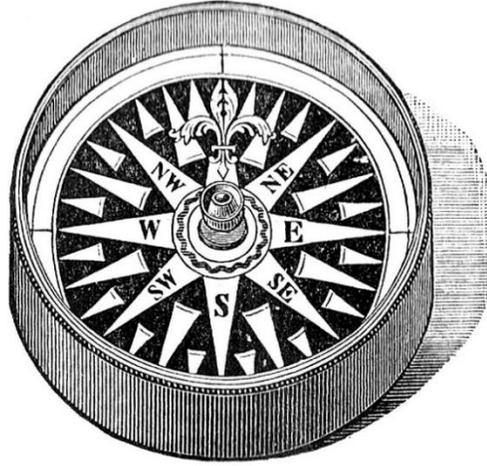


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**Virtual Workshop**

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 Workshop Schedule

Join us live for Jill Crandell’s presentations  
 on September 18, 2021.

8:45 -10:00	<b>Jill Crandell</b> <b>Midwest U.S. Research Methodology</b>
10:30 – 11:45	<b>Jill Crandell</b> <b>Midwest U.S. Case Study</b>
1:15 – 2:30	<b>Jill Crandell</b> <b>Finding “Lost” Entries in U.S. Censuses</b>
3:00 – 4:15	<b>Jill Crandell</b> <b>U.S. Land Platting</b>

**ON DEMAND**

The following presentations will be on demand for registered  
 workshop attendees until October 30, 2021:

<b>Jackie Marler</b> <i>In the Beginning: Your Passage into Family History Research</i>	<b>Rick Crume</b> <i>DNA Health Tests and Your Family Health History</i>	<b>Michael Swanson</b> <i>Getting the Most from Ancestry.com</i>
<b>Jackie Marler</b> <i>Norwegian-American Family History Research in a Nutshell</i>	<b>Rick Crume</b> <i>How to Organize and Label Your Digital Files</i>	<b>Michael Swanson</b> <i>Ripe for the Harvest: Using Bygdebøker for Norwegian Genealogical Research</i>
<b>Forrest Emmet</b> <i>Intro to US Native American Genealogy Records</i>	<b>John Hallberg</b> <i>Genealogical Resources at the NDSU Archives/Institute for Regional Studies.</i>	<b>Emma Lowe</b> <i>Tracing Your English Ancestors: Records, Methodologies, and Resources</i>
<b>Forrest Emmet</b> <i>Five Frequently Asked Native American Genealogy Questions</i>	<b>Camille Andrus</b> <i>Strategies for Avoiding Common Research Blunders</i>	<i>Jill Crandell's presentations will be available for viewing on demand after September 18<sup>th</sup>. You can view these presentations as many times as you wish with your registration until October 30, 2021.</i>



**Jill N. Crandell, MA, AG.**

Jill is the president and CEO of ResearchTies. She's also an assistant teaching professor and director of the Center for Family History and Genealogy at Brigham Young University. She holds an MA in history and a BA in family history, and she's accredited in Midwest U.S. research. Jill has been a professional genealogist for over 30 years and has been a regular presenter at the National Genealogical Society and RootsTech conferences.

**Midwest U.S. Research Methodology**

When researching in the Midwest, there is a basic methodology that will help move your research along more efficiently. This class will discuss the record types and order of researching that might be most helpful for your project.

**Midwest U.S. Case Study**

This class will be a case study demonstrating a standard research methodology for Midwest research. Attending the Midwest Methodology class before the case study might be helpful, but it is not required to benefit from this class.

**Finding "Lost" Entries in U.S. Censuses**

Researchers lay the foundation of a family project with a census survey because the data can be very helpful in providing places and time periods to search for additional records. Unfortunately, some census surveys have gaps in what we can find. Names change, birthplaces are different, and ages vary. Attendees will learn tricks for using census search engines to locate entries that are not precisely accurate. This class will use examples of actual census entries with conflicting data and explain how they were located and analyzed.

**U.S. Land Platting**

Land records in the United States can provide many helpful clues for dates and places of residence, inheritance of land, differentiating between more than one man of the same name, and other research problems. This class will teach basic concepts for interpreting land records and platting deeds, including both rectangular survey and metes and bounds deeds.

