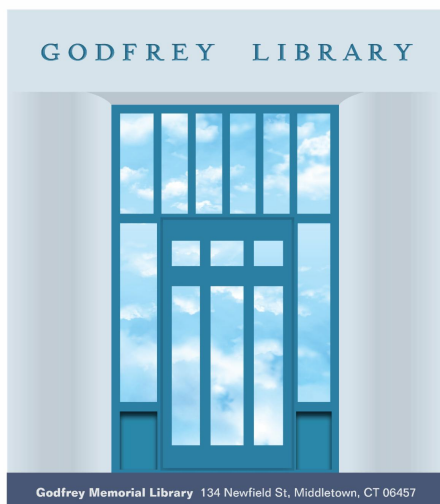


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Annual Appeal 2025 -- \$Step Up and Be Counted!

"That's right, I've been meaning to do that!"

This year's campaign has been going very well so far. A **huge thank-you** to our loyal donors who have already given - we have currently collected just short of \$39,000! With just about two months to go, dare we hope to get to \$50,000??

Now, for those of you who **HAVEN'T DONATED YET...**

WHY SHOULD YOU DONATE, YOU ASK?

- Because you've never donated before or, it's been a L-O-N-G time
- Because you might be needing an AGBI lookup soon

Genealogy Club this month

November 22 -- **Tried and True Published Sources for Early Connecticut Research** with Al Fiacre.

A reprieve of Al's popular NERGC presentation for those of you who were unable to make it there.

Not everything of genealogical value has been digitized. Join Al as he discusses some Connecticut genealogy resources that have stood the test of time and are sometimes overlooked.

The Zoom presentation will take place at **1:30 pm (EST)**.

Premium Godfrey Scholar members can register for free at the following email: [GML GenClub Nov 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 Nov 2025](#).

- Because you need help with a serious research project -- professionally done at a reasonable price
- Because you love buying genealogy books at a decent price in our eBay store
- Because you're reading/enjoying this monthly newsletter
- Because you really enjoy our Genealogy Club presentations -- \$10 a pop is nothing!

There are literally *thousands* of you out there who have never donated to the Godfrey. If even a small percentage of you made a modest donation, our budget anxiety for next year would disappear!

Donate Now!

Welcome New Members!

It was a great month for new members, thanks in part to those who signed up at NERGC. Here is the list for the month of October - Welcome, all!

Linda Bass (CT)
 Heather Tilton Benoit (NJ)
 Janeen Bjork (NY)
 Jane Bouley (CT)
 Martha Brogan (CT)
 Iain Bruce (ME)
 Abigail Campbell (CT)
 Kimberly Cotton (CA)
 Debbie Cravens (WI)
 Bill Denert (CT)
 Martha E. Dewey (CT)
 Ross and Judy Gardner (MD)
 Michael Jungel (MI)
 Kathleen Knowles (MA)
 Michelle Leavitt (TX)
 Kecia Lifton (MA)
 Pat Natzic (ME)
 Bob Platt (MD)
 Karen Ramon (MA)

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LET'S TRY A HYBRID GENEALOGY CLUB THIS MONTH!

We've had a few requests lately to try a hybrid (Zoom *and* in-person) Genealogy Club, and we're going to give it a try with our November meeting. **So locals, come and join us!**

Zoom has allowed us to extend our presentation to members across the country, and that's been great! However, we really miss seeing our local members in person. We used to do a morning meeting, and folks would stay to do research afterwards, and/or just have a chat. With our later meeting time (to accommodate our more Western members), you'll have to come in the morning before the 1:30 meeting if you need some research time. We don't have fancy equipment, so you may have to bear with us as we figure out how to do a satisfactory hybrid meeting, but we're excited about it.

