

# MIDWEST HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## ALERT

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### AFRICAN AMERICAN RESEARCH RESOURCES

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Library Hours:  
Tuesday & Saturday  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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- There is a project called The HistoryMakers, which is a large collection of African-American oral histories. They have conducted intensively researched interviews with more than 2,000 people; more than 600 of these interviews have been indexed and digitized so far. Biographies and photographs of the interviewees are available at [www.thehistorymakers.org](http://www.thehistorymakers.org); if you find an interview with a person of interest, you must join the organization to access the digitized materials or visit their archive in Chicago. You can also nominate a person to be interviewed.
- Charles “Tennie” Harris was a photographer in Pittsburgh, PA, from roughly 1935 to 1975. His archive of nearly 80,000 images has been digitized and put online at <https://cmoa.org/art/teenie-harris-archive/>.
- Columbia University Libraries has compiled an extensive bibliography of “African Diaspora on the Internet” resources, with links to hundreds of blogs, libraries, journals, events and organizations. Check it out at [library.columbia.edu/locations/global/virtual-libraries/african\\_studies/diaspora.html](http://library.columbia.edu/locations/global/virtual-libraries/african_studies/diaspora.html) BUT be prepared to lose an hour or two following these links down research rabbit holes!
- Also check out the Jan/Feb 2019 issue of *AAWorld* for a civil rights tour of Kansas.

### BOOKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Phillip Blake produced his Wichita Memorials book in April 2004. Forty additional copies of this book entitled *They Paid the Price* have just been found. Blake did all of the photography and also wrote the manuscript. These signed copies are available for a donation of \$25 to Veteran’s Memorial Park. Call MHGS (264-3611) or Francene (262-5780).

Barb Myer’s book *Walking with the Wichita Pioneers*, about Highland Cemetery, is also available here. The price is \$20. If you have family in this cemetery, you will find the book very interesting!

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

HELP PLEASE!

Thanks to some very dedicated typists we are slowly getting the Sedgwick County marriage books indexed. If you are interested in this project, please come by the library or email Julia at [library@mhgswichita.org](mailto:library@mhgswichita.org).

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS & LIBRARY EVENTS

*POWER UP YOUR GENEALOGY*. Tuesday, Jan 8 @ 1:30 to 3 pm. Led by Julia Langel. This month we're going to hear about a family history trip to Sweden.

*GENEALOGY DNA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP*. Saturday, Jan 12 @ 1 pm to 2 pm. Led by Paul Renner Smith. Discover the latest news in the field of Genealogical DNA study. This informal discussion group uses the newest information available to learn what DNA can tell us about our ancestors. Learn what different tests are available.

*PHOTO MYSTERIES*, Tuesday, Jan 15 @1:30. Led by Rex Riley. Bring your mystery pictures and let our photo detectives go to work finding clues about the dates, places and people.

*AFRO-AMERICAN SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP*. Saturday Jan 26 @ 1:00 Led by Jozel Smith Eckels. Interest group that encourages historical and genealogical study of families with special emphasis on African-Americans. This informal group seeks to learn more of the history and factors within the family stories that we have been given. We will demonstrate how to research your family tree with the goal of discovering and understanding your family history.

## ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

The Bicentennial of the USA: a final report to the people	R-600	087	V4
Search for the Passengers of the Mary & John 1630	R-610	121	V1,2,3,6
Colonial Americans of royal & noble descent: alleged, proven & disproven	R-610	128	
The Complete peerage of England ,Scotland, Ireland, and the UK	R-620	281	V7
The Journal of Chickasaw history & culture	R-630	121	2017 (02)
Chokma Chickasaw Magazine	R-630	122	2018 S
Seventy Years of Blackness: Autobiography of Verda Byrd/Jeanette Beagle	G-B	161	
Family Photo Detective	I-	307	
American Victorian Costumes in early photographs	I-	308	
Southern Ladies' Civil War & Antebellum Fashions 1855-65	I-	309	
Dressed for the Photographer: ordinary Americans & fashion 1840-1900	I-	310	
The Way They Were: Dressed in 1860-1865	I-	311	
Who Wore What? Women's Wear 1861-1865	I-	312	
Wings Over the Prairie: A Brief History of the Aviation Industry in Wichita, Ks	R-210	SG	230

## FREE GENEALOGY SITES FOR RESEARCHING YOUR EUROPEAN ANCESTRY

1. Eastern Europe - <https://www.easteuropegenweb.org/>
2. The National Archives of Ireland – <http://www.genealogy.nationalarchives.ie/>
3. German Genealogy Server – <http://compngen.de/>
4. France- <http://www.geneafrance.org/rubrique.php?page=numeris>
5. United Kingdom – transcribed baptism, marriage & burial records from parish registers – <https://www.freereg.org.uk/>
6. Irish Genealogy – <https://www.irishgenealogy.ie/en/>
7. World Genealogy – <http://www.worldgenweb.org/>
8. Danish Family Search – <https://www.danishfamilysearch.com/>
9. Fichier Origine – records on French & foreign immigrants who settled Quebec through 1865  
<http://www.fichierorigine.com/>
10. Ireland and United Kingdom GenWeb – <http://iukgenweb.org/wp/>
11. Welsh Genealogy – <http://www.welshgenealogy.net/>
12. UK and Ireland – <http://www.genuki.org.uk/index.php>
13. German Genealogy Group in Minnesota – <http://www.germangenealogygroup.com/>
14. National German Grave Registration – <http://www.volkbund.de/graebersuche.html>
15. UK National Archives – <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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