**Jackie Marler**

Jackie became a family historian in 1982 as a result of attending that year's Family History Workshop. She is currently newsletter editor and volunteer researcher for the Red River Valley Genealogical Society and the Genealogist for the Hallinglag of America, a Norwegian-American heritage group.

Her workshop presentations are: **In the Beginning: Your Passage into Family History Research** - Basic research process and how it relates to genealogical research as well as helpful hints for those at the beginning of their research.

**Norwegian-American Family History Research in a Nutshell** - Basic steps in Norwegian family history research as well as helpful hints for those at the beginning of their research.

**Michael Swanson**

A native of Fulton, Illinois, Michael is an archivist in the Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections at the University of North Dakota. He graduated in 2007 with a MSI degree from the University of Michigan, specializing in

archives and records management. Among his responsibilities are management of the Arne G. Brekke Bygdebok Collection and conducting genealogical and historical research on behalf of remote patrons. Michael has been a regular speaker at the annual Moorhead Family History Workshop. His workshop presentations are: **Getting the Most from Ancestry.com** - Ancestry.com continues to be a worldwide leader in fee-based access to genealogical information. The flagship website has a collection of more than 24 billion records, organized into thousands of databases, and about 3.6 million personal subscribers. With this quantity of information, navigating the website and obtaining relevant results can pose a challenge. This session will demonstrate how the website is organized and will provide tips and tools to conduct effective searches. **Ripe for the Harvest: Using Bygdebøker for Norwegian Genealogical Research** - Bygdebøker are local history publications mainly for the rural areas of Norway. Although the formats and contents vary greatly, many of the books provide details about individuals and families. It is easier to "harvest" the genealogical information from bygdebøker rather than trying to search and read the original, handwritten records. This presentation will show examples from bygdebøker with an emphasis on the genealogical information one can usually find. Advantages and disadvantages to using bygdebøker will be discussed, as will tips for using the books more effectively. Strategies for identifying the appropriate bygdebok will also be presented.

### **Rick Crume**

Rick is a contributing editor for Family Tree Magazine, he has also written for Family Chronicle, Internet Genealogy, Discovering Family History, the National Genealogical Society's NewsMagazine and the Minnesota Genealogist, as well as genealogical journals in Canada and Great Britain. The author of "Plugging Into Your Past": How to Find Real Family History Records Online," Rick specializes in online research, genealogy software, and British genealogy. His workshop presentations are: **How to Organize and Label Your Digital Files** - If you do much family history research, you've probably accumulated hundreds—maybe even thousands—of digital files, including historical records that you have found online, family photographs that you have scanned, and pictures of gravestones made with a digital camera. Keeping all those files organized can become an almost overwhelming task. In this class, you'll learn how to use file names, metadata, and visual labels to bring order to all the family history files and digital photos on your computer. **DNA Health Tests and Your Family Health History** - Your family's medical history might reveal a history of disease and even patterns relevant to your own health. In this class, you'll learn why you need a family health history, where to find records that show causes of death and illness and how to organize your health history information. You'll also find out how health features in the DNA tests from 23andMe, Ancestry, Living DNA, and MyHeritage compare.

### **John Hallberg**

John is the Lead Archives Associate at the NDSU Archives. John Hallberg grew up on a dairy farm near Kandiyohi, Minnesota and graduated from high school in Willmar, Minnesota. He came to the Fargo area in 1989 to earn his BA degree in history from Minnesota State University Moorhead. In 1998, he began volunteering at the NDSU Archives, and in 1999 he was hired on as Archives Associate. This position was truly cut out for him, allowing him to use his skills working with patrons doing historical research. John handles a majority of the digitization projects at the archives and has become the "go to" guy when it comes to researching the historic photograph collections at the archives. Among his interests is genealogy, for which he has extensively researched his family in the U.S., Denmark, and Sweden. John is currently a member of the North Dakota State Historical Records Advisory Board, appointed by Gov. Dalrymple in 2014. His workshop presentation is: **Genealogical Resources at the NDSU Archives/Institute for Regional Studies.**

