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November Genealogy Club Meeting

Thursday, November 15, 2018

10 a.m. in the Studio

Third Floor

Maine State Library

Free and open to the public.

Hidden Sources

Join B.J. Jamieson to learn about hidden sources: unindexed sources at major genealogy websites, records in unexpected places, and other less than obvious sources of family history.

DNA Conference Save the date!

The Maine Genealogical Society will host a conference on DNA and genetic genealogy on **September 14, 2019.**

**Learn about MyHeritage
with video from the recent
MyHeritage LIVE conference:
[https://
abundantgenealogy.com/free-
myheritage-live-videos-now-
available-online/](https://abundantgenealogy.com/free-myheritage-live-videos-now-available-online/)**

**Plan ahead! New England
Regional Genealogy Conference
April 3 to 6, 2019
Manchester NH
[https://www.nergc.org/
2019-conference/](https://www.nergc.org/2019-conference/)**

Archives closure

The Maine State Archives research room will be closed November 12 to November 16 to allow staff to work on special projects.

Normal hours will resume on November 19.

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LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Tuesday: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

<https://www.maine.gov/msl/>

Ellsworth American to be digitized

Genealogists interested in Hancock County will have a new resource available with the planned digitization of the *Ellsworth American*.

Over the next two years, approximately 20,000 pages of the newspaper will be scanned from microfilm and uploaded to the Digital Maine Repository where it can be accessed for free online. The project will cover a period ranging from 1855 to 1923.

As the second oldest weekly newspaper in the state, the *Ellsworth American* provides an important historical record of Hancock County.

In 2017, the Maine State Library worked with the newspaper to digitize several indexes compiled of newspaper accounts of marriage and deaths in Hancock County. Those records are available online and the collection has

already been accessed and downloaded over 1,000 times.

“This is an important project in terms of access,” said Maine State Librarian James Ritter. “Once the issues are digitized and run through software, the collection can be searched by keyword for references to people, places and events from the past.”

www.digitalmaine.com/ellsworth