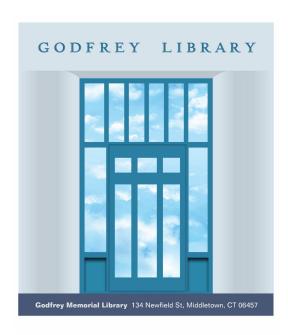
# Godfrey news & updates



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### This month's Genealogy Club presentation

On Saturday, September 27, Marian Burk Wood will present

"Free Resources for New York Genealogical Research"



#### Don't Miss CSG's 2024 Family History Day Seminar on Sat. October 4

The Connecticut Society of Genealogists will hold its annual Family History Seminar on October 4th this year. Speakers will be Jane Wilcox, Matt Warshauer and Vicki Welch. There will be door prizes and exhibitors, including, or course, yours truly. The event will take place at Ashlar Village in Wallingford. You can see more details and register here.

This is the first time we've welcomed Marian to Genealogy Club and we think you will enjoy her presentation. New York was often the first place New England families emigrated to, so there's a good chance you had an ancestor who lived there at one time.

"Upstate, downstate, all around the Empire state, discover or rediscover free resources for investigating ancestors' lives and family history context. Step-by-step, learn how to



# FamilySearch has made it easier to find their new Full Text Search

By now most of you have probably heard about FamilySearch's experimental full-text keyword search, and hopefully you've been making good use of it. Initially, one of the trickier things was actually remembering and finding where it was located on their site. Now it's a cinch to find. Click on "Search" to open the drop-down menu, and there it is, the second option, right under "Records."



navigate no-fee websites with many updated links to New York area digitized county histories, digitized vital records, oral histories, old photos and postcards, state census records, historic newspapers, county/local history experts, and much more."

The Zoom presentation will take place at **1:30** pm (EDT) on Sept 27th.

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

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



	Godfrey Memorial Library New Books Added to Collection August 2025	
Call Number	Title	Author
q929.2 ARNOLD 2023	Research Notes, Client Report on Arnold Family of East Haddam, Corn.	McAleer, Julia
929.2 ESTY	Currents of Malice: Mary Towne Esty and Her Family in Salem Witchcraft	McMillen, Persis W.
929.2 EVANS 1912	D. E.: His Book	Evans, David.
929.2 PRINGLE	Pringle's Mountain	Pringle, Will
929.2 ROSS 2025	Service And Sacrifice: America's Military History Told through the Ross and Johnson Families	Ross, Reid
q929.2 STEVENS 1895-1973	Ancestors of Albert E. Stevens 1895-1973	
BIOFILE 929.2 SMITH 2025	Myrtle Bei Smith, Russ Elmer's Immigrant Ancestor through His Maternal Line	Ansel, Carol
CANADA 991 N-SCOTI PICTOU	Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada	
CANADA 991 N-SCOTI StGeor 1992	Settlers Of the Southside: An Historical Account	Easthouse, Katherine

## Recent Additions to Our Book Collection

<u>Click here</u> to see a list of materials we have cataloged and added to our collection since our

### NERGC Will Be Here Before You Know It!

NERGC (New England Regional Genealogical Conference) is one of our favorite conferences. Don't forget to register for this year's event. If you're local you can stop in and pick up a copy of the 16-pg conference brochure. Or, download one from their website. Here's the registration link.

last newsletter. This list includes some of the titles kindly donated to us by Rita Barbieri of Southington and Brent Owen of Wethersfield. Brent's donation included many genealogy classics, some of which were duplicates for us, and thus have made their way into our eBay store -- be sure to check there regularly for good buys. Plus, a little money for our coffers -- it's a win-win!



## **Annual Appeal Drive Coming in October**

Just a heads up that we will be sending out our Annual Appeal letter in October. We try not to inundate you year round, but we really depend upon your generosity every year.

### Need a Refresher on the AGBI?

As part of Legacy Tree Webinar's "Webtember" program, Carol Ansel will be doing a live webinar about the AGBI on Wednesday, September 24 at 10:30 am, Eastern time. Here's what

#### We've Added Another "Silver Book"

The "Silver Books," as they are known, are published by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants and trace a minimum of five generations of the families of the original Mayflower passengers. The most recent publication in the series is Part 3 of volume 19, following the descendants of Thomas Rogers. We've recently added it to our collection, bringing us up to date on the complete series.

### New Bible Records on Our Site

We recently added a new batch of Bible records to the Scholar website. Here are the family names:

Ezekiel Chapman Jesse Ewell Harry Ketchum William Kinyon Jessie Krueger William Lee

#### Webtember is all about:

"Webtember 2025 is our annual online conference dedicated to family history and genealogy. For four Wednesdays in September, we'll feature a new lineup of expert-led webinars, each with a unique theme. The best part? It's completely free to attend live!"

Here's a link to the sign-up page.

# Have You Tried Genealogical Queries with Al Chatbots Yet?

If you're like us, you haven't yet found the time to "play around" with ChatBots/AI for genealogical purposes. As reported in the video below by Lisa Louise Cook, FamilySearch is now including an AI Assistant in its experimental section. Maybe I'll give it a shot this weekend?



Almon Lewis
McCauley
Henry Robinson
Walter Rollins
Andrew Rood
William Sage
John Smith (the 3rd)
Henry Swift
James Swift
William Henry Thitchener

#### Welcome new members!

The following people joined us in August as new members - Welcome! (If you're on the list and you did not receive a welcome email from Carol, please let us know.)

Ann Bacon (CT)
Kelly Bogan (IN)
Brian Boots (CT)
Elaine Carella (CT)
Claudia Conroy (IL)
Sabrina Johnson (KY)
Katherine Larson (MA)
Evelyn Russo (CT)
David M Snodgrass (FL)
Cindie Wade (MI)
Marylouise White (MA)

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