Zaut in *Ensign, July 2000,50-55.* This article describes different types of family history Websites, lists several helpful sites, and defines Internet vocabulary. Additional sites are listed here.

Note: Please remember that web sites change over time and just because they are on this list does not mean that they will be here at a later date. Each of them worked as of January 14, 2003. The sites in black you will have to type in yourself.

Website Name or Description	*Website Address*
10 Free Internet Lessons	www.ancestornews.com
123 Genealogy Training	www.123genealogy.com
A Barrel of Genealogy Links	http://www.genealogytoday.com/barrel/index.html
Alan Mann's Genealogy page	www.alanmann.com/genealogy.htm
Allen County Public Library	www.acpl.lib.in.us
All-in-One Genealogist's Search Page	www.geocities.com/Heartland/Acres/8310/gensearcher.
American Family History Immigration Center	http://www.ellisisland.org
Ancestry.com	www.ancestry.com
Appleton's Main Genealogy Page	www.moobasi.com/
Barbara Renick's Z-Roots list of links	http://zroots.com
British Columbia, Canada Vital Records	www.bcarchives.gov.bc.ca/index.htm
Bureau of Land Management (Eastern States) Conveyance Records	www.glorecords.blm.gov/
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh	www.clpgh.org/clp/
Civil War Database	http://www.civilwardata.com/
Civil War Soldiers & Sailors System	www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/
Civil War sources of information	www.ucsc.edu/civil-war-letters/civil-war-sources.html
Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet	www.cyndislist.com
Dick Eastman's Genealogy Newsletter	http://www.rootsforum.com/
Everton Genealogical Helper Magazine	www.everton.com
Family Archives	www.genealogy.com/cdhome.html
Family History SuperSearch (searches sixteen major sites at once)	www.familytreemagazine.com/Search/
Family Tree Maker	www.familytreemaker.com
FamilySearch Internet Genealogy Service (Church site)	www.familysearch.org
Federation of East European Family History Societies	http://feefhs.org/frg/frg-pg.html
Finding Useful Information on the Internet (by Alan Mann)	www.geocities.com/q6266
Fuller/Gaunt Genealogy Resources on the Web	www.gendex.com
Genealogy Detective	www.genealogydetective.com
Genealogy Library (over 1600 books) *pay site*	http://www.genealogy.com/glsub.html?Welcome=1042586043
Genealogy Site Finder	www.familytreemaker.com/links/index.html
Genealogy SiteFinder	www.genealogy.com/links
GenealgoyPortal (search with multiple search engines)	www.genealogyportal.com
GenForum (chat room, queries by surname)	www.genforum.com
GenServe (GEDCOM files)	www.genserv.com

Name or Website Description	Website Address
Helm's Genealogy Toolbox--Query Central	http://query.genealogytoolbox.com
History Magazine	www.history-magazine.com
Home page construction kit	www.cyndislist.com/construc.htm
How-to: Using Maps	http://mac.usgs.gov/isb/pubs/factsheets/fs09902.html
Journal of Online Genealogy	www.onlinegenealogy.com/
LDS links from Genealogy Home Page	www.genhomepage.com/LDS.html
Library of Congress	www.lcweb.loc.gov/homepage/lchp.html
Library of Congress Online Catalog	http://catalog.loc.gov
Map of U.S. surname distribution	www.hamrick.com/names/index.html
Mike Rice Genealogy Helplist	http://helplist.org
MultiGen (search nine general indexes)	http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/CACulman/MultiGen.htm
National Archives and Records Administration	www.nara.gov/
NativeWeb Tracing Your Roots	http://www.nativeweb.com/resources/genealogy_tracing_roots
PBS Ancestors' Series	www.byubroadcasting.org/ancestors
RAND Genealogy Club	www.rand.org/personal/Genea/
RootsWeb	www.genealogy.org/
RootsWeb	www.rootsweb.com
RootsWeb Surname List	http://rsl.rootsweb.com/
Search U.S. list of place names	http://geonames.usgs.gov/pls/gnis/web_query.gnis_web_query_form
Silicon Valley PAF Users Group Home Page	www.genealogy.org/~svpafug/
Social Security Death index and five other indexes	www.ancestry.com/ssdi/advanced.htm
Surname Web tutorial with examples of web pages	http://help.surnameweb.org/tutorial/gedcom.html
Telephone Directories on the Web	www.teldir.com/
The Genealogy Home Page	www.genhomepage.com
U.S. Census Bureau Home Page	www.census.gov/
U.S. Gazetteer	www.census.gov/cgi-bin/gazetteer
U.S. telephone directories	www.switchboard.com/
United Kingdom & Ireland Genealogy	www.genuki.org.uk/
US GenWeb (lists of www sites by state and	www.usgenweb.org
US GenWeb archive search	http://searches.rootsweb.com/htdig/search.html
Utah Valley PAF Users Group Home Page	www.uvpafug.org
Utah Valley Regional Family History Center - BYU	http://uvrfhc.lib.byu.edu/
World GenWeb (list of www sites, all countries)	www.worldgenweb.org

Tips

Keep a research log of where you have been, when, and whether or not it was useful.

If you need more help, look for books to help you learn how to use the Internet. For example, *Netting Your Ancestors* by Cyndi Howells or *Genealogy Online for Dummies* by Matt and April Helm.

Family History via the Internet

By Alan E. Mann *and* Marvin R. Zautcke

The Internet is a powerful tool for Latter-day Saints to gather family history information and also to share it with others.

Lindsey, an only child, didn't know much about her extended family. Using the Internet, she searched the Social Security Death Index and found enough information to send for various vital records. As she located living relatives, she began corresponding with them. Two years after starting her search for extended family, she had attended one family reunion and organized a second. She created a home page and searched others. On a home page created by her second cousin once removed, she found colorful stories about the second-great-grandfather for whom she had been searching. Now Lindsey expresses gratitude for the Internet, which helped her find the extended family she might never have known.

For years, the Internet has helped those interested in family history to seek out their roots. Now, with the establishment of the Church FamilySearch™ Internet Genealogy Service Web site, we have an important tool that provides easy access for the gathering and sharing of family history information.

This article briefly surveys popular Web sites, including FamilySearch, and provides helpful hints for Internet research. A list of computer terms is also provided.*

FamilySearch on the Internet

In May 1999, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints launched the FamilySearch Internet Genealogy Service at **www.familysearch.org**. This Web site offers access to four databases: Ancestral File™, the International Genealogical Index, the Family History Library Catalog, and the Internet Index to the Pedigree Resource File.

1. *Ancestral File* is a collection of millions of names from individuals, families, and genealogical organizations throughout the world that are organized into pedigrees and family group record forms.

2. The *International Genealogical Index* is an index of more than 330 million names of deceased persons gathered since 1970.

3. The *Family History Library Catalog* describes the books, microfilms, and microfiche in Salt Lake City's Family History Library.

4. The *Internet Index to the Pedigree Resource File* will let you know if your family history is part of that collection of family histories submitted by individuals via the Internet. The Pedigree Resource File is available for later publication on CD-ROM through LDS Distribution Centers. Information is organized in family groups and pedigrees. It is printed exactly as submitted and not combined with information from other submitters as is done in Ancestral File. Nine such CDs are currently available.

