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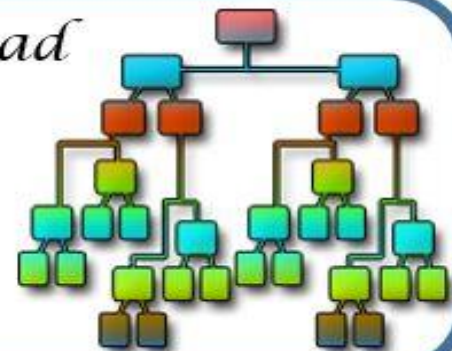
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News You Should Know

From Martin Roe . . .

[The history of Norwegian parishes](#)

Here is a very useful resource found in the Norwegian digital archives. As we know, the boundaries of the Norwegian

The post [The history of Norwegian parishes](#) appeared first on [Norwegian Genealogy and then some](#).

[Read on »](#)



Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies 2021 Society Management Workshops Seminar, Saturday, 2Oct2021.

If anyone is interested in learning more about how to enhance your genealogical society I encourage you to attend. Here is the link to the Seminar's information brochure:

<https://cocouncil.org/smw/CCGSFlyerVer1.8%207.pdf>

Here is the link to the online registration:

<https://cocouncil.org/smw-workshops.html>

Please note that the registration ends on September 25th at midnight.



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Search the 1950-2020 Census for your Blood Relatives

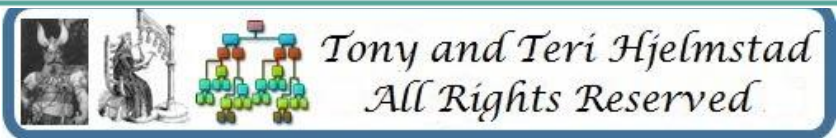
Records from the 1950 through the 2020 Census can Be obtained by the person named in the record or their heir after submitting form [BC-600](#) or [BC-600sp](#) (Spanish). The fee will be \$65.

FEE REQUIRED: (See instructions 4 and 5)

4. A check or money order (**DO NOT SEND CASH**) payable to "Commerce-Census" must be sent with the application. Checks will be processed by electronic fund transfer. This fee covers the cost of a search of no more than one census year for one person only.

5. Fee required		\$ 65.00
extra copies @	\$2.00	\$
full schedules @	\$10.00	\$
expedited fee @	\$20.00	\$
TOTAL amount enclosed		\$

FULL NAME OF PERSON WHOSE CENSUS RECORD IS REQUESTED	First name	Middle name	Maiden name (If any)	Present last name	Nicknames
	Date of birth (If unknown, estimate)		Place of birth (City, county, State)	Race	Sex
Full name of father (Stepfather, guardian, etc.)					Nicknames
Full maiden name of mother (Stepmother, etc.)					Nicknames
First marriage (Name of husband or wife of applicant)		Year married (Approximate)	Second marriage (Name of husband or wife of applicant)		Year married (Approximate)
Names of brothers and sisters					
Name and relationship of all other persons living in household (Aunts, uncles, grandparents, lodgers, etc.)					



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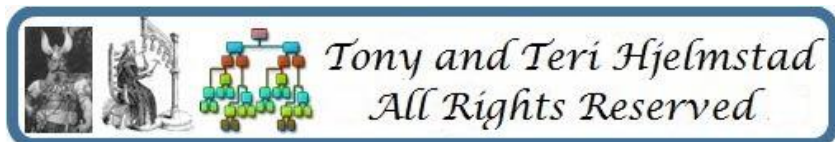
Genealogy Gems: News from the Allen County Public Library at Fort Wayne, No. 210, August 31, 2021

Matricula Online

by Sara Allen

Matricula Online is an exciting website, freely accessible without a subscription, consisting of digitized copies of original Catholic (and a few Protestant) church record books from Central Europe (<https://data.matricula-online.eu/en/>). The coverage is for much of Austria and Luxembourg, large swathes of the Catholic states of Germany and Slovenia, and a few parishes in Poland, Serbia, Italy, and Bosnia. This site is regularly updated as more parishes come online. One important caveat is that the records are not indexed by personal name at this time. Some record books do have an index at the front or back of the volume, and occasionally there are index volumes within a set of record books, but most record books will have to be browsed page by page to find the correct entry.

