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The Jefferson County Library Special Collection at the Northwest Branch supports two major areas: Genealogy and Local History. The extensive genealogy collection supports genealogical research in Missouri as well as other states. Materials available include genealogy books, maps, CDs, microfilm, and photographs of Jefferson County and its people.

Jefferson County Library Offers New Genealogy Database by Remote Access

The Jefferson County Library is now offering access to HeritageQuest from all three branches and remote access from home.

HeritageQuest is a new online database that features the Federal Census, Genealogy and Local History book collection, Periodical Source Index (PERSI), & Revolutionary War Era Pension Records. HeritageQuest is available by going to the JCL website at www.jeffersoncountylibrary.org.

A valid Jefferson County Library card is required for remote access.

Call Christine Merseal at 636-677-8186 for more information.

Spotlight on the Northwest's Special Collection - Missouri



The Special Collection at the Northwest Branch has many items that will assist patrons with genealogical research in the State of Missouri. The department includes a large collection of series, including Missouri Pioneer: County and Genealogical Records by Nadine Hodge (30 volumes), Missouri Miscellany by Howard Woodruff

(17 volumes), Missouri Genealogical Gleanings by Sherida Eddlemon (7 volumes) ,
Citizens of Missouri Territory by Francis Ingmire (3 volumes), and the History of Missouri by Louis Houck (3 volumes).

Also available is a large selection of books dealing with specific Missouri counties. The majority of Missouri's 115 counties are represented. The information in these books vary, however they may include transcriptions from marriages, cemeteries, wills, obituaries, funeral home records, federal census records and much more.

Also included in the special collection are books detailing the history of Missouri. Topics include books on the New Madrid Earthquake, Missouri and slavery, the Civil War in Missouri and Pre-historic Missouri.

The Special Collection also includes all available Federal Census Records of Missouri, plus the 1890 Missouri Special Veteran Schedule.

For additional information about the collection contact Christine Merseal, Genealogy Library Associate, at 636-677-8186.

Websites



World GenWeb Project

<http://www.worldgenweb.org/>

The World GenWeb Project is a non-profit volunteer based organization dedicated to providing genealogical records and resources worldwide.

Illinois State Archives Database

<http://www.sos.state.il.us/departments/archives/databases.html>

This website comprises many databases including, The Illinois Statewide Marriage Index 1763- 1900, Illinois Statewide Death Index 1916-1950, and the Databases of Illinois Veterans.

New Additions to the Special Collections Department



GR 977.89 HISTORIC

Madison County Veterans of World War I by Historical Madison County [Missouri]

GR 977.2 NORTHCOTT

Indiana Civil War Veterans: Transcription of the Death Rolls of the Department of Indiana, Grand Army of the Republic, 1882-1948 by Dennis Northcott

GR 977.89 HISTORIC

Madison County Veterans of World War I by Historical Madison County [Missouri]

GR 974.946 SALTER

Salter's History of Monmouth and Ocean Counties, N.J. by Edwin Salter

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Old Times in Old Monmouth: Historical Reminiscences of Old Monmouth County, New Jersey by Edwin Salter

GR 929.3749 PATENTS

New Jersey Patents and Deeds 1664-1703 by William Nelson

GR 974.893

20th Century History of New Castle and Lawrence County Pennsylvania by Aaron L. Hazen



Upcoming Genealogy Presentations

June

Beginning Genealogy – The Arnold Branch of the Jefferson County Library will hold a seminar by genealogist Christine Merseal, on Thursday, June 16th, 10:00 to 11:30 am. This free program will focus on learning the basics of researching your family history. Please call 636-296-2204 for details.

Online Databases: Ancestry Library Edition & Heritage Quest – The Northwest Branch of the Jefferson County Library in High Ridge will hold two seminars by staff genealogist Christine Merseal. The first program will be on Monday, June 20th, 6:30 to 8:00 pm. The same program will be repeated on Tuesday, June 21st, 12:30 to 2:00 pm. These free programs will focus on how to use these free databases available at all three branches of the Jefferson County Library System. Please call 636-677-8186 for details.

July

Using the Special Collection at the Jefferson County Library – The Northwest Branch of the Jefferson County Library in High Ridge will hold two seminars by staff genealogist Christine Merseal. The first program will be on Monday, July 18th, 6:30 –8:00 pm. The

same program will be repeated on Tuesday July 19th, 12:30 to 2:00 pm. These free programs will focus on what is available in the Special Collection – Northwest Branch, and how it can benefit your research. Please call 636-677-8186 for details.

Genealogy and the Internet - The Arnold Branch of the Jefferson County Library will hold a seminar by genealogist Christine Merseal, on Thursday, July 21st, 10 to 12:30 am. This free program will focus on some of the best genealogical websites on the Internet. Please call 636-296-2204 for details.

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