This Web site also offers Internet-only services, including (1) a free copy of the latest version of *Personal Ancestral File,* a family history computer program—available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, German, and French—that allows you to record and publish your family history; (2) more than 100,000 *Collaboration Lists*; and (3) an *index* to thousands of other Web sites around the world.

Gathering Family History from the Internet

Alan Mann had found his ancestor, Daniel S. Corley, in 1850 and 1860 census records for Bell County, Texas. He diligently searched the 1870 census without success. Alan went to Ancestry Search at **www.ancestry.com** (which contains an extensive index to U.S. census records) and found Daniel S. Corley in an index for the 1880 census for Johnson County, Texas. Further searching located Daniel S. Corley in the 1870 and 1880 censuses of Johnson County, providing the names of two children who had not had their temple ordinances performed.

Many Latter-day Saints have been aided by other Web sites on the Internet. Following is a sampling of index Web sites organized by name, place, or category.

Name indexes use your ancestors' names to find information about them. The largest name index is Internet Family Finder, located at **www.familytreemaker.com/ifftop.html** . This site indexes more than 100,000 published family histories and other information located on thousands of Web sites around the world. Other major name indexes include **www.ancestry.com** and **www.genealogylibrary.com** and **www.genserv.com** and **searches.rootsweb.com/htdig/search.html** and **www.gendex.com** . More name indexes are listed at **www.geocities.com/Heartland/Acres/8310/gens.html.**

Place indexes use the place your ancestor lived to find records and data about them. These indexes list specific records and resources available on the Internet for that location. The two oldest place indexes are USGenWeb at **www.usgenweb.org** and GENUKI at **www.genuki.org.uk** . USGenWeb has Web pages for every state in the United States and for each county within each state. GENUKI lists resources for the United Kingdom and Ireland. When completed, GENUKI will have Web pages for more than 15,000 parishes in the United Kingdom.

Other major place indexes include WorldGenWeb at **www.worldgenweb.org** (which seeks to create Web pages for every country in the world) and the Federation of East European Family History Societies at **www.feefhs.org** for Eastern European countries.

Category lists help users identify research sites. The best known of these family history Web sites is Cyndi's List at **www.cyndislist.com** (which lists more than 50,000 Web sites in over 120 categories, such as places, subjects, and ethnic groups). Another major comprehensive site is Genealogy SiteFinder at **www.genealogy.com/links** which lists over 76,000 Web sites. Both have searchable indexes of their lists. Two alternative smaller lists that allow you to search for any words on the Web sites they index are FamilySearch Browse Categories **www.familysearch.org/Browse/browse.asp** and **www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/main.htm** .

To use these indexes, think about what you know about a specific ancestor or surname and then look in the appropriate categories. If you were trying to find information on a Quaker couple married in Virginia in 1766, you could look in categories for marriages, Virginia, Quakers, or Colonial records. Comprehensive Web sites also help locate information about an ancestor's culture, traditions, homeland, and history. This information gives you a greater appreciation of your heritage, the sacrifices your ancestors made for you, and a better understanding of what their life was like.

For example, Marvin Zautcke, who is the only member of the Church in his family, has roots that go back to Pomerania. While searching the Internet, he came up with Web sites devoted to the province of Pomerania: its people, history, and traditions, and even ethnic organizations devoted to the preservation of Pomeranian culture. He found information on individuals who came to the United States in the 1800s and settled in southeastern Wisconsin, where he grew up. This has helped Marvin meet descendants of those who emigrated from the same area as his second-great-grandfather and others involved in preserving Pomeranian traditions and genealogies. As a result of information found there, he has been able to identify and provide temple ordinances for many of his ancestors.

The Internet also has reference works, classes, and tutorials teaching proper methods of research and documentation. These include the FamilySearch SourceGuide at **www.familysearch.org/sg** and Online University at **www.genealogy.com/university.html** and the Learning Center at **www.ancestry.com/learn.main.htm** .

If you don't have a computer or an Internet connection at home, you can often use one at your local library, university, or community college.

Sharing Family History on the Internet

Among the many ways to share family history information with others on the Internet are collaboration lists, research coordination lists, mailing lists, queries, newsgroups, and help or lookup lists:

1. *Collaboration lists* help put people in touch with each other who are working on the same name, family, or place. Since the Church launched its family history Web site in May 1999, more than 100,000 lists have been registered at **www.familysearch.org/Share**.

2. *Research coordination lists* allow users to register the surname they are currently researching. By checking these lists, searchers often find others looking for the same surnames. Every day, dozens of connections are made between relatives using these lists. The largest is Roots Surname List at **rsl.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/rslsql.cgi** where more than 833,000 surnames have been registered by about 100,000 researchers.

3. *Mailing lists* are free discussion groups where individuals with a common interest share information with each other by e-mail. There are thousands of genealogical mailing lists. Many are listed by John Fuller and Chris Gaunt at **www.rootsweb.com/~jfuller/gen_mail.html** .

4. *Queries* are requests for information about a specific ancestor, couple, or family. Besides accepting queries, most sites allow you to search the queries left by others. These include **www.usgenweb.org** and **www.genforum.com** and **query.genealogytoolbox.com** .

5. *Newsgroups* are discussion groups that are stored on the Internet until you request the messages. There are dozens of newsgroups and tools that will search these messages. For more information, see **members.tripod.com/~Genealogy_Infocenter/genealogy-discussions.html**.

6. *Help* or *lookup lists* provide e-mail addresses of people willing to look up information for you at no charge. These are volunteers who do quick searches in various books, records, and record offices as a public service. USGenWeb at **www.usgenweb.org** has lookup lists for each county in the United States.

Sharing Brings Returns

The Prophet Joseph Smith told us "to cast our bread upon the waters and we shall receive it after many days, increased to a hundredfold" (*Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith,* sel. Joseph Fielding Smith [1976], 316). So it is when we cast our family history information upon the waters of the Internet. By sending out our family data, we will reap a rich harvest. Our knowledge of our forebears will increase, our family on both sides of the veil will grow closer, testimonies will be strengthened, and the opportunity to do temple work for our kindred dead will bless lives.

Both of the authors have come to know this from their own experiences. They've posted their family data on the Internet (see **www.zautcke.com** and **www.geocities.com/Heartland/Farm/6266** and have received hundreds of e-mail messages from distant cousins in North America, Europe, and Australia with information that enabled them to do temple ordinances for many of their deceased relatives.

The work inspired by Elijah's bestowal of priesthood keys in 1836 has grown with astonishing speed. The Lord has now blessed us with computers and the Internet to help us communicate easily with people around the world. E-mail makes the sharing of family data almost instantaneous.

As we gather and verify information obtained via the Internet to provide temple ordinances for our own dead, we fulfill promises we made to our forefathers, weld eternal family links, and draw ourselves and our families closer to God.

Internet Vocabulary

E-mail: Short for electronic mail messages that are sent from one person to another.

Family History Computer Software Program: Personal Ancestral File is one of many family history programs for home use. Users enter family history information electronically, thus allowing information to be printed as a pedigree chart, family group record, descendancy chart, or many other formats. Information can also be given to others as a GEDCOM file for instant transfer of family history data.

Family History Center: Local branches of the Family History Library of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Salt Lake City, Utah. There are more than 3,400 around the world.

Family History Library: The main library of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Salt Lake City, Utah. It has the world's largest collection of genealogical holdings and has both printed sources and microfilmed records. It is used by genealogical researchers worldwide.

