

Computer Tips and Genealogy Charting

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OUTLINE

Tips and Tricks

- Backing up: where Reunion files are stored
- Google Search Syntax
- Good Voice Recorder
- iPhoto Library Manager
- Inexpensive Netbook

Charting

- Scrapbooking heritage
- Examples

PRESENTATION

TIPS

Where does Reunion Store its files?

Mac HD >Users >Home >Documents > Reunion Files

Keyboard shortcut to your Home Folder

Command + Shift + H

Google Search Syntax

1. Tilde (~) Find results with keyword similar to this word
ex. ~genealogy
2. Asterisk (*) Wild Card Search
ex. "William * George"
3. Minus Sign (-) Omit references to this word(s)
ex.
4. Link: Find web sites that point to your web site
ex. link:plumlady.com
5. Define: Find definitions around the web
ex. define:ahnentafel
6. Related: - Find Related Pages
ex. Related:Pat Burrow, Related:pdburrow
7. Site: - Limit searches to a particular web site
ex. Burris Site:plumlady.com
8. #...# - Search for a date with sequence of dates

Good Voice Recorder

Opening Multiple iPhoto Libraries

Use iPhoto Library Manager Software from Fat Cat Software.

Basic Version is free, , advanced version \$19.95

<http://www.fatcatsoftware.com/iplm/>

iPhoto Library Manager offers the following FREE features:

- create new libraries
- maintain a list of multiple photo libraries and switch easily between them
- see the albums in each of your libraries at a glance
- see the size, version, and modification date of each of your libraries
- extract photos from the folder of a damaged library
- modify the permissions of your libraries, handy for sharing among multiple users
- rebuild a corrupted library

In addition, registered users of iPhoto Library Manager can:

- create shortcut files, allowing you to open your libraries directly from the Finder
- copy photo albums from one library to another, preserving all of the metadata associated with your photos, such as the title, date, rating, comments, and keywords (requires iPhoto 4.0.3 or later)
- merge multiple libraries together into a single library (requires iPhoto 4.0.3 or later)
- import photos by dragging and dropping directly onto a library or album (requires iPhoto 4.0.3 or later)
- sync photos from multiple libraries with your photo capable iPod

Useful Keyboard Shortcuts

Your Home Folder

Show wigits – F4

Show all windows – F3 or F11

Hide all windows – F10

Save picture of screen to file - SH CMD 3

Screen Snapshot to clipboard - ^ SH CMD 3

Save picture of selected area to file - SH CMD 4

Save picture of selected area to clipboard - ^ SH CMD 4

Family History “Charts” that can be created

Relationship Chart

Event Chart

Wall Charts

Family History

“Standard” Computer Charts

- Individual’s Group Sheet
- Family Group Sheets
- Pedigree
- Fan
- Ancestor
- Descendant
- Bow Tie
- Timeline

Creation of 8/12 x 11 piece-together charts

Printing Charts on Plotters – from roll of paper

CHARTING FEATURES

PERSPECTIVE EVENT SETS

Reunion Web Site description of Perspective Event Sets

► <http://www.leisterpro.com/doc/version9/perspective/perspectives.php>

EXAMPLE CHARTS

Email of Web Sites

Review of Charting Web Sites

1. <http://www.ancestrypress.com> – From Ancestry, should be good. See pricing at: <http://www.ancestryprinting.com/pricing.html>
 2. About.com – Extensive examples
http://genealogy.about.com/od/wall_charts/Family_Tree_Wall_Charts_Wall_Chart_Printing.htm
 3. Family Graphics from Pat's Web site <http://www.familygraphics.com/> has good pictures of big charts
 4. Appears in several places <http://www.thetreemaker.com/>
 5. Nice article from Pat about pictures in charts:
http://web.mac.com/plumladylady1/Reunion_Website/Class_Notes/Entries/2008/7/12_Pictures_in_Charts.html
- o One Page Genealogy from Gedcom file <http://roots.cs.byu.edu/pedigree/>

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- o Heartland Family Graphics
<http://www.familygraphics.com/>
- o One Page Genealogy from Gedcom <http://roots.cs.byu.edu/pedigree/>
- o About.com Wall Chart Printing
http://genealogy.about.com/od/wall_charts/Family_Tree_Wall_Charts_Wall_Chart_Printing.htm
- o Check into this
<http://www.thetreemaker.com/family-tree-printing.html>
- o Ancestry Chart Printing Service. Very comprehensive - Has freewallpaper and screensaver images too. All are VERY nice. Worth displaying to group.
<http://www.ancestryprinting.com/>
Great pricing guide -
<http://www.ancestryprinting.com/pricing.html>. They also have free clipart <http://www.ancestryprinting.com/graphics.html>
They also have descendant, Ancestor and Cemetary forms, all listed in sidebars.
Video is available at <http://www.ancestryprinting.com/video.html>

LARGE FORMAT PRINTING

- o Large Format Printing Specialists - nothing spcif
<http://www.richartgraphics.com/>

DIFFERENT TYPES OF CHARTS - MANUAL

Types of Charting (Google Search Family Tree Charts)

- o Cyndis List - Supplies, Charts, Forms etc. - need to check it out.
<http://www.cyndislist.com/supplies.htm>
<http://www.cyndislist.com/supplies.htm#Online>
- o Family Tree Templates from UFTREE.COM (not charts)
http://www.uftree.com/family_tree_template.asp

About.com - three variants of free forms, to write people's name onf.
http://genealogy.about.com/od/free_charts/ig/genealogy_charts/
Also genealogy.about.com is good for genealogy in general. Has a more down to earth approach.

Misbach - Several more variations of physical charts to write on
www.misbach.org/pdfcharts/. Typical Chart Types:
Bowtie, Ancestor, Pedigree, Picture Pedigree

Four Images

- o Picture Pedigree -

<http://www.thetreemaker.com/samples/family-tree-picture.html>

- o Fan Chart -

http://genealogy.about.com/library/free_charts/fan_chart.pdf

from Kimberly Powell) - some links aren't good o Charts for Kids -

Tree motifs

http://www.digupyourroots.com/charts_forms.html

Some missing

- o The treemaker lets you customize

<http://www.thetreemaker.com/samples.html>

Also have coat of arms <http://www.thetreemaker.com/family-coat-g/george.html>

- o For Beginners, plain family tree

<http://www.genealogybeginner.com/>

- o Birthstone Family Tree Engraved Designs

<http://www.birthstonetree.com/>

- o Minnesota Historical Society - Several attractive chart forms for \$5

http://shop.mnhs.org/moreinfo.cfm?Product_ID=222

MISCELLANEOUS