

Reunion 14
has some
great new features
(more than 60)

If you don't have it yet...

The image shows a screenshot of the Reunion website homepage. At the top, the browser address bar shows 'https://leisterpro.com'. The website header includes the 'Reunion' logo and navigation links for 'Support', 'Upgrade', 'Contact', 'ReunionTouch', and 'ReunionTalk'. Below the header, a central banner features a vintage black and white photograph of a family. To the left of the photo is a vertical list of menu items: 'Download', 'What is Reunion?', 'Reviews', 'Where to Buy', 'Features', 'Video Tutorials', 'New Features', 'Top 10 Questions', and 'Older Versions'. A red arrow points to the 'New Features' link. To the right of the photo is a promotional box for 'Reunion 14 Now Available!' with the Reunion logo. Below this is a Twitter logo and the text 'Follow Us'. At the bottom right, there are images of a tablet and a smartphone displaying the Reunion software interface.

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There's a 9- minute video on the website with what Leisterpro considers the Top 10 New Features

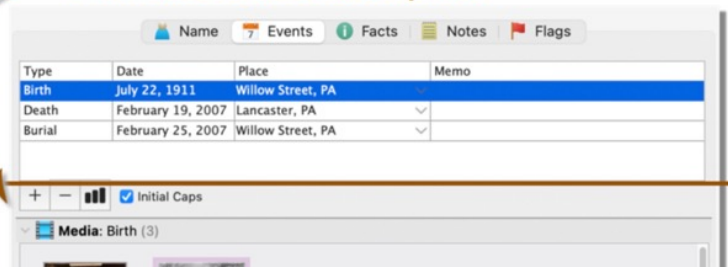


The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://leisterpro.com/doc/v14/newfeatures/new14features.php>. The page features the Reunion logo and navigation links for Support, Upgrade, Contact, and Reunion. The main heading is "New Features in Reunion 14". Below the heading is a video player with a play button and the text "Watch the video".

- **Link media to events, facts and marriages.**

Media can be linked to individual event, fact and marriage fields using the new media panel that appears in the Edit Person and Edit Family window.

**The media panel
in the Edit Person > Events panel.**



The screenshot shows the 'Edit Person > Events' panel. It features a table with columns for Type, Date, Place, and Memo. Below the table is a media panel with a plus sign, a minus sign, a bar chart icon, and a checked 'Initial Caps' checkbox. The media panel is titled 'Media: Birth (3)' and contains three items.

Type	Date	Place	Memo
Birth	July 22, 1911	Willow Street, PA	
Death	February 19, 2007	Lancaster, PA	
Burial	February 25, 2007	Willow Street, PA	

My favorites

Major new features/tools

- **Link media** to person Events & Facts and to family Marriages/Events.
- **Noteboard**

I'll show you *my favorite small improvements* first

My favorites (con't)

Small improvements to existing features

- **Added “Today” button** to person/family notes and free-form source fields
- **Strikethrough attribute** added to person/family notes, free-form source fields and logs.
- **Relatives Sidebar & Relatives List settings** – Ancestor/Descendants

My favorites (cont'd)

Charts – new features

- **Chart Index** – lists everyone in the chart, list can be printed
 - 3 ways to open: File>Chart Index; right click/CTL-click; Shift+Cmd+I
 - People who appear more than once will have a blue menu button which you click to see the different instances of this person on the chart.



My favorites (cont'd)

Charts – new features

- Chart Orientation Suggestion with preview of chart sizes

Orientation

Ancestor Chart

Source: Melville Frank FREAS Sr.
Generations: 5
Boxes: 28

Size: 29.08" x 9.50"
Footprint: 276 sq. in.

★ Suggestions ⚙ Custom

Right-To-Left - horizontal optimization
Chart Size: 15.08" x 8.86", (133 sq. in.)
★ Optimum footprint ★ Optimum width

Left-To-Right, Default - horizontal optimization
Chart Size: 15.42" x 8.86", (136 sq. in.)

Waterfall
Chart Size: 8.29" x 18.97", (157 sq. in.)

Left-To-Right, Default - squeeze ancestors
Chart Size: 17.75" x 9.50", (168 sq. in.)