GEDCOM: Acronym for GEnealogical Data COMmunication, developed in 1987 by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It is the standard file format for exchanging family information between genealogical databases. If you choose, your family history software program can save your family information as a GEDCOM file.

Home page: An individual or company Web page that serves as the table of contents or title page of a Web site.

HTML: Acronym for HyperText Markup Language, the language of the World Wide Web.

Hyperlink: Highlighted text that allows you to jump to other information in a file or to another Web page or Web site.

Internet: A system of computers joined together by high-speed data lines. It is a repository for vast amounts of data, including family history data, that is accessed by computer through an Internet Service Provider and Web Browser. It includes data in various formats (or protocols) such as HTML, e-mail (SMTP), File Transfer Protocol (FTP), and Telnet.

Online: Refers to computer connection to the Internet. Made possible through the use of an Internet service provider and Web browser.

Web browser: Software that enables you to view documents on the Internet.

Web page: A multimedia document that is created and viewable on the Internet with the use of a World Wide Web browser.

Web site: Refers to one or more World Wide Web pages on the Internet. Also called a site.

World Wide Web: The portion of the Internet that is written in HTML. **www.familysearch.org**: The Church's family history Web site.

Family History Bloomed after 1836

For Latter-day Saints, family history is more than a hobby; it is a gospel principle. On 3 April 1836 in the Kirtland Temple, Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery withdrew behind the veil to offer up a solemn and silent prayer unto the Lord. Rising from prayer, Joseph and Oliver beheld the Savior standing upon the breastwork of the pulpit. Then Moses, Elias, and Elijah each committed specific keys needed to restore the gospel in its fulness. Elijah restored the keys to bind on earth and heaven, which permitted the great work of salvation for the dead to begin in this dispensation.

Before the coming of Elijah in 1836, there had been no organizations dedicated to gathering records of the dead. However, the Spirit of the Lord moved quickly upon the earth after this experience at the Kirtland Temple. Just one year later, in 1837, England and Wales began mandatory recording of births, deaths, and marriages for everyone in their countries. Many countries around the world started recording more information in the census records taken after 1836. For example, Great Britain's censuses began recording names and ages of individuals in 1841, and the United States added names of family members in 1850 (previously only heads of household were named). In 1844 the New England Historic Genealogical Society was organized in Boston. Today there are thousands of family history societies around the world.

In addition, many individuals were prompted to publish their family histories. The results have been dramatic. Between 1450 and 1836, fewer than 200 family histories were published. Between 1837 and 1935, almost 2,000 more were published. Today more than 2,000 family histories are published each week. The Internet provides a simple and inexpensive way for all with access to a computer to publish their family history, thus adding to a rapidly expanding pool of shared genealogical information. Be aware, however, that any family history is only as reliable as the skills of the one who compiled it. Whether on the Internet, in printed books, or from relatives, family histories should always be verified using original records.

Creating Web Pages

You can publish a Web page of your genealogy on the Internet if you desire. (Make sure to get permission from any living relatives to print their information.) Web publishing is simple, inexpensive, and widely available.

Many genealogy programs will create an attractive, well-indexed home page displaying your family tree. One such program, Personal Ancestral File, is available free on the Internet at **www.lds.org**. Click on "Family History" and follow the links. Or at **www.familysearch.org** click on "Order Family History Resources" and follow the links.

Publishing your family history on the Internet is as easy as 1-2-3:

1. Use a family history computer program such as Personal Ancestral File 4.0 or higher to convert your family information to Web pages.

2. Select a place to store your Web pages on the Internet. Two companies that offer free Web space without advertising are Zyweb at **www.zyweb.com** and Netscape at **home.netscape.com/sitecentral** .

3. Transfer the pages created by Personal Ancestral File 4.0 or other genealogy programs to your chosen Web host.

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Popular Search Engines for Family History

Description	Website or URL
Google (the most popular)	http://www.google.com
Alta Vista	http://www.altavista.com
AlltheWeb	http://www.alltheweb.com
HotBot/Lycos	http://www.hotbot.lycos.com
NorthernLight	http://www.northernlight.com
WebCrawler	http://www.webcrawler.com
Yahoo	http://www.yahoo.com
LookSmart	http://www.looksmart.com
Kanoodle	http://www.kanoodle.com
NYTimes	http://nytimes.com/learning/general/navigator/index.html
AskJeeves	http://www.askjeeves.com
Netscape	http://www.netscape.com
Microsoft Internet Explorer	http://www.msn.com
Search Engines World Wide	http://www.twics.com/~takakuwa/search/search.html
Dogpile (meta search engine)	http://www.dogpile.com
Mamma (meta search engine)	http://www.mamma.com
MetaCrawler (meta search engine)	http://www.metacrawler.com/index.html
MonsterCrawler (meta search engine)	http://www.MonsterCrawler.com
To Locate Search Engines	http://www.cui.unige.ch/meta-index.html

GENEALOGICAL Search Engines

LDS Family Search	http://www.familysearch.org
The Olive Tree Genealogy	http://www.olivetreegenealogy.com/index.shtml
Census Diggins, etc.	http://www.censusdiggins.com/ssdi_search.html
KindredKonnections Site	http://www.mytrees.com
Cyndislist for Search Engines	http://www.cyndislist.com/search.htm
Ancestral Findings	http://www.ancestralfindings.com
The Genealogy Register	http://www.genealogyregister.com
GenForum	http://www.genforum.genealogy.com/surnames
Genealogy Home Page (new stuff)	http://www.genhomepage.com/whats_new.html
HeritageQuest	http://www.heritagequest.com
Ancestor Search	http://www.geocities.com/thereids.geo//search
Telephone White Pages	http://www.switchboard.com/
Worldwide Topsites	http://www.worldwidetopsites.com/hpp/in.php?id=jhvanee
Helms Genealgoy Toolbox	http://www.genealogytoolbox.com
Roots Web	http://www.rootsweb.com
Family Tree Magazine (meta search)	http://www.familytreemagazine.com/search/
BYU Library (see Trails of Hope)	http://library.byu.edu/
Lib. Of Congress (American Memory)	http://www.lcweb.loc.gov/

FEE-BASED Websites for Family History

Genealogy.com	http://www.genealogy.com/
Familytreemaker.com	http://www.familytreemaker.com
Ancestry.com	http://www.ancestry.com/
HeritageQuest.com	http://www.heritagequest.com
RootsWeb.com	http://www.rootsweb.com/
Genealogy Searching Center	http://genealogysearch.org

Searchable Databases
Includes Surnames / Vital Records / How to / Telephone Directories

www.familysearch.org
Contains the International Genealogical Index (IGI), Ancestral File, index to Pedigree Resource File, U.S. Social Security Death Index, Vital Records Index, Family History Library Catalog, research guides, links to thousands of other web sites, etc. It also has the L.D.S. Ordinance Index which is only available to members. Members must have their membership no. and date of confirmation to access the ordinance index.

www.gencircles.com
The Global Tree consists of over 45 million ancestors submitted to GenCircles by our users. Lists other family trees in the database that have matches with family trees you find on their site containing your ancestors. Also has a bulletin board for posting queries.

http://www.usgenweb.org/
Hundreds of volunteers from virtually every county in the United States are continually extracting databases and making them available on the Internet.

www.rootsweb.com
A grassroots volunteer network. This is a very valuable site. It has more than 20,000 surnames on its RootsWeb Surname List plus literally hundreds of resources.

