

BE OUR GUEST
GENEALOGY 101

Join us Monday, November 7 at 2pm to explore some of the ways you can discover your ancestors

Monterey Room, Santa Rosa clubhouse

The Genealogy Club invites you to join us for this introductory session to get you started on your journey to find who you are and where you came from

Welcome to SCSH Genealogy Club

- ▶ MISSION – PROVIDE CLUB MEMBERS GENEALOGICAL ASSISTANCE, INFORMATION AND FRIENDSHIP
- ▶ THE CLUB
 - ▶ MEETINGS, MEMBERS, RESOURCES & WEBSITE
- ▶ GUESTS OR FIRST TIME MEMBER INTRODUCTION
- ▶ PRESENTATION
 - ▶ WHAT AND WHY'S OF GENEALOGY – SCOTT
 - ▶ BUILDING A FAMILY TREE USING ANCESTRY.COM - SHEILA
 - ▶ HOW TO USE FAMILY SEARCH A FREE SERVICE - CINDY
 - ▶ DNA INFORMATION; HOW IT HELPS IN FAMILY RESEARCH - SCOTT
- ▶ QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION



genealogy [jee-nee-oh-lee, -ah-, jen-ee-] **SHOW IPA**  

See synonyms for: [genealogy](#) / [genealogical](#) on Thesaurus.com Middle School Level

noun, plural ge-ne-al-o-gies.

- 1 a record or account of the ancestry and descent of a person, family, group, etc.
- 2 the study of family ancestries and histories.
- 3 descent from an original form or progenitor; lineage; ancestry.
- 4 *Biology.* a group of individuals or species having a common ancestry; *The various species of Darwin's finches form a closely knit genealogy.*

Why is genealogy important? x

The first records of the word **genealogy** come from around 1250. It ultimately comes from the Greek word *genealogia*, meaning "pedigree." Your pedigree is your line of ancestors and descendants or the chart used to show their relationship to you and to each other.

Genealogy has been practiced since ancient times. Prior to written language, singers and storytellers would pass on oral histories of families and ancestors. A common trend throughout history (which appears to have been a worldwide phenomena) is that **genealogy** was used to show that a person was somehow related to a legendary or important figure from the past.

DICTIONARY.COM

Why research?

- ▶ We are generally more interested at this point in our life
- ▶ To give family information from one generation to the next
- ▶ Find and maintain records of important family information
- ▶ Health Information
- ▶ As the previous slide indicated maybe you are "related to a legendary or important person"

How to begin?

- ▶ It starts with you
- ▶ Document what you know
 - ▶ Birthdates, Marriage dates, death dates, places lived
 - ▶ Gather documents you have - photo's, certificates and other
 - ▶ Talk to your relatives
- ▶ Make a simple family tree chart
 - ▶ In writing or with software / app
 - ▶ The chart begins with you
 - ▶ Work back with Parents, Grandparents, Great Grandparents
- ▶ Let's start looking at options to build your Tree

The Club's Website has information - scshgenealogy.com

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Sun City Shadow Hills Genealogy Club website. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Home, About Us, Contact, Homebase, and Research Tools. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Club News:** A section titled "2023 dues" with information about annual dues, meeting announcements, and a link to a handbook.
- Meetings:** A section detailing the schedule for monthly meetings and bi-monthly workshaps.
- Generalogy, In of the Day:** A section for daily genealogy tips and a Facebook link.
- To sign up for help:** A call-to-action for a mentoring request form.
- Online Resources:** A section listing "2022 - 2023 Webinars" and "Sponsor Websites" such as Legacy Family Tree, So Cal. Genealogy Society, and BYU Family History.

How to build a Family Tree or Chart
Option 3 – Subscription Software Model "The Cloud"

- ▶ Ancestry.com
 - ▶ Subscription service
 - ▶ Home to 30B records 100M family trees and 20M+ DNA profiles.
 - ▶ Many US libraries offer free access to library edition.
- ▶ Family Search
 - ▶ The worlds best of FREE website.
 - ▶ Offers 10B name searchable records and billions other records to search through.
- ▶ Others:
 - ▶ My Heritage
 - ▶ Find my past
 - ▶ Archives.com
- ▶ **Next - Building a tree using Ancestry.com - Sheila**

Welcome to Genealogy 101

This presentation is designed for people who are new to Ancestry and need some help getting started. If you have never created a tree, you will learn the steps needed to create a tree. The steps are:

- 1) How to sign in
- 2) What the screens look like
- 3) How to add family members