You can view the basic Matricula website in English, German, Slovene, or Serbian languages and can make your selection at the bottom right hand corner of the homepage. There are several ways to access the records on this site; one of the easiest is to click on the option called "Fonds." This brings you to a menu with the list of countries currently on Matricula. Select the country of interest, and the names of participating archives in that country will be listed. Select the appropriate archives and choose the correct town or parish. Records for that parish will be arranged by register type (baptism, marriage, death, family registers) and date. Once you select the record book of interest, you will be able to page through from beginning to end, or skip ahead pages as needed. The pages from the record books are presented as high-quality scans; however, there is no download or save option. You are encouraged to contact the owning archives for copies. You can also use screen-capture or a snipping tool to capture the page.

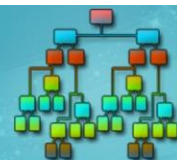


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From <https://GenealogyJottings.com>

Genealogy Jottings

The Happiness of Pursuit



Help Is at Hand

September 2nd, 2021 | Author: [thjelmstad](#)



During the pandemic we have needed to do most of our genealogical research from home. When online databases contain the records we need, all goes well. When those records are digitized but locked and inaccessible from a home computer, things do not go so well.

Family Search has many agreements whereby a researcher can look at a record only from a computer at a Family History Center. Yet these Centers have been closed for months.

I experienced the problem again when I needed the marriage record for Richard Ryan and Catherine Shea who were married in Illinois in 1879. Family Search has abstracted the record, but the image of the record was locked. Every genealogist knows it is better to look at the image of a record than an abstract of it.

I wondered whether to write to the county for this record when I remembered hearing that Family Search has instituted a free lookup service for those records we cannot view from home. I decided to try it.

Using an online request form (<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/library-lookup-service-fhl/>), I filled in as many of the fields as I could. One line asked for the image number, but how would I know that when I cannot search the Illinois marriage images? I left that line blank. For all the other fields, I provided as much information as I could to make sure the researcher could zero in on the correct record.

Once I submitted the form, I received a message saying I would receive a reply within two weeks.

Imagine my surprise when I opened my e-mail the next morning. There was a message from Family Search with the requested record attached. Not just the marriage record, but also the marriage license and an affidavit confirming the parties' eligibility to be married. I also received the researcher's notes. That's what I call service.

I am delighted that Family Search has come up with a way for us to gain access to a closed record. The marriage return in this case contained the signatures of Richard Ryan and Catherine Shea.

Now I can compare Richard's signature found here to the one on his homestead application to make sure I have the right man. No abstract of a record would allow me to do this.

Until the Family History Centers fully reopen, we are fortunate that Family Search is offering this outstanding service.



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Upcoming Genealogy Events

- **Fjelldalen SlektforskningKlubb :**

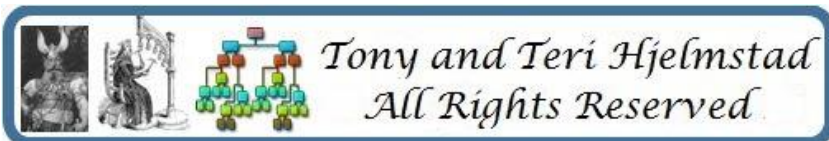
<http://fjelldalen.com>

– Fall 2021 Meeting Schedule:

- September 4th – Why Build a Family Tree Website or Import to Public Sites
- October 2nd – Importing your data to Family Search – including new features – Karen Campbell
- November 6th – 1950 Census Facts and Methods
- December 4th – Proving your relative – Matching Grandfather to Emigrant

- **The Colorado Genealogical Society(CGS)**

<https://cogensoc.us/>



Upcoming Genealogy Events

Legacy Family Tree Webinars and My Heritage Present . . .