www.myfamily.com
This is the parent site for ancestry.com, a subscription site. (See Subscription / Paid Sites) MyFamily.com has a number of free services including access to its Ancestry World Tree, a searchable, pedigree linked database. You can also AShare pictures with your family by posting them to your private MyFamily site, keep up to date with your family by posting the latest happenings in our news section, schedule a chat session to "talk" in real-time, keep track of family members addresses and phone numbers in a shared family address book, let others know what you thought about a recent movie or book by posting a review and never miss an important family event with free birthday, anniversary, and event reminders.@ It should be noted here that MyFamily.com now hosts the RootsWeb sites. RootsWeb databases have been free for many years and are staffed by literally hundreds of volunteers. MyFamily.com has pledged to continue the RootsWeb databases as free sites.

http://www.worldwidetopsites.com/sites/genealogy.html
Links to over 100 websites, many of them somewhat unusual.

www.geneanet.org
AOur Mission: to make the power of the Internet available to our users by setting up a universal register of all the world's genealogical resources, whether Net-based or not, and whether free or fee-paying.@

http://www.glorecords.blm.gov/
AWe provide live access to Federal land conveyance records for the Public Land States. We also provide image access to more than two million Federal land title records for Eastern Public Land States, issued between 1820 and 1908. Images of Serial patents (land titles issued between 1908 and the mid-1960's) are currently being added to this web site.@

www.gentree.com/gentree.html
Contains links to genealogical databases searchable through the Web. It is indexed by author with limited description of many of the databases. This requires a certain amount of guesswork and/or browsing to find your family but there are databases for many families and one of them might be yours.

http://www.distantcousin.com/
ADistantCousin.com is a free genealogy resource to help you connect with your distant cousins! We have several online genealogical databases, including city directories, marriages, military rosters, alumni lists, obituaries, tombstone transcriptions, and ships passenger lists, which you can search for free. We have one

of the largest human edited directories of genealogical websites, organized by surname, ethnicity or geographical location.@

http://ancestorguide.com
AYbrowse through the listing of over 47,000 surname categories or find it fast with our surname search engine!@

www.ngsgenealogy.org
Has genealogy educational pages on the National Genealogy Society website.

www.apgen.org
A site for professional genealogists hosted by the Association of Professional Genealogists.

www.bcgcertification.org
Another site for professional genealogists hosted by the Board for Certification of Genealogists.

http://genealogytoday.com
AGenealogy news plus surname queries, family search tips, articles and genealogy search tools.@

www.newspaperabstracts.com
This site is comprised of newspaper abstracts and extracts published in United States newspapers prior to 1923. Articles from other countries are limited to 1900 and earlier. All items within this site have submitted by individuals like you who are interested in helping others in their search for their ancestors.

http://261.byu.edu/index.html
A great website on the Ahow to=s@ of family history! An entire basic course. Has a great section on Family Search.

www.homeandoffice.hp.com/hho/us/eng/genealogy_series_article_one.html
Three very good articles with how-to instructions, downloadable artwork, journal etc. from Hewlett Parkard=s website.

www.dhc.net/~jw/guide.html
AIf you can=t even spell the word g-e-n-e-a-l-o-g-y, this is the place for you to start. Everyone has ancestors, and if you=re wondering who yours are, it=s time to get involved in family history and genealogy research.@ A good site to get a few of the basics.

http://www.genealogytoday.com/
AGenealogy news plus surname queries, family search tips, articles and genealogy search tools.@ Has a powerful search engine that performs a free search of over 3 million indexed names on 50,000 sites. It Anot only focuses on site links, but also includes a soundex cross reference to help you find those >almost matches= that other search engines miss altogether@. Allows you to perform some specialized, unique searches such as seeking women=s maiden names.

www.familytreemagazine.com
Free downloadable forms, genealogy articles, a ASuperSearch@ to find living relatives and tools to find your ancestors.

http://www.anywho.com/
Online telephone directory, both white and yellow pages. Has a search to find a business by category, city and state.

Personal History

http://www.storypreservation.com/
Center for Life Story Preservation. Many helpful ideas.

http://www.rootsweb.com/~genepool/oralhist.htm

A great list of questions and ideas for doing an oral history.

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Message Boards / Query Sites
These are sites where researchers can request from and exchange information with other researchers.

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http://genforum.genealogy.com
A very useful bulletin board type site where queries are exchanged by surname, state, county, and other ways. It=s easy to navigate with queries going back several years. This is a free database provided by Genealogy.com, a subscription database.

http://boards.ancestry.com
A message board that can be searched by surname or locality. Ancestry.com=s message boards were recently combined with the RootsWeb message boards.

http://cousinconnect.com
A site to post and check queries. Queries can be edited or deleted. Fewer names than the larger query sites. Has many links to other sites.

http://www.iigs.org/newsletter/9802news/genmess.htm
This site gives an overview of the purpose and use of genealogy message boards along with a list of several very specific boards. AThe boards provide a forum for posting your queries for other researchers to peruse, and answer if they canYas well as allowing them to post their own questions@. If you are stuck on a dead-end or just beginning, try posting a question to one of the message boards. Don=t forget to go back and look for an answer. Many of the boards have an option to request an e-mail notice if an answer is posted to your query.

http://www.bellaonline.org/articles/art485.asp
An excellent article that summarizes the value and use of message boards.

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Genealogy Portals
Websites are listed here if the primary purpose is to identify and link to other websites.
Several of these portal sites also have searchable surname databases.

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http://www.cyndislist.com/
A very popular site dedicated to identifying all the genealogy websites out there. More than 168,000 links to family history and genealogy websites.

http://genhomepage.com
AThe Genealogy Home Page ™ last updated 19 October 2002 to contain over 4000 links@. Has frequent updates on new genealogy pages.

www.genealogylinks.net
AGenealogylinks.net consists of 750 pages of now, over 12,000 links; most of them to online surname searchable records such as ship's passenger lists, church records, cemetery transcriptions, military records and censuses for USA, UK, England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Europe, Canada, Australia & New Zealand.@ Has a listing of Top 22 genealogy sites.

http://olivetreegenealogy.com/index.shtml
Links to hundreds of free databases including ships lists, military indexes, Palatines, articles with research tips, etc.

http://genealogy.about.com
Wonderful links to all kinds of genealogy resources.

www.genealogypages.com
AThe world=s greatest genealogy portal.@ A great many links to genealogy websites.

http://www.genealogicaljourneys.com/sites.htm
Contains a listing of over 40,000 websites. A top listing of surnames, records, etc.

http://www.genealogylinks.net/
AGenealogylinks.net consists of 750 pages of now, over 12,000 links; most of them to online surname searchable records such as ship's passenger lists, church records, cemetery transcriptions, military records and censuses for USA, UK, England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Europe, Canada, Australia & New Zealand.@

www.genealogyportal.com
AGenealogyPortal.com features eight separate search engines to assist you in researching your family history. It is designed to assist genealogists in finding information that is not readily accessible through traditional genealogical link sites. All search engines contained in GenealogyPortal.com are free to all users.@

http://www.mycinnamontoast.com
AA huge index of links to genealogy web sites and databases, classified by surname and region.@ An interesting site to do a surname search for ancestors. Has many links to other websites.

http://www-personal.umich.edu/~cgaunt/gen_web.html
Genealogy resources on the Internet B a plethora of valuable links.

http://genealogyregister.com/
The Genealogy Register. Their listings to searchable surname and other websites are determined by a popularity ranking system based on their own statistics.

http://www.bellaonline.org/articles/art485.asp
A portal that will take you to other portals and websites, both free and >paid= which may have the surname you are searching in their databases.

