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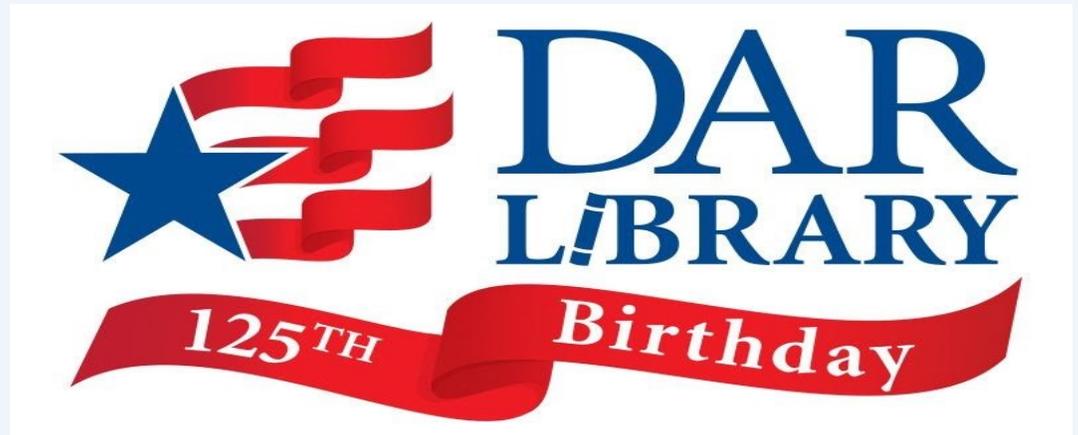
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#### Coming Events

Click on link below for information on other events around the state,

[https://  
heritageseekersar.weebly.com/  
around-arkansas.html](https://heritageseekersar.weebly.com/around-arkansas.html)



Do you have a pesky “brick wall” in searching for your Arkansas family’s ancestors? DAR online resources (during pandemic) might help you even if your family isn’t in DAR. DAR applications you can order (for a fee) have lists of ancestors.

February 2021 marked the 125th birthday of the DAR Library! What started with a handful of books donated by members to assist DAR staff in verifying DAR applications has grown to a collection of more than 200,000 individual volumes.

According to DAR, “its main focus has been genealogy and Revolutionary War history, but it also features a significant number of books on Native American history and ancestry, as well as extensive works on immigration history, family histories and biographies of historical figures who influenced the development of the United States.” There is family Bible information available online.

[https://services.dar.org/Public/DAR\\_Research/search/default.cfm?Tab\\_ID=12](https://services.dar.org/Public/DAR_Research/search/default.cfm?Tab_ID=12)

The diversity of the overall collection results from decades of efforts by DAR to develop the Library into one of the premiere genealogy collections in the United States. We encourage you to explore it during your research.

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## Meet the Board

Scott Lee is a retired software engineer who has been researching his family history since 1979. He has served as an officer in several genealogical societies and lectures on genealogical topics. Currently, he is a board member of the Arkansas Genealogical Society and First Vice President of Heritage Seekers. In 1995, he helped design the GEDCOM 5.5 standard for transporting genealogical data, improving its syntax to be more easily read by software and fixing several issues in date specifications. Scott grew up in Little Rock, Arkansas, but his work took him to Indiana, Oregon, North Carolina, and New York City. In retirement, he, and his wife, Deirdre, have returned to their families



in Arkansas. His career included the medical field, engineering computer graphics, and consulting in the process of building reliable software. In retirement, he is working in the design of deep learning neural networks and software for genealogy. In his spare time, he enjoys writing science fiction, studying ancient calendars, writing open source software, keeping up with the latest advances in physics and astronomy, and of course researching his family history.

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## Bringing Ancestors Into Focus With "Deep Nostalgia"

Were your ancestors photogenic? There is a unique automated process that converts still photos into **Deep Nostalgia™**, a new photo feature on MyHeritage that allows animation of the faces of loved ones in still photos.

This addition to MyHeritage's photo tools produces a realistic depiction of how a relative from an old photo could have moved and looked if captured on film or video. It was featured at the February RootsTech conference, and it's limited to the subject's head and neck.

Examples of the new artificial intelligence technology are shown in the MyHeritage Blog at: <https://blog.myheritage.com/2021/02/new-animate-the-faces-in-your-family-photos/>. To animate family photos that haven't been uploaded yet, you can add and animate them at [myheritage.com/deep-nostalgia](https://myheritage.com/deep-nostalgia).

One person in a multi-person photo must be selected now, though it's predicted that won't be the case in the future.

Non-members of MyHeritage may establish an account and then animate up to 5 photos for free.