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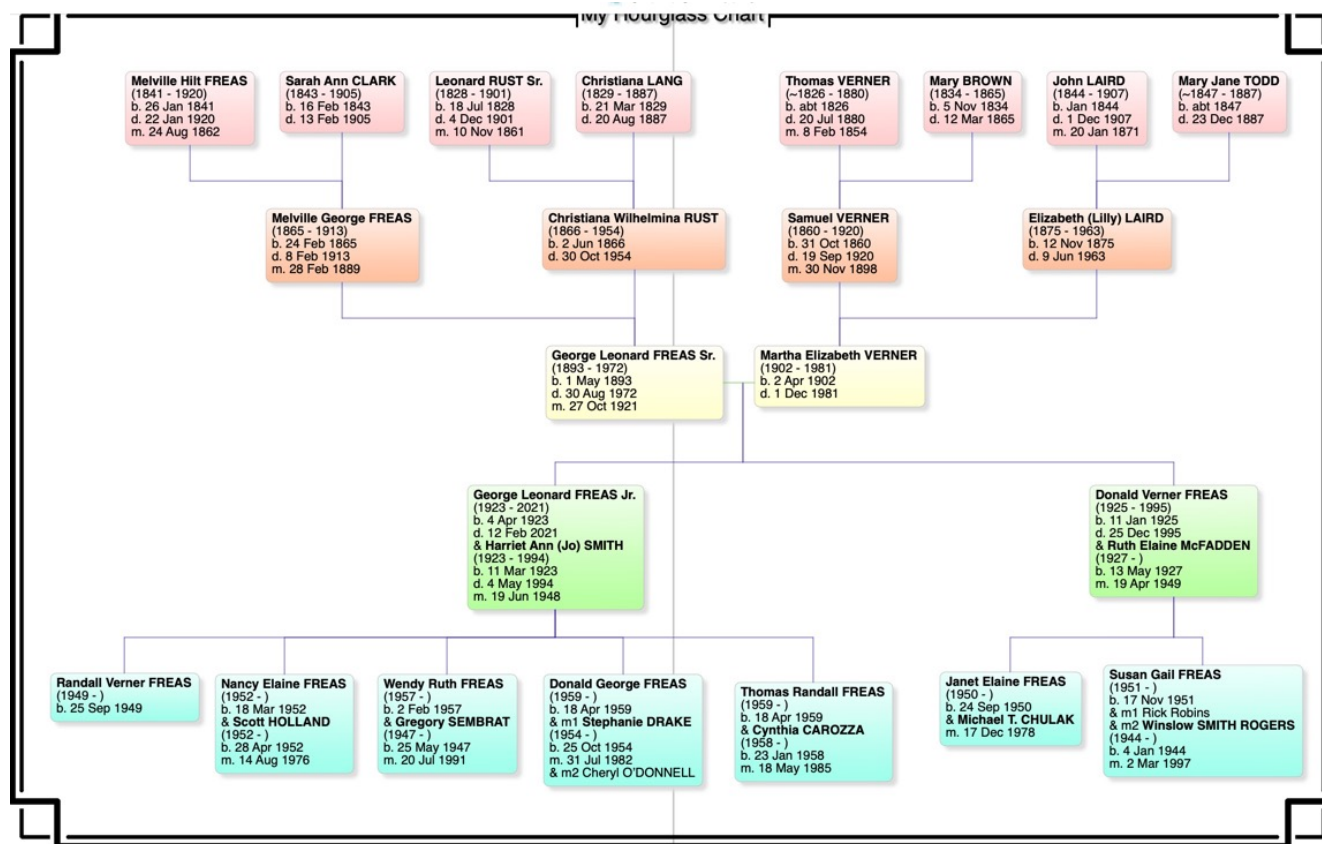
Show all suggestions

? Zoom: 100% Max Cancel OK

My favorites (cont'd)

New chart types

- Hourglass chart
- Everybody chart



There are MANY other new tweaks & additions

- If you already have R14, Help/New Features has the whole list with hotlinks to the specific sections in the Help manual
- If you have an earlier version, the Leisterpro website has a list of many but not all features.
- Improvements in Log Windows, Books (e.g., Person Sheets), Web Publishing and Charts (more than I'm showing today) if you use those.