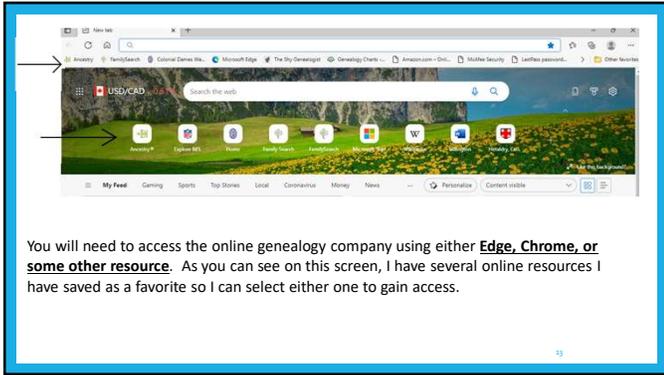
At a future club meeting, there will be a detailed presentation on how to use Ancestry.com and what options you can/should use to add additional records to your family tree. A copy of that presentation will be made available on the club's website for you to print after the meeting, so you have it available for future reference.

By joining the club, you can continue to see what Ancestry.com can do for you and receive additional help from club members through our Mentoring program.

Many people think they can use their iPhone to work on their genealogy but the most effective way to research is using a computer. iPhone screens are too small to really see what you have accessed, and you will need to research, save, and store information you have found.

Many times, I need to use another online genealogy system, i.e., FamilySearch.org, to validate my research and I don't know how you can perform this activity on your iPhone.

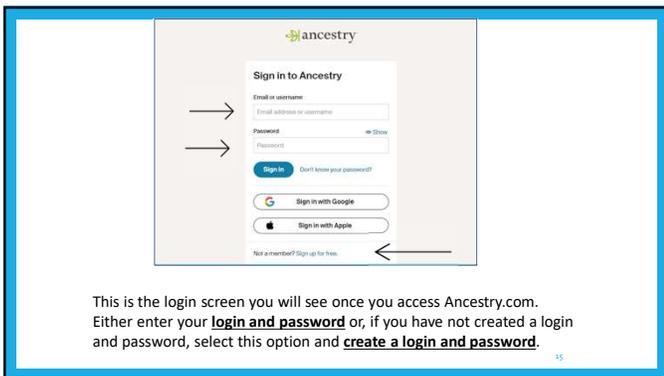
I have used my iPad for looking at my data, but it can be difficult, but not impossible, to use my iPad to research, save, and store what I have found. Just be aware; you need the easiest way to see your data, or you might become dissatisfied with researching.



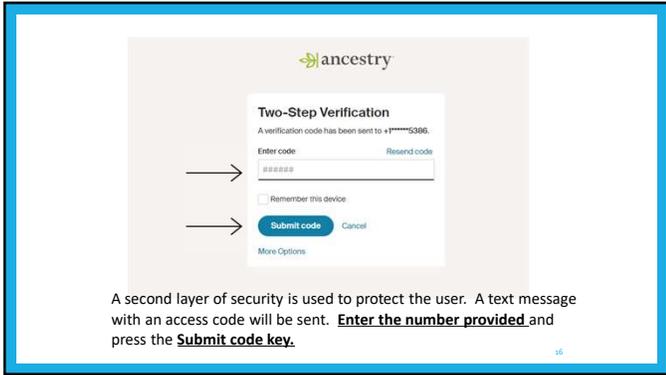
You will need to access the online genealogy company using either **Edge, Chrome, or some other resource**. As you can see on this screen, I have several online resources I have saved as a favorite so I can select either one to gain access.



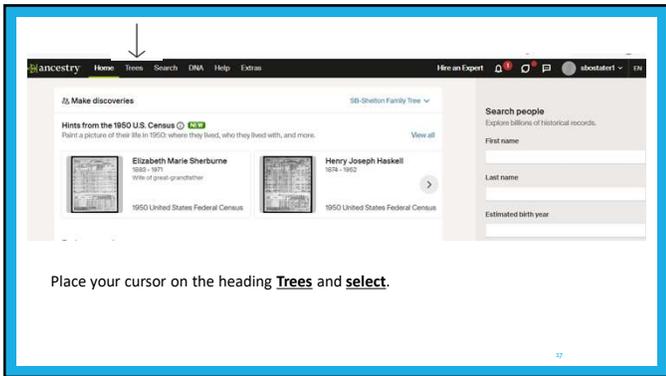
After making your selection, this is the screen you will receive. Select the **Sign In > tab** and press the **Enter key**.