# RootsTechConnect Attracts 500,000+ Genealogy Enthusiasts

The RootsTechConnect national genealogy conference, normally live in Salt Lake City with about 20,000 attendees, attracted more than 501,000 online registrants February 25-27. Hosted by FamilySearch International, the largest genealogy organization in the world, it waived registration fees and was free.

It featured live streamed and recorded sessions in eight different areas, and the sessions may be viewed until next year. Most sessions were "Ted Talk" length (under 30 minutes, some from 1-5), but some were longer. DNA sessions were plentiful, and there was an innovators portal to demonstrate new processes such as reverse indexing and customizable 3D charts. It promoted "Goldie May," an online genealogy research assistant that can be used to make research easier on FamilySearch, Ancestry, etc. as researchers work on projects and need to make notes or save files.

Downloadable slide decks and handouts were provided. Attendees could also connect with others of the same surname electronically via the site to make new, maybe unknown discoveries. Participants joined from 237 countries. There was a virtual expo hall with exhibitors and a song competition.

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# Irish Ancestor Free Webinars in March

Arkansas has about 316,000 residents - or 10%-15% of the state - who claim Irish ancestry. Many Scots-Irish settled in the northwest part of the state.

If you seek the luck of the Irish or have Irish ancestors yourself, you won't want to miss these free webinars offered by the Family History Library in March. Click here to register for classes focused on various records from Ireland, including a St. Patrick's Day Research Seminar Keynote:

[https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/img\\_auth.php/7/7b/FHL\\_Class\\_Calendar\\_03\\_2021.pdf](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/img_auth.php/7/7b/FHL_Class_Calendar_03_2021.pdf)



March 2021

Family History Library  
35 North West Temple  
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

## Family History Library Class Calendar

Please note that all class and webinar times are given in MST up to 13 March 2021 and in MDT beginning 14 March 2021.			
DATE/TIME	CLASS	WEBINAR	ROOM
Mon, Mar 1, 10:00 AM MST	Using the FamilySearch Catalog (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Tue, Mar 2, 10:00 AM MST	Navigate, Add, Edit, Standardize, and Print on FamilySearch Family Tree (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Thu, Mar 4, 12:00 PM MST	Research in Canada: An Introduction (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Tue, Mar 9, 10:00 AM MST	The Research Process, Research Help, and Searching Records on FamilySearch (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Tue, Mar 9, 7:00 PM MST	尋找我的祖先系列：準備開始 (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Tue, Mar 16, 11:00 AM MDT	PARES: La puerta a los archivos españoles (Intermediate)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 9:00 AM MDT	St. Patrick's Day Research Seminar Keynote (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 9:30 AM MDT	Terrible Beauty, A History of Ireland: Early Ireland, 1170-1800 (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 10:00 AM MDT	Terrible Beauty, A History of Ireland: Before and After the Great Irish Famine (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 10:30 AM MDT	Terrible Beauty, A History of Ireland: Irish Independence, Civil War and the Celtic Tiger (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 11:00 AM MDT	Ireland Jurisdictions (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 11:30 AM MDT	Ireland Census Records (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 1:00 PM MDT	Irish Civil Registration (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 1:30 PM MDT	Irish Roman Catholic Records (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 2:00 PM MDT	Church of Ireland Records (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 2:30 PM MDT	Ireland Griffith's Valuation Records (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 3:00 PM MDT	Catholic Irish Pre-Parish Register Strategy (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 3:30 PM MDT	Ulster-Scots Research (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only
Wed, Mar 17, 4:00 PM MDT	Using the FamilySearch Research Wiki for Irish Family History (Beginner)	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Online Only

## 200 Years Ago in Arkansas

**ABSTRACT OF THE CENSUS.**  
*Aggregate amount of the Population of the Territory of Arkansas.*

COUNTIES.	NO. OF FREE PERSONS.				SLAVES.		All other persons.	TOTAL.
	white.		colored.		males.	females.		
	males.	females.	males.	females.				
Lawrence and Independence,	2747	2329	17	12	257	233	10	5605
Phillips,	603	449	—	—	71	74	4	1201
Arkansas,	642	434	5	1	86	92	—	1260
Pulaski,	696	522	4	2	74	76	2	1376
Crawford,	318	202	6	—	8	13	—	547
Clark,	522	448	—	—	37	38	—	1040
Hempstead,	925	828	12	—	247	234	2	2248
Miller.	518	399	—	—	40	42	—	999
<b>Total,</b>	<b>6971</b>	<b>5611</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>797</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14276</b>

Arkansas Gazette (Arkansas Post, Arkansas), 1821 March 3

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