<center>Census Records</center>
Census records are some of the most valuable and useful research tools. They can help identify family members then help guide you in further research to know what to do next.

www.censuslinks.com
More than 7000 census links.

http://www.rootsweb.com/~census/
and
http://www.us-census.org/
These are Atwo terrific Census Projects run by USGenWeb Project members.@ Many census records have been extracted by volunteers. These are great supplements to the ancestry.com Online Census Images, particularly for those years which have not yet been indexed B and they are free.

http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/census/usfedcen/main.htm?lfl=rhn&iid=3717%3A+HOME+all+census+years%2E%2E%2E
See www.ancestry.com   the URL for the home page.
The most complete of any U.S. census website. Has all the U.S. census records in its Online Census Images. About half are indexed. The others are being indexed. You can check on the site to see the status of each census year. Ancestry.com is a subscription site B see below.

http://www.genealogy.com/uscensussub.html
This site has a number of census years. The years 1810 and 1900 are indexed. Genealogy.com is a subscription site B see below.

http://www.archives.gov/research_room/genealogy/census/census_clues_1850_to_1930.html
AClues in Census Records, 1850-1930. Experienced genealogical researchers use clues found in one record to find other records about the same individual (or family). This article describes some of the clues found in census records.@

http://www.genealogytoday.com/genealogy/states/
Most states had one or more state census records taken, particularly in the 1800=s. These were usually midway between the U.S. Census years. This site has links by state to both U.S. and State Census records.

Many of them will lead you to an extraction of the actual state census for certain counties. Many also have extractions of U.S. Census records.AU.S. Genealogy Sites State by State. Genealogy Today is pleased to announce that it is the new home of the StateGenSites database of over 20,000 genealogy web sites. A In addition to the census records, this site has other searchable data.

www.familysearch.org
This site has the 1880 US, 1881 Canadian and 1881 British Census indexes. With this site you can also access the LDS ordinances if you have a ward membership number and your conformation date. The ordinances will be updated on a regular basis where the Ordinance index (TempleReady) will not receive any further updates. Check this site for the most up-to-date Ordinance information.

Immigration

http://www.ellisislandrecords.org
AMillions of records from the American Family Immigration History Center@. A great many people came to this country through Ellis Island.

http://istg.rootsweb.com
Immigrant Ships Transcribers Guild is hosted by volunteers who list ships passenger lists. AWe are a group of volunteers dedicated to making the search for our ancestors immigration easier. We grew out of a need to find ships= passenger lists right here, on-line.@

www.nara.gov/genealogy/immigration/immigrat.html
@Immigration records, more popularly known as "ship passenger arrival records," may provide evidence of a person's arrival in the United States, as well as foreign birthplace. The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has immigration records for various ports for the years 1800-1959.@

http://ist.uwaterloo.ca/~marj/genealogy/thevoyage.html
19th century immigration records. AThe information on these pages has been extracted from various government records, as well as the odd shipping record (mostly from the Allan Line). It contains, voyage accounts, emigration information, lists of ships sailing to Canada, information on the ports, and on the people.@

http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/5978/Emigration.html
Emigration / Ship Lists and Resources. Has over 120 links to emigration and ships passenger list sites.

Military Records and Military and Lineage Societies

www.itd.nps.gov/cwss
Soldiers and Sailors from the Civil War who fought on either the Union or Confederate side. Contains several million names.

www.nps.gov/vafo/mropening.htm
Valley Forge Muster Roll databases. The home page has a picture of George Washington=s headquarters at Valley Forge. The rest of the site is down temporarily while it is being updated.

http://www.accessgenealogy.com/worldwar/
World War II casualties by state.

www.mayflower.org
AToday there are tens-of-millions of individuals descended from these brave souls. It is the goal of the Mayflower Society to join together people who share this heritage and carry on the memory of our Pilgrim ancestors.@

http://dar.org
The Daughters of the American Revolution was incorporated by an act of Congress. It is a membership society whose members are able to trace their family tree back to a Revolutionary War patriot.

www.societyofthewarof1812.org
Members of the General Society of the War of 1812 are descended from participants in the War of 1812.

Cemeteries, Death Notices, and Headstones

http://www.interment.net/
More than six million cemetery records from around the world.

http://findagrave.com
AFind the graves of ancestors, create virtual memorials, add 'virtual flowers' and a note to a loved one's grave, etc.@ See the graves of famous people around the world.

www.headstonehunter.com
If you are looking for a headstone picture you can post your headstone request. There are more than 5500 registered volunteers who will take pictures of headstones in their local area. You can search the database for requests in your area. You can volunteer to photograph headstones in your area.

www.obitcentral.com/obitsearch
AThousands of links to online obituaries, cemetery inscriptions, birth, marriage, and death noticesYa vast collection of search engines that access only obituariesYlinks to Canadian obituaries, cemetery inscriptions, birth, marriage and death notices.@

Church / Religious Sites

http://www.geocities.com/robbi01/quaker/
A personal website that has an excellent explanation of the Society of Friends B Quakers..

www.rootsweb.com/~quakers
AThe Quaker Corner is the official repository for the QUAKER-ROOTS discussion group, a very active mailing list with over 1,200 subscribers. Many of them are helpful authorities on doing Quaker research and the Society of Friends, past and present.@

http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~baptist
Baptist Church history and genealogy. Doesn=t cover all states but does link to a Baptist message board.

http://www1.aal.org/LutheransOnline/Gene_Ex
AYthis exchange helps those who wish to connect to others tracing family roots...especially those whose ancestors were Lutheran.@ It also links to a message board.

www.huguenot.netnation.com/general
The National Huguenot Society is hosted to help you find ancestors who fled France in the 16th and 17th century.

http://home.att.net/~Local_Catholic/
A local Catholic Church site but has a family history and genealogy research guide.

Sites for Other Countries and Ethnic Sites
Includes message boards and other specialized sites

http://www.worldgenweb.org/
AThe WorldGenWeb Project is a non-profit, volunteer based organization dedicated to providing genealogical and historical records and resources for world-wide access@.

www.genuki.org.uk
AYlarge collection of genealogical information pages for England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.@

www.jewishgen.org
AYthe primary internet source connecting researchers of Jewish genealogy worldwide.@

www.feefhs.org
Federation of East European Family History Societies.

http://home.att.net/~Alsosa
AYone of the best places to begin the search for your Hispanic ancestors.@

www.nationalarchives.ie/genealogy.html
This site lists Irish records including vital records and census records 1822 B 1911, as well as wills, tax lists, etc. The site also has searchable databases and links to other sites.

www.accessgenealogy.com/native
AThe best of Native American genealogy.@

http://home.att.net/~wee-monster
Resources for German genealogy. Has links to a number of German sites.

http://www.rootsweb.com/~swewgw/
AYour main Gate to Genealogical Research in Sweden. Member of the WorldGenWeb Project as SwedenGenWeb.@

http://olivetreegenealogy.com/can/ont/census.shtml
A very large Canadian website which includes many records including Canadian census and vital records. Some of it is free and some requires a paid subscription.