Link media to person Events/Facts and family Marriages/Events

- “Multimedia” in sidebar is now just “Media”
- Many Reunion users have been asking for this for a long time
- When I first saw the field for it, I was annoyed at the space it took, but once I started using it, I was completely sold on how much value it adds
 - The Media field can be collapsed or opened as desired
 - Now it’s much easier to read the filename of any given attached media when it’s in the new Media field compared to the side Media panel – no hovering and waiting to read it

Here are
a few
benefits
and then
live
demo

When
media is
attached
to an
Event, a
Smart List
will show
image
icons that
are on the
Event
Panel

The screenshot shows a genealogy software interface with a top navigation bar containing names: Susan F, Saml Verner, Samuel McF, Hiram C, Cath VDW, D Laird, Rachel N, and CathParsell. Below this, there are four individual profile cards:

- Melville G... FREAS**: 1865 - 1913, Age: 47, G Grandfather, Flags: DNA C...
- Christian... RUST**: 1866 - 1954, Age: 88, G Grandmot..., Flags: DNA...
- Samuel VERNER**: 1860 - 1920, Age: 59, G Grandfather
- Elizabet... LAIRD**: 1875 - 1963, Age: 87, G Grandmo..., Flags: DNA...

Below these cards is a date and age summary: 27 Oct 1921, 2,191,803, 50 years. The main area displays two profiles:

- George Leonard FREAS Sr. 2, 106**: 1893 - 1972, age: 79, Grandfather. A red arrow points to a media icon (a small image) next to his name.
- Martha Elizabeth VERNER 195, 2,...**: 1902 - 1981, age: 79, Grandmother.

Below the profiles are event panels for each, including Birth, Note, Rsrch, and DNA match sections. For George Leonard FREAS Sr., the Birth event is dated 27 May 1894, and the Note mentions "Came to Pittsburgh during World...".

At the bottom, a "Children" section shows a table of two children:

Children	Birth	Death	Spouse	Status
George Leonard FREAS Sr. Uncle	4 Apr 1923 Pittsburgh, Alleghen...	12 Feb 2021	Harriet Ann (Jo) S...	Non...
Donald Verner FREAS Sr. Father	11 Jan 1925 Pittsburgh, Alleghen...	25 Dec 1995 San Antonio, Texas	Ruth Elaine McFA...	Non...

Icon will show in every event Type field when media is attached

New section for Media. Tiny **arrow** to left of icon collapses or opens it. **Slider** adjusts size of thumbnail. **Description** shows you full name of file. **Camera** icon will access camera on your Mac. Hammer opens **Tools** (next slide).

Freas Family 14

George Leonard FREAS Sr. (1 May 1893 - 30 Aug 1972) age: 79

Name 7 Events Facts Notes Flags

Type	Date	Place	Memo
Birth	1 May 1893	Germantown, Ph...	on Tacoma Street
Baptism	27 May 1894	Trinity Lutheran...	
Census	1900	Philadelphia, Phi...	in father's household, ED 484 Philadelphia city Ward 22
Census	1910	Philadelphia, Phi...	no "Freas" on record; "Melville George" & family
Residence	1917	245 E. Bringhurs...	address per WWI Draft Reg Card
Military	25 May 1917	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	registered for WWI draft
Census	1920	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	5525 Center Ave., Roomer, gives wrong age, Instrument make
Marriage	1921	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	
Census	1930	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	Oakland Ave. HH: Eliz, Wm G, Andrew, Andrew C, Geo Freas, M
Census	1940	Can't find	House was skipped, proven via Morse One-Step to browsing a
Census	1950	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	George L. 57, Martha E. 48, Elizabeth Laird 73, Michael P. Laird
Residence	1942	349 Oakland Av...	address on WWII "old mans" draft reg card
Military	27 Apr 1942	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	registered for "old man's" draft
Census	1950	Pittsburgh, Allea...	Geo 57. Martha 48. Eliz Laird 73 "Mother" wd: Michael P. Laird

+ - Initial Caps

Media: Census (1)