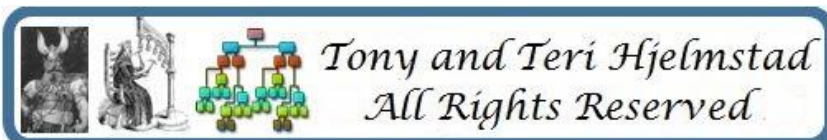


What is Webtember?

- It is a **FREE** online genealogy conference with live presentations each Friday in September.
- Plus pre-recorded webinars released each Friday.
- Together the live and pre-recorded sessions total **30 FREE** webinars.
- All you need to do to attend is **REGISTER** once, check the schedule and then devise your plan of action.

- All the conference details, including the complete schedule, a downloadable flyer and an easy-peasy registration button can be found at familytreewebinars.com/webtember.

- P.S. There are three webinars on Irish, English and Scottish topics on the schedule. See if you can spot them!



Upcoming Genealogy Events

A British Event not to be missed!

\$25.00

The annual **British Institute** offered by the ISBGFH is coming up in October. This popular series of courses is a week of total immersion into a variety of British research topics. Normally held in Salt Lake City, this year the "BI" will be virtual with courses focusing on Ireland, Scotland, England, and Wales. The British Institute is open to ISBGFH members and non-members alike -- with members qualifying for a discount.

Get further information on the course topics, speakers and options for registering by clicking [HERE](#).



VIRTUAL
British Institute

11-15 October 2021

- English track featuring Paul Milner
- Irish track featuring Chris Paton

18-22 October 2021

- Scottish track featuring Bruce Durie
- Welsh track featuring Darris Williams

Take one track or all four! Recordings available for tracks you cannot attend live.

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Upcoming Genealogy Events

- WISE

September 10th thru 12th -- Scotfest the Longs Peak Scottish Irish Highland Festival in Estes Park. This year is the 45th anniversary of the festival. Start making your plans now! More information is available [HERE](#).



Saturday, September 25th at 1:30 on Zoom, "English Treasures: 19th Century Wills" Presented by Ed Storey

Recently WISE has joined the Wales International Society. This group, founded in 1948, describes itself as "an international tribe, connected by our Welsh blood, driven by our passion to ensure that Wales and the Welsh are known throughout the world." Go to the website <http://walesinternational.cymru/en/> to find out more about what the society offers.



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Upcoming Genealogy Events

- **Castle Rock Colorado Genealogical Society (CRCGS)**

[Http://www.crcgs.org](http://www.crcgs.org)

Registration required at www.crcgs.org.

- **Saturday, September 18, 2021 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

Westward Migration: New England to the Midwest presented by Julie Miller

- **Thursday, October 7, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. ZOOM Webinar**

Prepare to Research at the Family History Library by Noel FerreSHARE: Sharing Help And Research Experience via Zoom Webinar

- **Saturday, October 16, 2021 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

All the Other 'Ologies' by Jen Baldwin

- **Every Monday 10 a.m. – Noon**

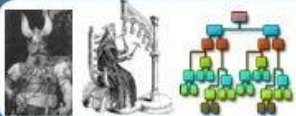
Join us on Monday mornings to share Genealogy research roadblocks and triumphs, pick up a few trick and tips, and hear some great family stories from your fellow genealogists.



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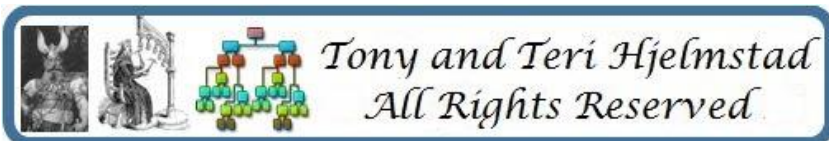
- **Highlands Ranch Senior Genealogical Society (HRS GS)**
 - The Highlands Ranch Senior Genealogy Club meets the third Friday of every month, except in December, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the LDS Church, 9800 Foothills Canyon Boulevard. The club is for people interested in researching genealogy and that are beginning to gather their family history. They work together, sharing research suggestions and ideas, plus applauding the success of other members. They also concentrate on gathering family histories and stories.
 - During the present health crisis, the group is meeting at the same time virtually, on Zoom. For instructions on how to join the meeting, please contact Gordon Taylor at 303-945-5737 or by email at gmtmt8@gmail.com.