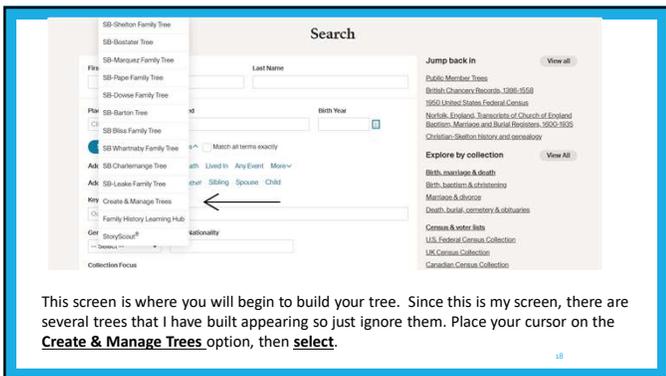
This is the login screen you will see once you access Ancestry.com. Either enter your **login and password** or, if you have not created a login and password, select this option and **create a login and password**.



A second layer of security is used to protect the user. A text message with an access code will be sent. **Enter the number provided** and press the **Submit code key**.



Place your cursor on the heading **Trees** and **select**.



This screen is where you will begin to build your tree. Since this is my screen, there are several trees that I have built appearing so just ignore them. Place your cursor on the **Create & Manage Trees** option, then **select**.

SB-Marquez Family Tree View tree overview	10/1/2022	Owner Invite family	Tree settings
SB-Masters Family Tree View tree overview	4/4/2021	Owner 1 person invited	Tree settings
SB-Pape Family Tree View tree overview	10/1/2022	Owner Invite family	Tree settings
SB-Shelton Family Tree View tree overview	10/3/2022	Owner 1 person invited	Tree settings
SB-Whartnaby Family Tree View tree overview	4/23/2022	Owner Invite family	Tree settings

Again, this is my screen so there a lot of trees shown. You will likely see no entries here because you have no tree names to display. However, this screen shows you that you can have multiple trees. For now, ignore my entries.

Move your cursor down to **Create a new tree** and **select**.

Start a new tree.

You are now ready to input family names. As always, you start with what you know; yourself.

Select the **Add home person** and press the **Enter key**.

Enter your first and middle name. Tab over and **enter your last name** (women should only use their maiden name for genealogy work). Add a suffix if appropriate; Dr, Sr, Jr, or any other. I do not use a period after any entry because of needing to search for a record later that may, or may not, use a period.

Next, select your gender and status (the default is Unknown). This entry lets Ancestry display a male (blue) or female (pink) icon next to the entry. Move down to the birth date and birthplace and **enter your information**. Press the **Continue key**.

Start a new tree.

Your name now appears in the box. Under the name you entered, there is an option where you can add your spouse to the tree now, or later. Your choice.

Continue adding to your tree by entering the information for your father. Once you enter his name, **you will be asked to name your tree**. You can give your tree any name you want, just use a name that explains the contents.

You will be asked if other people will be allowed to view your tree. If you agree, select Public; if you decline, select Private. It is recommended that you allow your tree to be viewed by others in the event someone who uses Ancestry sees your tree and wants to contact you to discuss your family. This can be very helpful for your research.

Add a father

You have now added your father to your tree. When you enter any date, there is a format that is preferred. You should use a 2-digit day, 3-digit month, and 4-digit year. If the date is 07, it is preferred that you use a single digit. When entering the birthplace, you need to include the city, county, state, and country. When you start entering the information, the system will provide a suggestion as to the correct format to use. Use the information provided.

SCSH Genealogy Family Tree

For this example, you can see I have named this tree **SCSH Genealogy Family Tree**. You also see the father's blue icon is shown, but the mother's information, or any additional generations of the family, still need to be added. If I were to continue adding to your tree, all the remaining boxes would be filled with data.

To the upper right of the father's name, you will see a green icon. This is how Ancestry shows there is a hint for him. If you select this hint, you will be taken to a different screen to research what Ancestry has found. More details in a future meeting.

Continue entering the information that you know until you have no additional information to add. Now, you should go back to your tree and see if there are additional HINTS after you have added more family members. Hints appear as a green icon in the upper right corner of the screen. Ancestry is letting you know there is additional information available for one of your family members and you can select, review, and add the information to your tree. Continue entering family names until you have no one else to add.

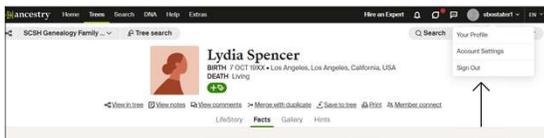
You can also take a DNA test to see if you match to another person within Ancestry who has submitted a DNA test. You may find a long-lost family member.

Once you are done, you need to exit Ancestry.

Move your cursor to the upper right of the screen (where your sign-in name appears) and press the **DOWN ARROW** key. The next page will show you the result.



Select the **SIGN OUT** option.