Description: Freas Melville George CensusUS1910 no surname on record Src22

Source Citations: Census

Source Detail

Undo Redo Press %-1, %-2, etc. to change sections. Done

Media

25 George Leonard FREAS Sr.

Birth: 1 May 1893, Germantown, Philad

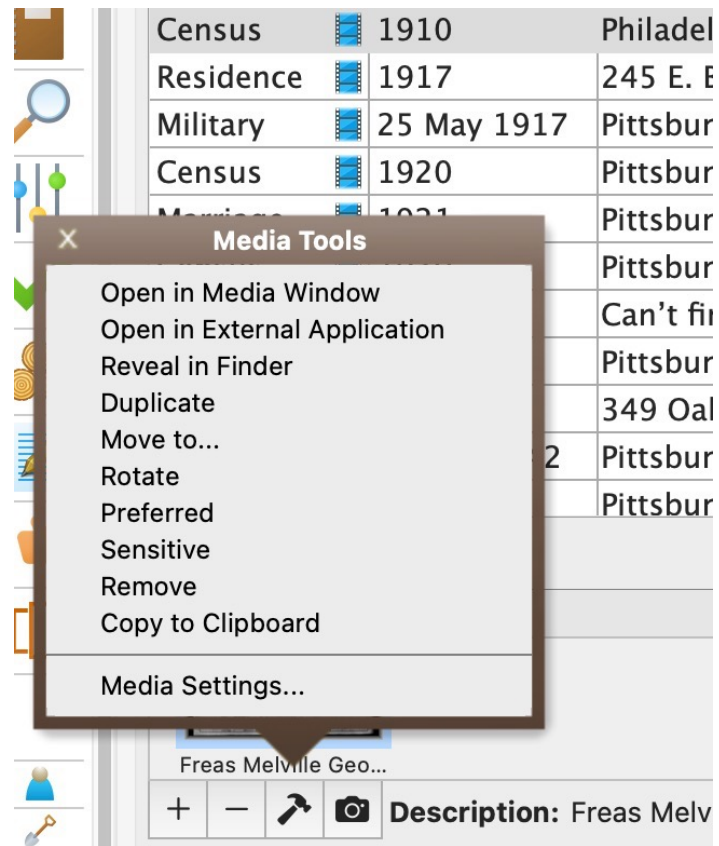
Baptism: 27 May 1894, Trinity Lutheran C

12 Martha Elizabeth VI

3 Family Media

Clicking the hammer icon opens up the Media Tools window with lots of choices.

“Duplicate” and “Move to” are useful when one media item needs to be attached to two events. I will demonstrate how to do this a little later.



Residence	1942	349 Oakland Ave., Pittsb...	address on WWII “old mans” draft reg card
Military	27 Apr 1942	Pittsburgh, Allegheny, P...	registered for “old man’s” draft

So how do you attach it?

After selecting (highlighting) the Event Type to attach it to, either:

- **Click the + button** at the bottom of the Media section, navigate to file

OR

- **Drag the media file** from Finder to the Media section.

OR

- If the media file was previously attached to this person, **find it in the Media panel and drag it** from there into the Media section for the highlighted Event Type.

As you attach multiple media items to Events, they will arrange themselves in Event (chronological) order in the Media Panel, in labeled sub-sections. 😊



Freas Geo...



Freas Geo L Sr...



Freas Geo L Sr...



Freas house O...

Birth: 1 May 1893, Germantown, Phila



Freas Geo...

Baptism: 27 May 1894, Trinity Luther



Freas Geo L Sr...

Census: 1900, Philadelphia, Phila



Freas Melville...

Census: 1910, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Portraits and other photos stay at the top since they don't get attached to specific events (though house photos could be attached to a Residence Event).


I have not created "Residence" events for two business directory image captures, so they are still at the top.

Birth, Baptism, Census etc. arrange themselves in labeled Event order as I attach the appropriate images.

Multiple piece of media which are attached to the same Event are grouped in one section, such as Death or Burial.


Media attached to Facts, such as Occupation, are found at the bottom of the newly arranged Media Panel.

25 **George Leonard FREAS Sr.**




Freas Geo...

Census: 1950, Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania




Freas Geo L...


Death: 30 Aug 1972, Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania



Freas Geo...




Freas Geo...




Freas Geo L Sr...

Burial: Homewood Cemetery, 1599 S Dallas Ave, Pittsburgh,...

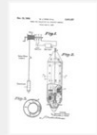


Freas Geo...

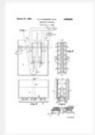


Freas Geo L Sr...


Occupation: U.S. Bureau of Mines, mechanical engineer, skill...



Freas Ge...



Freas Ge...



Freas Geo L...

12 **Martha Elizabeth VERNER**

This new feature will show you where you have gaps in attaching media that you have available for that person.

Remember how great my grandpa's Event panel looked?


The screenshot shows a genealogy software window titled "Freas Family 14". The main subject is "George Leonard FREAS Sr. (1 May 1893 - 30 Aug 1972) age: 79". The interface includes a navigation sidebar on the left with icons for family, events, facts, notes, and flags. The main area displays a table of events for George Leonard Freas Sr.

Type	Date	Place	Memo
Birth	1 May 1893	Germantown, Ph...	on Tacoma Street
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Below the event list, there is a "Media" section for the 1910 Census event, showing a thumbnail of the census record and a description: "Freas Melville George CensusUS1910 no surname on record Src22". There is also a "Source Citations" section for the same event, with a "Detail" button.

On the right side of the window, there is a vertical list of family members with their names and birth dates, including "Freas Geo...", "Verner Fre...", and "Freas house O...".

