

Genealogy Presentations – Peggy Jude

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- **NEW – Think You Know the Census? Think Again!** – Have you used the US Federal Census effectively? Are you missing people on the census? Do you know what other options exist for finding people in other census and census substitutes?
- **NEW - Researching in a New Location** – Have you found a record of your ancestor in a location where you have never researched before? Discover the 5 Steps to follow in learning how to research in a new location. Whether it is a new city, a new state or a new country, this roadmap lays out a path for success.
- **NEW - Continuing Your Genealogical Education – How, What and Where?** You want to learn more, you want to expand your expertise into new areas, you need new ideas on where to go and what to do next. Join us to learn how to extend your genealogical education, what is out there and how to find it.
- **Creating a Family History Legacy** – Overview of Family History for non-genealogists. Focus is on what can be done to leave behind information for future generations. Starts with basics of genealogy and includes pedigree charts, recording personal history and memories and DNA.
- **Ramp Up Your Genealogy with Social Media** - Facebook, Pintrest, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram – Are They for You? – Use the power of social media to find relatives, break down brick walls and answer your genealogical questions. Tips and Tricks are shared with multiple examples of how social media has solved real genealogical challenges.
- **Highly Rated - What to Do With Your Stuff - Planning for the Future of Your Genealogy and Artifacts** – Every year genealogical research, records and heirlooms end up in the trash. Ideas and Strategies to ensure your research and treasures don't find the same fate.
- **Who Wants My Stuff?** - If there is no one in my family interested in all my research, what should I do with it? This presentation shares research into the repositories across the country who accept records (in process)
- **Using Online Sources for Your Genealogy** – Are the answers to your research questions available online? How to effectively utilize the power of online sources to break down your brick walls. Focus will be on finding free and lesser known resources.
- **Using Podcasts to Expand your Genealogical Knowledge** – Podcasts are a terrific way to expand your genealogical education. What are they? How can they help you? How do you use them? Including suggestions on the best ones to follow.
- **Techniques to Enhance Your Search Results** – Searching online databases for your ancestors can be very fruitful. This session goes over some techniques for getting more out of those searches and narrowing your search results. Topics include common names, alternate spellings, using less or more information, wildcards and using family members.
- **Introduction to Genealogy** – One hour introduction to Genealogy and genealogical research. Topics include pedigree charts, home sources, vital records, online records and records companies, genealogical repositories, DNA and keeping track of it all.

DNA Presentations

- **Highly Rated - What Can I Do With My DNA? 13 Things You Can Do With Your DNA** – So you took a test, and you know your ethnicity. You are related to who you expected. Now what? Explore all the things you can do with your DNA from the basics to more advanced options.
- **Highly Rated – DNA Tools – A Tour** – Learn about the six categories of DNA tools. What they are, how to use them and what they can do for your research. This talk is an overview of multiple DNA tools of use to researchers. They include: Notes, tagging, sorting, filters, combining matches, clustering, painting and phasing.
- **Best for Beginners - DNA Basics – Getting a Solid Foundation** – Learn the basics of inheritance, DNA testing and terminology to get your DNA research off to a solid start. Learn about ethnicity, matches and next steps after testing

- ***How is This Match Related to Me?*** – Learn about Match Triangulation and Segment Triangulation along with the Leeds Method to assist identifying how matches are related to you and what line they belong to. Identifying and testing key relatives to assist with identifying your matches is also covered.
- ***Figuring Out a Mystery Match – How Am I Related to This Person?*** Do you have a match that you don't know how they are related to you? Using an actual case study we present the four steps to figuring out who the match is and how you might be related.
- ***Clustering – What is it and How to Do It*** – Grouping your DNA matches into clusters allows for brick wall breakthroughs. Learn how to develop clusters and the various tools available to help with the process.
- ***Clustering – What's Next*** – So you've done Clustering, and you have your Clusters... now what? Tips and techniques to work with your clusters to take your research to the next level.
- ***How to Upload Your DNA Data and Where to Upload It*** – Spreading your DNA around allows you to play in multiple pools of matches. Learn how to transfer your DNA data, and what the benefits can be.
- ***GEDMatch – What is it and How do I Use it?*** Did you take a DNA test at 23andMe, but your cousin took a test at Ancestry? You cannot compare the two, nor can you see the results for other cousins that test at MyHeritage or FamilyTreeDNA or LivingDNA. GedMatch allows you to look for DNA matches at other testing companies and expand you the population you can compare to. Learn about GEDMatch, what it is and how to use it.
- ***Which Matches Do I Pursue?*** – With thousands of matches, where do you start? Learn the 4 rules to follow to in determining which matches to pursue.
- ***How to Get Your Matches to Respond*** – Suggested techniques for getting your matches to respond to your inquiries. Topics include what to include in a note, how much to offer, how often to retry contact and ways to keep track of your contacts.
- ***Keeping Track of Your Matches*** – With the average DNA test kit having over 20,000 matches it is impossible to keep track of them all without a strategy. This lecture covers using the tools provided by the testing companies, developing your own tools and a review of third-party tools of interest, plus tips to jump start your tracking.
- ***Why are 2nd Cousins Genetic Genealogy Gold?*** – Learn why 2nd cousins are the keys to your DNA research. Using 2nd cousins as north stars, you can easily sort your matches and sift through the thousands of match relationships.
- ***X-DNA – How Do You Use It?*** - How does X-DNA work? How can it help you identify relationships? How is it different from Mitochondrial DNA? What are the inheritance patterns for X-DNA? Learn all about using X-DNA in your research.
- ***Using the Tools – Thru-Lines, Clustering, and Theory of Family Relativity*** – Understand how these tools work and how they can help you in moving your DNA research forward.
- ***The Shared Centimorgan Project and DNA Painter*** – learn how the Shared Centimorgan Project can assist you in exploring your matches. And learn how the DNA Painter tools can make that exploration even easier.
- ***DNA - Most Frequently Asked Questions – What are the top 8 questions most frequently asked about DNA?*** From what is a centimorgan? To why does my sister have different DNA? From “what test should I take?” to “where do I start?” This covers the basic foundational questions asked by so many people.
- ***Introduction to DNA/DNA 101*** – One hour introduction to DNA. Covers the types of tests, basic inheritance of DNA, the DNA testing companies, identifying your research question and how to start your research using DNA.

Other Areas of Expertise include: Swedish Records and Research, Midwestern Research, Transcribing and Abstracting, The Genealogical Proof Standard, US Federal Census, State Census, Genealogical Technology and Using Technology in Your Genealogy, Google Photos, Google Maps, Family Tree Maker, Evernote, Zotero, Airtable.