

SGS FAMILY LINES

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IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO RENEW! FOR 2025 FORM ON LAST PAGE

MEETING TUES FEB. 25

Wills and Probate is the topic of Suzanne Brayer's talk this month. Suzanne will provide strategies and sources to help analyze probate records and reconstruct family relationships. I only hope that I could read that old script better! It will be great to see Suzanne back again in person.

Join your fellow club members on **Tuesday, Feb. 25 at 2 p.m.** in the Fiesta Room. I'm hoping we'll have a big turnout again!

NEWSPAPERS.COM AVAILABLE!

Just a reminder: if you find an article that you need from newspapers.com and don't have a subscription, you can ask Kim Gunyou for the clipping. Send newspaper name, date, page if known. If you just want a date and newspaper checked for an obituary or other event, that's OK, too!

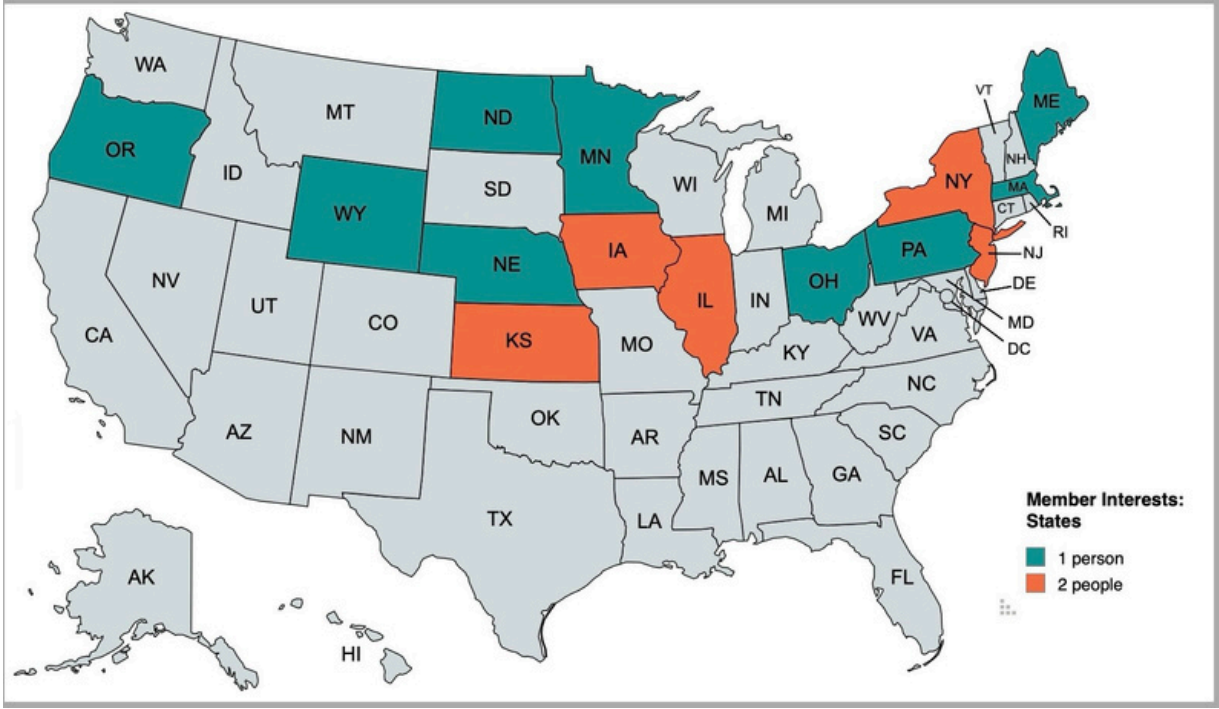
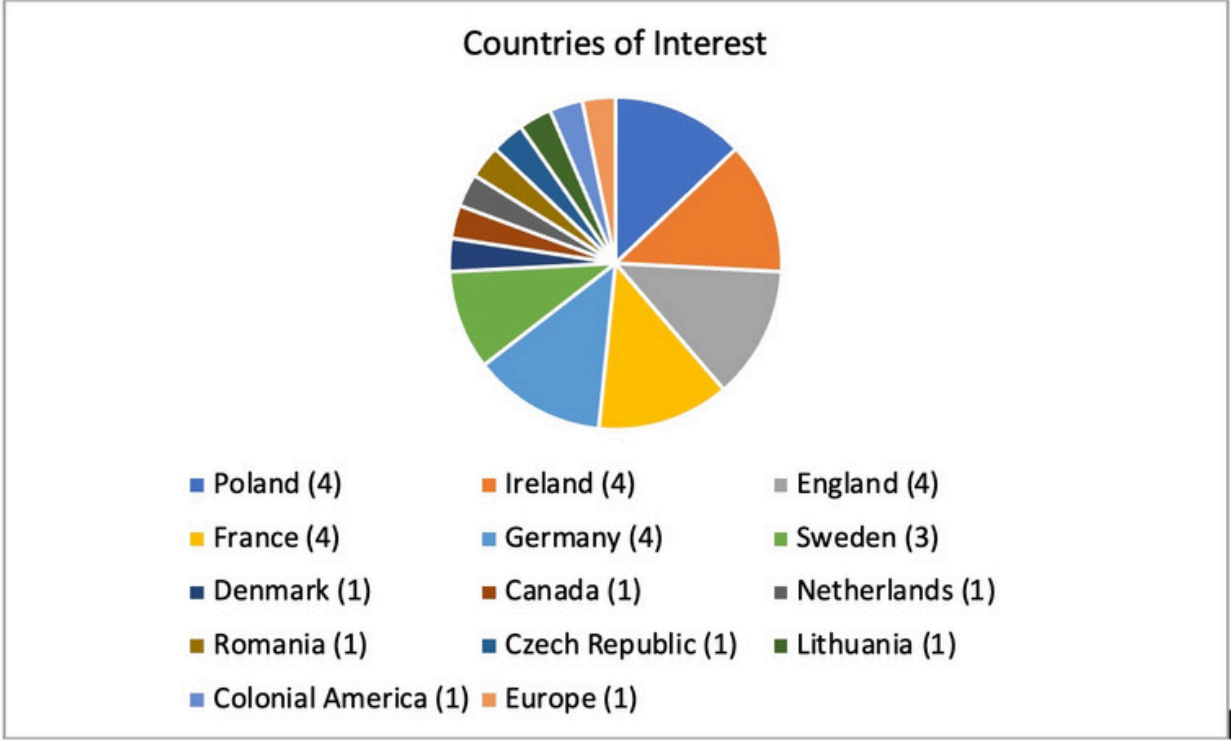
ALSO! 2025 PASSWORDS ARE AT FRONT DESK!