Freas Family 14


 **Martha Elizabeth VERNER** (2 Apr 1902 - 1 Dec 1981) age: 79

Name Events Facts Notes Flags

Type	Date	Place	Memo
Birth	2 Apr 1902	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	
Baptism	22 Jun 1902	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	Shadyside United Presbyterian Church
Residence	12 Nov 1919	3816 Pier St., Pit...	from "My Somebody" card to Martha Verner from George
Residence	1 Apr 1920	3816 Pier St., Pit...	from birthday card to Martha Verner from George
Census	1920	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	HH: Sam 56, Eliz 43, Samuel 20, Martha 17, John Laird 53, Anc
Marriage	27 Oct 1921	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	
Residence	22 Dec 1922	3816 Pier St., Pit...	from Christmas card to Mrs. Geo L Freas from "Hubby"
Residence	26 Oct 1923	3816 Pier St., Pit...	from anniversary card to her from "Hubby"
Residence	12 Feb 1926	349 Oakland Av...	from Valentine card to her from George
Census	1930	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	HH: E, Wm G, Andrew, Andrew C, Geo Freas, Martha, Geo Jr, D
Census	1940	Can't find	House was skipped, proven via Morse One-Step to browsing a
Census	1950	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	George L. 57, Martha E. 48, Elizabeth Laird 73, Michael P. Laird
Death	1 Dec 1981	Pittsburgh, Alleg...	
Burial		Homewood Cem...	Section 27. Lot 365. Grave 2

+ - Initial Caps

Media: Birth (1)




Verner Mar...

+ - Description: Verner Martha E birth certificate



Here is his wife, my grandma. They were married 50 years and lived in two houses within 1/2 block their entire married lives. The new icons show me immediately where I have **not** attached media to grandma that I did attach to grandpa, and vice-versa.

The Facts panel is the other place media can be attached.

You can now see if you have image files attached to someone but did not create a Source for that image


 **George Leonard FREAS Sr.** (1 May 1893 - 30 Aug 1972) age: 79



[Name](#) | [Events](#) | [Facts](#) | [Notes](#) | [Flags](#)

Type	Text
Occupation	 U.S. Bureau of Mines, mechanical engineer, skilled instrument maker
Military	see Notes
Education	
Religion	
Cause of death	
DNA match amount	
FindAGrave Mem#	 Memorial 90894587
FamilySearch ID	

+ - Initial Caps

Media: FindAGrave Mem# (1)


Freas Geo L Sr...

+ -   **Description:** Freas Geo L Sr FndAGR page Src 20

Source Citations: FindAGrave Mem#

Source [Detail](#)

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It is very satisfying to drag images from the Media panel to attach them **to the specific Events for which they provide direct or indirect evidence (or other type of documentation)**. They are no longer just somewhere in the group of images in the Media panel, hard to find.

Let's see what attaching them looks like when we do it for Joseph McFadden, Sr. born about 1794.



Noteboards – another major new tool

- The **Noteboard** is a window that provides a single location for easy and immediate access to person and family notes fields without the need to navigate to each family view, open the edit panel, and select the notes tab.
- You decide which notes fields are listed in the Noteboard. Any person or family note can be added to or removed from the Noteboard at anytime as needed.

- The Noteboard can be a useful tool for many different workflows in Reunion. Some uses might include...
- Creating a group of **To Do lists** of information that needs to be collected for different people
- **Quick access to notes** for people at a reunion or family history trip.
- **Bulk cleanup of multiple notes fields** using find and replace and free-form text tools.
- **Bulk reporting or printing** of specified notes fields.
- **Viewing two notes fields on the screen at the same time for comparing and copying**, one in the Edit Person or Edit Family pane and the other in the Noteboard.
- **Quick access** to frequently modified or viewed notes fields.

- **Noteboard Sets** allow you to maintain multiple Noteboards for different uses. For example, you may have one Noteboard set for recording and reporting personal stories and another Noteboard set being used as a To Do list of notes to be completed.

The next slides have the full list of New Features that you can see in the Help/New Features after you install R14.