http://www.englishorigins.com
English Origins. AExclusive provider of the Society of Genealogist=s records: indexes to marriages, wills, witness depositions and apprentice records. These indexes and abstracts shown below, are not available anywhere else in digital form.@ This is primarily a paid subscription site.

http://www.ukgenealogy.co.uk/england.htm
UK genealogy including census, births, marriages and deaths. Includes a list of major libraries.

http://www.curiousfox.com/
Includes a message board. AAn easy to use contact site for anybody researching UK genealogy, family or local history. 50,000 counties, towns, villages and hamlets with contact boards, surname lists and links to the exact location on old maps and modern maps.@

http://freebmd.rootsweb.com
AFreeBMD stands for Free Births, Marriages, and Deaths. The FreeBMD Project's objective is to provide free Internet access to the Civil Registration index information for England and Wales. The Civil Registration system for recording births, marriages, and deaths in England and Wales has been in place since 1837 and is one of the most significant single resources for genealogical research back to Victorian times. The FreeBMD project only contains index information for the period 1837-1901.@

Where to write for Vital Records

http://www.vitalrec.com/
This page contains information about where to obtain vital records (such as birth, death & marriage certificates and divorce decrees) from each state, territory and county of the United States. See the guidelines for information on how to order vital records. If you are looking for vital records from a foreign county, see my links to foreign vital records web sites.

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/howto/w2w/w2welcom.htm
This is the site with addresses to get vital records data. You simply click on the State where birth, death, marriage, or divorce occurred to get details of the dates each type of record is available and the cost to order records.

Maps

http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/gmdhtml/gmdhome.html
A wonderful collection of maps from the Library of Congress Map Collection. Includes maps from the year1500 to 2002.

www.lib.utexas.edu/maps
This site has maps from all over the world. It includes current maps as well as may historical maps.

http://www.Topozone.com
AThe TopoZone is the Web's center for recreational and professional topographic map users. We've worked with the USGS to create the Web's first interactive topo map of the entire United States.@

http://www.topowest.com
AWelcome to FreeTopo! This is a place where USGS topo maps can be viewed online@

http://www.mapquest.com/
Trying to find a certain location in a strange city? Try MapQuest.

Scrapbooking

http://www.scrapbookingtop50.com/
Links to scrapbooking Top 50 websites.

http://learn2scrapbook.com/what_is_scrapbooking.htm
ALearn to scrapbook. Information for beginners.@

http://www.archival.com/NA13.html
Helpful tips for preserving your precious documents and memorabilia. Tips on creating an archival scrapbook or photo album. B by Nancy Kraft for the Iowa Conservation and Preservation Consortium.

http://sunsetvisions.freeyellow.com/page13.html
Articles on scrapbooking. Site includes 50 hotlinks to great ideas such as AMaking your own paper on the computer, Scrapbooking Checklists to help you plan and brainstorm, What should I collect for my scrapbook?, What can we do with our photos to make them special?@.

Multimedia Help Sites

http://scantips.com
AThe purpose is to offer some scanning tips and to explain the basics for photos and documents. It is about the fundamentals of digital images, about the basics to help you get the most from your scanner.@ This is not a technical support site but very useful nonetheless.

www.rideau-info.com/genealogy/digital
AThe advent of high quality digital cameras at affordable consumer prices has provided some great opportunities as well as a number of potential problems. The goal of this article is twofold, to make sure that your descendants a hundred years from now can enjoy the pictures you take today, and to make sure that people today can enjoy photographs of their ancestors, taken a hundred years ago.@ - A more technical site. It explains why CD-ROM and DVD-ROM (not floppy disks or tape) are the best storage medium for long term life.

Subscription / Paid Sites
Many of these sites have free databases to encourage users to try them. Most of the free data is very worthwhile. Most of the sites also have free trial periods. Becoming acquainted with these sites may be well worth your time.

www.ancestry.com

Probably the largest paid family history website. They seem to have held true to their commitment to add a new database every working day. They have been doing this for several years. One of the most useful databases is the Online Census Images. All the U.S. census records from 1790 through 1920 are now on their site. The 1930 U.S. census was recently released and many state images are already available. About half the census years are indexed with others in process. Also has Ancestry World Tree, which is a pedigree linked database of millions of names submitted by users of the site. Access to the Ancestry World Tree is free. A very useful database is PERSI (Periodical Source Index) which is an index to articles in magazines and publications containing thousands of biographies. A find in PERSI adds a great deal of human interest and color to your family history. New databases can be searched for free for several days after they are added.

www.genealogy.com
Contains a large index to its World Family Tree. The index can be searched for free. A subscription is required to access the pedigree, linked database and download data. It also has a database of wills, biographies, land, church, military and other records, which have been converted from genealogy books. About half of the U.S. Census records are available online. The 1810 and 1900 census records are indexed by head of household. The site has a free Learning Center with 72,000 links and a How-To Guide.

www.everton.com
Publishers of Everton=s Genealogical Helper, a magazine which has been around for many years. The magazine now has a new name, Family History Magazine, and a new format. The site has a searchable database with fewer names than Ancestry.com or Genealogy.com but many of the names are different than in other on-line databases. It is worth searching. The site also contains the Genealogy Learning Center which contains a great number of genealogy and family history articles.

www.mytrees.com
This site was formerly KindredKonnections. It claims to have 1 billion plus searchable names. Many of the names have been submitted by users. Others were obtained from databases on the Web. Access can be free for a limited time by submitting a GEDCOM file with at least 60 individuals in at least 15 families. There is a 10 day trial subscription available for a nominal fee.

www.civilwardata.com
AYthe largest, most in-depth and full searchable database of the United States Civil War soldiers and events.@ As of September 10, 2002 it claims to have 2,676,000 soldiers records of approximately 4,000,000 or about 67%.

www.newenglandancestors.org
Website of the New England Historic Genealogical Society. A great resource for those with New England ancestors

http://www.originsearch.com/
A relatively new website. AOrigin Search is not an interface for databases, but a specialized genealogical search engine saving users time and ensuring that they find information which may not be found on general search enginesY@. A license fee is charged on a per day basis or a two week basis for use of the specialized search engine.
The number of names indexed in the first release of Origin Search by region is: USA - 213 million; UK & Ireland - 12 million; Canada - 9 million; Europe (excl. UK & Ireland) - 3 million; Australia & New Zealand - 2 million; Unclassified - 104 million; Total - 343 million.

Genealogy Libraries & Repositories

http://www.freegenealogylookups.com/DGLUS.html
ADirectory of Genealogy Libraries in the U.S.@ The are many private and public libraries with genealogical material. For example, the Albuquerque, New Mexico Public Library has a separate library for genealogy and family history records. It cooperates with the local L.D.S. family history centers. The public library maintains lists of materials available at the family history centers and vice versa. They refer patrons to each other.

http://www.archives.gov/research_room/genealogy/index.html

U.S. National Records and Archives. AGenealogical research is the most common public use of the National Archives' 13 regional offices.@ There are offices in the following states and District of Columbia: Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas & Washington State.

http://www.gwest.org/gen_libs.htm
Directory of Genealogy Libraries in the U.S. Includes a list of family history centers in the United States and many foreign countries. Also, includes a list of librarians serving genealogists in the United States and around the world.

http://www.loc.gov/rr/genealogy/
Library of Congress Local History and Genealogy Reading Room. Humanities and Social Sciences Division. AAs one of the leading genealogical collections in the country, the Library has more than 40,000 genealogies and 100,000 local histories. The collections are especially strong in North American, British Isles, and German sources. These international strengths are further supported and enriched by the Library's incomparable royalty, nobility, and heraldry collection, making it one of a few libraries in America that offer such collections.

