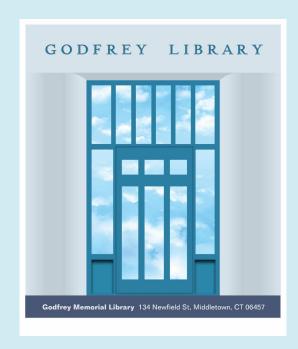
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Welcome New Members

Welcome to the following folks who joined us as new members during the month of June.

Melissa Carlisle (TX)
Karen Chessa (FI)
Susan Salters (CT)
Susan Butler (MA)
Linda Fenlon (WI)
Jane B. Rynaski (CT)
Greg Miller (WA)
Henry McDonald (CT)
Diane Lindsley (WI)

Godfrey Wins Grant from Peck Stacpoole Foundation to Fund Work on the Laput Cemetery Project!!

This month's Genealogy Club presentation: "Hidden in Plain Sight: Using Image-Only Collections Online" with Katy Bodenhorn

On Saturday, July 26, Katy Bodenhorn will be joining us.

"Sites like FamilySearch contain millions of records that are online, but because they are not indexed and searchable by name, many genealogists miss out on them. From deeds and probate files to military pensions and church books, the answer to your brick wall mystery may well be accessible on your home computer without you knowing it. This presentation will cover the best ways (including the new FamilySearch Full-Text Search feature) to access these treasures hidden in plain sight."

Katy is a freelance genealogist and the former genealogy director for the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. She received a BA in Family History/Genealogy from Brigham Young University and has over a decade of experience as a genealogy researcher, helping people learn about their ancestry. Prior to HSP, Katy worked for Legacy Tree Genealogists in Salt Lake City, where she spent seven years as a senior editor and researcher across a wide range of geographic specialties. Today she is the owner of Katy Bodenhorn Genealogy Research, LLC, and a contract researcher with Price Genealogy.

The Zoom presentation will take

We are thrilled to be able to make this announcement. We applied for this grant in the late Fall of 2024. It had come to our attention that the Godfrey had received funds from this foundation a number of years ago, so we figured it was time to apply again. It's a good thing we did, because the foundation is currently in its last year of existence. The timing turned out to be perfect in another way; we just had a young man who was looking for a volunteer opportunity, so Michael sent him out to photograph a couple of cemeteries in Tolland. (Incidentally, one was just down the road from the house where Carol Ansel grew up.) He did a great job, and when he returned he inquired as to whether we had any employment opportunities, as he's working on his Masters' degree and has some time between semesters. We had to tell him alas, no -- and two days later the check appeared in the mail! We have a year to spend the funds, and we're hoping our new photographer can do the bulk of the cemeteries in Tolland County. The stars must have been aligned!

Have Ancestors from the British Isles? Check Out this List of Sources

Some of these suggested web resources are nothing new and startling, but there may be some you're not familiar with or have forgotten. I had never really checked out FreeBMD before and found records for some of my Pickles ancestors from Yorkshire.

place at **1:30 pm (EST)** on July 27th.

Premium Godfrey Scholar members can register for free at the following email: GML GenClub July 2025

If you are not a GML Premium member and want to view the presentation, you can pay \$10 via PayPal (click below on "Buy Now"), **then** return to this email and register at **GML GenClub July** 2025.





We Were Remiss!

Every Spring the National Archives puts on a Genealogy Series, this year in May and June -- oops! we should have let you know. The good news is, the recordings of the slide shows, handouts and videos are still available to view online. Topics for this year included Native American veteran records, espionage, "cops and robbers" in Washington DC, and Alien Registration Forms (AR-2 forms) for immigrant ancestors. In addition, you can follow links to the videos from the programs for 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.

(I should introduce them to the Bacons and Mayos in my tree, yuk yuk.) This list was compiled by Mercedes Brons at her website whoareyoumadeofDOTcom.

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