Handout – Session #4 – November 3

# Ancestry.com, Brick Walls, Family Tree software

## Syllabus contents:

1. Quick overview of Ancestry.com - what comes free, what requires membership, and limited free access to selected categories when you create an ID and password.
2. Ideas for breaking down brick walls – lateral genealogy, “friends and neighbors” genealogy
3. Saving results to Family Tree software programs such as Legacy, RootsMagic, Family Tree Builder
4. Saving your tree online to FamilySearch or Ancestry; advantages and limitations.
5. Creating a GEDCOM file to share your family tree with others.

Lab session - assist students with a lateral or friends and neighbors search – students should have enough family information at this point for a worthwhile and fruitful search

If you set up an Ancestry.com account, they will send you information on limited time offers to see certain collections for free. This is often done in association with something new coming online – they have just digitized and/or indexed something that wasn’t done before.

Who Has Ancestry Library Edition?

* All Butler County Libraries
* All Allegheny County Libraries
* All Carnegie Libraries
* Family History Centers – have the full international subscription

Find a Family History Center: <https://familysearch.org/locations/centerlocator>

Legacy Family Tree: <http://legacyfamilytree.com/>

Family Tree Builder: <https://www.myheritage.com/family-tree-builder>

Family Tree Maker: <http://www.mackiev.com/ftm/>

RootsMagic: <http://rootsmagic.com/>

What is a GEDCOM?

<https://answers.yahoo.com/question/index;_ylt=A0LEV71BzBhYKwsArwJjmolQ?qid=20070325093951AA9xfHm>

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GEDCOM>

Cyndi’s List links to this: <http://www.leisterpro.com/doc/olderversions/Articles/gedcom-101.php>