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Event Details

Event Name:	SLAM (Societies, Libraries, Archives, Museums)
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SLAM Project Highlights

Society/Library/ Institute highlights	**Library of Virginia (My personal favorite library!)** • digitizing newspapers • volunteer project to transcribe documents • Use "From the Page" transcription platform **Kentucky Historical Society Town Hall Project** • free online project • yearly free event-Kentucky Ancestor Town Hall • broadcasting-session 1 on local television channels-purchased time and on youtube **St. Louis Public Library-updated traditional family tree to family wheel** • free diagram available to all • rethinking the family tree to adapt to current family diversity • removes barriers and invites diversity **Godfrey Memorial Library-CLC Library Consortium-Round tables** • researching old houses • cemeteries • Visiting cemeteries • using maps • history scavenger hunts • historic newspapers **St. Louis Genealogical Society-Congregations Projects** • contact congregations, pickup and return records, digitize records, index

- publish on website with privacy rules in place, create webpage for church history
- members only page
- prepare flash drive with index to congregations
- www.stlgs.org or projects@stlgs.org

German Historical Institute, Washington, D.C.-Digitizing German Letters

- German Heritage Letters dot org
- translating German language letters up to 1920
- use volunteers to translate
- use Scripto & Artifacto software to assist in translation
- germanletters.org

Chester County Archives, Chester Pennsylvania

- 1777 Chester County Interactive Property Atlas-GIS property map
- Started around the 1777 Brandywine Revolutionary War Battle
- interactive map which shows land ownership with primarily free software with exception of purchase of deed mapper software
- ccharchives.org

Take Aways

Ideas	- Focus on community needs - Grants for digital scanners (about $600) - make it so volunteers can work from home - use volunteer coordinators for specific projects - consider library consortium with Southern Oregon Historical Society and other libraries/historical societies, etc.
Inspiration	- digitize, digitize, digitize - youtube