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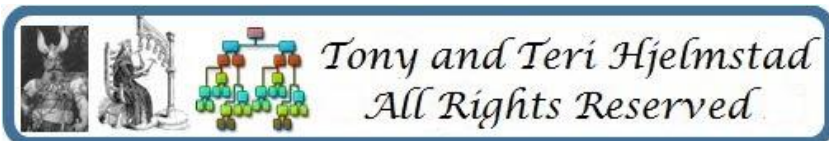
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- Housekeeping . . .
 - The handout has all the slides – when they're too small to see on the screen, use the handout.
 - This will be mostly a discussion.
 - All web links and resources are on the slides and on a separate page at the end.



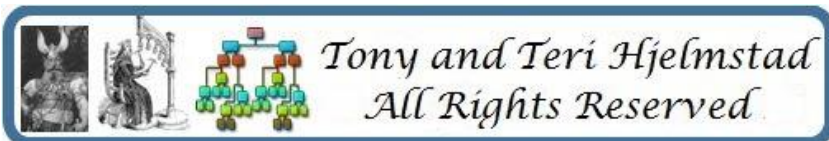
Why Build a Family Tree Website

- You have spent a good deal of time gathering sources, records, photos, and other documentation on your family tree.
- The compiled information is now quite extensive. It is saved on your computer, desk, or in paper file cabinets. Some may have been shared with other family members.



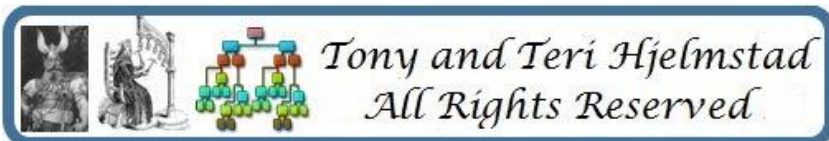
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- But you know, as a genealogist, that there are always more ancestors and relatives you've never identified or located. A good way to get hints and clues which will give your research a boost is by sharing the information with people you have never met.



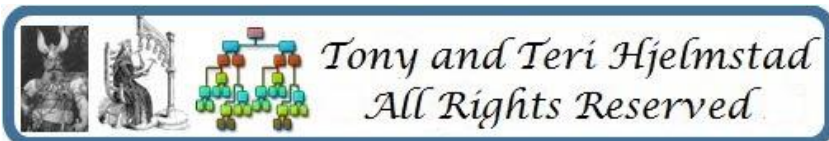
Why Build a Family Tree Website

- You have numerous relatives across the country and in other nations that you've never met. They could be holding photos and documents relating to commonly shared ancestors. In turn you may have information they do not have. So, sharing the information can benefit many other people besides yourself.



Why Build a Family Tree Website

- There are two basic paths to sharing this information so others can find it:
 1. Use a commercial or one of the free “genealogy” sites
 2. Build your own web site
- Today will explore advantages and methodologies needed for both



Why Build a Family Tree Website

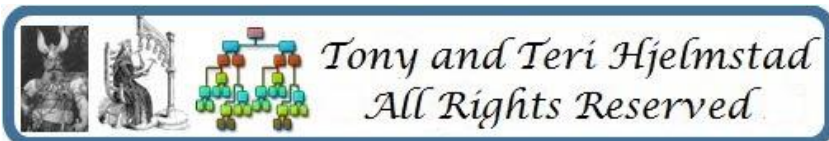
- Many people use one of the genealogy sites directly without using any genealogy software. Therefore, your data is already on a website for everyone to find – and for “fee-based” site, those who pay can use it.
- Very few of the genealogy sites will support exporting an entered tree except to a genealogy program they own and allow you to purchase.