You have now left Ancestry. You can close your browser.

Ancestry is meant to be fun to add and research your family. You will find yourself staying up late at night because you just found someone and now you want to find someone else. Go for it! You know you can't just leave a mystery alone.

Have fun with your family research.

HOW TO USE FAMILY SEARCH

Cindy Hailpern



- Go to www.FamilySearch.org and create your sign in and password.
- This is important, you will not be solicited by the Mormon Church. This is strictly for your use on your Tree that you create.

Family Search helps You
Build your Tree Search for Records



Why use DNA for genealogy?

There are many reasons but here are some of the most common:

- ▶ Learn more about one's ancestry
- ▶ Affirm your family tree reflects one's actual ancestry
- ▶ Determine the relationship between two people
- ▶ Prove or disprove a theory of where people came from
- ▶ Break down a brick wall in one's genealogy research
- ▶ Communicate with genetic relatives
- ▶ Find relatives for those that were adopted or otherwise do not know their parent, grandparent or great grandparent
- ▶ Provide information about you for future generations

DNA Providers



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DNA Story

Ethnicity Estimate

- 65% Sweden & Denmark
- 23% Norway
- 12% Other regions

Discover the places, history, and cultures that shaped who you are today—using just your DNA.

[Discover Your DNA Story](#)

DNA Matches

118 Starred matches

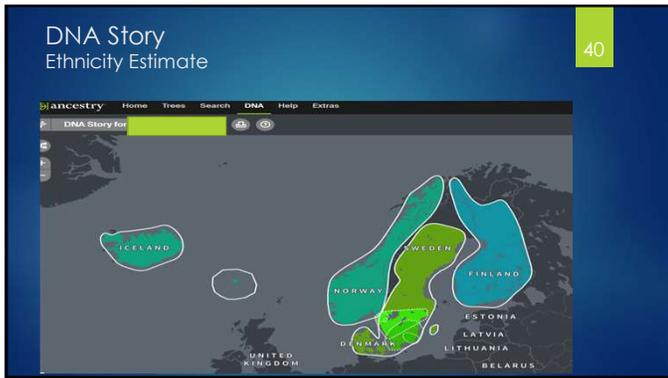
390 4th cousins or closer

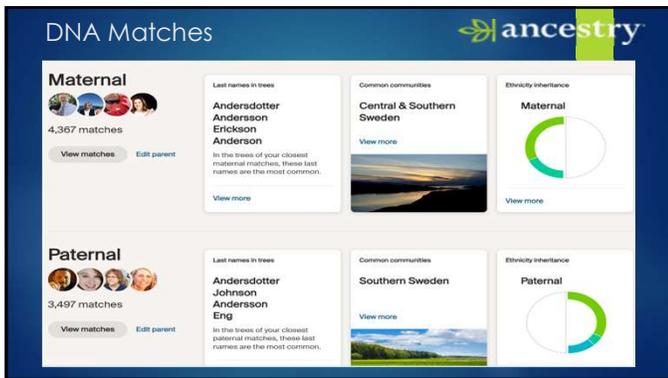
[View All DNA Matches](#)

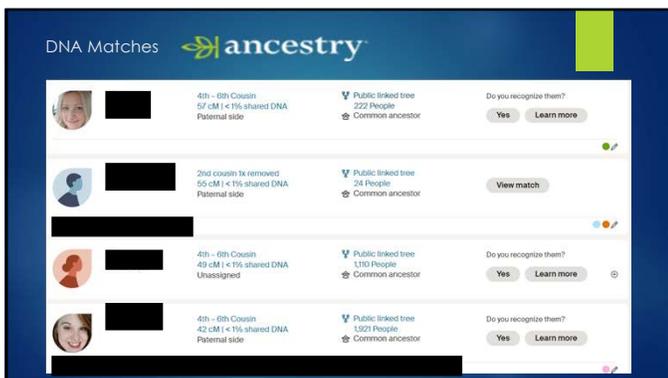
ThruLines®

ThruLines uses Ancestry trees to suggest how you may be related to your DNA matches through common ancestors.

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DNA Matches
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Johan Paulson
2nd great-grandfather
1844

Sophia I. Johanson
Great-grandmother
1887-1924

Signe Johanson
Great-grandmother
1884-1952

Bertha C. Soren
Paternal grandmother
1901-1977

Hilda C. Hawkinson
1st cousin, 2x removed
1880-1936

2nd cousin 1x removed
1915-1981

3rd cousin
68 cM, 15 segments

3rd cousin 1x removed
43 cM, 10 segments

GE
Father
3,471 cM, 124 segments

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Thanks for your attention
Questions?
