



1. recommend research opportunities
2. list hints about your ancestors and their close relatives
3. list recently viewed tree persons
4. provide a to-do list feature that you can use to create your own task list, and
5. show you new memories—photos, documents, stories, and audio recordings—that others have added about your ancestors.

The Genealogy World of 20 Years Ago

This week Dick Eastman decided to take a trip down memory lane. He re-read the first 50 issues of this newsletter, all published in 1996. The genealogy world indeed has changed. Here are a few of the more memorable newsletter items from twenty years ago, along with a few comments:

Only the more advanced computer users in 1996 had state-of-the-art software: Microsoft's latest operating system, called Windows 95. However, because he was now writing a "techie" newsletter, he purchased a very high-speed system (a 90-Mhz Pentium I) with a huge amount of memory (32 megabytes) so that I could use the latest professional operating system from Microsoft: Windows NT 3.51. During the year, Microsoft also released Internet Explorer version 3.0. Most of the 30 million users of the World Wide Web used Netscape, however. A few used the older Mosaic web browser.

For more of this article go to:

<https://blog.eogn.com/2017/01/02/>

Finding Our Ancestors' Genealogy Research in Old Newspapers

***Introduction:** In this article, Mary Harrell-Sesniak explains that some of our ancestors who were family historians turned to their local newspaper for advice and answers – and those queries, published long ago, can prove very helpful to modern-day genealogists. Mary is a genealogist, author and editor with a strong technology background.*

One of the goals of this blog is to help you use GenealogyBank's [Historical Newspaper Archives](#) more productively. From time to time, blog articles offer tips on overlooked aspects of GenealogyBank's collections, and for this article I'd like to add one of my favorites tips: searching for clues in old time genealogy queries that our ancestors made to their local newspapers. Some call this data mining, but I prefer to think of it as mining for genealogical gold!

Our ancestors who were interested in family history sometimes turned to the newspaper for research, answers and advice. You never know what you will find in letters submitted to newspapers by these genealogist ancestors.

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Rhode Island Roots

Welcome to Rhode Island Roots, a member of the [PA-Roots](#) family of websites! We're so glad you stopped by. Our goal is to be an entrance point for your research of your ancestors in Rhode Island. We encourage you to check out our "family" of county websites. We're seeking to provide the best resources to you. If you should have any questions in the area of your research, please contact the County Team Associate directly. If you should have a specific question about Rhode Island Roots please feel free to contact us.

You'll want to check out our [DataBoards](#) - there is over 1,400 pages of Rhode Island data available. You can also share your information there

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