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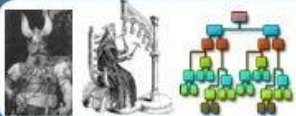
Why Build a Family Tree Website

- Whether you use a genealogy site or decide to build your own web site, there are two ways to get your data uploaded.
 1. Use the GedCOM export tool in your local genealogy software
 2. Type in all the data from your paper records
- If you are not using genealogy software, the second method is the only one you have.



Use a “genealogy” site

- There are quite a few free and “fee-based” places to put your data. Most of the “fee-based” sites will let you place your data in their records whether you buy a subscription or not - but they won’t let you manage or change it without deleting it and starting over. A lot of these won’t let you delete entries if other “paid” members make changes or updates. Some will never let you delete.



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Use a “genealogy” site

- If you are going to use a “fee-based” site without paying the subscription, you must assume your data is now “theirs”.
- In fact, starting last month, even if you are a paid subscriber, Ancestry claims to own all trees, records, sources, photos, other images, and anything else you upload to their site!
- “ by submitting User Provided Content through any of the Services, you grant Ancestry a **perpetual**, sublicensable, worldwide, **non-revocable, royalty-free** license to host, store, copy, publish, distribute, provide access to, create derivative works of, and otherwise use such User Provided Content to the extent and in the form or context we deem appropriate on or through any media or medium and with any technology or devices now known or hereafter developed or discovered. This includes the right for Ancestry to copy, display, and index your User Provided Content. Ancestry will own the indexes it creates.⁴”

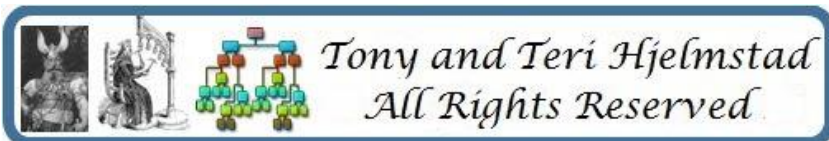


Use a “genealogy” site

- The most used sites to upload your data are:
 - Family Search
 - Ancestry \$\$
 - FamilyTree \$\$
 - WikiTree has a pay option
 - MyHeritage \$\$
 - Geni \$\$ - really MyHeritage

Use a “genealogy” site

- Methodology
 - All of these allow you to upload a GedCOM (more on this later) or to directly enter data into a “tree” that you “manage”.
 - All “manage” means is that you can sometimes make changes – if no one else has – and sometimes you will get notified if someone else makes changes.
 - A few allow you to keep your tree private, but that negates the purpose.



Use a “genealogy” site

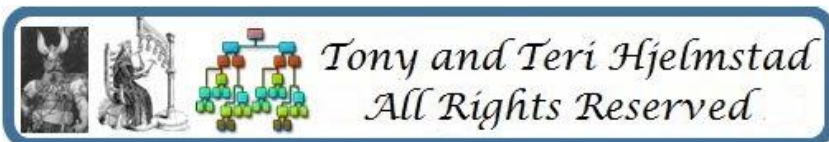
- Methodology

- Remember, you are at the whim of **all** the inept genealogists out there. They can merge unrelated people and create or add parents, kids, and spouses at will to any record.
- Just because a mother is 105 when she gave birth or married 12 years before she was born, they will add them.
- And if they do concede they are wrong, they’ll leave you to correct the mess they made – if you can.