AWhile the Library is rich in collections of manuscripts, microfilms, newspapers, photographs, maps, and published material, it is not an archive or repository for unpublished or primary source county, state, or church records. Researchers seeking county records will need to visit the courthouse or a library in the county of interest, the state archives, or the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, or one of its Family History Centers, all of which might have either the original county records or microform copies.

AVolumes from the Library's general collections may be paged from and used in the LH&G Reading Room. In addition to these works, there are some 10,000 indexes, guides, and other reference works available in the LH&G Reading Room. Most special catalogs and indexes are arranged by family name. A

Search Engines
Includes some search engines that perform searches using multiple search engines at the same time. If you can=t find what you are looking for with one search engine, don=t give up. Try another. Some search the Web and build giant indexes, some use spiders and many depend mostly on people to send them URL=s.

http://www.searchengineshowdown.com/
Search Engine Showdown. States that it is a AUser=s Guide to Web Searching@. Has a news section about search engines. Compares the features of various search engines and how they work. Includes a list of multi-search engines and discusses when and when not to use them. Discusses advantages and disadvantages of various search engines.

www.copernic.com
Utilizes multiple search engines for each search. Probably the most sophisticated of the multi-search engines. The basic version can be downloaded for free. One of the valuable features of Copernic is that it compresses and stores the results of each search so that you can go back and review the search if you think you may have missed something. It is upgradeable to a more sophisticated version that utilizes more search engines and allows you to tailor and manage the results. The upgrades can also do automatic updates of your search to find new databases that may have appeared since your last search. Of course, you could locate the new database(s) with the basic version by simply doing a new search, but you would have to scan through the results to identify the new database(s).

www.dogpile.com
Utilizes multiple search engines. It=s free. Advanced searches can be performed and the form of the request can be saved for future advanced searches. Also, has a joke of the day.

www.mamma.com
Another search engines which utilizes multiple other search engines. Has a list of favorites posted on its homepage that may be of general interest. One of the favorites was a link to the yellow pages.

Other multi-search engines:
http://www.c4.com
http://MetaCrawler.com
http://www.search.com

Partial list of other search engines:

http://www.lycos.com
http://www.altavista.com
http://www.webcrawler.com
http://www.excite.com
http://www.fastsearch.com
http://www.msn.com
http://www.yahoo.com
http://www.hotbot.com
http://www.gigablast.com
http://www.google.com

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SAMPLE LIST OF GENEALOGY LINKS

Ancestry home page .... www.ancestry.com
Barbara Renick's Z-Roots list of links .... www.zroots.com/links.htm
Bureau of Land Management (Eastern States) online records .... www.glorecords.blm.gov
Civil War Database .... www.civilwardata.com
CompuServe's Genealogy Services .... http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/roots/
Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet .... www.cyndislist.com
Dick Eastman's Genealogy Newsletter .... www.ancestry.com/colunms/eastman/index.htm
Everton Publishers .... www.everton.com/
Family Finder Index (to 100+ CDs) .... www.familytreemaker.com/cdhome.html
FamilySearch Internet (LDS Church site) .... www.familysearch.org/
GenWeb index to Genealogies on the Web .... www.gendex.com/
Genealogy Site Finder .... www.familytreemaker.com/links/index.htmi
Genealogy Library (over 1600 books) .... www.genealogylibrary.com
GenServ collection of GEDCOMs .... www.genserv.org
GenWeb intro .... www.genweb.org
Home page construction kit .... www.cyndislist.com/construc.htm
Internet FamilyFinder .... www.familytreemaker.com/ifftop.html
Journal of Online Genealogy .... www.onlinegenealogy.com/
Lauren Knobloch's list of searchable databases .... www.bcl.com/users/sgl/
Library of Congress Catalog .... http://Lcweb.loc.gov/catalog/
Map of U.S. surname distribution .... www.hamrick.com/names/index.html
Mike Rice Help List .... www.helplist.org/
MultiGen (eight general indexes) .... http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/CACulman/MultiGen.htm
National Archives and Records Administration .... www.nara.gov/
National Genealogical Society's NetGuide .... www.genealogy.org/-ngs/netguide/welcome.html
NativeWeb Tracing Your Roots (look for genealogy on their site) .... www.nativeweb.org
PBS Ancestors' Series http://www2.kbyu.org/ancestors/
RAND Genealogy Club .... http://www.rand.org/personal/Genea/
Roots Surname List .... http://rsl.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/rslsql.cgi
SavvySearch (search engine metatool) (type genealogy in the search area) .... http://www.savvysearch.com/
Scandinavian records on the net .... www.nordicnotes.com/
Search U.S. list of place names .... http://mapping.usgs.gov/www/gnis/gnisform.html
Social Security Death and 5 other Indexes .... http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/vital/ssdi/main.htm
Telephone directories (current, searchable .... www.teldir.com/eng/
TreasureMaps HowTo pages .... http://www.amberskyline.com/treasuremaps/
US GenWeb (www summary by state & county) .... www.usgenweb.org
USGenWeb archive search .... http://searches.rootsweb.com/htdig/search.html
United Kingdom & Ireland genealogy .... www.genuki.org.uk
World GenWeb (lists of www sites, all countries) .... www.worldgenweb.org
Barrel of Genealogy links .... http://cpcug.org/user/jlacombe/mark.html
Alan Mann's genealogy sites http://www.themestream.com/articles/201310.html
                    .... http://www.alanmann.com/
                    ....
                    .... http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Farm/6266/
                    ....
Notable Women Ancestors .... http://www.rootsweb.com/~nwa/
FamilyTreeMaker's How to http://www.genealogy.com/00000023.html
Reference tools and Forms for the Genealogist .... http://hvcn.org/info/gswc/tools.htm
On line genealogy lessons .... http://genealogy.com/university.html
American Revolution .... www.sar.org
Daughters of the American Revolution .... www.dar.org
PAFVideo .... www.pafvideo.com
Society hall .... www.familyhistory.com/societyhall/main.asp
Family Reunion Planner (fun site) .... http://www.family-reunion.com
Bureau of Land Management Records .... www.glorecords.blm.gov
Utah State Historical Society Burials Database .... http://www.history.utah.org/Services/lcburials.html
Cemetery Records on the Internet .... www.interment.com
GenealogyPortal .... www.genealogyportal.com
TopoZone (maps) .... www.topozone.com
Pioneer: Utah's Online Library .... http://pioneer.lib.ut.us

Advanced Book Exchange .... www.abebooks.com
  Alibris .... www.alibris.com
  Bibliofind .... www.bibliofind.com
  BookFinder .... www.bookfinder.com
Translating Tools .... www.yourdictionary.com
  Babel Fish .... www.babelfish.altavista.com
  FreeTranslation .... www.freetranslation.com
  Plus Translation .... www.plustranslation.com
       (Note: some of this you may have to pay for, just check them out)
Family History Library email .... FHL@ldschurch.org

When you type words into your search engines and you want it to look for a series of words you must place them in parentheses. Example "John Wood"

Keep in mind that Internet search engines don't index all the genealogy data availabe on the Web. For example, library catalogs and the databases on FamilySearch <www.familysearch.org>, RootsWeb <www.rootsweb.com>, Ancestry.com <www.ancestry.com>   and <www.Genealogy.com> generally aren't indexed by third-party search engines such as Alta Vista, FastSearch, Google and Northern Light. You have to go to these Web sites one by one and use their own search forms, or you can simultaneously search these and other surname databases using Family Tree Magazine's Family History SuperSearch <www.familytreemagazine.com/search/>

Part of an article from the Family Tree Magazine on Net Results. There are other ideas in the article if you are interested in the full article let me know.

