



LDS Edgemont Stake “Red Chapel”, 4050 North Timpview Drive (650 East), Provo, Utah

Welcome (9:00 am)	Gerhard Ruf (pres@uvtagg.org)	10 November 2018
Opening Prayer	by invitation	
Short Success:	Rayanne Melick	
Announcements	see below	
Main Presentation	<b>Laurie Castillo - How To Be More Successful With Genealogy Websites</b>	

**- 10 Nov - Carol Hill - Using Online FamilySearch and Facebook Groups For Solving Your Family History Brick Walls**

- Upcoming Users Group Meeting Dates - no meeting in Dec, 12 Jan, 9 Feb
- Next Planning Committee Mtg - **Tue 30 Oct**, at **Gerhard Ruf** home, 64 S 1000 E, Orem - 7:00pm - open to all
- Family History Training 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Classes at **BYU** - <http://sites.lib.byu.edu/familyhistory/sunday-classes/> also at <https://www.facebook.com/byufhl>
- Riverton Family History Library Saturday Seminar - 20 Oct - 9 am to 12:20, East of 134<sup>th</sup> South & Bangerter  
Jill Crandell - “The BYU Center for Family History and Genealogy” <http://familysearch.org/fhc/riverton/> (click on ‘Saturday Seminar’). You can download copies of handouts for classes for two weeks following each meeting.
- Lehi FamilySearch Center Classes - get details at <https://www.familysearch.org/fhc/lehi>
- UGA Virtual Chapter Meeting on Thur, 18 Oct Sep 7 pm - register in advance to attend online for free at <http://www.infouga.org/cpage.php?pt=11> Devin Ashby, “10 Easy Tasks at FamilySearch”
- Our Online Class Service - Service providers and teachers for the next 5 weeks are Don Snow, Gerhard Ruf, Don Engstrom & Jackson Andersen. See the calendar at <https://uvtagg.org/calendar> for details.
- Spread the word on our online classes and help sessions between our regularly scheduled meetings.

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<b>Breakout Classes (10:40 am to Noon)</b>		
<b>Family History Memories Workshop</b>	<b>Marilyn Thomsen</b>	<b>Cultural Hall</b>
<b>Ask an Expert (Personal Help)</b>	<b>Don Engstrom &amp; John Blake &amp; Lee Cox</b>	<b>Computer Room (Southwest Hall)</b>
<b>Video: Introduction to the Family History Guide</b>	<b>Bob Ives</b>	<b>Room 8 (South Hall)</b>
<b>Ancestral Quest</b>	<b>Gaylon Findlay</b>	<b>Room 18 - 19 (South Hall)</b>

Welcome:

Prayer:

Short Success: Rayanne Melick

Turn off Cell Phones

## INTRO

Laurie Castillo:

is a professional genealogist who has done historical background research for books, as well as family research for private clients. She has written articles for publication and presented at numerous conferences, national, state and local, including RootsTech, FGS (Federation of Genealogical Societies), UGA (Utah Genealogical Association), and BYU. She has worked with the UGA in several positions and for many years has been a Family History Missionary, Consultant, and Teacher at the BYU Family History Library, a Stake Family Records Extraction Director, and a Ward Temple and Family History Consultant. She specializes in research in continental Europe and Scandinavia, especially Germany, Sweden, France, and the Netherlands. She has researched most everywhere in the U.S. and particularly enjoys New England, Midwest, and the “Western Frontier”. Besides all this she is a U.S. Census specialist and is well-versed in Early LDS Research. Laurie was born in Santa Monica, California and raised in West Los Angeles. In high school she participated in musical groups and was a point guard on the girls basketball team. She attended BYU where she met and married Jerry Castillo from San Antonio, Texas. Jerry also works with technical aspects and teaches classes at the UVTAGG. Laurie graduated from BYU with a BS in Family and Consumer Economics and the Castillo’s live in Orem. They have two grown children and 6 grandchildren.

TITLE:

HOW TO BE MORE SUCCESSFUL WITH GENEALOGY WEB SITES

ABSTRACT:

Every web site has its own unique qualities and quirks. Understanding each site will greatly improve the success of the researcher. Discussion will include the many elements that go in to the making of a web site. Knowing the web site owner and the purpose for maintaining it may prove insightful. Becoming familiar with the search functions and features available improves the quality and relevancy of results. We will discuss search functionality, such as searching with wild cards, just a last name, just a given name, location, or keyword. Examples will illustrate some very helpful ways to test a web site search in advance so searches can be tailored for improved effectiveness. We will discuss hit lists and what can be done with information located. Many other questions exist: Does the site include any collaborative or interactive features? What are your legal rights concerning any data or pictures contributed?

What about web site contents and organization? Do you really know exactly what you are searching? Is there an inventory? Answering these questions and more will increase success!