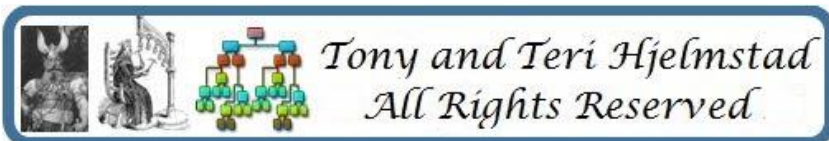
Use a “genealogy” site

- Methodology - GedCOMs
 - GedCOMS are a “standard notation” record of the people, relationships, sources, exhibits, and other data that have been entered into a genealogy program.
 - All of the sites listed above will read a GedCOM.
 - However ! ! ! Each has issues with how they handle sources and exhibits.



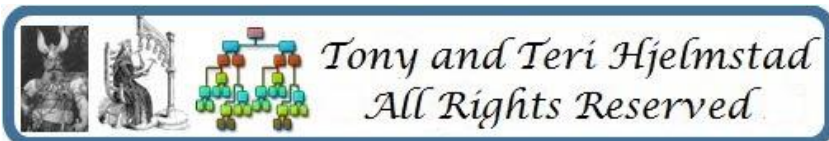
Use a “genealogy” site

- Methodology - GedCOMs
 - Ancestry and Family Search will not let you upload sources – you must select them from your records. Karen will talk about this next time.
 - Wikitree, MyHeritage – and Geni - will allow the sources, but not the exhibits. If you have an image of the birth record, it’s gone.
 - I’m not sure how Family Tree works for any of these – I don’t have an account.



Build your own web site

- Your own your web site
 - You control what people can see
 - you can allow others to change and can either require permission or trust specific users
 - Search engines can find all your pages so other researchers can find your information
 - Many auto-generate packages allow exhibits and sources to be included without extra work
 - Internet tools like Wayback can extend your website after you've quit paying
 - You must pay a fee to have the site



Build your own web site

- Again, there are several ways to create your own web site.
- They get more costly as the number of services increase.
- If you are using several different companies for the services – fees are due at different times and any missed payment can cause the site to go down.

Build your own web site

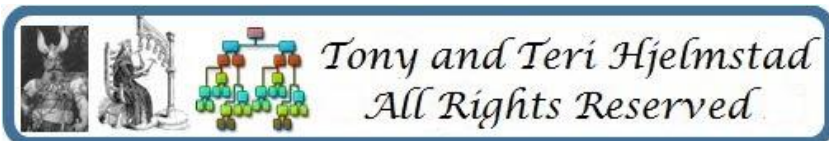
Requirements for your own web site

- You need a hosting site to hold the web pages
- You need a Domain name – a web address – or must use a shared address
- You need software of some type to convert the GedCOM to web pages – some hosting sites provide this OR you must enter all of your data
- If you use personal software and GedCOM, you must export your GedCOM and upload/publish it regularly



Build your own web site

- Some sites provide everything you need
- Others provide some of what you need
- Your experience with computers can guide you
- For example, FamilyWebHost provides a host site, domain name, software to run your site, and a way to upload GedCOMs and/or directly enter your data
- My site requires IONOS for the host site, a domain name I purchase, and WebTrees software which allows me to upload GedCOMs and/or directly enter my data



Why Build a Family Tree Website - Links

My Sites

Tony's Genealogy <https://Norsky.net/GedHjelmstad>
Teri's Genealogy <https://Norsky.net/GedReed>

Genealogy Sites

Family Search <https://www.familysearch.org/>
Ancestry <https://www.ancestry.com/>
FamilyTree <https://www.familytree.com/>
WikiTree <https://www.wikitree.com/>
MyHeritage <https://www.myheritage.com/>
Geni <https://www.geni.com/>

Some Various Hosting Services

Cyndi's List - GEDCOM Tools <https://www.cyndislist.com/gedcom/gedcom-to-web-page-conversion/>
FamilyWebHost <http://www.familywebhost.com/>
Family History Hosting <https://familyhistoryhosting.com/>
The Next Generation ("TNG") <https://lythgoes.net/genealogy/software.php>
GedSite <https://www.gedsite.com/en/index.htm>
WebTrees Web Software <https://www.webtrees.net/index.php/en/>
IONOS Hosting Provider <https://www.ionos.com/>



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