

PAF Come Alive W/Photos

Multimedia Files

Photos make your database “come Alive” and be interesting to others.

PAF can link photos, sound, and video clips in various ways.

Photos or pictures (jpg, bmp, tif files and others) get them by scanning, digital camera, e-mail, disk, cd, internet.

Sound clips require a sound card and microphone not on the lesson today.

PAF can show photos in slide shows and scrapbooks with sound narration, or print photos in several ways.

Storing multimedia files.

Need to be able to tell PAF the folder where they are stored and their file names.

Files are not stored with PAF data– they take up lots of storage space, and are not backed up nor transferred with GEDCOM..

Store multimedia files in a folder so whole folder can be copied to back it up or transfer.

You could use a folder under the PAF folder, then you won't have to change links when restoring to another computer.

GETTING PHOTOS READY TO INCLUDE IN PAF

Get the photo in electronic form by scanning, digital camera, email, disk, or internet.

Edit the photo with a photo editing program the way you want it and save it in jpg format
jpg files are smaller and work fine for showing on screen with PAF.

Copy the file to your folder used with PAF most likely on the hard drive but could be a CD.

Overview of steps in setting up photos

1. Get the photo into electronic form and store in a folder where PAF can link to it.
2. Select the individual to attach the photo to and click on the Camera icon for that individual.
3. Click on Modify Photo and write caption and description.
4. Click on Edit Photo to crop, flip, select for Slide Show and/or scrapbook.
5. Preview family group sheets and pedigree charts be sure to check box to include photos.

DETAILS OF SETTING UP MULTIMEDIA IN PAF

PHOTOS

Link a photo to an individual only the person in the Primary Position has photo showing.
Highlight the individual and click on camera icon to get Multimedia Collection screen for the person.

Click on Add/Photo/Browse and find path and select the file you want–check Preview so you see a thumbnail copy of photo there.

Click on Make Default if you want this photo to be the default, if that person has more

than one photo

Default photo has an * by it. This is the one that shows on screen and on family Group sheets, etc.

You can change default photo by highlighting another and clicking on make Default.

Click on Modify Photo to add caption and description.

Click on Edit Photo to flip, crop, select for Slide and/or Scrapbook.

The same photo can be used in several places with different croppings for each individual.

Cropping keeps the same outside frame size, but expands just a part of the picture so you can select one individual out of a group picture.

The easy way is to crop by clicking on photo and dragging the rectangular box to size wanted, it can also be done by setting margin numbers

Printing will include the photos, if you click on Show Photos

Print/Family Group Sheet and Print/Pedigree Charts both have options to include Photos.

Can Preview the way these charts will print

Be sure to Save results when you are done!

I use a folder called PAF_PHOTO on C drive.

To store all related photos in the path "C:\PAF_PHOTO "

Another note of interest: Paf Pal written by Steve Cannon of PAL Software

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