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80th Annual Arkansas History Conference In June

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ARKANSAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION 80TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

June 3-5, 2021
Virtual

Genealogists and historians have a lot of common research interests, and the upcoming Arkansas Historical Association conference is next month.

Enjoy the AHA annual meeting, which will be held virtually, June 3-5, 2021. The theme, “Collective Memory in the Natural State: Commemoration, Preservation, and Reconciliation,” is meant to facilitate Arkansans’ recently intensified focus on the people, places, and events that our society remembers or forgets.

In our reckoning with the past, the program features presentations that raise questions about the nature of archives and how public memory is fashioned.

It’s true that many are tuckered out from virtual work and play lately, but the meeting’s engaging moderators, Arkansas Trivia Night, and periodic breaks between sessions (featuring videos from folks around the state and photos from past conferences) will be sure to prevent dreaded screen fatigue. The fun will be stretched out over three half days.

View the program at www.arkansashistoricalassociation.org, and from May 10 to June 1, visit that page to register for the meeting. The registration fee is \$15, plus a small online processing fee.

Arkansas Women's Activism Trail

Have you researched your Arkansas female ancestor activists and leaders - both historic and contemporary?

Women such as Sen. Hattie Caraway, poet Maya Angelou, Hot Springs National Park Director Josie Fernandez, Dr. Edith Irby Jones, activist Annie Abrams, cemetery angel Ruth Coker Burks, and others come to mind.

Now there's a new "Rightfully Hers" trail to which names and locations will be added that we can also add to any Arkansas roots tourism plans we may be making for family reunions and vacations this summer.

The Arkansas Women's History Institute has mapped "locations associated with women's activism or women activists in Arkansas, to bring attention to the ongoing importance of these sites and women associated."

Learn more about these outstanding women and locations from across the state here. Some may already be in your family tree.

<http://www.arkansaswomen.org/rightfully-hers.html>

National Archives Offers May-June Genealogy Series

The following is an announcement from the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration, published at <https://www.archives.gov/calendar/genealogy-fair>:

In lieu of the autumn 2020 Virtual Genealogy Fair that could not be held due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are pleased to offer a new Genealogy Series! Instead of a single-day event, the program sessions will be broadcast individually during May and June. You are invited to watch and participate in real time with the presenters and family historians from around the world on [YouTube](#).

Over the two months, the sessions will offer family history research tools on federal records for all skill levels. The May sessions are broad and will appeal to the beginner and beyond. The June sessions are focused on specific topics and may be better suited for the experienced researcher. All are welcome! Session descriptions, videos, handouts, and participation instructions are below.

- Open with no reservations required
- Watch the broadcasts via [YouTube](#)
- Participate and ask questions via chat during the scheduled broadcasts
- After the scheduled broadcasts, video recordings and presentation materials will be available online.

(Please check the link above to see more schedule details.)

Next April brings 1950 Census



Untitled (14th Census, 12/18/1920), from the Berryman Political Cartoon

Do you know where your ancestors were living in 1950?

The National Archives says, "The next Decennial (ten-year) Census of the United States will be available online next year. In 1978, Public Law 95-416, also known as the "72-Year Rule," restricted access to [decennial](#) records to everyone except for the individual named on the record for 72 years. The National Archives will release the 1950 Census records in April 2022."

The 1950 Census contains an estimated:

- 7,816,000 population schedule pages
- 9,634 enumeration district maps
- 60,000 "Indian Census" pages.

In some cases, it has less detail than previous recently distributed censuses.

100 Years Ago in Arkansas



It Took 50 Years to Prepare for This Sale

The Gus Blass Co. Golden Anniversary Sale

Begins Friday the 13th

Advance Inspection of Some of the Anniversary Specials Thursday, 12th

Arkansas Gazette, 9 May 1921

Administrative Stuff

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