Please don't hesitate to send your request to **kim@gunyou.com** or just call me at **952-237-7501** and leave a message.



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SGS MEMBERS' INTERESTS IN 2025



EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Some great free learning for your calendar

Family Tree Maker Executive Director Duff Wilson and Genealogy Community Ambassador Mark Olsen are touring five cities across Arizona to present the latest features and innovations of Family Tree Maker. During the Tucson section of the tour, they will be visiting one site in Tucson, and one in Green Valley. The Tucson site has few tickets left. The event is free.

They will include interactive demonstrations with lots of tips, techniques, helpful insights, and Q&A with those in attendance, much like a Family Tree Maker User Group meeting.

Some of the topics we will discuss -

- An introduction to Family Tree Maker for those who are new to it.
- Family Tree Maker's strengths including many unknown and underused features.
- Connect! A completely new workspace and new Relative Hint™ feature that make it easier than ever to share your tree and collaborate with your family.
- Easy on the Eyes™: a revolutionary way of enlarging parts of the screen right when you need them. An answer and relief for those of us with tired old eyes.
- Hyphenated dual surnames support following the Hispanic tradition.
- Improved support for managing and reporting relationships.
- Tools for cleaning up orphaned items (media, sources, and citations).
- New improvements to Family Tree Maker Connect, and using Family Tree Maker Connect for yourself.
- Introducing AlbumWALK® – a "game-changer" for capturing memories in photos.
- Working seamlessly between Family Tree Maker and AlbumWALK.
- Time for your own questions and answers (Q&A).
- Hands on help with Family Tree Maker on your own computer as time permits after each event.