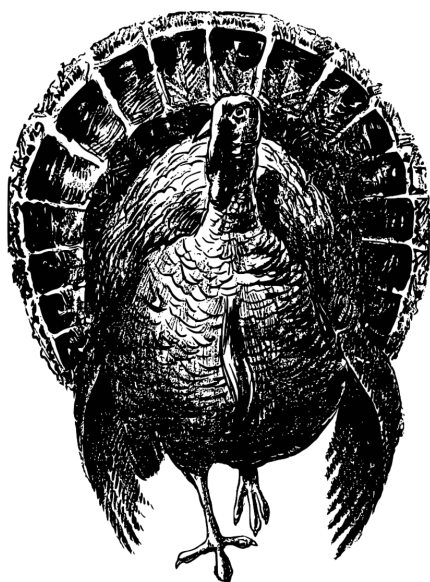
Who Are You Related To?

At NERGC we were introduced to a somewhat hidden feature at FamilySearch, called "[Relative Finder](#)." You've probably seen similar things online, where they tell you which celebrities or presidents you're related to. You do need to have a FamilySearch account and you have to sign in.

Marilyn Roman (CA)
Debra Rosenbloom (SC)
Cristie Sparks (AZ)
Gloria Weinrebe (MA)
Alice Wilkinson (PA)

Thanksgiving Hours

We will be closed Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 27-29. However, if you'll be visiting the area and want to get some research done, we *will* be open on Tuesday the 25th from 10:00-4:00, and Wednesday the 26th from 9:00 am to noon.



Apparently, programmers at Brigham Young University come up with a new category each year to add to the feature. Of course, the results are only as good as the data in the family trees, but it's still fun to play with. (In the words of Reg Bacon, "Verify, verify, verify!") One helpful category is Mayflower descendants.

Carol found her Mayflower line (matching what she had already suspected), and she was thrilled to learn that she is a ninth cousin six times removed from Jane Austen!

New Materials Added to the Godfrey

[Click here](#) (or below in the image) to see what we added to the collection during the month of October.

New Materials Added to the Collection, October 2025 Godfrey Memorial Library, Middletown, CT		
Call	Title	Author
DEL976.81 NEW CASTLE v.2	Early Church Records of New Castle County, Delaware	Wright, F. Edward
N. YORK 970.81 GREENBU 1880	History of Greenbush, East Greenbush, North Greenbush, Rensselaer County, New York	Sylvester, Nathaniel Benoit
REF 929.3 710F ANDERSON 2014	Elements of Genealogical Analysis	Anderson, Robert Charles
REF 929.3 DNA 2019	Genetic Counseling in Practice	Bottlinger, Blaine T.
DEL976.81 NEW CASTLE 1801-1859	Marriages, Births, Deaths and Removals of New Castle County Delaware, 1801-1859	Wright, F. Edward
DEL976.81 NEW CASTLE 1860-1899	New Castle County, Delaware: Marriage References, Family Relationships, 1860-1899	Wright, F. Edward
CONV 574.51 MYSTIC 2005	Historic Glimpses: Recollections of Days Past in the Mystic River Valley	Kimball, Carol W.
929.2 ROBINSON 1981	A Good Poor Man's Wife: Bedding Chronicle of Harriet Huxton Robinson and Her Family in Nineteenth-Century New England	Bushman, Claudia L.
CONV 977.9 VOICES	Voices of the New Republic: Connecticut Towns 1800-1820 Volume 1 What They Said	
BIOPIC 929.2 CLEAVES 2025	Samuel Cleaves ca 1795-1872	Flacke, M.

Still Looking for Used Book Donations to Beef Up Our Online Bookstore

Is it time to clear your shelves?
Do you *really* need to hang on to

all those genealogy books? Do they still give you joy? Maybe it's time to spread that joy. You can donate them to the Godfrey and we'll add them to the collection so that others can make use of them. (And remember, we're NOT just Connecticut. In fact, the farther away they are from here, the more likely we are to need them.) If we already own copies, we will sell the duplicates on our eBay store. The purchaser will be happy, and so will we, adding a little to our coffers.

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