

Researching British Home Children, by Gloria Tubman

Between 1870 and 1939 numerous organizations in the British Isles were responsible for the emigrating of more than 100,000 children to various receiving homes for placement with Canadian families. Researching British Home Children can present many difficulties. Resources available in Canada and the British Isles will be discussed.

Gloria Tubman: Ottawa Ontario Stake Family History Centre



Gloria Tubman grew up in the Bristol / Shawville area of Pontiac County before moving to Ontario for school and work. The granddaughter of a British Home Child who arrived through Mrs. Birt's Knowlton Distribution House, Gloria has authored *A Genealogists' Guide to Researching British Home Children*, published in June 2017 and the "Genealogy Gleanings" column in The Equity, Shawville's weekly newspaper for several years. Her areas of genealogical and historical research include British Home Children, Quebec, Ottawa Valley and the families of Pontiac County. She has some research for "Who Do You Think You Are?" She is a co-instructor of a genealogy course at the Ottawa Stake Family History Centre.

Research Strategies, by Jean Brown

Basic principles of genealogy research as well as steps that will make your research easier and more productive will be presented. The ten best research strategies will be discussed as well as where to find resources for help.

Jean Brown: Ottawa Ontario Stake Family History Centre

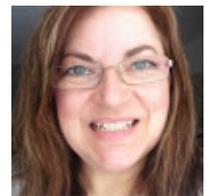


Jean has been researching family history records in Ontario for 35 plus years. She volunteers and teaches at the Ottawa Ontario Stake Family History Centre a basic genealogy course with Gloria Tubman. The course has an emphasis on the FamilySearch website. This program has been running for the past 4 years in the centre's computer lab. Jean enjoys helping others in their search for their "roots" and can be found every Friday evening volunteering at the centre.

FamilySearch: Tools and Resources for the Family Historian, by Shirley-Ann Pyefinch

Would you like to learn how to research your family history and be able to preserve your research for future generations? This presentation will highlight various free tools and resources available through the FamilySearch website and the Ottawa Family History Centre showing users how to effectively search, store and share family history information.

Shirley-Ann Pyefinch: Ottawa Ontario Stake Family History Centre



Shirley-Ann Pyefinch, has served for the past 15 years at the Ottawa Ontario Stake Family History Centre, has taught workshops throughout Ontario on family history research, FamilySearch, and on record preservation. Research interests are in Canada, USA, England, France, Ireland, DNA and British Home Children. Shirley-Ann is a Records Manager for the Canadian Federal Government, and she enjoys helping others discover their own family history at the Ottawa Family History Centre.

Genetic Genealogy, by Richard McGregor

In the last twenty years an additional tool has been added to the genealogist's toolbox for exploring family history – personal DNA. The question often arising to the genealogist is where do I begin? The talk will explore the application of the various commercial DNA tests available today and how they may fit in to the discovery of unknown relatives and the confirmation of family trees. The advantages and shortcoming of DNA analysis will be explored.

Richard McGregor: Ontario Genealogical Society, and British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa.



Richard McGregor has explored his family history for the past 20 years. He is a member of the Ontario Genealogical Society and the British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa. He first became interested in the application of DNA techniques to family history research in 2006 with Y-DNA testing. Since then he has explored various DNA tests with different commercial suppliers and their application to his own and his wife's family trees.

Brick and Mortar to Digital: The Birth of the Québec Genealogical eSociety, by Johanne Gervais

The availability of and distance to a genealogical society, and personal mobility are all factors that hinder researchers in their pursuit of family history information. Today's digital world brings all sorts of services to us via the internet, so why not provide genealogists, wherever they are located, with access to services, features, and other like-minded genealogists, as they would have with a visit to a *brick and mortar* society? The Québec Genealogical eSociety replicates the *brick and mortar* society experience for the Cant's and the Wont's. The Cant's are those people who, because of time, distance, or other constraints can't get to a genealogical society. The Wont's are the device-driven people who won't go to a society because their digital devices bring their virtual world to them, be it shopping, banking, socializing, or researching. The Québec Genealogical eSociety provides both the Cant's and the Wont's with tools to help in their genealogical research. Let me show you how!



Johanne Gervais: Québec Genealogical eSociety.

Johanne Gervais, BSc, MBA, worked for over 25 years at various large companies in Montreal developing and implementing computer business systems. She became interested in genealogy while helping her husband write a book about his family for his mother's 90th birthday. In 2008, Johanne left the corporate world to dedicate herself to genealogical research and to create her own company *Gervais-Laekas Services*, which includes *Quebec Family Search* (www.quebecfamilysearch.com) specializing in Quebec genealogical research. She is the founder of the *Québec Genealogical eSociety* (www.genquebec.com) a virtual non-profit society launched in February in Salt Lake City, Utah at RootsTech 2018 to facilitate participation, learning, and research in Québec. She lives in St-Bruno-de-Montarville, Québec, only 20 minutes from the Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec in Montreal. She is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists and does contract research work for Ancestry ProGenealogists, genealogists.com, LegacyTree Genealogists, and Gen-Find Research Associates, Inc. Johanne gives various genealogical lectures including The French Canadian Disease, Self-Publishing, and Researching Your French Canadian Ancestors.

Family History Research at the Ottawa Public Library, by Romaine Honey

An introduction to books, online resources, research guides, and professional services available to you at the public library. Come find out how the library can help with your genealogy.

Romaine Honey: Ottawa Public Library



Romaine is a genealogy librarian at Ottawa Public Library. She joined OPL in 2000, after several years as a reference librarian in the federal government. Romaine coordinates the library's genealogy programming and leads OPL's Local History and Genealogy team.

Pre-recorded RootsTech sessions available for viewing during the conference:

- **Finding Elusive Records at FamilySearch**, by Robert Kehrer.
Robert Kehrer will demonstrate skills and techniques used by the experts and will expose hidden record identification tools and features of the FamilySearch website.
- **Use Facebook and Free Apps to Engage Family**, by Jamie Wade and Kelli Shipp.
This demonstration will unleash many great (and free) features of Facebook while helping you preserve and share family memories. Then look at other apps that can bring your history to the present.
- **Choosing Details: The Secret to Compelling Stories**, by Laura Hedgecock.
When it comes to converting research into narratives, the secret to writing compelling ancestor profiles and stories is choosing the details (facts) that will bring their stories to life for readers.