### **Forrest Emmet**

Forrest received his Bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University in Family History-Genealogy in 2020. From 2019-2020, he completed an internship at the Family History Library on the Nordic Research team. Before that, he interned with the Chief Genealogical Office of FamilySearch to complete a brief guide to Shoshone Native American genealogy research. In 2020, he also presented a lecture on Western U.S. Native American research for the National Genealogical Society. Forrest currently works for Price Genealogy in Salt Lake City, Utah. His workshop presentations are: **Intro to US Native American Genealogy Records** - With a slight focus on the Midwest region, this class will give an overview of a number of basic record sets for U.S. Native American genealogy. The class will consider where the records are kept, where they can be accessed, and what information they can provide. **Five Frequently Asked Native American Genealogy Questions** - As a professional genealogist, I frequently hear the same questions relating to U.S. Native American genealogy. This class will address questions on proving Native American lineage, Native American percentages in your DNA, adoption, African Americans with Indigenous heritage, and tribal enrollment. The goal is to provide general answers to these questions and strategies to continue your research.

### **Camille Andrus**

A Wisconsin native, with a BA in Family History/Genealogy with a minor in German from Brigham Young University, Camille is accredited through ICAPGen for research in the testing regions of Germany, Germany South, Germany East, and Poland. She serves on the board for The Foundation for East European Family History Studies, as a commissioner for The International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists, and as a vice president of the Intermountain chapter of The American Historical Society of Germans from Russia. She has presented at various conferences including NGS, Genealogy Jamboree, and RootsTech and works as a Research Consultant at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT. Camille will present **Strategies for Avoiding Common Research Blunders** - An overview of strategies to help you see the forest through the trees, and thereby overcome self-imposed brick walls, with an emphasis on researching ancestors from the German Empire.

### **Emma Lowe**

Emma Lowe is a research assistant at the Brigham Young University (BYU) Center for Family History and Genealogy. She is a senior in the BYU Family History and Genealogy Bachelor's program specializing in English, German, and DNA research. Emma is also a competent translator of Korean and Chinese genealogies. She has been an intern in the BYU Family History Library. Her presentation is Tracing **Your English Ancestors: Records, Methodologies, and Resources**. Discover more about your English ancestors as you learn about the most important records, methodologies, and resources for English research. Specific record types to be covered include census, civil registration (vital records), Church of England registers, and probate records.

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## **Family History Research Award Entries**

The Heritage Education Commission, in order to promote family and regional history research, offers several book/research awards. They are listed below. The Entry Form and the book/research must be submitted by August 1, 2021. They may be submitted in printed or digital form. Award winners will be notified prior to the workshop. For more information visit [www.heritageed.com](http://www.heritageed.com) and select Workshop and Research Awards on the top banner or email [info@heritageed.com](mailto:info@heritageed.com).

***Regional History Book Award:*** Formalizing research into a book allows others to enjoy and benefit from your hard work and adds to the collected knowledge of a town, county, state, or region.

***Family History Book Award:*** The Heritage Education Commission wishes to encourage family historians to take "the last step" in their research effort by creating and sharing a compilation of their family history.

***Historical Preservation Award:*** This award is designed to encourage local genealogists to submit printed or duplicated documents such as diaries, journals, memoirs, family reunions or scrapbooks.

***Advancing Genealogical Skills Award:*** This award recognizes projects that improve the skills of genealogical researchers.

***Creating Genealogical Sources Award:*** This award recognizes projects that create or increase the accessibility of source materials useful to genealogical research.

***Family History Youth Award:*** This award is designed to encourage young people to research their family history and to prepare a document in printed or digital form which will be of interest to their family members and/or members of their community. All entries must have been completed before the applicant's 19th birthday.

**Workshop Registration Information**

**Cost:** \$49

**Workshop Location**

Virtual Online Workshop

**How to Register:**

**Online:**

Go to <https://communityed.moorheadschoools.org>. Pay with Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover.

**Call: 218-284-3400**

Pay over the phone with Visa, MasterCard or Discover.

**Mail or Walk in:**

Bring or mail your registration form and payment to:  
Vista Center for Education  
2777 34th St. S.  
Moorhead, MN 56560

**Family History Workshop Registration Form FHW10A**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: \$49/Person \_\_\_\_\_ (Qty) X \$49 = \_\_\_\_\_ (Total)  
(\$49 includes conference including Live and On Demand, download materials)

Make checks payable to **ISD 152** or charge to:

\_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_ Discover

Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\* List additional registrations on a separate sheet.



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