

Good morning fellow family historians,  
I've been thinking about what will happen to my family history info and pictures when I'm gone. I have decided that I need to be the one to start sharing things with my family, not wait until I'm gone and have someone else try to make sense of everything I have. So, for Christmas this year, I'm making a simple book for everyone with their branches of the family. Since we are never finished with our research, I'm going to share it, finished or not. I also want to have my family be able to ask me questions about what they're reading and seeing. I'm challenging you to do the same. We can print or copy ancestor charts, family group sheets, pictures and stories and put in page protectors. Then all we need is a 3 ring notebook and you have a precious gift for your family. In the past, I have done a huge binder for my parents, but I think it was a bit overwhelming. This time, I'm going to break it up into smaller bites, so that the information is easier to digest.

As I told you last week, I am challenging myself during October, which is Family History Month, to better organize my family data, and make sure it is in good order, easy to find. I have made a lot of progress this week, so I'm continuing to work on this project as well. I hope you will join me in working on your family history information.

Tomorrow evening, we will welcome Leslie McCarty to Willard Library Browning Gallery, 6 pm CST. After Leslie's program, we will be going to the 2nd floor for research or help with research. I hope to see you then. We will also have a 2 item give away at our meeting, so be sure to fill out a drawing slip when you come in.

Looking forward to tomorrow night!

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