New Features in Reunion 14

- [Link media to person events/facts and family marriages/events.](#)
- [Custom Sections](#) for web pages, books and reports.
- [Find / Find & Replace](#) in person/family notes, free-form text in sources and logs.
- [Noteboard](#) for viewing, searching, and editing groups of person and/or family notes.
- [Customizable settings](#) for sidebar lists...
People • Relatives • Results • Couples • Calendar
• Reminders • Bookmarks
- [Sets support for Bookmarks.](#)
- [Couples sidebar.](#)
- [Everybody chart](#) – The most comprehensive chart of them all.
- [Hourglass chart](#) – A chart showing the ancestors and the descendants of a source couple.
- [Improved Chart Frames](#) – Many more border options to choose from.
- [Coordinate Grid](#) for charts – Grid coordinates can be used to locate people on large charts.
- [Character, word, and paragraph count](#) added to person/family notes, free-form source fields and logs.
- [Free form text tools](#) added to person/family notes, free-form source fields and logs.
- [Strikethrough attribute](#) added to person/family notes, free-form source fields and logs.
- [Added “Today” button](#) to person/family notes and free-form source fields.
- [Find Relationship](#) – Options popover window for selecting chart box contents.
- [Thumbnails Window...](#)
 - New [Picture frame](#) options.
 - Search box can be used when showing thumbnails for sources.
- [Menu in the people search box](#) at the top of the Sidebar and Lists window...
 - Select from 3 search formats: ‘lastname, firstname’ – ‘firstname, lastname’ – ‘any name’.
 - Select from the 20 most recent searches.
- [Relatives Sidebar and Relatives List settings...](#)
 - Added separate Ancestor and Descendant generations options.
 - Enhanced the generational list filtering based on continuous blood lines.
(For example: First cousins will be listed for Ancestor generations of 2+ and not for 1.)
- [Places Sidebar and Places List window.](#) Additions to the [place usage list...](#)
 - Option to show birth & death date for people.
 - Option to show event date.
 - Option to show person’s age at the time of an event.
- [Share/print](#) current or all notes fields for a person or family.

- Sources Sidebar and Sources List – menu in the search box...
 - [20 most recent searches](#) are remembered.
 - 3 search types have been [moved](#) from the Show menu to the Search box menu.
- Edit Source: [Share current source](#).
- Edit Source: [Keyboard shortcut](#) for changing the current source number field...
 - shift-cmd-up to go the next source.
 - shift-cmd-down to go to the previous source.
 - shift-cmd-home (also, shift-cmd-left) to go to the first source.
 - shift-cmd-end (also, shift-cmd-right) to go to the last source.
- Logs Window...
 - Improved [text finding](#) for current log or all logs.
 - Added [find & replace](#) for current or all logs.
 - Added [free-form text tools](#).
 - Added [import](#) button.
 - Added support for [strikethrough text](#).

Charts

- [Chart Index](#) – For navigation by name, printing lists of people in the chart, and seeing the names of people in a branch or subchart.
- [Chart Orientation suggestions](#) with preview of chart sizes.
- [Decorative frames and dividers](#) added to charts.
- [New shapes](#) in charts.
- Images and shapes can be [rotated](#).
- [Images can be flipped](#) horizontally or vertically.

- [Improved resize handles](#) for pictures and shapes.
- Improved [line object](#) in charts..
 - Lines can be curved.
 - Additional line patterns.
 - Improved line terminators.
 - Support for shadows behind lines.
- [New frame choices](#) for pictures in charts.
- [New frame choices](#) for pictures in chart boxes.
- [New “Entire chart” selection mode](#) – helpful when editing everybody charts.

Books

- [Person Sheets](#) format for the Book Report – Create a book report of person sheets for selected people.
- [Quickview](#) and family file navigation available in the Book project window.
- [Shapes, lines, frames and dividers](#) added to book project editor.
- [Text and images can be rotated](#) in books.
- [Images can be flipped](#) in books.
- [More picture frame options](#) for pictures.

Web Publishing

- More flexible [Contacts section](#) for web projects.
- New [Other Links section](#) for web projects.
- Option to include [files and web folders](#) in a web project.
- Added [width and frame](#) options for the Web Cover Page graphic.
- [Web Preview button](#) in the Web Settings window.

- Simplified [Web Settings > Reports > Files](#)
 - Removed the flat option. Flat is no longer supported, it was for old web hosts that did not support folders.
 - Removed the Case option. Only lowercase is used. This option was for older web hosts that required uppercase file names.
 - Removed text encoding. UTF-8 will always be used. All web browsers now support UTF-8.
- Selectable [Couple delimiter](#) – For all of Reunion's reports, books, and web pages.
- When listing siblings in menus, the primary spouse of each sibling is included.
- Added a [Clear history](#) option to the History menu.
- [GEDCOM 7.0](#) & [GEDZIP](#).
- [Dark mode support](#).