[Link to Tucson FTM event registration](#)

[Link to Green Valley FTM Event registration](#)

MORE FREE THINGS,
YOU SAY?

The 5th Annual Virtual

Arizona Genealogy Day

Saturday - March 29, 2025 - 8:30 AM - 3 PM (MST)

Free Virtual Event!


With presentations by:

- **Curt Witcher:** “Hatched, Matched, and Dispatched: Methods for Finding our Families’ Stories”
- **Susan Weinberg:** “Unraveling the Puzzle: Finding the Thread”
- **Mckell Keeney:** “Fresh Eyes on Your DNA: Exploring Essentials”
- **Yahm Levin and Emma Stoltenberg:** “City Directories: Step in the Right Direction”
- **Amy Urman:** “AI Tools for Genealogy”

Register Here:
<https://azsos.libcal.com/calendar/starl/azgenday25>



This **FREE VIRTUAL** event is sponsored by Arizona Genealogical Advisory Board and Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records






FINALLY,

**FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY
MONTH**

**Click here to see a wide list of free
webinars to learn about African-American
genealogy research!**

[Link to Family Tree Webinars](#)

NOW HERE'S AN INTERESTING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY...

**No plans for Valentine's Day? You can join the Douglass Day
Transcribe-A-Thon, hosted by the Library of Congress. Why sit
around and eat chocolate, when you and like-minded people can
help transcribe rare books and manuscripts related to Black
History. Who knew?**

[Link to Library of Congress](#)



**Find a host of free videos and live webinars (and more) at
legacyfamilytreewebinars.com and conferencekeeper.org**

FINANCIAL REPORT

January 2025 Treasurer's Report

	Current Month	Fiscal Year to Date	FY 2025 Budget
Memberships			
Renewals	10	23	25
New Members	2	2	5
Total	12	25	30
Beginning Balance	\$2,512.58	\$2,062.58	\$2,062.58
Income:			
Member Dues	\$178.50	\$195.00	\$450.00
Other	\$0.00	\$255.00	\$0.00
Total Income	\$178.50	\$450.00	\$450.00
Expenses:			
Presenter	(\$115.00)	\$0.00	(\$330.00)
Subscriptions	(\$49.90)	\$0.00	(\$260.00)
Library	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50.00)
Marketing	(\$50.00)	\$0.00	(\$100.00)
Office	(\$7.59)	\$0.00	(\$30.00)
Other	(\$50.00)	\$0.00	(\$50.00)
Total Expenses	(\$272.49)	\$0.00	(\$820.00)
Ending Balance	\$2,418.59	\$2,512.58	\$1,692.58

Fiscal Year is 10-1-24 to 9-30-25 to match HOA reporting.

"Fiscal Year to Date" is cumulative beginning 10-1-24.

FY 2025 Budget is board-approved budget.

All data are reported on a cash basis.



SUNFLOWER GENEALOGY SOCIETY

2025 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

for residents of the Sunflower neighborhood

PLEASE PRINT

RENEWAL

NEW MEMBER

After completing application, please return to the Sunflower Village Center reception desk **or** mail **or** bring to: Kim Gunyou, 7965 W Wandering Spring Way, Tucson AZ 85743. Enclose 2025 dues which are \$15.00, by check to SUNFLOWER GENEALOGY SOCIETY.

Check here if paying via [PayPal](#). Link is on the home page of the genealogy web pages on [sunflowerliving.com](#).

DATE _____

FIRST APPLICANT'S NAME _____

SECOND APPLICANT (IF ANY) _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL _____ **PHONE** _____

Countries, states, areas or surnames of interest: _____

Your genealogy experience? Novice / Intermediate / Skilled (circle one)

Your computer skill level? Basic / Intermediate / Skilled (compared to your peers, not your kids or grandkids)

Members should read the Society's bylaws found on the [Organization tab](#) of our website.

***** Please make checks payable to "Sunflower Genealogy Society" *****

For Sunflower Genealogy Society treasurer use only

Check # _____ Amount _____ Deposit Date ____/____/____
