

Synthesis of Member Survey (2024) open ended answers

Question 9 – Special Interest Group Requests

States	Mentioned by	Covered in	
Illinois	10	GLSIG	GLSIG=Great Lakes Special Interest Group
Missouri	10		
Virginia	9	CAIG	CAIG=Colonial America Interest Group (1607-1790)
Pennsylvania	9	CAIG	
New York	8	GLSIG?	
California	6		
Wisconsin	6	GLSIG	
Massachusetts	5	CAIG	
Minnesota	5		
North Carolina	5	CAIG	
Iowa	4		
Kansas	4		
Maryland	4	CAIG	
Ohio	4	GLSIG	
Tennessee	4		
Washington	4		
Connecticut	3	CAIG	
Kentucky	3		
Alabama	2		
Georgia	2	CAIG	
Idaho	2		
New Jersey	2	CAIG	
North Dakota	2		
South Dakota	2		
Northeast US	2	CAIG	
Colorado	1		
Hawaii	1		
Indiana	1	GLSIG	
Maine	1	CAIG	
Mississippi	1		
Montana	1		
Nebraska	1		
New Hampshire	1	CAIG	
Nevada	1		
Oregon	1		

Countries

British Isles	15	
Scotland	13	
Ireland	12	Irish
Canada	11	
Germany	11	German
Scandinavia	8	
Italy	4	
Russia	4	
France	3	
Belarus	2	
Poland	2	
Portugal &		
Azores	2	
Ukraine	2	
Hungary	1	
Japan	1	
Korea	1	

Other

New York City
Nova Scotia
Friesen Islands
Ontario
Slavic Countries
Quebec
Military
Basque

Questions 14a and 19 Specific Topics/ Research Tools of interest

General Help	Software/Databases Anything related to technology dependent resources and tools Genealogy software How to use subscription websites Using RVGS subscription services at home
Ancestry	How to use Ancestry more efficiently More classes on how to use web sites How to use Ancestry .com and list facts that you find on your own Features on ancestry
Family Search and online trees	Building and correcting an online family tree Interaction with Family Search if I have new info Interaction with Family Search; how to, protocols etc Correcting family trees on websites
Stand alones	Roots Magic Use of offline software like Family Tree, Roots Magic, etc.
Other	How to use Google Search for Genealogy National Archives online
	Maps/Geography Google maps Using Google Earth to show immigration routes, overlay maps, etc. Land platting Geography/maps across the centuries
Organize	File Organization and data sharing A proven method for organizing all this info organize information that has been given to me Organizing research Paper file organization Organizing data and multiple trees How to organize, summarize and choose a way to save and/or publish your research for future family viewing, templates available online and compare cost and ease of use Reducing paper and using technology more efficiently to modernize record keeping

Sharing Using the Leaving a Legacy Book to create a publishable summary of FTM data for my family
Self publication of family histories
Preserving and storing physical artifacts
Keeping up with technology and using social media to bring families together.

Europe **Specific Ethnic groups/locations**
Primer on researching French records
Research in UK back to 1066
Research in Europe
Italian immigration (3)
Researching Irish records
Contact information of European researchers for hire

U.S. New York State
Early America
Small tribes on the east coast, Nansemond tribe
Michigan immigrants
Access to more records in Virginia

Oregon Early pioneers on the Oregon Trail
Oregon history, the Oregon trail, westward movement etc
Jackson County post offices

Asia Japanese ancestry, embarcations, etc.
How to search for ancestors in China
WWII Japanese internment
Japanese ancestry

African Free day for people of African descent, with extra help, maybe MLK day

Research techniques

How to locate burial location of ancestors online
documentation of sources
How to research family records in another language
Newspaper search around the world
Surname spelling changes
Improve research skills
Researching immigration records

How to get a birth certificate from a foreign country
Finding death certificates
Finding proof for early Oregon settlers
Finding proof for those who arrived between 1600 & 1700
Finding lost relations
cemeteries
Finding immigration records for someone with a common name

Help from Society members

I'd like to connect with a member from Mountain Meadows who could share transportation to the library as I no longer drive
New member tutorial
People to dig up documents in various locations (courthouse, public archives, libraries) free or for cost

Other

Civil War soldiers
Civil War
Coal Mines
DNA (4)
Updates on what's new in genealogy
General Genealogy
Seminars available (in person or zoom) within Oregon presented by well-known genealogy educators
pre 1800s including UK
Little known resources, public or private collections in archives and specialty libraries
Newspapers
Quilts and the story they tell
Ship logs, cemetery info, how to access local histories of cities/counties across America, DAR