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## Genealogy Notes from Emily August 2014

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### Websites to Remember:

- MSL Genealogy – [www.maine.gov/msl/services/genealogy/index.shtml](http://www.maine.gov/msl/services/genealogy/index.shtml)
- Vital Records Researcher Card- [www.maine.gov/dhhs/forms.shtml](http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/forms.shtml)
- MSL Classes- [www.maine.gov/msl/services/classes.shtml](http://www.maine.gov/msl/services/classes.shtml)
- Maine Genealogical Society— [www.maineroots.org](http://www.maineroots.org)

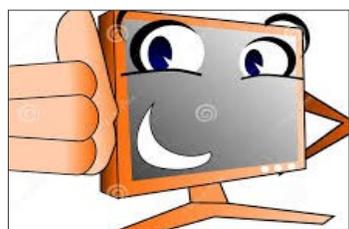
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## More Family History Research from the Web

It's hard to believe that summer is almost over...time to gear up for all that family research you've been meaning to do! In this edition, I hope to show you a few websites that are very useful and interesting as well! *Number One* on this list is [GenealogyinTime Magazine](http://www.genealogyintime.com) which originates in Canada. Their newsletter, entirely free, offers new ideas, record updates worldwide, guides and checklists and "an independent voice". Their search engine is outstanding, and very easy to use; for example: I was looking for details on the death of a young person who was the victim of a cave-in which took place in Maine. I spent a lot of time in major databases, and still had not discovered the precise date or place of the accident. Once I plugged the name into their search engine, I was instantly given references to articles in the local papers that answered our patron's initial question. You can't do much better than that! Check them out at:



galleryhip.com

[www.genealogyintime.com](http://www.genealogyintime.com). Another good site to know about is the one created by Stephen P. Morse called "One-Step Webpages". This is literally a one-stop toolkit for accessing many webpages, covering the Census, immigration, vital records, foreign alphabets, calendars, DNA, the holocaust, etc. Mr. Morse has provided numerous portals to genealogical data, and made each easier and quicker to use. Take a look and see: <http://stevemorse.org>. The third selection on my list is [AncestralFindings.com](http://www.ancestralfindings.com) which is very informative, and emphasizes free searches. Sign up for their weekly newsletter, and receive lots of tips, surname background, offers for free lookups, and lists of

free databases. Based in Batavia, OH, take a look at [www.ancestralfindings.com](http://www.ancestralfindings.com)! Canadian genealogy is alive and well on [Maple Stars and Stripes](http://www.maplestarsandstripes.com), which is set up primarily to offer podcasts. In its description the site was "created as a way to share tips and tricks that might make it easier to research your French-Canadian family here in America as well as trace them back in Quebec". You may subscribe to their blog, view their shows, read and print Shownotes and search their archives. Offerings that I found particularly interesting include "Tracking Your 'Nomadic' French-Canadian Ancestors", "The Drouin Collection- Microfilmed and Digitized", "French-Canadian Given Names", and "The Dreaded 'Dit' Name". There's a lot more; plug the following in your search box: [www.maplestarsandstripes.com](http://www.maplestarsandstripes.com). Have fun searching-see you next time!

### 2014 Maine Genealogical Society Conference!

Coming right up is the Maine Genealogical Society's Fall Conference on September 13th. Mark your calendars and register as soon as you can for yet another entertaining and informative genealogical event here in central Maine! The festivities will be held at Jeff's Catering, 15

Littlefield Way in Brewer, the same venue as last year. Featured speaker will be Thomas Jones, certified genealogist, who will begin with his keynote address, "Can a Complex Research Problem be Solved Solely Online?". During the day he will also be speaking

about original sources, misleading records and the Genealogical Proof Standard. Other speakers will be Nancy Lecompte (DNA), Desiree Butterfield-Nagy (UMO Library Collections) and Michael Strauss (U.S. Life-Saving Service). For more details and directions, go to: [www.maineroots.org](http://www.maineroots.org).