Net Results
By Rick Crume

Surefire strategies for finding your family history on the Internet.

Try several internet search sites.
Search directories, prepared by human editors, list Web sites by category along with brief descriptions. For example, Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet (www.cyndislist.com) lists more than 82,000 Web sites, including about 70,000 sites arranged by category. This is an excellent place to start if you want to find genealogy sites pertaining to a particular surname, state, province, country, ethnic group or record type. A popular directory for the Web at large is Yahoo! (www.yahoo.com).

Search engines index every word on every Web page they find, using computerized "spiders" to "crawl" the Web. If you're looking for the name of a particular person or place, use a search engine. While the larger Internet search engines index hundreds of millions of Web pages, none covers all of the Web. So you'll increase your chances of success if you try more than one search engine. Go to

Family Tree Magazine's Family History SuperSearch to comb the contents of nine search engines at once.

AltaVista, FastSearch, Google and Northern Light index a large number of Web pages and are four of the best search engines for genealogists. Each offers sophisticated searching capabilities and some unique features:
   .   **AltaVista** www.altavista.com offers many search tools and can translate text or Web pages between
  English and six other languages.
   .   **FastSearch** www.alltheweb.com can automatically filter and display search results from 31 languages.
   .   **Google** www.google.com indexes more than a billion Web pages. It keeps a copy of indexed pages in
  its cache, so even if the page is removed from the Web, Google can still display it for you. The Google site is also noteworthy for how it ranks search results: by how often pages are linked to by other sites, thus adding a human evaluation component to automated search "spiders."
   .   **Northern Light** www.northernlight.com searches not only Web sites, but also its own Special
  Collection, a large body of material from more than 6,900 journals, books, magazines, databases and news wires, most of which is unavailable elsewhere on the web.

Final note: Always search the internet with a purpose in mind. Other wise you will get lost and loose track of time. Also remember that most sites have access to other sites. Be careful or you will get hooked on Genealogy.

<div align="center">Happy Hunting</div>

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Genuki – United Kingdom and Ireland	http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/
US Land & Property Research lessons	http://www.users.arn.net/~billco/uslpr.htm
University of Texas Online Library	http://www.lib.utexas.edu/maps/histus.html
RootsWeb Lesson 1 (with access to others)	http://rwguide.rootsweb.com/lesson1.htm
NARA – Genealogy sites	http://www.nara.gov/genealogy/genindex.html
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NARA - National Archives & Records Administration	www.nara.gov
Social Security Online	www.ssa.gov/foia/foia_guide.htm
INS Alien Registration Records 1940-1944	www.ins.gov/graphics/aboutins/history/immrecs/areg.htm
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University of Baltimore Steamship Collection	http://archives.ubalt.edu/steamship/collect.htm
Utah State Historical Society	www.history.utah.org
Migrations – State Links	www.migrations.org
Cartographic Materials - Maps	www.lib.berkeley.edu/EART/digital/tour.html
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Orphanages and Orphans	http://www.legends.ca/orphanages/orphanages.html
Family History Radio	www.familyhistoryradio.com/index.html
Early American Trails and Roads	www.geocities.com/gentutor/trails.html
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Genuki List of Contents Page	www.genuki.org.uk/mindex.html
Explanation of Mormon Pioneer Search	http://www.xmission.com/~nelsonb/psearch.htm
Ancestry.com Message Boards	http://boards.ancestry.com
Internet Library of Early Journals	http://www.bodley.ox.ac.uk/ilej
Library of Congress Panoramic Views 1851-1991	http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/pnhtml/pnhome.html
RootsWeb Surname List Finder	http://lists.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/findlist.pl
Old Fashioned Clip Art	www.oldfashionedclipart.com/clip.htm
Prints and Photographs Reading Room	http://www.loc.gov/rr/print
Roots – L Resources - United States	http://www.rootsweb.com/roots-1/usa.html
Genuki – UK and Ireland	http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/parloc/search.html
IGI Batch Numbers British Isles & North America	http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hughwallis/IGIBatchNumbers.htm#Page
Oral History Questions	http://www.rootsweb.com/~genepool/oralhist.htm
Family History Made Easy (18 lessons)	http://www.ancestry.com/library/view/ancmag/2082.asp?rc=locale%7E&us=0
Story Preservation	http://www.storypreservation.com/
National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections	http://www.loc.gov/coll/nucmc/nucmc.html
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Cemetery Junction Home Page	http://www.daddezio.com/cemetery/
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Hingham Cemetery, Plymouth Massachusetts	http://www.geocities.com/richardsouther/Hingham.Cemetery.html
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RootsWeb master index	http://rwguide.rootsweb.com/
Wills at Cyndi's list	http://www.cyndislist.com/wills.htm
About Genealogy – lots of links here	http://www.genealogy.about.com/library/blfamilyhistorymonth.htm
Utah, Idaho & Ohio histories	http://lofthouse.com/USA/?Utah/carbon/historyindex.html
About the Utah State Archives	http://www.archives.state.ut.us/
Tracing Mormon Pioneers	http://www.xmission.com/~nelsonb/pioneer.htm
Mike Saint Clair's web sites	http://www.saintclair.org/genlinks.htm
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USGenWeb E-zine	http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~maggieoh/ezine/
City Directories	http://www.uscitydirectories.com/
How to write a family history part 2	http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Hills/6658/famhist2.html
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Free Births, Marriages, & Deaths for England	http://freebmd.rootsweb.com/
History site	http://www.besthistorysites.net/
Help for writing a personal or family history	http://www.genealogy.com/21_prze.html?Welcome=1042653263 http://www.genealogy.com/202/lesson6/course6_03.html http://www.genealogy.com/bio/index.html
Oregon State Archives	http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/land.html
History World	http://www.historyworld.net/
Ohio Historical Treasures	http://www.ohiomemory.org/
Unnamed Photos	http://deadfred.com/
Unnamed Photos	http://adoptaphoto.com/ http://portraits.geneanet.org/index.php3?orgin=flashen
Honoring our Ancestors	http://honoringourancestors.com/library.html

Nauvoo Temple Endowment Name Index	http://www.xmission.com/~research/family/familypage.htm
Center for Family History and Genealogy at BYU	http://familyhistory.byu.edu/teaching.asp
All Genealogy Sites Directory	http://www.all-genealogysites.com/
Old Newspapers	http://www.theoldentimes.com/
Software for Palm Pilots	www.familysearch.org (go to downloads) http://www.ghcssoftware.com/gedstar.htm
Salvation Army Web Sites	http://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/ http://www.salvationarmyusa.org/www_usn.nsf http://www.salvationarmy.ca/home/default.asp
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Presents for Your Ancestors	http://www.ancestry.com/library/view/news/articles/3066.asp
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